

Functorial comparisons of bitopology with topology and the case for redundancy of bitopology in lattice-valued mathematics

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ABSTRACT. This paper studies various functors between (lattice-valued) topology and (lattice-valued) bitopology, including the expected “doubling” functor $E_d : L\text{-Top} \rightarrow L\text{-BiTop}$ and the “cross” functor $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ introduced in this paper, both of which are extremely well-behaved strict, concrete, full embeddings. Given the greater simplicity of lattice-valued topology *vis-a-vis* lattice-valued bitopology and the fact that the class of $L^2\text{-Top}$'s is strictly smaller than the class of $L\text{-Top}$'s encompassing fixed-basis topology, the class of E_\times 's makes the case that lattice-valued bitopology is categorically redundant. As a special application, traditional bitopology as represented by \mathbf{BiTop} is (isomorphic in an extremely well-behaved way to) a strict subcategory of $\mathbf{4-Top}$, where $\mathbf{4}$ is the four element Boolean algebra; this makes the case that traditional bitopology is a special case of a much simpler fixed-basis topology.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

1.1. Motivation. Bitopology has a long and distinguished history spanning five decades and a literature of some 700 papers [29] with traditional bitopology playing a wide range of roles in Baire spaces, homotopy and algebraic topology, generalizations of metric spaces, biframes, programming semantics, etc.

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First defined and used in [31, 32, 3, 4], a bitopological space was originally defined as a triple $((X, \mathfrak{T}), (X, \mathfrak{S}), e)$ with $(X, \mathfrak{T}), (X, \mathfrak{S})$ topological spaces and $e : (X, \mathfrak{T}) \rightarrow (X, \mathfrak{S})$ a continuous bijection—cf. [3]. But if we set

$$\mathfrak{T}' = \{e^{-1}(U) : U \in \mathfrak{T}\},$$

then \mathfrak{T}' is a topology on X and the continuity of e insures that $id_X : (X, \mathfrak{T}') \rightarrow (X, \mathfrak{S})$ is continuous, i.e., that $\mathfrak{T}' \supset \mathfrak{S}$. It is therefore not surprising that almost immediately [4] the original definition was replaced by the simpler, equivalent definition that a bitopological space is a triple $(X, \mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S})$ with $\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}$ topologies on X with $\mathfrak{T} \supset \mathfrak{S}$, \mathfrak{T} being called the strong topology and \mathfrak{S} the weak topology. Even in the broader lattice-valued topology setting, this definition plays a categorical role (Proposition 3.5 below).

Since a quasi-pseudo-metric p on a set X determines its conjugate quasi-pseudo-metric q , namely by $q(x, y) = p(y, x)$, quasi-pseudo-metrics necessarily occur in conjugate pairs which generate pairs of topologies that need not be related. Thus the definition of a traditional bitopological space was generalized in [22] to its modern form to be an ordered triple $(X, \mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S})$ with $\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}$ topologies on X (and no relationship assumed between \mathfrak{T} and \mathfrak{S}). Further, a bicontinuous mapping $f : (X, \mathfrak{T}_1, \mathfrak{T}_2) \rightarrow (Y, \mathfrak{S}_1, \mathfrak{S}_2)$ is a mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfying

$$\mathfrak{T}_1 \supset (f^{-1})^{-1}(\mathfrak{S}_1), \quad \mathfrak{T}_2 \supset (f^{-1})^{-1}(\mathfrak{S}_2),$$

i.e., $f : (X, \mathfrak{T}_1) \rightarrow (Y, \mathfrak{S}_1)$ and $f : (X, \mathfrak{T}_2) \rightarrow (Y, \mathfrak{S}_2)$ are both continuous. With the composition and identities of **Set**, one has the category **BiTop**, which is a topological construct and hence strongly complete and strongly cocomplete along with many other properties.

There is a voluminous literature for **BiTop** concerning separation, compactness, connectedness, completion, connections to uniform and quasi-uniform spaces, homotopy groups and algebraic topology, relationships to bilocales [2], a recently emerging role in programming semantics [25], etc. A significant part of the recent literature on bitopology is in lattice-valued mathematics [30, 27, 50, 51]. Letting L be a u -quantale (Subsection 1.2 below) and X a set, the triple (X, τ, σ) is an L -bitopological space if τ, σ are L -topologies on X (Subsection 1.5); and such spaces with L -bicontinuous mappings comprise the category L -**BiTop**. This category is a topological construct, strongly complete, strongly cocomplete, and so on. The schemum $\{L\text{-BiTop} : L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|\}$ essentially includes **BiTop** via its functorial isomorph **2-BiTop**.

This paper studies functorial relationships between (lattice-valued) bitopology and (lattice-valued) topology in Sections 2–3. The expected functor E_d strictly embeds L -**Top** into L -**BiTop**, a functor we dub the “doubling” functor; and to fully study E_d , it is necessary to construct several functors from L -**BiTop** to L -**Top** whose relationships with E_d lead us to conclude that E_d is extremely well-behaved. But on the other hand, for each $L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$, the direct product $L^2 \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$ and there is an embedding E_\times of L -**BiTop** into L^2 -**Top** (3.4.1) which is extremely well-behaved (Subsubsections 3.4.2, 3.4.3) if L is a u -quantale (Subsection 1.2) and a strict embedding if L

is consistent (Subsubsection 3.4.1). Given that this embedding is strict (for consistent L) and that the L^2 's form a proper subclass of **USQuant**—which means (lattice-valued) bitopology is properly “contained” in the proper subclass $\{L^2\text{-BiTop} : L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|\}$ of $\{L\text{-Top} : L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|\}$, it follows (lattice-valued) topology (twice) strictly generalizes bitopology. In Section 4 we summarize some metamathematical facts: given that lattice-valued topology is fundamentally simpler than lattice-valued bitopology—a membership lattice and *one* topology *vis-a-vis* a membership lattice and *two* topologies, it follows that topology and the class of embeddings E_\times 's make lattice-valued bitopology categorically redundant; and as a special application, traditional bitopology **BiTop** strictly embeds in an extremely well behaved way into **4-Top**, the latter being lattice-valued topology based on the four-element Boolean algebra **4**, so that traditional bitopology both is a strictly special case of the simpler lattice-valued topology and demonstrates the necessity of lattice-valued topology. On the other hand, this last fact points the way for bringing over into lattice-valued topology successful ideas from the extensive literature of traditional bitopology; in particular, traditional bicomactness mandates, via the embedding of **BiTop** into **4-Top**, the compactness of [5] for lattice-valued topology (Corollary 4.7).

1.2. Lattice theoretics. A **semi-quantale** (L, \leq, \otimes) (s-quantale) is a complete lattice (L, \leq) equipped with a binary operation $\otimes : L \times L \rightarrow L$, with no additional assumptions, called a **tensor product**; an **ordered semi-quantale** (os-quantale) is an s-quantale in which \otimes is isotone in both variables; a **complete quasi-monoidal lattice** (cqml) [20, 41] is an os-quantale for which \top is an idempotent element for \otimes ; a **unital semi-quantale** (us-quantale) is an s-quantale in which \otimes has an identity element $e \in L$ called the **unit** [33]—units are unique; a **quantale** is an s-quantale with \otimes associative and distributing across arbitrary \vee from both sides (implying \perp is a two-sided **zero**) [20, 33, 49]; and a **unital quantale** (u-quantale) is a us-quantale which is a quantale; and a **strictly two-sided quantale** (st-quantale) is a u-quantale for which $e = \top$ [20]. All quantales are os-quantales. The notions of s-quantales, os-quantales, and us-quantales are from [45, 46].

SQuant comprises all semi-quantales together with mappings preserving \otimes and arbitrary \vee ; **OSQuant** is the full subcategory of **SQuant** of all os-quantales; **USQuant** is a subcategory of **SQuant** comprising all us-quantales together with all mappings preserving arbitrary \vee , \otimes , and e ; **Quant** is the full subcategory of **OSQuant** of all quantales; and **UQuant** is the full subcategory of **UOSQuant** of all unital quantales. Note uos-quantales for which $\otimes = \wedge$ (binary) are **semiframes** and **SFrm** is the full subcategory of **UOSQuant** of all semiframes; and u-quantales for which $\otimes = \wedge$ (binary) are **frames**—in which case $e = \top$ —and **Frm** is the full subcategory of **UQuant** of all frames. Semiframes equipped with an order-reversing involution are **complete DeMorgan algebras**; and s-quantales equipped with a semi-polarity

[16] $(\forall \alpha, \beta \in L, \alpha \leq \beta \Rightarrow \beta' \leq \alpha' \text{ and } \alpha \leq (\alpha')')$ are **complete semi-DeMorgan s-quantales**.

Throughout this paper, the requirement of us-quantale [u-quantale] can be relaxed to s-quantale [quantale, resp.] if one wishes to consider the relationships between q-topology and q-bitopology ([46] and Subsection 1.5 below).

Justifying the above lattice-theoretic notions is a wealth of examples (see [17, 20, 21, 23, 33, 35, 39, 40, 41, 44, 46] and their references). The lattice $\mathbf{2} = \{\perp, \top\}$ with $\perp \neq \top$; and a lattice is **consistent** if it contains $\mathbf{2}$ and **inconsistent** if it is singleton (with $\perp = \top$).

1.3. Powerset operators. Let $X \in |\mathbf{Set}|$ and $L \in |\mathbf{SQuant}|$. Then L^X is the **L -powerset of X** of all **L -subsets of X** . The **constant L -subset** member of L^X having value α is denoted $\underline{\alpha}$. All order-theoretic operations (e.g., \vee, \wedge) and algebraic operations (e.g., \otimes) on L lift point-wise to L^X and are denoted by the same symbols. In the case $L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$, the unit e lifts to the constant map \underline{e} , which is the unit of \otimes as lifted to L^X .

The operator $\wp_\emptyset : |\mathbf{Set}| \rightarrow |\mathbf{Set}|$ is useful in this paper, where $\wp_\emptyset(X)$ denotes the poset of all the nonempty subsets of X .

Let $L \in |\mathbf{SQuant}|$, $X, Y \in |\mathbf{Set}|$, and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be in \mathbf{Set} . Then the standard (traditional) image and preimage operators $f^\rightarrow : \wp(X) \rightarrow \wp(Y)$, $f^\leftarrow : \wp(X) \leftarrow \wp(Y)$ are

$$f^\rightarrow(A) = \{f(x) \in Y : x \in A\}, \quad f^\leftarrow(B) = \{x \in X : f(x) \in B\},$$

and the Zadeh image and preimage operators $f_L^\rightarrow : L^X \rightarrow L^Y$, $f_L^\leftarrow : L^X \leftarrow L^Y$ [53] are

$$f_L^\rightarrow(a)(y) = \bigvee \{a(x) : x \in f^\leftarrow(\{y\})\}, \quad f_L^\leftarrow(b) = b \circ f.$$

If L is understood, it may be dropped providing the context distinguishes these operators from the traditional operators. It is observed that f^\rightarrow and f^\leftarrow are naturally isomorphic to $f_{\mathbf{2}}^\rightarrow$ and $f_{\mathbf{2}}^\leftarrow$, resp.

It is well-known [36, 37, 39, 40, 46] that each f_L^\leftarrow preserves arbitrary \bigvee , arbitrary \bigwedge , \otimes , and all constant maps, as well as the unit \underline{e} if $L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$; each f_L^\rightarrow preserves arbitrary \bigvee ;

$$f^\rightarrow \dashv f^\leftarrow, \quad f_L^\rightarrow \dashv f_L^\leftarrow;$$

f^\rightarrow and f_L^\rightarrow are left-inverses [right-inverses] of f^\leftarrow and f_L^\leftarrow , resp., if f is surjective [injective, resp.]; and $f^\rightarrow, f^\leftarrow, f_L^\rightarrow, f_L^\leftarrow$ are all order-isomorphisms if and only if f is a bijection.

