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Abstract: Let C represent the completion functor discussed by O. Wyler and S. Salbany. There is a monad associated with C and it is natural to ask for a characterization of the C -algebras. In this paper we show that the C -algebras are the complete spaces.

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Introduction. As shown in [4] and [5], the completion functor on the category of Quasi-Uniform spaces is associated with a monad (C, η, μ) . Keith Hardie asked us for a characterization of the C -algebras and persuaded us, over the years, that an answer should be given.

We shall follow the terminology of [3] and [1] concerning quasi-uniform spaces and that of [2] for the category theory.

1. Definitions, constructions and notations

A. Cauchy filters, convergence and completeness. Let QU denote the category of quasi-uniform spaces (X, \mathcal{U}) and quasi-uniformly continuous maps.

Definition 1. A filter \mathcal{F} on (X, \mathcal{U}) is said to be a

Cauchy-filter if, for every U in the uniformity $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ there is F in \mathcal{F} such that $F \times F \subset U$.

Definition 2. A filter \mathcal{F} on (X, \mathcal{U}) is said to converge to x if it converges to x in the topology induced by the uniformity $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$.

Definition 3. (X, \mathcal{U}) is said to be complete if $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ is complete.

Definition 4. If A is a subset of (X, \mathcal{U}) , denote by \bar{A} the closure of A in the topology induced by the uniformity $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$. x is called an adherence point of a filter \mathcal{F} if $x \in \bar{F}$ for every F in \mathcal{F} .

Note. As for uniform spaces, if \mathcal{F} is a Cauchy filter on (X, \mathcal{U}) and x is an adherence point of \mathcal{F} , then \mathcal{F} converges to x , and conversely. Thus, if $x \in \bar{F}$ for all $F \in \mathcal{F}$, then \mathcal{F} converges to x .

B. Description of the completion monad. Given (X, \mathcal{U}) , let CX denote the set of all Cauchy filters on X and let \mathcal{U}^* denote the quasi-uniformity on CX with basis elements U^* , where $U \in \mathcal{U}$ and $(\alpha, \beta) \in U^*$ if and only if there are sets A in α , B in β such that $A \times B \subset U$. The sets U^* do form a basis for \mathcal{U}^* since $(U \cap V)^* = U^* \cap V^*$. We now describe the multiplication μ and the unity η of the triple C :

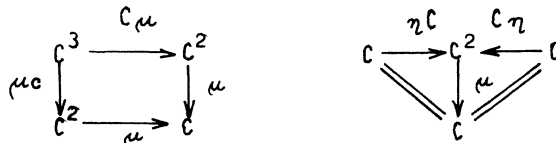
(i) Let $\eta_x: X \rightarrow CX$ be given by $\eta_x(x) = \{F \mid F \subset X \text{ and } x \in F\}$. Then $\eta_x: (X, \mathcal{U}) \rightarrow (CX, \mathcal{U}^*)$ is quasi-uniformly continuous.

(ii) Let $\mu_x: C^2X \rightarrow CX$ be given by $\mu_x(\alpha) = \{H \mid H \subset X, H^* \in \alpha\}$, where H^* is such that $\beta \in H^*$ if and only if $H \in \beta$. Then $\mu_x: (C^2X, \mathcal{U}^{**}) \rightarrow (CX, \mathcal{U}^*)$ is quasi-uniformly continuous.

Moreover,

(a) η_x is an initial and injective map onto a $\mathcal{U}^* \vee (\mathcal{U}^*)^{-1}$ -dense subspace of CX .

(b) μ_x and η_x induce natural transformations $\mu: C^2 \rightarrow C$; $\eta: \mathbb{1} \rightarrow C$ such that the following diagrams commute



Thus, every space can be densely embedded in a complete space in a "regular" way, which is expressed by the functoriality of C . Moreover, even though the completion process always enlarges a space, the existence of μ shows that the completion of a complete space is not "much larger" than the complete space itself.

