

## REMARKS ON COMPLETENESS OF LATTICE-VALUED CAUCHY SPACES

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ABSTRACT. We study different completeness definitions for two categories of lattice-valued Cauchy spaces and the relations between these definitions. We also show the equivalence of a so-called completion axiom and the existence of a completion.

### 1. Introduction

Lattice-valued Cauchy spaces and completions were first defined in [7]. A slightly more general definition was subsequently given in [1], where also regularity for such spaces was studied. Other papers dealing with the same subject are [13] and [15]. The major interest in (lattice-valued) Cauchy spaces is in defining completeness and constructing completions. A first attempt was already made in [7] and the construction was translated to the more general category in [1]. Also [15] constructs a completion. All lattice-valued generalizations of Cauchy spaces are at the same time generalizations of the probabilistic case [11, 12]. The completeness concept in [11] explicitly demands that a probabilistic Cauchy space is complete if and only if each “level space” is complete. This means that each value  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  and each Cauchy filter in that level there is a point such that the filter converges to this point with probability at least  $\alpha$ . However, as it is stated, we may have for each “level”  $\alpha$  a different convergence point. As the unit interval is linearly ordered, we then see that, for a Cauchy filter, a convergence point of a higher level is also a convergence point of the lower levels and it seems therefore that we can do with one convergence point overall. However, as is shown in this paper for the lattice-valued case, this is not always true. To ensure a single convergence point for a Cauchy filter we need to demand a so-called left-continuity condition. This observation is the starting point for this paper. After collecting the necessary notions and notations in a preliminary section, we introduce the two categories of lattice-valued Cauchy spaces that we consider in this paper in the next section. Section 3 then defines and discusses, for each of the considered categories, two different completeness notions. The final section is devoted to the construction of a completion for a non-complete lattice-valued Cauchy space. This construction shows that the existence of a completion is equivalent to a completion axiom. This had been observed and stated before, however the construction in [7] only leads to a weak completion and not to a completion as claimed. We finally draw some conclusions in the last section.

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## 2. Preliminaries

We consider in this paper frames, i.e. complete lattices  $L$ , where finite meets distribute over arbitrary joins, i.e. where  $\alpha \wedge \bigvee_{i \in I} \beta_i = \bigvee_{i \in I} (\alpha \wedge \beta_i)$  for all  $\alpha, \beta_i \in L$  ( $i \in I$ ) and all index sets  $I$ . The bottom element of  $L$  is denoted by  $\perp$  and the top element by  $\top$ .

The lattice operations are extended pointwise from  $L$  to  $L^X$ , the set of all  $L$ -sets  $a, b, c, \dots$  on  $X$ . In particular, we define, for  $A \subseteq X$  and  $\alpha \in L$ , the  $L$ -set  $\alpha_A \in L^X$  by  $\alpha_A(x) = \alpha$  if  $x \in A$  and  $\alpha_A(x) = \perp$  for  $x \notin A$ .

A *stratified  $L$ -filter* on  $X$  [3] is a mapping  $\mathcal{F} : L^X \rightarrow L$  with the properties (F1)  $\mathcal{F}(\top_X) = \top$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(\perp_X) = \perp$ , (F2)  $\mathcal{F}(a) \leq \mathcal{F}(b)$  whenever  $a \leq b$ , (F3)  $\mathcal{F}(a) \wedge \mathcal{F}(b) \leq \mathcal{F}(a \wedge b)$  for all  $a, b \in L^X$  and (Fs)  $\alpha \leq \mathcal{F}(\alpha_X)$  for all  $\alpha \in L$ . The set of all stratified  $L$ -filters on  $X$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . An example of a stratified  $L$ -filter is the *principal  $L$ -filter*  $[x]$  defined by  $[x](a) = a(x)$  for all  $a \in L^X$ . The set  $\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  is ordered pointwise, i.e. for  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  we denote  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{G}$  if for all  $L$ -sets  $a \in L^X$  we have  $\mathcal{F}(a) \leq \mathcal{G}(a)$ . Maximal elements in this order are called *stratified  $L$ -ultrafilters*. For a family of stratified  $L$ -filters  $(\mathcal{F}_j)_{j \in J}$ , the meet is then given by  $\bigwedge_{j \in J} \mathcal{F}_j(a) = \bigwedge_{j \in J} (\mathcal{F}_j(a))$  for  $a \in L^X$ . For  $A \subseteq X$  we define  $[A] = \bigwedge_{x \in A} [x]$ . Two stratified  $L$ -filters  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  have an upper bound if and only if  $\mathcal{F}(a) \wedge \mathcal{G}(b) = \perp$  whenever  $a \wedge b = \perp_X$ , see [3]. In this case we say that  $\mathcal{F} \vee \mathcal{G}$  exists. For a mapping  $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  we define  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}) \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(Y)$  by  $\varphi(\mathcal{F})(b) = \mathcal{F}(\varphi^{\leftarrow}(b))$ , where for  $b \in L^Y$  it is defined  $\varphi^{\leftarrow}(b)(x) = b(\varphi(x))$ . For  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(Y)$  we define  $\varphi^{\leftarrow}(\mathcal{G}) : L^X \rightarrow L$  by  $\varphi^{\leftarrow}(\mathcal{G})(a) = \bigvee \{ \mathcal{G}(b) : \varphi^{\leftarrow}(b) \leq a \}$ . Then  $\varphi^{\leftarrow}(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{G}(b) = \perp$  whenever  $\varphi^{\leftarrow}(b) = \perp_X$  (see [4]). If  $Y \subseteq X$  and  $\iota : Y \hookrightarrow X, y \mapsto y$  is the inclusion mapping, then we denote for  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  its *trace on  $Y$* ,  $\mathcal{F}_Y = \iota^{\leftarrow}(\mathcal{F})$ , in case this is a stratified  $L$ -filter on  $Y$ . Also, for  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(Y)$  we denote  $[\mathcal{G}] = \iota(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ .

