

USING  
ELEMENTARITY  
IN THE STUDY  
OF COMPACT SPACES

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CONSIDER

COMPACT HAUSDORFF SPACE  $X$

ITS LATTICE OF CLOSED SETS  $2^X$

GENERAL IDEA:

TAKE ELEMENTARY SUBLATTICE

$$L \subset 2^X$$

LET  $wL$  BE THE WALLMAN SPACE OF  $L$

[ LIKE STONE SPACE

$$wL = \{ u : u \text{ IS ULTRAFILTER ON } L \}$$

$$a \in L \rightsquigarrow a^* = \{ u \in wL : a \in u \}$$

THE FAMILY  $\{ a^* : a \in L \}$  SERVES

AS A BASE FOR THE CLOSED SETS ]

- $wL$  IS COMPACT HAUSDORFF

- $x \mapsto u_x = \{ a : x \in a \}$

IS A CONTINUOUS SURJECTION

FROM  $X$  ONTO  $wL$ .

THE SPACE  $wL$  INHERITS MANY PROPERTIES FROM  $X$ .

- CONNECTEDNESS
- DISCONNECTEDNESS

[ IF  $2^X \models (\exists x)(\exists y)(x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x \pi y = 0 \wedge x \cup y = 1)$   
 THEN  $L \models$  \_\_\_\_\_ ]

- DECOMPOSABLE CONTINUUM
- INDECOMPOSABLE CONTINUUM
- UNICOHERENT CONTINUUM
- NOT UNICOHERENT CONTINUUM
- ... PORE ... BERD VAN DER STEEG'S

### THESIS

THESE PROPERTIES ARE

- FIRST-ORDER (IN LATTICE TERMS)
- DETERMINED BY SOME / ANY BASE FOR THE CLOSED SETS.

# DIMENSION

## COVERING DIMENSION

$\dim X \leq n$  : IF  $x_1 \cap x_2 \cap \dots \cap x_{n+2} = \emptyset$

THEN THERE ARE

$$y_1 \supseteq x_1, y_2 \supseteq x_2, \dots, y_{n+2} \supseteq x_{n+2}$$

WITH

$$y_1 \cap y_2 \cap \dots \cap y_{n+2} = \emptyset$$

AND

$$y_1 \cup y_2 \cup \dots \cup y_{n+2} = X$$

WE HAVE  $\dim W \leq \dim X$ .

CLEARLY  $\dim X \leq n \iff \dim W \leq n$

IN ADDITION  $\dim X \leq n$  DEPENDS  
ONLY ON SOME/ANY BASE.



. LARGE INDUCTIVE DIMENSION.

$\text{Ind } X \leq n$ ; IF  $x \cap y = \emptyset$

THEN THERE ARE  $u$  AND  $v$   
SUCH THAT

$$x \cap u = \emptyset \wedge y \cap v = \emptyset \wedge$$

$$u \cup v = 1 \wedge \text{Ind}(u \cap v) \leq n-1$$

WE HAVE  $\text{Ind } wL \leq \text{Ind } X$

AGAIN  $2^X \models \text{Ind} \leq n \Leftrightarrow L \models \text{Ind} \leq n$

BUT WE ONLY HAVE

$$L \models \text{Ind} \leq n \rightarrow \text{Ind } wL \leq n$$

EXAMPLE

START WITH COMPACT HAUSDORFF  $X$

FOR WHICH  $\dim X = 1 < 2 = \text{Ind } X$

TAKE COUNTABLE  $L$ .

THEN  $wL$  IS COMPACT METRIC, SO

$$1 = \dim wL = \text{Ind } wL < \text{Ind } X$$

# DIMENSIONS GRAD [BROUWER]

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$D_G X \leq n$  IF  $F$  AND  $G$  ARE CLOSED  
AND DISJOINT THEN  
THERE IS A CUT  $C$  BETWEEN  
 $F$  AND  $G$  WITH  $D_G C \leq n-1$

$C$  IS A CUT BETWEEN  $F$  AND  $G$

MEANS: EVERY CONTINUUM  
THAT MEETS  $F$  AND  $G$  ALSO  
MEETS  $C$ .

THE FORMULA  $D_G \leq n$  IS FIRST-ORDER

SO:  $2^X \models D_G \leq n \leftrightarrow L \models D_G \leq n$

BUT:  $L \models D_G \leq n$  DOES NOT

AUTOMATICALLY IMPLY  $D_G \text{ w } L \leq n$

FOR EXAMPLE  $[0, 1]$  HAS A LATTICE-  
BASE  $\Pi$  WITHOUT CONNECTED  
ELEMENTS, SO  $\Pi \models D_G \leq 0$  (VACUOUSLY)

WE DO GET  $D_G \text{ w } L \leq D_G X$

BUT WE DO NEED TO USE

$$L \prec 2^X$$

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SKETCH OF PROOF.

