

## Equiological spaces and algebras for a double-power monad

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## Abstract

We investigate the algebras for the double-power monad on the Sierpinski space in the category  $\mathcal{E}qu$  of equiological spaces, a cartesian closed extension of  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  introduced by Scott, and the relationship of such algebras with frames. In particular, we focus our attention on interesting subcategories of  $\mathcal{E}qu$ . We prove uniqueness of the algebraic structure for a large class of equiological spaces, and we characterize the algebras for the double-power monad in the category of algebraic lattices and in the category of continuous lattices, seen as full subcategories of  $\mathcal{E}qu$ .

We also analyse the case of algebras in the category  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  of  $T_0$ -spaces, again seen as a full subcategory of  $\mathcal{E}qu$ , proving that each algebra for the double-power monad in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  has an underlying sober, compact, connected space.

## 1 Introduction

The category  $\mathcal{E}qu$  of equiological spaces, introduced by Scott in [Sco96], provides a useful extension of the category  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  of  $T_0$ -spaces; indeed,  $\mathcal{E}qu$  is locally cartesian closed, see [CR00], and the inclusion functor  $\mathcal{Top}_0 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{E}qu$  preserves the (existing) cartesian closed structure.

Considering the Sierpinski space  $\Sigma$  as an equiological space, the self-adjoint functor  $\Sigma^{(-)}: \mathcal{E}qu \rightarrow \mathcal{E}qu^{\text{op}}$  gives rise to a monad on  $\mathcal{E}qu$ : the double-power monad on  $\Sigma$ , which we denote  $\Sigma^2$  in the following. Monads of this kind have been widely studied in different contexts: Taylor developed Abstract Stone Duality investigating certain double-power monads under the weak assumption that in category  $\mathcal{C}$  the object  $\Sigma$  can be exponentiated, see [Tay02a, Tay02b]. Townsend and Vickers analysed the double-power monad for  $\Sigma$  seen as a locale—aka the frame of open subsets of  $\Sigma$ —and they compared it to other important constructions in the category of locales, see [VT04, Vic04]. Such monads played an important role also in the abstract approach to semantics of computations, see *e.g.* [PR97, PT97, Thi97b, Füh99] and connections with the computational idea of continuations, explored in particular in Hayo Thielecke's PhD thesis [Thi97a], certainly require further consideration.

In investigating the double-power monad on the Sierpinski topological space in a cartesian closed extension of the category of  $T_0$ -spaces, one must take into account how fundamental a role the functor  $\Sigma^{(-)}$  plays in the study of exponentiability in  $\mathcal{Top}$ , as it is well-known that a topological space  $X$  is exponentiable if and only if the exponential  $\Sigma^X$  exists in  $\mathcal{Top}$ . The starting point of our investigation is a connection between  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{E}qu$  and frames; we know from [Dub70] that, since  $\mathcal{E}qu$  is cartesian closed, the algebras for the double-power monad in  $\mathcal{E}qu$  are the internal models of the algebraic theory of  $\Sigma$  in  $\mathcal{E}qu$ . As a consequence of this, in [FRS17] it was shown that the  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra structure on an equiological space  $E$  induces a frame structure on the global sections of  $E$ . On the other hand, the Lawvere finitary algebraic theory in  $\mathcal{E}qu$  of  $\Sigma$  is precisely that of internal frames in  $\mathcal{E}qu$ . The basic question we address in the present paper is whether the

internal theory of  $\Sigma$  coincide with its finitary part. In principle, one would expect a positive answer since frames appear as the “algebraization” of open subsets, but to get such a positive answer has proved extremely difficult. After all the work we put into the question, we suspect that the answer is more subtle and we conjecture that the  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{E}qu$  are only particular frames.

The study in the present paper focuses on certain subcategories of  $\mathcal{E}qu$  on which one can restrict the double-power monad in order to analyse the  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in these subcategories. These include the category  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att$  of algebraic lattices and the category  $\mathit{Cont}\mathcal{L}att$  of continuous lattices, together with two other important subcategories,  $\mathcal{R}\mathcal{E}qu$  and  $\mathcal{S}\mathcal{E}qu$ , introduced in section 2, which are very relevant for the structure of the category  $\mathcal{E}qu$ .

In section 3, after briefly recalling known facts about the double-power monad  $\Sigma^2$  and its algebras, we characterize  $\mathit{Cont}\mathcal{L}att$  as the intersection of the two subcategories  $\mathcal{S}\mathcal{E}qu$  and  $\mathcal{R}\mathcal{E}qu$ .

In section 4 we outline some properties of the frame structure of a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att$  and in  $\mathcal{R}\mathcal{E}qu$ , and we characterize  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphisms between them. We also prove the uniqueness of the structure map for  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att$ , in  $\mathcal{R}\mathcal{E}qu$  and in  $\mathit{Cont}\mathcal{L}att$ .

In section 5, we apply the previous results to obtain a characterization for  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att$  and  $\mathit{Cont}\mathcal{L}att$ , involving algebraic frames and continuous frames.

Finally, in section 6, we investigate the case of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathit{Top}_0$ , analysing the topological space  $\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}$  for a  $T_0$ -space  $X$ . We show that every  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathit{Top}_0$  is a sober, compact and connected space, but not necessarily locally compact.

## 2 Preliminaries

Recall from [BBS04, Sco96] that an *equiological space* is a triple  $E = (|E|, \tau_E, \equiv_E)$ , where  $(|E|, \tau_E)$  is a  $T_0$ -space and  $\equiv_E$  is an equivalence relation on  $|E|$ . Given equiological spaces  $(|E|, \tau_E, \equiv_E)$  and  $(|F|, \tau_F, \equiv_F)$ , we say that a continuous function  $f: (|E|, \tau_E) \rightarrow (|F|, \tau_F)$  is *equivariant* if, for every  $x, x' \in |E|$  such that  $x \equiv_E x'$ , one has that  $f(x) \equiv_F f(x')$ . Two continuous equivariant functions  $f, f': (|E|, \tau_E) \rightarrow (|F|, \tau_F)$  are *equivalent*—and we shall write  $f \equiv_{FE} f'$ —if for all  $x \in |E|$ , one has that  $f(x) \equiv_F f'(x)$ .

The category  $\mathcal{E}qu$  of equiological spaces consists of

**objects** are the equiological spaces  $E = (|E|, \tau_E, \equiv_E)$ ;

**an arrow**  $[f]: E \rightarrow F$  from the equiological space  $E$  to the equiological space  $F$  is an equivalence class of continuous equivariant functions with respect to the equivalence relation  $\equiv_{FE}$ . We may refer to such an arrow as an *equivariant map* in  $\mathcal{E}qu$ , often confusing a map with one of its representatives;

**composition** of equivariant maps is defined by composition of a(ny) pair of continuous representatives. Hence, composition is associative and has identities.

The category  $\mathcal{E}qu$  is locally cartesian closed (see [CR00]) and it fully extends the category  $\mathit{Top}_0$  of  $T_0$ -spaces and continuous functions; the functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathit{Top}_0 & \xrightarrow{\Upsilon} & \mathcal{E}qu \\ (|X|, \tau_X) & \longmapsto & (|X|, \tau_X, =) \end{array}$$

is a full embedding and preserves products and all the exponentials which exist in  $\mathbf{Top}_0$ , see [Sco96].

Note that if  $[f]$  is an equivariant map whose target is in the image of the functor  $\mathbf{Y}$ , then the equivalence class of  $f$  is a singleton.

