

Topological spaces, limit spaces and continuous lattices.

(TOP, LIM, CL will denote the respective categories).

Recall the injection  $L: TOP \rightarrow LIM$  with its left adjoint  $T: LIM \rightarrow TOP$ . It is easy to show that LIM is cartesian closed.

An object  $Y$  of TOP (or any other category) has function spaces iff the functor  $(-\times Y)$  has a right adjoint  $[Y, -]$  (i.e. for all  $X, Z$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(X \times Y, Z) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(X, [Y, Z])$  in the natural way).

We also have the notion  $[Y, Z]$  is a function space iff  $[Y, Z]$  is the set of continuous maps from  $Y$  to  $Z$  so topologized that for all  $X$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(X \times Y, Z) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(X, [Y, Z])$  naturally. (This  $[Y, Z]$  exists as function space iff the (contravariant) functor  $\text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(- \times Y, Z)$  is "(co)-representable").

Theorem 1.  $L$  preserves what function spaces there are in TOP.

Proof:- Take  $A, B$  in TOP,  $X$  in LIM, and let  $[A, B]$  be a function space.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \text{Mor}_{\text{LIM}}(X, L([A, B])) &\cong \text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(TX, [A, B]) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(TX \times A, B) \\ &\cong \text{Mor}_{\text{LIM}}(L(TX \times A), LB) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{LIM}}(LTX, [LA, LB]). \end{aligned}$$

The identity (underlying set) map,  $\text{id}: L([A, B]) \rightarrow [LA, LB]$  is clearly continuous (it comes from ev:  $[A, B] \times A \rightarrow B$ ).

So suppose  $\text{id}: [LA, LB] \rightarrow L([A, B])$  is not continuous: then there is a converging filter  $\Phi$  in  $[LA, LB]$  which does not converge in  $L([A, B])$  i.e.  $\Phi \downarrow x$  but  $\Phi \not\ni N_x$ , i.e. there is  $U$  open  $x \in U$  such that  $U \notin \Phi$ .

for each  $W \in \Phi$ , pick  $x_W \in W \setminus U$ . Consider  $\{x_W | W \in \Phi\} \cup \{x\}$  with topology discrete on all but  $x$  and with for any  $W \in \Phi$   $\{x_V | V \subseteq W \& V \in \Phi\} \cup \{x\}$  open. The obvious embedding is continuous with respect to  $[LA, LB]$ , but not with respect to  $L([A, B])$ . But for topological  $C$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{\text{LIM}}(LC, L([A, B])) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{LIM}}(LC, [LA, LB])$  by above, which is a contradiction. Thus  $\text{id}: [LA, LB] \rightarrow L([A, B])$  is continuous so  $L$  preserves function spaces  $\blacksquare$ .

Remark Theorem 1 has another less concrete proof based on identifying LIM as the category obtained from the category of sheaves on TOP by the application of a certain sheafification.

A po-set  $\langle P, \leq \rangle$  may be topologized by taking as open sets those  $O \subseteq P$  such that (i)  $p \geq g, g \in O \Rightarrow p \in O$ , and (ii) if  $S$  is directed in  $P$  and  $\vee S$  exists and is in  $O$ , then some element of  $S$  is in  $O$ . We refer to this topology as the Scott topology.

Define  $x \leq y$  iff  $y$  is in the Scott interior of  $\{z \mid x \leq z\}$ . A continuous lattice is a complete lattice  $\langle D, \leq \rangle$  such that for all  $y \in D$ ,  $y = \vee \{x \mid x \leq y\}$ . We shall refer to the corresponding topological spaces as continuous lattices (the better word would be injective To-spaces).

Theorem 2 Let  $X \in \text{TOP}$  and  $D \in \text{CL}$ ; then  $T([X, D]_{\text{lim}})$  is the obvious lattice  $[X, D]$  with the Scott topology.

Proof:- The lattice  $[X, D]$  has  $f \leq g$  iff  $(\forall x \in X)(f(x) \leq g(x))$ . Trivial facts about continuous lattices show this is a complete lattice.

Suppose  $H$  is open in the induced topology on  $[X, D]_{\text{lim}}$ . To show that  $H$  is Scott open, let  $f = \vee g_x \in H$ ; we wish to show some finite  $g_1, \vee \dots \vee g_m \in H$ . But consider the filter  $\Theta$  generated by  $\{g \mid g \geq g_x\}$ ; we claim that this converges to  $f$ . For take  $x \in X$  and  $\forall V \ni f(x)$ ;  $\forall g_x(x) \in V$  so some  $g_1, \vee \dots \vee g_m(x) = \bar{g}(x) \in V$ ;  $\{g \mid g \geq \bar{g}\} \in \Theta$  & so  $[\bar{g}^{-1}(V), V] \in \Theta$  thus some neighbourhood of  $x$  is mapped inside  $V$  by  $\Theta$  & this shows that  $\Theta$  converges to  $f$ . But now  $H \in \Theta$ , so there is  $g_1, \vee \dots \vee g_m = g'$  such that  $\{g \mid g \geq g'\} \subseteq H$ , so  $g' \in H$ ; which is what was required to show  $H$  Scott open.