C. The separated completion

Definition 5. A quasi-uniform space (X, \mathcal{U}) is separated if the uniformity $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ is separated, that is, the intersection of all members of $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ is the diagonal of $X \times X$.

Construction of the separated reflection. Given a quasi-uniform space (X, \mathcal{U}) , let R denote the equivalence relation $x R y$ if and only if $\{\bar{x}\} = \{\bar{y}\}$. Denote by $[x]$, the R -equivalence class of x . Let X^s denote the set of R -equivalence classes on (X, \mathcal{U}) . Let $s: X \rightarrow X^s$ denote the map $s(x) = [x]$. For $U \in \mathcal{U}$, let $U^s = \{([x], [y]) \mid (x, y) \in U\}$, then the U^s form a basis for a quasi-uniformity \mathcal{U}^s (since $(U \cap V)^s \subset U^s \cap V^s$). The map $s_x: (X, \mathcal{U}) \rightarrow (X^s, \mathcal{U}^s)$ is an initial quasi-uniformly continuous map onto a separated quasi-uniform space

and the assignment $(X, \mathcal{U}) \longrightarrow (X^s, \mathcal{U}^s)$ is the separated reflection in QU. Moreover, (X, \mathcal{U}) is complete if and only if (X^s, \mathcal{U}^s) is complete. The composite $s \circ C = C^s$ is the separated-completion-functor. The natural transformations $\eta^s = s\eta$ and $\mu^s = s\mu$ provides the separated-completion monad (C^s, η^s, μ^s) .

The importance of separated completions lies in the fact that the embedding map $\eta_X^s: (X, \mathcal{U}) \longrightarrow (X^s, \mathcal{U}^s)$ is a map onto a $\mathcal{U}^s \vee (\mathcal{U}^s)^{-1}$ -dense subspace, hence an epimorphism in the category of separated quasi-uniform spaces (see [1],[3]).

D. The algebra of a monad

Definition 6. Let (C, η, μ) be a monad on a category A. An object A of A is a C-algebra if there is a morphism h in A, called a structure map, $h: CA \longrightarrow A$ such that the following diagrams commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 C A & \xrightarrow{C h} & C A \\
 \mu_A \downarrow & & \downarrow h \\
 C A & \xrightarrow{h} & A
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\eta_A} & C A \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow h \\
 & & A
 \end{array}$$

Examples of C-algebras

Example 1. Let $X = \{0, 1\}$ and $\mathcal{U} = X \times X$. It is straightforward to verify that (X, \mathcal{U}) is a C-algebra for every map $h: (CX, \mathcal{U}^*) \longrightarrow (X, \mathcal{U})$.

Example 2. Let (X, \mathcal{U}) be a separated complete space and let $h: (CX, \mathcal{U}^*) \longrightarrow (X, \mathcal{U})$ be the limit map, $h(\mathcal{F}) = \text{limit of } \mathcal{F}$ (convergence in the topology of $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$). Note that h is

well defined since limits are unique in separated quasi-uniform spaces. It will be shown in Section 3 that such a separated complete space is a C-algebra.

2. C-algebras. As expected, C-algebras are the complete spaces. Although expected, we have found the proof elusive. The result is surprising in that there is an arbitrariness in the structure map $h: CX \rightarrow X$ (see Proposition 2) that suggests that not all complete spaces would be C-algebras.

Proposition 1. If (X, \mathcal{U}) is a C-algebra, then (X, \mathcal{U}) is complete.

This is an immediate consequence of the following two lemmas.

Lemma 1. If $S \subset X$, then $S^* \subset \overline{\eta_X[S]}$.

Proof. Let $\alpha \in S^*$. Given a symmetric U in $\mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$, we show that $U[\alpha]$ intersects $\eta_X[S]$. From $\alpha \in S^*$ it follows that $S \in \alpha$. Now α is a Cauchy-filter, so there is F in α such that $F \times F \subset U$. But S and F are in α so there is x in $F \cap S$. By definition of U^* it follows that $(\alpha, \eta_X(x)) \in U^*$ since $F \in \alpha$ and $F \in \eta_X(x)$ and $F \times F \subset U$. Thus $U^*[\alpha]$ intersects $\eta_X[S]$, as required.