Since the cartesian closed structure of  $\mathbf{Equ}$  plays an essential role in what follows, it is useful to recall also Scott's equivalent presentation of  $\mathbf{Equ}$  from [Sco96]. It involves algebraic lattices and partial equivalence relations on them. In order to keep the presentation reasonably self-contained, in the following we review some basic concepts from the theory of lattices and universal algebra. We shall refer mainly to [GHK<sup>+</sup>80].

On a complete lattice  $L = (|L|, \leq)$  one can introduce a  $T_0$ -topology, called the **Scott topology** which consists of those subsets  $U$  of  $|L|$  such that:

$U$  is **upward closed**: if  $x \in U$  and  $y$  is an element of  $|L|$  such that  $x \leq y$ , then  $y \in U$ ;

$U$  is **inaccessible by directed joins**: for every directed subset  $D \subseteq |L|$ , if  $\bigvee D \in U$ , then there exists  $d \in D$  such that  $d \in U$ .

It is easy to check that this collection of sets is closed under arbitrary unions and finite intersections; we will denote that topology with  $\tau_{\text{Sc}}$ . Moreover, given  $L$  and  $M$  complete lattices, a function  $f: |L| \rightarrow |M|$  is continuous with respect to the Scott topologies on  $L$  and  $M$  respectively, if and only if  $f$  preserves directed joins, i.e. for every directed subset  $D \subseteq |L|$ ,

$$f\left(\bigvee_{d \in D} d\right) = \bigvee_{d \in D} f(d).$$

In that case, we shall say that the function  $f: |L| \rightarrow |M|$  is **Scott-continuous**. In the following we may sometimes confuse a complete lattice  $L$  with the topological space  $(|L|, \tau_{\text{Sc}})$ .

Let  $L$  be a complete lattice and  $x, y \in |L|$ . One says that  $x$  is **way-below**  $y$ , in symbols  $x \ll y$ , if, for every directed subset  $D \subseteq |L|$  such that  $y \leq \bigvee D$ , there exists  $d \in D$  such that  $x \leq d$ . It is easy to see that the relation  $\ll$  is finer than  $\leq$ , and that  $\ll$  is transitive.

An element  $k$  of a complete lattice  $L$  is **compact** if  $k \ll k$ , i.e. for every directed subset  $D \subseteq |L|$  such that  $k \leq \bigvee D$ , there is  $d \in D$  such that  $k \leq d$ . The least element of a complete lattice is compact and a finite join of compact elements is again compact. Note that a compact element  $k$  determines a Scott-open subset  $k^{\leq} := \{y \in |L| \mid k \leq y\}$  of  $L$ . Denote by  $K(L)$  the subset of the compact elements of  $L$ . It is a  $\vee$ -subsemilattice of  $L$ .

A complete lattice  $L$  is **algebraic** if every element  $a \in |L|$  is the join of the compact elements less than or equal to it:

$$a = \bigvee_{\substack{k \in K(L) \\ k \leq a}} k.$$

Note that the join in the formula above is directed.

The category  $\mathbf{AlgLatt}$  of algebraic lattices and Scott-continuous functions is the full subcategory of  $\mathbf{Top}_0$  on the algebraic lattices endowed with the Scott topology.

Recall from [Sco76, GHK<sup>+</sup>80] that an algebraic lattice endowed with the Scott topology is injective with respect to the subspace inclusions in the category  $\mathbf{Top}_0$  and that every  $T_0$ -space  $X = (|X|, \tau_X)$  embeds as a subspace into the algebraic lattice on the powerset  $\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)$  ordered by inclusion: the embedding maps a point  $x \in |X|$  to its neighbourhood filter  $\mathcal{U}_x := \{U \in \tau_X \mid x \in U\} \in \mathcal{P}(\tau_X)$ .

**Remark 2.1.** Let  $L$  and  $M$  be algebraic lattices considered as topological spaces with the respective Scott topologies. Let  $X$  be a  $T_0$ -space and  $f: L \times X \rightarrow M$  a function which is continuous in each variable. Then  $f$  is continuous from  $L \times X$  into  $M$ . Indeed, suppose that  $a \in |L|$ ,  $x \in |X|$  and  $f(a, x) \in V$  which is Scott-open in  $M$ . Since  $L$  is algebraic,  $a = \bigvee_{\substack{k \in K(L) \\ k \leq a}} k$ . The hypothesis that  $f$

is continuous in the first variable ensures that

$$f(a, x) = \bigvee_{\substack{k \in K(L) \\ k \leq a}} f(k, x).$$

Hence there is a compact  $k \leq a$  such that  $f(k, x) \in V$  because  $V$  is Scott-open. Since  $f$  is continuous in the second variable, there is an open neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that the image of  $\{k\} \times U$  under  $f$  is all contained in  $V$ . Therefore  $f(k \leq \times U) \subseteq V$ .

Note that the argument just presented does not extend to arbitrary complete lattices with the Scott topology.

It follows from 2.1 that, given algebraic lattices  $L$  and  $M$ , the set of Scott-continuous functions from  $L$  to  $M$  endowed with the compact-open topology is the exponential  $M^L$  of the two spaces in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$ . It is clear that  $M^L$  is also a complete lattice, and it is easy to see that it is algebraic and the compact-open topology coincides with the Scott topology. So the embedding  $\mathbf{Y}$  restricted to the subcategory of algebraic lattices

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{AlgLatt} & \xrightarrow{\mathbf{I}} & \mathcal{Equ} \\ A \mapsto & & (|A|, \tau_{\text{Sc}}, =) \end{array}$$

preserves products and exponentials.

**Remark 2.2.** Given algebraic lattices  $A$  and  $B$ , every order-preserving function  $f: K(A) \rightarrow B$  has a unique extension to a Scott-continuous function  $\tilde{f}: A \rightarrow B$  mapping

$$a \mapsto \bigvee_{\substack{k \in K(A) \\ k \leq a}} f(k).$$

Thus, there is an order isomorphism between the set of Scott-continuous functions from  $A$  to  $B$  and the order-preserving functions from  $K(A)$  to  $B$ .

A complete lattice  $L$  is **continuous** if every element is the join of the elements way-below it, i.e. for every  $x \in |L|$  it is

$$x = \bigvee_{\substack{y \in |L| \\ y \ll x}} y.$$

On a continuous lattice the way-below relation is interpolative; in fact,  $\ll$  is interpolative on the complete lattice  $L$  if and only if  $L$  is continuous.

A continuous retract of a continuous lattice is clearly continuous, and every continuous lattice is a retract of an algebraic lattice, e.g. for a continuous lattice  $L$ , the function

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{P}(|L|) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{P}(|L|) \\ P \mapsto & & \{y \in |L| \mid y \ll \bigvee P\} \end{array}$$

is Scott-continuous and the lattice of its fixpoints is (isomorphic to)  $L$ , see [Sco76].

So the category  $\mathit{ContLatt}$  of continuous lattices and Scott-continuous functions is (equivalent to) the full subcategory of  $\mathit{Top}_0$  on the injectives with respect to subspace inclusion. It is also equivalent to the idempotent splitting of  $\mathit{AlgLatt}$ , so the full embedding  $\mathbf{I}$  extends to a full embedding

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathit{ContLatt} & \xrightarrow{\mathbf{I}} & \mathit{Equ} \\ C \vdash & \longrightarrow & (|C|, \tau_{\text{Sc}}, =) \end{array}$$

which preserves products and exponentials.

We are now in a position to introduce the category  $\mathit{PEqu}$  of *partial equiological spaces*.

A *partial equiological space* is a pair  $A = (L_A, \approx_A)$ , where  $L_A$  is an algebraic lattice and  $\approx_A$  is a symmetric and transitive relation on  $|L_A|$  (not necessarily reflexive). We denote the domain of  $\approx_A$  as  $D_A := \{a \in |L_A| \mid a \approx_A a\}$ .

