

ON THE CONTINUITY OF LATTICE AUTOMORPHISMS ON CONTINUOUS FUNCTION LATTICES

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1. Introduction

Let E be a compact Hausdorff space, $C(E)$ the lattice of all real-valued continuous functions on E , and let $T : f \rightarrow f^T$ be a lattice automorphism of $C(E)$.

I. Kaplansky has proved in [2] the following two results.

(I) If T is homeomorphic in the topology of uniform convergence, then T can be characterized in the following form:

$$f^T(x^t) = \Phi(f(x), x) \quad (x \in E, f \in C(E))$$

where $x \rightarrow x^t$ is a homeomorphism of E , and $\Phi(\xi, x)$ ($\xi \in \mathbf{R}, x \in E$) is a continuous function on $\mathbf{R} \times E$, and for any fixed $x \in E$, $\Phi(\cdot, x)$ is a lattice automorphism of \mathbf{R} .

(II) If E satisfies a first axiom of countability, then all lattice automorphisms of $C(E)$ are homeomorphic in the topology of uniform convergence. However, generally speaking, lattice automorphisms are not necessarily continuous.

It may be natural to consider the following problem: What is the characteristic topological property of E in order that all lattice automorphisms of $C(E)$ be continuous in the topology of uniform convergence?

In view of this problem the following three classes of compact Hausdorff spaces are considered.

- (1) E has property (K): All lattice automorphisms of $C(E)$ are continuous.
- (2) E has property (K₀): All compact subspaces of E have property (K).
- (3) E has property (K₁): A lattice automorphism T of $C(E)$ is continuous if and only if T^{-1} is continuous.

The above three classes obviously satisfy the relations

$$(K_0) \subset (K) \subset (K_1).$$

Our purpose in this paper is to give a complete topological characterization of properties (K₀) and (K₁).

THEOREM 1. *E has property (K₁) if and only if $E \neq \beta U$ for any dense open F_σ -subset $U \subset E$, $U \neq E$, where βU is a Stone-Ćech compactification¹ of U .*

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¹ For the definition and the fundamental properties of Stone-Ćech compactification the reader is referred to [3, Chapter 6].

THEOREM 2. *E has property (K₀) if and only if $E \not\cong \beta N$. N is a natural number space with discrete topology and βN is a Stone-Čech compactification of N.*

2. Some lemmas

Before the proof of theorems we shall begin with some lemmas.

LEMMA 1. (Kaplansky)

(i) *A lattice automorphism T of C(E) induces uniquely a homeomorphism t of E such that for any $x_0 \in E$ and $f, g \in C(E)$*

$$(*) \quad f(x_0) < g(x_0) \text{ implies } f^T(x_0^t) \leq g^T(x_0^t).$$

Furthermore,

(ii) *If T is continuous, then $f(x_0) = g(x_0)$ implies $f^T(x_0^t) = g^T(x_0^t)$.*

(iii) *If T^{-1} is continuous, then $f(x_0) < g(x_0)$ implies $f^T(x_0^t) < g^T(x_0^t)$.*

Proof. (i) was proved in [1] and [2].

(ii) Using the property (*) and the ξ -continuity of $(\xi \mathbf{1})^T(x_0^t)$ for each $x_0 \in E$, we can see $f^T(x_0^t) = (f(x_0)\mathbf{1})^T(x_0^t) = (g(x_0)\mathbf{1})^T(x_0^t) = g^T(x_0^t)$ from $f(x_0) = g(x_0)$.

(iii) is evident from (ii) and the fact that the homeomorphism induced by T^{-1} is the inverse t^{-1} of t .

LEMMA 2. *A lattice automorphism T of C(E) is continuous if and only if $(\xi \mathbf{1})^T(x)$ is a continuous function of $\xi \in \mathbf{R}$ for each fixed $x \in E$.*

Proof. The ξ -continuity of $(\xi \mathbf{1})^T(x)$ and the property (*) imply $f^T(x_0^t) = (f(x_0)\mathbf{1})^T(x_0^t)$ for each $x_0 \in E$. Therefore if $\{f_n\}$ converges pointwise to g , then $\{f_n^T\}$ also converges pointwise to g^T , because for each $x_0 \in E$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n^T(x_0^t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f_n(x_0)\mathbf{1})^T(x_0^t) = (g(x_0)\mathbf{1})^T(x_0^t) = g^T(x_0^t).$$

Moreover if $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to g , it follows that

$$g - \varepsilon_n \mathbf{1} \leq f_n \leq g + \varepsilon_n \mathbf{1} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

for some sequence $\{\varepsilon_n\}$ of decreasing positive numbers. Since $\{(g - \varepsilon_n \mathbf{1})^T\}$ and $\{(g + \varepsilon_n \mathbf{1})^T\}$ are monotone and converge pointwise to g^T , they converge uniformly to g^T . Therefore the uniform convergence of $\{f_n^T\}$ follows from $(g - \varepsilon_n \mathbf{1})^T \leq f_n^T \leq (g + \varepsilon_n \mathbf{1})^T$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$).