## 3. Stratified $L$ -Cauchy Tower Spaces and Stratified $L$ -Cauchy Spaces

A *stratified  $L$ -Cauchy tower space* [1, 15] is a pair  $(X, \overline{C})$ , where  $X$  is a set,  $\overline{C} = (C_\alpha)_{\alpha \in L}$  and  $C_\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  for all  $\alpha \in L$ , which satisfies the following axioms.

- (LCT1)  $[x] \in C_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in L$  and  $x \in X$ ;
- (LCT2)  $\mathcal{G} \in C_\alpha$  whenever  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{G} \geq \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (LCT3)  $\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G} \in C_\alpha$  whenever  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in C_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{F} \vee \mathcal{G}$  exists;
- (LCT4)  $C_\alpha \subseteq C_\beta$  whenever  $\beta \leq \alpha$ ;
- (LCT5)  $C_\perp = \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ .

A mapping  $f : (X, \overline{C}) \rightarrow (Y, \overline{D})$  between two stratified  $L$ -Cauchy tower spaces,  $(X, \overline{C}), (Y, \overline{D})$ , is called *Cauchy-continuous* if for all  $\alpha \in L$ ,  $f(\mathcal{F}) \in D_\alpha$  whenever  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$ . The category with objects the stratified  $L$ -Cauchy tower spaces and morphisms the Cauchy continuous mappings is denoted by *SL-CTS*. A space  $(X, \overline{C}) \in |\text{SL-CTS}|$  is called *left-continuous* if  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$  whenever there is  $A \subseteq L$ ,  $\bigvee A = \alpha$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\beta$  for all  $\beta \in A$ . The subcategory of *SL-CTS* with all left-continuous spaces as objects is denoted by *SL-LC-CTS*. The category *SL-CTS* is topological and Cartesian closed and *SL-LC-CTS* is bireflective in *SL-CTS*,

see [1]. If  $L = \{0, 1\}$ , then  $SL\text{-}CTS$  can be identified with the category  $CHY$  of Cauchy spaces [10, 14].

A stratified  $L$ -Cauchy tower space induces a *stratified  $L$ -limit tower space*  $(X, \overline{q^C})$  by defining  $x \in q_\alpha^C(\mathcal{F})$  if  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\alpha$ . Such a stratified  $L$ -limit tower space [2] is a pair  $(X, \overline{q})$  where  $X$  is a set,  $\overline{q} = (q_\alpha)_{\alpha \in L}$  and  $q_\alpha : \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) \rightarrow X$  which satisfies the following axioms.

- (LLT1)  $x \in q_\alpha([x])$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \in L$ ;
- (LLT2)  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{G})$ , whenever  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{F})$  and  $\mathcal{G} \geq \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (LLT3)  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G})$  whenever  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{F})$  and  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{G})$ ;
- (LLT4)  $x \in q_\beta(\mathcal{F})$  whenever  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{F})$  and  $\beta \leq \alpha$ ;
- (LLT5)  $q_0([X]) = X$ .

A mapping  $f : (X, \overline{q}) \rightarrow (Y, \overline{p})$  between two stratified  $L$ -limit tower spaces is called *continuous* if  $f(x) \in p_\alpha(f(\mathcal{F}))$  whenever  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{F})$ . The category with objects the stratified  $L$ -limit tower spaces and morphisms the continuous mappings is denoted by  $SL\text{-}LTS$ .

A stratified  $L$ -Cauchy space [7] is a pair  $(X, C)$  of a set  $X$  and a mapping  $C : \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) \rightarrow L$  which satisfies the following axioms.

- (LC1)  $\forall x \in X, C([x]) = \top$
- (LC2)  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{G} \implies C(\mathcal{F}) \leq C(\mathcal{G})$
- (LC3) If  $\mathcal{F} \vee \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , then  $C(\mathcal{F}) \wedge C(\mathcal{G}) \leq C(\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G})$ .

