

13. EMBEDDINGS, PROJECTIONS AND AUTOMORPHISMS

13.1. Def Let P, Q be posets. A map $e: P \rightarrow Q$ is called an embedding iff for all $p, q \in P$:

$$(a) \quad p \leq q \Rightarrow e(p) \leq e(q)$$

$$(b) \quad p \perp q \Rightarrow e(p) \perp e(q)$$

13.2. Def An embedding $e: P \rightarrow Q$ is regular iff for every maximal antichain A in P , the pointwise image $e[A]$ is a maximal antichain in Q .

13.3. Remark Some authors use the term "complete" embedding instead (Kunen). The motivation comes from complete Boolean algebras: if B, C are complete Boolean algebras then a homomorphism $h: B \rightarrow C$ is a complete homomorphism (i.e. $h(\bigvee x) = \bigvee h[x]$ all $x \in B$) iff $h \upharpoonright B^+ : B^+ \rightarrow C^+$ is a regular embedding.
Note: An antichain $A \subseteq B$ is maximal iff $\bigvee A = 1_B$.

13.4. Def Let $e: P \rightarrow Q$ be an embedding of two posets and $q \in Q$. An element $p \in P$ is called a reduct of q w.r.t. e iff for every $p' \in P$: $e(p') \parallel q$.

13.5. Proposition Let $e: P \rightarrow Q$ be an embedding of posets. TFAE

(a) e is regular

(b) For every predense $B \subseteq P$: $e[B]$ is predense in Q

(c) Every element $q \in Q$ has a reduct in P w.r.t. e .

Proof (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) Fix a predense $B \subseteq P$. Then

$$D = B \downarrow = \{p \in P \mid p \leq p' \text{ for some } p' \in B\}$$

Pick some antichain $A \subseteq D$ which is maximal with respect to $\subseteq$. Because D is dense in P , A is a maximal antichain in P . Since e is regular, $e[A]$ is a maximal

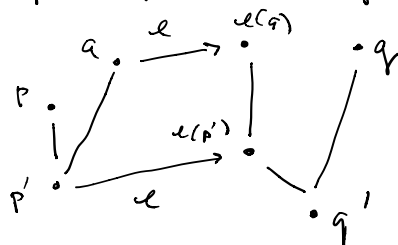
antichain in $\mathbb{Q}$. Now if $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ then $q \parallel e(a)$ for some $a \in A$. But $a \leq p$ for some $p \in B$ by definition. So $e(q) \leq e(p)$. Because $q \parallel e(a)$ also $q \parallel e(p)$. So every $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ is compatible with some element of $e[B]$, i.e. $e[B]$ is predense in $\mathbb{Q}$.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c). By contradiction. Assume there is $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ which does not have a reduct in P w.r.t. e . This means that below every $p \in P$ there is some $p' \leq p$ s.t. $e(p') \perp q$. In other words: the set

$$D = \{p' \in P \mid e(p') \perp q\}$$

is dense in P . By (b): $e[D]$ is predense in $\mathbb{Q}$, so there must be some $p' \in D$ s.t. $e(p') \parallel q$. Contradiction.

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (a) Let A be a maximal antichain in P . Since e is an embedding, $e[A]$ is an antichain in $\mathbb{Q}$. We need to see: $e[A]$ is maximal. Pick $q \in \mathbb{Q}$. Let $p \in P$ be a reduct of q w.r.t. e . Because A is maximal, there is some $a \in A$ s.t. $a \parallel p$. Let $p' \leq a, p$. Since p is a reduct and $p' \leq p$: $e(p') \parallel q$. Since $p' \leq a$: $e(p') \leq e(a)$. Hence $e(a) \parallel q$.



This shows q is compatible with some element of $e[A]$, hence that $e[A]$ is maximal. $\square$ (P 13.5)

13.6. Remark Clause (c) in P 13.5. is important because it gives a first-order characterization of regularity.

13.7. Proposition Let $e: P \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ be a regular embedding. If H is a $(\mathbb{Q}, V)$ -generic filter then $G = e^{-1}[H]$ is a (P, V) -generic filter.

