

# LATTICES OF HAUSDORFF COMPACTIFICATIONS OF A LOCALLY COMPACT SPACE

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**This paper gives a lattice theoretic characterization of (complete) lattices which are lattices of Hausdorff compactifications of locally compact spaces. This is accomplished via a characterization of the lattices of closed equivalence relations on  $T_1$  spaces.**

NOTATIONS.  $L$  is a complete dually atomic lattice.  
 $D$  is the set of all dual atoms of  $L$ .

1. DEFINITION. Let  $p \in L$ . Then the set  $H(p) = \{d \in D \mid d \geq p\}$  is called the hull of  $p$ .

NOTE.  $H(1) = \emptyset$ .

2. DEFINITION. Let  $E \subset D$ . The kernel of  $E$  denoted by  $\text{Ker } E$  is defined as  $\bigwedge_{d \in E} d$ .

3. DEFINITION. Let  $p \in L$ .  $p$  is said to be a primary element if whenever  $q$  and  $r$  are two elements in  $H(p)$  such that  $\text{Card. } H(q \wedge r) \neq 3$  and  $s \in D$  is such that  $\text{Card. } H(s \wedge q) = 3 = \text{Card. } H(s \wedge r)$ , it is true that  $s \in H(p)$ .

NOTE. Trivially, 1 as well as any dual atom is primary.

4. DEFINITION. A star of  $L$  is defined as a subset  $S$  of  $D$  which is maximal with respect to the following property:  $d, d' \in S \Rightarrow d \wedge d'$  is a primary element and if  $(d, d')$  and  $(d_1, d_2)$  are distinct pairs of elements of  $S$ , then  $d \wedge d' \neq d_1 \wedge d_2$ .

5. DEFINITION. Let  $p, q$  be primary elements. Then a primary rectangle is defined as  $H(p, q) = \{(S_1, S_2) \mid S_1, S_2 \text{ are stars such that } S_1 \cap H(p) \neq \emptyset \neq S_2 \cap H(q)\}$ .

6. DEFINITION. Let  $A \subset D$ .  $\alpha(A)$  is defined as the set of all unordered pairs  $(S, S')$  of stars such that  $S \cap S' \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .

7. THEOREM. A complete, dually atomic lattice  $L$  is isomorphic to the lattice of closed equivalence relations of a  $T_1$  space  $X$  if and

only if the following are true:

- (i)  $\bigvee_{i \in J} p_i$  is a primary element for any collection  $\{p_i | i \in J\}$  of primary element in  $L$ .
- (ii) (a) If  $d \in D$ , then  $d$  belongs to exactly two stars.
- (b) Any two stars intersect in a singleton.
- (iii)  $H \subset D$  is a hull if and only if
  - (a) if  $d_1, d_2 \in H$  and if  $d \in D$  such that  $d \geq d_1 \wedge d_2$ , then  $d \in H$ .
  - (b)  $\alpha(H)$  is an intersection of finite unions of primary rectangles.
- (iv)  $a = \text{Ker}(H(a))$  for every  $a \in L$ .

*Proof (Necessity).* Easily checked, bearing in mind the discussion in §1 of [3].

(Sufficiency). Let  $X$  be the set of all stars in  $L$ . From (ii) (a) and (ii) (b), there exists a bijection  $\theta$  between the set  $D$  of all dual atoms of  $L$  and the set of all unordered pairs of distinct stars.

From (i), and noticing that  $0 \in L$  is a primary element, it follows that primary elements of  $L$  form a complete lattice  $P$  under the same order. Now  $D$  is precisely the set of all dual atoms of  $P$ . We can form the hull-kernel topology for  $D$  in the lattice. This topology can then be translated to  $X$  as follows:

A set  $A \subset X$  is closed if and only if  $\theta^{-1}(A \times A)$  is a hull of a member of  $P$ . We show now that this defines a  $T_1$  topology on  $X$ . Clearly  $\theta^{-1}(\emptyset \times \emptyset) = \emptyset$  and  $\theta^{-1}(X \times X) = D$  so that  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are closed. If  $S \in X$ , then  $\theta^{-1}(\{S\} \times \{S\}) = \emptyset = H(1)$  so that every singleton is closed. If  $S \neq S'$ ,  $S, S' \subset X$ ,  $\theta^{-1}(\{S\} \times \{S'\})$  is a singleton. So any two-element set is closed.