Given partial equiological spaces  $(L_A, \approx_A)$  and  $(L_B, \approx_B)$ , for Scott-continuous functions  $g, g': L_A \rightarrow L_B$ , write  $g \approx_{B^A} g'$  when

$$\text{for all } a, a' \in |L_A| \text{ such that } a \approx_A a', \text{ it is } g(a) \approx_B g'(a'). \quad (1)$$

For a Scott-continuous function  $f: L_A \rightarrow L_B$  say that it is equivariant from  $(L_A, \approx_A)$  to  $(L_B, \approx_B)$  when  $f \approx_{B^A} f$ . So  $\approx_{B^A}$  is an equivalence relation on equivariant functions from  $(L_A, \approx_A)$  to  $(L_B, \approx_B)$ . Also, if  $f$  is equivariant from  $(L_A, \approx_A)$  to  $(L_B, \approx_B)$ , then it applies  $D_A$  into  $D_B$ .

The category  $\mathit{PEqu}$  consists of

**objects** are partial equiological spaces;

**an arrow**  $[f]: A \rightarrow B$  from  $(L_A, \approx_A)$  to  $(L_B, \approx_B)$  is an equivalence class of equivariant functions  $f: A \rightarrow B$  with respect to the equivalence relation  $\approx_{B^A}$ . We refer to such an arrow as an *equivariant map* in  $\mathit{PEqu}$ ;

**composition** of equivariant maps is defined by composition of a(ny) pair of continuous representatives.

Hence, composition is associative and has identities.

**Remark 2.3.** The category  $\mathit{PEqu}$  is the quotient completion of the elementary doctrine  $P: \mathit{AlgLatt}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathit{InfSL}$  where  $P(|L|)$  is the powerset of the underlying set of  $L$  and  $P(f) := f^{-1}$  for  $f: L \rightarrow M$  a Scott-continuous function, see [MR13, MR15].

It follows from symmetry and transitivity that the partial equivalence relation  $\approx_A$  is contained

in  $D_A \times D_A$  and so reflexive on  $D_A$ . That allows to define a functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{PEqu} & \xrightarrow{\mathbf{Z}} & \mathcal{Equ} \\ (L_A, \approx_A) \vdash & \longrightarrow & (D_A, \tau_{\text{sub}}, \approx_A) \\ \downarrow [f] & \longrightarrow & \downarrow [f \mid_{D_A}^{D_B}] \\ (L_B, \approx_B) \vdash & \longrightarrow & (D_B, \tau_{\text{sub}}, \approx_B) \end{array}$$

where  $\tau_{\text{sub}}$  denotes the appropriate subspace topology.

There is also a functor  $\mathbf{W}: \mathcal{Equ} \rightarrow \mathcal{PEqu}$  which exploits the facts, recalled from [Sco76, GHK<sup>+</sup>80] on p. 123, that the continuous function  $x \mapsto \mathcal{U}_x: (|X|, \tau_X) \rightarrow (\mathcal{P}(\tau_X), \tau_{\text{Sc}})$  is a topological embedding and algebraic lattices are injectives with respect to topological embeddings. The action of  $\mathbf{W}$  on the objects is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{Equ} & \xrightarrow{\mathbf{W}} & \mathcal{PEqu} \\ (|E|, \tau_E, \equiv_E) \vdash & \longrightarrow & (\mathcal{P}(\tau_E), \approx_{\mathcal{P}(\tau_E)}) \end{array}$$

where  $\approx_{\mathcal{P}(\tau_E)}$  is the image under  $\mathcal{U}_{(-)}$  of the equivalence relation  $\equiv_E$ ; the action on the maps is obtained by injectivity.

Theorem 3.4 in [Sco96] gives the equivalence of categories.

**Theorem 2.4.** The functors  $\mathbf{Z}: \mathcal{PEqu} \rightarrow \mathcal{Equ}$  and  $\mathbf{W}: \mathcal{Equ} \rightarrow \mathcal{PEqu}$  are an adjoint equivalence.

The following proposition explains how to compute exponentials in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$ . From this, using the functors  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{W}$ , one derives a construction of exponentials in  $\mathcal{Equ}$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be objects in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$ . Then

(i) their categorical product is

$$A \times B = (L_A \times L_B, \approx_{A \times B})$$

where  $(a, b) \approx_{A \times B} (a', b')$  if  $a \approx_A a'$  and  $b \approx_B b'$ , with the obvious projections;

(ii) their exponential is

$$B^A = (L_B^A, \approx_{B^A})$$

where  $L_B^A$  is the algebraic lattice (ordered pointwise) of the Scott-continuous functions from  $L_A$  to  $L_B$  introduced in 2.1,  $\approx_{B^A}$  is the relation (1), and the evaluation map is that on the algebraic lattices.

Finally, we introduce two subcategories of  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  which play a fundamental role in the following, see [FRS17].

Let  $\mathcal{REqu}$  be the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  consisting of those pairs  $A = (L_A, \equiv_A)$  such that  $\equiv_A$  is reflexive, i.e.  $D_A = |L_A|$ . In other words  $\equiv_A$  is an equivalence relation on  $|L_A|$ .

Furthermore,  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  is the full subcategory of  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  consisting of those pairs  $A = (L_A, \sim_A)$ , where  $\sim_A$  is a *subreflexive* relation on  $|L_A|$ , i.e. for all  $a, a' \in |L_A|$ , if  $a \sim_A a'$ , then  $a = a'$ . The category  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  is equivalent, under the restriction of the functor  $Z: \mathcal{PEqu} \rightarrow \mathcal{Equ}$ , to the image of the embedding  $Y: \mathcal{Top}_0 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{Equ}$ .

Recall from [FRS17] the following result.

**Proposition 2.6.** For  $S$  an object in  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  and  $R$  an object in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ ,

- (i)  $S^R$  is in  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ ;
- (ii)  $R^S$  is in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ .

**Remark 2.7.** Though the proof of 2.6 is not difficult, it is hard to evaluate its structural meaning. In order to explain what we mean, consider how an object  $A = (L_A, \approx_A)$  in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  appears in the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (L_A, \Delta_{|L_A|} \cap (D_A \times D_A)) & \xrightarrow{[\text{id}_{L_A}]} & (L_A, \Delta_{|L_A|}) \\ [\text{id}_A] \downarrow & & \\ (L_A, \approx_A) & & \end{array} \quad (2)$$

where  $\Delta_{|L_A|}$  denotes the diagonal relation on  $|L_A|$ . The horizontal map is a subspace inclusion and the vertical map is a coequalizer of the two parallel maps

$$(L_A \times L_A, \Delta_{\approx_A}) \rightrightarrows (L_A, \Delta_{|L_A|} \cap (D_A \times D_A))$$

represented by the two projections.

A partial equiological space  $A$  is in  $\mathcal{REqu}$  if and only if the horizontal map in (2) is iso; it is in  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  if and only if the vertical map in (2) is iso.

So 2.6(i) is a direct computation using the properties with limits and colimits of an exponential bifunctor. On the other hand, while 2.6(ii) is certainly correct, we failed to find a general justification for it.

From now on, we shall work preferably with partial equiological spaces. Therefore we shall refer to the category  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  rather than the category  $\mathcal{Equ}$ , as well as its full subcategories  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  and  $\mathcal{REqu}$ . We remark once more that, via the equivalence between  $\mathcal{Equ}$  and  $\mathcal{PEqu}$ , the image of the embedding of  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  into  $\mathcal{Equ}$  is equivalent to  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ . We shall show in section 3 that the category of continuous lattices is equivalent to the intersection of  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  and  $\mathcal{REqu}$ .