Powerset operators and the powerset theories underlying lattice-valued mathematics are studied extensively in [6, 14, 7, 8, 15, 10, 11, 36, 37, 39, 40, 46].

1.4. Category theoretics. The main reference for categorical notions is [1], to which we refer the reader for various properties of functors as well as various versions of the Adjoint Functor Theorem and related notions.

The proving of functorial adjunctions is done via lifting (or major) and naturality (or minor) diagrams in the manner of [28, 36, 37, 41].

1.5. Topology and bitopology. Given $L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$, the category $L\text{-Top}$ comprises objects of the form (X, τ) , where $\tau \subset L^X$ is closed under arbitrary \bigvee and binary \otimes and contains \underline{e} —so that τ is a sub-us-quantale of L^X , together with morphisms $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, where $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a function and

$$\tau \supset (f_L^\leftarrow)^\rightarrow(\sigma),$$

namely $f_L^\leftarrow(v) \in \tau$ for each $v \in \sigma$. The objects (X, τ) are called L -**topological spaces** and τ is an L -**topology** on X comprising L -**subsets** of X ; and the morphisms f are called L -**continuous**. Cf. [20, 41, 46].

Similarly, the category $L\text{-BiTop}$ comprises objects of the form (X, τ, σ) , where τ, σ are L -topologies on X , together with morphisms $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$, where $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a function and

$$\tau_1 \supset (f_L^\leftarrow)^\rightarrow(\sigma_1), \tau_2 \supset (f_L^\leftarrow)^\rightarrow(\sigma_2).$$

The objects (X, τ, σ) are called L -**bitopological spaces** and (τ, σ) is an L -**bitopology** on X ; and the morphisms f are called L -**bicontinuous**. If the L is clear in context, it may be dropped from the labels.

As noted in Subsection 1.1, the traditional category \mathbf{BiTop} is isomorphic to $\mathbf{2-BiTop}$ (cf. 3.25 below) and embeds into each $L\text{-BiTop}$, and similarly \mathbf{Top} is isomorphic to $\mathbf{2-Top}$ and embeds into each $L\text{-Top}$.

Each of $L\text{-Top}$ and $L\text{-BiTop}$ has the base L of the category fixed and so is part of fixed-basis (lattice-valued) topology and fixed-basis (lattice-valued) bitopology, resp. The disciplines of fixed-basis topology and fixed-basis bitopology are encompassed by the respective classes

$$\{L\text{-Top} : L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|\}, \{L\text{-BiTop} : L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|\}.$$

Both $L\text{-Top}$ and $L\text{-BiTop}$ are topological over \mathbf{Set} and have small fibres, hence are [co]complete and [co]well-powered, and hence are strongly [co]complete with many other nice properties (see 3.36 and its proof below). The categorical product for $L\text{-Top}$ is given in, or adapted from, [12, 52] (cf. [20, 41]) and for $\{(X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma) : \gamma \in \Gamma\}$ denoted by

$$\left(\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma), \{\pi_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \right), \quad \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma) \equiv (\times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_\gamma),$$

where $\{\pi_\gamma : \gamma \in \Gamma\}$ are the projections. The binary L -topological product for two spaces $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ is denoted $(X, \tau) \amalg (Y, \sigma)$ or $(X \times Y, \tau \amalg \sigma)$ with projections $\{\pi_1, \pi_2\}$. The categorical product for $L\text{-BiTop}$ for $\{(X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma) : \gamma \in \Gamma\}$ is

$$\left(\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma, \sigma_\gamma), \{\pi_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \right),$$

$$\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma, \sigma_\gamma) \equiv (\times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \sigma_\gamma),$$

where $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \sigma_\gamma$ are the L -topological product topologies in each slot and the projections are as above.

An L -topology τ is **weakly stratified** [20] if $\{\underline{\alpha} : \alpha \in L\} \subset \tau$, **non-stratified** if it is not weakly stratified, and **anti-stratified** [9, 35] if

$$\{\underline{\alpha} : \alpha \in L, \underline{\alpha} \in \tau\} = \{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\};$$

so a weakly stratified topology contains all constant L -subsets, while an anti-stratified topology contains precisely the constant L -subsets $\underline{\perp}$ and \underline{e} (which are the same if L is inconsistent with $\perp = \top$). An L -topological space is weakly stratified [anti-stratified] if its topology is weakly stratified [anti-stratified], and an L -bitopological space is weakly stratified [anti-stratified] if both topologies are weakly stratified [anti-stratified]. The inclusionist position that the axioms of a fixed-basis topology must allow for all types of stratification has recently received additional, emphatic confirmations from both lattice-valued frames [35] and topological systems in domain theory [9].

The following definition and proposition are needed in this paper.

Definition 1.1. *Let X be a set and let L be a u -quantale. Then the L -topological fibre, respectively, L -bitopological fibre on X is*

$$\begin{aligned} L-T(X) &\equiv \{\tau \subset L^X : (X, \tau) \in |L\text{-Top}|\}, \\ L-BT(X) &\equiv \{(\tau, \sigma) : (X, \tau, \sigma) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 1.2. *Let X be a set, let L be a u -quantale, and recall \wp_{\emptyset} from Subsection 1.3.*

- (1) $L-T(X)$ is a complete meet subsemilattice of $\wp(L^X)$; and since each L -topology is nonempty, $L-T(X) \subset \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X)$.
- (2) $L-BT(X)$, ordered coordinate-wise by inclusion, is a complete meet subsemilattice of $\wp(L^X) \times \wp(L^X)$; and further, $L-BT(X) \subset \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X) \times \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X)$.

Proof. The first part of (1) is well-known, and the second part of (1) is trivial. Now (2) follows from (1) since

$$L-BT(X) = L-T(X) \times L-T(X) \subset \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X) \times \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X).$$

□

Finally, we need the notion of a subbase of an L -topology τ on X [41]. We say $\sigma \subset L^X$ is a **subbase** of τ , written $\tau = \langle\langle \sigma \rangle\rangle$, if

$$\tau = \bigcap \{\tau' \in L-T(X) : \sigma \subset \tau'\},$$

the right-hand side always existing by Proposition 1.2(1), and we say $\beta \subset L^X$ is a **base** of τ , written $\tau = \langle \beta \rangle$, if

$$\forall u \in \tau, \exists B_u \subset \beta, u = \bigvee B_u.$$

One can always pass from a subbase σ to a topology τ through a base β in the traditional way, written

$$\tau = \langle \beta \rangle = \langle\langle \sigma \rangle\rangle,$$

if and only if \otimes is associative and distributes across arbitrary \bigvee , i.e., if and only if L is a u -quantale.

2. FUNCTORIAL INTERPRETATIONS OF TOPOLOGY AS BITOPOLOGY

For each us-quantale L , this section records a simple (and expected) “doubling” embedding $E_d : L\text{-Top} \rightarrow L\text{-BiTop}$. The behavior of E_d w.r.t. limits and colimits—it preserves, reflects, detects both—is examined completely in Subsections 3.1–3.2 below. It emerges that E_d is an extremely well-behaved embedding.

Proposition 2.1. *Let L be a us-quantale. Define $E_d : L\text{-Top} \rightarrow L\text{-BiTop}$ by the following correspondences:*

$$E_d(X, \tau) = (X, \tau, \tau), \quad E_d(f) = f.$$

Then E_d is a concrete, full, strict embedding; and so $L\text{-Top}$ is isomorphic to a full subcategory of $L\text{-BiTop}$.

Proof. All details are straightforward. □

3. FUNCTORIAL INTERPRETATIONS OF BITOPOLOGY AS TOPOLOGY

This section records several interpretations of bitopology as topology, the most important of which would seem to be the extremely well-behaved embedding E_\times of Subsection 3.4.

3.1. $F_l, F_r, F_\wedge : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ and behavior of $E_d : L\text{-Top} \rightarrow L\text{-BiTop}$ w.r.t. limits. This subsection constructs the concrete, faithful, full forgetful functors—the “left-forgetful” functor $F_l : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ and the “right-forgetful” $F_r : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ —as well as the concrete, faithful “meet” functor $F_\wedge : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ and shows F_\wedge is the left-adjoint of E_d of the previous section and that each of F_l, F_r is a left-adjoint of E_d under certain restrictions.

Proposition 3.1. *Let L be a us-quantale and define $F_l, F_r : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ as follows:*

$$\begin{aligned} F_l(X, \tau, \sigma) &= (X, \tau), \quad F_l(f) = f, \\ F_r(X, \tau, \sigma) &= (X, \sigma), \quad F_r(f) = f. \end{aligned}$$

Then each of F_l, F_r is a concrete, faithful, full, object-surjective functor, but need not be an embedding.

Proof. We comment only on F_l . Trivially, F_l is a concrete, faithful, object-surjective functor. As for fullness, let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ in $L\text{-Top}$; then $f : (X, \tau, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \sigma)$ is L -bicontinuous, so is in $L\text{-BiTop}$, and maps to $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$. Now suppose that either $[|X| \geq 1$ and $|L| \geq 3]$ or $[|X| \geq 2$ and $|L| \geq 2]$; then $\exists \tau, \sigma \in L\text{-T}(X)$ with $\tau \neq \sigma$, so that $F_l(X, \tau, \sigma) = (X, \tau) = F_l(X, \tau, \tau)$, and hence F_l does not inject objects and is not an embedding. □

Proposition 3.2. *Let L be a us-quantale and define $F_\wedge : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ as follows:*

$$F_\wedge(X, \tau, \sigma) = (X, \tau \cap \sigma), \quad F_\wedge(f) = f.$$

Then F_\wedge is a concrete, faithful, object-surjective functor, but need not be full nor an embedding.

Proof. Since $L\text{-Top}$ has complete fibres, F_\wedge is well-defined on objects. Now let $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ be L -bicontinuous. Since the image operator of the Zadeh preimage operator preserves \subset , it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1 &\supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma_1), \tau_2 \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma_2) \Rightarrow \\ \tau_1 \cap \tau_2 &\supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma_1) \cap (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma_2) \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2), \end{aligned}$$

so that $f : (X, \tau_1 \cap \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2)$ is L -continuous. Immediately, F_\wedge is a concrete, faithful functor which surjects objects.

