

# On the tolerance lattice of tolerance factors Part I

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# Tolerances

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All tolerances and all congruences of a lattice  $L$  form algebraic lattices with respect to  $\subseteq$  denoted by  $\text{Tol}(L)$  and  $\text{Con}(L)$ , respectively.  $\text{Con}(L)$  is not a sublattice of  $\text{Tol}(L)$ , in general. (The meet operations are the same in both lattices, however the joins can be different.)

## Factor lattices

A block of a tolerance  $T \in \text{Tol}(L)$  is such a maximal subset  $B$  of  $L$  that  $B^2 \subseteq T$ . Blocks are convex sublattices of  $L$  and it was shown by G. Czédli that they form a lattice (denoted by  $L/T$ ) called the factor lattice of  $L$  modulo  $T$ .

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In this talk we formulate analogous results for factor lattices modulo tolerances.

## Finite case

Since now on, all lattices are assumed to be finite.

In that case blocks of tolerances are intervals. Thus, if  $\alpha$  is a block of  $T \in \text{Tol}(L)$ , then we use the notation  $\alpha = [0_\alpha, 1_\alpha]$ .

## Some properties of zeroes and units of blocks of tolerances

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$[a_T, (a_T)^T]$  and  $[(a^T)_T, a^T]$  are blocks of  $T$  for any  $a \in L$  and every block of  $T$  is of that form.

In other words, for any  $\alpha \in L/T$  there are  $b, c \in L$  such that  $0_\alpha = b_T$  and  $1_\alpha = c^T$ .

## Definition

Let  $L$  be a lattice,  $T \in \text{Tol}(L)$  and  $\Theta \in \text{Tol}(L/T)$ .

We define a relation  $T^\Theta$  on the lattice  $L$  in the following way:

$$(a, b) \in T^\Theta \iff \text{there are } \alpha, \beta \in L/T \text{ such that} \\ a \in \alpha, b \in \beta \text{ and } (\alpha, \beta) \in \Theta.$$

## $T^\Theta$ is a tolerance

### Proposition

For any  $T \in \text{Tol}(L)$  and  $\Theta \in \text{Tol}(L/T)$

- (i)  $T^\Theta$  is a tolerance on  $L$ ,
- (ii)  $T \leq T^\Theta$ ,
- (iii) the mapping  $\phi_T: \text{Tol}(L/T) \rightarrow [T]$  given by  $\phi(\Theta) = T^\Theta$  is order-preserving.

We are going to call the relation  $T^\Theta$  a *tolerance induced* on  $[T]$  by  $\Theta$ .

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### Corollary

All blocks of  $T^\Theta$  for  $T \in \text{Tol}(L)$  and  $\Theta \in \text{Tol}(L/T)$  are of the form  $[0_{\alpha_1}, 1_{\alpha_2}]$ , where  $[\alpha_1, \alpha_2]$  is a block of  $\Theta$ .



## A new order on $\text{Tol}(L)$

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### Proposition

For any lattice  $L$

- (i)  $\sqsubseteq$  is a partial order on  $\text{Tol}(L)$ .
- (ii) If  $T \in \text{Tol}(L), S \in \text{Con}(L)$  and  $T \leq S$ , then  $T \sqsubseteq S$ .

## The factor relation

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### Proposition

Let  $T, S \in \text{Tol}(L)$ . If  $T \sqsubseteq S$ , then the factor relation  $S/T$  is a tolerance on  $L/T$ . Moreover,  $T^{S/T} = S$ .

## Some characterization of the relation $\sqsubseteq$

### Proposition

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- (i)  $T \sqsubseteq S$ .
- (ii) For every  $a \in L$

$$((a_S)^T)_T = a_S \text{ and } ((a^S)_T)^T = a^S.$$

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Let  $T, S \in \text{Tol}(L)$  and  $T \leq S$ . Then  $T \sqsubseteq S$  if and only if for any  $a \in L$  there are  $b, c \in L$  such that  $a_S = b_T$  and  $a^S = c^T$ .

In other words, a tolerance  $T$  fits into  $S$  if and only if the zero of any block of  $S$  coincides with the zero of some block of  $T$  and the same applies to units.

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### Lemma

Let  $T, S \in \text{Tol}(L)$  and  $T \sqsubseteq S$ . Then all blocks of the factor tolerance  $S/T$  are of the form

$$\chi_\alpha = \{\beta \in L/T : \beta \subseteq \alpha\}, \quad \text{for } \alpha \in L/T.$$



## The second isomorphism theorem

### Theorem

For any  $T, S \in \text{Tol}(L)$  such that  $T \sqsubseteq S$

$$(L/T)/(S/T) \cong L/S.$$

## The relations defined before are strictly connected

Let  $T \in \text{Tol}(L)$ . Now, we can see the connection between the relation induced on  $[T]$  by  $\Theta \in \text{Tol}(L/T)$  and the factor tolerance.

### Theorem

Let  $T \in \text{Tol}(L)$ ,  $\Theta \in \text{Tol}(L/T)$ . Then

- (i)  $T \sqsubseteq T^\Theta$ ;
- (ii) all blocks of  $T^\Theta$  are of the form  $\alpha_\chi = \bigcup\{\beta : \beta \in \chi\}$ , where  $\chi$  is a block of  $\Theta$ ;
- (iii)  $T^\Theta/T = \Theta$ ;
- (iv)  $L/T^\Theta \cong (L/T)/\Theta$ .