### 3 The monad of the double power of $\Sigma$

The Sierpinski space  $\Sigma$  is the  $T_0$ -space with two points  $\perp$  and  $\top$  and the only non-trivial open subset is  $\{\top\}$ . Clearly,  $\Sigma$  is an algebraic lattice, with the order  $\perp < \top$  with the Scott topology. So, the pair  $(\Sigma, =)$  is a partial equiological space. For simplicity, in the following, we will write the partial equiological space  $(\Sigma, =)$  simply as  $\Sigma$ .

The self-adjoint functor

$$\mathcal{PEqu} \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{(-)}} \mathcal{PEqu}^{\text{op}}$$

gives rise to a strong monad on  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  of the form of those studied in [Tay02a, Tay02b, Vic04, VT04], whose endofunctor  $\Sigma^{(\Sigma^{(-)})}$  maps each partial equilogical space  $E$  into  $\Sigma^{(\Sigma^E)}$ —hence the name **double-power of  $\Sigma$**  for the monad.

The unit of the monad has components  $\eta_E: E \rightarrow \Sigma^{(\Sigma^E)}$ , the exponential adjunct of the composite

$$E \times \Sigma^E \xrightarrow{\langle \pi_2, \pi_1 \rangle} \Sigma^E \times E \xrightarrow{\text{ev}} \Sigma.$$

Since typed  $\lambda$ -calculus can be interpreted in any cartesian closed category, in  $\lambda$ -notation the above map is written

$$\lambda F: \Sigma^E.Fx \quad \text{in context } x: E.$$

The multiplication component  $\mu_E: \Sigma^{(\Sigma^{(\Sigma^E)})} \rightarrow \Sigma^{(\Sigma^E)}$  is the map  $\Sigma^{\eta_{\Sigma^E}}$ . In  $\lambda$ -notation

$$\lambda F: \Sigma^E.G(\lambda U: \Sigma^{(\Sigma^E)}.UF) \quad \text{in context } G: \Sigma^{(\Sigma^{(\Sigma^E)})}.$$

We shall sometimes adopt the notation of [Tay02a, Tay02b] and write the action  $\Sigma^X$  as  $\Sigma(X)$ , so that  $\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}$  is written  $\Sigma(\Sigma(X)) = \Sigma^2(X)$  and so on. In this way the multiplication above is written  $\mu_E: \Sigma^4(E) \rightarrow \Sigma^2(E)$ .

In line with the new notation  $\Sigma^2$  for the underlying functor of the double-power monad, we shall denote the monad as  $\Sigma^2$  so that the category of the Eilenberg-Moore algebras for it in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  is  $\mathcal{PEqu}^{\Sigma^2}$ . A  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra is  $(E, \alpha)$ , where  $\alpha: \Sigma^2(E) \rightarrow E$  is a structure map on the partial equilogical space  $E$ .

Note that  $\Sigma \xrightarrow{\cong} \Sigma^{(\Sigma^0)}$  is the underlying object of the initial  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra  $(\Sigma, \Sigma^{\eta_1})$ . So, for each partial equilogical space  $E$ ,  $(\Sigma^E, \Sigma^{\eta_E})$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  on the power  $\Sigma^E$  of  $\Sigma$ .

Since  $\Sigma$  is both in  $\mathcal{REqu}$  and in  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ , by 2.6 the functor  $\Sigma^{(-)}: \mathcal{PEqu} \rightarrow \mathcal{PEqu}^{\text{op}}$  can be restricted and corestricted to the subcategories  $\mathcal{REqu}$  and  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  in the following way:

$$\mathcal{REqu} \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{(-)}} \mathcal{SEqu}^{\text{op}} \qquad \mathcal{SEqu} \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{(-)}} \mathcal{REqu}^{\text{op}}$$

Hence, the monad  $\Sigma^2$  gives rise to a monad on  $\mathcal{REqu}$  and a monad on  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ . As usual, we denote the categories of the algebras for the double-power monad of  $\Sigma$  on  $\mathcal{REqu}$  and  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  with  $\mathcal{REqu}^{\Sigma^2}$  and  $\mathcal{SEqu}^{\Sigma^2}$ , respectively.

Since a continuous lattice is a retract of an algebraic lattice, the embedding

$$W \circ I: \text{ContLatt} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{PEqu}$$

maps into both subcategories  $\mathcal{REqu}$  and  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $X = (L_X, \sim_X)$  be an object in  $\mathcal{SEqu}$  isomorphic to an object in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ . Then  $X$  is a retract of an algebraic lattice.



*Proof.* Suppose  $X = (L_X, \sim_X)$  with  $\sim_X \subseteq \Delta_{|L_X|}$  is isomorphic to an object of  $\mathcal{R}Equ$ ; this means that there are an object  $A = (L_A, \equiv_A)$  in  $\mathcal{R}Equ$  and equivariant maps  $[f]: X \rightarrow A$  and  $[g]: A \rightarrow X$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (L_X, \sim_X) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{L_X}} & (L_X, \sim_X) \\ f \downarrow & \searrow [f] & \nearrow [g] \\ (L_A, \Delta_{|L_A|}) & \xrightarrow{[\text{id}_{L_A}]} & (L_A, \equiv_A) \end{array}$$

So  $X$  is a retract of the algebraic lattice  $L_A$  since  $\sim_X \subseteq \Delta_{|L_X|}$ .

Q.E.D.

**Theorem 3.2.** The intersection of  $\mathcal{R}Equ$  and  $\mathcal{S}Equ$  is (equivalent to) the image of the embedding  $\mathit{ContLatt} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{P}Equ$ .

*Proof.* It follows from 3.1 since  $\mathit{ContLatt}$  is equivalent to the full subcategory of injectives of  $\mathit{Top}_0$  with respect to subspace inclusion as mentioned on p. 125.

Q.E.D.

Hence the functor  $\Sigma^{(-)}$  restricts to the category  $\mathit{ContLatt}$  as well as  $\mathcal{A}lgLatt$  and we shall also consider the categories of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in these subcategories.

#### 4 $\Sigma^2$ -algebras and frames

In [FRS17] Theorem 5.5 shows that a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra inherits a unique frame structure in  $\mathcal{P}Equ$ , induced by the frame structure of  $\Sigma$ . Indeed, by [Dub70], every  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra  $(E, \alpha)$  can be seen as a  $\mathcal{P}Equ$ -enriched cotensor-preserving functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\mathcal{P}Equ_{\Sigma^2})^{\text{op}} & \xrightarrow{E^{(-)}} & \mathcal{P}Equ \\ D \vdash & \longrightarrow & E^D \end{array}$$

Note that  $(\mathcal{P}Equ_{\Sigma^2})^{\text{op}}$  is equivalent to the *theory of  $\Sigma$  in  $\mathcal{P}Equ$* , i.e.  $\mathcal{T}h(\Sigma)$  is the category whose objects are the objects of  $\mathcal{P}Equ$  and an arrow  $f: F \rightarrow G$  is an equivariant map  $f: \Sigma^F \rightarrow \Sigma^G$ ; composition and identities of  $\mathcal{T}h(\Sigma)$  are as in  $\mathcal{P}Equ$ . Thus, applying the functor  $E^{(-)}$  to the distributive lattice structure of  $\Sigma$ , given by the Scott-continuous functions

$$\wedge: \Sigma^2 \rightarrow \Sigma \quad \vee: \Sigma^2 \rightarrow \Sigma,$$

we obtain distributive lattice operations on the underlying object  $E$  of the  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra  $(E, \alpha)$ .