MAIN POINT: IF  $F, G, C \in L$  AND  $C$  IS A CUT BETWEEN  $F$  AND  $G$  IN  $X$  THEN  $C^*$  IS A CUT BETWEEN  $F^*$  AND  $G^*$  IN  $WL$ .

ASSUME  $A$  IS CLOSED IN  $WL$  SUCH THAT  $F^* \cap A \neq \emptyset$ ,  $G^* \cap A \neq \emptyset$ ,  $C^* \cap A = \emptyset$ .

PICK  $B \in L$  WITH  $A \subseteq B^*$ ,  $B^* \cap C^* = \emptyset$ .

[  $B^*$  IS NOT CONNECTED BUT WE'RE INTERESTED IN  $A$  ]

NO CONTINUUM IN  $B$  MEETS BOTH  $F$  AND  $G$ . COMPACTNESS AND ELEMENTARITY CONSPIRE TO GIVE US  $P$  AND  $Q$  IN  $L$  SUCH THAT  $P \cap Q = \emptyset$ ,  $P \cup Q = B$ ,  $F \cap B \subseteq P$ ,  $G \cap B \subseteq Q$ .

NOW  $A \subseteq P^* \cup Q^*$       $P^* \cap Q^* = \emptyset$

$A \cap P^* \neq \emptyset$       $A \cap Q^* = \emptyset$

SO, YES,  $A$  IS NOT CONNECTED.



# APPLICATIONS

## VEDENISSOFF'S INEQUALITY

$$\dim X (= \dim wL = \text{In}wL) \leq \text{In}X$$

↑  
COUNTABLE L

## FEDORCHUK'S INEQUALITY

$$\dim X (= \dim wL = D_G wL) \leq D_G X$$

↑  
COUNTABLE L

[  $D_G X \leq \text{In}X$  IS EASY ]

## VEDENISSOFF'S PROOF:

RELATIVELY EASY INDUCTION

## FEDORCHUK'S PROOF:

CLOSING-OFF ARGUMENT

(SHADES OF LÖWENHEIM-SKOLEM)

STING IS IN  $\text{Cut}(F, C, G)$

$$(\forall x) \left( (\text{CONN}(x) \wedge x \cap F \neq \emptyset \wedge x \cap G \neq \emptyset) \rightarrow x \cap C \neq \emptyset \right)$$



# CHAINABILITY AND SPAN

A CONTINUUM  $X$  IS CHAINABLE  
 IF EVERY OPEN COVER HAS  
 A REFINEMENT  $\{V_i : i < n\}$

SUCH THAT  $V_i \cap V_j \neq \emptyset \iff |i-j| \leq 1$

$X$  HAS ----- SPAN ZERO

IF EVERY CONTINUUM  $Z$  IN  $X \times X$

WITH

$Z = Z^{-1}$  SYMMETRIC  $\sigma$

$\pi_2[Z] = \pi_1[Z]$  -----  $\sigma$

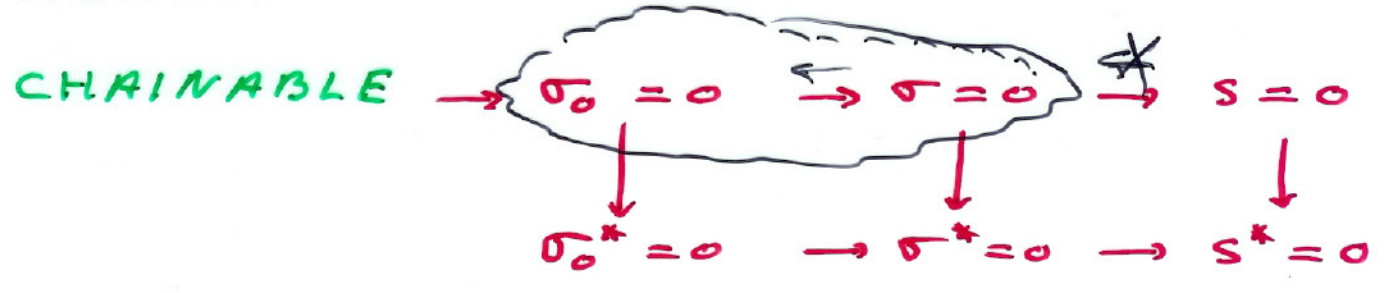
$\pi_2[Z] \subseteq \pi_1[Z]$  SEMI-  $\sigma_0$

———  $\pi_1[Z] = X$  SURJECTIVE

MEETS THE DIAGONAL

[THAT'S SIX SPANS]

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BIG QUESTION

DO ANY ARROWS REVERSE?