3. Proof of Theorem 1

1. $E \in (K_1) \Rightarrow E \neq \beta U$ for any dense open F_σ -subset $U \subset E, U \neq E$.

If we assume the existence of a dense open F_σ -subset $U_0 \subset E, U_0 \neq E$, such that $\beta U_0 = E$, then we can construct a lattice automorphism T of $C(E)$ such that T is discontinuous and T^{-1} is continuous. The method is due to a slight generalization of Kaplansky's example in [2].

For U_0 we can find a nonnegative $f_0 \in C(E)$ such that the zero-set of f_0 coincides with the complement U_0^c of U_0 : $\{x \mid f_0(x) = 0\} = U_0^c \neq \emptyset$. Using

f_0 we may define the following mapping T from $C(E)$ to $C(E)$. For all $f \in C(E)$ and $x \in U_0$ we put

$$\begin{aligned} f^T(x) &= f(x) && \text{if } f(x) \leq 0, \\ &= f(x)/f_0(x) && \text{if } 0 \leq f(x) \leq f_0(x), \\ &= f(x) - f_0(x) + 1 && \text{if } f_0(x) \leq f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have $|f^T(x)| \leq |f(x)| + 1$ ($x \in U_0$), and obviously f^T is a bounded continuous function on U_0 . Therefore, by the assumption $\beta U_0 = E$, f^T can be extended continuously to a function on E . That unique continuous extension of f^T may be denoted by the same notation f^T . The inverse mapping T^{-1} is defined by the following: For all $g \in C(E)$ and $x \in E$

$$\begin{aligned} g^{T^{-1}}(x) &= g(x) && \text{if } g(x) \leq 0, \\ &= f_0(x)g(x) && \text{if } 0 \leq g(x) \leq 1, \\ &= g(x) + f_0(x) - 1 && \text{if } 1 \leq g(x). \end{aligned}$$

It is almost obvious that T is a lattice automorphism such that $0^T = 0$. T is discontinuous at 0 , because $\inf_{\xi > 0} (\xi \mathbf{1})^T(x) = 1$ for $x \in U_0^c$. However $(\xi \mathbf{1})^{T^{-1}}(x)$ is a continuous function of $\xi \in \mathbf{R}$, and therefore T^{-1} is continuous by Lemma 2.

2. $E \in (K_1) \iff E \neq \beta U$ for any dense open F_σ -subset $U \subset E$, $U \neq E$.

To prove this, we can, without loss of generality, assume the existence of a lattice automorphism T satisfying (1) and (2) below, and show that this assumption leads to a contradiction.

- (1) T^{-1} is continuous,
- (2) $0^T = 0$, and T is discontinuous at 0 ; furthermore,

$$\text{Max}_{x \in E} \varphi_0(x) = 1, \text{ where } \varphi_0(x) = \inf_{\xi > 0} (\xi \mathbf{1})^T(x) \quad (x \in E).$$

Let $Z_0 = \{x \mid \varphi_0(x) \geq 1\}$ and $Z_1 = \{x \mid \varphi_0(x) \geq \frac{1}{4}\}$; then $Z_1 \supset Z_0 \neq \emptyset$, and obviously Z_0^c and Z_1^c are dense open F_σ -subsets.

For Z_0 and Z_1 we can find subsets F_1 and F_2 such that

- (i) $Z_1^c \supset F_1, F_2$,
- (ii) $\bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2 \cap Z_0^c = \emptyset$,
- (iii) $\bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2 \neq \emptyset$.