Proof Let $G = e^{-1}[H]$. Then G is upward closed and any two elements of G are compatible. Both

follow from the fact that H is a filter: the former follows because e is order-preserving, the latter follows because e is incompatibility preserving.

Next: $G \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for every maximal antichain in P . This is because $e[A]$ is a maximal antichain in Q , so $H \cap e[A] \neq \emptyset$. So if $p \in A$ is s.t. $e(p) \in H$ then $p \in A \cap G$.

From this we get that G is a filter, i.e. any two elements $p_1, p_2 \in G$ have a lower bound in G . This follows by a simple density argument (Exercise.) $\square$ 13.7.

13.8. Def An embedding $e: P \rightarrow Q$ is dense iff $\text{rng}(e)$ is a dense subset of Q .

13.9. Proposition Any dense embedding is a regular embedding. (Exercise)

13.10. Proposition If $e: P \rightarrow Q$ is a dense embedding and G is (P, V) -generic then $H = e[G] \uparrow$ is (Q, V) -generic.

Proof For any filter $G' \subseteq P$: $e[G']$ is a filter b.c.s, so $H = e[G] \uparrow$ is a filter on Q . To see that H is (Q, V) -generic, it suffices to see that $H \cap D \neq \emptyset$ for every open dense $D \subseteq Q$. For this it suffices to show that $e^{-1}[D]$ is dense whenever $D \subseteq Q$ is open dense. (Exercise.) $\square$ 13.10.

13.11. Corollary If $e: P \rightarrow Q$ is a dense embedding then for every G which is (P, V) -generic then $\exists$ a (Q, V) -generic H s.t. $V(G) = V(H)$ and for any (Q, V) -generic H there is (P, V) -generic G s.t. $V(H) = V(G)$.

Proof $G = e^{-1}(H)$ and $H = e[G] \uparrow$. $\square$

13.12. Def A map $e: P \rightarrow Q$ is an isomorphism iff

(i) e is a bijection

(ii) for any $p_1, p_2 \in P$:

$$p_1 \leq p_2 \iff e(p_1) \leq e(p_2)$$

An isomorphism $e: P \rightarrow P$ is called an automorphism of P .

13.13 Prop A surjective embedding is a dense embeddng.
Any isomorphism is a dense embedding. $\square$

13.14. Def Let $e: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ be a map. We define a map

$$e^*: V^{\mathbb{P}} \rightarrow V^{\mathbb{Q}}$$

as follows:

$$e^*(\dot{x}) = \{ (e(p), e^*(\dot{z})) \mid (p, \dot{z}) \in \dot{x} \}$$

Notice that this is a definition by $\in$ -recursion.

13.15. Proposition Let $e: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ be a regular embedding,
 H be $(\mathbb{Q}, V)$ -generic and $G = e^{-1}[H]$. Then

$$\dot{x}^G = e^*(\dot{x})^H$$

Proof
$$\begin{aligned} e^*(\dot{x})^H &= \{ (e(p), e^*(\dot{z})) \mid (p, \dot{z}) \in \dot{x} \}^H \\ &= \{ \underbrace{e^*(\dot{z})^H}_{\dot{z}^G} \mid (p, \dot{z}) \in \dot{x} \wedge \underbrace{e(p) \in H}_{p \in G} \} \\ &= \{ \dot{z}^G \mid (p, \dot{z}) \in \dot{x} \wedge p \in G \} = \dot{x}^G \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

13.16. Proposition $e^*(\check{a}) = \check{a}$ (Exercise)

13.17. Proposition Let $e: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ be an embedding,
 $\varphi(v_1 \dots v_k)$ be a formula and $\dot{x}_1 \dots \dot{x}_k$ be $\mathbb{P}$ -terms. Let $p \in \mathbb{P}$.

(a) If e is regular and φ is a Σ_0^1 -formula then

$$p \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \varphi(\dot{x}_1 \dots \dot{x}_k) \Rightarrow e(p) \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \varphi(e^*(\dot{x}_1), \dots, e^*(\dot{x}_k))$$

(b) if e is a dense embedding then the above implication is true for any formula φ .