Lemma 2. Let $h: (CX, \mathcal{U}^*) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{U})$ be a quasi-uniformly continuous map such that $h \circ \eta_X(x) = x$ for all x in X . Then a Cauchy filter \mathcal{F} converges to $h(\mathcal{F})$.

Proof. We show that $h(\mathcal{F})$ is an adherence point of \mathcal{F} , from which it follows that \mathcal{F} converges to $h(\mathcal{F})$. Let $S \in \mathcal{F}$, then $F \in S^*$, so that $h(\mathcal{F}) \in h[S^*]$. By Lemma 1 we have $h[S^*] \subset \overline{h[\eta_X[S]]} \subset \overline{h[\eta_X[S]]} = \overline{S}$. Thus $h(\mathcal{F}) \in \overline{S}$ for all S in \mathcal{F} ,

showing that $h(\mathcal{F})$ is an adherence point of \mathcal{F} .

To establish the converse of Proposition 1 we require the following lemmas.

Lemma 3. Let $\alpha \in C^2X$, then $\bigcap \{ \overline{H} \mid H \subset X \text{ and } h \leftarrow [H] \in \alpha \} = \bigcap \{ \overline{h[k]} \mid k \in \alpha \}$.

Proof. Suppose $H \subset X$ and $h \leftarrow [H] \in \alpha$. $h[h \leftarrow [H]] = H$ (since h is surjective) shows that $\overline{H} = \overline{h[k]}$ for some k in α , since $k \in \alpha$ and $K \subset h \leftarrow [h[k]]$. The proof is complete.

Lemma 4. Let $\alpha \in C^2X$. If α converges to \mathcal{F} , then $ch(\alpha)$ converges to $h(\mathcal{F})$.

Proof. Suppose α converges to \mathcal{F} , then \mathcal{F} is an adherence point of α so that $\mathcal{F} \in \overline{k}$ for all $k \in \alpha$. Hence $h(\mathcal{F}) \in h[\overline{k}] \subset \overline{h[k]}$ for all $k \in \alpha$. Thus, by Lemma 3, $h(\mathcal{F}) \in \bigcap \{ \overline{H} \mid h \leftarrow [H] \in \alpha \}$, so that $h(\mathcal{F})$ is an adherence point of $Ch(\alpha)$, as required.

Lemma 5. Let $V \in \mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$. Let U be symmetric and such that $U \circ U \subset V$. If \mathcal{F} is a Cauchy filter which converges to x , then $U^*[\mathcal{F}] \subset (V[x])^*$.

Proof. Because \mathcal{F} is Cauchy and converges to x , there is F in \mathcal{F} such that $F_1 \times F_1 \subset U$ and $F_1 \subset U[x]$. Suppose $\chi \in U^*[\mathcal{F}]$, we show that $V[x] \in \chi$. By definition of U^* , if $\chi \in U^*[\mathcal{F}]$, there is $F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ and $G \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $F_2 \times G \subset U$. Let $F = F_1 \cap F_2$ so that (i) $F \in \mathcal{F}$, (ii) $F \times G \subset U$, and (iii) $F \subset U[x]$.

From (ii) we have $G \subset U[F]$ so that $U[F] \in \chi$ since $G \in \chi$. But $U[F] \subset U \circ U[x] \subset V[x]$, from (iii), so that $V[x] \in \chi$,

as required.

Lemma 6. Let $\alpha \in C^2X$. If α converges to \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F} converges to x , then $\mu_x(\alpha)$ converges to x .