To show this, we note that $E \neq \beta Z_0^c$ by hypothesis, so that we can find $\psi \in C(Z_0^c)$ such that $0 \leq \psi(x) \leq 1$ ($x \in Z_0^c$) and $\bar{X}_1 \cap \bar{X}_2 \neq \emptyset$ in E for two sets $X_1 = \{x \mid \psi(x) = 1\}$ and $X_2 = \{x \mid \psi(x) = 0\}$ (see [3, Chapter 6]). If we put

$$F_1 = \{x \mid \psi(x) \geq \frac{1}{2}\} \cap Z_1^c, \quad F_2 = \{x \mid \psi(x) \leq \frac{1}{3}\} \cap Z_1^c,$$

then (i) is obvious, (ii) follows from

$$\bar{F}_1 \cap Z_0^c \subset \{x \mid \psi(x) \geq \frac{1}{2}\}, \quad \bar{F}_2 \cap Z_0^c \subset \{x \mid \psi(x) \leq \frac{1}{3}\},$$

and the denseness of Z_1^c implies $\bar{F}_i \supset \bar{X}_i$ ($i = 1, 2$); therefore (iii) is obvious.

Next, if we put, for $n = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$G_n = \{x \mid ((1/(n+1))\mathbf{1})^T(x) \leq \frac{1}{2} \leq ((1/n)\mathbf{1})^T(x)\},$$

$$H_n = \{x \mid ((1/(n+1))\mathbf{1})^T(x) \leq \frac{1}{3} \leq ((1/n)\mathbf{1})^T(x)\},$$

the sequences of compact sets $\{G_n\}$ and $\{H_n\}$ have the following properties:

(iv) $Z_0^c \supset \overline{G_n, H_n}$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$),

(v) $\overline{G_n \cap (\bigcup_{v \geq n+2} G_v)} = \emptyset, \overline{H_n \cap (\bigcup_{v \geq n+2} H_v)} = \emptyset$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$),

(vi) $\bigcup_{n \geq 1} (G_n \cap \bar{F}_1) \supset \bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2, \bigcup_{n \geq 1} (H_n \cap \bar{F}_2) \supset \bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2$.

(iv) is obvious. (v) follows from the continuity of T^{-1} , that is, since $(\bigcup_{v \geq n+2} G_v) \subset \{x \mid \frac{1}{2} \leq ((1/(n+2))\mathbf{1})^T(x)\}$, we have from Lemma 1(iii)

$$G_n \cap \overline{(\bigcup_{v \geq n+2} G_v)}$$

$$\subset \{x \mid ((1/(n+1))\mathbf{1})^T(x) \leq \frac{1}{2}\} \cap \{x \mid \frac{1}{2} \leq ((1/(n+2))\mathbf{1})^T(x)\} = \emptyset$$

We show (vi): $Z_1^c \supset F_1$ implies $\bigcup_{n \geq 1} (G_n \cap F_1) = \{x \mid \frac{1}{2} \leq \mathbf{1}^T(x)\} \cap F_1$, and since $Z_0 \supset \bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2, \{x \mid \frac{1}{2} \leq \mathbf{1}^T(x)\}$ is a neighbourhood of $\bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2$; therefore $\{x \mid \frac{1}{2} \leq \mathbf{1}^T(x)\} \cap F_1 \supset \bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2$.

Without loss of generality, for a fixed point $p_0 \in \bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2$ we can assume

$$p_0 \in \overline{\bigcup_{n \geq 1} (G_{2n} \cap \bar{F}_1)} \cap \overline{\bigcup_{n \geq 1} (H_{2n} \cap \bar{F}_2)}.$$

If we put

$$C_n = G_{2n} \cap \bar{F}_1, \quad D_n = H_{2n} \cap \bar{F}_2 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$$

$$C = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} C_n, \quad D = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} D_n,$$

then we have

(vii) $p_0 \in \bar{C} \cap \bar{D}$,

(viii) $\frac{1}{2} \leq ((1/2n)\mathbf{1})^T(x)$ ($x \in C_n$), $\frac{1}{3} \geq ((1/(2n+1))\mathbf{1})^T(x)$ ($x \in D_n$),

(ix) $C_n \cap (\bigcup_{v > n} C_v) = \emptyset, D_n \cap (\bigcup_{v > n} D_v) = \emptyset$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$),

(x) $C_n \cap \bar{D} = \emptyset, D_n \cap \bar{C} = \emptyset$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$).

