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## QUASI-UNIFORMISATION OF CLOSURE SPACES

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**Abstract.** It is shown that the set of all quasi-uniformities (in the sense of Isbell) inducing a weakly regular closure structure forms a complete lattice. A variant of precompactness and completeness is given.

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### NOTATION

Let  $X$  be a set,  $\exp X = \{A/A \subset X\}$ . The complement of  $A \in \exp X$  is denoted by  $A^c$ .

For  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \subset \exp X$ ,  $C \subset X$ ,  $x \in X$  we define  $\mathcal{A} < \mathcal{B} \Leftrightarrow (\forall A \in \mathcal{A})$

$(\exists B \in \mathcal{B}) (A \subset B)$  and put  $\mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{B} = \{A \cap B/A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ ,

$\text{St}(C, \mathcal{A}) = \bigcup \{A \in \mathcal{A}/C \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ ,

$\text{St}(x, \mathcal{A}) = \text{St}(\{x\}, \mathcal{A})$ .

If  $\mathbf{A} \subset \exp \exp X$ , we write

$\text{St}(x, \mathbf{A}) = \{\text{St}(x, \mathcal{A})/\mathcal{A} \in \mathbf{A}\}$

$\mathcal{A} \in \text{Cov } X$  means  $\emptyset \neq \mathcal{A} \subset \exp X$  and  $\bigcup \mathcal{A} = X$ .

Finally  $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Filt } X$  means that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a proper filter on  $X$ .

### PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Let us recall some definitions and known facts.

P1. We write  $\mathbf{U} \in \text{Qn}X$  and call  $\mathbf{U}$  a quasi-uniformity on  $X$  and  $(X, \mathbf{U})$  a quasi-uniform space iff  $\emptyset \neq \mathbf{U} = \text{Cov } X$  and

$$\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2 \in \mathbf{U} \Rightarrow \mathcal{U}_1 \wedge \mathcal{U}_2 \in \mathbf{U};$$

$$\mathcal{U} \in \mathbf{U}, \quad \mathcal{U} < \mathcal{U}' \subset \exp X \Rightarrow \mathcal{U}' \in \mathbf{U}.$$

Let  $U \in \text{Qn}X$ ,  $V$  is a u-base for  $U$  iff

$$U = \{ \mathcal{U} \subset \exp X / (\exists \mathcal{V} \in V) (\mathcal{V} \prec \mathcal{U}) \};$$

$W$  is a u-subbase for  $U$  iff

$$\{ \mathcal{W}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathcal{W}_n / \mathcal{W}_1, \dots, \mathcal{W}_n \in W, n = 1, 2, \dots \}$$

is a u-base for  $U$ . We also say that  $W$  generates  $U$ . It follows easily that  $(\text{Qn}X, \subset)$  is a complete lattice and if  $\{U_\alpha; \alpha \in A\}$  is a non-void family in  $\text{Qn}X$ , then  $\cup \{U_\alpha; \alpha \in A\}$  is a u-sub-base for  $\sup_{\alpha} U_\alpha$  in  $(\text{Qn}X, \subset)$ . [2]

P2. A closure space will be given in the form  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  where  $\mathfrak{N}(x)$  denotes the neighbourhood-filter at  $x \in X$ . By  $A^-(A^i)$  we denote the closure (interior) of  $A \subset X$  in  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .  $\mathfrak{N}$  itself will be termed as a closure structure (although "n-hood structure" would be more adequate).

A closure space  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  is compact iff one of the two equivalent conditions is fulfilled:

- (a)  $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Filt } X \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  clusters in  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ ;
- (b)  $\mathcal{A} \subset \exp X, \{A^i / A \in \mathcal{A}\} \in \text{Cov } X \Rightarrow$

$$(\exists n) (\exists A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}) (\{A_1, \dots, A_n\} \in \text{Cov } X). [1]$$

## RESULTS

**1. Proposition and definition.** Let  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  be a closure space. Then

- (1)  $(\forall x, y \in X) (y \in \{x\}^- \Rightarrow x \in \{y\}^-)$ ;
- (2)  $(\forall x \in X) (\{x\}^- = \cap \{N / N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)\})$

are equivalent conditions and  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  is an  $S_1$ -closure space (weakly regular) iff (1) holds.