Now let  $A, B \subset X$  be closed, each containing at least two elements. Then  $A \cup B$  is closed. For, let  $p$  and  $q$  be the primary elements determined by  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. Then consider the primary rectangles  $H(p, p), H(q, q), H(p, q), H(q, p)$ . Now if  $C = \theta^{-1}((A \cup B) \times (A \cup B))$ , then  $\alpha(C)$  is the union of these primary rectangles. For, if  $(S, S') \in \alpha(C)$ , then there exists  $d \in C$  such that  $S \cap S' = \{d\}$ ; now  $\theta(d) = (S, S') \in ((A \cup B) \times (A \cup B))$  so that  $S, S' \in A \cup B$ ; it is easy to check that if  $S, S'$  both belong to  $A$  (respectively  $B$ ), then  $(S, S') \in H(p, p)$  (respectively  $H(q, q)$ ). If  $S \in A$  and  $S' \in B$ , then  $(S, S') \in H(p, q)$  and if  $S \in B$  and  $S' \in A$ , then  $(S, S') \in H(q, p)$ . On the other hand, that all these four primary rectangles are subsets of  $\alpha(C)$  is easily verified.

Hence by condition (iii),  $C$  is a hull set. Note that condition (iii) (a) is satisfied here, by the maximality in the definition of stars.

Let  $K$  be the kernel of  $C$ . It can be seen that  $K$  is primary. It follows that  $A \cup B$  is closed.

Let  $A_i \subset X$  be closed for every  $i \in J$  and let  $A = \bigcap A_i$ . Then

$\theta^{-1}(A \times A)$  is the intersection  $\cap \theta^{-1}(A_i \times A_i)$  and so is a hull set. For, by condition (iii), intersection of hull sets is again a hull set. Let  $r$  be its kernel. Then by using condition (iv), it can be proved that  $r = \vee p_i$  where  $p_i$  is the primary element corresponding to  $A_i$ . So it follows from condition (i) that  $r$  is primary. So  $A$  is closed. Thus  $X$  is a  $T_1$  space.

Next we show that  $L$  is isomorphic to  $L(X)$ , the lattice of closed equivalence relations for this space  $X$ . Let us define a map  $\eta: L \rightarrow L(X)$  as follows: If  $x \in L$ ,  $\eta(x)$  is the relation defined on  $X$  as below:  $S_1 \eta(x) S_2$  if and only if either  $S_1 = S_2$  or  $S_1 \cap S_2 \cap H(x) \neq \emptyset$ . This is an equivalence relation. For, let  $S_1 \eta(x) S_2$  and  $S_2 \eta(x) S_3$ ; also let  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \{d_3\}$ ,  $S_2 \cap S_3 = \{d_1\}$ , and  $S_3 \cap S_1 = \{d_2\}$ ; then by the maximality in the definition of stars, it can be proved that  $d_2 \geq d_1 \wedge d_3$  and so by (iii) (a),  $d_2 \in H(x)$  since  $H(x)$  is a hull set. So  $S_1 \eta(x) S_3$ . Thus transitivity is proved. Reflexivity and symmetry of  $\eta(x)$  are trivial.

Now we show that  $\eta(x) \in L(X)$ . That is,  $\eta(x)$  is a closed equivalence relation on  $X$ . The relation  $\eta(x)$  viewed as a subset of  $X \times X$  is precisely  $\alpha(H(x))$ . So by (iii)(b), it is an intersection of finite union of primary rectangles. Each primary rectangle is a closed subset of  $X \times X$  since  $H(p, q) = A \times B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are the closed subsets of  $X$  determined by  $p$  and  $q$  respectively. So  $\eta(x)$  is a closed subset of  $X \times X$ .