Now let L be a complete DeMorgan algebra (with $\otimes = \wedge$ (binary)) and consider each of the L -bitopological spaces $(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_l(L))$ and $(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau(L))$, where $\mathbb{R}(L)$ is the L -fuzzy real line, $\tau_l(L)$ is the left-hand L -topology on $\mathbb{R}(L)$ determined by the \mathfrak{L}_t operators and $\tau(L)$ is the standard L -topology on $\mathbb{R}(L)$ [43]. Then $(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_l(L)) \neq (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau(L))$ and

$$\begin{aligned} F_\wedge(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_l(L)) &= (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L)) \\ &= (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L) \cap \tau(L)) \\ &= F_\wedge(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau(L)), \end{aligned}$$

showing that F_\wedge does not inject objects, so is not an embedding. Now letting $f : \mathbb{R}(L) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(L)$ be $id_{\mathbb{R}(L)}$, we have

$$f : F_\wedge(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau(L)) \rightarrow F_\wedge(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau(L), \tau_l(L))$$

is L -continuous, but

$$f : (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau(L)) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau(L), \tau_l(L))$$

cannot be L -bicontinuous (because of the first slot). The concreteness of F_\wedge implies there exists no $g \in L\text{-BiTop}$ with $F_\wedge(g) = f$, so F_\wedge is not full. \square

Theorem 3.3. *Let L be a us-quantale. Then $F_\wedge \dashv E_d$, this adjunction is a monoreflection, and F_\wedge takes $L\text{-BiTop}$ to a monoreflective subcategory of $L\text{-Top}$. On the other hand, $E_d \nmid F_\wedge$.*

Proof. Let $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|$, choose

$$\eta = id : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow E_d F_\wedge(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) = (X, \tau_1 \cap \tau_2, \tau_1 \cap \tau_2),$$

and note η is an L -continuous injection. Now let $(Y, \sigma) \in |L\text{-Top}|$, suppose $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow E_d(Y, \sigma) = (Y, \sigma, \sigma)$ is L -bicontinuous, and note

$$\tau_1 \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma), \tau_2 \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma) \Rightarrow \tau_1 \cap \tau_2 \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^\rightarrow(\sigma),$$

making $f : F_\wedge(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) = (X, \tau_1 \cap \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ L -continuous. Then $\bar{f} = f$ is the unique choice making $f = \bar{f} \circ \eta$. The naturality diagram now follows by concreteness as do the other claims concerning $F_\wedge \dashv E_d$. Finally, given F_\vee of Subsection 3.2 and $E_d \dashv F_\vee$ of 3.9 below, $E_d \nmid F_\wedge$ since $F_\wedge \not\cong F_\vee$ and right-adjoints are essentially unique. \square

Definition 3.4. $L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)$ [$L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)$] is the full subcategory of $L\text{-BiTop}$ of all spaces (X, τ, σ) in which $\tau \subset \sigma$ [$\tau \supset \sigma$].

Note $\mathbf{BiTop}(\subset)$ and $\mathbf{BiTop}(\supset)$ (essentially setting $L = \mathbf{2}$) express the original sense of traditional bitopology [3, 4].

Proposition 3.5. Let L be a us-quantale. Then

$$F_{\downarrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)} = F_{\wedge} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)}, \quad F_{\uparrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)} = F_{\wedge} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)}.$$

Hence $F_{\downarrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)} \dashv E_d$ and $F_{\uparrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)} \dashv E_d$, but $E_d \nmid F_{\downarrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)}$ and $E_d \nmid F_{\uparrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)}$.

Proof. The restricted forgetful functors obviously coincide with the meet functor. Observing that E_d maps into each of $L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)$ and $L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)$, the claimed adjunctions are then immediate from 3.3. The claimed non-adjunctions follow from 3.10 below. \square

Corollary 3.6. Let L be a us-quantale. The following hold:

- (1) E_d preserves all strong limits and F_{\wedge} preserves all strong colimits.
- (2) F_{\downarrow} preserves the strong colimits of $L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)$, F_{\uparrow} preserves the strong colimits of $L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)$, and E_d preserves strong limits into each of $L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)$ and $L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)$.

Proposition 3.7. For each us-quantale L , $E_d : L\text{-Top} \rightarrow L\text{-BiTop}$ reflects and detects all limits and hence lifts all limits and is transportable.

Proof. The details are straightforward using 3.6 and Proposition 13.34 [1]. \square

3.2. $F_{\vee} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ and behavior of $E_d : L\text{-Top} \rightarrow L\text{-BiTop}$ w.r.t. colimits. This subsection constructs the concrete, faithful “join” functor $F_{\vee} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ and shows it is the right-adjoint of E_d of the previous section.

Proposition 3.8. Let L be a us-quantale and define $F_{\vee} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ as follows:

$$F_{\vee}(X, \tau, \sigma) = (X, \tau \vee \sigma), \quad F_{\vee}(f) = f,$$

where

$$\tau \vee \sigma = \langle\langle \tau \cup \sigma \rangle\rangle$$

Then F_{\vee} is a concrete, faithful, object-surjective functor, but need not be full nor an embedding.

Proof. Since $L\text{-Top}$ has complete fibres, F_{\vee} is well-defined on objects. Now let $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ be L -bicontinuous. Since the image operator of the Zadeh preimage operator preserves unions, then

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1 \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^{\rightarrow}(\sigma_1), \quad \tau_2 \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^{\rightarrow}(\sigma_2) &\Rightarrow \\ \tau_1 \vee \tau_2 \supset \tau_1 \cup \tau_2 \supset (f_L^{\leftarrow})^{\rightarrow}(\sigma_1) \cup (f_L^{\leftarrow})^{\rightarrow}(\sigma_2) &= (f_L^{\leftarrow})^{\rightarrow}(\sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2), \end{aligned}$$

so that $f : (X, \tau_1 \vee \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1 \vee \sigma_2)$ is L -subbasic continuous. By Theorem 3.2.6 of [41] as restricted to the fixed-basis case and then adapted to the us-quantalic case, $f : (X, \tau_1 \vee \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1 \vee \sigma_2)$ is L -continuous. Immediately, F_\vee is a concrete, faithful functor which surjects objects.

Now let L be a complete DeMorgan algebra (with $\otimes = \wedge$ (binary)) and consider each of the L -bitopological spaces $(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_r(L))$ and $(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau(L), \tau(L))$, where $\mathbb{R}(L)$ is the L -fuzzy real line, $\tau_l(L)$ is the left-hand L -topology on $\mathbb{R}(L)$ determined by the \mathfrak{L}_t operators, $\tau_r(L)$ is the left-hand L -topology on $\mathbb{R}(L)$ determined by the \mathfrak{R}_t operators, and $\tau(L)$ is the standard L -topology on $\mathbb{R}(L)$ [43]. Then $(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_r(L)) \neq (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau(L), \tau(L))$ and

$$\begin{aligned} F_\vee(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_r(L)) &= (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L) \vee \tau_r(L)) \\ &= (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau(L)) \\ &= F_\vee(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau(L), \tau(L)), \end{aligned}$$

showing that F_\vee does not inject objects, so is not an embedding. Now letting $f : \mathbb{R}(L) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(L)$ be $id_{\mathbb{R}(L)}$, we have

$$f : F_\vee(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_r(L)) \rightarrow F_\vee(\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_r(L), \tau_l(L))$$

is L -continuous, but

$$f : (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_l(L), \tau_r(L)) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}(L), \tau_r(L), \tau_l(L))$$

cannot be L -bicontinuous. The concreteness of F_\vee implies there exists no $g \in L\text{-BiTop}$ with $F_\vee(g) = f$, so F_\vee is not full. \square

Theorem 3.9. *Let L be a us-quantale. Then $E_d \dashv F_\vee$, this adjunction is an isoreflection, and F_\vee takes $L\text{-BiTop}$ to an isorefective subcategory of $L\text{-Top}$. On the other hand, $F_\vee \dashv E_d$.*

Proof. Let $(X, \tau) \in |L\text{-Top}|$, choose

$$\eta = id : (X, \tau) \rightarrow F_\vee E_d(X, \tau) = (X, \tau \vee \tau) = (X, \tau),$$

and note η is an L -homeomorphism. Now let $(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|$, suppose $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow F_\vee(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2) = (Y, \sigma_1 \vee \sigma_2)$ is L -continuous, and note

$$\tau \supset (f_L^\leftarrow)^\rightarrow(\sigma_1 \vee \sigma_2) \supset (f_L^\leftarrow)^\rightarrow(\sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2) \supset (f_L^\leftarrow)^\rightarrow(\sigma_1), (f_L^\leftarrow)^\rightarrow(\sigma_2),$$

making $f : E_d(X, \tau) = (X, \tau, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ L -bicontinuous. Then $\bar{f} = f$ is the unique choice making $f = \bar{f} \circ \eta$. The naturality diagram now follows by concreteness, as do the other claims concerning $E_d \dashv F_\vee$. Finally, given F_\wedge of Subsection 3.1 and $F_\wedge \dashv E_d$ of 3.3 above, $F_\vee \dashv E_d$ since $F_\wedge \not\cong F_\vee$ and left-adjoints are essentially unique. \square

Corollary 3.10. *Let L be a us-quantale. The following hold:*

- (1) E_d preserves all strong colimits and F_\vee preserves all strong limits.
- (2) $E_d \dashv F_l|_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)}$ and $E_d \dashv F_r|_{L\text{-BiTop}(\supset)}$, and hence $E_d \dashv F_l$ and $E_d \dashv F_r$.

Proof. (1) is immediate. As for (2), it is clear that $F_{\downarrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)}, F_{\uparrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\sup)}$ $\not\cong F_{\downarrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)}, F_{\downarrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\sup)}$, resp., implying $E_d \dashv F_{\downarrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\subset)}$ and $E_d \dashv F_{\uparrow} |_{L\text{-BiTop}(\sup)}$ by the essential uniqueness of the right-adjoint in 3.9; and hence $E_d \dashv F_{\downarrow}$ and $E_d \dashv F_{\uparrow}$. \square

Proposition 3.11. *For each us-quantale L , $E_d : L\text{-Top} \rightarrow L\text{-BiTop}$ reflects and detects all colimits.*

Proof. The details are straightforward. \square

3.3. $F_{\Pi} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$. This subsection constructs the non-concrete, faithful “product” functor $F_{\Pi} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ which, when appropriately restricted, is an embedding. It need not preserve finite products and hence lacks a left-adjoint.

Proposition 3.12. *Let L be a us-quantale and define $F_{\Pi} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ as follows:*

$$F_{\Pi}(X, \tau, \sigma) = (X \times X, \tau \Pi \sigma), \quad F_{\Pi}(f) = f \times f,$$

where $\tau \Pi \sigma$ is the L -product topology on $X \times X$ (Subsection 1.5). Then F_{Π} is a non-concrete, faithful functor which need not be full nor object-surjective nor an embedding.

Proof. Immediately F_{Π} is well-defined on objects. Let $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ be L -bicontinuous and let $v \in \sigma_1 \Pi \sigma_2$ be a subbasic open set of the form $(\pi_1)_L^{\leftarrow}(s_1)$ with $s_1 \in \sigma_1$. Then given $(x_1, x_2) \in X \times X$,

$$\begin{aligned} (f \times f)_L^{\leftarrow}(v)(x_1, x_2) &= (\pi_1)_L^{\leftarrow}(s_1)(f(x_1), f(x_2)) \\ &= s_1(\pi_1(f(x_1), f(x_2))) \\ &= s_1(f(x_1)) \\ &= f_L^{\leftarrow}(s_1)(x_1) \\ &= f_L^{\leftarrow}(s_1)(\pi_1(x_1, x_2)) \\ &= (\pi_1)_L^{\leftarrow}(f_L^{\leftarrow}(s_1))(x_1, x_2), \end{aligned}$$

so that $(f \times f)_L^{\leftarrow}(v) = (\pi_1)_L^{\leftarrow}(f_L^{\leftarrow}(s_1)) \in \tau_1 \Pi \tau_2$; and similarly, if v is a subbasic open set of the form $(\pi_2)_L^{\leftarrow}(s_2)$ with $s_2 \in \sigma_2$, $(f \times f)_L^{\leftarrow}(v) \in \tau_1 \Pi \tau_2$. So $F_{\Pi}(f) : F_{\Pi}(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow F_{\Pi}(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is L -subbasic continuous and hence L -continuous (cf. Theorem 3.2.6 of [41]). It is easy to show F_{Π} preserves composition and identities—and so is a functor—and is faithful and need not be full nor object-surjective.

