

Clarification: Here we clarify some notations and make a few corrections to maximize the consistence of our discussion.

Let X be a nonempty set.

- For every $A \subseteq 2^X$, the upwards closure $\uparrow A$ is defined by

$$\uparrow A =_{def} \{S \subseteq X \mid B \subseteq S \text{ for some } B \in A\}.$$

We abuse the notation by writing $\uparrow \{x\}$ for $\uparrow \{\{x\}\}$. ■

- For every $x \in X$, let \mathcal{F}_x be a collection of filters such that,
 1. $\uparrow \{x\} \in \mathcal{F}_x$,
 2. for every $F \in \mathcal{F}_x$, $F \subseteq 2^X$ and F is a filter, and
 3. if $F \in \mathcal{F}_x$ and F' is a filter with $F \subseteq F'$, then $F' \in \mathcal{F}_x$. ■

Note that, given an $x \in X$, \mathcal{F}_x is not unique.

- We say that (X, \mathcal{F}) is a convergence space if and only if, for every $x \in X$, there is an $\mathcal{F}_x \in \mathcal{F}$. ■
- We say that (X, \mathcal{T}) is a topological space if and only if $\mathcal{T} \subseteq 2^X$ is a collection of open sets such that,
 1. $\emptyset \in \mathcal{T}$.
 2. $X \in \mathcal{T}$.
 3. \mathcal{T} is closed under finite intersections.
 4. For every $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$, we have $\bigcup \mathcal{S} \in \mathcal{T}$. ■

Induced Topologies: (Exercise 6) Given any convergence space (X, \mathcal{F}) , we can obtain an *induced topology* as follows.

For each $x \in X$, fix an $\mathcal{F}_x \in \mathcal{F}$ and define $\mathcal{N}_x = \bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$. By taking \mathcal{N}_x as the set of neighborhoods of x for every $x \in X$, we can obtain a collection of open sets. Let this collection be \mathcal{T} . By exercise 4 of note III, (X, \mathcal{T}) is a topological space.

A Convergence Space Determined by a Topology: (Exercise 7) Given any topology space (X, \mathcal{T}) , we can obtain a *convergence space* as follows.

For each $x \in X$, let \mathcal{N}_x be the set of neighborhoods of x in topology (X, \mathcal{T}) . For every $x \in X$, let \mathcal{F}_x be the collection of all super-filters of \mathcal{N}_x . Also, let $\mathcal{F} = \{\mathcal{F}_x \mid x \in X\}$.

To see that (X, \mathcal{F}) is a convergence space, we shall prove that \mathcal{N}_x is a filter for every $x \in X$. In other words, we need to prove that \mathcal{N}_x is closed under finite intersection and superset.

1. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{N}_x$. By the definition of neighborhood, there are two open sets O_A and O_B such that, $x \in O_A$, $O_A \subseteq A$, $x \in O_B$, and $O_B \subseteq B$. Since O_A and O_B are two open sets, so is $O_A \cap O_B$. Moreover, $x \in O_A \cap O_B$. Since $(O_A \cap O_B) \subseteq (A \cap B)$, it follows that $A \cap B$ is a neighborhood of x and hence $A \cap B \in \mathcal{N}_x$.
2. Since any superset of a neighborhood of x is also a neighborhood of x , it follows that \mathcal{N}_x is closed under superset.

Since $\uparrow \{x\}$ is a super-filter of \mathcal{N}_x , it follows that $\uparrow \{x\} \in \mathcal{F}_x$. Thus, (X, \mathcal{F}) is a convergence space. \square

Definition 1 (Principal) A set S is said to be principal if and only if $\bigcap S \in S$. \blacksquare

According to the definition above, we say that \mathcal{F}_x is principal iff $\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x \in \mathcal{F}_x$. Likewise, we say that $\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$ is principal iff $\bigcap(\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x) \in \bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$.

Definition 2 (Pointed Convergence Spaces) We say that a convergence space (X, \mathcal{F}) is pointed if and only if, for every $x \in X$, both \mathcal{F}_x and $\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$ are pointed. \blacksquare

Reflexive Directed Graphs and Pointed Convergence Spaces

- Every pointed convergence space (X, \mathcal{F}) determines a reflexive directed graph (V, E) , where $V = X$ and E is defined as follows. For convenience, let $\langle p, q \rangle$ denote an edge from node p to node q . E is the set of edges defined by:

$$\langle p, q \rangle \in E \text{ if and only if } p, q \in V \text{ and } q \in \bigcap(\bigcap \mathcal{F}_p).$$

The only thing we need to prove is the reflexiveness of (V, E) . Namely, for every $x \in X$, we have to show that $x \in \bigcap(\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x)$. By the definition of convergence space, $\uparrow \{x\} \in \mathcal{F}_x$. Thus, for every $A \in \bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$, we know that $A \in \uparrow \{x\}$, and hence $x \in A$. In other words, x is a member of every member of $\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$, i.e., $x \in \bigcap(\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x)$. Therefore, $\langle x, x \rangle \in E$. \square

Note that, in the proof above we do not need the assumption that the convergence space is pointed.

- Every reflexive directed graph (V, E) determines a pointed convergence space as follows. For every $p \in V$, the principal neighborhood of p (denoted as $\mathcal{N}(p)$) is defined by

$$\mathcal{N}(p) =_{def} \{q \mid \langle p, q \rangle \in E\}.$$

Since (V, E) is reflexive, $p \in \mathcal{N}(p)$ for every $p \in V$. One can prove that $\uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\}$ is a filter.¹ Let \mathcal{F}_x be the collection of all super-filters of $\uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\}$. Let $\mathcal{F} = \{\mathcal{F}_x \mid x \in X\}$. Since

$$A \in \uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\} \implies A \in \uparrow \{x\},$$

it follows that $\uparrow \{x\}$ is a super-filters of $\uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\}$. Therefore $\uparrow \{x\} \in \mathcal{F}_x$, and hence (X, \mathcal{F}) is a convergence space.

By the construction, we know that

$$\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x = \uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\} \quad \text{and} \quad \uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\} \in \mathcal{F}_x.$$

Thus, \mathcal{F}_x is principal. Also,

$$\bigcap (\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x) = \bigcap \uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\} = \mathcal{N}(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{N}(x) \in \uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\},$$

where $\uparrow \{\mathcal{N}(x)\} = \bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$. Thus, $\bigcap \mathcal{F}_x$ is also principal. Therefore, (X, \mathcal{F}) is pointed. \square

Recall from Note II the definition of continuity on convergence spaces:

Definition 3 (Continuity) *Let (X, \mathcal{F}) and (Y, \mathcal{D}) be two convergence spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. We say that f is continuous at $x \in X$ if and only if*

$$\forall F \in \mathcal{F}_x \left[\uparrow \hat{f}(F) \in \mathcal{D}_{f(x)} \right]. \quad (1)$$

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Our next goal is to see that, is there another way to formulate the continuity if the two convergence spaces (X, \mathcal{F}) and (Y, \mathcal{D}) are both pointed.

¹Try to prove this statement.