

What is a distributive lattice

A **lattice** is an algebra (A, \wedge, \vee) defined by the following equations for all $x, y, z \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} (x \vee y) \vee z &= x \vee (y \vee z) & (x \wedge y) \wedge z &= x \wedge (y \wedge z) \\ x \vee y &= y \vee x & x \wedge y &= y \wedge x \\ x \vee (x \wedge y) &= x & x \wedge (x \vee y) &= x \end{aligned}$$

It is **distributive** if $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$.

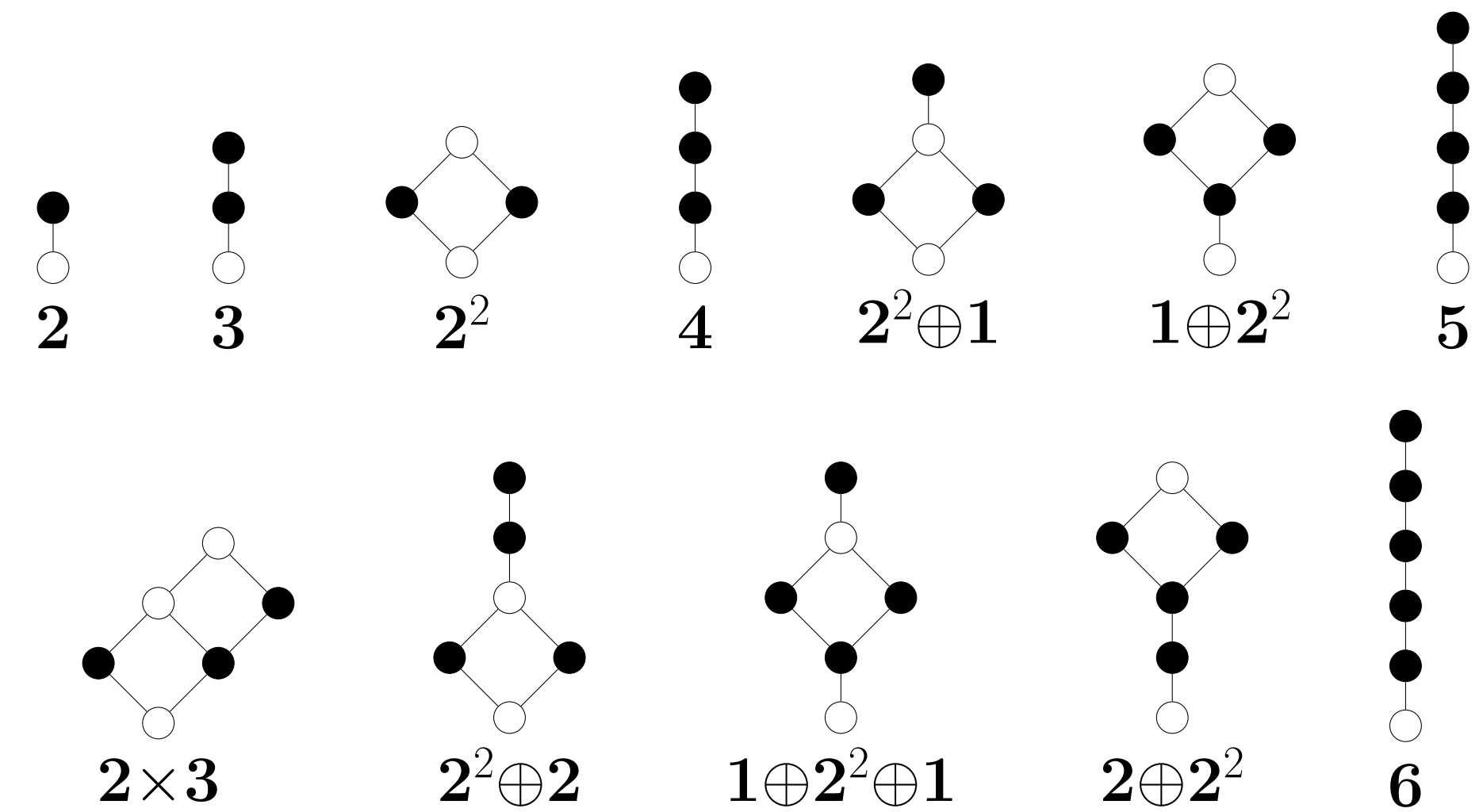


Figure 1: Distributive lattices of size 6 or less with join-irreducibles in black.

