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The purpose in this paper is to prove the existence of a canonical-pre-quasi-uniform

extension (X,\mathcal{U}) of a pre-quasi-uniform space (X,\mathcal{U}) . Most of the concepts used

in quasi-uniform spaces may be applied to pre-quasi-uniform spaces. These spaces

were introduced by the first author and developed by the second in his doctoral

thesis. We shall study the main properties of this class of spaces which contains the

Completion of pre-quasi-uniform spaces



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ABSTRACT

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1. Preliminaries

For terminology and notation we follow [1,2,5,6] (except when mentioning the contrary).

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In order to make this article accessible to the nonspecialist we begin by recalling some basic concepts of the theory of quasi-uniform spaces.

A quasi-uniformity on a set X is a filter \mathcal{U} on $X \times X$ such that:

(i) For each $U \in \mathcal{U}$, $\Delta(X) = \{(x, x) \colon x \in X\} \subseteq U$.

(ii) For each $U \in \mathcal{U}$, there is a $V \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $V \circ V = V^2 \subseteq U$. (Here $V \circ V = \{(x, y) \in X \times X : \text{There exists } z \in X \text{ such that } (x, z) \in V \text{ and } (z, y) \in V \}$.)

A (sub)base \mathcal{B} for \mathcal{U} is *transitive* provided that for each $B \in \mathcal{B}$, $B \circ B = B$. A quasi-uniformity with a transitive base is called a *transitive quasi-uniformity*.

The pair (X, \mathcal{U}) is called a *quasi-uniform space*. Let us note that for any quasi-uniformity \mathcal{U} on X, the filter $\mathcal{U}^{-1} = \{U^{-1} : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ is also a quasi-uniformity on X called the conjugate of \mathcal{U} . (Of course, $U^{-1} = \{(x, y) \in X \times X : (y, x) \in U\}$.)

Furthermore $\mathcal{U}^* = \mathcal{U} \vee \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ is a *uniformity* on X.

A quasi-uniformity \mathcal{U} on a set X is called *totally bounded* provided that for each $U \in \mathcal{U}$ there exists a finite cover \mathcal{A} of X such that $A \times A \subseteq U$ whenever $A \in \mathcal{A}$ (equivalently, if the uniformity \mathcal{U}^* is precompact, i.e. for each $U \in \mathcal{U}^*$ there is a finite subset F of X such that U(F) = X).

Let X be a set. A set $U \subseteq X \times X$ is a *connector* of X if $\Delta(X) = \{(x, x) : x \in X\} \subseteq U$ or, equivalently, if U is a reflexive relation on X.

Definition 1.1. Let X be a non-empty set and let \mathcal{U} be a filter in $X \times X$ whose elements are connectors of X. The topology $\tau_{\mathcal{U}}$ induced by \mathcal{U} is:

$$\tau_{\mathcal{U}} = \{ V \subseteq X \colon \forall x \in V, \exists U \in \mathcal{U} \text{ such that } U(x) \subset V \}.$$

Here $U(x) = \{y \in X : (x, y) \in U\}$, when $U \in \mathcal{U}$ and $x \in X$.

Definition 1.2. Let X be a non-empty set. A filter \mathcal{U} on $X \times X$ consisting of connectors of X is a *pre-quasi-uniformity* on X if the following condition is fulfilled:

$$\forall U \in \mathcal{U}, \ \exists V \in \mathcal{U} \text{ such that } V(x) \subseteq intU(x) \ \forall x \in X.$$
(1)

A pre-quasi-uniform space is a pair (X, \mathcal{U}) , where X is a non-empty set and \mathcal{U} is a pre-quasi-uniformity on X.

It is clear that every quasi-uniformity on X is a pre-quasi-uniformity on X.

Definition 1.3. An *indexed cover* of X is a map $\varphi \colon X \to \mathcal{P}(X)$ where $x \in \varphi(x)$ for each $x \in X$. A more familiar notation is $\{U_x \colon x \in X\}$, where $x \in U_x = \varphi(x)$ for each $x \in X$.

Example 1.4. Let ξ be an arbitrary cover of X. The *barycentric cover* ξ^{Δ} is the indexed cover $\xi^{\Delta} = \{St(x,\xi) : x \in X\}$, where $St(x,\xi) = \bigcup \{G \in \xi : x \in G\}$. In this case:

$$E(\xi^{\Delta}) = \cup \{G \times G \colon G \in \xi\}$$

is a symmetric connector.

The cobarycentric cover ξ^∇ is the index cover

$$\xi^{\nabla} = \{ Cost(x,\xi) \colon x \in X \},\$$

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