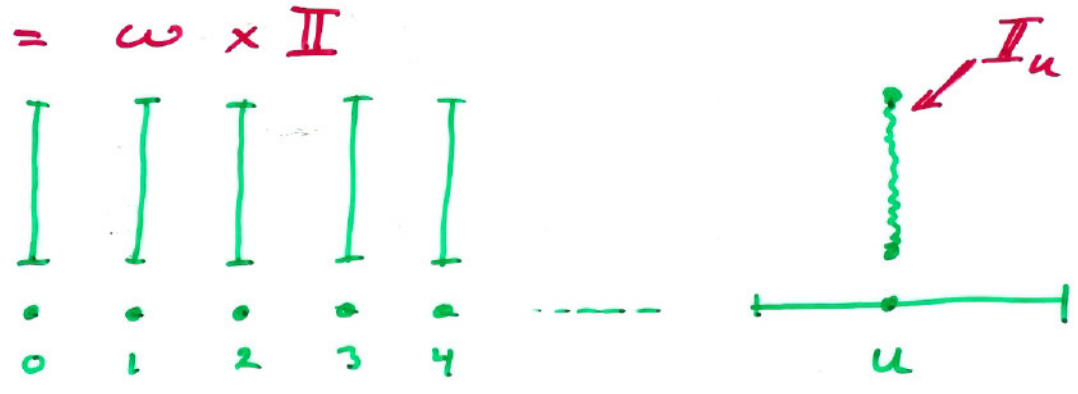
ESPECIALLY  $\sigma_0 = 0 \rightarrow$  CHAINABLE!

OUR ATTEMPT: LOOK AT

$H^*$  AND  $I_u$

$H = [0, \infty)$        $H^* = \beta H \setminus H$

$\mathbb{N} = \omega \times \mathbb{I}$



$f: H \rightarrow H$   
 $x \mapsto x+1$

$f^* = \beta f \upharpoonright H^*$

$Z = f^*$       SHOWS       $\sigma^*(H^*) > 0$

$\sigma(\mathbb{I}_u) > 0$ : 

L HAS A FIXED-POINT FREE

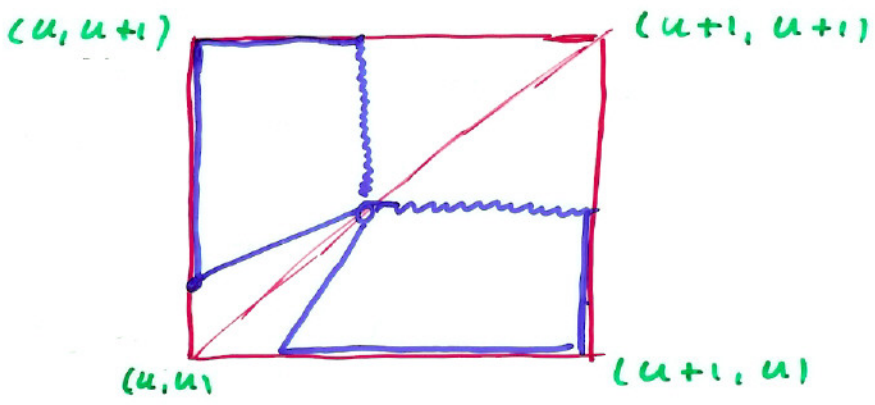
AUTOHOMEOMORPHISM, LIKE  $\mathbb{H}^*$ .

IN FACT  $[0, L]$  HAS ONE, CALL IT  $h$ .

CH: L IS A RETRACT OF  $[L, 1]$ .

THIS GIVES F-P F AUTOHOMEOMORPHISM

AND SO  $\sigma_0^*(\mathbb{I}_u) > 0$ .



THE BLUE CONTINUUM WITNESSES

$s^*(\mathbb{I}_u) > 0$

CONNECT IT TO  $f^* \cup (f^*)^{-1}$  TO GET

$s^*(\mathbb{H}^*) > 0$

THIS IS RATHER UNFORTUNATE

$$2^{\mathbb{I}} < 2_u^{\mathbb{I}} \text{ (ULTRAPOWER)}$$

↑ BASE FOR  $\mathbb{I}_u$

CHAINABILITY CAN BE READ OFF FROM SOME / ANY BASE.

SO IT IS NOT FIRST-ORDER.

[ BECAUSE  $\mathbb{I}$  IS CHAINABLE ]

CHAINABILITY IS  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega, \omega}$ -EXPRESSIBLE.

SPAN IS

NOT FIRST-ORDER

OR

NOT BASE-DETERMINED.

QUESTION: WHICH?



THIS PUTS A DAMPER ON THE FOLLOWING STRATEGY FOR GETTING METRIC EXAMPLES.

CONSTRUCT A POSSIBLY NON-METRIC EXAMPLE  $X$  AND TAKE  $wL$  WHERE  $L < 2^X$  IS COUNTABLE.

BUT NOT COMPLETELY.

OUR EXAMPLES DO NOT PRECLUDE THAT  $wL$  AND  $X$  SHARE CHAINABILITY, SPAN (NON)ZERO

IT WORKS PARTIALLY WHEN

$L = \pi \cap 2^X$ , WHERE  $\pi \in H(\mathcal{O})$  WITH  $X \in \mathcal{M}$ .

CHAINABILITY: THANKS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF QUANTIFYING OVER  $\omega$ .