(vii) and (viii) are evident from the construction of C and D . (ix) follows from (v). (x) is shown from (ii):

$$C_n \cap \bar{D} \subset C_n \cap \bar{F}_2 \subset Z_0^c \cap \bar{F}_1 \cap \bar{F}_2 = \emptyset.$$

Finally from properties (vii)–(x), we obtain a contradiction as follows: We can define a continuous function h on $(C \cup D)^{t^{-1}}$ such as

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &= 1/(2n-1) \quad \text{if } x^t \in C_n, \\ &= 1/(2n+2) \quad \text{if } x^t \in D_n, \\ &= 0 \quad \text{if } x^t \in \overline{C \cup D} - C \cup D. \end{aligned}$$

Properties (ix) and (x) guarantee the definition of h and the continuity on $(C \cup D)^{t^{-1}}$. If $f_0 \in C(E)$ is one of the continuous extensions of h , then from

(viii) and Lemma 1 we have

$$f_0^T(x) \geq \frac{1}{2} \quad (x \in C) \quad \text{and} \quad f_0^T(x) \leq \frac{1}{3} \quad (x \in D).$$

Therefore from (vii) we have a contradiction: $f_0^T(p_0) \geq \frac{1}{2}$ and $f_0^T(p_0) \leq \frac{1}{3}$.

4. Proof of Theorem 2

1. $E \in (K_0) \iff E \not\supset \beta N$.

The proof is done by the same idea as Theorem 1, but it is more simple than Theorem 1. It is sufficient to prove $E \in (K)$ under the assumption $E \not\supset \beta N$.

Let T be a discontinuous lattice automorphism of $C(E)$, and t an induced homeomorphism of E . Without loss of generality we can assume T is discontinuous at 0 and $\text{Max}_{x \in E} \varphi_0(x) = \text{Max}_{x \in E} (\inf_{\xi > 0} (\xi \mathbf{1})^T(x)) = 1$.

By mathematical induction, we can find a sequence of $x_\nu \in E$ ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$) and the sequence n_ν ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$) of natural numbers such that

- (i) $n_\nu < n_{\nu+1}$ ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$),
- (ii) $((1/n_\nu)\mathbf{1})^T(x_\nu) \geq \frac{1}{2}$ ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$),
- (iii) $((1/n_{\nu+1})\mathbf{1})^T(x_\nu) \leq \frac{1}{3}$ ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$).

Assuming the existence of $x_i \in E$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, \nu$) and n_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, \nu + 1$), we can define $x_{\nu+1} \in E$ and $n_{\nu+2}$ as follows:

$$U_{\nu+1} = \{x \mid ((1/n_{\nu+1})\mathbf{1})^T(x) \geq \frac{1}{2}\}$$

is a neighbourhood of $\{x \mid \varphi_0(x) = 1\}$ and $V = \{x \mid \varphi_0(x) < \frac{1}{4}\}$ is a dense open set; therefore $U_{\nu+1} \cap V \neq \emptyset$. $x_{\nu+1}$ is defined to be one of the points of $U_{\nu+1} \cap V$. Next, since $x_{\nu+1} \in V$, that is $\inf_{\xi > 0} (\xi \mathbf{1})^T(x_{\nu+1}) < \frac{1}{4}$, we can find $n_{\nu+2} > n_{\nu+1}$ such that $((1/n_{\nu+2})\mathbf{1})^T(x_{\nu+1}) \leq \frac{1}{3}$.

From (ii) and (iii) we see $x_\mu \notin U_\nu$ ($\mu < \nu$) and $x_\mu \in U_\nu$ ($\mu \geq \nu$); therefore $x_\mu \neq x_\nu$ ($\mu \neq \nu$) and $\{x_\nu \mid \nu = 1, 2, \dots\} = A$ is a discrete subset of E : A is homeomorphic to N . By the assumption $E \not\supset \beta A$ we shall find infinite subsets B and C of A such that $A = B \cup C$, $B \cap C = \emptyset$, and $\bar{B} \cap \bar{C} \neq \emptyset$.

We shall define a continuous function h on $(\bar{A})^{t^{-1}}$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &= 2/n_\nu & \text{if } x^t = x_\nu \in B, \\ &= 1/2n_{\nu+1} & \text{if } x^t = x_\nu \in C, \\ &= 0 & \text{if } x^t \in \bar{A} - A. \end{aligned}$$

Let $f_0 \in C(E)$ be one of the continuous extensions of h ; then from Lemma 1 and (ii) and (iii) we see that

$$f_0^T(x) \geq \frac{1}{2} \quad (x \in B) \quad \text{and} \quad f_0^T(x) \leq \frac{1}{3} \quad (x \in C).$$

Therefore we have a contradiction: $\frac{1}{2} \leq f_0^T(x_0) \leq \frac{1}{3}$ for a point $x_0 \in \bar{C} \cap \bar{B}$.

2. $E \in (K_0) \implies E \not\supset \beta N$.

If $E \supset F = \beta N$, then we can construct a discontinuous lattice automorphism

of $C(F)$ in the same manner as in the first part of the proof of Theorem 1. (It is Kaplansky's example of discontinuous lattice automorphisms in [2].)

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