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We consider the following general problem:

given a countable group  $\Gamma$  determine all its lattice envelopes, that is all locally compact second countable groups  $G$  that admit a lattice embedding  $\Gamma < G$ .

We describe the solution to this problem for a wide class of groups  $\Gamma$ . (Received September 07, 2010)