A lattice is **bounded** if it has a bottom and a top element.

In a lattice, x is a **complement** of y if $x \wedge y$ is the bottom element and $x \vee y$ is the top element.

A bounded distributive lattice is **Boolean** if every element has a complement.

A lattice is **complete** if $\wedge S$ and $\vee S$ exist for all $S \subseteq A$.

Join-irreducibles and partial orders

x is **completely join-irreducible** if $x = \vee S \implies x \in S$.

Let $J(A)$ denote the set of completely join-irreducibles of A .

If A is a Boolean lattice, then $J(A) = At(A)$ which is the set of all elements immediately above the bottom element.

A lattice is **perfect** if every element is a join of completely join-irreducibles and a meet of completely meet-irreducibles.

(W, \leq) is a **partially-ordered set** if for all $x, y, z \in W$: $x \leq x$ (reflexivity), $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$ implies $y = x$ (antisymmetric), $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$ implies $x \leq z$ (transitivity).

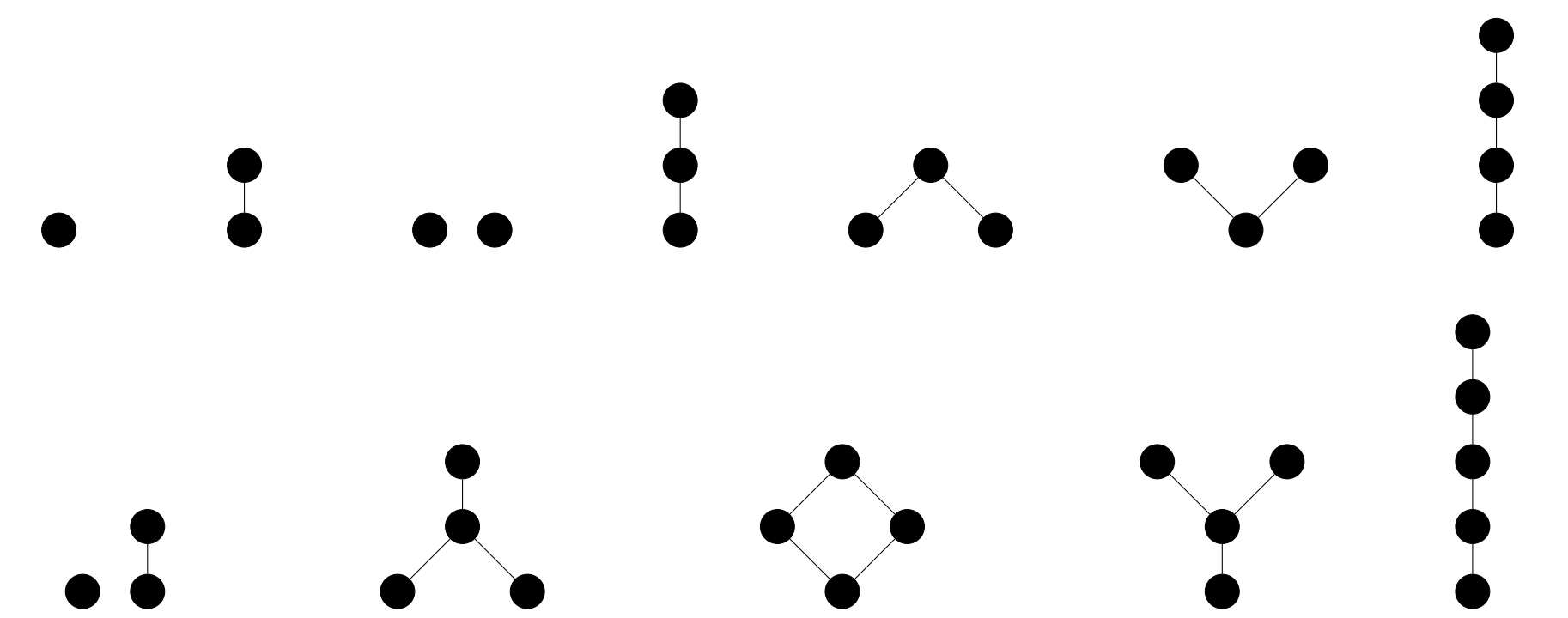


Figure 2: Partially ordered sets of join-irreducibles.

A **downset** is a subset X such that $y \leq x \in X$ implies $y \in X$. Let $D(W, \leq)$ be the set of all downsets.

The **lattice of downsets** is $(D(W, \leq), \cap, \cup)$.

Theorem 1. A distributive lattice A is complete and perfect if and only if it is isomorphic to the lattice of downsets of a partial order.

Outline

A **lattice-ordered magma** (ℓ -magma for short) $(A, \wedge, \vee, 0, \cdot)$ is a lattice with 0 and a binary operation \cdot such that $x0 = 0 = 0x$, $x(y \vee z) = xy \vee xz$, $(x \vee y)z = xz \vee yz$, and $x \vee 0 = x$ hold for all $x, y, z \in A$.

A **distributive idempotent ℓ -magma** (or $d\ell$ -magma) is an ℓ -magma A that satisfies $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$ and $xx = x$. Let $J(A)$ be the set of completely join-irreducible elements of A , and define the property of **weakly conservative** as

