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The theory of continuous lattices and domains which arose from computer science and logic, is based on the investigation of directed complete posets (dcpos, for short). Since there are important mathematical models which fail to be dcpos, there is an attempt to carry as much as possible of the theory of continuous lattices to as general an ordered structure as possible.



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Moreover, Ern  pointed out the importance of the concept of *standard completions* in the context of generalized continuous posets. In the absence of enough joins, Ern  introduced the concept of  $s_2$ -continuous posets and the *weak Scott topology* by means of the cuts instead of joins. Quasicontinuous domains introduced by Gierz, Lawson and Stralka capture many of the essential features of continuous domains and pop up from time to time generalizing slightly the powerful notion of continuous domains.



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At the 6th International Symposium in Domain Theory, J.D. Lawson emphasized the need to develop the core of domain theory directly in  $T_0$  topological spaces instead of posets. Moreover, it was pointed out that several results in domain theory can be lifted from the context of posets to  $T_0$  topological spaces.



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The concept of  $\mathcal{S}$ -convergence for dcpos was introduced by Scott to characterize continuous domains. It was proved that for a dcpo, the  $\mathcal{S}$ -convergence is topological if and only if it is a continuous domain. By different convergence, not only are many notions of continuity characterized, but also they make order and topology across each other. Zhao and Ho defined a new way-below relation and a new topology constructed from any given topology on a set using irreducible sets in a  $T_0$  topological space replacing directed subsets and investigated the properties of this derived topology and  $k$ -bounded spaces.



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In this paper, we introduce the concepts of  $SI_2$ -quasicontinuous spaces and  $\mathcal{GD}$ -convergence of nets for arbitrary topological spaces by the cuts. We show that a space is  $SI_2$ -quasicontinuous if and only if its weakly irreducible topology is hypercontinuous under inclusion order. Finally we arrive at a conclusion that a  $T_0$  space  $X$  is  $SI_2$ -quasicontinuous if and only if the  $\mathcal{GD}$ -convergence in  $X$  is topological.





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Recall some concepts of posets and topological spaces.

For a poset  $P$ ,  $x \in P$ ,  $A \subseteq P$ , define  $\downarrow A = \{x \in P : x \leq a \text{ for some } a \in A\}$  and dually,  $\uparrow A$ .  $A^\uparrow$  and  $A^\downarrow$  denote the sets of all upper and lower bounds of  $A$ , respectively. A cut operator  $\delta$  is defined by  $A^\delta = (A^\uparrow)^\downarrow$  for all  $A \subseteq P$ . Notice that whenever  $A$  has a join (supremum) then  $x \in A^\delta$  means  $x \leq \vee A$ . Let  $P^{(<\omega)}$  be the set of all nonempty finite subsets of  $P$ .

For a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the *specialization order*  $\leq$  on  $X$  is defined by  $y \leq x$  if and only if  $y \in \text{cl}(\{x\})$ . If  $(X, \tau)$  is  $T_0$  then the specialization order is a partial order.



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Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. A nonempty subset  $F \subseteq X$  is called *irreducible* if for every closed sets  $B$  and  $C$ , whenever  $F \subseteq B \cup C$ , one has either  $F \subseteq B$  or  $F \subseteq C$ . The set of all irreducible sets of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  will be denoted by  $\text{Irr}_\tau(X)$  or  $\text{Irr}(X)$ .

Unless otherwise stated, in the context of  $T_0$  spaces, all order-theoretic concepts such as lower sets, upper sets, etc, are taken with respect to the specialization order of the underlying spaces.



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## Lemma

*Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $T_0$  space.*

- (1) If  $D \subseteq X$  is a directed set with respect to the specialization order, then  $D$  is irreducible;*
- (2) If  $U \subseteq X$  is an open set, then  $U$  is an upper set;  
Similarly, if  $F \subseteq X$  is a closed set, then  $F$  is a lower set.*



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## Definition (see [1])

Let  $X$  be a  $T_0$  space and  $x \in X$ ,  $A, B \subseteq X$ . We say that  $A$  is *way below*  $B$  and write  $A \ll_r B$  if for all irreducible sets  $E \subseteq X$ ,  $B \cap E^\delta \neq \emptyset$  implies  $A \cap E \neq \emptyset$ . We write  $A \ll_r x$  for  $A \ll_r \{x\}$  and  $y \ll_r B$  for  $\{y\} \ll_r B$ . The set  $\{x \in X : A \ll_r x\}$  is denoted by  $\uparrow_r A$ .

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[1] S. Z. Luo, X. Q. Xu, On  $Sl_2$ -continuous Spaces, Electronic Notes in Theoretical Computer Science, **345**(2019), 125-141.



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## Definition

A  $T_0$  space  $(X, \tau)$  is called  $SI_2$ -quasicontinuous if for all  $x \in X$ , the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $w(x) = \{F \subseteq X : F \in X^{(<\omega)} \text{ and } F \ll_r x\}$  is directed;
- (2)  $\uparrow x = \bigcap \{\uparrow F : F \in w(x)\}$ ;
- (3) For any  $H \in X^{(<\omega)}$ ,  $\uparrow_r H \in \tau$ .

Clearly, an  $SI_2$ -continuous space must be  $SI_2$ -quasicontinuous, but the converse may not be true.



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## Remark

- (1) Let  $P$  be a poset. Then  $P$  is an  $s_2$ -quasicontinuous poset if and only if it is an  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space with respect to the Alexandroff topology.
- (2) Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $T_0$  space. If  $X$  is an  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space, then it is also an  $s_2$ -quasicontinuous poset under the specialization order. But the converse may not be true.



