## Normality for approach spaces and contractive realvalued maps

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### Overview of the talk

- The category App
- Lower and upper regular functions
- Normality and separation by Urysohn maps
- Katětov-Tong's insertion condition
- Tietze's extension condition
- Links to other normality notions in App

## The category **App**

#### Definition (Lowen)

A distance is a function

$$\delta: X \times 2^X \to [0,\infty]$$

that satisfies:

(1) 
$$\forall x \in X, \forall A \in 2^X : x \in A \Rightarrow \delta(x, A) = 0$$
  
(2)  $\delta(x, \emptyset) = \infty$   
(3)  $\forall x \in X, \forall A \in 2^X : \delta(x, A \cup B) = \min\{\delta(x, A), \delta(x, B)\}$   
(4)  $\forall x \in X, \forall A \in 2^X, \forall \varepsilon \in [0, \infty] : \delta(x, A) \le \delta(x, A^{(\varepsilon)}) + \varepsilon$   
with

$$A^{(\varepsilon)} = \{ x \in X \mid \delta(x, A) \le \varepsilon \}.$$

The pair  $(X, \delta)$  is called an *approach space*.

## The category App

#### Definition (Lowen)

For X, Y approach spaces, a map  $f : X \to Y$  is called a *contraction* if

$$\forall x \in X, \forall A \in 2^X : \delta_Y(f(x), f(A)) \le \delta_X(x, A).$$

let **App** be the category of approach spaces and contractions Facts:

- App is a topological category
- ► Top → Ap fully + reflectively + coreflectively via

$$\mathcal{T} \mapsto \delta_{\mathcal{T}}(x, A) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in \mathsf{cl}_{\mathcal{T}}(A) \\ \infty & \text{if } x \notin \mathsf{cl}_{\mathcal{T}}(A) \end{cases}$$

• (q)Met  $\hookrightarrow$  Ap fully +coreflectively via

$$d\mapsto \delta_d(x,A)=\inf_{a\in A}d(x,a)$$

## Lower and upper regular functions

 $\blacktriangleright$  on  $[0,\infty],$  define the distance

$$\delta_{\mathbb{P}}(x,A) = \begin{cases} (x - \sup A) \lor 0 & A \neq \emptyset \\ \infty & A = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

Then  $\mathbb{P} = ([0,\infty], \delta_{\mathbb{P}})$  is initially dense in **App**.

• on  $[0,\infty]$ , define the quasi-metric

$$d_{\mathsf{P}}(x,y) = (x-y) \lor 0$$

and its dual

$$d_{\mathsf{P}}^{-}(x,y) = (y-x) \lor 0$$

▶ note that  $d_{\mathbb{E}} = d_{\mathsf{P}} \lor d_{\mathsf{P}}^-$  : the Euclidean metric

## Lower and upper regular functions

▶ for an approach space X, put

$$\mathfrak{L}_{b} = \{f : (X, \delta) \to ([0, \infty], \delta_{d_{\mathsf{P}}}) \mid \mathsf{bounded}, \mathsf{ contractive} \}.$$

$$\mathfrak{U} = \{ f : (X, \delta) \to ([0, \infty], \delta_{d_{\mathsf{P}}^{-}}) \mid \text{bounded, contractive} \}.$$

and

 $\mathcal{K}_{b} = \{f : (X, \delta) \to ([0, \infty], \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}) \mid \text{bounded, contractive}\}.$ 

observe that

$$\mathfrak{U}\cap\mathfrak{L}_b=\mathcal{K}_b$$

#### Lower and upper regular functions

• we have *lower* and *upper hull operators*  $\mathfrak{l}_b : [0,\infty]_b^X \to [0,\infty]_b^X, \text{ resp. } \mathfrak{u} : [0,\infty]_b^X \to [0,\infty]_b^X, \text{ defined}$ by  $\mathfrak{l}_b(\mu) := \bigvee \{ \nu \in \mathfrak{L}_b | \nu \leq \mu \},$ 

$$\mathfrak{u}(\mu) := \bigwedge \{ \nu \in \mathfrak{U} | \mu \leq \nu \}$$

•  $\mathfrak{L}_b$  is generated by

$$\{\delta_{A}^{\omega} = \delta(\cdot, A) \wedge \omega \mid A \in 2^{X}, \omega < \infty\}$$

▶ 𝔅 is generated by

$$\{\iota_A^{\omega} = (\omega - \delta(\cdot, A^c)) \lor 0 \mid A \in 2^X, \omega < \infty\}$$

#### Definition

Let X an approach space and  $\gamma > 0$ . Two sets  $A, B \subseteq X$  are called  $\gamma$ -separated if  $A^{(\alpha)} \cap B^{(\beta)} = \emptyset$ , whenever  $\alpha \ge 0$ ,  $\beta \ge 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta < \gamma$ .