$$xy = x \wedge y \text{ or } xy = x \text{ or } xy = y \text{ or } xy = x \vee y$$

for all $x, y \in J(A)$.

We show that every complete perfect weakly conservative $d\ell$ -magma A is determined by two binary relations on the partially-ordered set $J(A)$. If two binary relations coincide and satisfy preorder forest axioms then we obtain $d\ell$ -semilattices.

From these results we obtain efficient algorithms to construct all weakly conservative $d\ell$ -magmas and $d\ell$ -semilattices of size n .

What is a lattice-ordered magma

A **lattice-ordered magma** (ℓ -magma for short) $(A, \wedge, \vee, \cdot, 0)$ is a lattice with a binary operation \cdot and 0 such that for all $x, y, z \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} x0 &= 0 & x(y \vee z) &= xy \vee xz \\ 0x &= 0 & (x \vee y)z &= xz \vee yz \\ x \vee 0 &= x \end{aligned}$$

An ℓ -magma is **associative** if for all x, y, z , $(xy)z = x(yz)$, and **commutative** if $xy = yx$.

An ℓ -magma is **idempotent** if $xx = x$.

This is equivalent to $x \wedge y \leq xy \leq x \vee y$.

An ℓ -**semilattice** is an ℓ -magma that is associative, commutative and idempotent.

Birkhoff frames

Let A be a distributive complete perfect ℓ -magma. Then define $(J(A), \leq, R)$ to be the **Birkhoff frame** of A where the ternary relation R is given by $R(x, y, z) \iff x \leq yz$.

From the definition of ℓ -magma, \cdot is order preserving, R is **down-up-up-closed**, which means that for x, x', y, y', z, z'

$$R(x, y, z) \ \& \ x' \leq x \ \& \ y \leq y' \ \& \ z \leq z' \implies R(x', y', z')$$

More generally, define a Birkhoff frame (W, \leq, R) , where (W, \leq) is a poset and $R \subseteq W^3$ is down-up-up-closed.

For a Birkhoff frame \mathbf{W} define the **downset algebra** $D(\mathbf{W}) = (D(W, \leq), \cap, \cup, \cdot, \emptyset)$, where for $Y, Z \in D(W, \leq)$

$$Y \cdot Z = \{x \in W \mid R(x, y, z) \text{ for some } y \in Y \text{ and } z \in Z\}.$$

Note that $Y \cdot Z$ is a downset by the down-up-up property of R .

