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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

In [1], Birkhoff and Pierce introduced the concept of f -ring. In [7], [9], and [10] it was shown that certain Archimedean f -rings can be represented as rings of continuous extended real valued functions on various topological spaces.

It was noted that the m -topology on rings of continuous real valued functions (see problem 2N of [6]) could be generalized to arbitrary f -rings provided they were convex in the sense of [5]. It was also shown that every f -ring can be embedded in a smallest convex f -ring. For this p -unit topology on a convex f -ring the ring becomes a topological ring. The concept of a C -ring was then introduced since these were the convex f -rings for which the p -unit topology is Hausdorff. By a slight generalization of the methods of topological ring theory it was established that the completion of a C -ring is a topological f -ring. The question then arose whether this completion is a C -ring and if its topology is the p -unit topology. It was then shown that a C -ring, R , could be represented as a subring of the ring of

all continuous "sections" from the maximal ideal space of R (with the Stone topology) into the "bundle" space of R and that this ring of continuous sections with the p -unit topology is the completion of R . This answered the above question in the affirmative. It was then proved, as an application, that a bounded Archimedean f -ring can be represented as a subring of the ring of all continuous real valued functions on its maximal \mathcal{L} -ideal space, which is a special case of the results of [10]. By then using the methods of [5] it can be shown that an Archimedean f -ring with identity can be represented as a subring of the ring of continuous extended real valued functions on its maximal \mathcal{L} -ideal space.

The material in Chapter II is from [1] and [8]. The material in Chapter V is from [3] and [4]. The concept of convex f -ring in Chapter III is from [5]. The material in Chapter VI from 6-19 to 6-29 is a slight modification of the construction of the reals in [4].

CHAPTER II

PRELIMINARY RESULTS ON f-RINGS

Throughout by ring will be understood a commutative ring with identity, 1.

Definition 2-1

A partially ordered ring, $\langle R, \leq \rangle$, is a system such that R is a ring and \leq is a partial order on R such that for all $a, b \in R$

$$1) \quad a \leq b \Rightarrow a+c \leq b+c$$

$$2) \quad a, b \geq 0 \Rightarrow ab \geq 0$$

Definition 2-2

An ℓ -ring is a partially ordered ring which is also a lattice. A totally ordered ring (t.o. ring) is a partially ordered ring such that \leq is a total order on R .

Definition 2-3

An f-ring, R , is an ℓ -ring such that for all $a, b, c \in R$

$$a \wedge b = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad c \geq 0 \Rightarrow (ca) \wedge b = 0$$

Proposition 2-4

Any t.o. ring is an f-ring.

In a ring R for $A, B \subseteq R$ define $A+B = \{a+b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ and similarly define $A \cdot B$ and $-A$.

In a partially ordered ring an element, r , is positive if $r \geq 0$ and negative if $r \leq 0$.

Proposition 2-5

If R is a partially ordered ring and P the subset of positive elements then $P+P \subseteq P$, $P \cdot P \subseteq P$, and $P \cap -P = \{0\}$. If R is a ring and Q a subset of R such that $Q+Q \subseteq Q$, $Q \cdot Q \subseteq Q$, and $Q \cap -Q = \{0\}$ then the relation, \leq , defined by $a \leq b$ iff $b-a \in Q$ makes $\langle R, \leq \rangle$ a partially ordered ring with $Q = P$. R is a t.o. ring iff $P \cup -P = R$.

Definition 2-6

A mapping from an ℓ -ring, R , into an ℓ -ring, S , is an ℓ -homomorphism if it is both a ring and lattice homomorphism. Similarly define ℓ -monomorphism, ℓ -epimorphism and ℓ -isomorphism.

Definition 2-7

In any ℓ -ring define

$$1) \ a^+ = a \vee 0 \quad 2) \ a^- = (-a) \vee 0 \quad 3) \ |a| = a \vee -a.$$

Definition 2-8

In an ℓ -ring, R , an ℓ -ideal, I , is a ring ideal such that

$$b \in I \text{ and } |a| \leq |b| \Rightarrow a \in I.$$

Proposition 2-9

If I is an ℓ -ideal of the ℓ -ring, R , let r_I be the residue class of R/I containing r . Then R/I is an ℓ -ring under the definitions $r_I + s_I = (r+s)_I$, $-(r_I) = (-r)_I$, $r_I s_I = (rs)_I$, $r_I \vee s_I = (r \vee s)_I$, and $r_I \wedge s_I = (r \wedge s)_I$. It follows that $|r_I| = |r|_I$, $(r_I)^+ = (r^+)_I$, and $(r_I)^- = (r^-)_I$. Write R_I for the ℓ -ring R/I . Also $r \in I$ iff $r_I = 0_I$. The natural map, $r \rightarrow r_I$, is an ℓ -epimorphism of R onto R_I .

Definition 2-10

The cardinal product, $C(R_\alpha)$, of the partially ordered rings $\{R_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$ is the cartesian product $\prod R_\alpha$ with operations defined as follows; $(a+b)_\alpha = a_\alpha + b_\alpha$, $(ab)_\alpha = a_\alpha b_\alpha$, $(-a)_\alpha = -a_\alpha$, $(1)_\alpha = 1$, and $(0)_\alpha = 0$ and also the relation, \leq , defined by $a \leq b$ iff for all $\alpha \in A$, $a_\alpha \leq b_\alpha$.

Proposition 2-11

The cardinal product of f -rings, R_α , is an f -ring. Also $(a \vee b)_\alpha = a_\alpha \vee b_\alpha$, $(a \wedge b)_\alpha = a_\alpha \wedge b_\alpha$, $|a|_\alpha = |a_\alpha|$, $(a^+)_\alpha = (a_\alpha)^+$, and $(a^-)_\alpha = (a_\alpha)^-$.

Proposition 2-12

For any f -ring, R , there exists a set of ℓ -ideals, $\{I_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$, such that R_{I_α} is a t.o. ring and the mapping, π , defined by $(\pi(r))_\alpha = r_{I_\alpha}$ is an ℓ -monomorphism of R into $C(R_{I_\alpha})$.

The above proposition is the principal characterization of f-rings and is used to prove that many properties of t.o. rings extend to f-rings.

Definition 2-13

A sub- ℓ -ring of an ℓ -ring is a set which is both a subring and a sublattice.

Proposition 2-14

A sub- ℓ -ring of an f-ring is an f-ring.

Proposition 2-15

An f-field is totally ordered.

Proposition 2-16

Commutative f-rings with identity can be equationally defined in terms of a set, R , fixed elements $0, 1 \in R$, the unary operation, $-$, and the binary operations $+$, \cdot , \wedge , \vee .

A regular element in a ring is one which is not a zero divisor. Thus all units are regular.

The following two propositions list the algebraic identities needed later.

Proposition 2-17

In any f-ring

- 1) $a \leq b$ and $c \geq 0 \Rightarrow ac \leq bc$
- 2) $a \leq b$ and $c \leq d \Rightarrow a+c \leq b+d$
- 3) $a \leq b \Rightarrow -b \leq -a$
- 4) $a \geq 0$ and $-a \geq 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$

- 5) $a \geq 0 \Rightarrow a(b \wedge c) = ab \wedge ac$ and $a(b \vee c) = ab \vee ac$
- 6) $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a \wedge b = a$
- 7) $a \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow a = |a|$
- 8) $a \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow a = a^+$
- 9) $|a| \geq 0$
- 10) $a^2 \geq 0$
- 11) $a^2 = |a|^2$
- 12) $|b-c| \leq a \Leftrightarrow c-a \leq b \leq c+a$
- 13) $|a| = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = 0$
- 14) $|a+b| \leq |a| + |b|$
- 15) $||a| - |b|| \leq |a-b|$
- 16) $|ab| = |a| |b|$
- 17) $|a^+ - b^+| \leq |a-b|$
- 18) $|a| \leq |b| \Rightarrow a^2 \leq b^2$
- 19) $a^+ a^- = 0$
- 20) $a^+ \wedge a^- = 0$
- 21) $1^+ = 1$ and $(-1)^- = 1$
- 22) $a \vee b = a + (b-a)^+$
- 23) $a \wedge b = -(-a \vee -b)$
- 24) c regular and $c \geq 0 \Rightarrow c > 0$
- 25) c regular, $c \geq 0$ and $a < b \Rightarrow ac < bc$
- 26) $a, b \geq 1 \Rightarrow ab \geq 1$
- 27) $a = a^+ - a^-$
- 28) $a \geq 1 \Rightarrow a$ regular
- 29) $1 > 0$
- 30) $|-a| = |a|$

A p-unit in a partially ordered ring is a positive unit.

Proposition 2-18

In any f-ring

- 1) $v \text{ a unit} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{v} \right| = \frac{1}{|v|}$
- 2) $2 \text{ a unit and } a < b \Rightarrow a < \frac{a+b}{2} < b$
- 3) $u, v \text{ p-units and } u \leq v \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{v} \leq \frac{1}{u}$
- 4) $u, v \text{ p-units} \Rightarrow u \wedge v \text{ a p-unit}$
- 5) $u, v \text{ p-units} \Rightarrow uv \text{ a p-unit}$
- 6) $u \text{ a p-unit} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{u} \text{ a p-unit}$
- 7) $2 \text{ a unit} \Rightarrow a \vee b = \frac{1}{2} (a+b + |a-b|)$

Definition 2-19

In an ℓ -ring, R ,

- 1) If $A \subseteq R$ then $\langle A \rangle$ is the smallest ℓ -ideal containing A , in particular, if $a \in R$ then $\langle a \rangle$ is the smallest ℓ -ideal containing a .
- 2) If A, B ℓ -ideals of R then $\langle AB \rangle$ is the smallest ℓ -ideal containing the ideal AB .
- 3) For a set of ℓ -ideals $\{A_i | i \in I\}$ of R , $\sum_{i \in I} A_i$ is the smallest ℓ -ideal containing every A_i . For two ideals A, B it is written as $A+B$.
- 4) A prime ℓ -ideal is an ℓ -ideal which is prime as a ring ideal.

Proposition 2-20

- 1) If R is a sub- ℓ -ring of the ℓ -ring, S , and

I an ℓ -ideal in S then $I \cap R$ is an ℓ -ideal in R .

2) For ℓ -ideals $\{A_i | i \in I\}$ of an ℓ -ring, R , $\sum A_i$ is the ordinary sum as ring ideals in R .

3) An ℓ -ideal P is prime iff for any two ℓ -ideals I and J ,

$$I \not\subseteq P \text{ and } J \not\subseteq P \Rightarrow \langle IJ \rangle \not\subseteq P.$$

4) For every proper ℓ -ideal I there is a maximal ℓ -ideal M such that $I \subseteq M$. Also R_M is a totally ordered ring.

5) If R is an f -ring and $a, b \in R$ then

$$\langle \langle a \rangle \langle b \rangle \rangle = \langle ab \rangle.$$

6) A maximal ℓ -ideal is prime.

Definition 2-21

The J -radical of an ℓ -ring R , $J(R)$, is the intersection of all the maximal ℓ -ideals in R .

Definition 2-22

In a partially ordered set, P , define for $a, b \in P$:

$$1) (a, b) = \{x \in P | a < x < b\}$$

$$2) [a, b] = \{x \in P | a \leq x \leq b\}$$

$$3) (a, \infty) = \{x \in P | a < x\}$$

$$4) (-\infty, a) = \{x \in P | x < a\}$$

$$5) [a, \infty) = \{x \in P | a \leq x\}$$

$$6) (-\infty, a] = \{x \in P | x \leq a\}$$

The intervals of types 1), 3), and 4) are called open intervals and the intervals of types 2), 5), and 6) are called closed intervals.

Proposition 2-23

If R is an \mathcal{L} -ring and $a \geq 0$ then

$$x \in [-a, a] \iff |x| \leq a.$$

Proposition 2-24

If I, J are \mathcal{L} -ideals of an f -ring, R , and $I \subseteq J$ then the mapping $\pi: R_I \rightarrow R_J$ defined by $\pi(r_I) = r_J$ is an \mathcal{L} -epimorphism.

Definition 2-25

An f -ring, R , is

- 1) bounded if for all $a \in R$ there exists a positive integer, n , such that $|a| \leq n1$,
- 2) Archimedean if $r, t \in R$ and for all positive integers, n , $nr \leq t$ then $r \leq 0$.

Proposition 2-26

- 1) The \mathcal{L} -homomorphic image of a bounded f -ring is a bounded f -ring.
- 2) A bounded totally ordered field is \mathcal{L} -isomorphic to a sub- f -field of the reals.
- 3) If R is an Archimedean f -ring then $J(R) = \{0\}$.

CHAPTER III

THE CONVEX CLOSURE OF AN f-RING

Definition 3-1

A convex f-ring is an f-ring R such that

$$r \in R \text{ and } r \geq 1 \Rightarrow r \text{ a unit}$$

Proposition 3-2

In a convex f-ring all maximal ideals are l-ideals.

Proof

Let M be a maximal ideal in the convex f-ring R .

Let $a, b \in R$ be such that $|a| \leq |b|$ and $a \notin M$. Since M maximal there exists $r \in R$ and $m \in M$ such that $ar + m = 1$ so $1 - ar \in M$.

Thus $(1 - ar)(1 + ar) = 1 - a^2 r^2 \in M$ so there exists $n \in M$ such that $n + a^2 r^2 = 1$. By 2-17(18), $a^2 \leq b^2$ and so by 2-17(10,1,2), $1 = n + a^2 r^2 \leq n + b^2 r^2$. Since R convex, $n + b^2 r^2$ is a unit and $n + b^2 r^2 \notin M$ thus $b \notin M$ since otherwise $n + b^2 r^2 \in M$. Thus if M a maximal ideal, $b \in M$, and $|a| \leq |b|$ then $a \in M$. Therefore by 2-8, M is an l-ideal.

Corollary 3-3

In a convex f-ring all maximal l-ideals are also maximal ideals.

Proof

Let M be a maximal l-ideal. Since M a proper ideal it is contained in a maximal ideal N . By 3-2, N is an l-ideal so $M = N$.

Lemma 3-4 In an f-ring

$$b \geq 0, b \text{ regular, and } be \geq 0 \Rightarrow e \geq 0$$

Proof

By 2-17(27), $b(e^+ - e^-) = be \geq 0$ and so by 2-17(2), $be^+ \geq be^-$ and $be^+ \wedge be^- = be^-$ by 2-17(6). Now $be^+ \wedge be^- = b(e^+ \wedge e^-) = b(0) = 0$ by 2-17(5,20). Thus $be^- = 0$ and since b regular then $e^- = 0$. By 2-17(27), $e = e^+$ and by 2-17(8), $e \geq 0$.

If R is a ring let $Q_c(R)$ be its classical ring of quotients. Let $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right]$ be the equivalence class of $Q_c(R)$ containing the fraction $\frac{a}{b}$.

Lemma 3-5

If R is an f-ring the set $P = \left\{ \left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \in Q_c(R) \mid ab \geq 0 \right\}$ is well defined.

Proof

Assume $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] = \left[\frac{c}{d}\right]$ and $ab \geq 0$. Then $ad = cb$ and so $ad^2b = cb^2d$. Thus by 2-17(10,1), $cdb^2 \geq 0$. Now b regular so that b^2 is also and $b^2 \geq 0$. Therefore by 3-4, $cd \geq 0$.

Lemma 3-6

The set P satisfies the conditions of 2-5 and so defines a partial order of $Q_c(R)$, R an f-ring, which makes $Q_c(R)$ a partially ordered ring.

