

Hint on Problem #1

Lets look at the first part. Let Φ be the set of all pairs of integers $\langle a, b \rangle$ such that $a - b = n(c - d)$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. You must show that $\Phi = \Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(a, b)$, i.e., Φ is the smallest congruence α on \mathbf{A} such that $a \alpha b$. First verify by calculation that Φ is a congruence, i.e., an equivalence relation with the substitution property. For example, lets verify it has the substitution property wrt the operation $+$. I.e, if $a_1 \Phi b_1$ and $a_2 \Phi b_2$, then $(a_1 + a_2) \Phi (a_1 + b_2)$. So assume $a_1 - b_1 = n_1(c - d)$ and $a_2 - b_2 = n_2(c - d)$. Then $(a_1 + a_2) - (b_1 + b_2) = (a_1 - b_1) + (a_2 - b_2) = (n_1 + n_2)(c - d)$. Clearly, $c \Phi d$. This shows that $\Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d) \subseteq \Phi$. To show the inclusion in the other direction we must show that if $a \Phi b$, then $a \Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d) b$. Suppose $a - b = n(c - d)$. Then $a = b + n(c - d)$. Since $c \Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d) d$ and $d \Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d) d$ because $\Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d)$ is an equivalence relation, we have by the substitution property that $(c - d) \Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d) (d - d) = 0$. So again by the substitution property, $a = (b + n(c - d)) \Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d) (b + n(0)) = b$. So $\Phi \subseteq \Theta_{\mathbf{A}}(c, d)$.

Use the same method in part (b). Define a binary relation Φ on the lattice by the given condition. Prove it is a congruence that relates c and d and then prove it is included in $\Theta_{\mathbf{L}}(c, d)$