Theorem 2. Let \mathbf{W} be a Birkhoff frame. Then

- $D(\mathbf{W})$ is a distributive complete perfect ℓ -magma.
- $D(\mathbf{W})$ is associative if and only if $\exists u(R(u, x, y) \ \& \ R(w, u, z)) \iff \exists v(R(v, y, z) \ \& \ R(w, x, v))$.
- $D(\mathbf{W})$ is commutative if and only if $R(x, y, z) \iff R(x, z, y)$.
- $D(\mathbf{W})$ is idempotent if and only if for all $x, y, z \in W$, $R(x, x, x)$, and $(R(x, y, z) \implies x \leq y \text{ or } x \leq z)$.

Weakly conservative

A binary operation is **conservative** if it satisfies for all $x, y \in A$

$$xy = x \text{ or } xy = y.$$

A perfect ℓ -magma is called **weakly conservative** if it satisfies the universal formula for all $x, y \in J(A)$

$$xy = x \wedge y \text{ or } xy = x \text{ or } xy = y \text{ or } xy = x \vee y.$$

A Birkhoff frame (W, \leq, R) is **weakly conservative**, if for all $x, y, z \in W$, $x \leq y \implies R(x, x, y) \ \& \ R(x, y, x)$ and $R(x, y, z) \iff x \leq y \ \& \ x \leq z \text{ or } x \leq y \ \& \ R(y, y, z) \text{ or } x \leq z \ \& \ R(z, y, z)$.

Theorem 3. A Birkhoff frame \mathbf{W} is weakly conservative if and only if $D(\mathbf{W})$ is weakly conservative.

PQ-frames

(W, \leq, P, Q) is a **PQ-frame** if

- (W, \leq) is a poset.
- $P(x, y) \ \& \ x \leq u \ \& \ x \not\leq v \ \& \ y \leq v \implies P(u, v)$
- $Q(x, y) \ \& \ x \leq u \ \& \ x \not\leq v \ \& \ y \leq v \implies Q(u, v)$
- $x \leq y \implies P(x, y) \ \& \ Q(x, y)$

Theorem 4. Let (W, \leq, P, Q) be a PQ-frame, and define $R(x, y, z) \iff$

$$x \leq y \ \& \ x \leq z \text{ or } x \leq y \ \& \ Q(y, z) \text{ or } x \leq z \ \& \ P(z, y).$$

Then (W, \leq, R) is a weakly conservative Birkhoff frame.

Theorem 5. Let (W, \leq, R) be a weakly conservative Birkhoff frame and define

$$P(x, y) \iff R(x, y, x) \text{ and } Q(x, y) \iff R(x, x, y).$$

Then (W, \leq, P, Q) is a PQ-frame.

P-frames

A **P-frame** is a PQ-frame where $P = Q$.

P is **transitive** if $P(x, y) \ \& \ P(y, z) \implies P(x, z)$.

A P-frame is a **preorder forest** if it is transitive and $P(x, y) \ \& \ P(x, z) \implies P(y, z) \text{ or } P(z, y)$.

Theorem. Let (W, \leq, P) be a P-frame and define

$$R(x, y, z) \iff x \leq y, z \text{ or } x \leq y \ \& \ P(y, z) \text{ or } x \leq z \ \& \ P(z, y).$$

If P is a preorder forest, then

$$\exists u(R(u, x, y) \ \& \ R(w, u, z)) \iff \exists v(R(v, y, z) \ \& \ R(w, x, v)).$$