Proof

Assume $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right], \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] \in P$ so that $ab \geq 0$ and $cd \geq 0$. Then by 2-17(1), $acbd \geq 0$ and therefore $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right]\left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{ac}{bd}\right] \in P$, that is $P \cdot P \subseteq P$. By 2-17(10,1,2), $0 \leq abd^2 + cdb^2 = (ad + cb)bd$ so

that $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] + \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{ad+cb}{bd}\right] \in P$, that is $P+P \subseteq P$.

Assume $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \in P \cap -P$ then there exists $\left[\frac{c}{d}\right] \in P$ such that $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] = -\left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{-c}{d}\right]$. Thus $cd \geq 0$ and $-cd \geq 0$ so by 2-17(4), $cd = 0$ but d is regular so $c = 0$.

Therefore $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] = 0$ and $P \cap -P = \{0\}$.

Lemma 3-7

If $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right], \left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \in Qc(R)$ and $h, b \geq 0$ then $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] \geq \left[\frac{a}{b}\right]$ iff $gb \geq ah$.

Proof

If $gb \geq ah$ then by 2-17(1,2), $(gb-ah)hb \geq 0$

Therefore $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] - \left[\frac{a}{b}\right] = \left[\frac{gb-ah}{hb}\right] \in P$ by 3-5 and by 2-5, $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] \geq \left[\frac{a}{b}\right]$.

If $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] \geq \left[\frac{a}{b}\right]$ then $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] - \left[\frac{a}{b}\right] = \left[\frac{gb-ah}{hb}\right] \in P$ by 2-5 and by 3-5, $(gb-ah)hb \geq 0$. Since h and b are regular so is hb and $hb \geq 0$ by 2-17(1). Therefore by 3-4, $gb-ah \geq 0$ so by 2-17(2), $gb \geq ah$.

Lemma 3-8

For any $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \in Qc(R)$ there exists $c, d \in R$ such that $d \geq 0$ and $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] = \left[\frac{c}{d}\right]$.

Proof

If b regular then b^2 is regular and $b^2 \geq 0$ by 2-17(10). Now $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] = \left[\frac{ab}{b^2}\right]$.

Lemma 3-9

If $b, d \geq 0$ then $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \vee \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{ad \vee cb}{bd}\right]$ and $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \wedge \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{ad \wedge cb}{bd}\right]$.

Proof

Since b and d regular so bd is regular and $\left[\frac{ad \vee cb}{bd}\right] \in Qc(R)$. By 2-17(5), $b(ad \vee cb) = abd \vee cb^2 \geq abd$ so that by 3-7 $\left[\frac{ad \vee cb}{bd}\right] \geq \left[\frac{a}{b}\right]$. Similarly $\left[\frac{ad \vee cb}{bd}\right] \geq \left[\frac{c}{d}\right]$.

If $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] \geq \left[\frac{a}{b}\right]$, $\left[\frac{c}{d}\right]$ then by 3-8 it can be assumed $h \geq 0$. By 3-7, $gb \geq ah$ and $gd \geq ch$ so by 2-17(1,5), $gbd \geq ahb \vee chb = h(ad \vee cb)$. Thus by 3-7, $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] \geq \left[\frac{ad \vee cb}{bd}\right]$ and therefore

$$\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \vee \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{ad \vee cb}{bd}\right] \text{ and similarly } \left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \wedge \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{ad \wedge cb}{bd}\right]$$

Theorem 3-10

If R an f -ring then $Qc(R)$ is an f -ring containing a sub- f -ring T 1-isomorphic to R .

Proof

$Qc(R)$ is a partially ordered ring by 3-6. If $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right], \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] \in Qc(R)$ then by 3-8 it may be assumed $b, d \geq 0$ so by 3-9, $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \wedge \left[\frac{c}{d}\right]$ and $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \vee \left[\frac{c}{d}\right]$ exist. Therefore $Qc(R)$ is an 1-ring.

If $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] \geq 0$ and by 3-8 it is assumed $h \geq 0$ then by 3-5, $gh \geq 0$ and by 3-4, $g \geq 0$. If $\left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \wedge \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = 0$ and by 3-8 it is assumed $b, d \geq 0$ then by 3-9 $ad \wedge cb = 0$ and by 2-3, $gad \wedge cbh = 0$. By 2-17(1), $hb \geq 0$ so by 3-9, $\left[\frac{g}{h}\right] \left[\frac{a}{b}\right] \wedge \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{ga}{hb}\right] \wedge \left[\frac{c}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{gad \wedge cbh}{hbd}\right] = 0$. Therefore by 2-3 $Qc(R)$ is an f -ring.

Consider the subset $T = \left\{ \left[\frac{a}{1}\right] \mid a \in R \right\}$ of $Qc(R)$. As is well known T is isomorphic to R as a ring under the mapping: $a \rightarrow \left[\frac{a}{1}\right]$. By 2-17(10), $1 \geq 0$ so by 3-9, $\left[\frac{a}{1}\right] \vee \left[\frac{b}{1}\right] = \left[\frac{a \vee b}{1}\right]$ and similarly $\left[\frac{a}{1}\right] \wedge \left[\frac{b}{1}\right] = \left[\frac{a \wedge b}{1}\right]$.

Thus T is 1-isomorphic to R .

Proposition 3-11

The subset $\widehat{R} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \mid b \geq 1 \right\}$ of $Q_c(R)$ is a convex f-ring containing a sub-f-ring T , 1-isomorphic to R .

Proof

By 2-17(26) if $b, d \geq 1$ then $bd \geq 1$ so \widehat{R} is a sub-ring of $Q_c(R)$. Since $1 \geq 0$ then $bd \geq 0$ and by 3-9, \widehat{R} is a sub-1-ring of $Q_c(R)$. By 2-14, \widehat{R} is an f-ring. Now the set T of 3-10 is contained in \widehat{R} and it 1-isomorphic to R .

If $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \in \widehat{R}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \geq 1$ then $b \geq 1$ and by 3-7, $a \geq b$ so $a \geq 1$ and by 2-17(28), a is regular. Thus $\begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix} \in \widehat{R}$ so \widehat{R} convex.

Lemma 3-12

If S is a convex f-ring containing a sub-f-ring T 1-isomorphic to an f-ring R then S contains a sub-f-ring 1-isomorphic to \widehat{R} .

Proof

Let π be the 1-isomorphism of R onto T so if $b \in R$ and $b \geq 1$ then $\pi b \geq 1$. If $c, d \in T$ and $d \geq 1$ then $\frac{c}{d} \in S$ since S convex. Define a map η of \widehat{R} into S by $\eta \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\pi a}{\pi b}$. It is easily verified by the techniques of 3-7, 3-8, and 3-9 that η is an 1-monomorphism.

Definition 3-13

The convex closure of an f-ring R is the \widehat{R} of 3-11.

As usual R can be considered as a sub-f-ring of \widehat{R} and for any element $g \in \widehat{R}$ there exists $a, b \in R$ such that

$b \geq 1$ and $g = \frac{a}{b}$. Also by 2-17(28) if $a, b \in R$ and $b \geq 1$ then $\frac{a}{b} \in \widehat{R}$.

The relation between the 1-ideals of R and of \widehat{R} is now investigated.

Lemma 3-14

If R is an f-ring and I an l-ideal in R then $\widehat{I} = \{\frac{a}{b} \in \widehat{R} \mid a \in I\}$ is an l-ideal in \widehat{R} .

Proof

If $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d} \in \widehat{I}$ then $\frac{a+c}{b+d} = \frac{ad+cb}{bd}$ and $ad+cb \in I$ so $\frac{a+c}{b+d} \in \widehat{I}$. Similarly if $\frac{a}{b} \in \widehat{I}$ and $\frac{c}{d} \in \widehat{R}$ then $\frac{a}{b} \frac{c}{d} \in \widehat{I}$. Therefore \widehat{I} is an ideal in \widehat{R} .

If $\frac{a}{b} \in \widehat{I}$ and $|\frac{c}{d}| \leq |\frac{a}{b}|$ then by 2-17(16) and 2-18(1), $|\frac{c}{d}| \leq |\frac{a}{b}|$. Now by 2-17(9,1,16) $|bc| = |b||c| \leq |a||d| = |ad|$ and $ad \in I$ so by 2-8 $bc \in I$. Since $b \geq 1$ then $b \geq 0$ and by 2-17(7) $|b| = b \geq 1$. Now by 2-17(9,1,16), $|bc| = |b||c| \geq |c|$ so by 2-8, $c \in I$ and $\frac{c}{d} \in \widehat{I}$. Thus \widehat{I} is an l-ideal.

Lemma 3-15

If R is an f-ring, I an l-ideal in R , and J an l-ideal in \widehat{R} then $\widehat{I} \cap R = I$ and $\widehat{J \cap R} = J$.

Proof

Since $\frac{a}{1} = a$, $I \subseteq \widehat{I}$ and so $I \subseteq \widehat{I} \cap R$. If $c \in \widehat{I} \cap R$ then there exists $\frac{a}{b} \in \widehat{I}$ such that $c = \frac{a}{b}$ and $a \in I$. Thus $a = bc$ so $bc \in I$ and $b \geq 1$. As in the proof of 3-14, $c \in I$ so $\widehat{I} \cap R \subseteq I$. Thus $\widehat{I} \cap R = I$.

By 2-20(1), $J \cap R$ is an l-ideal in R so that $\widehat{J \cap R}$ is an l-ideal of \widehat{R} by 3-14. If $\frac{a}{b} \in \widehat{J \cap R}$ then $a \in J \cap R$ by 3-14 so $a \in J$. Now $\frac{1}{b} \in \widehat{R}$ so $(\frac{1}{b})a = \frac{a}{b} \in J$. Thus $\widehat{J \cap R} \subseteq J$. If

$\frac{a}{b} \in J$ then $b(\frac{a}{b}) = a \in J$ so $a \in J \cap R$ and by 3-14, $\frac{a}{b} \in \widehat{J \cap R}$. Thus $J \subseteq \widehat{J \cap R}$. Therefore $J = \widehat{J \cap R}$.

If R an f -ring and $c \in R$ let $\langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}}$ be the 1-ideal generated by c in \widehat{R} and let $\langle c \rangle_R$ be the 1-ideal generated by c in R (see 2-19(1)).

Lemma 3-16

If R an f -ring and $c \in R$ then $\langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R = \langle c \rangle_R$

Proof

By 2-20(1), $\langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R$ is an 1-ideal in R containing c . Now by 2-19(1), $\langle c \rangle_R \subseteq \langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R$. Since $\langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}}$ is an 1-ideal in \widehat{R} by 3-14 then by 2-19(1), $\langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \subseteq \widehat{\langle c \rangle_R}$. Therefore $\langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R \subseteq \widehat{\langle c \rangle_R} \cap R$ and by 3-15, $\langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R = \widehat{\langle c \rangle_R} \cap R$ so $\langle c \rangle_R \supseteq \langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R$. Therefore $\langle c \rangle_R = \langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R$.

Lemma 3-17

If M is a maximal 1-ideal in R then \widehat{M} is a maximal 1-ideal in \widehat{R} .

Proof

If $\frac{a}{b} \notin \widehat{M}$ then $a \notin M$ by 3-14 and $M + \langle a \rangle_R = R$ since M maximal 1-ideal in R . By 2-20(2) there exists $m \in M$ and $x \in \langle a \rangle_R$ such that $m + x = 1$. Since $b(\frac{a}{b}) = a$ then $\langle a \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \subseteq \langle \frac{a}{b} \rangle_{\widehat{R}}$ by 2-19(1). By 3-15, $M \subseteq \widehat{M}$ and by 3-16 $\langle a \rangle_R \subseteq \langle a \rangle_{\widehat{R}}$ so $1 = (m+x) \in \widehat{M} + \langle \frac{a}{b} \rangle_{\widehat{R}}$. Thus \widehat{M} is a maximal 1-ideal in \widehat{R} .

Lemma 3-18

If N a maximal 1-ideal in \widehat{R} then $N \cap R$ is a maximal 1-ideal in R .

Proof

By 2-20(1), $N \cap R$ is an l-ideal in R . If $c \in R$ and $c \notin N \cap R$ then $c \notin N$ so that $N + \langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} = \widehat{R}$. Thus there exists $\frac{a}{b} \in N$ and $\frac{e}{d} \in \langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}}$ such that $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{e}{d} = 1$. Since $b(\frac{a}{b}) = a$ and $d(\frac{e}{d}) = e$ then $a \in N \cap R$ and $e \in \langle c \rangle_{\widehat{R}} \cap R = \langle c \rangle_R$ by 3-16. Now $bd = (ad+eb) \in (N \cap R) + \langle c \rangle_R$ and $bd \geq 1$ by 2-17(26). By 2-8 and 2-17(7), $1 \in (N \cap R) + \langle c \rangle_R$ so $R = (N \cap R) + \langle c \rangle_R$. Therefore $N \cap R$ is a maximal l-ideal in R .

Proposition 3-19

If \mathcal{M} the set of maximal l-ideals of the f-ring R and \mathcal{N} the set of maximal l-ideals of \widehat{R} and π is the mapping of \mathcal{M} into \mathcal{N} defined by $\pi(M) = \widehat{M}$ then π is a one-to-one and onto mapping.

Proof

By 3-17 if M a maximal l-ideal in R then \widehat{M} is a maximal l-ideal in \widehat{R} so that π is a mapping of \mathcal{M} into \mathcal{N} . Define a mapping η of \mathcal{N} into \mathcal{M} by $\eta(N) = N \cap R$. By 3-18, $N \cap R$ is a maximal l-ideal in R so η is a mapping of \mathcal{N} into \mathcal{M} . Now $\eta\pi(M) = \eta(\widehat{M}) = \widehat{M} \cap R = M$ by 3-15 so $\eta\pi$ is the identity map on \mathcal{M} . Also $\pi\eta(N) = \pi(N \cap R) = \widehat{N \cap R} = N$ by 3-15 so $\pi\eta$ is the identity map on \mathcal{N} . Therefore π is a one-to-one mapping of \mathcal{M} onto \mathcal{N} .

Lemma 3-20

For any f-ring R , $J(\widehat{R}) = \widehat{J(R)}$.

Proof

By 3-19 for any $N \in \mathcal{N}$ there exists $M \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $N = \widehat{M}$ so $J(\widehat{R}) = \bigcap \{N \in \mathcal{N}\} = \bigcap \{\widehat{M} \mid M \in \mathcal{M}\}$. Now

$$J(\widehat{R}) \cap R = \bigcap \{ \widehat{M} \cap R \mid M \in \mathcal{M} \} = \bigcap \{ M \mid M \in \mathcal{M} \} = J(R) \text{ by 3-15.}$$

$$\text{So } \widehat{J(R)} = \widehat{J(\widehat{R}) \cap R} = J(\widehat{R}) \text{ by 3-15.}$$

Lemma 3-21

For any f-ring R , $J(R) = \{0\}$ iff $J(\widehat{R}) = \{0\}$.

Proof

If $J(\widehat{R}) = \{0\}$ then $J(R) \subseteq J(\widehat{R})$ so $J(R) = \{0\}$. If $J(R) = \{0\}$ then $\{0\} = \widehat{J(R)} = J(\widehat{R})$.

CHAPTER IV

MAXIMAL 1-IDEAL SPACE OF AN f-RING

Throughout let \mathcal{M} be the set of all maximal 1-ideals of an f-ring R .

Definition 4-1

For any set $A \subseteq R$, let $S(A) = \{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid A \not\subseteq M\}$.

In particular if $a \in R$ then $S(a) = \{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid a \notin M\}$.

Proposition 4-2

The collection of sets, $\{S(A) \mid A \subseteq R\}$, form a topology on \mathcal{M} . A basis for this topology is given by the sets $\{S(r) \mid r \in R\}$.

