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Notes on Stralka's congruence extension theorem from K
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Ever since DIMENSION RAISING one had worked with chains inside a CL-object to obtain chain quotients. An indication of a general construction was given in ATLAS which was rightly criticized by Dana Scott. Shortly before, Al Stralka had asked me whether in a connected CL-object S one could always find, for any $x \ll 1$ a morphism $f: S \rightarrow I$ with $\min f^{-1}(1/2)$. I believe I gave an argument under the hypothesis that $\uparrow x$ has a countable neighborhood basis, and a counterexample in the absence of this hypothesis.

and $a < b$

I would like to record some general remarks.

0. Remark. If $a \ll b$ in a CL-object, then there is an s with $a \ll s \ll b$ and $a < s$.

1. Definition. A subset C in a CL-object S is a strict chain if $x, y \in C$ implies that $x \ll y$ or $x = y$ or $y \ll x$. \square

All singletons are strict chains; $\{0, 1\}$ is a strict chain.

All chains ~~of~~ contained in $K(S)$ are strict chains.

2. Remark. The collection of all strict chains is \subseteq -inductive.

Indeed if $\{C_j : j \in J\}$ is a \subseteq -totally ordered family of strict chains and $C = \bigcup_j C_j$, then C is a strict chain, since for any $x, y \in C$ there is a $j \in J$ with $x, y \in C_j$, whence $x \ll y$ or $x = y$ or $y \ll x$ since C_j is strict.

3. Proposition. Let C be a strict chain in a CL-object S . Then C is contained in at least one maximal strict chain M .

Proof. Remark 2 and Zorn's Lemma. \square

A gap in a poset S is an interval $[a, b]$ with $[a, b] = \{a, b\}$.

4. Proposition. Let C be a maximal strict chain in a CL-object. Then

(1) $0 \in C$.

(ii) If $[a, b]_C$ is a gap in C , then $b \in K(S)$, ~~and~~

(iii) C is complete.

Then ~~there~~ by Remark 0 there is an $s \in S$ with $a \ll s \ll b$, $a \ll s$.
 By maximality of C we have $s=b$. Thus $b \ll b$, whence $b \in K(S)$, ~~for~~
 ~~$t \ll b$ for all $t \in \downarrow b$. Thus if m is a maximal element in~~
 ~~$\{a \cap (\downarrow b \setminus \{b\})\}$, then $a \not\ll m$, i.e. $a \notin (\downarrow m)_0$ (i.e. a is in a face~~
~~of $\downarrow m$).~~

(iii) Let $X \subseteq C$ and $x = \sup_S X$.

Case 1. $x \in C$. Good.

Case 2. $x \notin C$. Then for any $c \in C$, $c < x$ there is a $d \in C$
 with $c < d \leq x$; since C is strict, we have $c \ll d$, whence $c <$
 By the maximality of C there must then be a $y \in C$ with $x < y$
 but $x \not\ll y$. If there were a $u \in C$ with $x \leq u < y$, then $u \ll y$ (
 C is strict) whence $x \ll y$ which is impossible. Thus
 $y = \min(\uparrow x \cap C)$. But then $y = \sup_C X$.

(iv) is trivial.

5. Lemma. For a maximal/chain C in S define $\varphi: C \rightarrow S$ by
 $\varphi(c) = \sup_S \{d \in C : d \ll c\}$. Then φ is an injective
 comorphism, with $\varphi(c) \leq c$ for all $c \in C$.

Proof. (a) If $a < b$ in C then $a \ll b$ since C is strict. Thus
 $\varphi(a) \leq a \leq \varphi(b)$. If $\varphi(a) = \varphi(b)$, then $a = \sup_S \{c \in C : c \ll b\}$
 i.e. $[a, b]_C$ is a gap. Thus $b \in K(S)$ by 4 (ii). But then $b \ll b$
 whence $b = \varphi(b)$. This implies $a = b$, a contradiction. Thus φ is
 injective.

(b) If $a \ll_C b$, then (i) $a < b$ or (ii) $a=b \in K(C)$. In
 case (ii) we have $a=b \in K(S)$ by 4 (ii), whence $a \ll_S b$ and
 $\varphi(a)=a=b=\varphi(b)$. Thus $\varphi(a) \ll_S \varphi(b)$. Now suppose $a < b$. If $[a, b]_C$
 is a gap, then $b \in K(S)$, whence $\varphi(a) \leq a \ll_S b = \varphi(b)$. If $[a, b]_C$
 is not a gap, then there is a $u \in C$ with $a < u < b$. Then
 $\varphi(a) \leq a \ll_S u \ll \varphi(b)$ (as $u \ll b$, since C is strict), whence
 $\varphi(a) \ll_S \varphi(b)$.

(c) If $x = \sup_C X$, then (i) $x = \max X$ or (ii) $x \notin X$.

In case (i) we have $\varphi(x) = \max \varphi(X)$ since φ is monotone. In cas
 (ii) the relation $\overset{c}{x} \ll_C x$ in C implies $\overset{c}{x} \ll_S x$ (since $x \notin K(C)$, hence $\overset{c}{x} \ll_S x$)
 with $\overset{c}{x} < u < x$, so $\overset{c}{x} \ll_S u \ll_S x$, since C is strict. So $\sup_S \varphi(X) =$
 $\sup_S \{\sup_S \{c \mid c \ll_S u\} \mid u \in X\} = \sup_S \{c \mid \text{there is a } u \in X \text{ with } c \ll_S u\}$
 $= \sup_S \{c \mid c \ll_S x\} = \varphi(x) = \varphi(\sup_C X)$. \square

According to ATLAS duality, from Lemma 5 the function φ has a morphism $\psi: S \rightarrow C$ as left adjoint which satisfies the following conditions:

- (1) $\psi(s) \geq c$ iff $s \geq \varphi(c)$ for all $s \in S, c \in C$.
- (2) $\psi(s) = \sup_C \varphi^{-1}(\downarrow s) = \sup_C \{c \in C: \varphi(c) \leq s\}$
 $= \sup_C \{c \in C: d \ll c \Rightarrow d \leq s \text{ for all } d \in C\}$
- (3) $c = \psi \varphi(c) \leq \psi(c)$ for all $c \in C$.
- (4) $\varphi(c) = \inf \psi^{-1}(\uparrow c) = \min \psi^{-1}(c) =$
 $= \min \{s \in S: \psi(s) = c\}$

comes from

Indeed, (1) is the definition of adjointness, (2) is the determination of a left adjoint in terms of its right adjoints and the definition of φ . (3) follows from the fact that φ is injective (ATLAS 1.12) and from $\varphi(c) \leq c$ for all c . (4) arises from the determination of a right adjoint in terms of its left adjoint, plus the fact that the left adjoint ψ is surjective.

6. Lemma. Under the hypotheses of Lemma 5 the following statements are equivalent for an element $c \in C$.

- (i) $c = \varphi(c)$.
- (ii) $c = \min\{s \in S: \varphi(s) = c\}$
- (iii) c is not isolated from below in C in the induced topology, i.e. for all $s \ll c, s \in S$ there is a $d \ll c$
~~with~~ $d \in \uparrow s \cap C$.

Proof. (i) \Leftrightarrow (ii) from (4) above. (i) \Leftrightarrow (iii) from the definition of φ in Lemma 5. \square

7. Definition. We (perhaps temporarily) call an element $s \in S$ accessible, if there is a strict chain C with $s = \sup_S C$. \square

8. LEMMA. If s has a countable neighborhood basis, then

U_n is open and $U_{n+1} \subseteq U_n$. Then $\{ \inf U_n : n=1, \dots, n \}$ is a strict chain C with $\sup C = s$. \square

Other points s without a countable basis for their neighborhood may be accessible. E.g. every point of a chain is accessible. Thus if $S = [0, \text{OMEGA}]$ with the first uncountable ordinal OMEGA , then OMEGA does not have a countable neighborhood basis, but is accessible.

Let $S = 2^X$ (or I^X) with an uncountable set X . Then 1 is not accessible, for $s = (u_x)_{x \in X} \ll 1$ implies that all but a finite number of the u_x are 0 .

9. THEOREM. Let $S \in \underline{CL}$. Then every strict chain $C_0 \subseteq S$ (such as $C_0 = \{1\}$ or $\{0\}$) is contained in a maximal strict chain C .

Moreover, $C \in \underline{CL}$ and there is a \underline{CL} -morphism $\psi: S \rightarrow C$ surjective

whose right adjoint is given by $c \mapsto \sup_S \{d \in C : d \ll c\}$.

If $c \in S$ is accessible, then there is a maximal strict chain C with $c \in C$ such that $c = \min \{s \in S : \psi(s) = c\}$. If $c \in S$ has a countable neighborhood basis, then c is accessible.

Proof. By Proposition 3, C_0 is contained in a maximal strict chain C . By Proposition 4, $C \in \underline{CL}$. By Lemma 5 and the subsequent remarks, $\psi: S \rightarrow C$ exists with the specified properties. If c is accessible, we have a strict chain C_0 with $\sup_S C_0 = c$. Then let C be maximal containing C_0 . Then $c = \min \{s \in S : \psi(s) = c\}$ by Lemma 6. By Lemma 8 it suffices that c has a countable neighborhood basis. \square

10. COROLLARY. Every $S \in \underline{CL}$ is a subdirect product of \underline{CL} -chains (Lawson).

Proof. One has to separate two different points $s \neq t$ in S by a chain quotient. It suffices to separate st from s , resp. t . Thus one may assume $s < t$. Then consider the quotient map $x \mapsto tx \text{ mod } Ss : S \rightarrow tS / sS$. We may therefore assume that

If anyone has any comments to the following question, then Stralka (and I) would like to hear it:

Suppose that $S \subseteq CL$ and that $T \subseteq S$ is a closed chain subsemilattice. Is there a canonical way to find in T a subchain which is strict in T and maximal with this property?

- One wishes to throw out systematically intervals J on which $a, b \in J, a < b \Rightarrow a \ll b$. Every such interval is contained in a maximal one. For a maximal such one has $\sup J \in J$. (If not, by maximality of J there is a $i \in J$ such that $i \ll \sup J$. By Remark 0 there is an $s \in S$ with $i \ll s \ll \sup J$. Since $\sup J \notin J$ there is a $j \in J$ with $s \leq j$. Thus $i \ll j$, a contradiction to the defining property of J .) The maximal ^{many} such J cover T , ~~any~~ may be singleton. However, there is no guarantee that they are disjoint. It is conceivable that in T one might have $a < b < c$ with $a \ll b \ll c$ but $a \ll c$.

Does anyone know an example of this situation? Here is one:

If $S = I^n$ is a cube then $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \ll (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ iff ~~xxxxxxx~~ $(x_j = y_j = 0$ or $x_j < y_j)$ for $j = 1, \dots, n$, and ~~here one xxxxxxxx~~ easily ~~xxxxxx~~ fabricates examples of chains T with ~~not a, b, c~~ in 2 dimensions. On the other hand, one knows that in this example one wishes to throw ^{out} such ~~xxxxxxx~~ ^{open intervals} of a chain T which are stationary in at least one coordinate. This may not be the end of throwing out things even in this simple situation.

P.S.: Scott ~~xxxxxxx~~ independently discovered the error in ATLAS which Keimel pointed out and gave the same example to illustrate it (letter 4-13-76)