**Remark 4.1.** We should remind the reader that the notation  $E^{(-)}$  is only suggestive, the action on the arrows is *not* just by pre-composition and uses the structure map  $\alpha$ , see [FRS17]. Indeed, if  $f: C \rightarrow D$  is an arrow in  $\mathcal{T}h(\Sigma)$ , then it is an equivariant map  $f: \Sigma^C \rightarrow \Sigma^D$  and  $E^f$  is represented by the equivariant function

$$E^C \xrightarrow{(\eta E)^C} (\Sigma^{\Sigma^E})^C \cong (\Sigma^C)^{\Sigma^E} \xrightarrow{f^{\Sigma^E}} (\Sigma^D)^{\Sigma^E} \cong (\Sigma^{\Sigma^E})^D \xrightarrow{\alpha^D} E^D$$

In particular, the order determined on  $E$  is given as follows: let  $2 = 1 + 1$  be the discrete equilogical space on the set  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} \perp \\ \top \end{smallmatrix}\right): 1 + 1 \rightarrow \Sigma$  the function which maps 0 to  $\perp$  and 1 to  $\top$ . Then  $\Sigma^{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} \perp \\ \top \end{smallmatrix}\right)}: \Sigma^\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma^{1+1}$  is monic and isomorphic to the order relation on  $\Sigma$ . An easy diagram chase shows that  $E^{\Sigma^{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} \perp \\ \top \end{smallmatrix}\right)}}$  is represented by the equivariant function

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E^\Sigma & \longrightarrow & E^2 \cong E \times E \\ f & \longmapsto & (f(\perp), f(\top)) \end{array}$$

which is independent of the structure  $\alpha$ . Hence the internal distributive lattice determined in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  on  $E$  depends only on the existence of a structure map  $\alpha$  on  $E$  that turns it into a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra. For this reason we shall denote the maps  $E^\wedge: E^2 \rightarrow E$  and  $E^\vee: E^2 \rightarrow E$ , obtained by applying  $E^{(-)}$  to the maps

$$\wedge: \Sigma^2 \rightarrow \Sigma \quad \vee: \Sigma^2 \rightarrow \Sigma,$$

simply as  $\mathbb{A}: E^2 \rightarrow E$  and  $\mathbb{V}: E^2 \rightarrow E$ .

Moreover, for every set  $I$ , seen as a discrete topological space, the join  $\bigvee^I: \Sigma^I \rightarrow \Sigma$  is Scott-continuous, so they induce (arbitrary) join operations

$$\mathbb{V}^I: E^I \rightarrow E$$

which make  $E$  an internal frame in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$ . If it causes no confusion, we omit the index  $I$ .

The following is an explicit description of the induced lattice operations in terms of representatives of the equivariant maps of partial equilogical spaces:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{A}: (e_1, e_2) &\mapsto \alpha(\eta_E(e_1) \wedge \eta_E(e_2)) \\ \mathbb{V}^I: (e_i)_{i \in I} &\mapsto \alpha\left(\bigvee_{i \in I} \eta_E(e_i)\right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\wedge$  and  $\bigvee$  which appear on the right-hand side in the definition above are the pointwise finite meet and arbitrary join of continuous functions.

Again, in terms of representatives, if  $h: (E, \alpha) \rightarrow (D, \beta)$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism, then  $h$  is a frame homomorphism up to the partial equivalence relation  $\approx_D$ , in the sense that

$$\begin{aligned} h(e_1 \mathbb{A} e_2) &\approx_D h(e_1) \mathbb{A} h(e_2) \quad \text{for } e_1, e_2 \in D_E \\ h\left(\mathbb{V}^I e_i\right) &\approx_D \mathbb{V}^I h(e_i) \quad \text{for } (e_i)_{i \in I} \in (D_E)^I. \end{aligned}$$

As a direct consequence, the global section functor  $\Gamma: \mathcal{PEqu} \rightarrow \mathcal{Set}$  extends to a faithful functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{PEqu}^{\Sigma^2} & \xrightarrow{\Gamma} & \mathcal{Frm} \\ (E, \alpha) & \longmapsto & D_E / \approx_E \end{array}$$

where  $\mathcal{Frm}$  is the category of frames and frame homomorphisms. We denote the frame operations on  $\Gamma(E, \alpha) = D_E / \approx_E$  with  $\sqcap$  and  $\sqcup$ .

**Remark 4.2.** Clearly, the frame structure of  $\Gamma(E, \alpha)$  is unique and depends only on the existence of a  $\Sigma^2$ -structure on the object  $E$ .

Consider the particular case of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{AlgLatt}$  and suppose that  $(A, \alpha)$  is in  $\mathcal{AlgLatt}^{\Sigma^2}$ , i.e.  $A = (L_A, =)$ . Then the frame structure determined on  $A$  coincides with that given by the complete order on  $L_A = (|L_A|, \wedge, \vee)$  since the mono

$$A^{\Sigma(\frac{\perp}{\top})} : A^{\Sigma} \xrightarrow{\quad} A^2$$

is (isomorphic) to the order relation of the algebraic lattice  $A$ . Therefore, every  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism  $h : (A, \alpha) \rightarrow (B, \beta)$  preserves arbitrary joins and finite meets. Since each structure map  $\alpha : \Sigma(\Sigma^A) \rightarrow A$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism from  $(\Sigma(\Sigma^A), \mu_A)$  to  $(A, \alpha)$ , it preserves finite meets and arbitrary joins. This allows us to prove the following.

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $(A, \alpha)$  and  $(B, \beta)$  be objects in  $\mathcal{AlgLatt}^{\Sigma^2}$ . If  $h : L_A \rightarrow L_B$  is a frame homomorphism, then it is a  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism from  $(A, \alpha)$  to  $(B, \beta)$ .

*Proof.* We have to prove that, given  $h : L_A \rightarrow L_B$  a frame homomorphism, the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma(\Sigma^A) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma(\Sigma^h)} & \Sigma(\Sigma^B) \\ \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta \\ A & \xrightarrow{h} & B \end{array}$$

Since the lattices involved are algebraic and all the maps in the diagram are Scott-continuous, it is sufficient to prove that the diagram commutes on the compact elements of  $\Sigma(\Sigma^{L_A})$ ; they are finite joins of step functions, so they are of the form

$$\bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m \widehat{k_{ij}},$$

for appropriate compact elements  $k_{ij}$  of  $L_A$ . The function  $\widehat{k_{ij}} = \eta_A(k_{ij})$  maps  $f \in |\Sigma^{L_A}|$  into the function  $f(k_{ij})$ . Thus, computing the two paths on a step function, we obtain

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m \widehat{k_{ij}} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma(\Sigma^h)} & \bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m \widehat{h(k_{ij})} \\ \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta \\ \bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m k_{ij} & \xrightarrow{h} & h(\bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m k_{ij}) = \bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m h(k_{ij}) \end{array}$$

which completes the proof. Q.E.D.

We shall extend the previous results to  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ . First we need a result about the  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras which are powers of  $\Sigma$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $E = (L_E, \approx_E)$  be a partial equilogical space. For all  $f_1, f_2 \in D_{\Sigma^E}$  and  $\{f_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq D_{\Sigma^E}$ ,

$$f_1 \wedge_{\Sigma^E} f_2 \approx_{\Sigma^E} f_1 \wedge f_2 \quad \bigvee_{\Sigma^E} f_i \approx_{\Sigma^E} \bigvee f_i,$$

where the operations  $\wedge$  and  $\bigvee$  which appear on the right-hand side of the identities are the pointwise meet and join of the algebraic lattice  $\Sigma^{L_E}$ .

