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Summary: Wille’s formal concept analysis, Hardegree’s treatment of natural kinds, and Birkhoff’s mathematical theory of polarities provide essentially equivalent tools for the analysis of a static system functioning at a single level. We now show how a number of categorical notions allow these tools to be extended to cover the analysis of complex systems involving multiple hierarchical levels indexed by a semilattice, including the case where a chain represents a time series governing the evolution of a single system. A semilattice is a poset category with finite products or coproducts. Our analysis then rests on functors from a semilattice to the category of complete lattice homomorphisms, or from a semilattice to a category of polarities and bonding relations.

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MSC:

- [06B23](#) Complete lattices, completions
- [06B75](#) Generalizations of lattices
- [06A15](#) Galois correspondences, closure operators (in relation to ordered sets)
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