Proof. Let $V \in \mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$. We show that $V[x] \in \mu_x(\alpha)$. Choose a symmetric entourage U such that $U \circ U \subset V$. Because \mathcal{F} converges to x , by Lemma 5, we have $U^*[\mathcal{F}] \subset (V[x])^*$. Since α converges to \mathcal{F} we also have $U^*[\mathcal{F}]$ in α , hence $(V[x])^*$ is in α and, consequently, $V[x] \in \mu_x(\alpha)$, as required.

Lemma 7. Let $\alpha \in C^2X$, if there is $x \in X$ such that $\mu_x(\alpha) = \{H \mid x \in H\}$, then $\text{Ch}(\alpha) = \mu_x(\alpha)$.

Proof. Observe that, for any filter \mathcal{F} , $\mathcal{F} = \{H \mid x \in H\} \iff \{x\} \in \mathcal{F}$. For convenience, let $\{H \mid x \in H\}$ be denoted by $\langle x \rangle$. To show that $\text{Ch}(\alpha) = \langle x \rangle$ it suffices to prove that $\{x\} \in \text{Ch}(\alpha)$, that is, $h \leftarrow [\{x\}] \in \alpha$.

Now, $\langle x \rangle \in \alpha$ since $\{x\} \in \mu(\alpha)$ implies $(\{x\})^* \in \alpha$ and $\mathcal{F} \in (\{x\})^*$ is equivalent to $\{x\} \in \mathcal{F}$ which states that $\mathcal{F} = \langle x \rangle$, so that $\langle x \rangle \in \alpha$. Now $\langle x \rangle \in h \leftarrow [\{x\}]$ since $h(\langle x \rangle) = x$. It then follows that $h \leftarrow [\{x\}] \in \alpha$, as required.

Note: Consideration of example 1 shows that if $\text{Ch}(\alpha) = \{H \mid x \in H\}$, then it does not follow that $\mu_x(\alpha) = \text{Ch}(\alpha)$.

Lemma 8. Let A_x consist of all Cauchy filters on X which converge to x . Let $\alpha \in C^2X$. If $A_x \in \alpha$, then $\mu_x(\alpha)$ converges to x .

Proof. It is straightforward to check $A_x = \bar{A}_x$. Also CX is complete so there is \mathcal{F} in CX such that α converges to \mathcal{F} . Then \mathcal{F} is an adherence point to α , so that $\mathcal{F} \in \bar{A}_x$. But

then $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{A}_x$, so that \mathcal{F} converges to x . By Lemma 6, we have that $\mu_x(\alpha)$ converges to x .

Proposition 2. If (X, \mathcal{U}) is complete, then it is a C-algebra.

Proof. Define $h: CX \rightarrow X$ as follows: For each x , let $[x]$ denote the R equivalence class of x ($xRy \iff \bar{x} = \bar{y}$). Let c be a choice function on $X^{\mathcal{A}}$, so $c([x]) \in [x]$. Observe that if \mathcal{F} is a Cauchy filter on X which converges to x and y , then $[x] = [y]$; now let

$$h(\mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } \mathcal{F} = \eta_x(x) \text{ for some } x. \\ c([x]), & \text{if } \mathcal{F} \notin \eta_x[X] \text{ and } \mathcal{F} \text{ converges to } x. \end{cases}$$

By the remarks above, h is well defined. Observe that \mathcal{F} converges to $h[\mathcal{F}]$. It is readily checked that $h: (CX, \mathcal{U}^*) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{U})$ is quasi-uniformly continuous. We verify that the diagram corresponding to (1) in the definition of the algebra of a monad is commutative: Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}^2X$. Because CX is complete, α converges to some \mathcal{F} in CX .

By Lemma 4, $Ch(\alpha)$ converges to $h(\mathcal{F})$. By Lemma 6, $\mu_x(\alpha)$ converges to $h(\mathcal{F})$ and α converges to \mathcal{F} . Thus $\mu_x(\alpha)$ and $Ch(\alpha)$ both converge to $h(\mathcal{F})$. To show that $h[\mu_x(\alpha)] = h[Ch(\alpha)]$ we consider two cases.