*Proof.* Write  $L$  for the partial equilogical space  $(L_E, =_{L_E})$ —in other words,  $L$  is the algebraic lattice  $L_E$  seen as a partial equilogical space. Assume first that  $E$  is in  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ . Note that  $[\text{id}_{|L_E|}] : E \twoheadrightarrow L$ . Since the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^2(\Sigma^L) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{\eta^L}} & \Sigma^L \\ \Sigma^2\left(\Sigma^{[\text{id}_{|L_E|}]}\right) \downarrow & & \downarrow \Sigma^{[\text{id}_{|L_E|}]} \\ \Sigma^2(\Sigma^E) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{\eta^E}} & \Sigma^E \end{array}$$

and the vertical maps are surjections by 2.6, given  $f_1, f_2 \in |\Sigma^{L_E}|$ ,

$$f_1 \wedge_{\Sigma^E} f_2 = \Sigma^{\eta^E}(\eta_{\Sigma^E}(f_1) \wedge \eta_{\Sigma^E}(f_2)) \equiv_{\Sigma^E} \Sigma^{\eta^L}(\eta_{\Sigma^L}(f_1) \wedge \eta_{\Sigma^L}(f_2)) = f_1 \wedge f_2$$

where  $\wedge$  is the pointwise meet of the algebraic lattice  $\Sigma^{L_E}$ .

The proof is similar for  $\bigvee_{\Sigma^E}$ .

For the general case of  $E$  a partial equilogical space, write  $X$  for the partial equilogical space  $(L_E, \Delta_{|L_E|} \cap (D_E \times D_E))$ , see 2.7. Note that  $[\text{id}_{|L_E|}] : X \twoheadrightarrow E$  and consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^2(\Sigma^E) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{\eta^E}} & \Sigma^E \\ \Sigma^2\left(\Sigma^{[\text{id}_{|L_E|}]}\right) \downarrow & & \downarrow \Sigma^{[\text{id}_{|L_E|}]} \\ \Sigma^2(\Sigma^X) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{\eta^X}} & \Sigma^X \end{array}$$

where the vertical maps are monic by 2.6. The result follows immediately. Q.E.D.

Consider now  $(A, \alpha)$  and  $(B, \beta)$  in  $\mathcal{REqu}^{\Sigma^2}$ . If  $h : (A, \alpha) \rightarrow (B, \beta)$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism, then  $h$  is an internal frame homomorphism from  $(A, \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{V})$  to  $(B, \mathbb{B}, \mathbb{V})$  in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ . So, up to the equivalence relation  $\equiv_B$ , for all  $a_1, a_2 \in |L_A|$  and for all  $\{a_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq |L_A|$

$$h(a_1 \mathbb{A} a_2) \equiv_B h(a_1) \mathbb{B} h(a_2) \quad \text{and} \quad h\left(\mathbb{V} a_i\right) \equiv_B \mathbb{V} h(a_i).$$

Since each structure map  $\alpha : \Sigma^{(\Sigma^A)} \rightarrow A$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism, it is a frame homomorphism from  $\Sigma^{(\Sigma^A)}$  to  $A$  in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ . By Theorem 4.4, for all  $G_1, G_2 \in |\Sigma^{(\Sigma^{L_A})}|$  and for all  $\{G_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq |\Sigma^{(\Sigma^{L_A})}|$ ,

$$\alpha(G_1 \wedge G_2) \equiv_A \alpha(G_1) \mathbb{A} \alpha(G_2) \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha\left(\bigvee G_i\right) \equiv_A \mathbb{V} \alpha(G_i).$$

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $(A, \alpha)$  and  $(B, \beta)$  be objects in  $\mathcal{REqu}^{\Sigma^2}$ . If  $h$  is an equivariant map from  $A$  to  $B$  which, in addition, is an internal frame homomorphism from  $(A, \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{V})$  to  $(B, \mathbb{B}, \mathbb{V})$  in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ , then it is a  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism from  $(A, \alpha)$  to  $(B, \beta)$ .

*Proof.* In order to prove that  $h$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphism, it is sufficient to prove that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma(\Sigma^A) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma(\Sigma^h)} & \Sigma(\Sigma^B) \\ \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta \\ A & \xrightarrow{h} & B \end{array}$$

Each function  $G$  in  $\Sigma(\Sigma^{L_A})$  is the directed join of the compact elements below it. Since each compact element in  $\Sigma(\Sigma^{L_A})$  is of the form  $\bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m \widehat{k_{ij}}$  where for all  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $k_{ij}$  is a compact element of  $L_A$ ,  $G$  is of the form  $\bigvee \widehat{k}$ , where the meet in the formula is finite. Therefore,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigvee \widehat{k} \vdash & \xrightarrow{\Sigma(\Sigma^h)} & \bigvee \widehat{h(k)} \\ \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta \\ \mathbb{V} \mathbb{A} k \vdash & \xrightarrow{h} & h(\mathbb{V} \mathbb{A} k) \equiv_B \mathbb{V} \mathbb{B} h(k) \end{array}$$

Q.E.D.

**Remark 4.6.** The previous result does not extend directly to the general case of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  because, for a compact element  $k$  of  $L_A$ , the value  $h(k)$  need not be in the domain of the partial equivalence relation  $\approx_B$ . Furthermore, if  $(A, \alpha)$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{PEqu}$  and  $G \in D_{\Sigma(\Sigma^A)}$ , then  $G = \bigvee \widehat{k}$  for some appropriate  $k \in K(\Sigma(\Sigma^A))$ , but we do not know if every  $\widehat{k}$  is in  $D_{\Sigma(\Sigma^A)}$ . So, we cannot conclude that  $\alpha(\bigvee \widehat{k}) \equiv_A \mathbb{V} \mathbb{A} k$ .

**Theorem 4.7.** Let  $(A, \alpha)$  be a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{REqu}$ . Then the canonical surjection

$$q_A: L_A \rightarrow (|L_A| / \equiv_A, \sqcup^A)$$

preserves directed joins.

*Proof.* Let  $(a_d)_{d \in D}$  be a directed family in  $L_A = (|L_A|, \wedge, \vee)$ . Then

$$q_A \left( \bigvee a_d \right) = \left[ \bigvee a_d \right] = \left[ \alpha \left( \widehat{\bigvee a_d} \right) \right] = \left[ \alpha \left( \bigvee \widehat{a_d} \right) \right] = \left[ \mathbb{V} a_d \right] = \sqcup^A q_A(a_d),$$

where the third equality follows from the fact that  $\eta_A$  preserves directed joins.

Q.E.D.

We conclude this section proving uniqueness of a structure of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra on particular partial equiological spaces  $A$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** Let  $A$  be an object of  $\mathcal{R}E\mathcal{q}u$ , and let  $(A, \alpha_1)$  and  $(A, \alpha_2)$  be  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras. Then  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $A = (L_A, \equiv_A)$  is an object of  $\mathcal{R}E\mathcal{q}u$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2: \Sigma(\Sigma^A) \rightarrow A$  are structure maps on  $A$ . Since they are equivariant maps, in order to prove that they coincide, it is sufficient to show that for every  $G \in |\Sigma(\Sigma^{L_A})|$ ,  $\alpha_1(G) \equiv_A \alpha_2(G)$ . Since  $\Sigma(\Sigma^{L_A})$  is an algebraic lattice, each  $G$  is an arbitrary join of finite meets of functions of the form  $\widehat{k}$ , where  $k$  is a compact element of  $L_A$ . The fact that  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  are frame homomorphisms from  $\Sigma(\Sigma^A)$  to  $A$  in  $\mathcal{R}E\mathcal{q}u$  implies that

$$\alpha_1(G) = \alpha_1\left(\bigvee \widehat{k}\right) \equiv_A \bigvee \alpha_1(\widehat{k}) \equiv_A \bigvee k \equiv_A \alpha_2\left(\bigvee \widehat{k}\right) = \alpha_2(G). \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

By 3.2, the previous result applies directly to the categories  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$  and  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$ .