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## Example

*Let  $X$  be an infinite set with a cofinite topology  $\tau$ . Then it is a  $T_1$  space. Clearly it is an antichain under the specialization order, and hence it is an  $s_2$ -continuous poset. Thus it is also  $s_2$ -quasicontinuous. But  $\uparrow_r x = \{x\} \notin \tau$  for all  $x \in X$ , then  $(X, \tau)$  is not an  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space.*





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We now derive the interpolation property of  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous spaces.

## Theorem

*Let  $X$  be an  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space. Then*

- (1) For  $x \in X$ ,  $F \ll_r x$  implies that there exists  $G \in w(x)$  such that  $F \ll_r G \ll_r x$ .*
- (2) For any  $F, H \in X^{(<\omega)}$ ,  $F \ll_r H$  implies that there exists  $G \in X^{(<\omega)}$  such that  $F \ll_r G \ll_r H$ .*
- (3) For all  $F \in X^{(<\omega)}$ ,  $E \in Irr(X)$ ,  $F \ll_r E^\delta$  implies that there exists  $e \in E$  with  $F \ll_r e$ .*



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## Definition (see [1, 2])

Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $T_0$  space. A subset  $U \subseteq X$  is called weakly irreducibly open if the following conditions are satisfied:

(1)  $U \in \tau$ ; (2)  $F^\delta \cap U \neq \emptyset$  implies  $F \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for all  $F \in \text{Irr}_\tau(X)$ .

The set of all weakly irreducibly open sets of  $(X, \tau)$  is a topology, which will be called weakly irreducible topology of  $X$  and will be denoted by  $\tau_{Sl_2}(X)$ .

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## Proposition

Let  $(X, \tau)$  be an  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space.

- (1) For any nonempty set  $H \subseteq X$ ,  $\uparrow_r H = \text{int}_{\tau_{Sl_2}(X)} \uparrow H$ .
- (2) A subset  $U$  of  $X$  is weakly irreducibly open iff for each  $x \in U$  there exists a finite  $F \ll_r x$  such that  $\uparrow F \subseteq U$ .
- (3) The sets  $\{\uparrow_r F : F \in X^{(\langle \omega \rangle)}\}$  form a basis for  $\tau_{Sl_2}(X)$ .



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Now we give the topological characterizations of  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous spaces.

## Theorem

- (1)  $X$  is an  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space;
- (2) For all  $x \in X$  and  $U \in \tau_{Sl_2}(X)$ ,  $x \in U$  implies that there exists  $F \in X^{(<\omega)}$  such that  $x \in \text{int}_{\tau_{Sl_2}(X)} \uparrow F \sqsubseteq \uparrow F \sqsubseteq U$ ;
- (3)  $(\tau_{Sl_2}(X), \sqsubseteq)$  is a hypercontinuous lattice.



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In this section, the concept of  $\mathcal{GD}$ -convergence in a poset is introduced. It is proved that the  $T_0$  space  $X$  is  $S_l_2$ -quasicontinuous if and only if the  $\mathcal{GD}$ -convergence in  $X$  is topological.

## Definition

Let  $X$  be a  $T_0$  space and  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  a net in  $X$ .  $F \subseteq X$  is called a quasi-eventual lower bound of a net  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  in  $P$ , if  $F$  is finite and there exists  $k \in J$  such that  $x_j \in \uparrow F$  for all  $k \leq j$  with respect to the specialization order.



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## Definition

Let  $X$  be a  $T_0$  space and  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  a net. We say  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  quasi  $\mathcal{D}$  converges to  $x \in X$  if there exists a directed family  $\mathcal{F} = \{F \subseteq X : F \text{ is finite}\}$  of a quasi-eventual lower bounds of the net  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  in  $X$  with respect to the specialization order such that  $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \uparrow F \subseteq \uparrow x$ . In this case we write  $x \equiv_{\mathcal{GD}} \lim x_j$ .



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## Proposition

*Let  $X$  be an  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space. Then  $x \equiv_{\mathcal{GD}} \lim x_j$  if and only if the net  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  converges to the element  $x$  with respect to the topology  $\tau_{Sl_2}(X)$ . That is, the  $\mathcal{GD}$ -convergence is topological.*



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## Proposition

*Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a  $T_0$  space. If the  $\mathcal{GD}$ -convergence with respect to the topology  $\tau_{Sl_2}(X)$  is topological, then  $X$  is  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous.*





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## Theorem

*Let  $X$  be a  $T_0$  space. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $Sl_2$ -quasicontinuous space;*
- (2) The  $\mathcal{GD}$ -convergence with respect to the topology  $\tau_{Sl_2}(X)$  is topological, that is, for all  $x \in X$  and all nets  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  in  $X$ ,  $x \equiv_{\mathcal{GD}} \lim x_j$  if and only if  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  converges to  $x$  with respect to the weakly irreducible topology.*



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## Corollary (see [3])

*Let  $P$  be a dcpo. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $P$  is a quasicontinuous domain;*
- (2)  $S^*$ -convergence in  $P$  is topological for the Scott topology  $\sigma(P)$ , that is, for all  $x \in P$  and all nets  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  in  $P$ ,  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$   $S^*$ -converges to  $x$  if and only if  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  converges to  $x$  with respect to the Scott topology.*

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## Corollary (see [2])

*Let  $P$  be a poset. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $P$  is  $s_2$ -quasicontinuous;*
- (2) The  $\mathcal{GS}$ -convergence in  $P$  is topological for the weak Scott topology  $\sigma_2(P)$ , that is, for all  $x \in P$  and all nets  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  in  $P$ ,  $x \equiv_{\mathcal{GS}} \lim x_j$  if and only if  $(x_j)_{j \in J}$  converges to  $x$  with respect to the weak Scott topology.*

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