A mapping  $\varphi : (X, C) \rightarrow (X', C')$  between two stratified  $L$ -Cauchy spaces  $(X, C)$  and  $(X', C')$  is called *Cauchy-continuous* if for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  we have  $C(\mathcal{F}) \leq C'(\varphi(\mathcal{F}))$ . The category which has as objects the stratified  $L$ -Cauchy spaces and as morphisms the Cauchy-continuous mappings is denoted by  $SL\text{-}CHY$ . The category  $SL\text{-}CHY$  is topological and Cartesian closed [7]. In case  $L = \{0, 1\}$  we can identify  $SL\text{-}CHY$  with the category  $CHY$  of Cauchy spaces [10, 14].

A stratified  $L$ -Cauchy space induces a stratified  $L$ -limit space by defining  $\lim_C \mathcal{F}(x) = C(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x])$ . Such a *stratified  $L$ -limit space* [5] is a set  $X$  together with a limit map  $\lim : \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) \rightarrow L^X$  which satisfies the axioms

- (LL1)  $\lim[x](x) = \top$  for all  $x \in X$ ,
- (LL2)  $\lim \mathcal{F} \leq \lim \mathcal{G}$  whenever  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{G}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ,
- (LL3)  $\lim \mathcal{F} \wedge \lim \mathcal{G} \leq \lim(\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G})$  for all  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ .

A mapping  $\varphi : (X, \lim) \rightarrow (X', \lim')$  between two stratified  $L$ -limit spaces is called *continuous* if for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and all  $x \in X$  we have  $\lim \mathcal{F}(x) \leq \lim' \varphi(\mathcal{F})(\varphi(x))$ . The category with objects all stratified  $L$ -limit spaces and the continuous mappings as morphisms is denoted by  $SL\text{-}LIM$ . Also this category is topological and Cartesian closed [5]. A stratified  $L$ -limit space is called a *T1-space* if  $\lim[x](y) = \top$  implies  $x = y$  and it is called a *T2-space* if  $\lim \mathcal{F}(x) = \lim \mathcal{F}(y) = \top$  implies  $x = y$  [6]. A subset  $A \subseteq X$  is called *dense in*  $(X, \lim)$  if for every  $x \in X$ , the set  $H_A^\top(x) = \{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) : \mathcal{F}_A \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(A), \lim \mathcal{F}(x) = \top\}$  is non-empty [6].

Boustique and Richardson [1] introduce the following functors.

$$\Theta : \begin{cases} SL\text{-}CHY & \longrightarrow & SL\text{-}CTS \\ (X, C) & \longmapsto & (X, \Theta C) \\ f & \longmapsto & f \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathcal{F} \in (\Theta C)_\alpha$  if  $C(\mathcal{F}) \geq \alpha$ , and

$$\Psi : \begin{cases} SL\text{-}CTS & \longrightarrow & SL\text{-}CHY \\ (X, \overline{C}) & \longmapsto & (X, \Psi \overline{C}) \\ f & \longmapsto & f \end{cases}$$

where  $\Psi(\overline{C})(\mathcal{F}) = \bigvee \{\alpha \in L : \mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha\}$ . In fact, the functor  $\Theta$  maps onto  $SL\text{-}LC\text{-}CTS$  and if we restrict  $\Psi$  on  $SL\text{-}LC\text{-}CTS$ , these functors provide isomorphism functors between  $SL\text{-}CHY$  and  $SL\text{-}LC\text{-}CTS$ , see [1].

#### 4. Completeness Notions

We first consider two completeness notions in  $SL\text{-}CTS$ .

A space  $(X, \overline{C}) \in |SL\text{-}CTS|$  is called *weakly complete* if for all  $\alpha \in L$ , for  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$  there is  $x = x(\alpha, \mathcal{F}) \in X$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\alpha$ . It is called *complete* if for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  there is  $x = x(\mathcal{F}) \in X$  such that, for  $\alpha \in L$  we have  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\alpha$  whenever  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$ .

Weak completeness is the completeness notion that was introduced in [1] under the name ‘‘completeness’’. In this case, the ‘‘point of convergence’’,  $x$ , may vary from ‘‘level to level’’, i.e. it may depend on  $\alpha$ . Example 4.2 and Example 4.3 below show that this will become noticeable in the non-left-continuous case. The concept of completeness introduced here is stronger and we believe that it is more adequate, as the convergence point only depends on the  $L$ -filter  $\mathcal{F}$  and not on the level  $\alpha$ . For left-continuous spaces both definitions coincide.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $(X, \overline{C}) \in |SL\text{-}CTS|$ .*

(i) *If  $(X, \overline{C})$  is complete, it is weakly complete.*

(ii) *If  $(X, \overline{C})$  is left-continuous and weakly complete, then it is complete.*

*Proof.* (i) is obvious. In order to prove (ii) let  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . We denote  $A = \{\alpha \in L : \mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha\}$  and  $\delta = \bigvee A$ . By left-continuity then  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\delta$  and hence there is  $x = x(\delta, \mathcal{F}) \in X$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\delta$ . Let now  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$ . Then  $\alpha \in A$  and hence  $\alpha \leq \delta$  which implies  $C_\delta \subseteq C_\alpha$ . Hence  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\alpha$  and the point  $x$  does not depend on  $\alpha$  but only on  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $\square$

The following examples show that we cannot omit the assumption of left-continuity in (ii).