Proof Let $H \ni e(p)$ be $(\mathbb{Q}, V)$ -generic. Then $G = e^{-1}[H]$
is $(\mathbb{P}, V)$ -generic and $p \in G$. Since $p \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \varphi(\dot{x}_1 \dots \dot{x}_k)$,
we have $V[G] \models \varphi(\dot{x}_1^G \dots \dot{x}_k^G)$. But $G \in V[H]$, so $V[G] \subseteq V[H]$

Since φ is $\bar{\Delta}_0^1$, by absoluteness we have $V(H) \models \varphi(\dot{x}_1^G \dots \dot{x}_n^G)$.
 But now $\dot{x}_i^G = e^*(x_i)^H$ by P 13.15, so $V(H) \models \varphi(e^*(x_1)^H, \dots, e^*(x_n)^H)$.
 We conclude $e(p) \models_{\mathbb{Q}} \varphi(e^*(x_1), \dots, e^*(x_n))$. $\square (a)$

Regarding (b): the same words, but now we have $V(G) = V(H)$ so the step from $V(G)$ to $V(H)$ is trivial.

$\square (P13.17)$

13.18. Def A poset P is weakly homogeneous iff
 for any $p, q \in P$ there is an automorphism π of P s.t.
 $\pi(p) \parallel q$

13.18. Prop $P = \text{Fn}(A, B, \kappa)$ is weakly homogeneous wrt
 an automorphism π s.t. $\pi^2 = \text{id}$.

Proof Fix $p, q \in P$. Let

$$d = \{a \in A \mid p(a) \neq q(a)\}$$

For $n \in P$ then let $\pi(n) \in P$ be s.t.

$$\pi(n)(a) = \begin{cases} q(a) & \text{if } n(a) = p(a) \text{ and } a \in d \\ p(a) & \text{if } n(a) = q(a) \text{ and } a \in d \\ n(a) & \text{if otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\square (P13.18)$

13.19. Proposition Assume P is weakly homogeneous,
 $A \in V$, G is (P, V) -generic and $X \subseteq A$ is s.t.

(a) $X \in V[G]$

(b) X is definable in $V[G]$ from
 parameters in V

Then $X \in V$.

Proof Assume $\varphi(u, v_1, \dots, v_k)$ is a formula and $b_1, \dots, b_k \in V$
 such that

$$V[G] \models (\forall a \in A)(a \in X \leftrightarrow \varphi(a, b_1, \dots, b_k))$$

For $a \in X$:

$$\mathcal{V}(G) \models \varphi(a, b_1 \dots b_k) \quad , \text{ i.e.}$$

$$\mathcal{V}(G) \models \varphi(\check{a}^G, \check{b}_1^G, \dots, \check{b}_k^G)$$

By Forcing thru (B) there is some $p \in G$ s.t.

$$(1) \quad p \Vdash \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k)$$

Now consider any $q \in P$. Since P is weakly homogeneous, we have an automorphism $\pi : P \rightarrow P$ s.t.

$\pi(p) \parallel q$. By applying π to (1) :

$$\pi(p) \Vdash \varphi(\pi(\check{a}), \pi(\check{b}_1), \dots, \pi(\check{b}_k))$$

Hence

$$\pi(p) \Vdash \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k)$$

by P 13.16. So if we take $q' \leq \pi(p)$, q then
 $q' \Vdash \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k)$.

Since q was taken arbitrary, we have proved:

$$D = \{ q' \in P \mid q' \Vdash \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k) \}$$

is dense in P . That is,

$$\Vdash \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k)$$

So we have:

$$a \in X \Rightarrow \Vdash_P \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k)$$

Similarly we get

$$a \notin X \Rightarrow \Vdash_P \neg \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k)$$

$$\text{So } X = \{ a \in A \mid \Vdash_P \varphi(\check{a}, \check{b}_1, \dots, \check{b}_k) \} \in \mathcal{V} \quad \square$$