To see that F_{Π} need not inject objects, let $L = \{\perp, \alpha, \beta, \top\}$ be a chain with $\otimes = \wedge$ (binary), $X = \{x\}$, $\tau_1 = \{\perp, \underline{\alpha}, \top\}$, and $\tau_2 = \{\perp, \underline{\beta}, \top\}$. Then $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \neq (X, \tau_2, \tau_1)$, yet $F_{\Pi}(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) = F_{\Pi}(X, \tau_2, \tau_1)$. \square

Proposition 3.13. *F_{Π} does not preserve binary products and hence has no left-adjoint.*

Proof. Let $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2), (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ be given with $X \neq Y$. Then the carrier set of $F_{\Pi}[(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \Pi (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)]$ is $(X \times Y) \times (X \times Y)$ and the carrier set of $F_{\Pi}(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \Pi F_{\Pi}(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is $(X \times X) \times (Y \times Y)$, clearly not the same. \square

Definition 3.14. Letting L be a u -quantale, $L\text{-NBiTop}$ is the full subcategory of all spaces (X, τ, σ) satisfying the condition that each open L -subset $u \neq \perp$ in each of τ, σ is L -**normalized**, i.e., has the property that

$$\bigvee_{x \in X} u(x) = e.$$

If L is an st -quantale, then the notion of L -normalized subsets coincides with the usual notion, namely $\bigvee_{x \in X} u(x) = \top$.

Theorem 3.15. Let L be a u -quantale. Then $F_{\Pi|L\text{-NBiTop}} : L\text{-NBiTop} \rightarrow L\text{-Top}$ is an embedding. This embedding does not preserve binary products and hence has no left-adjoint.

Proof. Because of 3.12, it suffices to show F_{Π} as restricted injects objects. For two distinct objects, let us consider

$$(X, \tau_1, \sigma) \neq (X, \tau_2, \sigma)$$

with $\tau_1 \neq \tau_2$; all other cases are similar and left to the reader. Suppose W.L.O.G. there is $u \in \tau_1 - \tau_2$ and assume $\tau_1 \Pi \sigma = \tau_2 \Pi \sigma$ on $X \times X$. Then setting $\boxtimes \equiv \otimes \circ \times$,

$$\exists \{u_\gamma \boxtimes v_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \subset \tau_2 \Pi \sigma$$

such that

$$(\pi_1)_L^{\leftarrow}(u) = \bigvee_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (u_\gamma \boxtimes v_\gamma).$$

Applying the surjectivity of π_1 and properties of Zadeh image operators (Subsection 1.3), we obtain the contradiction

$$\begin{aligned} u &= (\pi_1)_L^{\rightarrow}((\pi_1)_L^{\leftarrow}(u)) \\ &= (\pi_1)_L^{\rightarrow}\left(\bigvee_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (u_\gamma \boxtimes v_\gamma)\right) \\ &= \bigvee_{\gamma \in \Gamma} ((\pi_1)_L^{\rightarrow}(u_\gamma \boxtimes v_\gamma)) \\ &= \bigvee_{\gamma \in \Gamma} u_\gamma \in \tau_2, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact, for each $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and each $x \in X$, that

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_1)_L^{\rightarrow}(u_\gamma \boxtimes v_\gamma)(x) &= \bigvee_{y \in X} (u_\gamma \boxtimes v_\gamma)(x, y) \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} (u_\gamma(x) \otimes v_\gamma(y)) \\ &= u_\gamma(x) \otimes \bigvee_{y \in X} v_\gamma(y) \\ &= u_\gamma(x) \otimes e \\ &= u_\gamma(x). \end{aligned}$$

The non-preservation of products follow for the restricted functor as in the proof of 3.13. \square

Corollary 3.16. $F_{\Pi} \circ G_{\chi} : \mathbf{BiTop} \rightarrow \mathbf{Top}$ is an embedding. This embedding does not preserve binary products and hence has no left-adjoint.

Proof. The first statement is a corollary of 3.15 as follows: given any non-empty subset A of set X , $\chi_A : X \rightarrow \mathbf{2}$ is normalized; $\mathbf{2-NBiTop} = \mathbf{2-BiTop}$; and $G_{\chi} : \mathbf{BiTop} \rightarrow \mathbf{2-BiTop}$ is a categorical isomorphism. The non-preservation of products follows for the composite functor as in the proof of 3.13. \square

Remark 3.17. Corollary 3.16 furnishes an embedding of \mathbf{BiTop} into \mathbf{Top} ; but this is not enough to say that \mathbf{Top} may be categorically regarded as a generalization of \mathbf{BiTop} since $F_{\Pi} \circ G_{\chi}$ is not sufficiently well-behaved. This motivates the search for a better behaved embedding of bitopology into topology conducted in the next subsection.

3.4. $E_{\times} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$. This subsection constructs the concrete, full, strict “cross” embedding $E_{\times} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$, establishes its behavior w.r.t. limits and colimits—for appropriate L , E_{\times} preserves both and detects and reflects the former, and shows that E_{\times} is essentially neutral w.r.t. stratification issues. It follows that E_{\times} is an extremely well-behaved embedding.

3.4.1. *Construction of $E_{\times} : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$.*

Proposition 3.18 (cf. [16]). *Let X be a set.*

(1) *For each set L the mapping $\varphi_X : L^X \times L^X \rightarrow (L^2)^X$ given by*

$$\varphi_X(a_1, a_2) = a_1 \times a_2, \text{ i.e., } \varphi_X(a_1, a_2)(x) = (a_1(x), a_2(x))$$

is a bijection with inverse mapping $\varphi_X^{-1} : (L^2)^X \leftarrow L^X \times L^X$ given by

$$\varphi_X^{-1}(a) = (\pi_1 \circ a, \pi_2 \circ a),$$

where π_1, π_2 are the projections from L^2 to L .

(2) *If L is a poset, then φ_X is an order-isomorphism.*

(3) *If L is a semi-DeMorgan s -quantale, then φ_X preserves semi-complements.*

(4) *If L is an $[u]s$ -quantale, then φ_X is an $[u]s$ -quantalic isomorphism (i.e., φ_X also preserves tensor products [and the unit]).*

Proof. The details of (1)–(3) are the same as, or analogous to, those of Lemma 4.4.1 of [16]. The details of (4) are straightforward. \square

Corollary 3.19. $\varphi_X^{-1} : \wp(L^X \times L^X) \rightarrow \wp((L^2)^X)$ is an order-isomorphism.

Proof. This is immediate from 3.18(1) using Subsection 1.3. \square

Proposition 3.20. *Let A, B be nonempty sets. Then $\zeta : \wp_{\emptyset}(A) \times \wp_{\emptyset}(B) \rightarrow \wp_{\emptyset}(A \times B)$ given by*

$$\zeta(C, D) = C \times D$$

is an order-isomorphism onto its image, i.e., an order-embedding.

Proof. Clearly ζ is well-defined. As for injectivity, let $(C_1, D_1) \neq (C_2, D_2)$. Then there are several cases, and a typical case is $C_1 \neq C_2, D_1 = D_2$. Then W.L.O.G. there is $x \in C_1 - C_2$. Since $D_1 = D_2 \neq \emptyset$, there is $y \in D_1 = D_2$. So $(x, y) \in (C_1 \times D_1) - (C_2 \times D_2)$; hence $\zeta(C_1, D_1) \neq \zeta(C_2, D_2)$. Since all orderings in question are coordinate-wise, it follows that both ζ and ζ^{-1} (on $\text{Im}(\zeta)$) are isotone. \square

Proposition 3.21. *Let X be a set, L be a us-quantale, and ζ denote any restriction of the ζ of 3.20.*

- (1) $\zeta : \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X) \times \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X) \rightarrow \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X \times L^X)$ is an order-isomorphism onto its image.
- (2) $\zeta : L\text{-}BT(X) \rightarrow \wp_{\emptyset}(L^X \times L^X)$ is an order-isomorphism onto its image.

Proof. Conjoin Proposition 1.2 and 3.20. \square

Lemma 3.22. *Let X be a set and L be a us-quantale, and put $E_{\times} : L\text{-}BT(X) \rightarrow L^2\text{-}T(X)$ by*

$$E_{\times} = \varphi_X^{\rightarrow} \circ \zeta.$$

Then E_{\times} is an order-isomorphism onto its image.

Proof. It must be first verified that E_{\times} actually maps into $L^2\text{-}T(X)$. Let $(\tau_1, \tau_2) \in L\text{-}BT(X)$. Then τ_1, τ_2 are L -topologies on X and hence sub-us-quantales of L^X . It is straightforward to check that as direct products,

$$\zeta(\tau_1, \tau_2) = \tau_1 \times \tau_2 \subset L^X \times L^X$$

and $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$ is a sub-us-quantale of $L^X \times L^X$. It follows

$$E_{\times}(\tau_1, \tau_2) = \varphi_X^{\rightarrow}(\zeta(\tau_1, \tau_2)) = \varphi_X^{\rightarrow}(\tau_1 \times \tau_2) \subset \wp((L^2)^X)$$

and that $E_{\times}(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ is a sub-us-quantale of $(L^2)^X$, namely an L^2 -topology on X . Hence $E_{\times}(\tau_1, \tau_2) \in L^2\text{-}T(X)$.

The remaining claims concerning E_{\times} follow from 3.19 and 3.21. \square

Theorem 3.23. *Let L be a us-quantale, let*

$$f \in L\text{-}\mathbf{BiTop}((X, \tau_1, \tau_2), (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)),$$

and put

$$E_{\times}(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) = (X, E_{\times}(\tau_1, \tau_2)), \quad E_{\times}(f) = f.$$

Then $E_{\times} : L\text{-}\mathbf{BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-}\mathbf{Top}$ is a concrete, full embedding; and hence $L\text{-}\mathbf{BiTop}$ is concretely isomorphic to a full subcategory of $L^2\text{-}\mathbf{Top}$. Further, if L is consistent, E_{\times} is a strict embedding (not a functorial isomorphism).

Proof. It is immediate from 3.22 that E_{\times} is well-defined at the object-level into $L^2\text{-}\mathbf{Top}$. It must be now checked that E_{\times} is well-defined at the morphism-level, i.e., that $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is L -bicontinuous implies $f : (X, E_{\times}(\tau_1, \tau_2)) \rightarrow (Y, E_{\times}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2))$ is L^2 -continuous. To that end, let

$$v \in E_{\times}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \varphi_Y^{\rightarrow}(\sigma_1 \times \sigma_2).$$

Then $\exists (v_1, v_2) \in \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2$ with $v = \varphi_Y (v_1, v_2)$. Now let $x \in X$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} f_L^\leftarrow (v) (x) &= v (f(x)) \\ &= \varphi_Y (v_1, v_2) (f(x)) \\ &= (v_1 (f(x)), v_2 (f(x))) \\ &= (f_L^\leftarrow (v_1) (x), f_L^\leftarrow (v_2) (x)). \end{aligned}$$

Since f is L -bicontinuous,

$$u_1 \equiv f_L^\leftarrow (v_1) \in \tau_1, \quad u_2 \equiv f_L^\leftarrow (v_2) \in \tau_2;$$

and so choosing

$$u = \varphi_X (u_1, u_2) \in E_\times (\tau_1, \tau_2),$$

we have

$$f_L^\leftarrow (v) = u,$$

finishing the proof that f is L^2 -continuous.

Since E_\times is concrete (with respect to the usual forgetful functors), it is immediate that E_\times is a functor and that E_\times injects hom-sets. To verify that E_\times is full, we show that $f : (X, E_\times (\tau_1, \tau_2)) \rightarrow (Y, E_\times (\sigma_1, \sigma_2))$ is L^2 -continuous implies $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ is L -bicontinuous. Let $v \in \sigma_1$ and note $\perp \in \sigma_2$. Then $(v, \perp) \in \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2$, so that $\varphi_Y (v, \perp) \in E_\times (\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$. Hence $f_L^\leftarrow (\varphi_Y (v, \perp)) \in E_\times (\tau_1, \tau_2)$ by the L^2 -continuity of f . It follows $\exists u \in E_\times (\tau_1, \tau_2)$, and hence $\exists (u_1, u_2) \in \tau_1 \times \tau_2$, such that

$$f_L^\leftarrow (\varphi_Y (v, \perp)) = u = \varphi_X (u_1, u_2).$$

Now let $x \in X$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (u_1 (x), u_2 (x)) &= \varphi_X (u_1, u_2) (x) \\ &= f_L^\leftarrow (\varphi_Y (v, \perp)) (x) \\ &= (v (f(x)), \perp) \\ &= (f_L^\leftarrow (v) (x), \perp), \end{aligned}$$

so that $u_1 (x) = f_L^\leftarrow (v) (x)$. It follows $f_L^\leftarrow (v) = u_1 \in \tau_1$. Similarly, it can be shown that if $v \in \sigma_2$, then $f_L^\leftarrow (v) \in \tau_2$. Hence f is L -bicontinuous.