**Example 4.2.** We consider  $L = \{\perp, \alpha, \beta, \top\}$  with  $\alpha \wedge \beta = \perp$ ,  $\alpha \vee \beta = \top$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  uncomparable. Then  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra. Let further  $X$  be an infinite set and let  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  be a stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter such that  $\mathcal{U} \not\geq [x]$  for all  $x \in X$  (cf. [8]). Fix  $x_0, y_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \neq y_0$ . We define the following Cauchy tower structure on  $X$ .

- $C_\perp = \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ .

- $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$  if  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$  or if  $\mathcal{F} \geq [x]$  for some  $x \in X$ .
- $\mathcal{F} \in C_\beta$  if  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0]$  or if  $\mathcal{F} \geq [x]$  for some  $x \in X$ .
- $\mathcal{F} \in C_\top$  if  $\mathcal{F} \geq [x]$  for some  $x \in X$ .

Then  $(X, \overline{C})$  is a stratified  $L$ -Cauchy tower space. All axioms except (LCT3) are clear. For (LCT3), let  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in C_\alpha$  and let  $\mathcal{F} \vee \mathcal{G}$  exist. If both  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$ , then also  $\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$  and hence  $\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G} \in C_\alpha$ . Similarly, if  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$  and  $\mathcal{G} \geq [x_0]$ , then also  $\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$  and hence  $\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G} \in C_\alpha$ . If  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$  and  $\mathcal{G} \geq [x]$  with  $x \neq x_0$ , then  $(\mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]) \vee [x]$  exists. We choose  $F = X \setminus \{x\}$ . Then  $\top_F \wedge \top_{X \setminus F} = \perp_X$  but  $(\mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0])(\top_F) = \top$  and  $[x](\top_{X \setminus F}) = \top$ , a contradiction. Hence this case cannot occur. Similarly  $\mathcal{F} \geq [x]$ ,  $\mathcal{G} \geq [y]$  with  $x \neq y$  is impossible. The same arguments can be used for  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in C_\beta$  and hence (LCT3) is true. We note, that  $(X, \overline{C})$  is not left-continuous, because  $\mathcal{U} \in C_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{U} \in C_\beta$  but  $\mathcal{U} \notin C_\top = C_{\alpha \vee \beta}$ .

The space  $(X, \overline{C})$  is weakly complete. For  $\delta \in L$ , whenever  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\delta$ , then  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$  and hence also  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x_0] \in C_\delta$ , or  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0]$  and hence also  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [y_0] \in C_\delta$ , or  $\mathcal{F} \geq [x]$  and then also  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] = [x] \in C_\delta$ .  $(X, \overline{C})$  is, however, not complete. For the stratified  $L$ -filter  $\mathcal{U}$  we have  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0] \in C_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0] \in C_\beta$  but  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0] \notin C_\alpha$ . For, if we assume  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0] \geq [x]$  for some  $x \in X$ , this implies  $\mathcal{U} \geq [x]$ , a contradiction, and if we assume  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0] \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]$ , then, defining  $F = X \setminus \{y_0\}$ , we obtain  $\mathcal{U}(\top_F) = \top$ ,  $[y_0](\top_F) = \perp$  and  $[x_0](\top_F) = \top$ . This implies  $(\mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0])(\top_F) = \top$  but  $(\mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0])(\top_F) = \perp$ , a contradiction.

**Example 4.3.** Let  $L = [0, 1]$  and let  $X = [0, 1]$ . Again fix a stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  with  $\mathcal{U} \not\geq [x]$  for all  $x \in X$ . We define  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$  if  $\mathcal{F} \geq [x]$  for some  $x \in X$  or if  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x]$  with some  $\alpha < x < 1$ . Note that  $\mathcal{F} \in C_1$  if  $\mathcal{F} \geq [x]$  for some  $x \in X$ . We show that  $(X, \overline{C}) \in |SL-CTS|$ . The axioms (LCT1), (LCT2) and (LCT4) are clear from the definition. For the axiom (LCT3) we only discuss the case that  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in C_\alpha$ ,  $\mathcal{F} \vee \mathcal{G}$  exists and  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [x]$ ,  $\mathcal{G} \geq \mathcal{U} \wedge [y]$  where  $x \neq y$ . Then  $(\mathcal{U} \wedge [x]) \vee (\mathcal{U} \wedge [y])$  exists. We choose two complement-finite sets  $F_1, F_2 \subseteq X$  with  $x \in F_2, y \in F_1$ , and  $F_1 \cap F_2 = \emptyset$ . Then  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [x](1_{F_2}) = 1$  and  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [y](1_{F_1}) = 1$  and  $1_{F_2} \wedge 1_{F_1} = 0_X$ , a contradiction. The other cases are easy. Clearly, for all  $\alpha < 1$  we have  $\mathcal{U} \in C_\alpha$  but  $\mathcal{U} \notin C_1$ . Hence  $(X, \overline{C})$  is not left-continuous. By construction,  $(X, \overline{C})$  is weakly complete. However, the space is not complete. To see this we choose for  $x < 1$  a value  $x < \alpha < 1$ . Then  $\mathcal{U} \in C_\alpha$  but  $\mathcal{U} \wedge [x] \notin C_\alpha$ .

