

SEPARATED LOCALES II

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In [4], we have established an equivalence between the category of spatial separated locales and the category of sober T_1 -spaces and hence the concept of separated locales is very appropriate for a localic form of T_1 -separation axiom.

For frames A, B , the hom-set $\text{hom}(A, B)$ of frame homomorphisms on A to B has a natural order.

For an unordered frame X , one has a discrete ordered set $\text{hom}(X, A)$ for any frame A . We observe that a frame (=locale) A is separated iff $\text{hom}(A, 2)$ has the discrete order. Thus we introduce a concept of A -separated frames, namely those frames X whose $\text{hom}(X, A)$ have a discrete order for all $A \in \mathbf{A}$ and dually a concept of A -discrete frames, where \mathbf{A} is class of frames.

It is shown that for a class \mathbf{A} of frames, the class $S(\mathbf{A})$ of \mathbf{A} -separated frames is closed under the formation of epi-sinks in \mathbf{Frm} and the class $D(\mathbf{A})$ of \mathbf{A} -discrete frames is closed under the formation of mono-sources in \mathbf{Frm} . Furthermore, (S, D) is a Galois connection.

It is also shown that for any class \mathbf{B} of frames with $\mathbf{A} \subseteq \mathbf{B} \subseteq M(\mathbf{A})$, $S(\mathbf{A}) = S(\mathbf{B})$, where $M(\mathbf{A})$ is the class of frames which are domains of mono-sources with codomains in \mathbf{A} .

Using these results, we show that a frame A is separated iff for any spatial frame X , $\text{hom}(A, X)$ has a discrete order. Finally we give some interesting examples $S(\mathbf{A})$, $D(\mathbf{A})$ for various class \mathbf{A} .

For the terminology, we refer to [6].

1. Discrete order on hom-sets

For frames A, B , its hom-set $\text{hom}(A, B)$ has the natural order, namely for $f, g \in \text{hom}(A, B)$, $f \leq g$ iff for all $x \in A$, $f(x) \leq g(x)$. It is known [6] that $\text{hom}(A, B)$ has directed joins.

In the following, the order on $\text{hom}(A, B)$ means the above natural order.

Using the order on hom-sets, we form two classes from a class of frames

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and then investigate their properties.

DEFINITION 1.1. Let A be a class of frames.

1) A frame X is said to be A -separated if for any $A \in A$, $\text{hom}(X, A)$ is a discrete ordered set.

2) A frame X is said to be A -discrete if for any $A \in A$, $\text{hom}(A, X)$ is a discrete ordered set.

REMARK 1) The concept of A -separated frames is dual to that of A -discrete frames.

2) A frame X is A -separated iff whenever $u \leq v$ in $\text{hom}(X, A)$ ($A \in A$), one has $u = v$.

In the following, for a class A of frames, $S(A)$ denotes the class of all A -separated frames and $D(A)$ the class of all A -discrete frames.

PROPOSITION 1.2. Let A and B be classes of frames, then one has,

1) If $A \subseteq B$, then $S(B) \subseteq S(A)$ and $D(B) \subseteq D(A)$.

(2) $B \subseteq S(A)$ iff $A \subseteq D(B)$. In other words, the pair (S, D) is a Galois connection.

PROOF. 1) It is immediate from the definition.

2) Assume $B \subseteq S(A)$. Take any $A \in A$ and $B \in B$. Since $B \in B \subseteq S(A)$, $\text{hom}(B, A)$ has the discrete order and hence $A \in D(B)$. By the exactly same argument, one has the converse.

By the Galois connection (S, D) , one has the following. (See [3] for basic properties of Galois connections.)

COROLLARY 1.3. Let A be any class of frames, then

1) $A \subseteq D(S(A))$; $A \subseteq S(D(A))$.

2) $S(D(S(A))) = S(A)$; $D(S(D(A))) = D(A)$.

Furthermore, for any family $(A_i)_{i \in I}$ of classes of frames,

3) $S(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} S(A_i)$; $D(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} D(A_i)$.

THEOREM 1.4. For any class A of frames, $S(A)$ is closed under the formation of epi-sinks in \mathbf{Frm} and $D(A)$ is closed under the formation of mono-sources in \mathbf{Frm} .

