

Locale Theory in Univalent Foundations

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What is locale theory?

Topology in which the notion of **space** is understood primarily in terms of its

lattice of opens

rather than its

set of points.

What is a locale?

A **frame** is a lattice

- ▶ with finite meets,
- ▶ arbitrary joins, and in which
- ▶ the meets distribute over the joins.

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notion of space characterized by an
abstract *frame* of opens.

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They have implemented several important constructions of domain theory.

- ▶ The Scott model of PCF.
- ▶ Its soundness and computational adequacy.
- ▶ Scott's D_∞ model of the untyped λ -calculus.

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- ▶ For any type $A : \mathcal{U}$, universe \mathcal{V} , the type expressing that A is \mathcal{V} -small is a proposition.
- ▶ The **univalence axiom** holds.

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LEM implies Ω - $(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V})$ -resizing for all universes.

Proof sketch.

- ▶ If LEM holds, all propositions are decidable i.e. $\Omega \simeq \mathbf{2}$.
- ▶ The type $\mathbf{2}$ always has a copy in \mathcal{U}_0 .
- ▶ Types in \mathcal{U}_0 can always be lifted up to any universe.



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Let $(x_i)_{i:I}$ be a family on some type A that is equipped with a preorder $- \leq -$. This family is called **directed** if

1. I is inhabited, and
2. for every $i, j : I$, there exists some $k : I$ such that x_k is an upper bound of $\{x_i, x_j\}$.

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Let A be a $(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V})$ -join-semilattice. The truth value $x \leq y$ is \mathcal{W} -small if and only if the carrier A is a locally \mathcal{W} -small type.

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(\Rightarrow) antisymmetry; $(\Leftarrow) x \leq y \leftrightarrow x \vee y = y$. □

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They show **directly** that certain results cannot be obtained predicatively, by **deriving resizing axioms from them**.

Lifting of a proposition

Definition (Lifting)

Let $P : \Omega_{\mathcal{U}}$. The \mathcal{V} -lifting of P is defined as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{V}}(P) := \sum_{Q:\Omega_{\mathcal{V}}} Q \rightarrow P.$$

Proposition

This is a \mathcal{V} -join-lattice when ordered under implication.

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- ▶ a top element $\mathbf{1} : A$,
- ▶ a binary meet operation $- \wedge - : A \rightarrow A \rightarrow A$,
- ▶ a join operation $\bigvee - : \text{Fam}_{\mathcal{W}}(A) \rightarrow A$;
- ▶ satisfying distributivity i.e. $x \wedge \bigvee_{i:I} y_i = \bigvee_{i:I} x \wedge y_i$ for every $x : A$ and \mathcal{W} -family $(y_i)_{i:I}$ in A .

Some locale theory notation

A **frame homomorphism** is a function preserving finite meets and arbitrary joins.

The category of frames and their homomorphisms is denoted **Frm**; its opposite is denoted **Loc**.

- ▶ Morphisms of **Loc** are called **continuous maps**.

The frame corresponding to a locale X is denoted $\mathcal{O}(X)$.

We work in the spatial direction:

- ▶ X, Y, Z, \dots range over locales;
- ▶ $f, g : X \rightarrow Y$ range over continuous maps;
- ▶ $U, V, W, \dots : \mathcal{O}(X)$ range over opens; and
- ▶ $f^* : \mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ denotes the frame homomorphism corresponding to a continuous map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ of locales.

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Accordingly, we restrict attention to large and locally small frames.

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The **discrete locale** over a set X is the type $X \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathcal{U}}$ of subsets, ordered under $S \subseteq T \equiv \forall x : X. x \in S \Rightarrow x \in T$, joins given by

$$U \in \left(\bigvee_{i:I} S_i \right) \equiv \exists i : I. U \in S_i.$$

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We use the term **basic covering family**.

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The terminal locale $\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{U}}$ is a Stone locale.

The basis is given by the family $\beta : \mathbf{2} \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathcal{U}}$,

$$\beta(0) :\equiv \perp$$

$$\beta(1) :\equiv \top$$

and both of these are clopen and compact.

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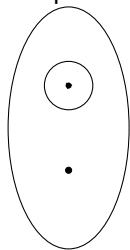
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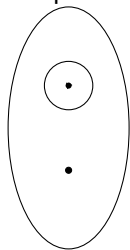
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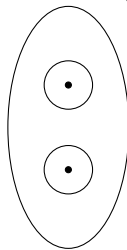
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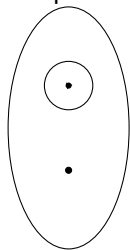
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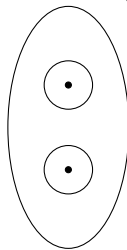
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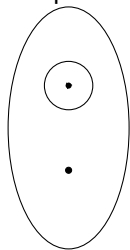


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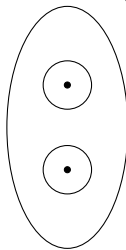
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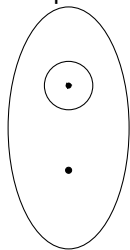
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Some examples of patch

Spectral locale in consideration

Sierpiński space



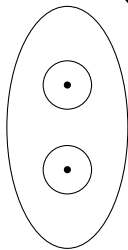
Scott topology of a (Scott) domain

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) \simeq \Omega^{\mathbb{N}}$$

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Previous work [Esc99; Esc01] exploited the fact that Patch is a **subframe of the frame of all nuclei**.

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Unfortunately, the **pointwise join** fails to be idempotent in general.

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Open question

Is the frame of all nuclei **fundamentally impredicative**? If one assumes its existence, *can one derive a form of resizing from it?*

The frame of Scott continuous nuclei

We have constructed [TE23; AET24] the patch locale of a spectral locale and proved the above universal property (completely formalized).

Theorem

Given any spectral locale X , its **patch locale** $\text{Patch}(X)$, defined by the frame of opens

$$\mathcal{O}(\text{Patch}(X)) := \sum_{j:\mathbf{N}(X)} j \text{ Scott continuous}$$

exhibits **Stone** as a coreflective subcategory of **Spec**.

The construction of the joins goes back to Escardó's previous work [Esc03].

The closed and open nuclei

Theorem

Let X and Y be two locales. If Y has a **small, weak** basis, then any frame homomorphism $f^* : \mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ has right adjoint.

Definition

Let U be an open of a locale X . The Heyting implication $U \Rightarrow (-)$ is defined as the right adjoint of $U \wedge (-)$.

Definition (Open nucleus)

The **open nucleus** on U is defined as $\mathbf{o}(U) : \equiv V \mapsto U \Rightarrow V$.

Definition (Closed nucleus)

The **closed nucleus** on U is defined as $\mathbf{c}(U) : \equiv V \mapsto U \vee V$.

Basis of patch

Theorem

Patch(X) is large and locally small and has a small basis consisting of clopens.

Proof sketch

The family

$$\{\mathbf{c}(B_m) \wedge \mathbf{o}(B_n) \mid m, n : I\}$$

forms a basis for $\text{Patch}(A)$ and the basic covering family for a given Scott-continuous nucleus $j : \mathcal{O}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ is given by

$$\{\mathbf{c}(B_m) \wedge \mathbf{o}(B_n) \mid B_m \leq j(B_n), m, n : I\}.$$

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