

SEMINAR ON CONTINUITY IN SEMILATTICES(SCS)

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TOPIC Locally quasicompact sober spaces are Baire spaces

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 Lawmann II (" " " , The spectral theory of continuous lattices, on the referee's table

LEMMA 1. Let L be a continuous lattice and V a Scott-open subset such that for some sequence $a_0 > a_1 > a_2 > \dots$ one has

(HYP) $\forall a_n \in V$ for $n=0,1,\dots$

Then for all $v \in V$ there is an open filter $U \subseteq V$ such that $va_n \in U, n=0,1,\dots$

(Remark. For the applications in this memo, $v=1$ would suffice.)

Proof. Let $v \in V$ be given and set $b_0 = 1$. Suppose that we found elements $b_k, k=0,\dots,n$ such that

- (i) $vb_k \in V$ for $k = 0, \dots, n$,
- (ii) $b_k \ll va_{k-1} b_{k-1}$ for $k=1, \dots, n$.

(For $n=0$, nothing is assumed in lieu of (ii)). We construct b_{n+1} :
 By (i) we have $vb_n \in V$, hence by (HYP) we have (1) $va_n b_n \in V$. Let D denote the directed set $\downarrow va_n b_n$. Then (2) $\sup D = va_n b_n$ since L is continuous. In particular, L is meet-continuous, and thus $\sup vD = v \sup D = v^2 a_n b_n = va_n b_n \in V$ by (2) and (1). As V is Scott-open, $vD \cap V \neq \emptyset$, i.e. there is a $b_{n+1} \in D$ with (3) $vb_{n+1} \in V$ and $b_{n+1} \in \downarrow va_n b_n$, i.e. (4) $b_{n+1} \ll va_n b_n$. Then (3) and (4) make (i) and (ii) valid with $n+1$ in place of n . By induction we thus have (i) and (ii) for all $k=0,1,\dots$ (resp., $k=1,2,\dots$). Then (ii) implies $b_{n+1} \ll va_n b_n \leq b_n$, hence (5) $b_{n+1} \ll b_n$ for all n . By (i) we note $b_k \geq vb_k \in V$, whence (6) $\uparrow b_n \in V$ for all n . By (ii) we note $va_n \geq va_n b_n \geq b_{n+1} \in V$, whence (7) $va_n \in \uparrow b_{n+1}$ for all n . Now set $U = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \uparrow b_n$. Then U is a filter as an ascending union of filters. By (5) it is an open filter, and by (6) $U \subseteq V$. But (7) shows $va_n \in U$ for all n . \square

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 Wähle $c_1 \in V$, $c_1 \ll b_1$
 Dann $c_1 \wedge a_2 \in V$ nach (HYP)
 Wähle $c_2 \in V$, $c_2 \ll c_1 \wedge a_2$
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LEMMA 2. Let L be a continuous lattice and $A \subseteq L$ a countable set such that $a \in A, x \neq 0$ implies $xa \neq 0$. Then $\text{IRR } L \subseteq \uparrow xA$ implies $x = 0$.

Proof. Fix $x \neq 0$ and write $A = \{x_0, x_1, \dots\}$ and set $a_n = x_0 \dots x_n$.

Then $xa_n \neq 0$ for all n (by induction). Apply Lemma 1 with $V = L \setminus \{0\}$, $v = x$, and find an open filter U such that $0 \notin U, xa_n \in U$ for all n .

Now let p be a maximal element in $L \setminus U$. By Lawmann I, $p \in \text{IRR } L$. BUT

$$p \in L \setminus U \subseteq L \setminus \bigcup \uparrow xa_n \subseteq L \setminus \bigcup \uparrow xx_n = L \setminus \uparrow xA. \square$$

LEMMA 3. Let L be a continuous lattice and $A \subseteq L$. Then the following are equivalent: (1) $\uparrow A \cap \text{Spec } L$ is nowhere dense in $\text{Spec } L$.

(2) $\text{Spec } L \not\subseteq \uparrow x \cup \uparrow A$ for all x with $\text{Spec } L \not\subseteq \uparrow x$.

(3) $\text{Spec } L \not\subseteq \uparrow xA$ for all x with $\text{Spec } L \not\subseteq \uparrow x$.

If L is also distributive and $A = \{a\}$, then these are also equivalent to (4) $0 \neq xa$, for all $x \neq 0$.

Proof. Write $X = \text{Spec } L$. Then $\uparrow A \cap X$ is nowhere dense in X iff every non-empty open set in X meets the complement $X \setminus \uparrow A$, and since the closed sets of X are precisely the sets $\uparrow x \cap X$, this is equivalent to saying that for all x with $X \setminus \uparrow x \neq \emptyset$ we have $\emptyset \neq (X \setminus \uparrow x) \cap (X \setminus \uparrow A) =$

$X \setminus (\uparrow x \cup \uparrow A)$, which shows the equivalence of (1) and (2). But

$p \in X \setminus (\uparrow x \cup \uparrow A)$ iff $x \not\leq p$ and $a \not\leq p$ for all $a \in A$ iff $xa \not\leq p$ for all $a \in A$, since p is prime, and this means that $p \in X \setminus \uparrow xA$. Thus (2) and (3) are equivalent. If L is distributive, then $\text{Spec } L \not\subseteq \uparrow x$ iff $x \neq 0$ by Lawmann I, and $\text{Spec } L \not\subseteq \uparrow xa$ iff $xa \neq 0$. Thus (3) and (4) are equivalent. \square

RECALL. A topological space X is a Baire space iff for all closed subsets $Y \neq \emptyset$ of X and each sequence Y_1, Y_2, \dots of subspaces Y_n which are (closed and) nowhere dense in Y , we have $\bigcup Y_n \neq Y$. \square

THEOREM 4. Every locally quasicompact sober space is a Baire space.

Proof. Let $X \neq \emptyset$ be locally quasicompact sober. By Lawmann II we may assume $X = \text{Spec } L$ for a continuous Heyting algebra L . Each closed subset of X is of the form $\uparrow x \cap X = \text{Spec } \uparrow x$, hence is itself the spectrum of a continuous Heyting algebra. Thus it suffices to show that for any sequence X_n of nowhere dense closed sets in X we have $X \neq \bigcup X_n$.