Proof

If $\langle A \rangle$ is the 1-ideal generated by $A \subseteq R$ (see 2-19(1)) then $S(\langle A \rangle) = S(A)$ since $A \not\subseteq M$ iff $\langle A \rangle \not\subseteq M$ for any $M \in \mathcal{M}$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} M \in \bigcup \{S(A_i) \mid i \in I\} &\Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I, A_i \not\subseteq M \Leftrightarrow \\ M \in S(\sum \{A_i \mid i \in I\}) &\text{. Therefore } \bigcup \{S(A_i) \mid i \in I\} \\ &= S(\sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in I\}) \text{.} \end{aligned}$$

By 2-20(6,3), $M \in S(A) \cap S(B) \Leftrightarrow \langle A \rangle \not\subseteq M$ and $\langle B \rangle \not\subseteq M \Leftrightarrow \langle \langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle \rangle \not\subseteq M \Leftrightarrow M \in S(\langle \langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle \rangle) = S(\langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle)$. Therefore $S(A) \cap S(B) = S(\langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle)$.

Now $S(1) = \mathcal{M}$ and $S(0) = \emptyset$ so the sets $\{S(A) \mid A \subseteq R\}$ form a topology on \mathcal{M} .

$$\text{Now } S(A) = S(\langle A \rangle) = S(\sum \{\langle a \rangle \mid a \in A\})$$

$= \bigcup \{S(a) \mid a \in A\}$ so the sets $\{S(a) \mid a \in R\}$ form a basis for this topology.

Lemma 4-3

The space \mathcal{M} is compact.

Proof

Suppose $\{S(A_i) \mid i \in I\}$ is an open cover of \mathcal{M} then $\mathcal{M} = \bigcup \{S(A_i) \mid i \in I\} = S(\sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in I\})$ as in proof of 4-2 so for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$, $\sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in I\} \notin M$. Therefore by 2-20(4), $R = \sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in I\}$, and so $1 \in \sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in I\}$. By 2-20(2) there exists a finite subset F of I such that $1 \in \sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in F\}$. Thus for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$, $\sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in F\} \notin M$ so that $\mathcal{M} = S(\sum \{\langle A_i \rangle \mid i \in F\}) = \bigcup \{S(A_i) \mid i \in F\}$. Therefore $\{S(A_i) \mid i \in F\}$ is a finite subcover. Thus \mathcal{M} is compact.

Lemma 4-4

The space \mathcal{M} is Hausdorff.

Proof

Consider any $M, N \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $M \neq N$. Then $M+N = R$ so by 2-20(2) there exists $r \in M$ and $s \in N$ such that $r+s = 1$. Let $a = r-s$. Now $a = r-s = r-(1-r) = r+r-1$ so by 2-6, $a_M = (r+r-1)_M = r_M + r_M - 1_M = 0_M + 0_M - 1_M = -1_M$. Then by 2-6 and 2-17(21), $(a^-)_M = a_M^- = (-1_M)^- = 1_M \neq 0_M$ so that $a^- \notin M$ or $M \in S(a^-)$. Similarly $N \in S(a^+)$. Now as in proof of 4-2 and by 2-20(5), $S(a^+) \cap S(a^-) = S(\langle \langle a^+ \rangle \langle a^- \rangle \rangle) = S(\langle a^+ a^- \rangle) = S(a^+ a^-) = S(0) = \emptyset$ by 2-17(19). Thus

$M \in S(a^+)$ and $N \in S(a^-)$ and $S(a^-) \cap S(a^+) = \emptyset$ so \mathcal{M} is Hausdorff.

Theorem 4-5

The maximal l-ideal space \mathcal{M} of any f-ring is compact and Hausdorff.

Theorem 4-6

If \mathcal{M} is the maximal l-ideal space of an f-ring R and \mathcal{N} the maximal l-ideal space of \widehat{R} then \mathcal{M} is homeomorphic to \mathcal{N} .

Proof

If $A \subseteq R$ let $S_{\mathcal{M}}(A) = \{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid A \not\subseteq M\}$ and if $B \subseteq \widehat{R}$ let $S_{\mathcal{N}}(B) = \{N \in \mathcal{N} \mid B \not\subseteq N\}$.

Consider the mapping π of \mathcal{M} into \mathcal{N} defined by $\pi(M) = \widehat{M}$. By 3-19, π is a one-to-one onto mapping. Let I be any l-ideal of R . If $I \subseteq M \in \mathcal{M}$ then $\widehat{I} \subseteq \widehat{M}$ and if $\widehat{I} \subseteq \widehat{M}$ then $I = \widehat{I} \cap R \subseteq \widehat{M} \cap R = M$ by 3-15. Thus $I \not\subseteq M \in \mathcal{M}$ iff $\widehat{I} \not\subseteq \widehat{M}$. Now if $M \in S_{\mathcal{M}}(I)$ then $\pi(M) = \widehat{M} \in S_{\mathcal{N}}(\widehat{I})$ so $\pi(S_{\mathcal{M}}(I)) \subseteq S_{\mathcal{N}}(\widehat{I})$. If $N \in S_{\mathcal{N}}(\widehat{I})$ then by 3-19 there exists $M \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $N = \widehat{M}$ and so $\widehat{I} \not\subseteq \widehat{M}$. Then $I \not\subseteq M$ so $M \in S_{\mathcal{M}}(I)$ and $\pi M = \widehat{M} = N \in \pi(S_{\mathcal{M}}(I))$. Thus $S_{\mathcal{N}}(\widehat{I}) \subseteq \pi(S_{\mathcal{M}}(I))$ so $\pi(S_{\mathcal{M}}(I)) = S_{\mathcal{N}}(\widehat{I})$.

Now all open sets of \mathcal{M} are of the form $S_{\mathcal{M}}(A)$ for some $A \subseteq R$ and $S_{\mathcal{M}}(A) = S_{\mathcal{M}}(\langle A \rangle)$ as in the proof of 4-2. Thus all open sets of \mathcal{M} are of the form $S_{\mathcal{M}}(I)$ for some

1-ideal I of R . Therefore by above π is a one-to-one onto open mapping of a Hausdorff space onto a compact space and so π is a homeomorphism.

CHAPTER V

PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM THE THEORY OF TOPOLOGICAL RINGS

Definition 5-1

A family of subsets, \mathcal{B} , of a topological space, S , is a local base at $p \in S$ if every $B \in \mathcal{B}$ is a neighborhood of p and if V a neighborhood of p then there exists $W \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $W \subseteq V$.

Definition 5-2

In a topological space, S , a point $x \in S$ is an adherence point of the subset $A \subseteq S$ if all neighborhoods of x intersect A in a nonnull set.

Definition 5-3

A filter, \mathcal{F} , on a set, S , is a family of subsets of S such that

- 1) $F \in \mathcal{F}$ and $F \subseteq X \subseteq S \Rightarrow X \in \mathcal{F}$
- 2) $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow F_1 \cap F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$
- 3) $S \in \mathcal{F}$
- 4) $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{F}$

Definition 5-4

If \mathcal{B} is a family of subsets of S such that the set $\mathcal{F} = \{X \subseteq S \mid \exists B \in \mathcal{B}, B \subseteq X\}$ is a filter on S then \mathcal{B} is a filter base on S of \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F} is the filter generated by \mathcal{B} .

Definition 5-5

If \mathcal{B} a filter base on S then a point $p \in S$ is a limit point of \mathcal{B} if for every neighborhood V of p there exists $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $B \subseteq V$. A filter base is convergent if it has a limit point.

Definition 5-6

If \mathcal{B} a filter base on S then a point $p \in S$ is an adherence point of \mathcal{B} if p adherent to every $B \in \mathcal{B}$.

Proposition 5-7

If f and g are two continuous mappings from a topological space, S , into a Hausdorff topological space, T , $A \subseteq S$ is dense in S and $f|A = g|A$ then $f = g$.

Proposition 5-8

If $A_1 \subseteq S_1$ dense in the topological space, S_1 , for each i then $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$ is dense in $S_1 \times S_2 \times \dots \times S_n$.

Proposition 5-9

A set of subsets \mathcal{B} of a set S is a filter base on S iff

- 1) $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow \exists C \in \mathcal{B}, C \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$
- 2) $\mathcal{B} \neq \emptyset$ and $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{B}$.

Proposition 5-10

If s is a limit point of a filter, \mathcal{F} , in a topological space then s is an adherence point of \mathcal{F} .

Proposition 5-11

If S and T are topological spaces, f and g mappings

from S into T , W open in S , $g(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in W$, and g continuous at $s \in W$, then f is continuous at s .

Proposition 5-12

If S , T and V are topological spaces and the mapping, f , of $S \times T$ into V is continuous then all of the maps $g_s: T \rightarrow V$ and $h_t: S \rightarrow V$ defined by $g_s(t) = f(s, t)$ and $h_t(s) = f(s, t)$ are continuous.

Definition 5-13

A uniform structure on a set S is a family of subsets, \mathcal{U} , of $S \times S$ such that

- 1) \mathcal{U} is a filter on $S \times S$
- 2) $U \in \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow \Delta \subseteq U$ where $\Delta = \{ \langle x, x \rangle \mid x \in S \}$
- 3) $V \in \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow V^{-1} \in \mathcal{U}$ where $V^{-1} = \{ \langle x, y \rangle \mid \langle y, x \rangle \in V \}$
- 4) $V \in \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow \exists W \in \mathcal{U}, W \circ W \subseteq V$ where

$$A \circ B = \{ \langle x, z \rangle \mid \exists y \in S, \langle x, y \rangle \in A \text{ and } \langle y, z \rangle \in B \}.$$

A uniform space, $\langle S, \mathcal{U} \rangle$, is a set S with uniform structure, \mathcal{U} , on S . The sets of \mathcal{U} are called entourages.

Definition 5-14

A base, \mathcal{B} , for a uniform structure, \mathcal{U} , on S is a family of subsets, \mathcal{B} , of $S \times S$ such that $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{U}$ and

$$U \in \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow \exists B \in \mathcal{B}, B \subseteq U.$$

Definition 5-15

A mapping, f , from a uniform space, $\langle S, \mathcal{U} \rangle$, into a uniform space, $\langle T, \mathcal{W} \rangle$, is uniformly continuous if for all $W \in \mathcal{W}$ there exists $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that

$$\langle x, y \rangle \in U \Rightarrow \langle f(x), f(y) \rangle \in W.$$

Definition 5-16

A uniform space, S , is (uniformly) isomorphic to a uniform space, T , if there exists a one-to-one onto mapping, f , of S onto T such that f and f^{-1} are both uniformly continuous.

Definition 5-17

If S_1 and S_2 are uniform spaces then the uniform structure on $S = S_1 \times S_2$ is the smallest such that each of the maps $p_i: S \rightarrow S_i$ is uniformly continuous where $p_i(\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle) = s_i$ for $i = 1, 2$.

Definition 5-18

If $\langle S, \mathcal{U} \rangle$ is a uniform space and $A \subseteq S$ then the uniform structure, \mathcal{W} , induced on A by the uniform structure on S is the trace on $A \times A$ of the sets of the uniformity, \mathcal{U} . $\langle A, \mathcal{W} \rangle$ is called a uniform subspace of $\langle S, \mathcal{U} \rangle$.

Proposition 5-19

Let f, g_i be maps as follows;

$$g_i: S_1^1 \times S_2^1 \times \dots \times S_{m_i}^1 \rightarrow T_i \text{ and } f: T_1 \times T_2 \times \dots \times T_n \rightarrow V$$

and also let h be the map

$$h: S_1^1 \times \dots \times S_{m_1}^1 \times S_1^2 \times \dots \times S_{m_2}^2 \times \dots \times S_1^n \times \dots \times S_{m_n}^n \rightarrow V$$

where $h(s_1^1, \dots, s_{m_n}^n) = f(g_1(s_1^1, \dots, s_{m_1}^1), \dots, g_n(s_1^n, \dots, s_{m_n}^n))$
then

1) if f and all g_i are continuous then h is continuous,

2) if f and all g_i are uniformly continuous then

h is uniformly continuous.

Proposition 5-20

If S and T are uniform spaces, f a mapping from S into T , \mathcal{B} a base for the uniformity of S , and \mathcal{C} a base for the uniformity of T then f is uniformly continuous iff

$$\forall C \in \mathcal{C}, \exists B \in \mathcal{B}, \langle x, y \rangle \in B \Rightarrow \langle f(x), f(y) \rangle \in C.$$

Proposition 5-21

If $\langle S, \mathcal{U} \rangle$ is a uniform space and $\mathcal{B}(x) = \{V(x) | V \in \mathcal{U}\}$ then there exists a unique topology on S such that for all $x \in S$, $\mathcal{B}(x)$ is the filter of neighborhoods of x . The topology induced on S by the uniform structure \mathcal{U} is called the uniform topology for \mathcal{U} .

Proposition 5-22

If S and T are uniform spaces and $f: S \rightarrow T$ is a uniformly continuous mapping then f is continuous for the uniform topologies on S and T .

Definition 5-23

If $\langle S, \mathcal{U} \rangle$ is a uniform space then a set $A \subseteq S$ is of order $U \in \mathcal{U}$ if $A \times A \subseteq U$.

Definition 5-24

If $\langle S, \mathcal{U} \rangle$ is a uniform space then a Cauchy filter, \mathcal{F} , is a filter on S such that for all $U \in \mathcal{U}$, there exists $F \in \mathcal{F}$ such that F is of order U .

A Cauchy filter base is a filter base whose generated filter is Cauchy.

Proposition 5-25

If \mathcal{B} is a Cauchy filter base in a subspace, T , of a uniform space, S , then \mathcal{B} is a Cauchy filter base in S .

Proposition 5-26

If S and T are uniform spaces, $f:S \rightarrow T$, a uniformly continuous mapping, and \mathcal{B} a Cauchy filter base on S then the image of \mathcal{B} is a Cauchy filter base on T .

Proposition 5-27

A complete space is a uniform space in which all Cauchy filters are convergent.

Proposition 5-28

In a complete Hausdorff uniform space every Cauchy filter base has a unique limit point.

Proposition 5-29

If S is a uniform space and T a dense subspace such that all Cauchy filter bases on T are convergent in S then S is complete.

Proposition 5-30

If S and T are uniform spaces, T Hausdorff and complete, A a dense subspace of S , and $f:A \rightarrow T$ is a uniformly continuous mapping, then there exists a

unique mapping, $\bar{f}: S \rightarrow T$ such that \bar{f} is uniformly continuous and $\bar{f}|A = f$.

Definition 5-31

A topological ring, $\langle R, \mathcal{D} \rangle$, is a ring, R , together with a topology, \mathcal{D} , on R such that

- 1) the mapping $x \rightarrow -x$ of R into R is continuous,
- 2) the mapping $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x+y$ of $R \times R$ into R is continuous,
- 3) the mapping $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow xy$ of $R \times R$ into R is continuous.

Proposition 5-32

If A is a closed set in the topological ring, R , then $-A$ and $\{r\}+A$ are closed sets for any $r \in R$.

Proposition 5-33

If R , a commutative ring and \mathcal{B} , a filter base on R such that

- 1) $U \in \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow \exists V \in \mathcal{B}, V+V \subseteq U$
- 2) $U \in \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow \exists V \in \mathcal{B}, -V \subseteq U$
- 3) $U \in \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow \exists V \in \mathcal{B}, V \cdot V \subseteq U$
- 4) $U \in \mathcal{B}$ and $r \in R \Rightarrow \exists V \in \mathcal{B}, \{r\} \cdot V \subseteq U$

then there exists a unique topology \mathcal{D} on R which makes $\langle R, \mathcal{D} \rangle$, a topological ring and for which \mathcal{B} is a local base at $0 \in R$ in the topology, \mathcal{D} . For the topology, \mathcal{D} , the set $\mathcal{B} + a = \{V + \{a\} \mid V \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a local base at $a \in R$.