**Corollary 4.9.** Let  $A$  be an object of  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att$ , and let  $(A, \alpha_1)$  and  $(A, \alpha_2)$  be  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras. Then  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$ .

**Corollary 4.10.** Let  $A$  be an object of  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att$ , and let  $(A, \alpha_1)$  and  $(A, \alpha_2)$  be  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras. Then  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$ .

## 5 A characterization for $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$ and $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$

In this section, we show a characterization for the categories of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att$  and in  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{L}att$ . In the following, we denote with  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{F}rm$  the category of continuous frames and frame homomorphisms, and with  $\mathcal{A}lg\mathcal{F}rm$  the category of algebraic frames and frame homomorphisms.

**Theorem 5.1.** The categories  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$  and  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{F}rm$  are equivalent.

*Proof.* One of the functors involved in the equivalence is the restriction to  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$  of the global section functor

$$\mathcal{P}E\mathcal{q}u^{\Sigma^2} \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \mathcal{F}rm$$

For every  $(C, \alpha)$  in  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$ , the continuous lattice  $\Gamma(C, \alpha)$  is a frame and the same argument to that for algebraic lattices proves that the frame structure on  $C$  given by the  $\Sigma^2$ -structure coincides with that given by the order on the continuous lattice structure of  $\Gamma(C, \alpha)$ . In other words,  $\Gamma(C, \alpha)$  is a continuous frame, and  $\Gamma$  maps  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{L}att^{\Sigma^2}$  into  $\mathcal{C}ont\mathcal{F}rm$ .

As for the other functor, we shall employ the construction of the space of points of a frame from [GHK<sup>+</sup>80, Joh82]. For  $F$  a frame, consider the sober topological space  $\text{pt}(F)$ : its points are the frame homomorphisms  $p: F \rightarrow \Sigma$ ; its topology consists of the sets  $\mathcal{O}(a)$  for  $a \in |F|$  where a frame homomorphism  $p: F \rightarrow \Sigma$  is in  $\mathcal{O}(a)$  if  $p(a) = \top$ . It is easy to check that these are closed under finite intersections and arbitrary unions and that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}} & \text{pt}(F) \\ a & \longmapsto & \mathcal{O}(a) \end{array}$$

is a frame homomorphism. Also the assignment  $F \mapsto \text{pt}(F)$  easily extends functorially, mapping a frame homomorphism  $f: F \rightarrow G$  to precomposition with  $f$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{pt}(G) & \xrightarrow{\text{pt}(f)} & \text{pt}(F) \\ p \vdash & \longrightarrow & p \circ f. \end{array}$$

It is also well-known, see *loc.cit.*, that, when  $F$  is a continuous frame, the space  $\text{pt}(F)$  is locally compact and  $\mathcal{O}$  is an isomorphism. So  $\text{pt}(F)$  is an exponentiable topological space and  $\Sigma^{\text{pt}(F)}$  is in  $\text{ContLatt}$  and a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra. So consider the functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{ContFrm} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{\text{pt}}} & \text{ContLatt}^{\Sigma^2} \\ F \vdash & \longrightarrow & (\Sigma^{\text{pt}(F)}, \Sigma\eta_{\text{pt}(F)}) \\ \downarrow f \vdash & \longrightarrow & \downarrow \Sigma^{\text{pt}(f)} \\ G \vdash & \longrightarrow & (\Sigma^{\text{pt}(G)}, \Sigma\eta_{\text{pt}(G)}) \end{array}$$

Now suppose that  $F$  is a continuous frame. Then

$$\Gamma(\Sigma^{\text{pt}(F)}) \cong F.$$

If  $(C, \alpha)$  is in  $\text{ContLatt}^{\Sigma^2}$ , then  $\Sigma^{\text{pt}(\Gamma(C, \alpha))} \cong C$  as continuous lattices, hence as partial equiological spaces. By 4.10, they are isomorphic as  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras. Q.E.D.

**Theorem 5.2.** The categories  $\text{AlgFrm}$  and  $\text{AlgLatt}^{\Sigma^2}$  are equivalent

*Proof.* Since an algebraic lattice is continuous and  $\Sigma$  is algebraic, the functors involved in the proof of Theorem 5.1 can be restricted and corestricted to the categories  $\text{AlgFrm}$  and  $\text{AlgLatt}^{\Sigma^2}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{\text{pt}}} & \\ \text{AlgFrm} & & \text{AlgLatt}^{\Sigma^2} \\ & \xleftarrow{\Gamma} & \end{array}$$

Q.E.D.

## 6 $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in $\text{Top}_0$

Our final aim is to investigate the category  $\text{Top}_0^{\Sigma^2}$  of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\text{Top}_0$ . We identified  $\text{Top}_0$  with the full subcategory  $\text{SEqu}$  of  $\text{PEqu}$  consisting of those partial equiological spaces whose relation is contained in the diagonal. As noted in section 3 using subreflexive partial equivalence relations, although, for a  $\text{T}_0$ -space  $X$ ,  $\Sigma^X$  need not be a topological space,  $\Sigma(\Sigma^X)$  is always a topological space and the double power of  $\Sigma$  gives rise to a monad on  $\text{Top}_0$ .

We do not see if the arguments that prove the uniqueness of the structure map in the cases of the categories  $\mathcal{AlgLatt}$ ,  $\mathcal{ContLatt}$  and  $\mathcal{REqu}$  can be applied to  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ . Indeed, if  $\alpha$  is a structure map on the object  $A$  of  $\mathcal{SEqu}$ , we only know that  $\alpha$  is a frame homomorphism on the elements of  $D_{\Sigma(\Sigma^A)}$ . But, for  $G \in D_{\Sigma(\Sigma^A)}$ , it is  $G = \bigvee \left\{ c \in K \left( \Sigma(\Sigma^{L^A}) \right) \mid c \leq G \right\}$ . Alas, the compact elements below  $G$  need not belong to  $D_{\Sigma(\Sigma^A)}$ .

In order to outline some properties of  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$ , we move back to  $\mathcal{EQu}$  and compute in  $\mathcal{EQu}$  the exponential  $\Sigma(\Sigma^{(|X|, \tau_X, =)})$  for  $X = (|X|, \tau_X)$  a  $T_0$ -space. Thus,

$$\Sigma(|X|, \tau_X, =) = (\Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)}, \tau_{\text{Sc}}, \equiv_{\Sigma^X})$$

where

- $\Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)}$  is the algebraic lattice of Scott-continuous functions from  $\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)$  to  $\Sigma$ ;
- for Scott-continuous functions  $f, g: \mathcal{P}(\tau_X) \rightarrow \Sigma$ ,  $f \equiv_{\Sigma^X} g$  if for every  $x \in |X|$ , one has that  $f(\mathcal{U}_x) = g(\mathcal{U}_x)$ .

We next compute

$$\Sigma(\Sigma^{(|X|, \tau_X, =)}) = (|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|, \tau_{\text{sub}}, =)$$

where

- $|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$  is the set of Scott-continuous functions  $G: \Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)} \rightarrow \Sigma$  such that, for all  $f, g \in \Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)}$  with  $f \equiv_{\Sigma^X} g$ , it is  $G(f) = G(g)$ ;
- $\tau_{\text{sub}}$  is the subspace topology with respect to the inclusion  $|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)| \subseteq \Sigma(\Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)})$  into the algebraic lattice.