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $y \in \{x\}^-$ , so that  $x \in \{y\}^-$ . If  $N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$  is arbitrary, we get  $N \cap \{y\} \neq \emptyset$ , so that  $y \in N$ . It follows  $\{x\}^- \subset \cap \{N / N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)\}$ . If conversely  $y \notin \{x\}^-$ , then  $x \notin \{y\}^-$ , so that for some  $N_0 \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$  we have  $N_0 \cap \{y\} = \emptyset, y \notin N_0$ . Hence equality holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $y \in \{x\}^-$ . By (2)  $N \cap \{y\} \neq \emptyset$  for all  $N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$ , so that  $x \in \{y\}^-$ .

**2. Proposition and definition.** Let  $(X, U)$  be a quasiuniform space. For  $x \in X$  put  $\mathfrak{N}(x) = \text{St}(x, U)$ . Then  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  is an  $S_1$ -closure space. We write  $\mathfrak{N} = \text{St}(-, U)$  and call  $\text{St}(-, U)$  a closure structure induced by  $U$ .

Proof. Clearly  $X \in \mathfrak{N}(x), N \in \mathfrak{N}(x) \Rightarrow x \in N$  and  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathfrak{N}(x) \Rightarrow N_1 \cap N_2 \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$ . (Since  $\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}_1 \wedge \mathcal{U}_2) = \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}_1) \cap \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}_2)$ ).

Let  $\mathcal{U} \in U$  and  $\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \subset A \subset X$ . Put  $\mathcal{U}' = \mathcal{U} \cup \{A\}$ , so that  $\mathcal{U} \prec \mathcal{U}', \mathcal{U}' \in U$  and  $\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}') = A$ .

Since  $y \in \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \Leftrightarrow x \in \text{St}(y, \mathcal{U})$  we get  $\{x\}^- = \cap \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U})$ , so that  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  is an  $S_1$ -closure space.

**3. Definition.** Let  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  be a closure space and  $U \in \text{Qn}X$ .  $U$  is continuous on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  iff  $\text{id}_X: (X, \mathfrak{N}) \rightarrow (X, \text{St}(-, U))$  is continuous, or –equivalently  $\forall x \in X: \text{St}(x, U) \subset \mathfrak{N}(x)$ .

**4. Proposition.** Let  $U \in \text{Qn}X$  be continuous on a closure space  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ . Then  $U$  induces  $\mathfrak{N}$  iff the following condition is satisfied: If  $\{x(\mathcal{U}); \mathcal{U} \in U\}$  is an arbitrary net in  $X$  (defined on the down-ward directed set  $(U, <)$ ) and  $x \in \bigcap \{\text{St}(x(\mathcal{U}), \mathcal{U}) \mid \mathcal{U} \in U\}$ , then  $x(\mathcal{U}) \rightarrow x$  in  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ : Let  $x \in \bigcap \{\text{St}(x(\mathcal{U}), \mathcal{U}) \mid \mathcal{U} \in U\}$ . Let  $N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$ . Since  $\mathfrak{N}(x) = \text{St}(x, U)$ ,  $N = \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}_0)$  for some  $\mathcal{U}_0 \in U$  and we have  $\mathcal{U} \in U, \mathcal{U} < \mathcal{U}_0 \Rightarrow x \in \text{St}(x(\mathcal{U}), \mathcal{U}) \Rightarrow x(\mathcal{U}) \in \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \subset \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}_0) = N$ , so that  $x(\mathcal{U}) \rightarrow x$  in  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ . Assume conversely that  $\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \neq \mathfrak{N}(x)$  for some  $x \in X$ . There is  $N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$  such that  $\forall \mathcal{U} \in U: \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \not\subset N$  and for each  $\mathcal{U} \in U$  we can select  $x(\mathcal{U})$  with  $x(\mathcal{U}) \in \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U})$  and  $x(\mathcal{U}) \notin N$ . It follows  $x \in \bigcap \{\text{St}(x(\mathcal{U}), \mathcal{U}) \mid \mathcal{U} \in U\}$  and  $x(\mathcal{U}) \not\rightarrow x$ .

**5. Proposition and definition.** Let  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  be an  $S_1$ -closure space. Put

$$W = \{ \{ \{x\}^c, N \} \mid N \in \mathfrak{N}(x), x \in X \}.$$

If  $U_0 \in \text{Qn}X$  is generated by  $W$ , then  $U_0$  induces  $\mathfrak{N}$  and is called the coarse quasi-uniformity on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .

*Proof.* a) Let  $\mathcal{W} = \{ \{ \{x\}^c, N \} \in W$  and  $y \in X$  be arbitrary. If  $y = x$ , then  $\text{St}(y, \mathcal{W}) = N$ . If  $y \in N$  and  $y \neq x$ , then  $\text{St}(y, \mathcal{W}) = X$ . If finally  $y \in N^c$ , then  $\text{St}(y, \mathcal{W}) = \{x\}^c$  and since  $y \notin \{x\}^-$  – on account of  $S_1$  –  $y \in \{x\}^{c!}$ . It follows  $\text{St}(y, \mathcal{W}) \in \mathfrak{N}(y)$  for all  $y \in X$ .

b) Let  $\mathcal{U} \in U_0$ , so that  $\mathcal{W}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathcal{W}_n < \mathcal{U}$ , for some  $n$  and  $\mathcal{W}_1, \dots, \mathcal{W}_n \in W$ . It follows  $\text{St}(y, \mathcal{W}_1) \wedge \dots \wedge \text{St}(y, \mathcal{W}_n) \subset \text{St}(y, \mathcal{U})$ , so that  $\text{St}(y, \mathcal{U}) \in \mathfrak{N}(y)$  for each  $y \in X$  on account of a). Hence  $U_0$  is continuous on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .

c) If  $x \in X$  and  $N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$ , then  $\mathcal{U} = \{ \{x\}^c, N \} \in U_0$  and  $\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) = N$ , so that  $U_0$  induces  $\mathfrak{N}$ .

**6. Proposition and definition.** Let  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  be an  $S_1$ -closure space and for  $\mathcal{U} \subset \text{exp } X$  define.  $\mathcal{U} \in U_1 \Leftrightarrow (\forall x \in X) (\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \in \mathfrak{N}(x))$ . Then  $U_1$  is a quasi-uniformity on  $X$ . that induces  $\mathfrak{N}$ .  $U_1$  is called the fine quasi-uniformity on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .

*Proof.* Clearly  $\{X\} \in U_1, \emptyset \neq U_1 \subset \text{Cov } X$ , and it follows easily that  $U_1$  is a quasi-uniformity on  $X$ . By its construction it is continuous on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ , and since it contains the coarse quasi-uniformity, it induces  $\mathfrak{N}$  as well.

**7. Theorem.** Let  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  be an  $S_1$ -closure space. Then the set  $\text{Qn}(X, \mathfrak{N})$  of all quasi-uniformities on  $X$  inducing  $\mathfrak{N}$ , and ordered by inclusion is a complete lattice. The minimal (maximal) element of this lattice is the coarse (fine) quasi-uniformity on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .

*Proof.* a) Let  $U_0$  and  $U_1$  be the coarse and the fine quasi-uniformities on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .

Assume  $U \in \text{Qn}(X, \mathfrak{N})$ . If  $N \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$ , then  $\text{St}(x, U) = \mathfrak{N}(x)$ , so that  $N = \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U})$  for some  $\mathcal{U} \in U$ . It follows  $\mathcal{U} < \{\{x\}^c, N\}$ , and—with the notation from 5—we get  $W \subset U$ , so that  $U_0 \subset U$ . The relation  $U \subset U_1$  is obvious.

b) Let  $\{U_\alpha; \alpha \in A\}$  be a non-void family in  $\text{Qn}(X, \mathfrak{N})$ . Put  $U = \sup \{U_\alpha; \alpha \in A\}$ , where the supremum is taken in  $(\text{Qn}X, \subset)$  (see P1). Let  $\mathcal{U} \in U$ ,  $x \in X$ . For some  $n$  and  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in A$  and  $\mathcal{U}_k \in U_{\alpha_k}$  ( $k = 1, \dots, n$ ) we have  $\mathcal{U}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathcal{U}_n < \mathcal{U}$ . It follows  $\text{St}(x, U_1) \cap \dots \cap \text{St}(x, U_n) \subset \text{St}(x, \mathcal{U})$ , and since  $\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}_k) \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$  for  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , we get  $\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \in \mathfrak{N}(x)$ , so that  $U$  is continuous on  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ . Fix  $\alpha \in A$ . Since  $U_\alpha \subset U$ , we have for  $x \in X$ :  $\mathfrak{N}(x) = \text{St}(x, U_\alpha) \subset \text{St}(x, U)$ , so that  $U \in \text{Qn}(X, \mathfrak{N})$ .