#### Definition

Let X be an approach space. Let  $F : \mathbb{Q} \to 2^X$  such that  $\bigcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} F(q) = X, \bigcap_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} F(q) = \emptyset$ . Then F is a *contractive scale* if it satisfies

$$orall r, s \in \mathbb{Q} : r < s \Rightarrow F(r)$$
 and  $(X \setminus F(s))$  are  $(s - r)$ -separated

#### Definition

An approach space X is said to be *normal* if for all  $A, B \subseteq X$ , for all  $\gamma > 0$  with A and B  $\gamma$ -separated, a contractive scale F exists such that

(i)  $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}^- : F(q) = \emptyset;$ (ii)  $A^{(0)} \subseteq \bigcap_{q \in \mathbb{Q}^+_0} F(q);$ (iii)  $B^{(0)} \cap \bigcup_{r \in \mathbb{Q}^+_0 \cap [0,\gamma]} F(r) = \emptyset.$ 

#### Proposition

Let X be an approach space. If  $F : \mathbb{Q} \to 2^X$  be a contractive scale on X, Then

$$f: (X, \delta) 
ightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}) : x \mapsto \inf\{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid x \in F(q)\}$$

is a contraction. Conversely, every contraction  $f: (X, \delta) \to (\mathbb{R}, \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}})$  can be obtained in this way.

#### Theorem

For an approach space X, t.f.a.e.:

(1) X is normal,

(2) X satisfies separation by Urysohn contractive maps in the following sense:
 for every A, B ∈ 2<sup>X</sup> γ-separated (γ > 0), there exists a contraction

 $f: X \to ([0, \gamma], \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}))$ 

satisfying  $f(a) = \gamma$  for  $a \in A^{(0)}$  and f(b) = 0 for  $b \in B^{(0)}$ .

#### Corollary

For a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ , t.f.a.e. (1)  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is normal in the topological sense, (2)  $(X, \delta_{\mathcal{T}})$  is normal in our sense.

Some examples:

- The approach space P = ([0,∞], δ<sub>P</sub>)) is normal (and not quasi-metric).
- ► The quasi-metric approach spaces  $([0, \infty], \delta_{d_P})$  and  $([0, \infty], \delta_{d_P})$  are normal.
- The quasi-metric approach space  $([0,\infty[,\delta_q)$  defined by

$$q(x,y) = \begin{cases} y-x & x \leq y, \\ \infty & x > y \end{cases}$$

is normal. Note that the underlying topological space is the Sorgenfrey line.

Proof:

• Take  $A, B \in 2^X, \gamma$ -separated for  $\delta_q$  (for some  $\gamma > 0$ ).

• Prove that  $\gamma$ -separated for  $\delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}$ .

- ▶ Since  $\delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}$  is metric, hence (approach) normal, there exists a contraction  $f : ([0, \infty[, \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}) \rightarrow ([0, \gamma], \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}})$  with  $f(A^{(0)_{\mathbb{E}}}) \subseteq \{0\}$  and  $f(B^{(0)_{\mathbb{E}}}) \subseteq \{\gamma\}$ .
- Since  $\delta_{\mathbb{E}} \leq \delta_q$ , also  $f : ([0, \infty[, \delta_q) \rightarrow ([0, \gamma], \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}})$  with  $f(A^{(0)_{\mathbb{E}}}) \subseteq \{0\}$  is a contraction and  $A^{(0)_q} \subseteq A^{(0)_{\mathbb{E}}}$  and  $B^{(0)_q} \subseteq B^{(0)_{\mathbb{E}}}$ .

## Katětov-Tong's insertion condition

#### Definition

An approach space X satisfies Katětov-Tong's intsertion condition if for bounded functions from X to  $[0, \infty]$  satisfying  $g \le h$  with g upper regular and h lower regular, there exists a contractive map  $f: X \to ([0, \infty], \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}})$  satisfying  $g \le f \le h$ .