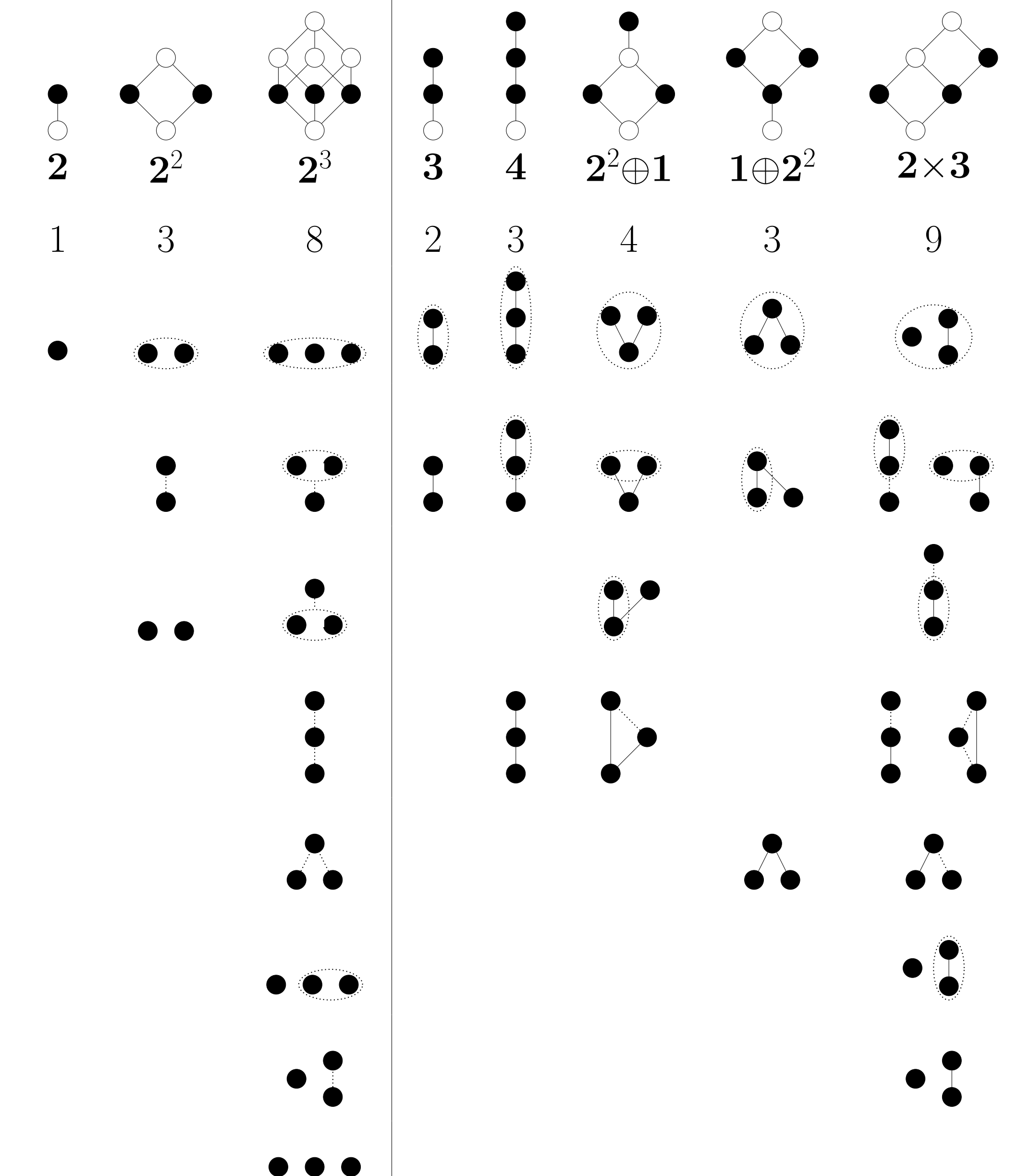
Conclusion

The point of the previous result is that it allows the construction of complete distributive perfect ℓ -semilattices from preorder forests that contain a partial order.

# of elements $n =$	1	2	3	4	5	6
# of preorder forests	1	3	8	24	71	229
# of preorder forest P-frames	1	5	27	182		

If a complete distributive perfect ℓ -semilattice has an identity element then it corresponds to a commutative distributive idempotent residuated lattice.

All 33 preorder forest P-frames (W, \leq, P) with up to 3 join-irreducibles. Solid lines are the poset (W, \leq) , and dotted lines indicate the additional edges of the preorder P . On the left are the antichain preorder forests from [1].



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