A space  $(X, C) \in |SL-CHY|$  is called *weakly complete* [13] if for every  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  we have  $C(\mathcal{F}) \leq \bigvee_{x \in X} C(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x])$ . It is called *complete* [7] if for every  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  there is  $x \in X$  such that  $C(\mathcal{F}) \leq C(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x])$ .

Weak completeness is the completeness concept introduced in [13]. Clearly, if  $(X, C) \in |SL-CHY|$  is complete, then it is weakly complete. However, the converse is not true as the following example shows.

**Example 4.4.** We consider the space  $(X, \overline{C})$  from Example 4.2 and consider the space  $(X, \Psi\overline{C}) \in |SL-CHY|$ . Then  $\Psi\overline{C}(\mathcal{U}) = \bigvee\{\delta \in L : \mathcal{U} \in C_\delta\} = \alpha \vee \beta = \top$ . However,  $\Psi\overline{C}(\mathcal{U} \wedge [x_0]) = \alpha$ ,  $\Psi\overline{C}(\mathcal{U} \wedge [y_0]) = \beta$  and  $\Psi\overline{C}(\mathcal{U} \wedge [x]) = \perp$  for all  $x \notin \{x_0, y_0\}$ . Hence  $(X, \Psi\overline{C})$  is not complete. Note that  $\bigvee_{x \in X} \Psi\overline{C}(\mathcal{U} \wedge [x]) = \alpha \vee \beta = \top$  and that  $(X, \Psi\overline{C})$  is weakly complete by Lemma 4.6 below.

**Lemma 4.5.** *Let  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$ . Then  $(X, C)$  is complete if and only if  $(X, \Theta C)$  is weakly complete if and only if  $(X, \Theta C)$  is complete.*

*Proof.* Let first  $(X, C)$  be complete and let  $\mathcal{F} \in (\Theta C)_\alpha$ . Then  $C(\mathcal{F}) \geq \alpha$  and hence there is  $x = x(\mathcal{F}) \in X$  such that  $C(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq C(\mathcal{F}) \geq \alpha$ . But this means that  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in (\Theta C)_\alpha$  and  $(X, \Theta C)$  is complete, and hence also weakly complete.

Let now  $(X, \Theta C)$  be weakly complete. Because  $(X, \Theta C)$  is left-continuous, then also  $(X, \Theta C)$  is complete. If  $C(\mathcal{F}) = \alpha$ , then  $\mathcal{F} \in (\Theta C)_\alpha$  and hence there is  $x = x(\mathcal{F}) \in X$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in (\Theta C)_\alpha$ , i.e.  $C(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq \alpha = C(\mathcal{F})$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.6.** *Let  $(X, \overline{C}) \in |SL\text{-}CTS|$ .*

(i) *If  $(X, \overline{C})$  is weakly complete, then  $(X, \Psi \overline{C})$  is weakly complete.*

(ii) *If  $(X, \overline{C})$  is complete, then  $(X, \Psi \overline{C})$  is complete.*

*Proof.* (i) Let  $(X, \overline{C})$  be weakly complete and let  $\Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F}) = \bigvee \{\beta \in L : \mathcal{F} \in C_\beta\} = \alpha$ . For  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\beta$  there is  $x = x(\mathcal{F}, \beta) \in X$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\beta$ . Then  $\Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq \beta$  and hence  $\bigvee_{x \in X} \Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq \beta$ . It follows that  $\bigvee_{x \in X} \Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq \bigvee \{\beta \in L : \mathcal{F} \in C_\beta\} = \Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F})$ .

(ii) If  $(X, \overline{C})$  is complete, we can argue as before, however  $x = x(\mathcal{F})$  does then not depend on  $\beta$  but only on  $\mathcal{F}$ . For  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\beta$  then  $\Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq \beta$  and hence  $\Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq \bigvee \{\beta \in L : \mathcal{F} \in C_\beta\} = \Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F})$ .  $\square$

In the left-continuous case, we can say more.

**Lemma 4.7.** *Let  $(X, \overline{C}) \in |SL\text{-}CTS|$  be left-continuous. Then  $(X, \overline{C})$  is complete if and only if  $(X, \Psi \overline{C})$  is complete.*

*Proof.* We only need to show that  $(X, \Psi \overline{C})$  complete implies the completeness of  $(X, \overline{C})$ . Let  $\mathcal{F} \in C_\alpha$ . Then  $\Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F}) \geq \alpha$ . Hence there is  $x = x(\mathcal{F}) \in X$  such that  $\Psi \overline{C}(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) \geq \alpha$ . Define  $A = \{\beta \in L : \mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\beta\}$ . Then  $\delta = \bigvee A \geq \alpha$ . For  $\beta \in A$  we have  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\beta$  and hence by left-continuity,  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\delta$ . From (CLT4) we conclude that  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in C_\alpha$ .  $\square$

We conclude this section by collecting some known results from the literature and prove some simple results about the productivity of the completeness notions.

