

## OUTLINE OF CLOSURE OPERATORS

- A finite meet semilattice with 1 is a lattice.
- A *complete lattice* is an ordered set in which every subset has a meet and join.
- A *complete meet semilattice* is an ordered set in which every subset has a meet.
- Every complete meet semilattice is a complete lattice.
- Closure operators
  - $x \leq \gamma(x)$
  - $x \leq y \Rightarrow \gamma(x) \leq \gamma(y)$
  - $\gamma(\gamma(x)) = \gamma(x)$
- Closure systems: subsets of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  closed under arbitrary intersections (more generally, complete meets)
- Closure rules: implications  $a \in S$  or  $B \subseteq S \Rightarrow c \in S$
- The lattice of closed sets is a complete lattice.
- Every complete lattice can be so represented.
- Random examples from implications
- Topological closure
- Order ideals of an ordered set:  $b \in I \Rightarrow a \in I$  over all pairs  $a \leq b$  in  $P$ .
- Subgroups of a group, or more generally, subalgebras of an algebra
- Normal subgroups, ideals of a ring.
- Algebraic closure operators: from finitary rules. See Chapter 3 of the notes.
- Subspaces of a vector space: rules  $\mathbf{0} \in S$  and  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in S \Rightarrow c\mathbf{x} + d\mathbf{y} \in S$
- Flats of a geometry rules  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in S \Rightarrow c\mathbf{x} + d\mathbf{y} \in S$  with  $c + d = 1$
- The exchange property:  $x \in \Gamma(\{y\} \cup Z)$  and  $x \notin \Gamma(Z) \Rightarrow y \in \Gamma(\{x\} \cup Z)$
- Example: span in a vector space, flats of a geometry
- The convex hull of a set of points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ : rules  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in S \Rightarrow c\mathbf{x} + d\mathbf{y} \in S$  with  $c + d = 1$  and  $c, d \geq 0$
- The anti-exchange property:  $\Gamma(Z) = Z$  and  $x \in \Gamma(\{y\} \cup Z)$  and  $x \notin \Gamma(Z) \Rightarrow y \notin \Gamma(\{x\} \cup Z)$
- Example: the convex hull operator

- Relative convex sets: restrict convex hull to fixed set  $T$
- Convex subsets of an ordered set:  $x, z \in S \Rightarrow y \in S$  for  $x < y < z$  in  $P$
- Galois connections: see Exercise 14 of Chapter 2.
- The MacNeille completion of an ordered set: apply the Galois connection closure to the relation  $\leq$  contained in  $P \times P$ .
- Computing the closure: apply the closure rules recursively
- Proving the closure is what it is: to show that  $\Gamma(S) = T$ , show that  $R \subseteq \Gamma(S)$  and that  $T$  is closed.
- Join as a closure operator on the nonzero join irreducibles of a finite lattice
- Bases for a finite lattice:
  - (1) All inclusions  $p \leq q$  and  $s \leq \bigvee T$
  - (2) Canonical direct basis:  $p \leq q$  and  $s \leq \bigvee T$  with  $T$  minimal w.r.t. set containment
  - (3) D-basis:  $p \leq q$  and  $s \leq \bigvee T$  with  $T$  minimal w.r.t. refinement
  - (4) GD basis
- The lattice of closure operators on a set