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## COMPLEMENTARY INDUCTIVE INVARIANTS AND DIMENSION

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All spaces under discussion are assumed to be metrizable. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a non-empty class of spaces which is closed for topological mappings. Then the following topological invariants can be defined.

(1) The strong (weak) inductive invariant  $\mathcal{P}\text{-Ind } X$  ( $\mathcal{P}\text{-ind } X$ ) induced by the class  $\mathcal{P}$  is inductively defined in a similar way as  $\text{Ind } X$  ( $\text{ind } X$ ), but starting with the definition that  $\mathcal{P}\text{-Ind } X$  ( $=\mathcal{P}\text{-ind } X$ ) =  $-1$  iff  $X \in \mathcal{P}$ .

Of course, inductive dimension ( $\mathcal{P} = \{\emptyset\}$ ) is the best explored inductive invariant. The concept of an inductive invariant has been introduced by Lelek [5].

(2) The deficiency of  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$  is defined as follows:  $\mathcal{P}\text{-def } X \leq n$  if there exists  $Y \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $X \subset Y$  and  $\dim Y \setminus X \leq n$ .

The case that  $\mathcal{P}$  is the class of all compact spaces was first discussed by de Groot [2]. To these invariants we add

(3) The surplus of  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$  is defined by  $\mathcal{P}\text{-sur } X \leq n$  if there exists  $Y \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $Y \subset X$  and  $\dim X \setminus Y \leq n$ .

$\mathcal{P}\text{-def } X = n$ ,  $\mathcal{P}\text{-def } X = \infty$  etc. are defined as usual. E.g.  $\{\emptyset\}\text{-def } X = \infty$ , whenever  $X \neq \emptyset$ .

It can be shown quite easily that  $\mathcal{P}\text{-Ind } X \leq \mathcal{P}\text{-sur } X$  for every space  $X$ , if the class  $\mathcal{P}$  is closed monotone (i.e.  $Z \in \mathcal{P}$ , whenever  $Y \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $Z$  is a closed subset of  $Y$ ). Furthermore,  $\mathcal{P}\text{-Ind } X \leq \mathcal{P}\text{-def } X$  for every space  $X$ , if the class  $\mathcal{P}$  is closed monotone and open monotone.

By  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{A}(\alpha)$  we denote the class of all sets of absolute multiplicative and additive Borel class  $\alpha$  respectively. (See [4] for definitions. Recall that  $\mathcal{A}(0) = \{\emptyset\}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}(0)$  is the class of compact spaces,  $\mathcal{A}(1)$  is the class of  $\sigma$ -locally compact spaces [7] and  $\mathcal{M}(1)$  is the class of topologically complete spaces.)

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}(\alpha)$  or  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  for  $\alpha \geq 2$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}\text{-Ind } X \leq n$  if and only if there exist  $Y, Z \in \mathcal{P}$  satisfying  $Y \subset X \subset Z$  and  $\dim Z \setminus Y \leq n$ . In particular  $\mathcal{P}\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{P}\text{-def } X = \mathcal{P}\text{-sur } X$  for every space  $X$ .*

**Theorem 2.** (See [1].)  $\mathcal{M}(1)\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{M}(1)\text{-def } X$  for every space  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.**  $\mathcal{A}(1)\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{A}(1)\text{-sur } X$  for every space  $X$ .

**Problems.** Are the equalities  $\mathcal{M}(1)\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{M}(1)\text{-sur } X$  and  $\mathcal{A}(1)\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{A}(1)\text{-def } X$  valid for every space  $X$ ? To prove the second equality for separable spaces is a problem<sup>1)</sup> posed by Nagata [6]. As follows from the corollary below these equalities are closely related. It is a long unsolved problem whether or not  $\mathcal{M}(0)\text{-ind } X = \mathcal{M}(0)\text{-def } X$  for every separable space  $X$  ([2], [3]).

**Definition.** Let  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  be topologically closed classes of spaces.  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$  are *complementary with respect to*  $\mathcal{R}$  if for every  $Z \in \mathcal{R}$  and for all  $X$  and  $Y$  with  $X \cup Y = Z$  and  $X \cap Y = \emptyset$  the equality  $\mathcal{P}\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{Q}\text{-Ind } Y$  holds.

**Theorem 4.**  $\mathcal{A}(1)$  and  $\mathcal{M}(1)$  are complementary with respect to  $\mathcal{M}(0)$ .  $\mathcal{A}(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha)$  are complementary with respect to  $\mathcal{M}(1)$  for  $\alpha \geq 2$ .

**Corollary.** If  $\mathcal{M}(1)\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{M}(1)\text{-sur } X$  for every separable space  $X$ , then  $\mathcal{A}(1)\text{-Ind } X = \mathcal{A}(1)\text{-def } X$  for every separable space  $X$ .

**Example.** It is known [1] that for the product  $X$  of the rationals and the  $n$ -dimensional cube  $I^n$ , we have  $\mathcal{M}(1)\text{-Ind } X = n$ .

By Theorem 4 it follows that for the product  $Y$  of the irrationals and  $I^n$  we have  $\mathcal{A}(1)\text{-Ind } Y = n$ .

The proofs of Theorems 1, 3, and 4 will be published in forthcoming papers.

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<sup>1)</sup> Added in proof: This problem has been solved in the negative by J. M. Aarts and T. Nishiura.