For  $(X_\lambda, \overline{C}^\lambda) \in |SL\text{-}CTS|$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , with the projection mappings  $pr_\mu : \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\mu$ , the *product space*  $(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda, \pi - \overline{C})$  is defined as follows. For  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda)$  we have  $\mathcal{F} \in (\pi - \overline{C})_\alpha$  if  $pr_\lambda(\mathcal{F}) \in C_\alpha^\lambda$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , see [1].

**Lemma 4.8.** *Let  $(X_\lambda, \overline{C}^\lambda) \in |SL\text{-}CTS|$  be weakly complete (resp. complete) for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Then the product space  $(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda, \pi - \overline{C})$  is weakly complete (resp. complete).*

*Proof.* We only prove the case that all factors are complete. Let  $\mathcal{F} \in (\pi - \overline{C})_\alpha$ . Then for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $pr_\lambda(\mathcal{F}) \in C_\alpha^\lambda$ . Hence, for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  there is  $x_\lambda \in X_\lambda$  such that  $pr_\lambda(\mathcal{F}) \wedge [x_\lambda] \in C_\alpha^\lambda$ . We define  $x = (x_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ . Then  $pr_\lambda(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x]) = pr_\lambda(\mathcal{F}) \wedge [x_\lambda] \in C_\alpha^\lambda$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  and hence  $\mathcal{F} \wedge [x] \in (\pi - \overline{C})_\alpha$ .  $\square$

For  $(X_\lambda, C_\lambda) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , the *product space*  $(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda, \pi - C)$  is defined as follows. For  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda)$  we have  $\pi - C(\mathcal{F}) = \bigwedge_{\lambda \in \Lambda} C_\lambda(\mathcal{F})$ , see [7].

**Lemma 4.9.** [7] *Let  $(X_\lambda, C_\lambda) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$  be complete for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Then the product space  $(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda, \pi - C)$  is complete.*

**Lemma 4.10.** [13] (i) *Let  $(X_1, C_1), (X_2, C_2) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$  be weakly complete. Then the product space  $(X_1 \times X_2, C_1 \times C_2)$  is weakly complete.*

(ii) *Let  $L$  be completely distributive and let  $(X_\lambda, C_\lambda) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$  be weakly complete for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Then the product space  $(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda, \pi - C)$  is weakly complete.*

## 5. Completion

In this section we consider the category  $SL\text{-}CHY$ . For similar definitions and constructions in the category  $SL\text{-}CTS$  see [1].

A completion  $((X', C'), k)$  of  $(X, C)$  is a complete stratified  $L$ -Cauchy space  $(X', C')$  together with a dense embedding  $k : (X, C) \rightarrow (X', C')$ . By this we mean that for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  we have  $C(\mathcal{F}) = C'(k(\mathcal{F}))$  and that  $k(X)$  is dense in  $(X', \lim_{C'})$ .

In the case that the lattice  $L$  has a prime bottom element, i.e. that from  $\alpha \wedge \beta = \perp$  it follows that  $\alpha = \perp$  or  $\beta = \perp$ , for a non-complete space  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$ , a completion was constructed in [7]. This construction generalizes similar constructions in probabilistic Cauchy spaces, see [11, 12]. A related, but different construction can be found in [15]. For lattice-valued convergence tower spaces, [1] provides a completion that can be considered as a “levelwise” version of the construction in [7]. We therefore describe the construction of [7] and point to a problem in that paper that is related to the different definitions of completeness. Already in [7] it is stated, generalizing the situation for probabilistic Cauchy spaces, that the existence of a completion is equivalent to the space satisfying a so-called completion axiom.

We denote, for  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$ ,

$$\mathcal{N}_C = \{\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) : C(\mathcal{V}) = \top, \lim_C \mathcal{V}(x) < \top, \forall x \in X\}.$$

We consider  $\mathcal{N}_C$  as the set of non-convergent Cauchy  $L$ -filters.

The completion axiom for a space  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$  is stated as follows [7].  
For all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  such that  $\lim_C \mathcal{F}(x) \not\geq C(\mathcal{F})$  for all  $x \in X$ , there is  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{N}_C$  such that  $C(\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G}) \geq C(\mathcal{F})$ .

Hence, for a non-complete lattice-valued Cauchy space that allows a completion the set  $\mathcal{N}_C$  is non-empty. Because we are interested in constructing a completion, we will assume in the sequel that  $\mathcal{N}_C \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-}CHY|$ . We define  $C_\top = \{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) : C(\mathcal{F}) = \top\}$ . For  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  we define the relation  $\mathcal{F} \sim \mathcal{G}$  if  $C(\mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{G}) = \top$ . It is then not difficult to show that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $C_\top$ . For  $\mathcal{G} \in C_\top$  we denote the equivalence class by  $\langle \mathcal{G} \rangle = \{\mathcal{F} \in C_\top : \mathcal{F} \sim \mathcal{G}\}$ . With this, we define  $X^* = X \cup \{\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle : \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{N}_C\}$  and the embedding  $j : X \rightarrow X^*$ ,  $j(x) = x$ . For

$\Phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X^*)$  we define  $M_\Phi \subseteq L$  by

$$\alpha \in M_\Phi \iff \Phi \geq j(\mathcal{F}) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^n [\langle \mathcal{F}_i \rangle]$$

with  $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \dots, \mathcal{F}_n \in \mathcal{N}_C$ ,  $C(\mathcal{F} \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mathcal{F}_i) \geq \alpha$ . With this we define  $C^*(\Phi) = \bigvee M_\Phi$ . It is shown in [7] that  $(X^*, C^*) \in |SL\text{-CHY}|$ ,  $C^*(j(\mathcal{F})) = C(\mathcal{F})$  for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and that  $j(X)$  is dense in  $(X^*, \lim_{C^*})$ . Further, the following result ([7], Lemma 7.6) is proved (but stated incorrectly).

