

Are finite affine topological spaces worthy of study?

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Affine Davey space is the pair $D = (D, \tau_D)$, in which $D = |L| \coprod \{*\}$, where “ \coprod ” stands for the coproduct in the category **Set**, and it is, moreover, assumed that $* \notin L$, and $\tau_D = \langle p \rangle \subseteq L^D$, in which the map $D \xrightarrow{p} L$ is given by the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 L & \xrightarrow{\mu_L} & D & \xleftarrow{\mu_{\{*\}}} & \{*\} \\
 & \searrow & \vdots & & \swarrow \\
 & & L & & \\
 & \searrow^{1_L} & & \swarrow_{\omega_0^L} & \\
 & & L & &
 \end{array}$$

where μ_L and $\mu_{\{*\}}$ are the coproduct injections, and $\omega_0^L(*) = \omega_0^L$.

Examples of affine Davey space

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Since every frame has two nullary operations, i.e., the bottom element 0 and the top element 1 , the classical case of $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Frm}$ and $L = 2 = \{0, 1\}$ provides the following topological spaces D :

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An open problem






Problem 24

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