Proposition 5-34

A topological ring is Hausdorff iff the intersection

of all neighborhoods of 0 is $\{0\}$.

Proposition 5-35

Let \mathcal{U} be the collection of all subsets of $R \times R$ of the form $U = \{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x, y \in R \text{ and } x - y \in V\}$ where V is a neighborhood of 0 in the topological ring, R . Then \mathcal{U} is the base of a uniform structure on R and the uniform structure generated by \mathcal{U} is called the ring uniformity of R . The uniform topology for \mathcal{U} is the original topology on R .

Proposition 5-36

If \mathcal{B} , a local base at 0 in the topological ring R then \mathcal{U} , the collection of all subsets of $R \times R$ of the form $U = \{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x, y \in R \text{ and } x - y \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a base for the ring uniformity of R .

Proposition 5-37

For a topological ring, R , the mapping $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x + y$ of $R \times R$ into R and the mapping $x \rightarrow -x$ of R into R are uniformly continuous in the ring uniformity of R .

Definition 5-38

An isomorphism π of a topological ring, R , into a topological ring, S , is a mapping, π , of R onto S such that π is both a ring isomorphism and a homeomorphism of the topological spaces.

Proposition 5-39

If S_1 and S_2 are complete, Hausdorff topological rings and R_1, R_2 dense subrings of S_1 and S_2 respectively,

and π , an isomorphism of R_1 onto R_2 then there exists a unique isomorphism, $\bar{\pi}$, of S_1 onto S_2 such that $\bar{\pi}|R = \pi$.

Proposition 5-40

For any commutative Hausdorff topological ring, R , with identity there exists a commutative Hausdorff topological ring, R^c , with identity such that

- 1) R is isomorphic to a dense subring of R^c
- 2) R^c is complete in its ring uniformity
- 3) if S is another commutative Hausdorff topological ring with identity satisfying (1) and (2) then S is isomorphic to R^c .

R^c is called the completion of R .

Proposition 5-41

If R is a Hausdorff topological ring with \mathcal{B} as a local base at 0 then the collection $\{\bar{B} | B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a local base at 0 for the topology of R^c .

Definition 5-42

A topological field $\langle F, \mathcal{T} \rangle$ is a field F with a topology, \mathcal{T} , on F such that

- 1) $\langle F, \mathcal{T} \rangle$ is a topological ring
- 2) the mapping $x \rightarrow x^{-1}$ of F^* into F^* is continuous where F^* is the subspace, $F - \{0\}$, of F .

Proposition 5-43

The completion of a topological field, F , as a

topological ring, is a topological field iff under the mapping $x \rightarrow x^{-1}$ of F^* into F^* any Cauchy filter in F^* which as the base of a Cauchy filter in F does not have 0 as an adherence point is mapped onto a Cauchy filter in F^* .

CHAPTER VI

O-RINGS AND THEIR TOPOLOGY

Definition 6-1

In an ℓ -ring, R , for u a p -unit in R define
 $I(u) = \{x \in R \mid |x| \leq u\}$.

Note that although $I(u)$ could be defined for elements other than p -units, in the following it will be used for p -units only.

Theorem 6-2

If R is a convex f -ring there is a unique topology on R that makes R a topological ring and which has as a local base at 0 the collection $\mathcal{B} = \{I(u) \mid u \text{ a } p\text{-unit in } R\}$. The collection $x_0 + \mathcal{B} = \{x_0 + I(u) \mid I(u) \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a local base at $x_0 \in R$ in this topology.

Proof

By 2-18(4) if u, v p -units then $u \wedge v$ is a p -unit.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} x \in I(u) \cap I(v) &\iff |x| \leq u \text{ and } |x| \leq v \iff |x| \leq u \wedge v \\ &\iff x \in I(u \wedge v), \end{aligned}$$

so $I(u) \cap I(v) = I(u \wedge v)$. Now $I(1) \in \mathcal{B}$ so $\mathcal{B} \neq \emptyset$ and $0 \in I(u)$ for all p -units so $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{B}$. Therefore by 5-9, \mathcal{B} is a filter base on R .

Since $2 \geq 1$ and R convex then by 3-1, 2-17(29), 2-18(5,6), $\frac{u}{2}$ is a p -unit if u a p -unit. Thus $I(\frac{u}{2}) \in \mathcal{B}$ and by 2-17(14,2), $I(\frac{u}{2}) + I(\frac{u}{2}) \subseteq I(u)$. By

2-17(30), $-I(u) = I(u)$.

If $r \in R$ let $v = |r| \vee 1$ so $v \geq 1$ and since R convex then by 3-1 and 2-17(29), v is a p-unit. Now $|r| \leq v$ so by 2-18(6) and 2-17(1), $\frac{|r|}{v} \leq 1$. By 2-18(5,6) $I(\frac{u}{v}) \in \mathcal{B}$ for any p-unit u . Now $x \in I(\frac{u}{v}) \Rightarrow |x| \leq \frac{u}{v} \Rightarrow |rx| = |r||x| \leq \frac{|r|}{v}u \leq u \Rightarrow rx \in I(u)$ by 2-17(16,9,1).

Thus $\{r\} \cdot I(\frac{u}{v}) \subseteq I(u)$.

If u a p-unit then by 2-18(4), $v = u \wedge 1$ is a p-unit and $v \leq 1$ so $v^2 \leq v \leq u$ by 2-17(1). Thus $I(v) \in \mathcal{B}$ and by 2-17(16,9,1), $I(v) \cdot I(v) \subseteq I(u)$.

Therefore by 5-33, there exists a unique topology \mathcal{D} on R such that R is a topological ring and \mathcal{B} is a local base at 0 in this topology. Also $x_0 + \mathcal{B}$ is a local base at x_0 in this topology.

From now on this topology \mathcal{D} will be referred to as the p-unit topology on the convex f-ring R .

Definition 6-3

A C-ring, R , is a convex f-ring with $J(R) = \{0\}$.

A C-ring could be characterized as a sub-f-ring of a cardinal product of totally ordered fields.

Proposition 6-4

If R is an f-ring then $J(R) = \{0\}$ iff the convex closure, \widehat{R} , is a C-ring.

Proof

By 3-21, the proposition holds.

Lemma 6-5

If R a convex f -ring then $u \in R$ is a p -unit iff $u_M > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$.

Proof

If u a p -unit then $u \notin M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so $u_M \neq 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$. By 2-9, $u_M \geq 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$, so $u_M > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$.

If $u_M > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ then for any ℓ -ideal I of R such that R_I is totally ordered let M be a maximal ℓ -ideal such that $I \subseteq M$ by 2-20(4). For any $r \in R$ if $r_I \leq 0$ then $r_M \leq 0$ by 2-24 and since R_I and R_M are totally ordered then if $r_M > 0$ then $r_I > 0$. Therefore $u_I > 0$ for all I such that R_I is totally ordered and by 2-12, $u \geq 0$. Now $u_M \neq 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so $u \notin M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ by 2-9. Therefore by 3-3, u is a unit and so u is a p -unit.

Lemma 6-6

If R a convex f -ring and $r \in R$, $M \in \mathcal{M}$ are such that $r_M > 0$ then there exists a p -unit $u \in R$ such that $r_M = u_M$.

Proof

For any $N \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $N \neq M$ there exists $s \in R$ such that $s \in S(N)$ and $s \notin S(M)$ by 4-4. For each $N \neq M$ choose such an s^N and let $\mathcal{C} = \{S(s^N) \mid N \neq M\} \cup S(r)$. Since $r_M \neq 0$ then $r \notin M$ or $M \in S(r)$ so \mathcal{C} is an open cover of \mathcal{M} . Since by 4-3, \mathcal{M} is compact then there exists $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ such that \mathcal{H} is a finite cover of \mathcal{M} . Since $M \notin S(s^N)$ for all $N \neq M$ then $S(r) \in \mathcal{H}$. Let \mathcal{H} be determined by the

elements s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n and r and let $u = |s_1| \vee \dots \vee |s_n| \vee r$. Then for any $N \in \mathcal{M}$ either there exists s_i such that $N \in S(s_i)$ or $N \in S(r)$ since \mathcal{F} is a cover of \mathcal{M} so that either $(s_i)_N \neq 0$ or $r_N \neq 0$. By 2-9 and 2-17(9) $|s_i|_N = |(s_i)_N| > 0$ or $r_N > 0$. Therefore by 2-9, $u_N \geq |s_i|_N > 0$ or $u_N \geq r_N > 0$ so $u_N > 0$ for all $N \in \mathcal{M}$. By 6-5, u is a p-unit in R . Now all $s_i \in M$ so $(s_i)_M = 0$ and by 2-17(13), $|s_i|_M = 0$. Therefore $u_M = r_M$ by 2-9 and 2-17(9).

Lemma 6-7

If R a convex f-ring then $J(R) = \bigcap \{I(u) \mid u \text{ a p-unit in } R\}$.

Proof

If $r \in J(R)$ then $r_M = 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ by 2-9 so $|r_M| = |r|_M = 0$ by 2-17(13). Thus by 6-5, $|r|_M < u_M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ and all p-units u . By 2-9, $(u - |r|)_M > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so by 6-5, $u - |r| > 0$ and by 2-17(2), $u > |r|$. Therefore $r \in I(u)$ for all p-units u . Thus $J(R) \subseteq \bigcap \{I(u) \mid u \text{ a p-unit in } R\}$.

If v a p-unit then by 2-18(5,6), $\frac{v}{2}$ is a p-unit and by 2-18(3), $0 < \frac{1}{2} < 1$ so by 2-17(25), $0 < \frac{v}{2} < v$. If for some $M \in \mathcal{M}$, $(\frac{v}{2})_M = v_M$ then $0 = v_M - (\frac{v}{2})_M = (v - \frac{v}{2})_M = (\frac{v}{2})_M$ so by 2-9, $\frac{v}{2} \in M$. This is a contradiction since $\frac{v}{2}$ a unit so $(\frac{v}{2})_M \neq v_M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$. By 2-9, $(\frac{v}{2})_M \leq v_M$ so

$(\frac{v}{2})_M < v_M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$.

If $r \in \bigcap \{I(u) \mid u \text{ a p-unit}\}$ then $|r| \leq u$ for all p-units u so by 2-9 $|r|_M \leq u_M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ and all p-units u . If $r \notin J(R)$ then there exists $M \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $r \notin M$ or by 2-9, $r_M \neq 0$ so by 2-9 and 2-17(13,9), $|r_M| = |r|_M > 0$. By 6-6 there exists a p-unit v such that $v_M = |r|_M$. Then by above $(\frac{v}{2})_M < |r|_M$. This is a contradiction so $r \in J(R)$. Therefore $\bigcap \{I(u)\} \subseteq J(R)$ and so $J(R) = \bigcap \{I(u)\}$.

Proposition 6-8

A convex f-ring, R , is Hausdorff in the p-unit topology iff R is a C-ring.

Proof

Since the collection, $\{I(u) \mid u \text{ a p-unit}\}$, forms a local base at 0 the intersection of all neighborhoods of 0 by 5-1 is $\bigcap \{I(u) \mid u \text{ a p-unit}\} = J(R)$ by 6-7. By 5-34, R is Hausdorff iff $J(R) = \{0\}$. Thus R is Hausdorff iff R is a C-ring by 6-3.

The uniformity of the topological ring, R , where R is a convex f-ring with the p-unit topology will be referred to as the p-unit uniformity on R .

Lemma 6-9

If R a convex f-ring and u a p-unit let $V_u = \{\langle x, y \rangle \in R \times R \mid |x - y| \leq u\}$. Then the collection $\{V_u \mid u \text{ a p-unit}\}$ is a base for the p-unit uniformity on R .

Proof

Since $x-y \in I(u)$ iff $|x-y| \leq u$ then

$\{\langle x, y \rangle \in RXR \mid x-y \in I(u)\} = V_u$. By 6-2 and 5-36 the collection, $\{V_u \mid u \text{ a p-unit}\}$, is a base for the p-unit uniformity on R.

Lemma 6-10

A function $f: R \rightarrow R$ on a convex f-ring, R, is uniformly continuous in the p-unit uniformity iff for all p-units u there exists a p-unit v such that $|x-y| \leq v$ implies $|f(x)-f(y)| \leq u$.

Proof

The result follows from 6-9 and 5-20.

Lemma 6-11

If R a convex f-ring then the mappings $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x \vee y$ and $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x \wedge y$ of $R \times R$ into R are uniformly continuous in the p-unit uniformity on R.

Proof

If u a p-unit in R and if $|x-y| \leq u$ then $|x^+ - y^+| \leq u$ by 2-17(17) so by 6-10 the mapping $x \rightarrow x^+$ of R into R is uniformly continuous in the p-unit uniformity. By 2-17(22), 5-37, and 5-19 the mapping $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x \vee y$ is uniformly continuous. By 2-17(23), 5-37, and 5-19 the mapping $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x \wedge y$ is uniformly continuous.

Definition 6-12

A topological f-ring $\langle R, \mathcal{J} \rangle$ is an f-ring, R , with a topology, \mathcal{J} , on R such that

- 1) $\langle R, \mathcal{J} \rangle$ is a topological ring,
- 2) the mappings of $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x \vee y$ and $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow x \wedge y$ of $R \times R$ into R are continuous.

Definition 6-13

An \mathcal{L} -isomorphism, π , of a topological f-ring, R , onto a topological f-ring, S , is a mapping, π , of R onto S such that π is an \mathcal{L} -isomorphism of R onto S and π is a homeomorphism of R onto S .

Proposition 6-14

A convex f-ring, R , is a topological f-ring in the p-unit topology.

Proof

By 6-2, R is a topological ring. By 6-11, 5-35, and 5-22, R is a topological f-ring.

Lemma 6-15

If S_1 and S_2 are complete Hausdorff topological f-rings and R_1, R_2 are dense sub-f-rings of S_1, S_2 and if π is an \mathcal{L} -isomorphism of R_1 onto R_2 then there is a unique \mathcal{L} -isomorphism $\bar{\pi}$ of S_1 onto S_2 such that $\bar{\pi}|_{R_1} = \pi$.

Proof

By 5-39 there is a unique isomorphism, $\bar{\pi}$, of S

onto S as topological rings such that $\bar{\pi}|_{R_1} = \pi$. Now the mappings $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow \bar{\pi}(x \wedge y)$ and $\langle x, y \rangle \rightarrow \bar{\pi}(x) \wedge \bar{\pi}(y)$ of $S_1 \times S_1$ into S_2 are continuous by 5-19, 6-12 and 6-13. Also $\bar{\pi}(x \wedge y) = \bar{\pi}(x) \wedge \bar{\pi}(y)$ for all $x, y \in R_1$ since $\bar{\pi}|_{R_1} = \pi$. So by 5-8 and 5-7, $\bar{\pi}(x \wedge y) = \bar{\pi}(x) \wedge \bar{\pi}(y)$ for all $x, y \in S_1$. Therefore $\bar{\pi}$ is an \mathcal{L} -isomorphism of S_1 onto S_2 .

Theorem 6-16

If R is a C -ring with the p -unit topology then there exists a commutative Hausdorff topological f -ring, R^C , with identity such that

- 1) R is \mathcal{L} -isomorphic to a dense subring of R^C ,
- 2) R^C is complete in its ring uniformity,
- 3) if S is another commutative Hausdorff topological f -ring with identity satisfying 1) and 2) then S is \mathcal{L} -isomorphic to R^C .

R^C is called the completion of R .