**Remark 6.1.**  $|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$  is a subframe of  $\Sigma(\Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)})$ . Suppose that  $\{G_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq |\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$  and take  $f, g \in \Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)}$  such that  $f \equiv_{\Sigma^X} g$ . Then, for all  $i \in I$ ,  $G_i(f) = G_i(g)$ . Since joins are computed pointwise,  $\bigvee_{i \in I} G_i(f) = \bigvee_{i \in I} G_i(g)$ ; so  $\bigvee_{i \in I} G_i \in |\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$ . Similarly for finite meets.

**Lemma 6.2.** The identity function  $\text{id}_{|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|}: (|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|, \tau_{\text{Sc}}) \rightarrow (|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|, \tau_{\text{sub}})$  is continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $V \subseteq |\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$  be an open subset with respect to the subspace topology  $\tau_{\text{sub}}$ . So there is a Scott-open set  $U \subseteq \Sigma(\Sigma^{\mathcal{P}(\tau_X)})$  such that  $V = |\Sigma(\Sigma^X)| \cap U$ . Let  $F \in V$  and  $G \in |\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$  be such that  $F \leq G$ . Since  $F \in U$  and  $U$  is upward closed,  $G \in U$ . Therefore,  $G \in V$ . So,  $V$  is upward closed in  $|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$ . Suppose now that  $\{G_d\}_{d \in D}$  is a directed family of functions in  $|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$  and suppose that  $\bigvee_{d \in D} G_d \in V$ . Then  $\bigvee_{d \in D} G_d \in U$ . Since  $U$  is inaccessible by directed joins, there exists  $d \in D$  such that  $G_d \in U$  and, consequently,  $G_d \in V$ . So,  $V$  is inaccessible by directed joins and it is a Scott-open subset of  $|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|$ . Q.E.D.

**Theorem 6.3.** The topological space  $\Sigma(\Sigma^X) = (|\Sigma(\Sigma^X)|, \tau_{\text{sub}})$  is compact and connected.



*Proof.* Let  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq |\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}|$ , open with respect to  $\tau_{\text{sub}}$ , and suppose that  $|\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}| = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ . Since  $\text{const}_\perp \in |\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}|$ , there exists  $j \in I$  such that  $\text{const}_\perp \in U_j$ . But, for all  $i \in I$ ,  $U_i$  is upward closed, so  $|\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}| \subseteq U_j$  and  $(|\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}|, \tau_{\text{sub}})$  is compact.

Suppose now that there exists a disconnection for  $(|\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}|, \tau_{\text{sub}})$ , namely there are  $U_1, U_2 \subseteq |\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}|$  in  $\tau_{\text{sub}}$  such that

$$|\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}| = U_1 \cup U_2 \quad U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset \quad U_1 \neq \emptyset \neq U_2.$$

Say  $\text{const}_\perp$  belongs to  $U_1$ ; then  $|\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}| = U_1$ . Then  $U_1 \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$  which is a contradiction. Q.E.D.

**Corollary 6.4.** If  $(X, \alpha)$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$ , then  $X$  is a compact, connected topological space.

*Proof.* For a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra  $(X, \alpha)$  in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$ , the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \alpha & \\ & \curvearrowright & \\ \text{id}_X \circlearrowleft & X & \xrightarrow{\eta_X} (|\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}|, \tau_{\text{sub}}) \end{array}$$

Therefore, by 6.3,  $X$  is the image through  $\alpha$  of a compact, connected space, so it is a compact, connected space. Q.E.D.

**Theorem 6.5.** If  $(X, \alpha)$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$ , then  $X$  is a sober space.

*Proof.* For the space of the proof, we denote with  $\Sigma^2(\Sigma^X, \Sigma)$  the set of  $\Sigma^2$ -homomorphisms from  $\Sigma^X$  to  $\Sigma$ . Recall from [BR14] that

$$(\Sigma^2(\Sigma^X, \Sigma), \tau_{\text{sub}}) \xrightarrow{e} \Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\eta_{\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}}} \\ \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{(\Sigma^{\eta_X})}} \end{array} \Sigma^{(\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)})}$$

is an equalizer in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$ , where  $\tau_{\text{sub}}$  is the subspace topology with respect to the inclusion  $e$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xleftarrow{\alpha} & \Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)} \\ \downarrow j & \searrow \eta_X & \downarrow \eta_{\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}} \\ (\Sigma^2(\Sigma^X, \Sigma), \tau_{\text{sub}}) & \xrightarrow{e} & \Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\eta_{\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)}}} \\ \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{(\Sigma^{\eta_X})}} \end{array} \Sigma^{(\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)})}$$

We shall show that the functions  $j$  and  $\alpha \circ e$  are inverse of each other, hence that  $X$  and  $(\Sigma^2(\Sigma^X, \Sigma), \tau_{\text{sub}})$  are homeomorphic. By the properties of structure map,  $(\alpha \circ e) \circ j = \alpha \circ \eta_X = \text{id}_X$ . To prove the other identity, we shall compose it with  $e$  and show that  $\eta_X \circ \alpha \circ e = e$ . Consider  $f \in \Sigma^2(\Sigma^X, \Sigma)$ ; so, for all  $g \in |\Sigma^{(\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)})}|$ , it is  $g(f) = f(g \circ \eta_X)$ . We have to prove that  $\eta_X(\alpha(f))(t) = f(t)$  for all  $t \in |\Sigma^X|$ . Suppose  $t \in |\Sigma^X|$ , thus  $t \circ \alpha \in |\Sigma^{(\Sigma^{(\Sigma^X)})}|$ . Therefore

$$\eta_X(\alpha(f))(t) = t(\alpha(f)) = (t \circ \alpha)(f) = f((t \circ \alpha) \circ \eta_X) = f(t \circ \text{id}_X) = f(t),$$

as required. By [BR14]  $(\Sigma^2(\Sigma^{(|X|, \tau_X, =)}, \Sigma), \tau_{\text{sub}})$  is sober, so also  $X$  is a sober space. Q.E.D.

**Proposition 6.6.** There are  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras  $(X, \alpha)$  in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  such that  $X$  is not an exponentiable topological space.

*Proof.* We shall show that if  $X$  is a non-exponentiable topological space, then  $\Sigma(\Sigma^X)$  is a  $\Sigma^2$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  which is not exponentiable. Indeed, if  $\Sigma(\Sigma^X)$  is exponentiable, then  $\Sigma(\Sigma(\Sigma^X))$  is a topological space and, in addition, it is injective because  $\Sigma$  is injective with respect to subspace inclusions and, if  $Y$  is an exponentiable  $T_0$ -space, then the functor  $(-)^Y$  preserves injectives. But  $\Sigma^X$  is a retract in  $\mathcal{Equ}$  of  $\Sigma(\Sigma(\Sigma^X))$ , as

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{id}_{\Sigma^X} & \Sigma\eta_X \\ & \curvearrowright & \curvearrowleft \\ \Sigma^X & \xrightarrow{\eta_{\Sigma^X}} & \Sigma(\Sigma(\Sigma^X)). \end{array}$$

Therefore,  $\Sigma^X$  is an injective topological space and so  $X$  is exponentiable. Q.E.D.

**Remark 6.7.** If  $X$  is sober, then  $X$  is exponentiable if and only if  $X$  is locally compact. So, the previous proposition equivalently states that there are  $\Sigma^2$ -algebras  $(X, \alpha)$  in  $\mathcal{Top}_0$  such that  $X$  is not locally compact.

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