PROOF. Suppose $(f_i : X_i \rightarrow X)_{i \in I}$ is an epi-sink in \mathbf{Frm} such that for all $i \in I$, X_i belongs to $S(A)$. Take any $A \in A$ and $u, v \in \text{hom}(X, A)$ with $u \leq v$, then for

all $i \in I$, $u \circ f_i \leq v \circ f_i$ in $\text{hom}(X_i, A)$. Since $\text{hom}(X_i, A)$ is a discrete ordered set, $u \circ f_i = v \circ f_i$ for all $i \in I$. Since $(f_i)_{i \in I}$ is an epi-sink, we have $u = v$. Thus X is again a member of $S(A)$. Since D is dual to S , the second half is now immediate from the first half.

COROLLARY 1.5. *For a class A of frames, $S(A)$ is coproductive and cohereditary in \mathbf{Frm} ; $D(A)$ is productive and hereditary in \mathbf{Frm} .*

REMARK 1.6. Since $\text{Loc} = \mathbf{Frm}^{\text{op}}$, products of A -separated locals are again A -sublocales and sublocales of an A -separated locales are again A -separated.

NOTATION. For a class A of frames, $M(A)$ denotes the class $\{X \in \mathbf{Frm} \mid \text{there is a mono-source } (f_i : X \rightarrow A_i)_{i \in I} \text{ with codomains } A_i \text{ in } A \text{ for all } i \in I\}$ and $E(A)$ the class $\{X \in \mathbf{Frm} \mid \text{there is an epi-sink } (f_i : A_i \rightarrow X)_{i \in I} \text{ with domains } A_i \text{ in } A \text{ for all } i \in I\}$.

Using the above notation, we have the following:

THEOREM 1.7. *Let A be a class of frames.*

- 1) *For any class A of frames with $A \subseteq B \subseteq M(A)$, $S(A) = S(B)$.*
- 2) *For any class B of frames with $A \subseteq B \subseteq E(A)$, $D(A) = D(B)$.*

PROOF. 1) Since $A \subseteq B$, we have $S(B) \subseteq S(A)$. Take any $X \in S(A)$ and any $B \in B$, then there is a mono-source $(f_i : B \rightarrow A_i)_{i \in I}$ such that for all $i \in I$, $A_i \in A$. For any $u, v \in \text{hom}(X, B)$ with $u \leq v$, we have $f_i \circ u \leq f_i \circ v$ in $\text{hom}(X, A_i)$ ($i \in I$). Since $X \in S(A)$ and $A_i \in A$, $f_i \circ u = f_i \circ v$. Since $(f_i)_{i \in I}$ is a mono-source, we have $u = v$. Thus X belongs to $S(B)$, so that $S(B) = S(A)$.

2) Dual of 1).

For a class A of frames, let $R(A)$ ($Q(A)$) denote the class of all subframes (quotient frames, resp.) of members of A and let $P(A)$ ($C(A)$) denote the class of all product frames (coproduct frames, resp.) of members of A . Then it is immediate that $A \subseteq R(A)$, $P(A) \subseteq M(A)$ and $A \subseteq Q(A)$, $C(A) \subseteq E(A)$ and hence we have the following by the above theorem.

COROLLARY 1.8. *For any class A of frames, one has,*

- 1) $S(A) = S(R(A)) = S(P(A))$.
- 2) $D(A) = D(Q(A)) = D(C(A))$.

2. Separated locales

Throughout this section, 2 and 3 will denote the two element chain $\{0, 1\}$

and the three element chain $[0, 1/2, 1]$, respectively.

We recall [4] that a frame A is said to be separated if there is no onto frame homomorphism $A \rightarrow 3$.

LEMMA 2.1. *A frame A is separated iff A is 2-separated.*

PROOF. Suppose A is separated and there are $u, v \in \text{hom}(A, 2)$ such that $u \leq v$ and $u \not\leq v$. Let $p = \bigvee u^{-1}(0)$ and $q = \bigvee v^{-1}(0)$. Since $u \leq v$ and $u \not\leq v$, p and q are distinct prime elements of A with $q \leq p$. We define $h: A \rightarrow 3$ as follows: $h(x) = 1$ if $x \not\leq p$, $h(x) = 1/2$ if $x \leq q$ and $x \not\leq p$, and $h(x) = 0$ if $x \leq q$. Using the fact that p and q are prime elements, one can easily show that h is a frame homomorphism. Since $h(p) = 1/2$, h is onto, so that we have a contradiction.