Proof

By 6-8 and 6-14, R is a commutative Hausdorff topological f -ring with identity in the p -unit topology. By 5-40 there exists a commutative Hausdorff topological f -ring R^C with identity such that R is isomorphic to a dense subring, T , of R^C and R^C is complete in its uniformity. Define lattice operations

on T by means of the isomorphic mapping of R onto T and T is a C -ring for these operations. Since the mapping is a homeomorphism the topology induced on T by R^C must be the p -unit topology on T . By 6-11, 5-8 and 5-30 the binary operations \vee and \wedge on T can be extended to R^C . By 5-35 and 5-22, \vee and \wedge are continuous operations from $R^C \times R^C$ into R^C . Then by 5-19, 5-12 and 5-7 any equation in terms of $0, 1, -, +, \cdot, \vee$, and \wedge holding in R also hold in R^C . Therefore by 2-16, R^C is a commutative f -ring with identity. Also by 6-12, R^C is a topological f -ring.

If S is another commutative Hausdorff topological f -ring with identity satisfying 1) and 2) then by 6-15, S is \mathcal{L} -isomorphic to R^C .

The question immediately occurs, "Is R^C a C -ring and is its topology the p -unit topology?" In the following an affirmative answer is given by representing R^C as a ring of functions.

Definition 6-17

A topological f -field is an f -field which is both a topological f -ring and a topological field (see 5-42).

Lemma 6-18

If R is a convex f -ring with the p -unit topology

then for u a p -unit the set $\{x \in R \mid |x-a| \leq u\}$ is a neighborhood of $a \in R$.

Proof

By 6-2, $a+I(u)$ is a neighborhood of $a \in R$. Now

$$y \in a+I(u) \iff (y-a) \in I(u) \iff |y-a| \leq u$$

so $a+I(u) = \{y \in R \mid |y-a| \leq u\}$.

Lemma 6-19

If F is an f -field then F is a topological f -field in the p -unit topology.

Proof

Now F is automatically a G -ring so F is a topological f -ring in the p -unit topology by 6-14. If $a \in F^*$ then by 2-17(13,9), $|a| > 0$ so if u a p -unit then by 2-18(5,6,2) $\frac{|a|}{2} \wedge \frac{|a|^2 u}{2}$ is a p -unit. By 6-18, $W = \{x \in F \mid |x-a| \leq \frac{|a|}{2} \wedge \frac{|a|^2 u}{2}\}$ is a neighborhood of a in F . Now $|0-a| \not\leq \frac{|a|}{2}$ by 2-18(3) and 2-17(25) so $0 \notin W$ and W is a neighborhood of a in F^* . If $|x-a| \leq \frac{|a|}{2}$ then $||x| - |a|| \leq \frac{|a|}{2}$ by 2-17(15) so by 2-17(12) $|x| \geq |a| - \frac{|a|}{2} = \frac{|a|}{2}$. Therefore if $x \in W$ then $|x| \geq \frac{|a|}{2}$ so by 2-18(1) and 2-17(9,1) $\frac{1}{|x|} \leq \frac{2}{|a|}$. If $x \in W$ then $|\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{a}| = \frac{1}{|x||a|} |x-a| \leq \frac{|a|u}{2|x|} \leq u$ by 2-18(1) and 2-17(16,1,9). Thus if f is the mapping $x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$ of F^* into F then $f(W) \subseteq \{y \in R \mid |y-a| \leq u\}$. Therefore by 6-18, f is continuous for all $a \in F^*$. Now the range

of f is F^* so the mapping $x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$ of F^* into F^* is continuous. By 5-42, F is a topological field so by 6-17, F is a topological f -field in the p -unit topology.

Lemma 6-20

If F is an f -field with the p -unit topology then every Cauchy filter in F^* , which as the base of a Cauchy filter in F does not have 0 as an adherence point, under the mapping $x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$ of F^* into F^* is mapped onto a Cauchy filter in F^* .

Proof

Let \mathcal{C} be a Cauchy filter in F^* such as that the base of a Cauchy filter in F does not have 0 as an adherence point. Let \mathcal{B} be the image of \mathcal{C} under the mapping $x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$ of F^* into F^* so \mathcal{B} is a filter on F^* . Since 0 is not an adherence point of \mathcal{C} then there exists a p -unit, v , such that $I(v)$ is disjoint from some $V \in \mathcal{C}$. Thus for all $x \in V$, $|x| \not\leq v$ so by 2-15, for all $x \in V$, $|x| > v$.

If u a p -unit then by 2-18(5), uv^2 is a p -unit so by 6-9 and 5-24 there exists $W \in \mathcal{C}$ such that for all $x, y \in W$, $|x-y| \leq uv^2$. Now $W \cap V \in \mathcal{C}$ and for all $x, y \in W \cap V$ it holds that

$$\left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right| = \frac{1}{|x||y|} |x-y| \leq \frac{1}{v^2} uv^2 = u$$

by 2-17(16,1) and 2-18(1,3). Thus the image of $W \cap V$ under the mapping $x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$ is a set of order V_u (see 6-9 and 5-23) and so \mathcal{B} contains a set of order V_u for any p-unit, u , and by 5-24, \mathcal{B} is a Cauchy filter.

Proposition 6-21

If F is an f-field with the p-unit topology then F^c is a topological f-field.

Proof

Now F is a C-ring so by 6-16, F^c exists and is a topological f-ring. By 5-43, 6-19, and 6-20, F^c is a topological field so by 6-17, F^c is a topological f-field.

As usual F is henceforth considered as a subfield of its completion F^c .

Lemma 6-22

If F is an f-field with the p-unit topology and F^c its completion let P be the positive elements of F and P^c the positive elements of F^c then $\overline{P} = P^c$.

Proof

Since the mapping $x \rightarrow -x$ of F^c into F^c is continuous then $-(\overline{P}) \subseteq \overline{(-P)}$. By 5-32 $-(\overline{P})$ is closed in F^c and $-P \subseteq -(\overline{P})$ so $\overline{(-P)} \subseteq -(\overline{P})$. Therefore $-(\overline{P}) = \overline{(-P)}$. Since $x^+ = x$ for all $x \in P$ by 2-17(8) then by 5-7, 6-8, and 6-11, $x^+ = x$ for all $x \in \overline{P}$. Thus by 2-17(8) $x \geq 0$ for all $x \in \overline{P}$ so $\overline{P} \subseteq P^c$.

Now $\overline{P} \cup -(\overline{P}) = \overline{P} \cup \overline{(-P)} = \overline{P \cup -P} = \overline{F} = F^c$ by 6-16, 2-15 and 2-5.

Also $-(\overline{P}) \cap P^c \subseteq -P^c \cap P^c = \{0\}$ by 2-5 so
 $-(\overline{P}) \cap P^c = \{0\}$. If $x \in P^c$ and $x \notin \overline{P}$ then $x \in -(\overline{P})$ so
 $x \in -(\overline{P}) \cap P^c$, that is $x = 0$. This is a contradiction
 since $0 \notin \overline{P}$. Therefore $\overline{P} = P^c$.

In the following let $[\quad], (\quad)$, etc. indicate intervals in F and $[\quad]^c, (\quad)^c$, etc. indicate intervals in F^c (see 2-22).

Lemma 6-23

All closed (open) intervals in F^c are closed (open) sets in the topology of F^c .

Proof

By 6-22, $\overline{[0, \infty)} = [0, \infty)^c$ so $[0, \infty)^c$ is closed in F^c . By 2-17(2), $a + [0, \infty)^c = [a, \infty)^c$ so that by 5-32, $[a, \infty)^c$ is closed in F^c . By 2-17(3), $-[-a, \infty)^c = (-\infty, a]^c$ so by 5-32, $(-\infty, a]^c$ is closed in F^c . By 2-15, 6-21 the complement of $[a, \infty)^c$ is $(-\infty, a)^c$ and that of $(-\infty, a]^c$ is $(a, \infty)^c$ so $(a, \infty)^c$ and $(-\infty, a)^c$ are open in F^c . Now $(a, b)^c = (a, \infty)^c \cap (-\infty, b)^c$ and $[a, b]^c = [a, \infty)^c \cap (-\infty, b]^c$ so $(a, b)^c$ is open in F^c and $[a, b]^c$ is closed in F^c .

Lemma 6-24

If F an f -field with the p -unit topology and $a, b \in F$ then $\overline{[a, b]} = [a, b]^c$.

Proof

Now $[a, b] \subseteq [a, b]^c$ and by 6-23, $[a, b]^c$ is

closed in F^c so $\overline{[a,b]} \subseteq [a,b]^c$. If $x \in (a,b)^c$ and V any neighborhood of x in F^c then $W = V \cap (a,b)^c$ is a neighborhood of x in F^c since $(a,b)^c$ open by 6-23. By 6-16, F is dense in F^c so there exists $s \in F$ such that $s \in W$. Now $s \in (a,b)^c$ and $s \in F$ so $s \in (a,b)$, that is every neighborhood of x contains a point of (a,b) . Thus x is an adherence point of (a,b) and so x is an adherence point of $[a,b]$. Therefore $(a,b)^c \subseteq \overline{[a,b]}$ and so $[a,b]^c = (a,b)^c \cup \{a,b\} \subseteq \overline{[a,b]}$. Thus $\overline{[a,b]} = [a,b]^c$.

Lemma 6-25

If F is an f -field then for any $x, y \in F^c$ such that $x < y$ there exists $r \in F$ such that $x < r < y$, that is F is order dense in F^c .

Proof

By 2-18(2) and since F^c a field, $x < \frac{x+y}{2} < y$ so $(x,y)^c \neq \emptyset$. By 6-23, $(x,y)^c$ is open in F^c and by 6-16, F is dense in F^c so there exists $r \in F$ such that $r \in (x,y)^c$, that is $x < r < y$.

Proposition 6-26

If F is an f -field then the topology of F^c is the p -unit topology.

Proof

By 5-41 the collection $\{\overline{I(v)} \mid v \text{ a } p\text{-unit in } F\}$ is a local base at 0 for the topology of F^c . For v

a p-unit in F let $I(v) = \{x \in F \mid |x| \leq v\}$ and for u a p-unit in F^c let $I^c(u) = \{x \in F^c \mid |x| \leq u\}$. By 2-23, $I(v) = [-v, v]$ and $I^c(u) = [-u, u]^c$, so by 6-24, $\overline{I(v)} = I^c(v)$. Thus the collection $\{I^c(v) \mid v \text{ a p-unit in } F\}$ is a local base at 0 for the topology of F^c . By 6-25 for all p-units u in F^c there exists a p-unit v in F such that $0 < v < u$ and so $I^c(v) \subseteq I^c(u)$. Thus for all p-units u in F^c , $I^c(u)$ is a neighborhood of 0 and for every neighborhood, V , of 0 there exists a p-unit v in F and so in F^c such that $I^c(v) \subseteq V$. Thus the collection $\{I^c(u) \mid u \text{ a p-unit in } F^c\}$ is a local base at 0 for the topology of F^c . By 6-2 the topology of F^c is the p-unit topology.

Thus the question asked after theorem 6-16 has been answered in the affirmative for f-fields.

Theorem 6-27

For every f-field, F , there exists an f-field, F^c , such that if F^c has the p-unit topology then

- 1) F is a dense sub-f-field of F^c
- 2) F^c induces the p-unit topology on F
- 3) F is order dense in F^c
- 4) F^c is complete in the p-unit uniformity
- 5) F^c is unique up to \mathcal{L} -isomorphism.

Proof

The theorem follows from 6-16, 6-21, 6-25 and 6-26.

Definition 6-28

The interval topology on a totally ordered set is the topology with the open intervals as a base. (See 2-22).

Note that by 2-15 the f -fields are the same as the totally ordered fields.

Proposition 6-29

The interval topology on an f -field, F , is the p -unit topology.

Proof

Let F have the interval topology. If V is a neighborhood of 0 then there exists an open interval, I , such that $0 \in I \subseteq V$. If $I = (a, b)$ let $u = |a| \wedge |b|$, if $I = (c, \infty)$ or $I = (-\infty, c)$ let $u = |c|$. By 2-17(13,9), $|a|, |b|, |c| > 0$ so they are all p -units since F a field and by 2-18(4), u is a p -unit in all cases. By 2-17(25) and 2-18(3) $\frac{u}{2} < u$ so $[-\frac{u}{2}, \frac{u}{2}] \subseteq I$ since F is totally ordered by 2-15. For any $v > 0$, $0 \in (-v, v) \subseteq [-v, v]$ so $[-v, v]$ is a neighborhood of 0. By 2-23, $I(v) = [-v, v]$ so that the collection $\{I(v) | v \text{ a } p\text{-unit in } F\}$ is a local base at 0 for the interval topology of F . Therefore by 6-2, the interval topology is the p -unit topology.

CHAPTER VII

THE TOPOLOGY OF THE BUNDLE SPACE

In this chapter let R be a C-ring and \mathcal{M} the maximal \mathcal{L} -ideal space of R with the topology of 4-2.

Lemma 7-1

For any $M \in \mathcal{M}$, R_M is an f-field and R_M^C is an f-field containing R_M .

Proof

By 3-3, R_M is an f-field. By 6-21, R_M^C is an f-field.

Definition 7-2

For a C-ring, R , the bundle space is $\mathcal{B} = \dot{\cup} \{R_M^C \mid M \in \mathcal{M}\}$, that is the disjoint union.

Definition 7-3

A section, g , is a mapping from \mathcal{M} into \mathcal{B} such that $g(M) \in R_M^C$.

Lemma 7-4

The set of all sections, S , under the definitions

$$(g+h)(M) = g(M)+h(M), \quad (-g)(M) = -g(M),$$

$$(gh)(M) = g(M)h(M), \quad (g \vee h)(M) = g(M) \vee h(M),$$

$$(g \wedge h)(M) = g(M) \wedge h(M), \quad 1(M) = 1_M, \quad 0(M) = 0_M,$$

form an f-ring.

Proof

S is the cardinal product of the f-fields, R_M^C ,

$M \in \mathcal{M}$ by 2-10. So by 2-11, S is an f -ring.

Definition 7-5

For each $r \in R$ define a section, \hat{r} , by
 $\hat{r}(M) = r_M \in R_M^C$.

Proposition 7-6

The mapping, $r \rightarrow \hat{r}$ is an \mathcal{L} -monomorphism of R into S .

Proof

Now $\widehat{(r+s)}(M) = (r+s)_M = r_M + s_M = \hat{r}(M) + \hat{s}(M)$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ by 2-9 so $\widehat{(r+s)} = \hat{r} + \hat{s}$. Similarly, $\widehat{rs} = \hat{r}\hat{s}$, $\widehat{(r \vee s)} = \hat{r} \vee \hat{s}$, $\widehat{(r \wedge s)} = \hat{r} \wedge \hat{s}$, and $\hat{1}(M) = 1_M = 1(M)$ so $\hat{1} = 1$. Thus by 2-6, the mapping $r \rightarrow \hat{r}$ is an \mathcal{L} -homomorphism. If $\hat{r} = 0$ then $\hat{r}(M) = r_M = 0_M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so by 2-9, $r \in M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$. Thus $r \in \bigcap \{M \mid M \in \mathcal{M}\} = J(R)$ so by 6-3, $r = 0$. There the kernel of the mapping is $\{0\}$ and so the mapping is an \mathcal{L} -monomorphism.

Definition 7-7

Let $R = \{\hat{r} \mid r \in R\}$. The sub- f -ring, \hat{R} , of S is called the Gelfand representation of R .

A topology for \mathcal{B} is desired such that \mathcal{B} induces the p -unit topology on each R_M^C and if each R_M is a subfield of the reals then a section is continuous iff it is continuous as a real valued function on \mathcal{M} .