Case 1. $Ch(\alpha) \notin \eta_x[X]$. Then $\mu_x(\alpha) \notin \eta_x[X]$, by Lemma 7. By definition of h , it follows that $h[\mu_x(\alpha)] = c([h(\mathcal{F})])$ and $h[Ch(\alpha)] = c([h(\mathcal{F})])$, as required.

Case 2. $Ch(\alpha) \in \eta_x[X]$. Then $Ch(\alpha) = \langle x \rangle$ (for a unique x in X) so that $h \leftarrow [\{x\}] \in \alpha$. We again distinguish

two cases:

Case 2 a. $x \neq c([x])$. In this case, $h \leftarrow [\{x\}] = \{ \langle x \rangle \}$ since for any \mathcal{F} not in $\eta_x[X]$, $h(\mathcal{F}) = x$ implies \mathcal{F} converges to x so that $h(\mathcal{F}) = c([x]) \neq x$. Now $Ch(\alpha) = \langle x \rangle$ implies that $h \leftarrow [\{x\}] \in \alpha$, so that $\{ \langle x \rangle \} \in \alpha$. But then $\mu_x(\alpha) = \langle x \rangle$. Thus $Ch(\alpha) = \mu_x(\alpha) = \langle x \rangle$ so that $h(Ch(\alpha)) = h(\mu_x(\alpha))$.

Case 2 b. $x = c([x])$. In this case $h \leftarrow [\{x\}]$ consists of all Cauchy filters \mathcal{F} which converge to a point in $[x]$. Thus $h \leftarrow [\{x\}] = A_x$. From Lemma 8, it follows that $\mu_x(\alpha)$ converges to x . From the definition of h (whether or not $\mu_x(\alpha)$ is in $\eta_x[X]$) and $x = c([x])$, it follows that $h[\mu_x(\alpha)] = x$. Hence $h[\mu_x(\alpha)] = h[Ch(\alpha)]$.

It is remarkable that the regularity expressed in diagram 1 of the definition of a monad could be achieved with the arbitrariness involved in the function h of Proposition 2.

3. The separated-completion C^s . The results in Section 2 readily identify the C^s -algebras in QU_s :

Proposition 3. The C^s -algebras are the separated and complete spaces.

However, the delicate comparison of filters and limits can be avoided and a simple proof of Proposition 3 will be given in two parts, where we rely on the fact that η_x is epic in QU_s .

Part 1. Every C^s -algebra is complete and separated.

Proof. Let $h: C^s X \rightarrow X$ be the structure map. Then $h \circ \eta_x = \eta_x$, so that $\eta_x \circ h \circ \eta_x = \eta_x \circ \eta_x = \eta_x \circ \eta_x$. But η_x is an

epimorphism, hence $\eta_x \circ h = \mathbb{1}_{C^S X}$. Thus X and $C^S X$ are isomorphic.

Part 2. Let X be a complete and separated space, then every Cauchy filter \mathcal{F} converges to a unique point x . It is straightforward to verify that $h: (C^S X, (\mathcal{U}^*)^S) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{U})$ is quasi-uniformly continuous. Moreover $h \circ \eta_x = \mathbb{1}_x$, since the filter $\eta_x(x)$ converges to x .

To prove that $h \circ \mu_x = h \circ Ch$ we show that $h \circ \mu_x \circ \eta_{Cx} = h \circ Ch \circ \eta_{Cx} (=h)$ and use the fact that η_{Cx} is epic.

Now $\mu_x \circ \eta_{Cx} = \mathbb{1}_{Cx}$, so that $h \circ \mu_x \circ \eta_{Cx} = h$. Also, $Ch \circ \eta_{Cx} = \eta_x \circ h$ (by naturality of η), so that

$$h \circ Ch \circ \eta_{Cx} = h \circ \eta_x \circ h = \mathbb{1}_x \circ h = h.$$

The proof is complete.

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