For E_\times to be an embedding, it remains to show that E_\times injects objects. To that end let $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \neq (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$. If $X \neq Y$, we are done. So suppose that $X = Y$ and that $(\tau_1, \tau_2) \neq (\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$. Then immediately by 3.22,

$$E_\times (\tau_1, \tau_2) \neq E_\times (\sigma_1, \sigma_2).$$

It follows that

$$E_\times (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \neq E_\times (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2).$$

Finally, the strictness of E_\times , when L is consistent, follows from 3.24 below. \square

Many more properties of E_\times are developed in the next three subsections which show that it is an extremely well-behaved embedding.

Counterexample 3.24. If E_\times were to surject objects, then E_\times would be a functorial isomorphism. This however is usually not the case. Let L be any consistent us-quantale, note $L \supset \mathbf{2} = \{\perp, e\}$, and consider the L^2 -topological space (X, τ) with X nonempty and τ the indiscrete L^2 -topology

$$\tau = \left\{ \underline{(\perp, \perp)}, \underline{(e, e)} \right\}.$$

Suppose a space $(X, E_\times(\tau_1, \tau_2))$ from the image of E_\times is (X, τ) . This forces

$$\varphi_X^\rightarrow(\tau_1 \times \tau_2) = E_\times(\tau_1, \tau_2) = \tau.$$

Noting

$$\{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\} \subset \tau_1, \{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\} \subset \tau_2,$$

it follows

$$\varphi_X(\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}) \in \varphi_X^\rightarrow(\tau_1 \times \tau_2), \quad \varphi_X(\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}) = \underline{(\perp, e)} \notin \tau,$$

a contradiction. Hence the space (X, τ) is not in the image of E_\times . Hence, for consistent L it is the case that E_\times is not a functorial isomorphism, but a strict embedding. This justifies examining E_\times 's behavior w.r.t. limits and colimits in the next Subsubsections 3.4.2–3.4.3 as well as characterizing $|E_\times^\rightarrow(L\text{-BiTop})|$ in 3.28.

Corollary 3.25. Let $\mathbf{4}$ be the 4-element Boolean algebra $\{\perp, \alpha, \beta, \top\}$ with $\otimes = \wedge$ (binary). Then the traditional category **BiTop** of bitopological spaces and bicontinuous maps concretely, fully, strictly embeds into **4-Top** as a full monoreflective subcategory that is closed under all limits and colimits.

Proof. Consider the bitopological version $G_\chi : \mathbf{BiTop} \rightarrow \mathbf{2-BiTop}$ of the characteristic functor given by

$$G_\chi(\mathfrak{T}) = \{\chi_U : U \in \mathfrak{T}\}, \quad G_\chi(\mathfrak{S}) = \{\chi_V : V \in \mathfrak{S}\},$$

$$G_\chi(X, \mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}) = (X, G_\chi(\mathfrak{T}), G_\chi(\mathfrak{S})), \quad G_\chi(f) = f.$$

Then this bitopological G_χ is a concrete functorial isomorphism. Now clearly by the direct product of us-quantales, $\mathbf{2}^2 \cong \mathbf{4}$, so by 3.23 and 3.24, **2-BiTop** concretely, fully, strictly embeds into **4-Top**. Hence via the composition

$$E_\times \circ G_\chi : \mathbf{BiTop} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{4-Top},$$

BiTop concretely, fully, strictly embeds into **4-Top**. For the monoreflectivity claim, see 3.26 below; and the claim regarding limits and colimits follows from Subsubsections 3.4.2–3.4.3 below, the limit claim needing the observation that $\mathbf{4}$ is a u-quantale with $\otimes = \wedge$. \square

3.4.2. *Behavior of $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ w.r.t. colimits.* Since for all consistent L the full concrete embedding E_\times is not a functorial isomorphism, but only a strict embedding, it is worthwhile to investigate its behavior w.r.t. limits and colimits. This subsection shows for any us-quantale L that the embedding E_\times has a right-adjoint—and hence preserves colimits. The next subsection then shows step by step for L a u-quantale that the Special Adjoint Functor Theorem constructs for E_\times a left-adjoint—and hence E_\times preserves limits; and further the next subsection shows for any us-quantale L that the embedding E_\times reflects and detects all limits and is transportable. Therefore, this subsection—in concert with the preceding and subsequent subsections—shows that E_\times is an extremely well-behaved embedding.

Theorem 3.26 ($E_\times \dashv F_\pi$). *Let L be a us-quantale and put the “projection” functor $F_\pi : L\text{-BiTop} \leftarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ as follows:*

$$F_\pi(X, \tau) = (X, F_\pi(\tau)), \quad F_\pi(f) = f,$$

where the fibre level of F_π

$$F_\pi(\tau) = (\pi_1 \circ \tau \equiv \{\pi_1 \circ u : u \in \tau\}, \pi_2 \circ \tau \equiv \{\pi_2 \circ u : u \in \tau\})$$

uses the projections $\pi_1, \pi_2 : L \times L \rightarrow L$ for the us-quantalic (direct) product. Then the following hold:

- (1) F_π is a concrete embedding which is not full and does not lift limits.
- (2) $E_\times \dashv F_\pi$, so E_\times preserves all strong colimits and F_π preserves all strong limits.
- (3) F_π need not detect limits nor be transportable.
- (4) $F_\pi \circ E_\times = Id_{L\text{-BiTop}}$.
- (5) $L\text{-BiTop}$ is isomorphic (via E_\times) to a full monoreflective subcategory of $L^2\text{-Top}$.
- (6) $L^2\text{-Top}$ is isomorphic (via F_π) to an isoreflective subcategory of $L\text{-BiTop}$.

Proof. Ad(1). Since us-quantalic projections preserve arbitrary joins, the tensor, and the unit, it follows that $F_\pi(\tau) \in L\text{-BT}(X)$; and hence $(X, F_\pi(\tau)) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|$ and F_π is well-defined at the object level. As for morphisms, let $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be L^2 -continuous in $L^2\text{-Top}$. Then, given $v \in \sigma$, the identities

$$f_L^\leftarrow(\pi_1 \circ v) = \pi_1 \circ f_L^\leftarrow(v), \quad f_L^\leftarrow(\pi_2 \circ v) = \pi_2 \circ f_L^\leftarrow(v)$$

are easily checked and immediately imply that $f : (X, F_\pi(\tau)) \rightarrow (Y, F_\pi(\sigma))$ is L -bicontinuous in $L\text{-BiTop}$. Now by the concreteness of F_π , it is immediately a concrete and faithful functor. To show that F_π is an embedding, it remains to check that F_π injects objects: but if $u, v : X \rightarrow L^2$ are distinct, there exists $x \in X$ such that W.L.O.G.

$$\pi_1(u(x)) \neq \pi_1(v(x));$$

which implies that if $\tau \neq \sigma$ as L^2 -topologies on X , then $F_\pi(\tau) \neq F_\pi(\sigma)$ as L -bitopologies on X , showing that F_π injects objects.

To see that F_π need not be full, let $L = \mathbf{2}$, write the Boolean algebra $L^2 = \mathbf{4}$ as $\{(\perp, \perp), (\perp, \top), (\top, \perp), (\top, \top)\}$, let $X = \{x\}$, and choose

$$\tau = \left\{ \underline{(\perp, \perp)}, \underline{(\top, \top)} \right\}, \quad \sigma = \left\{ \underline{(\perp, \perp)}, \underline{(\perp, \top)}, \underline{(\top, \perp)}, \underline{(\top, \top)} \right\}.$$

Then it follows $id_X : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ is *not* L^2 -continuous (since σ is not a subset of τ). Now

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1 \circ \underline{(\perp, \perp)} &= \pi_1 \circ \underline{(\perp, \top)} = \underline{\perp}, & \pi_1 \circ \underline{(\top, \perp)} &= \pi_1 \circ \underline{(\top, \top)} = \underline{\top}, \\ \pi_2 \circ \underline{(\perp, \perp)} &= \pi_2 \circ \underline{(\top, \perp)} = \underline{\perp}, & \pi_2 \circ \underline{(\perp, \top)} &= \pi_2 \circ \underline{(\top, \top)} = \underline{\top}, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} F_\pi(\tau) &= (\pi_1 \circ \tau, \pi_2 \circ \tau) \\ &= (\{\underline{\perp}, \underline{\top}\}, \{\underline{\perp}, \underline{\top}\}) \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ \sigma, \pi_2 \circ \sigma) \\ &= F_\pi(\sigma), \end{aligned}$$

implying $id_X : (X, F_\pi(\tau)) \rightarrow (X, F_\pi(\sigma))$ is L -bicontinuous. The concreteness of F_π implies there exists no $g \in L\text{-}\mathbf{Top}$ with $F_\pi(g) = id_X$, so F_π is not full.

To see that F_π need not lift limits, let the diagram in $L^2\text{-}\mathbf{Top}$ be the space (X, σ) of the preceding paragraph. Then the image of this diagram is the space $(X, F_\pi(\sigma))$ in $L\text{-}\mathbf{BiTop}$. Now the space $(X, F_\pi(\tau))$, together with the arrow $id_X : (X, F_\pi(\tau)) \rightarrow (X, F_\pi(\sigma))$, is a limit of the diagram $(X, F_\pi(\sigma))$: any L -bicontinuous $f : (Z, \nu_1, \nu_2) \rightarrow (X, F_\pi(\sigma))$ trivially factors uniquely through id_X . But as seen in the preceding paragraph, there is no $g \in L\text{-}\mathbf{Top}$ with $F_\pi(g) = id_X$, which means there is no limiting cone of (X, σ) in $L^2\text{-}\mathbf{Top}$ which F_π carries over to the limit $id_X : (X, F_\pi(\tau)) \rightarrow (X, F_\pi(\sigma))$ in $L\text{-}\mathbf{BiTop}$. Hence F_π need not lift limits.

Ad(2). Let $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \in |L\text{-}\mathbf{BiTop}|$ be given. Then

$$F_\pi E_\times (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) = F_\pi (X, \varphi_X^\rightarrow (\tau_1 \times \tau_2)) \equiv (X, \hat{\tau}_1, \hat{\tau}_2),$$

where it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\tau}_1 &= \{\pi_1 \circ \varphi_X (u, v) : u \in \tau_1, v \in \tau_2\}, \\ \hat{\tau}_2 &= \{\pi_2 \circ \varphi_X (u, v) : u \in \tau_1, v \in \tau_2\}. \end{aligned}$$

We choose the right unit η to be the identity mapping $id : X \rightarrow X$. Then for each $x \in X$,

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_1 \circ \varphi_X (u, v))(x) &= \pi_1 (u(x), v(x)) = u(x), \\ (\pi_2 \circ \varphi_X (u, v))(x) &= \pi_2 (u(x), v(x)) = v(x), \end{aligned}$$

which immediately gives the L -bicontinuity of η .