Suppose now that  $H$  is Scott open. Take  $\Theta \downarrow f \in H$ . Now  $\Theta \downarrow f$  iff  $(\forall x \in X)(\forall V \ni f(x)) \{ \exists [U_{x,v} \subseteq X \text{ nbd of } x] \{ [U_{x,v}, V] \in \Theta \} : \text{and since } \{ \text{int}(\{d' \mid d' \geq d\}) \}_{d \in D} \text{ is a basis for the Scott topology, } \}$

$\Theta \downarrow f$  iff  $(\forall x)(\forall d \in f(x)) (\exists [U_{x,d} \text{ nbd of } x]) \{ [U_{x,d}, V_d] \in \Theta \}$ . In this situation, let  $g_{x,d} = \bigwedge [U_{x,d}, V_d]$  and observe that if  $y \in U_{x,d}$ ,  $g_{x,d}(y) \geq d$ . Since  $D$  is continuous lattice  $f(x) = \vee \{d \mid d \leq f(x)\}$ ; so  $f \leq \vee \{g_{x,d} \mid x \in X \text{ & } d \leq f(x)\}$ . Since  $H$  is Scott open there are  $g_{x,d_1}, \vee \dots \vee g_{x,d_n} = \bar{g} \in H$  so  $\{g \mid g \geq \bar{g}\} \subseteq H$ . But  $\{g \mid g \geq \bar{g}\} \supseteq [U_{x,d_1}, V_{d_1}] \times \dots \times [U_{x,d_n}, V_{d_n}] \in \Theta$ . Hence  $H \in \Theta$ . This is what was required to show that  $H$  is open in the induced topology on  $[X, D]_{\text{lim}}$ .

Let  $\mathbb{O}$  be the two-point Sierpiński space. Then  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$  is a complete lattice (Heyting algebra) of open sets of  $\mathbb{O}$ .

Corollary 3 (a) If  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$  is a function space it has the Scott topology.

(b) If  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$  has the Scott topology, then for any  $Y$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(X \times Y, \mathbb{O}) \xrightarrow{\cong} (\text{naturally included in}) \text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(Y, [X, \mathbb{O}])$ .

Proof: - ad (a), if  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$  is a function space it is  $\text{TL}([X, \mathbb{O}])$  by Thm 1 which is Scott topology on  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$  by Thm 2.  
ad (b)  $\text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(X \times Y, \mathbb{O}) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{lim}}(LX \times LY, L\mathbb{O}) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{lim}}(LX, [LX, L\mathbb{O}]) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(Y, T(LX, L\mathbb{O}))$   
Scott topology.

Proposition 4. If  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$  is a continuous lattice it is a function space.

Proof: - In view of Corol 3(b), it suffices to take continuous  $f: Y \rightarrow [X, \mathbb{O}]$  and show  $\{(x, y) \mid x \in f(y)\}$  is open in  $X \times Y$ .

Let  $x \in f(y)$ ;  $f(y) = \bigvee \{U \mid U \leq f(y)\}$  so there is  $U \leq f(y)$  with  $x \in U$ ; but then  $(x, y) \in U \times f^{-1}(\text{Int}\{V \mid V \geq U\})$  which is included in  $\{(a, b) \mid a \in f(b)\}$ .

Proposition 5. If  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$  is a function space, then  $X$  has function spaces.

Proof: - Topologize  $[X, \mathbb{Z}]$  with coarsest topology such that all  $[X, \mathbb{Z}] \xrightarrow{f_!, V} [X, \mathbb{O}]$ ;  $f \rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$  are continuous. Here hands shows this works, but more miffly,  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a limit of  $\mathbb{O}$ 's (and of the 2 point space with trivial topology which we forget) and we have made  $[X, \mathbb{Z}]$  be same limit of  $[X, \mathbb{O}]$ 's which it must be if  $[X, -]$  to be right adjoint. For any  $Y$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{\text{TOP}}(Y, -): \text{TOP} \rightarrow \text{SETS}$  is a right adjoint. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mor}(Y, [X, \mathbb{Z}]) &\cong \text{Mor}(Y, \varprojlim [X, \mathbb{O}]) \cong \varprojlim \text{Mor}(Y, [X, \mathbb{O}]) \\ &\cong \varprojlim \text{Mor}(X \times Y, \mathbb{O}) \cong \text{Mor}(X \times Y, \varprojlim \mathbb{O}) \cong \text{Mor}(X \times Y, \mathbb{Z}). \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 6. If  $\text{ev}: [X, \emptyset]_{\text{Scott top}} \times X \rightarrow \emptyset$  is continuous, then  $[X, \emptyset]$  is a continuous lattice.