Thus  $\eta: L \rightarrow L(X)$  is well defined.

Now  $\eta$  is injective. For, let  $x \neq y$ . Then by condition (iv) we get that  $H(x) \neq H(y)$ . Let  $d \in H(x) - H(y)$  (say). Let  $S, S'$  be the two stars containing  $d$ . Then  $(S, S') \in \alpha(H(x))$  but  $\notin \alpha(H(y))$ . So  $\eta(x) \neq \eta(y)$ . Further  $\eta$  is surjective. For, let  $R$  be a closed equivalence relation on  $X$ . Then  $R$  is an intersection of finite unions of closed rectangles, whereas each closed rectangle is a primary rectangle. Let  $H = \{d \in D \mid \text{the pair } (S_1, S_2) \text{ of stars containing } d \text{ belongs to } R\}$ . Then  $H$  satisfies conditions (iii) (a) and (iii) (b) and hence by (iii),  $H$  is a hull set. If  $x$  is its kernel, it follows that  $\eta(x) = R$ .

$\eta$  preserves arbitrary unions. For, let  $x = \bigvee_{\alpha} x_{\alpha}$ . Now  $\cap H(x_{\alpha})$  is a hull set by (iii). It ought to contain  $H(x)$ . Let  $y$  be its kernel. Then  $y \geq x_{\alpha}$  for each  $\alpha$ . So  $y \geq x$ . Therefore,  $H(y) \subset H(x)$ . So  $\eta(y) = \eta(x)$ . But  $\eta(y) = \bigvee_{\alpha} \eta(x_{\alpha})$  since it can be easily seen that  $S_1 \bigvee_{\alpha} \eta(x_{\alpha}) S_2$  if and only if  $S_1 \cap S_2 \cap (\cap H(x_{\alpha})) \neq \emptyset$ , while  $\cap H(x_{\alpha}) = H(y)$ .

$\eta$  preserves intersections. This can be seen as in the case of unions, by considering the union of the hulls.

Thus  $\eta$  is an isomorphism.

Thus sufficiency is proved.

**8. THEOREM.** *Let  $L$  be a complete, dually atomic lattice. Then  $L$  is the lattice of  $T_2$  compactifications of a locally compact space if*

and only if it satisfies conditions (i) through (iv) above and also:

(v) Given any two primary elements  $p_1, p_2 \in L$ , there exist primary elements  $q_1, q_2 \in L$  such that  $p_1 \vee q_1 = p_2 \vee q_2 = 1$  and  $q_1 \wedge q_2 = 0$ .

(vi) Given any collection of primary elements  $\{p_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in J}$  such that  $\bigwedge_{\alpha \in K} p_\alpha$  is a primary element for any finite subset  $K$  of  $J$ , then  $\bigwedge_{\alpha \in J} p_\alpha$  is also a primary element.

*Proof.* Notice that (v) is equivalent to saying that the space  $X$  uniquely specified by  $L$ , is normal.

Also (vi) is equivalent to compactness.

It can be proved that the lattice of all closed equivalence relations of  $\beta X - X$  is isomorphic to the lattice of all Hausdorff compactifications of  $X$ , when  $X$  is locally compact and Hausdorff.

Thus the theorem.

9. REMARK. When  $X$  is not locally compact, the upper semilattice  $K(X)$  of all Hausdorff compactifications of  $X$  is not necessarily a lattice (cf. [5]). Now the problem arises whether the semilattice  $K(X)$  determines the space  $\beta X - X$ . When  $X$  is locally compact, the answer is in the affirmative (cf. [1]). A method to construct the space  $\beta X - X$  from  $K(X)$  is given in [2]. But when  $x$  is not locally compact,  $K(X)$  does not determine  $\beta X - X$  (cf. [2]). A study in this direction forms a part of [4].

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