For universality of the lifting, let $(X, \tau) \in |L^2\text{-}\mathbf{Top}|$ be given, along with an L -bicontinuous map $f : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (X, F_\pi(\tau))$. Choosing $\bar{f} = f$, we now check $\bar{f} : E_\times (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ is an L -continuous map from $E_\times (X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ to (X, τ) by letting $v \in \tau$ and $x \in X$. Then the L -bicontinuity of f implies

$$f_L^\leftarrow (\pi_1 \circ u) \in \tau_1, \quad f_L^\leftarrow (\pi_2 \circ u) \in \tau_2,$$

from which it follows

$$\varphi_X (f_L^{\leftarrow} (\pi_1 \circ u) \in \tau_1, f_L^{\leftarrow} (\pi_2 \circ u) \in \tau_2) \in \varphi_X^{\rightarrow} (\tau_1 \times \tau_2).$$

Further, we note

$$\begin{aligned} f_L^{\leftarrow} (u) (x) &= u (f(x)) = (\pi_1 (u(x)), \pi_2 (u(x))) \\ &= (f_L^{\leftarrow} (\pi_1 \circ u) (x), f_L^{\leftarrow} (\pi_2 \circ u) (x)) \\ &= \varphi_X (f_L^{\leftarrow} (\pi_1 \circ u) \in \tau_1, f_L^{\leftarrow} (\pi_2 \circ u) \in \tau_2) (x). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, it is immediate that \bar{f} is the unique L -continuous map from $E_{\times} (X, \tau_1, \tau_2)$ to (X, τ) such that

$$f = \bar{f} \circ \eta,$$

completing the universality of the lifting. The naturality diagram now follows by concreteness.

Ad(3). This is an immediate consequence of (1), (2), and Proposition 13.34 [1].

Ad(4). Since $\hat{\tau}_1 = \tau_1$, $\hat{\tau}_2 = \tau_2$ in the proof of (2), it is immediate that $F_{\pi} \circ E_{\times} = Id_{L\text{-BiTop}}$.

Ad(5). Using $F_{\pi} \circ E_{\times} = Id_{L\text{-BiTop}}$, the components of the left unit (counit) of $E_{\times} \dashv F_{\pi}$ furnish the needed monoreflection arrows to L^2 -topological spaces from the E_{\times} image of $L\text{-BiTop}$.

Ad(6). Using $F_{\pi} \circ E_{\times} = Id_{L\text{-BiTop}}$, the components of the right unit of $E_{\times} \dashv F_{\pi}$ furnish the needed isoreflection arrows to L -bitopological spaces from the F_{π} image of $L^2\text{-Top}$. \square

Remark 3.27. We collect some facts concerning E_{\times} , F_{π} , and their fibre-dependent constructions, where L is a us-quantale:

- (1) $F_{\pi} \nrightarrow E_{\times}$ if L is consistent. This is a consequence of 3.24.
- (2) $E_{\times} \dashv F_{\pi}$ need not be a categorical equivalence. This follows from (1).
- (3) For each $(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|$,

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\pi} E_{\times} (\tau_1, \tau_2) &= F_{\pi} (\varphi_X^{\rightarrow} (\tau_1 \times \tau_2)) \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ \varphi_X^{\rightarrow} (\tau_1 \times \tau_2), \pi_2 \circ \varphi_X^{\rightarrow} (\tau_1 \times \tau_2)) \\ &= (\tau_1, \tau_2). \end{aligned}$$

- (4) For each $(X, \tau) \in |L^2\text{-Top}|$,

$${}^{\leftarrow} E_{\times} (F_{\pi} (\tau)) = \varphi_X^{\rightarrow} ((\pi_1 \circ \tau) \times (\pi_2 \circ \tau)) \supset \tau$$

always holds; but for L consistent,

$${}^{\leftarrow} E_{\times} (F_{\pi} (\tau)) = \varphi_X^{\rightarrow} ((\pi_1 \circ \tau) \times (\pi_2 \circ \tau)) \subset \tau$$

need not hold. The latter statement is another version of (1).

Theorem 3.28 (characterization of $|E_{\times}^{\rightarrow} (L\text{-BiTop})|$). *Let L be a us-quantale and $(X, \tau) \in |L^2\text{-Top}|$. Then $(X, \tau) \in |E_{\times}^{\rightarrow} (L\text{-BiTop})|$ if and only if $E_{\times} (F_{\pi} (\tau)) = \tau$, i.e., both inequalities of 3.27(4) hold.*

3.4.3. *Behavior of $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ w.r.t. limits.* The question of a left-adjoint for E_\times is open for general us-quantales L ; and it is our conjecture is that for general us-quantales L , E_\times would not preserve products or intersections and hence would not have a left-adjoint. But on the other hand, this section shows E_\times has a left-adjoint (and therefore preserves all limits) for L any u-quantale. We point out that our proof of this left-adjoint is existential (via the Special Adjoint Functor Theorem) and not constructive; and it is an additional open question whether there is a direct construction of this left adjoint not essentially factoring through our proof. It is further proved that E_\times reflects and detects limits and is transportable.

Lemma 3.29 (preservation of products). *For each u-quantale L , $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ preserves arbitrary (small) products.*

Sublemma 3.30. *Let L be a u-quantale and suppose X is a set and τ_1, τ_2 are L -topologies on X with respective subbases σ_1, σ_2 , namely*

$$\tau_1 = \langle\langle \sigma_1 \rangle\rangle, \quad \tau_2 = \langle\langle \sigma_2 \rangle\rangle,$$

such that $\{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\} \subset \sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2$. Then

$$(*) \quad \varphi_X^\rightarrow(\tau_1 \times \tau_2) = \langle\langle \varphi_X^\rightarrow(\sigma_1 \times \sigma_2) \rangle\rangle.$$

Proof. To see that “ \supset ” holds in (*), note that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2 &\subset \tau_1 \times \tau_2, \\ \varphi_X^\rightarrow(\sigma_1 \times \sigma_2) &\subset \varphi_X^\rightarrow(\tau_1 \times \tau_2), \\ \langle\langle \varphi_X^\rightarrow(\sigma_1 \times \sigma_2) \rangle\rangle &\subset \varphi_X^\rightarrow(\tau_1 \times \tau_2). \end{aligned}$$

For “ \subset ” in (*), we first invoke the associativity of \otimes and its infinite distributivity over \bigvee to write members of τ_1, τ_2 as joins of tensor products of members of σ_1, σ_2 , respectively. More precisely, consider these typical members

$$\bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1} u_{\alpha\beta} \right), \quad \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_2} v_{\alpha\beta} \right)$$

of τ_1, τ_2 , respectively, where A_1, A_2 are arbitrary indexing sets, B_1, B_2 are arbitrary finite indexing sets, each $u_{\alpha\beta} \in \sigma_1$, each $v_{\alpha\beta} \in \sigma_2$, and where W.L.O.G. we assume

$$A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset = B_1 \cap B_2.$$

Next, we augment the $u_{\alpha\beta}$ ’s and $v_{\alpha\beta}$ ’s as follows, using the assumption that $\{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\} \subset \sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2$:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \in A_1, \beta \in B_2, u_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \underline{e}, \\ \alpha \in A_2, \beta \in B_1 \cup B_2, u_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \underline{\perp}, \\ \alpha \in A_2, \beta \in B_1, v_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \underline{e}, \\ \alpha \in A_1, \beta \in B_1 \cup B_2, v_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \underline{\perp}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that as maps from X to L that

$$\begin{aligned} \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1 \cup A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1 \cup B_2} u_{\alpha\beta} \right) &= \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1} u_{\alpha\beta} \right), \\ \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1 \cup A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1 \cup B_2} v_{\alpha\beta} \right) &= \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_2} v_{\alpha\beta} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We thus have that a typical member

$$\left(\bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1} u_{\alpha\beta} \right), \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_2} v_{\alpha\beta} \right) \right)$$

of $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$ may be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1 \cup A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1 \cup B_2} u_{\alpha\beta} \right), \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1 \cup A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1 \cup B_2} v_{\alpha\beta} \right) \right) \\ &= \bigvee_{\alpha \in A_1 \cup A_2} \left(\bigotimes_{\beta \in B_1 \cup B_2} (u_{\alpha\beta}, v_{\alpha\beta}) \right), \end{aligned}$$

the latter being the form of a typical member of $\langle\langle \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2 \rangle\rangle$. To complete the proof of “ \subset ”, we invoke the fact that φ_X^- is an order-isomorphism preserving all tensor products (3.18(4)) to conclude that

$$\varphi_X^- (\tau_1 \times \tau_2) \subset \varphi_X^- \langle\langle \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2 \rangle\rangle = \langle\langle \varphi_X^- (\sigma_1 \times \sigma_2) \rangle\rangle.$$

□

Proof of 3.29. Recall the categorical products in $L\text{-BiTop}$ use the categorical product of $L\text{-Top}$ in each slot as well as the usual projections for the morphisms of the product (Subsection 1.5), and let $\{(X_\gamma, (\tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma))\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \subset |L\text{-BiTop}|$. Because of the concreteness of E_\times , the validity of

$$E_\times \left(\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, (\tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma)), \{\pi_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \right) = \left(\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} E_\times (X_\gamma, (\tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma)), \{\pi_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \right)$$

holds if and only if we have the equality of topologies

$$(**) \quad \varphi_{X_\gamma}^- (\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma \times \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma) = \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \varphi_{X_\gamma}^- (\tau_1^\gamma \times \tau_2^\gamma),$$

where “ \times ” denotes as usual the direct product of us-quantales. For convenience, “LHS” and “RHS” respectively denote the left-hand side and right-hand side of (**). Let a subbasic open subset W be given from RHS. Then W may be written as follows:

$$W = (\pi_\beta)_L^- \left(\varphi_{X_\beta} \left(t_1^\beta, t_2^\beta \right) \right),$$

where $(t_1^\beta, t_2^\beta) \in \tau_1^\beta \times \tau_2^\beta$ for a fixed index $\beta \in \Gamma$. Given $\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \in \times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma$, then

$$\begin{aligned} W\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right) &= \varphi_{X_\beta}\left(t_1^\beta, t_2^\beta\right)\left(\pi_\beta\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right)\right) \\ &= \varphi_{X_\beta}\left(t_1^\beta, t_2^\beta\right)(x_\beta) \\ &= \left(t_1^\beta(x_\beta), t_2^\beta(x_\beta)\right) \\ &= \left(\left[(\pi_\beta)_L^\leftarrow\left(t_1^\beta\right)\right]\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right), \left[(\pi_\beta)_L^\leftarrow\left(t_2^\beta\right)\right]\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

This shows W is in LHS, LHS contains a subsbasis of RHS, and so LHS contains RHS.