Definition 7-8

For V open in \mathcal{M} and $r, s \in R$ such that $r_M < s_M$ for

all $M \in V$ define the subset of \mathcal{B} ,

$$\langle r, s ; V \rangle = \{ \alpha \in R_M^c \mid M \in V \text{ and } r_M < \alpha < s_M \}.$$

Lemma 7-9

For $r, s \in R$, the set $\{M \mid r_M < s_M\}$ is open in \mathcal{M} .

Proof

If $r_M < s_M$ then $|s_M - r_M| = s_M - r_M \neq 0_M$ so
 $(s_M - r_M) + |s_M - r_M| = 2(s_M - r_M) \neq 0_M$. Thus by 2-9,
 $(s-r) + |s-r| \notin M$ so by 4-1, $M \notin S[(s-r) + |s-r|]$. If
 $r_M \not< s_M$ then by 7-1 and 2-15, $s_M \leq r_M$ so $|s_M - r_M| = r_M - s_M$
and $(s_M - r_M) + |s_M - r_M| = 0_M$. Thus by 2-9, $(s-r) + |s-r| \in M$
so by 4-1, $M \in S[(s-r) + |s-r|]$. Therefore $\{M \mid r_M < s_M\}$
 $= S[(s-r) + |s-r|]$ and by 4-2, it is open in \mathcal{M} .

Lemma 7-10

For any $r, s, t, u \in R$ and any open sets U, V in \mathcal{M} ,

$$\langle r, s; U \rangle \cap \langle t, u; V \rangle = \langle r \vee t, s \wedge u; W \rangle$$

where $W = U \cap V \cap \{M \mid (r \vee t)_M < (s \wedge u)_M\}$.

Proof

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \in \langle r, s; U \rangle \cap \langle t, u; V \rangle &\iff \\ \alpha \in R_M^c, M \in U \cap V, r_M < \alpha < s_M \text{ and } t_M < \alpha < u_M & \\ \iff M \in U \cap V, (r \vee t)_M < \alpha < (s \wedge u)_M, \alpha \in R_M^c & \\ \iff \alpha \in R_M^c, M \in W, \text{ and } (r \vee t)_M < \alpha < (s \wedge u)_M & \\ \iff \alpha \in \langle r \vee t, s \wedge u; W \rangle. & \end{aligned}$$

By 7-9, W is open in \mathcal{M} so

$$\langle r, s; U \rangle \cap \langle t, u; V \rangle = \langle r \vee t, s \wedge u; W \rangle.$$

Theorem 7-11

The collection $\{\langle r, s; V \rangle \mid r, s \in R, V \text{ open in } \mathcal{M}\}$ is a base for a topology on \mathcal{B} .

Proof

If $\alpha \in \mathcal{B}$ then for some $M \in \mathcal{M}$, $\alpha \in R_M^c$ and so by 6-27(3) there exists $r, s \in R$ such that $\alpha - l_M < r_M < \alpha < s_M < \alpha + l_M$. Let $V = \{M \mid r_M < s_M\}$ so V is open in \mathcal{M} by 7-9 and $\alpha \in \langle r, s; V \rangle$. Thus by 7-10 the collection $\{\langle r, s; V \rangle \mid r, s \in R \text{ and } V \text{ open in } \mathcal{M}\}$ forms a base for a topology on \mathcal{B} .

Henceforth the bundle space, \mathcal{B} , will be assumed to have this topology.

Lemma 7-12

If F an f -field then a base for the interval topology on F^c is given by the collection $\{(r, s)^c \mid r, s \in F\}$.

Proof

If $\alpha \in F^c$ and V a neighborhood of α in the interval topology then there exists an open interval, I , such that $\alpha \in I \subseteq V$. Whether I is bounded or unbounded there exists $\beta, \gamma \in F^c$ such that $\alpha \in (\beta, \gamma)^c \subseteq I$. By 6-27(3) there exists $r, s \in F$ such that $\beta < r < \alpha < s < \gamma$ so $\alpha \in (r, s)^c \subseteq (\beta, \gamma)^c \subseteq I \subseteq V$. Thus the collection $\{(r, s)^c \mid r, s \in F\}$ is a base for the interval topology on F^c .

Proposition 7-13

The topology of \mathcal{B} induces the p -unit topology on R_M^c .

Proof

If $M \in V$ then $\langle r, s; V \rangle \cap R_M^c = (r_M, s_M)^c$ and if $M \notin V$ then $\langle r, s; V \rangle \cap R_M^c = \emptyset$. Now consider $(r_M, s_M)^c$ in R_M^c for $r, s \in R$. Let $V = \{N \mid r_N < s_N\}$ so by 7-9, V is open and $M \in V$. Then $\langle r, s; V \rangle \cap R_M^c = (r_M, s_M)^c$. Thus the topology on \mathcal{B} induces a topology on R_M^c with base the collection $\{(r_M, s_M)^c \mid r, s \in R\}$. By 7-12 the induced topology on R_M^c is the interval topology. By 6-29 the induced topology on R_M^c is the p-unit topology.

Proposition 7-14

If F, G are f-fields, F a sub-f-field of G and F order dense in G then F^c is ℓ -isomorphic to G^c .

Proof

If $\alpha, \beta \in G^c$ and $\alpha < \beta$ then by 2-18(2) and 6-25 there exists $g, h \in G$ such that $\alpha < g < \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} < h < \beta$. Now there exists $r \in F$ such that $\alpha < g < r < h < \beta$ since F order dense in G so F order dense in G^c . As in 7-12, F is dense in G^c in the interval topology so by 6-29, F is dense in G^c in the p-unit topology. By 6-16(3), G^c is ℓ -isomorphic to F^c .

Corollary 7-15

If F, G are f-fields such that $F \subseteq G \subseteq F^c$ then F^c is ℓ -isomorphic to G^c .

Proof

By 6-27(3), F is order dense in F^c so F is order dense in G so by 7-14, G^c is ℓ -isomorphic to F^c .

For the rationals, \mathbb{Q} , define \mathbb{Q}^c to be the reals, \mathbb{R} . If F a sub-f-field of \mathbb{R} then since $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq F$ by 7-15, F^c is ℓ -isomorphic to \mathbb{R} . Thus for any sub-f-field, F , of the reals, \mathbb{R} , take F^c to be \mathbb{R} .

Lemma 7-16

If for R each R_M is a sub-f-field of the reals, \mathbb{R} , then the collection $\{\langle m, n; V \rangle \mid m, n \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } V \text{ open in } \mathcal{M}\}$ is a base for the topology of \mathcal{B} .

Proof

Since R convex, \mathbb{Q} is a sub-f-ring of R . Also \mathbb{Q} is order dense in each R_M^c . Consider any $\langle r, s; V \rangle$ and any $\alpha \in \langle r, s; V \rangle$. Then there exists $M \in V$ such that $\alpha \in R_M^c$ and $r_M < \alpha < s_M$ and also there exists $m, n \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $r_M < m < \alpha < n < s_M$. Let $W = \{N \mid r_N < m\} \cap \{N \mid n < s_N\} \cap V$ so by 7-9, W is open in \mathcal{M} and $M \in W$ so $\alpha \in \langle m, n; W \rangle$. If $\beta \in \langle m, n; W \rangle$ then there exists $N \in W$ such that $\beta \in R_N^c$ and $r_N < m < \beta < n < s_N$ so that $\beta \in \langle r, s; V \rangle$. Thus $\alpha \in \langle m, n; W \rangle \subseteq \langle r, s; V \rangle$ so the collection $\{\langle m, n; V \rangle \mid m, n \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } V \text{ open in } \mathcal{M}\}$ is a base for the topology of \mathcal{B} .

Definition 7-17

If for R each R_M is a sub-f-field of the reals, \mathbb{R} , then for each section, $f: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ define $f_{\mathbb{R}}: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f_{\mathbb{R}}(M) = f(M)$ where \mathbb{R} has the usual topology of the reals.

Proposition 7-18

If for \mathbb{R} each R_M is a sub-f-field of the reals, \mathbb{R} , then a section $f: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is continuous iff $f_{\mathbb{R}}$ is continuous.

Proof

Now $M \in f^{-1}(\langle m, n; V \rangle) \Leftrightarrow M \in V$ and $m < f(M) < n$
 $\Leftrightarrow M \in V$ and $M \in f_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(m, n) \Leftrightarrow M \in V \cap f_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(m, n)$. Thus
 $f^{-1}(\langle m, n; V \rangle) = f_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(m, n) \cap V$.

If $f_{\mathbb{R}}$ is continuous then consider a basic open set $\langle m, n; V \rangle$ in \mathcal{B} . Now V is open in \mathcal{M} and since $f_{\mathbb{R}}$ is continuous, $f_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(m, n)$ is open in \mathcal{M} so $f^{-1}(\langle m, n; V \rangle) = f_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(m, n) \cap V$ is open in \mathcal{M} . Thus f is continuous.

If f is continuous then $f^{-1}(\langle m, n; \mathcal{M} \rangle) = f_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(m, n) \cap \mathcal{M} = f_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(m, n)$ is open in \mathcal{M} . Thus $f_{\mathbb{R}}$ is continuous.

CHAPTER VIII

THE RING OF CONTINUOUS SECTIONS

In this chapter let R be a C -ring, \mathcal{M} the maximal ℓ -ideal space of R with the topology of 4-2, and \mathcal{B} the bundle space of R with the topology of 7-11.

Definition 8-1

Let F be the set of all continuous sections from \mathcal{M} into \mathcal{B} .

Proposition 8-2

For any $r \in R$, $\hat{r}: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is continuous, that is $\hat{R} \subseteq F$.

Proof

Now, $M \in \hat{r}^{-1}(\langle s, t; V \rangle) \Leftrightarrow \hat{r}(M) \in \langle s, t; V \rangle \Leftrightarrow M \in V$ and $s_M < r_M < t_M \Leftrightarrow M \in \{N \mid r_N < t_N < s_N\} \cap V$. Thus $\hat{r}^{-1}(\langle s, t; V \rangle) = V \cap \{M \mid r_M < t_M < s_M\} = V \cap \{M \mid r_M < t_M\} \cap \{M \mid t_M < s_M\}$ so by 7-9 $\hat{r}^{-1}(\langle s, t; V \rangle)$ is open in \mathcal{M} . Therefore \hat{r} is continuous.

Lemma 8-3

If $f \in F$ then $-f \in F$.

Proof

Now by 7-4, 2-9, and 2-17(3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 M \in (-f)^{-1} (\langle r, s; V \rangle) &\Leftrightarrow (-f)(M) \in \langle r, s; V \rangle \\
 &\Leftrightarrow M \in V \text{ and } r_M < (-f)(M) < s_M \\
 &\Leftrightarrow M \in V \text{ and } (-s)_M < f(M) < (-r)_M \\
 &\Leftrightarrow M \in f^{-1} (\langle -s, -r; V \rangle).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(-f)^{-1} (\langle r, s; V \rangle) = f^{-1} (\langle -s, -r; V \rangle)$ which is open in \mathcal{M} since $f \in F$. Therefore $-f \in F$.

Lemma 8-4

If $f \in F$ then $\{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(M) > 0\}$ is open in \mathcal{M} .

Proof

Let $A = \{\alpha \in R_M^c \mid \alpha > 0 \text{ and } M \in \mathcal{M}\}$. If $\beta \in A$ then there exists $M \in \mathcal{M}$ and $r \in R$ such that $\beta \in R_M^c$ and $0 < \beta < r_M < \beta + 1$ by 6-27(3). Let $V = \{N \in \mathcal{M} \mid r_N > 0\}$ then by 7-9, V is open in \mathcal{M} and $M \in V$. Therefore $\beta \in \langle 0, r; V \rangle \subseteq A$ so A is open in \mathcal{B} . Now $\{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(M) > 0\} = f^{-1}(A)$ which is open in \mathcal{M} since $f \in F$.

Lemma 8-5

If $f \in F$ and $S(f) = \{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(M) \neq 0\}$ then $S(f)$ is open in \mathcal{M} .

Proof

Since each R is totally ordered then

$$\{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(M) \neq 0\} = \{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(M) > 0\} \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid (-f)(M) > 0\}.$$

By 8-3, $-f \in F$ so by 8-4, $S(f)$ is open in \mathcal{M} .

Lemma 8-6

If $f \in F$ and $t \in R$ then $f + \hat{t} \in F$.

Proof

Now by 2-9 and 7-4

$$\begin{aligned} M \in (f + \hat{t})^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle &\iff M \in V \text{ and } r_M \langle (f + \hat{t})(M) \rangle \langle s_M \\ &\iff M \in V \text{ and } (r - t)_M \langle f(M) \rangle \langle (s - t)_M \\ &\iff M \in f^{-1} \langle (r - t), (s - t); V \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(f + \hat{t})^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle = f^{-1} \langle (r - t), (s - t); V \rangle$ is open in \mathcal{M} since $f \in F$. Therefore $f + \hat{t} \in F$.

Lemma 8-7

If $f, g \in F$, W open in \mathcal{M} , and for all $N \in W, f(N) \langle g(N)$ then $\langle f, g; W \rangle = \{ \alpha \in R_M^c \mid M \in W \text{ and } f(M) \langle \alpha \langle g(M) \}$ is open in \mathcal{B} .

Proof

If $\alpha \in \langle f, g; W \rangle$ then there exists $M \in W$ such that $\alpha \in R_M^c$ and since R_M dense in R_M^c by 6-25 there exists $r, s \in R$ such that $f(M) \langle r_M \langle \alpha \langle s_M \langle g(M)$. Let $V_1 = \{ N \mid \hat{s}(N) \langle g(N) \}$, $V_2 = \{ N \mid f(N) \langle \hat{r}(N) \}$, and $V_3 = \{ N \mid \hat{r}(N) \langle \hat{s}(N) \}$. Since $V_1 = \{ N \mid (g - \hat{s})(N) > 0 \}$ then by 8-5 and 8-4, V_1 is open in \mathcal{M} and similarly by 8-3, 8-5 and 8-4, V_2 is open in \mathcal{M} . Now by 7-9, V_3 is open in \mathcal{M} so $V = V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \cap W$ is open in \mathcal{M} . Then $M \in V$ and $\alpha \in \langle r, s; V \rangle \subseteq \langle f, g; W \rangle$ so that $\langle f, g; W \rangle$ is open in \mathcal{B} .

Lemma 8-8

If $f, g \in F$ then $f + g \in F$.

Proof

Now by 7-4

$$\begin{aligned} M \in (f+g)^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle &\Leftrightarrow M \in V \text{ and } \hat{r}(M) < (f+g)(M) < \hat{s}(M) \\ &\Leftrightarrow M \in V \text{ and } (\hat{r}-g)(M) < f(M) < (\hat{s}-g)(M) \\ &\Leftrightarrow M \in \langle (\hat{r}-g), (\hat{s}-g); V \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(f+g)^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle = f^{-1} \langle (\hat{r}-g), (\hat{s}-g); V \rangle$ which is open in \mathcal{M} by 8-3, 8-6 and 8-7. Therefore $f+g \in F$.

Lemma 8-9

If $f \in F$ then $|f| \in F$.

Proof

If $f(M) > 0$ then $M \in W = \{N \mid f(N) > 0\}$ and W is open by 8-4. Since each R_M^C is totally ordered then $f(N) = |f(N)| = |f|(N)$ for all $N \in W$. So by 5-11, $|f|$ is continuous at M .

If $f(M) < 0$ then $M \in W = \{N \mid (-f)(N) > 0\}$ and W is open by 8-3 and 8-4. Now $(-f)(N) = |f(N)| = |f|(N)$ for all $N \in W$ so by 8-3 and 5-11, $|f|$ is continuous at M .