**8. Remark.** Let  $\mathfrak{N}$  be the closure structure induced by  $U \in \text{Qn}X$ . Recall that  $U$  is a nearness on  $X$  iff  $\{\{U^i/U \in \mathcal{U}\} \mid \mathcal{U} \in U\}$  is a  $u$ -base for  $U$ . [3] It follows easily that in this case  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  is a topological  $S_1$ -space and the following theorem can be similarly proved:

**9. Theorem.** *Let  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  be a topological  $S_1$ -space. Then the set  $\text{Nr}(X, \mathfrak{N})$  of all nearnesses on  $X$  inducing  $\mathfrak{N}$  and ordered by inclusion is a complete lattice. The minimal element in  $\text{Nr}(X, \mathfrak{N})$  is generated by all covers of the form  $\{\{x\}^{-c}, G\}$  where  $G$  is  $\mathfrak{N}$ -open and  $x \in G$ . The maximal element in  $\text{Nr}(X, \mathfrak{N})$  has the set of all  $\mathfrak{N}$ -open covers of  $X$  as  $u$ -base.*

**10. Remark.** It is known that the notions of precompactness and completeness of uniform spaces can be extended on quasi-uniform spaces in many (non-equivalent) manners [4]. We give here a certain generalisation that preserves the required relation to compactness.

**11. Definitions.** *Let  $(X, U)$  be a quasi-uniform space.*

(a)  $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Filt } X$  is  $c$ - $U$ -filter iff

$$(\forall \mathcal{U} \in U) (\exists x \in X) (\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U}) \in \mathcal{F});$$

(b)  $(X, U)$  is precompact iff

$$(\forall \mathcal{U} \in U) (\exists n) (\exists x_1, \dots, x_n \in X) (X = \bigcup \{\text{St}(x_k, \mathcal{U}) \mid k = 1, \dots, n\})$$

(c)  $(X, U)$  is complete iff each  $c$ - $U$ -filter clusters in

$$(X, \text{St}(-, U)).$$

**Note.** If  $(X, U)$  is a uniform space, then just introduced notions coincide with the usual ones, as can be easily proved.

**12. Theorem.** *Let  $(X, U)$  be a quasi-uniform space. Then  $(X, \text{St}(-, U))$  is compact iff  $(X, U)$  is precompact and complete.*

**Proof.** Put  $\mathfrak{N} = \text{St}(-, \mathbf{U})$  and assume first that  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  is compact. Since each  $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Filt } X$  clusters in  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$ ,  $(X, \mathbf{U})$  is complete. Let  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathbf{U}$ . Since  $X = \bigcup \{\text{St}(x, \mathcal{U})^i / x \in X\}$ ,  $X = \bigcup \{\text{St}(x_k, \mathcal{U}) / k = 1, \dots, n\}$  for some  $n$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ , so that  $(X, \mathbf{U})$  is precompact.

Assume conversely that  $(X, \mathbf{U})$  is precompact and complete without  $(X, \mathfrak{N})$  being compact. There is  $\mathcal{A} \subset \exp X$  with  $\bigcup \{A^i / A \in \mathcal{A}\} = X$  and  $\mathcal{A}_1 \subset \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_1$ -finite  $\Rightarrow \bigcup \mathcal{A}_1 \neq X$ . Put  $\mathcal{B} = \{A^c / A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ . It follows that  $\mathcal{B}$  is centered, so that  $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{F}$  for some ultra-filter  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$ , and it follows easily that  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $c - \mathbf{U}$ . By completeness  $x \in \bigcap \{F^- / F \in \mathcal{F}\}$  for some  $x \in X$ . But  $x \in A^i$  for some  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A^c \in \mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{F}$ , so that  $x \in A^{c-}$  and we get a contradiction  $A^{c-c} \cap A^{c-} \neq \emptyset$ .

**13. Definition.** A quasi-uniform space  $(X, \mathbf{U})$  is fine iff  $\mathbf{U}$  is the fine quasi-uniformity for  $\text{St}(-, \mathbf{U})$ .

**14. Theorem.** Let  $(X, \mathbf{U})$ ,  $(Y, \mathbf{V})$  be quasi-uniform spaces,  $(X, \mathbf{U})$  fine. If  $f: (X, \text{St}(-, \mathbf{U})) \rightarrow (Y, \text{St}(-, \mathbf{V}))$  is continuous, then  $f: (X, \mathbf{U}) \rightarrow (Y, \mathbf{V})$  is uniformly continuous.

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{V} \in \mathbf{V}$ . Since

$$f^{-1}[\text{St}(f(x), \mathcal{V})] \subset \text{St}(x, f^{-1}(\mathcal{V}))$$

and  $f$  is continuous, it follows

$$\text{St}(x, f^{-1}(\mathcal{V})) \in \text{St}(x, \mathbf{U}) \quad \text{for all } x \in X,$$

so that  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{V}) \in \mathcal{U}$  by 6.

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