For the reverse direction, let Z be in LHS. Then $\exists (u_1, u_2) \in \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma \times \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma$ with $Z = \varphi_{\times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma}(u_1, u_2)$. Since the τ_1^γ 's and τ_2^γ 's contain $\{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\}$ and since these L -subsets are preserved by the Zadeh preimage operators of all the projection maps, the usual subsbasis for each of $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma$ and $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma$ contains $\{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\}$. Thus 3.30 applies to say it suffices to let u_1, u_2 be subsbasis in their respective L -product topologies $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma$; so we may write

$$u_1 = (\pi_\alpha)_L^\leftarrow(t_1^\alpha), \quad u_2 = (\pi_\beta)_L^\leftarrow(t_2^\beta),$$

where $t_1^\alpha \in \tau_1^\alpha, t_2^\beta \in \tau_2^\beta$ for fixed indices $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$. Let $\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \in \times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma$. Then recalling that L has a unit e for \otimes and that \underline{e} is the corresponding unit for \otimes lifted to L^X , we have

$$\begin{aligned} Z\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right) &= \varphi_{\times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma}(u_1, u_2)\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right) \\ &= \left(u_1\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right), u_2\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right)\right) \\ &= \left(\left(\pi_\alpha\right)_L^\leftarrow\left(t_1^\alpha\right)\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right), \left(\pi_\beta\right)_L^\leftarrow\left(t_2^\beta\right)\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right)\right) \\ &= \left(t_1^\alpha\left(\pi_\alpha\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right)\right), t_2^\beta\left(\pi_\beta\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right)\right)\right) \\ &= \left(t_1^\alpha(x_\alpha), t_2^\beta(x_\beta)\right) \\ &= \left(t_1^\alpha(x_\alpha) \otimes e, e \otimes t_2^\beta(x_\beta)\right) \\ &= \left(t_1^\alpha(x_\alpha), \underline{e}(x_\alpha)\right) \otimes \left(\underline{e}(x_\beta), t_2^\beta(x_\beta)\right) \\ &= \left(\left[\left(\pi_\alpha\right)_L^\leftarrow\left(\varphi_{X_\alpha}\left(t_1^\alpha, \underline{e}\right)\right)\right] \otimes \left[\left(\pi_\beta\right)_L^\leftarrow\left(\varphi_{X_\beta}\left(\underline{e}, t_2^\beta\right)\right)\right]\right)\left(\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}\right), \end{aligned}$$

the last line being the evaluation at $\{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$ by a tensor of open subsets of RHS and hence of an open subset of RHS. Thus Z is in RHS, so LHS is contained in RHS, completing the proof of the theorem. \square

Lemma 3.31. *For each us-quantale L , $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ preserves equalizers.*

Sublemma 3.32. *Let L be a u -quantale, $(X, \tau, \sigma) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|$, $Z \subset X$, and $\tau(Z), \sigma(Z), E_\times(\tau, \sigma)(Z)$ be the L -subspace topologies on Z given by*

$$\begin{aligned}\tau(Z) &= \{u|_Z : u \in \tau\}, \\ \sigma(Z) &= \{v|_Z : v \in \sigma\}, \\ E_\times(\tau, \sigma)(Z) &= \varphi_X^{\rightarrow}(\tau \times \sigma)(Z)\end{aligned}$$

(cf. [41]). Then

$$E_\times(\tau, \sigma)(Z) = E_\times(\tau(Z), \sigma(Z)).$$

Restated, E_\times respects subspace topologies.

Proof. Let $u \in \tau, v \in \sigma, z \in Z$. Then

$$\varphi_X(u, v)|_Z(z) = (u(z), v(z)) = (u|_Z(z), v|_Z(z)) = \varphi_X(u|_Z, v|_Z)(z).$$

This implies

$$E_\times(\tau, \sigma)(Z) = \varphi_X^{\rightarrow}(\tau \times \sigma)(Z) = \varphi_X^{\rightarrow}(\tau(Z) \times \sigma(Z)) = E_\times(\tau(Z), \sigma(Z)).$$

□

Proof of 3.31. A categorical proof based upon the concreteness of E_\times, F and $F_\pi E_\times = Id_{L\text{-BiTop}}$ (3.26) does not work since it would generally require that $E_\times F_\pi(\tau) \subset \tau$, which need not be true by (3.27(4)). It is necessary to look at the actual construction of equalizers in each of $L\text{-BiTop}$ and $L^2\text{-Top}$ and show that E_\times carries the former into the latter. It can be checked that the equalizer of $f, g : (X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightrightarrows (Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ in $L\text{-BiTop}$ is given by $((Z, \tau_1(Z), \tau_2(Z)), \hookrightarrow)$, where

$$Z = \{x \in X : f(x) = g(x)\},$$

and that the equalizer of $f, g : E_\times(X, \tau_1, \tau_2) \rightrightarrows E_\times(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$ in $L^2\text{-Top}$ is given by $((Z, E_\times(\tau_1, \tau_2)(Z)), \hookrightarrow)$ using the same Z . Because of the concreteness of E_\times , the issue is whether $E_\times(\tau_1, \tau_2)(Z)$ is the same as $E_\times(\tau_1(Z), \tau_2(Z))$, and this is settled in 3.32. □

Corollary 3.33. *For each u -quantale L , $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ preserves all small limits. In particular, for each frame L , E_\times preserves all small limits.*

Proof. It is not difficult to show that $L\text{-BiTop}$ is topological over **Set** w.r.t. the usual forgetful functor; and since **Set** is complete, it follows that $L\text{-BiTop}$ is complete (Theorem 21.16 [1]). Conjoin 3.29 and 3.31 to get that E_\times preserves equalizers and (all) products; and then apply Proposition 13.4 [1] to finish the proof. □

Lemma 3.34. *For each u -quantale L , $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ preserves all intersections.*

Proof. As in the proof of 3.31, it is necessary to look at the actual construction of intersections in each of $L\text{-BiTop}$ and $L^2\text{-Top}$ and show that E_\times carries the former into the latter. Since this is trivially the case if the indexing class of the intersection is empty, we assume *sequens* that the indexing class is nonempty.

To describe intersections in $L\text{-BiTop}$, let $\{((X_\gamma, \tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma), m_\gamma)\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$ be a class of subobjects of (Y, σ_1, σ_2) —by the well-poweredness of $L\text{-BiTop}$ (Subsection 1.5), this class is not proper, i.e., we may take Γ as a set; form the product

$$\left(\times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma, \{\pi_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \right)$$

of these subobjects in $L\text{-BiTop}$; let

$$X \equiv \left\{ \{x_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} : \forall \beta, \delta \in \Gamma, m_\beta(x_\beta) = m_\delta(x_\delta) \right\} \subset \times_{\gamma \in \Gamma} X_\gamma;$$

fix $\zeta \in \Gamma$; and put

$$m \equiv m_\zeta \circ \pi_\zeta \circ \hookrightarrow : X \rightarrow Y.$$

Then equipping X with the L -subspace topologies

$$[\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma](X), [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma](X),$$

respectively, it can be shown that

$$((X, [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma](X), [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma](X)), m)$$

is the required intersection in $L\text{-BiTop}$.

We now consider in $L^2\text{-Top}$ the image

$$\{(E_\times(X_\gamma, \tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma), m_\gamma)\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} = \{((X_\gamma, E_\times(\tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma)), m_\gamma)\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma},$$

under E_\times of the family $\{((X_\gamma, \tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma), m_\gamma)\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$, which image by the functoriality of E_\times is a sink of subobjects for $E_\times(Y, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$. Using the X and m of the preceding paragraph, it can be shown that

$$((X, [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} E_\times(\tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma)](X)), m)$$

is the required intersection in $L^2\text{-Top}$.

To show that E_\times takes the $L\text{-BiTop}$ intersection to the $L^2\text{-Top}$ intersection, we note

$$\begin{aligned} & E_\times([\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma](X), [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma](X)) \\ &= E_\times(\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma, \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma)(X) \quad (\text{by 3.32}) \\ &= [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} E_\times(\tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma)](X) \quad (\text{by proof of 3.29 (**)}), \end{aligned}$$

which shows

$$E_\times(X, [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_1^\gamma](X), [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \tau_2^\gamma](X)) = (X, [\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} E_\times(\tau_1^\gamma, \tau_2^\gamma)](X)).$$

□

Theorem 3.35. *For each u -quantale L , $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ preserves all strong limits.*

Proof. This follows from 3.33, 3.34, and Definition 13.1(3) [1]. □

Theorem 3.36. *For each u -quantale L , $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ has a left adjoint.*

Proof. First, $L\text{-BiTop}$ has small fibres and is a topological construct (proof of 3.33); hence, $L\text{-BiTop}$ is complete and well-powered with coseparators by Corollary 21.17 [1]. Second, Proposition 12.5 [1] now gives $L\text{-BiTop}$ is strongly complete. Third, since E_\times preserves all strong limits (3.35), the Special Adjoint Functor Theorem 18.17 [1] now implies E_\times is a right-adjoint. Finally, apply Proposition 18.9 [1]. \square

Proposition 3.37. *For each us-quantale L , $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ reflects and detects all limits and hence lifts all limits and is transportable.*

Proof. The details are straightforward using the preservation of limits by F_π , $F_\pi \circ E_\times = \text{Id}_{L\text{-BiTop}}$, 3.36, and Proposition 13.34 [1]. \square

3.4.4. *Behavior of $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ w.r.t. stratification issues.* This subsection shows E_\times is essentially neutral w.r.t. stratification issues.

Lemma 3.38. *Let L be a us-quantale, $(X, \tau, \sigma) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|$, and $(\gamma, \delta) \in L^2$. Then $(\underline{\gamma}, \underline{\delta}) \in E_\times(\tau, \sigma)$ if and only if $\underline{\gamma} \in \tau$ and $\underline{\delta} \in \sigma$.*

Proof. It is straightforward to check that

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{\gamma}, \underline{\delta}) \in \varphi_X^{\rightarrow}(\tau \times \sigma) &\Leftrightarrow \exists u \in \tau, \exists v \in \sigma, \forall x \in X, (u(x), v(x)) = (\gamma, \delta) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \underline{\gamma} \in \tau, \underline{\delta} \in \sigma. \end{aligned}$$

\square

Theorem 3.39. *Let L be a us-quantale, $(X, \mathfrak{T}) \in |\mathbf{Top}|$, $(X, \tau) \in |L\text{-Top}|$, and $(X, \tau, \sigma) \in |L\text{-BiTop}|$. The following hold:*

- (1) $E_\times(X, \tau, \sigma)$ always has $(\underline{\perp}, \underline{\perp}), (\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}), (\underline{e}, \underline{\perp}), (\underline{e}, \underline{e})$ as open subsets.
- (2) $E_\times(X, \tau, \sigma)$ is anti-stratified if and only if L is inconsistent.
- (3) For $L = \mathbf{2}$, $E_\times(X, \tau, \sigma)$ is weakly stratified.
- (4) $E_\times G_X(X, \mathfrak{T})$ is weakly stratified for $|L| = 2$ and non-stratified for $|L| > 2$.
- (5) $E_\times(X, \tau, \sigma)$ is weakly stratified if and only if (X, τ, σ) is weakly stratified.
- (6) $E_\times(X, \tau, \sigma)$ is non-stratified if and only if (X, τ, σ) is non-stratified.
- (7) Statements (1–3, 5–6) with $E_\times(X, \tau, \sigma)$ replaced with $E_\times F_d(X, \tau)$ and (X, τ, σ) replaced with (X, τ) .