**Lemma 5.1.** [7] *Let  $\perp \in L$  be prime and let  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-CHY}|$  satisfy the completion axiom. If  $\alpha \in M_\Phi$ , then there is  $x^* = x_\alpha^* \in X^*$  such that  $\alpha \in M_{\Phi \wedge [x^*]}$ .*

It is claimed in [7], that  $(X^*, C^*)$  is complete, but the proof of the lemma above in [7] shows that the point  $x^*$  may vary with  $\alpha$ . So we only have the following result.

**Lemma 5.2.** *Let  $\perp \in L$  be prime and let  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-CHY}|$  satisfy the completion axiom. Then  $(X^*, C^*)$  is weakly complete.*

*Proof.* If  $\alpha \in M_\Phi$ , then  $\alpha \leq \bigvee M_{\Phi \wedge [x_\alpha^*]} = C^*(\Phi \wedge [x_\alpha^*]) \leq \bigvee_{x^* \in X^*} C^*(\Phi \wedge [x^*])$ . Hence  $C_\Phi^* = \bigvee M_\Phi \leq \bigvee_{x^* \in X^*} C^*(\Phi \wedge [x^*])$ .  $\square$

In the sequel, we shall construct a completion of a non-complete space  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-CHY}|$  (without the assumption of a prime bottom element of the lattice) and show the following result.

**Theorem 5.3.** *Let  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-CHY}|$  be non-complete. Then the existence of a completion is equivalent to  $(X, C)$  satisfying the completion axiom.*

*Proof.* It was shown in [7], Lemma 7.7, that if a completion exists, the completion axiom must be satisfied. We prove the converse and assume that  $(X, C)$  satisfies the completion axiom. We define again the set  $X^* = X \cup \{\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle : \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{N}_C\}$  and, following a classical idea of Reed [14] (cf. also [9]), we consider a fixed map  $\sigma : X^* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  with the properties  $\sigma(x) = x$  for  $x \in X$  and  $\sigma(\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle) \in \langle \mathcal{F} \rangle$  for  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{N}_C$ . For  $a \in L^X$  we define the  $L$ -set  $a^\sigma$  on  $X^*$  by  $a^\sigma(x) = a(x)$  and  $a^\sigma(\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle) = \sigma(\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle)(a)$ . The following properties are then easily established, where  $a, b \in L^X$  and  $\alpha \in L$ :  $(a \wedge b)^\sigma = a^\sigma \wedge b^\sigma$ ,  $a \leq b$  implies  $a^\sigma \leq b^\sigma$ ,  $\alpha_{X^*} \leq (\alpha_X)^\sigma$  and  $\perp_{X^*} = (\perp_X)^\sigma$  and  $\top_{X^*} = (\top_X)^\sigma$ . For  $\Phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X^*)$  we define  $\Phi^\sigma : L^X \rightarrow L$  by  $\Phi^\sigma(a) = \Phi(a^\sigma)$ . Then  $\Phi^\sigma \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and the following properties for  $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X^*)$  and  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  can be shown.  $\Phi \leq \Psi$  implies  $\Phi^\sigma \leq \Psi^\sigma$ ,  $(\Phi \wedge \Psi)^\sigma = \Phi^\sigma \wedge \Psi^\sigma$ , if  $\Phi \vee \Psi$  exists, then  $\Phi^\sigma \vee \Psi^\sigma$  exists,  $(j(\mathcal{F}))^\sigma = \mathcal{F}$  and  $([\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle])^\sigma = \sigma(\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle)$  and  $[x]^\sigma = [x]$ . We define now, for  $\Phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X^*)$ ,  $C^\sigma(\Phi) = C(\Phi^\sigma)$ . It is then not difficult to see that  $(X^*, C^\sigma) \in |SL\text{-CHY}|$  and that  $C^\sigma(j(\mathcal{F})) = C(\mathcal{F})$  for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . We show that  $(X^*, C^\sigma)$  is complete. Let  $\Phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X^*)$ . If  $\lim_C \Phi^\sigma(x) \not\geq C(\Phi^\sigma)$  for all  $x \in X$ , then by the completion axiom, there is  $\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{N}_C$  such that  $C(\Phi^\sigma \wedge \mathcal{V}) \geq C(\Phi^\sigma)$ . From  $\sigma(\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle) \in \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle$  we conclude  $C(\sigma(\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle) \wedge \mathcal{V}) = \top$  and hence  $C(\Phi^\sigma \wedge \sigma(\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle)) \geq C(\sigma(\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle) \wedge \mathcal{V}) \wedge C(\Phi^\sigma \wedge \mathcal{V}) \geq C(\Phi^\sigma)$ . Therefore  $C([\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle]^\sigma) \geq C(\Phi^\sigma)$  which means  $C^\sigma(\Phi \wedge [\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle]) \geq C^\sigma(\Phi)$ . If there is  $x \in X$  such that  $\lim_C \Phi^\sigma(x) \geq C(\Phi^\sigma)$ ,