#### A special instance of Tong's Lemma

For an approach space X and  $\omega < \infty$ , put

 $\mathcal{K} = \{f : X \to ([0, \omega], \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}})) \mid f \text{ contractive}\}$ 

and  $M = [0, \omega]^X$ , let  $s \in K_{\delta} = \{ \bigwedge_{n \ge 1} t_n \mid \forall n : t_n \in K \}$  and  $t \in K_{\sigma} = \{ \bigvee_n t_n \mid \forall n : t_n \in K \}$  with  $s \le t$  then a  $u \in K_{\sigma} \cap K_{\delta}$  exists satisfying  $s \le u \le t$ .

## Katětov-Tong's insertion condition

#### Theorem

For an approach space X, t.f.a.e.

(1)  $(X, \delta)$  satisfies Katětov-Tong's interpolation condition,

(2)  $\forall A, B \in 2^X, \forall \omega < \infty : (\iota_A^{\omega} \le \delta_B^{\omega} \Rightarrow \exists f \in \mathcal{K}_b : \iota_A^{\omega} \le f \le \delta_B^{\omega}),$ 

(3) X satisfies separation by Urysohn contractive maps,

(4) X is normal.

#### Corollary

- (1) We recover the classical Katětov-Tong's interpolation characterization of topological normality
- (2) For every metric space (X, d), the corresponding approach space (X, δ<sub>d</sub>) is normal.

### Tietze's extension condition

Given a set X and a subset A ⊂ X, we define θ<sub>A</sub> : X → [0,∞] by

$$heta_{\mathcal{A}}(x) = egin{cases} 0 & x \in \mathcal{A}, \ \infty & x \in X \setminus \mathcal{A}. \end{cases}$$

Given f ∈ [0,∞]<sup>X</sup><sub>b</sub>, a family (μ<sub>ε</sub>)<sub>ε>0</sub> of functions taking only a finite number of values, written as

$$\left(\mu_{\varepsilon} := \bigwedge_{i=1}^{n(\varepsilon)} \left(m_i^{\varepsilon} + \theta_{M_i^{\varepsilon}}\right)\right)_{\varepsilon > 0} \text{ with } (M_i^{\varepsilon})_{i=1}^{n(\varepsilon)} \text{ a partitioning of } X$$

and all  $m_i^{\varepsilon} \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , is called a *development of f* if for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ 

$$\mu_{\varepsilon} \leq f \leq \mu_{\varepsilon} + \varepsilon.$$

### Tietze's extension condition

#### Definition

We say that an approach space X, satisfies *Tietze's extension* condition if for every  $Y \subseteq X$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , and every contraction

 $f: Y \to ([0,\gamma],\delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}))$ 

which allows a development  $\left(\mu_{\varepsilon} := \bigwedge_{i=1}^{n(\varepsilon)} \left(m_i^{\varepsilon} + \theta_{M_i^{\varepsilon}}\right)\right)_{0 < \varepsilon < 1}$  such that

 $\forall x \notin Y, \forall \varepsilon \in ]0,1[,\forall 1 \leq l,k \leq n(\varepsilon): m_l^{\varepsilon} - m_k^{\varepsilon} \leq \delta_{M_k^{\varepsilon}}(x) + \delta_{M_l^{\varepsilon}}(x),$ 

there exists a contraction

$$g: X \to ([0, \gamma], \delta_{d_{\mathbb{E}}}))$$

extending, i.e.  $g|_Y = f$ .

## Tietze's extension condition

#### Corollary

We recover the classical Tietze extension characterization of topological normality.

#### Summary

We have shown that for an approach space X t.f.a.e.

- (1) X is normal (via contractive scales),
- (2) X satisfies separation by Urysohn contractive maps,
- (3) X satisfies Katětov-Tong's insertion condition,
- (4) X satisfies Tietze's extension condition.

# Links to other normality notions in **App**: approach frame normality

#### Proposition

Let X be an approach space. Consider the following properties:

- (1)  $(X, \delta)$  is normal
- (2) For A, B ⊆ X, γ-separated for some γ > 0, there exists C ⊆ X such that A and C are γ/2-separated and X \ C and B are γ/2-separated.
- (3)  $\mathfrak{L}$  is approach frame normal: For  $A, B \subseteq X, \varepsilon > 0$  such that  $A^{(\varepsilon)} \cap B^{(\varepsilon)} = \emptyset$  there exist  $\rho > 0, C \subseteq X$  with

$$A^{(
ho)} \cap C^{(
ho)} = \emptyset$$
 and  $(X \setminus C)^{(
ho)} \cap B^{(
ho)} = \emptyset$ 

Then we have  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$ .

