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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  $H(p) = \{d \in D | d \ge p\}$  is called the hull of p.

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

2. DEFINITION. Let  $E \subset D$ . The kernel of E denoted by 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 Card.  $H(q \wedge r) \neq 3$  and  $s \in D$  is such that Card.  $H(s \wedge q) = 3 =$ 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  $H(p, q) = \{(S_1, S_2) | S_1, S_2 \text{ are stars such that } S_1 \cap H(p) \neq \emptyset \neq S_2 \cap H(q)\}.$ 

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  $d \ge d_1 \wedge d_2$ , then  $d \in H$ .
- (b)  $\alpha(H)$  is an intersection of finite unions of primary rectangles.

(iv) a = 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 rectanglis 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  $r = \bigvee p_i$  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  $T_i$  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  $d_2 \ge d_1 \wedge d_3$  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  $\eta: L \to L(X)$  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  $\eta(x) \neq \eta(y)$ . Futher  $\eta$  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  $H = \{d \in D \mid \text{the pair } (S_1, S_2) \text{ of stars containing } d$  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  $y \ge x_{\alpha}$  for each  $\alpha$ . So  $y \ge x$ . 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  $S_1 \bigvee_{\eta} (x_{\alpha}) S_2$  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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