then as  $([x])^\sigma = \sigma([x]) = [x]$  we conclude  $C^*(\Phi \wedge [x]) = C(\Phi^\sigma \wedge [x]^\sigma) = C(\Phi^\sigma \wedge [x]) \geq C(\Phi^\sigma) = C^\sigma(\Phi)$ . Furthermore,  $j(X) = X$  is dense in  $(X^*, C^\sigma)$ : If  $x^* = x$ , then  $[x]_{j(X)} = [x] \in \mathcal{F}_L^\sigma(X)$  and  $\lim_{C^\sigma} [x](x) = C^\sigma([x]) = C([x]^\sigma) = C([x]) = \top$ . If  $x^* = \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle$  with  $\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{N}_C$  then the trace  $j(\mathcal{V})_{j(X)}$  exists and  $\lim_{C^\sigma} j(\mathcal{V})(\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle) = C^\sigma(j(\mathcal{V}) \wedge [\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle]) = C(\mathcal{V} \wedge \sigma(\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle)) = \top$ . Hence  $((X^*, C^\sigma), j)$  is a completion of  $(X, C)$ .  $\square$

It is not difficult to translate the construction of  $(X^*, C^\sigma)$  to the category *SL-CTS*. We leave this to the interested reader.

We finally show that the completion constructed in the previous lemma preserves the T2-property.

**Lemma 5.4.** *Let  $(X, C) \in |SL\text{-CHY}|$  satisfy the completion axiom. If  $(X, C)$  is a T2-space, then also  $(X^*, C^\sigma)$  is a T2-space.*

*Proof.* It suffices to show that  $\lim_{C^\sigma} [x^*](y^*)$  implies  $x^* = y^*$ , see [7]. We distinguish four cases. Let first  $x^* = x, y^* = y$  with  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $C^\sigma([x^*] \wedge [y^*]) = C([x] \wedge [y])$  and hence, by the T2-property,  $x^* = x = y = y^*$ . If  $x^* = \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle$  and  $y^* = \langle \mathcal{U} \rangle$  with  $\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{N}_C$ , then  $C([\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle]^\sigma \wedge [\langle \mathcal{U} \rangle]^\sigma) = C(\sigma(\mathcal{V}) \wedge \sigma(\mathcal{U})) = \top$  and hence, because  $\mathcal{V} \sim \sigma(\mathcal{V}) \sim \sigma(\mathcal{U}) \sim \mathcal{U}$ , we conclude  $\mathcal{V} \sim \mathcal{U}$  and therefore  $\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle = \langle \mathcal{U} \rangle$ . For the case  $x^* = \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle$  and  $y^* = y$  with  $\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{N}_C$  and  $y \in X$  we have  $\top = C(\sigma(\mathcal{V}) \wedge [y]) = \lim_C \sigma(\mathcal{V})(y)$ . As  $\sigma(\mathcal{V}) \in \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle$  we have  $C(\sigma(\mathcal{V}) \wedge \mathcal{V}) = \top$  and hence  $C(\mathcal{V} \wedge \sigma(\mathcal{V}) \wedge [y]) = C(\mathcal{V} \wedge \sigma(\mathcal{V})) \wedge C(\sigma(\mathcal{V}) \wedge [y]) = \top$ . This implies  $\top = \lim_C \mathcal{V} \wedge \sigma(\mathcal{V})(y) \leq \lim_C \mathcal{V}(y)$ , a contradiction to  $\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{N}_C$ . Similarly, the case  $x^* = x$  and  $y^* = \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle$  with  $x \in X$  and  $\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{N}_C$  leads to a contradiction and, therefore, cannot occur.  $\square$

## 6. Conclusions

In this paper, we had a more careful look into the concept of completeness for lattice-valued Cauchy spaces. We pointed out that there are two slightly different definitions for the category of lattice-valued Cauchy tower spaces [1]. These definitions coincide in the left-continuous case. We gave two examples, one with a complete Boolean algebra and the other with the unit interval as the valued lattice, which show that the left-continuity is necessary here. For the category of lattice-valued Cauchy spaces as defined in [7], we also studied two different definitions of completeness. It turns out that a construction in the literature yields, for a non-complete space, only a weakly complete space as “completion”. In order to confirm a previous result about the existence of a completion, a different completion was constructed. This also allows to avoid the assumption of a prime bottom element of the lattice. Up to now it is an open question to give a necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of a weak completion for a non-complete lattice-valued Cauchy space.

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