ON H-EQUIVALENCE OF UNIFORMITIES (II)

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This paper, continuing previous work by the same author, is concerned with the following problem: Given a metrisable uniformity \mathfrak{V} for a set X, does there exist another (distinct) uniformity \mathfrak{V} for X such that the two corresponding Hausdorff uniformities induce the same topology on the set, S(X) say, of all nonempty subsets of X? Sufficient conditions for the existence, and sufficient conditions for the nonexistence, of such a uniformity \mathfrak{V} are given, together with related results concerning the Hausdorff uniformities (derived from \mathfrak{U} and \mathfrak{V}) for $S(X_1)$, where X_1 is a subset of X, everywhere dense in the topology derived from \mathfrak{U} .

The notation is that used in the previous paper [4]; Theorem 1 of that paper will be referred to as Theorem 1A, and so on. We shall also say for brevity that a uniformity \mathfrak{V} is *H*-singular (over X) if and only if there exists no distinct uniformity for X which is *H*-equivalent to \mathfrak{V} on X.

1. H-equivalence on dense subsets. Our first theorem will allow an improvement of Theorem 4A.

THEOREM 1. Let \mathfrak{V} be a metrisable uniformity for X (that is, one with an enumerable base in $X \times X$) and X_1 a subset dense in X, in the topology $\mathscr{T}(\mathfrak{V})$ induced by \mathfrak{V} . Let \mathfrak{U} be another uniformity for X, such that

(a) $\mathscr{T}(\mathfrak{U}) \subset \mathscr{T}(\mathfrak{V})$ on X;

(b) the restrictions \mathfrak{U}_1 , \mathfrak{V}_1 of \mathfrak{U} , \mathfrak{V} to $X_1 \times X_1$ are H-equivalent on X_1 .

Then if \mathfrak{U} and \mathfrak{V} are not H-equivalent on X the cardinal of X must be measurable.

We achieve the proof by five propositions, the first two of which do not depend on the metrisability of \mathfrak{B} .

(i) $\mathfrak{U} \subset \mathfrak{V}$.

By Theorem 1A¹, \mathfrak{U}_1 and \mathfrak{V}_1 are proximity-equivalent (on X_1); as \mathfrak{V}_1 is metrisable this implies $\mathfrak{U}_1 \subset \mathfrak{V}_1$. Given $U_0 \in \mathfrak{U}$, take a symmetric $U \in \mathfrak{U}$ such that $\overset{3}{U} \subset U_0$, and a symmetric $V \in \mathfrak{V}$ such that $\overset{3}{V} \cap (X_1 \times X_1)$

¹ The part of Theorem 1A actually used here was proved earlier by D. H. Smith, [1, Th. 1].