Note: we have finite counterexamples to the converse implications.

# Links to other normality notions in **App**: (topological) normality of the underlying topology

Neither of the implications is valid:

- Let X = {x, y, z} and put d(a, a) = 0 (all ∈ X), d(x, z) = 1, d(y, z) = 2, d(x, y) = 4 and all other distances equal to ∞. Then the metric approach space (X, δ<sub>d</sub>) is not (approach) normal but the **Top**-coreflection (X, T<sub>d</sub>) is discrete, hence (topologically) normal.
- Define a quasi-metric  $q_S$  on  $[0,\infty[\times[0,\infty[$  by

$$q_{S}((a', a''), (b', b'')) = q(a', b') + q(a'', b'').$$

Then ( $[0, \infty[\times[0, \infty[, \delta_{q_S})$ ) can be shown to be (approach normal) but it's underlying topological space is the Sorgenfrey plane which is known to be not normal.

 From the work of Clementino-Hofmann-Tholen et al. on monoidal topology, it follows that App can be isomorphically described as the category (β, P<sub>+</sub>)-Cat: an approach space (X, δ) is described via the convergence P<sub>+</sub>-relation

$$a: \beta X \longrightarrow X$$

given by

$$a(\mathcal{U}, x) = \sup_{U \in \mathcal{U}} \delta(x, U) \quad (\mathcal{U} \in \beta X, x \in X)$$

Given an approach space X with representing convergence P<sub>+</sub>-relation a : βX → X, a P<sub>+</sub>-relation â : βX → βX is defined by

$$\hat{a}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{A}) = \inf\{arepsilon\in [0,\infty] \mid \mathcal{U}^{(arepsilon)} \subseteq \mathcal{A}\},$$

with  $\mathcal{U}^{(\varepsilon)}$  the filter generated by  $\{U^{(\varepsilon)} \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\}.$ 

#### Lemma

$$\hat{a}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{A}) = \sup_{U \in \mathcal{U}, A \in \mathcal{A}} \inf_{a \in A} \delta(a, U).$$

#### Definition (Clementino-Hofmann-Tholen et al.)

An approach space X represented as a  $(\beta, P_+)$ -space (X, a) is monoidally normal if for ultrafilters  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  on X

$$\hat{a}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{A}) + \hat{a}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{B}) \ge \inf_{\mathcal{W}\in\beta X} \hat{a}(\mathcal{A},\mathcal{W}) + \hat{a}(\mathcal{B},\mathcal{W}).$$
 (0.1)

#### Proposition

Let X be an approach space and (X, a) its representation as a  $(\beta, P_+)$ -space then t.f.a.e.

(1) X is monoidally normal,

(2) For all  $\gamma > 0$  and  $\gamma$ -separated  $A, B \subseteq X$  and for all  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{U} \in \beta X$  with  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,

 $\hat{a}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{A}) + \hat{a}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{B}) \geq \gamma,$ 

(3) For all γ > 0 and γ-separated A, B ⊆ X and for all α + β < γ, there exists C ⊆ X satisfying A ∩ (X \ C)<sup>(α)</sup> = Ø and C<sup>(β)</sup> ∩ B = Ø.

#### Theorem

Given a quasimetric approach space  $(X, \delta_q)$  and considering the representing  $(\beta, P_+)$ -space  $(X, a_q)$ , approach normality of  $(X, \delta_q)$  is equivalent to monoidal normality of  $(X, a_q)$ .

#### Theorem

For an approach space  $(X, \delta)$  with representing  $(\beta, P_+)$ -space (X, a) and quasimetric coreflection (X, q), we have the implications  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$ :

- (1) (Approach) normality of  $(X, \delta)$ .
- (2) Monoidal normality of (X, a).
- (3) (Approach) normality of the quasimetric coreflection  $(X, \delta_q)$ .
  - (3) does not imply (2): consider the topological Sorgenfrey plane, considered as App-object.
  - ▶ Whether (1) and (2) are equivalent is still an open problem!

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