Conversely, suppose A is not separated but 2-separated. Then there is an onto frame homomorphism $h: A \rightarrow 3$. Let x_0 be an element of A with $h(x_0) = 1/2$. Let $u, v: 3 \rightarrow 2$ be the characteristic functions of $\{1, 1/2\}$ and $\{1\}$, respectively. It is clear that u and v are frame homomorphisms and that $v \circ h \leq u \circ h$ in $\text{hom}(A, 2)$. Since $u \circ h(x_0) \not\leq v \circ h(x_0)$, one has also a contradiction. This completes the proof.

REMARK 2.2. For any frame A , there is an isomorphism between $\text{hom}(A, 2)$ and $\text{pt}(A)^{\text{op}}$, where $\text{pt}(A)$ is the set of all prime elements of A . Hence a frame A is separated iff $\text{pt}(A)$ is a discrete ordered set, i.e., for any prime elements p, q of A with $p \leq q$, one has $p = q$.

Since prime elements in a Boolean algebra are precisely coatoms, every complete Boolean algebra is separated.

We recall [6] that a frame A is spatial iff $\text{hom}(A, 2)$ is a mono-source. Let \mathbf{SFrm} denote the class of all spatial frames.

Using this, one has the following interesting characterizations of separated frames.

THEOREM 2.3. *For a frame A , the following are equivalent:*

- 1) A is separated.
- 2) A is 2-separated.
- 3) A is \mathbf{SFrm} -separated.
- 4) A is 3-separated.

PROOF. By the above lemma, 1) and 2) are equivalent. As mentioned above, $M(2) = \mathbf{SFrm}$. Since 2 is a subframe of 3, $M(2) \subseteq M(3)$. Furthermore, $M(3) \subseteq M(2)$ because $3 \in \mathbf{SFrm} = M(2)$. Thus one has $M(2) = \mathbf{SFrm} = M(3)$; hence by Theorem 1.7, $S(2) = S(M(2)) = S(\mathbf{SFrm}) = S(M(3)) = S(3)$. This completes the

proof.

REMARK 2.4. A frame A is unordered iff A is **Frm**-separated. Since $S(\mathbf{Frm}) \subseteq S(\mathbf{SFrm})$, every separated frame is unordered (See Proposition 2.8 in [4]). Let **Sep(UO)** denote the class of separated (unordered, resp.) frames. The following is immediate from Theorem 1.4, 2.3 and the above remark (See also Theorem 2.10 in [4]).

COROLLARY 2.5. **Sep** and **UO** are closed under the formation of epi-sinks in **Frm**.

For the operators S and D , one has the following:

PROPOSITION 2.6. 1) $SD(\mathbf{Sep}) = \mathbf{Sep}$.

2) $SD(\mathbf{UO}) = \mathbf{UO}$.

3) $D(2) = \mathbf{Frm}$.

4) $D(3) = \{1\}$ and hence $D(2) \cong D(3)$, where 1 denotes the singleton frame.

5) $SD(3) = \mathbf{Frm}$.

6) $D(\mathbf{Frm}) = \{1\}$.

7) $D(\mathbf{UO}) = \mathbf{Frm}$.

PROOF. 1) and 2) follows from Corollary 1.3 and the fact that $\mathbf{Sep} = S(\mathbf{SFrm})$ and $\mathbf{UO} = S(\mathbf{Frm})$. Noting that 2 is an initial object of **Frm**, for any $A \in \mathbf{Frm}$, $\text{hom}(2, A)$ is a singleton set; hence $D(2) = \mathbf{Frm}$. Since 1 is a terminal object of **Frm**, $1 \in D(3)$. Suppose a frame A has more than two elements. Define $u, v : 3 \rightarrow A$ by $u(1) = u(1/2) = v(1) = 1$ and $u(0) = v(1/2) = v(0) = 0$. Then $u, v \in \text{hom}(3, A)$ with $v \leq u$ but $v \not\cong u$. Hence $A \notin D(3)$. Thus we have 4). Since 1 is a terminal object of **Frm**, $S(1) = \mathbf{Frm}$, so that $SD(3) = S(1) = \mathbf{Frm}$. 6) follows from the fact that $D(\mathbf{Frm}) = DSD(3) = D(3) = \{1\}$. Finally, $D(\mathbf{UO}) = DS(\mathbf{Frm}) = DSD(2) = D(2) = \mathbf{Frm}$.

REMARK. Since $3 \in \mathbf{SFrm}$, $D(\mathbf{SFrm})$ is contained in $D(3)$; hence $D(\mathbf{SFrm}) = \{1\}$.

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