Proof:- Take  $U \in [X, \emptyset]$ . For any  $x \in U$   $\text{ev}(u, x) = T$ , so there is open  $W \subseteq [X, \emptyset]$ ,  $V \subseteq X$  with  $(u, x) \in W \times V$  and  $(WV \in U)$  ( $V \subseteq W$ ). Then  $U \vee V \ni x$ . Since  $x$  was arbitrary, this shows that  $U = \bigcup \{V \mid V \leq U\}$ , and so  $[X, \emptyset]$  is in CL.

Theorem 7. The following are equivalent:

- 1)  $[X, \emptyset]$  is a continuous lattice,
- 2)  $[X, \emptyset]$  can be topologized to be a function space,
- 3)  $[X, \emptyset]_{\text{Scott top.}}$  is a function space,
- 4)  $X$  has function spaces.

Proof! - 1)  $\rightarrow$  3) by Prop. 4; 3)  $\Rightarrow$  4) by Prop 5;  
 4)  $\Rightarrow$  1) by Prop. 6; 3)  $\Rightarrow$  2) trivial; 2)  $\Rightarrow$  3) by Corol 3(a).

A space is properly locally compact iff each point has a "fundamental system of compact neighbourhoods" (i.e. the compact neighbourhoods form a filter base generating the neighbourhood filter). [Note that if a space is Hausdorff or regular, it is properly locally compact iff it is locally compact].

Proposition 8. If  $X$  is properly locally compact, then  $[X, \emptyset]$  is a continuous lattice. (and so  $X$  has function spaces by Thm 7).

Proof:- Let  $U$  be open in  $X$ ,  $x \in U$ . Then  $x$  has compact neighbourhood  $C_x \subseteq U$ . Since  $\{U' \mid U' \supseteq C_x\}$  is Scott open, but  $C_x \leq U$ . Thus  $U = \bigcup \{V \mid V \leq U\}$  and  $[X, \emptyset]$  is in CL.

Corollary 9. CL is cartesian closed, and L preserves its cartesian closed structure.

Proof:- If a subcategory is closed under the product and function space of a cartesian closed category, it is cartesian closed. So by Theorems 1, 2, 7 it suffices to show  $[\mathcal{D}, \emptyset]$  in CL whenever  $\mathcal{D}$  in CL. But for  $d \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $\{\{e'\} \mid e' \supseteq e\} \mid e \leq d\}$  is a fundamental system of compact neighbourhoods at  $d$ , so this follows by Prop. 8.

Proposition 10. If  $X$  is properly locally compact, then its (guaranteed by Prop. 8) function spaces carry the compact-open topology.

Proof:- We first show this for  $[X, \Omega]$ . Let  $W \in \omega$  open in  $[X, \Omega]$ . By the argument of Prop. 8,

$$W = \bigcup \{ \text{Int } C \mid C \text{ compact, } C \subseteq W \}.$$

Hence there is compact  $C \subseteq W$  with  $\text{Int } C \in W$ . Thus  $W = \bigcup \{ \{V \mid V \supseteq C\} \mid C \text{ compact and } \text{Int } C \in W \}$ . On the other hand any  $\{V \mid V \supseteq C\}$  is open. Thus  $[X, \Omega]$  carries the compact-open topology.

Now that  $[X, \mathbb{Z}]$  carries the compact-open topology follows by the characterization of that topology in the proof of Prop. 5.

Corollary 11. Locally compact Hausdorff spaces have function spaces carrying the compact-open topology.

Proposition 12. If  $X$  is Hausdorff, but not locally compact, then  $[X, \Omega]_{\text{lim}}$  is not topological.

Proof:- In  $[X, \Omega]_{\text{lim}}$ , consider  $t : X \rightarrow \{\top\}$ . Let  $\Theta \downarrow t$ . Let  $x \in X$  be a point with no compact neighbourhood. Now there exist  $W \in \Theta$  and open  $U \ni x$  such that  $W(U) = \{\top\}$ . Let  $\{U_\alpha\}$  be a cover of  $c\ell(U)$  with no finite subcover.

Let  $\Theta^*$  be the filter generated by the  $[V, \{\top\}] = \{f \mid f(V) = \{\top\}\}$ , where either  $V \cap c\ell(U) = \emptyset$  and  $[V, \{\top\}] \in \Theta$ , or  $V \subseteq U_\alpha$  some  $\alpha$  and  $[V, \{\top\}] \in \Theta$ .

Then it is easy to see, (i) that  $\Theta^* \downarrow t$

(ii)  $[U, \{\top\}] \notin \Theta^*$

Thus there is no minimal filter converging to  $t$ , and so  $[X, \Omega]$  is not topological.

Corollary 13. If  $X$  is Hausdorff, the conditions of Theorem 7 are equivalent to " $X$  is locally compact".

Proof:- via Corollary 11, Proposition 12 and Theorem 1.

Remark The form of argument embodied in Prop. 12 can be used to show other results such as the (classical) "If  $X$  is completely regular but not locally compact then no topological function space  $[X, I]$  exists" ( $I$  is  $[0, 1]$ ).