If $f(M) = 0$ then $|f|(M) = |f(M)| = 0$. If $|f|(M) \in \langle r, s; V \rangle$ then $r_M < 0 < s_M$. Let $V_1 = f^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle$, $V_2 = (-f)^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle$ and $V_3 = V_1 \cap V_2$ so by 8-3, V_3 is open. Since $f(M) = (-f)(M) = 0$ then $M \in V_3$. Now if $f(N) \geq 0$ then $|f|(N) = f(N)$ so if $N \in V_1$ then $r_N < |f|(N) < s_N$. Similarly if $f(N) < 0$ then $|f|(N) = (-f)(N)$ so if $N \in V_2$ then $r_N < |f|(N) < s_N$. Thus $|f|(V_3) \subseteq \langle r, s; V \rangle$ so $|f|$ is continuous at M .

Since each R_M^C is totally ordered then $|f|$ is

continuous for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ and so $|f| \in F$.

Lemma 8-10

If $r \in R$ and $r_M > 0$ then there exists V open in \mathcal{M} and a p-unit u in R such that $M \in V$ and $r_N = u_N$ for all $N \in V$.

Proof

Since R convex then $\frac{r}{2} \in R$ and $0 < (\frac{r}{2})_M < r_M$. By 6-6 there exists a p-unit v in R such that $v_M = (\frac{r}{2})_M$. Let $u = v \vee r$ and $V = \{N \mid v_N < r_N\}$ so by 7-9, V is open in \mathcal{M} and $M \in V$. Now $u_N = v_N \vee r_N = r_N$ for all $N \in V$. Since $u \geq v$ then $u_N \geq v_N > 0$ for all $N \in \mathcal{M}$ by 2-9 and 6-5. Thus by 6-5, u is a p-unit in R .

Lemma 8-11

If $f \in F$ and u a p-unit in R then $\hat{u}f \in F$.

Proof

Since u a p-unit in R then by 2-18(6), $\frac{1}{u}$ a p-unit in R and $(\frac{1}{u})_M = \frac{1}{u_M} > 0$. If $r_M < s_M$ for all $M \in V$ then by 2-17(25) and 2-9, $(\frac{r}{u})_M < (\frac{s}{u})_M$ for all $M \in V$. Now by 2-17(25), 2-9 and 7-4

$$\begin{aligned} M \in (\hat{u}f)^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle &\iff M \in V \text{ and } r_M < \hat{u}(M)f(M) < s_M \\ &\iff M \in V \text{ and } \frac{r_M}{u_M} < f(M) < \frac{s_M}{u_M} \iff \\ &M \in V \text{ and } (\frac{r}{u})_M < f(M) < (\frac{s}{u})_M \iff M \in f^{-1} \langle \frac{r}{u}, \frac{s}{u}; V \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(\hat{u}f)^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle = f^{-1} \langle \frac{r}{u}, \frac{s}{u}; V \rangle$ which is open in \mathcal{M} since $f \in F$ so $\hat{u}f \in F$.

Lemma 8-12

If $f, g \in F$ then $\{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(M) < g(M)\}$ is open in \mathcal{M} .

Proof

Now $\{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(M) < g(M)\} = \{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid (g-f)(M) > 0\}$. By 8-3 and 8-8, $g-f \in F$ so by 8-4, $\{M \in \mathcal{M} \mid (g-f)(M) > 0\}$ is open in \mathcal{M} .

Lemma 8-13

If $f, g \in F$ and $g(M) = 0$ then fg is continuous at M .

Proof

By 6-25 there exists $t \in R$ such that $0 \leq |f|(M) < t_M < (|f|+1)(M)$. By 6-6 there exists a p -unit u in R such that $u_M = t_M$. Let $V = \{N \mid |f|(N) < \hat{u}(N)\}$ then by 8-2, 8-9 and 8-12, V is open in \mathcal{M} . If $fg(M) \in \langle r, s; W \rangle$ then $M \in W$ and $r_M < 0 < s_M$. Let $X = \{N \mid |g|(N) < \left(\frac{s \wedge -r}{u}\right)(N)\}$ then by 8-2, 8-9 and 8-12, X is open in \mathcal{M} . Now $s_M > 0$ and $(-r)_M > 0$ so $\left(\frac{s \wedge -r}{u}\right)(M) > 0$ since R_M^c is totally ordered and by 2-18(6) and by 2-17(25). Now $|g|(M) = |g(M)| = 0$ so $M \in X$. Let $Z = V \cap W \cap X$ then Z open and $M \in Z$. If $N \in Z$ then $|fg|(N) = |fg(N)| = |f(N)| |g(N)|$
 $= |f|(N) |g|(N) \leq \hat{u}(N) |g|(N) < \hat{s}(N) \wedge (-\hat{r})(N)$
 by 2-17(1,25) so that by 2-23 and 2-17(23) $\hat{r}(N) < fg(N) < \hat{s}(N)$. Thus $fg(Z) \subseteq \langle r, s; W \rangle$ and $M \in Z$ so that fg is continuous at M .

Lemma 8-14

If $f \in F$ and $r \in R$ then $\hat{r}f \in F$.

Proof

If $\hat{f}(M) = 0$ then by 8-2 and 8-13, $\hat{r}f$ is continuous at M . If $\hat{f}(M) > 0$ then by 8-10 there exists V open in \mathcal{M} and u a p -unit in R such that $M \in V$ and $\hat{u}(N) = \hat{f}(N)$ for all $N \in V$. Thus $(\hat{u}f)(N) = (\hat{r}f)(N)$ for all $N \in V$ so by 8-11 and 5-11, $\hat{r}f$ is continuous at M . If $\hat{f}(M) < 0$ then $(-\hat{r})(M) > 0$ so by above and 8-3, $(-\hat{r})(-f) = \hat{r}f$ is continuous at M . Since each R_M^c is totally ordered then $\hat{r}f$ is continuous for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so $\hat{r}f \in F$.

Lemma 8-15

If $f, g \in F$ then $f \vee g, f \wedge g \in F$.

Proof

Since R convex $\frac{1}{2} \in R$. Now S is an f -ring by 7-4 so $f \vee g = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(f+g+|f-g|)$ by 2-18(7). So by 8-3, 8-8, 8-9 and 8-14, $f \vee g \in F$. Also by 2-17(23) $f \wedge g = -(-f \vee -g)$ so by 8-3, $f \wedge g \in F$.

Definition 8-16

If $u \in S$ and $u(M) \neq 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ then define

$$\frac{1}{u}(M) = \frac{1}{u(M)}.$$

Note that $\frac{1}{u} \in S$ since $\frac{1}{u(M)} \in R_M^c$.

Lemma 8-17

$u \in S$ is a unit in S iff $u(M) \neq 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$.

Proof

If $u(M) \neq 0$ then $(u)(\frac{1}{u})(M) = u(M) \frac{1}{u(M)} = 1$ so u is a unit in S . If $u \in S$ is a unit then there exists $v \in S$ such that $uv = 1$. Thus for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$, $u(M)v(M) = 1$ so $u(M) \neq 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$.

Lemma 8-18

If $u \in F$ then u is a p-unit in F iff $u(M) > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$.

Proof

If u a p-unit in F then $u(M) \geq 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ by 2-9. By 8-17, $u(M) \neq 0$ since u a unit in S so $u(M) > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$.

If $u(M) > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ then $\frac{1}{u} \in S$ by 8-16. If $\frac{1}{u}(M) \in \langle r, s; V \rangle$ then $r_M < \frac{1}{u}(M) < s_M$ and $M \in V$. Since $u(M) > 0$ then by 2-18(6), $\frac{1}{u}(M) > 0$ so by 2-9, $\frac{1}{u}(M) > \widehat{(r \vee 0)}(M)$ and since R_M^c is totally ordered. By 6-25, there exists $t \in R$, $(r \vee 0)_M < t_M < \frac{1}{u}(M)$. Let $W = \{N \mid (r \vee 0)_N < t_N < s_N\} \cap V$ then $M \in W$ and W is open by 7-9. Therefore $\frac{1}{u}(M) \in \langle t, s; W \rangle \subseteq \langle r, s; V \rangle$. Now by 8-10 there exists open sets U_1 and U_2 and p-units v, w in R such that $v_N = t_N$ for all $N \in U_1$ and $w_N = s_N$ for all $N \in U_2$ and also $M \in U_1 \cap U_2$. Let $X = U_1 \cap U_2 \cap W$ so $M \in X$ and $\frac{1}{u}(M) \in \langle v, w; X \rangle \subseteq \langle t, s; W \rangle$. By 2-18(3), $(\frac{1}{w})_N < (\frac{1}{v})_N$ for all $N \in X$ and X is open so let $Y = u^{-1} \langle \frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{v}; X \rangle$.

Now $(\frac{1}{w})_M < u(M) < (\frac{1}{v})_M$ by 2-18(3) so $M \in Y$. If $N \in Y$ then $N \in X$ and $(\frac{1}{w})_N < u(N) < (\frac{1}{v})_N$ so by 2-18(3), $v_N < \frac{1}{u}(N) < w_N$. Thus $\frac{1}{u}(Y) \subseteq \langle v, w; X \rangle \subseteq \langle r, s; V \rangle$ and $M \in Y$. Thus $\frac{1}{u}$ is continuous for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so $\frac{1}{u} \in F$. Since $u(M)\frac{1}{u}(M) = 1$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ then $u \frac{1}{u} = 1$ so u is a p-unit in F .

Lemma 8-19

If $f \in F$ and $f(M) > 0$ then there exists V open in \mathcal{M} and u a p-unit in F such that $M \in V$ and $f(N) = u(N)$ for all $N \in V$.

Proof

By 6-25 there exists $r \in R$ such that $0 < r_M < f(M)$. By 6-6 there exists a p-unit v in R such that $v_M = r_M$. Let $u = \hat{v} \vee f$ so by 8-15, $u \in F$. Now $u(N) \geq \hat{v}(N) > 0$ for all $N \in \mathcal{M}$ by 6-5 so by 8-18, u is a p-unit in F . Let $V = \{N \mid \hat{v}(N) < f(N)\}$ so by 8-2 and 8-12, V is open in \mathcal{M} and $M \in V$. Since each R_N^C is totally ordered then for all $N \in V$, $u(N) = f(N) \vee \hat{v}(N) = f(N)$.

Lemma 8-20

If $f \in F$ and u a p-unit in F then $uf \in F$.

Proof

Now $u(M) > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ by 8-18 so by 2-18(6) and 2-17(25), $\hat{r}(M) < \hat{s}(M)$ iff $\frac{\hat{r}(M)}{u(M)} < \frac{\hat{s}(M)}{u(M)}$ for any $r, s \in R$. Also by 8-14, $\frac{\hat{r}}{u}, \frac{\hat{s}}{u} \in F$. Now by 8-18, 2-18(6) and 2-17(25)

$M \in (uf)^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle \Leftrightarrow \hat{r}(M) < (uf)(M) < \hat{s}(M)$ and
 $M \in V \Leftrightarrow \frac{\hat{r}}{u}(M) < f(M) < \frac{\hat{s}}{u}(M)$ and $M \in V \Leftrightarrow M \in f^{-1} \langle \frac{\hat{r}}{u}, \frac{\hat{s}}{u}; V \rangle$.

Therefore $(uf)^{-1} \langle r, s; V \rangle = f^{-1} \langle \frac{\hat{r}}{u}, \frac{\hat{s}}{u}; V \rangle$ which is open in \mathcal{M} by 8-7 and thus $uf \in F$.

Lemma 8-21

If $f, g \in F$ then $fg \in F$.

Proof

Let $M \in \mathcal{M}$ and consider $(fg)(M) = f(M)g(M)$. If $g(M) = 0$ then by 8-13, fg is continuous at M . If $g(M) > 0$ then by 8-19 there exists V open in \mathcal{M} and a p -unit u in F such that $M \in V$ and $u(N) = g(N)$ for all $N \in V$. Thus $(fg)(N) = (fu)(N)$ for all $N \in V$ so by 5-11, fg is continuous at M . If $g(M) < 0$ then $(-g)(M) > 0$ by 2-17(3) and 7-4 so $fg = (-f)(-g)$ by 7-4 and by above fg is continuous at M . Therefore fg is continuous for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so $fg \in F$.

Proposition 8-22

F is a convex f -ring.

Proof

Now S is an f -ring and by 8-3, 8-8, 8-15 and 8-21, F is a sub- ℓ -ring of S so by 2-14, F is an f -ring. If $f \in F$ and $f \geq 1$ then by 7-4, $f(M) \geq 1 > 0$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so by 8-18, f is a unit in F . Therefore by 3-1, F is convex.

Lemma 8-23

If for $f \in F$ and u a p -unit in F for each $M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ there exists $s \in R$ such that $|\hat{s}(M_i) - f(M_i)| < u(M_i)$ for $i = 1, 2$ then there exists $r \in R$ such that $|\hat{r} - f| \leq u$.

Proof

For a given $M \in \mathcal{M}$ let $s^N \in R$ be such that $|\hat{s}^N(N) - f(N)| < u(N)$ and $|\hat{s}^N(M) - f(M)| < u(M)$. Let $V_N = \{Q | \hat{s}^N(Q) - f(Q) < u(Q)\}$ then by 8-3, 8-8 and 8-12, V_N is open in \mathcal{M} and by 2-23, $N \in V_N$ so $\{V_N | N \in \mathcal{M}\}$ is an open cover of \mathcal{M} . By 4-3, \mathcal{M} is compact so a finite subcover of $\{V_N | N \in \mathcal{M}\}$ exists, say for N_1, N_2, \dots, N_p . Let $t^M = s^{N_1} \wedge \dots \wedge s^{N_p}$ so $t^M \in R$ and $\hat{t}^M(Q) \leq \hat{s}^{N_i}(Q)$ for all $Q \in \mathcal{M}$. For any $Q \in \mathcal{M}$ there exists V_{N_i} such that $Q \in V_{N_i}$ so $\hat{s}^{N_i}(Q) - f(Q) < u(Q)$. Therefore $\hat{t}^M(Q) - f(Q) \leq \hat{s}^{N_i}(Q) - f(Q) < u(Q)$ by 2-17(2) so by 2-17(2), $\hat{t}^M(Q) < f(Q) + u(Q)$ for all $Q \in \mathcal{M}$. Since each R_Q^c is totally ordered there exists N_i such that $\hat{t}^M(Q) = \hat{s}^{N_i}(Q)$. Let $W_M = \bigcap_{i=1}^p \{Q | \hat{s}^{N_i}(Q) > f(Q) - u(Q)\}$ then as above W_M is open in \mathcal{M} and by 2-23 and 2-17(2), $M \in W_M$. Now $\hat{t}^M(Q) = \hat{s}^{N_i}(Q) > f(Q) - u(Q)$ for all $Q \in W_M$. Then $\{W_M | M \in \mathcal{M}\}$ is an open cover of \mathcal{M} so a finite subcover exists say for M_1, M_2, \dots, M_q . Let $r = t^{M_1} \vee \dots \vee t^{M_q}$ so $r \in R$ and $\hat{r}(Q) \geq \hat{t}^{M_i}(Q)$ for all $Q \in \mathcal{M}$. Now for any $Q \in \mathcal{M}$ there exists W_{M_i} such that $Q \in W_{M_i}$ so that $\hat{r}(Q) \geq \hat{t}^{M_i}(Q) > f(Q) - u(Q)$. Thus for all $Q \in \mathcal{M}$, $r(Q) > f(Q) - u(Q)$ so by 7-4, $\hat{r} \geq f - u$. Since each

R_Q^C is totally ordered then there exists M_i such that $\hat{f}(Q) = \hat{t}^{M_i}(Q)$ and so $\hat{f}(Q) < f(Q) + u(Q)$ for all $Q \in \mathcal{M}$. Thus by 7-4, $\hat{f} \leq f + u$ and so by 2-17(2) and 2-23, $|\hat{f} - f| \leq u$.