Proof. (1) follows from 3.38 given that $\{\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}\} \subset \tau \cap \sigma$; (2, 3, 4) follow from (1) and the fact that $\mathbf{4}$ may be taken as precisely $\{(\underline{\perp}, \underline{\perp}), (\underline{\perp}, \underline{e}), (\underline{e}, \underline{\perp}), (\underline{e}, \underline{e})\}$; (5) follows from 3.38; (6) contraposes (5); and (7) is immediate from the other statements. \square

4. SUMMARY

This paper surveys the relationship between (lattice-valued) bitopology and (lattice-valued) topology by examining a variety of functorial relationships— $E_d, F_l, F_r, F_\wedge, F_\vee, F_\Pi, E_\times, F_\pi$ —when L is a us-quantale. From this overview

of these functors and their properties, the following metamathematical conclusions emerge:

- (1) If it were assumed that the underlying lattice L of membership values is *not* allowed to change, then this survey would support the following viewpoint:
 - (a) (lattice-valued) bitopology is strictly more general than (lattice-valued) topology in an extremely well-behaved way—justified by E_d ; and
 - (b) (lattice-valued) topology is not more general than (lattice-valued) bitopology—justified by $F_t, F_\tau, F_\wedge, F_\vee, F_\Pi$ in comparison with E_d , though the variety of ways in which bitopological spaces may be interpreted as topological spaces is rather striking.
- (2) If it were assumed that the underlying lattice L of membership values *is* allowed to change (e.g., to the direct s-quantalic product L^2), then this survey would support the following viewpoint:
 - (a) (lattice-valued) topology is strictly more general than (lattice-valued) bitopology in an extremely well-behaved way—justified by E_\times ; and
 - (b) (lattice-valued) bitopology is not more general than (lattice-valued) topology—justified by F_π in comparison with E_\times , though F_π is a rather interesting interpretation of topological spaces as bitopological spaces.
- (3) This paper supports viewpoint (2) against viewpoint (1) for the following reasons:
 - (a) We are in fact allowed to choose whatever underlying lattice of membership values we wish, so in fact the underlying assumption of (1) is false and the underlying assumption of (2) is true. The class of embeddings E_\times stands and must be reckoned with.
 - (b) Topology (lattice-valued) is fundamentally simpler than bitopology (lattice-valued):
 - (i) An L -bitopological space (X, τ, σ) adds to the ground object X *three* parameters— L, τ, σ ; while an M -topological space (X, τ) adds to the ground object X *two* parameters— M, τ .
 - (ii) When passing (via E_\times) from the L -bitopological space (X, τ, σ) to the L^2 -topological space, the complexity of *two* topologies is isolated in the underlying lattice of membership values, leaving behind *one* topology.
 - (c) Topology (lattice-valued) is strictly more general than bitopology (lattice-valued) in each of *two* ways:
 - (i) For each $L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$, the direct product $L^2 \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$ and $L\text{-BiTop}$ embeds as a *strict* subcategory of $L^2\text{-Top}$ (via E_\times), which is extremely well-behaved if $L \in |\mathbf{UQuant}|$.
 - (ii) The class

$$\{L^2\text{-Top} : L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|\}$$

representing the field of fixed-basis bitopology using us-quantales is a *strictly proper* subclass of the class

$$\{L\text{-Top} : L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|\}$$

representing the field of fixed-basis topology using us-quantales (and not every us-quantale is a direct square of another us-quantale), and this strictness holds if the class is indexed by $|\mathbf{UQuant}|$.

- (iii) Thus when one proves a theorem in fixed-basis topology, it is strictly more general w.r.t. coverage of categories *and* coverage of objects in each category in which bitopological spaces are embedded.
- (d) The upshot of (a, b, c) is that (lattice-valued) bitopology is categorically redundant, particularly for underlying unital quantales: (lattice-valued) topology is fundamentally simpler and strictly more general. Fixed-basis bitopology is a complicated version of restricted subcategories of categories from a restricted class of categories of fixed-basis topological spaces. For lattice-theoretic bases larger than $\mathbf{2}$, workers in lattice-valued bitopology should now be working in lattice-valued topology.
- (4) The above arguments apply to traditional bitopology in a more subtle way. On the one hand, traditional bitopology is isomorphic—in an extremely well-behaved way—to a *strictly proper*, extremely well-behaved subcategory of the much simpler $\mathbf{4}$ -topology (\mathbf{BiTop} embeds into $\mathbf{4-Top}$: 3.25 above); restated, traditional bitopology is a restricted subcase of a particular kind of fuzzy topology (namely $\mathbf{4}$ -topology) and therefore traditional bitopology is categorically redundant *vis-a-vis* fixed-basis lattice-valued topology. On the other hand, the crisp lattice $\mathbf{2}$ underlying \mathbf{BiTop} is so extremely simple that it is really a question of two topologies in \mathbf{BiTop} *vis-a-vis* the lattice $\mathbf{4}$ and one topology in $\mathbf{4-Top}$; restated, moving from $(X, \mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S})$ to $(X, E_{\times}(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}))$ means moving from the parameters $(\mathbf{2}, \mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S})$ to the parameters $(\mathbf{4}, E_{\times}(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}))$, with the increased complexity in going from $\mathbf{2}$ to $\mathbf{4}$ offset by going from the *two* topologies $\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}$ to the *one* $\mathbf{4}$ -topology $E_{\times}(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S})$, noting that each of $\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}$ is more complex than $\mathbf{4}$. At the very least, workers in traditional bitopology should consider working in $\mathbf{4}$ -topology.
- (5) The above arguments for redundancy in some sense are even stronger than those used in [16] to show that various versions of “intuitionistic” topologies or topologies comprising double subsets are redundant and a categorically special case of fixed-basis topology since the E_{\times} ’s of this paper are strict embeddings and not functorial isomorphisms (when L is consistent) as in [16].
- (6) The rich history and literature of traditional bitopology, including interesting separation and compactness axioms which “mix” together the two topologies, are now immediately part of the literature of $\mathbf{4-Top}$

since the functorial embedding $E_\times \circ G_\chi$ is an embedding at the power-set and fibre levels in which these axioms are formulated. The precise shape of these axioms as packaged by $E_\times \circ G_\chi$ in **4-Top** is, however, an open question. Answering this question may teach us how to use successful axioms of traditional bitopology to formulate successful axioms for fixed-basis topology.

We illustrate (6) by showing that from traditional bicomactness E_\times induces the compactness of [5] for lattice-valued topology and by discussing the relationship between the respective Tihonov Theorems for the two categories **BiTop** and **4-Top**. As repeatedly shown in [36, 37, 38, 42, 34], Chang's original axiom of compactness [5] for lattice-valued topology, dubbed **localic compactness** in [38] and simply **compactness** in [19, 42], has been extraordinarily successful and justified with regard to classes of representations of L -spatial locales, L -coherent locales, distributive lattices, Boolean algebras, traditional compact Hausdorff spaces, classes of Stone-Ćech compactifications, classes of Stone-Weierstraß theorems [42], etc; indeed, for L a frame, only this compactness axiom (and the very closely related axiom of [20]) has an unrestricted compactification reflector for *all* of L -**Top**. Further, its Tihonov Theorem, namely the Goguen-Tihonov Theorem [12], is one of the few Tihonov Theorems in the fuzzy literature which does not need the classical theorem in its proof; and hence it generalizes and explains both the statement and the proof of the classical theorem. We need the statement of this theorem.

Let L be any complete lattice and let κ be a cardinal. We say \top is κ -**isolated** [12] in L if for each $A \subset L - \{\top\}$ with $|A| \leq \kappa$, $\bigvee A < \top$.

Theorem 4.1 (Goguen-Tihonov [12]). *Let L be a complete lattice and Γ be an indexing set. Then \top is $|\Gamma|$ -isolated in L if and only if each collection $\{(X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma) : \gamma \in \Gamma\} \subset L$ -**Top** of compact spaces (in the sense of [5]) yields a compact product $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma)$.*

Corollary 4.2. *The traditional Tihonov Theorem holds: for any indexing set Γ , $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \mathcal{T}_\gamma)$ is compact if and only if each $(X_\gamma, \mathcal{T}_\gamma)$ is compact.*

Proof. The forward direction—the easier direction—can be given the usual proof. As for the backward direction—the harder direction, we proceed as follows. First, the backward direction transfers directly, via the functorial isomorphism $G_\chi : \mathbf{Top} \rightarrow \mathbf{2-Top}$, to the claim that each collection $\{(X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma) : \gamma \in \Gamma\} \subset \mathbf{2-Top}$ of compact spaces (in the sense of [5]) yields a compact product $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma)$; and this claim holds immediately from 4.1 since in the lattice **2**, \top is κ -isolated in **2** for each cardinal κ , and so the claim holds for each indexing set Γ . \square

A traditional **bicompact** bitopological space $(X, \mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S})$ is defined by saying that X is compact w.r.t. each of the topologies $\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{S}$. Given the construction of products in **BiTop** (Subsection 1.5), we immediately have the usual Tihonov Theorem for traditional bitopology.

Corollary 4.3. *For any indexing set Γ , $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \mathfrak{T}_\gamma, \mathfrak{S}_\gamma)$ is bicomact if and only if each $(X_\gamma, \mathfrak{T}_\gamma, \mathfrak{S}_\gamma)$ is bicomact.*

Corollary 4.4. *Let Γ be an indexing set. Then each collection $\{(X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma) : \gamma \in \Gamma\} \subset \mathbf{4-Top}$ of compact spaces (in the sense of [5]) yields a compact product $\prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (X_\gamma, \tau_\gamma)$ if and only if $|\Gamma| = 0$ or 1 .*

Proof. Letting $\mathbf{4}$ be written as $\{\perp, a, b, \top\}$ with a, b unrelated, this is immediate from 4.1 since \top is κ -isolated in $\mathbf{4}$ if and only if $\kappa \leq 1$. \square

The plot thickens with the next definition, theorem, and corollary.

Definition 4.5. *Let $L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$. An L -bitopological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) is (L) -bicomact if X is compact (in the sense of [5]) w.r.t. each of τ_1 and τ_2 .*

Theorem 4.6. *For each $L \in |\mathbf{USQuant}|$, $E_\times : L\text{-BiTop} \rightarrow L^2\text{-Top}$ preserves bicomactness to compactness in the sense of [5].*

Proof. Let a bicomact L -topological space (X, τ_1, τ_2) be given and let

$$\{u_\gamma \times v_\gamma : \gamma \in \Gamma\}$$

be a cover of X from the L^2 -topology $E_\times(\tau_1, \tau_2)$. If Γ is finite, then this cover is its own finite subcover; so we assume Γ is not finite. Now

$$(\underline{\perp}, \underline{\perp}) = (\underline{\top}, \underline{\top}) = \bigvee_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (u_\gamma \times v_\gamma) = \bigvee_{\gamma \in \Gamma} u_\gamma \times \bigvee_{\gamma \in \Gamma} v_\gamma,$$

forcing each of $\{u_\gamma : \gamma \in \Gamma\}$ and $\{v_\gamma : \gamma \in \Gamma\}$ to be covers of X from τ_1 and τ_2 , respectively. The bicomactness yields two finite subcovers which we may respectively write as follows:

$$\{u_i : i = 1, \dots, m\}, \quad \{v_i : i = m + 1, \dots, m + n\}.$$

Then $|\Gamma| \geq m + n$ and

$$\bigvee_{i=1}^{m+n} (u_i \times v_i) = \bigvee_{i=1}^{m+n} u_i \times \bigvee_{i=1}^{m+n} v_i \geq \bigvee_{i=1}^m u_i \times \bigvee_{i=m+1}^{m+n} v_i = \underline{\perp} \times \underline{\perp} = (\underline{\top}, \underline{\top}),$$

showing that $\{u_i \times v_i : i = 1, \dots, m + n\}$ is the needed subcover of X . \square

Corollary 4.7. *The functorial embedding $E_\times \circ G_\chi : \mathbf{BiTop} \rightarrow \mathbf{4-Top}$ preserves bicomactness to compactness in the sense of [5].*

Proof. Since $G_\chi : \mathbf{BiTop} \rightarrow \mathbf{4-BiTop}$ preserves traditional bicomactness to the bicomactness of 4.5, the corollary follows from 4.6. \square

We close this discussion of (6) above with a few comments. First, traditional bicomactness mandates the compactness of [5] for lattice-valued topology (4.7). Second, we note $(E_\times G_\chi)^\top(\mathbf{BiTop})$ is isomorphic to \mathbf{BiTop} and closed under all products (in $\mathbf{4-Top}$) (3.23, 3.29): this means that the cardinality unrestricted Tihonov Theorem for \mathbf{BiTop} (4.3) transfers to a cardinality unrestricted Tihonov Theorem for the subcategory $(E_\times G_\chi)^\top(\mathbf{BiTop})$ of $\mathbf{4-Top}$ w.r.t. the compactness of [5]. Third, it now follows (4.4, 4.7) that E_\times

is not object-onto (already known) and that the special cardinality restriction of the Goguen-Tihonov Theorem for **4-Top** resides outside the subcategory $(E_{\times}G_{\chi})^{\rightarrow}(\mathbf{BiTop})$.

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