Lemma 8-24

For any $f \in F$, u a p -unit in F and any $M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ there exists $s \in R$ such that $|f(M_i) - \hat{s}(M_i)| < u(M_i)$ for $i = 1, 2$.

Proof

By 6-27(1), R_{M_i} is dense in $R_{M_i}^C$ for the p -unit topology and by 2-18(5), $\frac{u}{2}(M_i)$ is a p -unit in $R_{M_i}^C$. Thus by 6-18, there exists $s_1, s_2 \in R$ such that $|\hat{s}_i(M_i) - f(M_i)| \leq \frac{u}{2}(M_i) < u(M_i)$ by 2-17(25). If $M_1 = M_2$ let $s = s_1$. If $M_1 \neq M_2$ then by 4-4 there exists $r_1, r_2 \in R$ such that $M_i \in S(r_i)$ for $i = 1, 2$ and $S(r_1) \cap S(r_2) = \emptyset$. Thus $\hat{r}_1(M_1) \neq 0 \neq \hat{r}_2(M_2)$ and $\hat{r}_1(M_2) = \hat{r}_2(M_1) = 0$. Since R_{M_1} is a field by 7-1 then there exists $t_1 \in R$ such that $\hat{r}_1(M_1)\hat{t}_1(M_1) = \hat{s}_1(M_1)$ and similarly there exists $t_2 \in R$ such that $\hat{r}_2(M_2)\hat{t}_2(M_2) = \hat{s}_2(M_2)$. Let $s = r_1 t_1 + r_2 t_2$ then $s \in R$ and $\hat{s}(M_1) = \hat{r}_1(M_1)\hat{t}_1(M_1) + \hat{r}_2(M_1)\hat{t}_2(M_1) = \hat{s}_1(M_1)$ and similarly $\hat{s}(M_2) = \hat{s}_2(M_2)$. Therefore $|\hat{s}(M_i) - f(M_i)| < u(M_i)$ for $i = 1, 2$.

Note that as F is a convex f -ring the p -unit topology can be defined on it.

Proposition 8-25

If F has the p -unit topology then \hat{R} is dense in F .

Proof

By 8-23 and 8-24 for any $f \in F$ and any p-unit u in F there exists $r \in R$ such that $|f - \hat{r}| \leq u$. Thus by 6-18 and 6-2 every neighborhood of f contains an element of \hat{R} so \hat{R} is dense in F .

Lemma 8-26

If u a p-unit in F then there exists a p-unit $v \in R$ such that $\hat{v} \leq u$.

Proof

Since F is convex then 4 and 8 are p-units in F so by 2-18(5,6) $\frac{u}{4}$ and $\frac{u}{8}$ are p-units in F . By 8-25 there exists $v \in R$ such that $|\hat{v} - \frac{3u}{8}| \leq \frac{u}{4}$ so by 2-23 and 2-17(2) $0 < \frac{u}{8} = (\frac{3u}{8} - \frac{u}{4}) \leq \hat{v} \leq (\frac{u}{4} + \frac{3u}{8}) = \frac{5u}{8} < u$. Thus $0 < \hat{v} < u$ and $\hat{v}(M) \geq \frac{u}{8}(M) > 0$ by 7-4 so by 6-5 v is a p-unit in R .

Proposition 8-27

The p-unit topology on F induces the p-unit topology on \hat{R} .

Proof

Let $I^F(u) = \{f \in F \mid |f| \leq u\}$ for u a p-unit in F and $I^{\hat{R}}(\hat{v}) = \{\hat{r} \in \hat{R} \mid |\hat{r}| \leq \hat{v}\}$ for \hat{v} a p-unit in \hat{R} . By 8-26 for any $I^F(u)$ there exists a p-unit v in R such that $I^F(\hat{v}) \subseteq I^F(u)$. Thus by 6-2 the collection $\{I^F(\hat{v}) \mid \hat{v} \text{ a p-unit in } \hat{R}\}$ is a local base at 0 for the p-unit topology of F . Now $I^F(\hat{v}) \cap \hat{R} = I^{\hat{R}}(\hat{v})$ so that the collection $\{I^{\hat{R}}(\hat{v}) \mid \hat{v} \text{ a p-unit in } \hat{R}\}$ is a local

base at 0 in the topology induced on \hat{R} by the p-unit topology on F. Thus by 6-2, the topology induced on \hat{R} is the p-unit topology.

Definition 8-28

A set V in a convex f-ring R is u-small where u a p-unit if for all $x, y \in V$ $|x-y| \leq u$.

Lemma 8-29

If R is a convex f-ring with the p-unit uniformity then a filter, \mathcal{C} , on R is Cauchy iff for all p-units, u, in R there exists $V \in \mathcal{C}$ such that V is u-small.

Proof

The result follows from 5-14, 5-23, 5-24, 6-9 and 8-28.

Lemma 8-30

If R is a convex f-ring with the p-unit uniformity then a Cauchy filter, \mathcal{C} , on R converges to $s \in R$ iff for every u-small set $V \in \mathcal{C}$, $|v-s| \leq u$ for all $v \in V$.

Proof

Let \mathcal{C} be a Cauchy filter on R and $s \in R$ such that for any u-small set $V \in \mathcal{C}$, $|v-s| \leq u$ for all $v \in V$. Let $W_u = \{r \in R \mid |r-s| \leq u\}$ then by 6-2 and 6-18 the collection $\{W_u \mid u \text{ a p-unit in } R\}$ is a local base at s in the p-unit topology. By 8-29 there exists

$V \in \mathcal{C}$ such that V is u -small so by condition $V \subseteq W_u$.

By 5-5 and 5-1, \mathcal{C} converges to s .

Let \mathcal{C} be a Cauchy filter on R converging to $s \in R$ and let $V \in \mathcal{C}$ be a u -small set. If there exists $v \in V$ such that $|v-s| \not\leq u$ then there exists $M \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $|v-s|_M \not\leq u_M$ by 7-4, 7-5 and 7-6. Since each R_M totally ordered then $|v-s|_M > u_M$ so by 2-17(2,25) and 2-18(5,6) $\left(\frac{|v-s|_M - u_M}{2}\right)_M > 0$. By 6-6 there exists w , a p -unit in R such that $w_M = \left(\frac{|v-s|_M - u_M}{2}\right)_M$. Now if W_w is as above and if $r \in V \cap W_w$ then $|r-s| \leq w$ and $|v-r| \leq u$ by 8-28 so by 2-17(14,2) $|v-s| \leq |v-r| + |r-s| \leq u+w$. Then by 2-17(2) and 2-18(2) $|v-s|_M \leq u_M + w_M \leq \left(\frac{|v-s|_M + u_M}{2}\right)_M < |v-s|_M$. This is a contradiction so $V \cap W_w = \emptyset$ and thus by 5-2 and 5-6 s is not an adherence point of \mathcal{C} . So by 5-10, s is not a limit point of \mathcal{C} which is a contradiction. Therefore for all $v \in V$, $|v-s| \leq u$.

Lemma 8-31

If $f \in S$ such that for all p -units $u \in R$ there exists $r \in R$ such that $|f-\hat{r}| \leq \hat{u}$ then $f \in F$.

Proof

If $f(M) \in \langle s, t; V \rangle$ then $M \in V$ and $s_M < f(M) < t_M$ and since $R_M^{\mathcal{C}}$ is totally ordered then $(f(M) - s_M) \wedge (t_M - f(M)) > 0$ by 2-17(2). Since R_M dense

in R_M^C there exists $v \in R$ such that
 $0 < v_M < (f(M) - s_M) \wedge (t_M - f(M))$ and by 6-6 there exists
a p-unit $u \in R$ such that $u_M = v_M$. Let
 $W = \{N \mid (s + \frac{u}{2})_N < (t - \frac{u}{2})_N\} \cap V$ so by 7-9, W is open in \mathcal{M}
and by 6-5 and 2-17(2) $\langle (s + \frac{u}{2}), (t - \frac{u}{2}); W \rangle \subseteq \langle s, t; V \rangle$.
Then by 6-5, 2-17(2) and 2-18(5,6)
 $(s + \frac{u}{2})_M < (s + u)_M < f(M) < (t - u)_M < (t - \frac{u}{2})_M$ and $M \in V$ so
 $M \in W$. By assumption there exists $r \in R$ such that
 $|f - \hat{r}| \leq (\frac{u}{2})$ so let $X = \hat{r}^{-1} \langle (s + \frac{u}{2}), (t - \frac{u}{2}); W \rangle$. If $N \in X$
then $r_N < (t - \frac{u}{2})_N$ so by 2-17(12,2) and 6-5,
 $f(N) \leq (r + \frac{u}{2})_N < t_N$. Similarly $f(N) > s_N$ and $N \in W$ so
 $f(X) \subseteq \langle s, t; V \rangle$. Also by 2-17(12), $r_M < f(M) + (\frac{u}{2})_M$
so by 6-5 and 2-17(2), $r + (\frac{u}{2})_M \leq f(M) + u_M < t_M$ and so
 $r_M < t_M - (\frac{u}{2})_M$. Similarly $s_M + (\frac{u}{2})_M < r_M$ and $M \in W$ so
 $M \in X$. Now X is open in \mathcal{M} since $\hat{r} \in F$ so f continuous
at M . Thus f continuous at all $M \in \mathcal{M}$ so $f \in F$.

Lemma 8-32

Under the natural mapping of R onto R_M let the
image of $V \subseteq R$ be V_M and the image of a filter, \mathcal{C} , be
 \mathcal{C}_M . If V is a u -small set in R then V_M is a u_M -small
set in R_M . If \mathcal{C} is a Cauchy filter in R then \mathcal{C}_M is
a Cauchy filter in R_M .

Proof

If $\beta, \gamma \in V_M$ then there exists $r, s \in V$ such that

$\beta = r_M$ and $\gamma = s_M$ and since by 8-28, $|r-s| \leq u$ then by 2-9, $|r_M - s_M| \leq u_M$.

If α a p-unit in R_M then by 6-6 there exists a p-unit $v \in R$ such that $v_M = \alpha$. Thus if $|r-s| \leq v$ then by 2-9, $|r_M - s_M| \leq v_M = \alpha$ so by 6-10 the natural mapping is uniformly continuous. Thus by 5-26, \mathcal{C}_M is a Cauchy filter on R_M .

Lemma 8-33

If \mathcal{C} a Cauchy filter in R then \mathcal{C}_M is a Cauchy filter base in R_M^C and has a unique limit point in R_M^C . Let $\lim \mathcal{C}_M$ be this unique limit point.

Proof

By 8-32, \mathcal{C}_M is a Cauchy filter on R_M so by 5-25, \mathcal{C}_M is a Cauchy filter base on R_M^C . Now R_M is a C-ring so by 6-16, R_M^C is a Hausdorff and complete space in the p-unit uniformity. By 5-28, \mathcal{C}_M has a unique limit point in R_M^C .

Lemma 8-34

If \mathcal{C} a Cauchy filter on \hat{R} define $f \in S$ by $f(M) = \lim \mathcal{C}_M$ then $f \in F$ and \mathcal{C} converges in F to f .

Proof

If $V \in \mathcal{C}$ is a \hat{u} -small set, \hat{u} a p-unit in \hat{R} , then V_M is u_M -small in R_M^C by 8-32. Since \mathcal{C}_M converges to $f(M)$ then by 8-33 and 8-30, $|\hat{v}(M) - f(M)| \leq \hat{u}(M)$ for

all $\hat{v} \in V$. Thus by 7-4 and 7-6 $|\hat{v}-f| \leq \hat{u}$ for all $\hat{v} \in V$. Now by 8-29 there exists $V \in \mathcal{C}$ such that V is \hat{u} -small for any p -unit $\hat{u} \in \hat{R}$ so that for any p -unit $\hat{u} \in \hat{R}$ there exists $\hat{r} \in \hat{R}$ such that $|\hat{r}-f| \leq \hat{u}$. Therefore by 8-31, $f \in F$.

Let \mathcal{D} be the Cauchy filter on F generated by \mathcal{C} and let $W \in \mathcal{D}$ be a v -small set, where v a p -unit in F . Let \mathcal{D}_M be the image of \mathcal{D} in R_M^C . Now \mathcal{D}_M and \mathcal{C}_M are bases for the same filter on R_M^C so \mathcal{D}_M converges in R_M^C to $f(M)$. Now $|w_1 - w_2| \leq v$ for all $w_1, w_2 \in W$ so by 7-4, $|w_1(M) - w_2(M)| \leq v(M)$. Therefore by 8-30 $|w(M) - f(M)| \leq v(M)$ for all $w \in W$ and thus by 7-4, $|w - f| \leq v$ for all $w \in W$. Since $f \in F$ then by 8-30, \mathcal{D} converges in F to f .

Proposition 8-35

F is complete in the p -unit uniformity.

Proof

The result follows from 8-25, 8-27, 8-34 and 5-29.

Proposition 8-36

F is a C -ring.

Proof

If $f \in F$ and $f \neq 0$ then there exists $M \in \mathcal{M}$ such that $f(M) \neq 0$ so by 7-4 and 2-17(9,13), $|f|(M) > 0$. Now by 8-19 there exists a p -unit $u \in F$ such that $u(M) = |f|(M)$

so by 2-18(5,6) and 2-17(25), $\left(\frac{u}{2}\right)(M) < |f|(M)$. Thus $f \notin I\left(\frac{u}{2}\right)$ and so $\bigcap \{I(v) \mid v \text{ a p-unit in } F\} = \{0\}$. Therefore by 8-22, 6-7 and 6-3, F is a C-ring.

Theorem 8-37

F is the completion of R .

Proof

By 8-36 and 6-7, F is Hausdorff in the p-unit topology and by 8-22 F is a topological f-ring in the p-unit topology. F is complete in its ring uniformity by 8-35. By 8-25, \hat{R} is dense in F and the topology induced on \hat{R} is the p-unit topology by 8-27. By 7-6, R is ℓ -isomorphic to \hat{R} and R is homeomorphic to \hat{R} since both have the p-unit topology. Therefore by 6-16(3), F is the completion of R .

The following result answers the questions raised after 6-16.

Corollary 8-38

If R is C-ring with the p-unit topology then its completion, R^c , is a C-ring with the p-unit topology.

Proof

The result follows from 8-36 and 8-37.

As an application of this theorem consider Archimedean f-rings.

Proposition 8-39

A bounded convex Archimedean f-ring, R , is

ℓ -isomorphic to a sub-f-ring of $C(\mathcal{M})$, the ring of continuous real valued functions on the maximal ideal space of R , and $C(\mathcal{M})$ is the completion of R .

Proof

By 7-1 and 2-26(1,2) for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$, R_M is a sub-f-field of the reals. By 2-26(3), R is a C-ring so by 7-18, R is ℓ -isomorphic to $C(\mathcal{M})$. Thus $C(\mathcal{M})$ is the completion of R by 8-37.

Corollary 8-40

A bounded Archimedean f-ring, R , is ℓ -isomorphic to a sub-f-ring of $C(\mathcal{M})$.

Proof

If $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d} \in \widehat{R}$ and $n(\frac{a}{b}) \leq \frac{c}{d}$ for all positive integers, n , then by 2-17(1), $n(ad) \leq bc$ and by 2-25(2), $ad \leq 0$. Thus by 2-17(3), $-(ad) \geq 0$ so by 3-4, $-a \geq 0$. Then by 2-18(6) and 2-17(1), $\frac{-a}{b} \geq 0$ so that by 2-17(3), $\frac{a}{b} \leq 0$. Therefore \widehat{R} is Archimedean.

Since R a sub-f-ring of \widehat{R} then by 8-39 and 4-6, R is ℓ -isomorphic to a sub-f-ring of $C(\mathcal{M})$.

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