

## STRONG BASE FOR FUZZY TOPOLOGY

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**ABSTRACT.** It is known that a base for a traditional topology, or for a  $L$ -topology,  $\tau$ , is a subset  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $\tau$  with the property that every element  $G \in \tau$  can be written as a union of elements of  $\mathcal{B}$ . In the classical case it is equivalent to say that  $G \in \tau$  if and only if for any  $x \in G$  we have  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  satisfying  $x \in B \subseteq G$ . This latter property is taken as the foundation for a notion of strong base for a  $L$ -topology. Characteristic properties of a strong base are given and among other results it is shown that a strong base is a base, but not conversely.

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The two conditions

- (i) each point is contained in at least one member of the base, and
- (ii) if a point belongs to the intersection of two members of the base, then it belongs to a member of the base contained in that intersection,

which are characteristic of a base of a traditional topology, are shown to be insufficient to characterize a strong base for a  $L$ -topology. Therefore, characteristic properties of a strong base are given and among other results it is shown that a strong base is a base, but not conversely.

Throughout this paper,  $L$  will be a Hutton algebra, i.e. complete and completely distributive lattice which has an order-reversing involution  $' : L \rightarrow L$ , a smallest element 0 and a largest element 1 ( $0 \neq 1$ ). Obviously, for every set  $X$ ,  $L^X$ , the family of all  $L$ -subsets of  $X$ , i.e., all mappings from  $X$  to  $L$ , is also a Hutton algebra under the pointwise order and induced order-reversing involution; we denote the largest element and the smallest element of  $L^X$  by  $1_X$  and  $0_X$ , respectively. A  $L$ -topological space, briefly,  $L$ -ts, is a pair  $(X, \delta)$ , where  $X$  is a set and  $\delta$ , called an  $L$ -topology on  $X$ , is a subfamily of  $L^X$  which contains  $0_X$  and  $1_X$ , and is closed under the operations of taking finite intersections and arbitrary unions. Obviously, in case  $L = [0, 1]$ , a  $L$ -topological space  $([0, 1]^X, \delta)$  (for simplicity, denoted by  $(X, \delta)$ ) is just a fuzzy topological space in the sense of Chang [1].

We assume that the reader is familiar with the usual notions and basic concepts of  $L$ -topology and lattice theory.

For  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \in L$  ( $\alpha \neq 0$ ) denote the  $L$ -subset taking value  $\alpha$  at  $x$  and value 0 at other points of  $X$  by  $x_\alpha$ , call it an  $L$ -point on  $X$ . The family of all  $L$ -points in  $X$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}$  (see [3], [6]). A  $L$ -point  $x_\alpha$  is said to belong to  $A$ , written  $x_\alpha \in A$ , where  $A$  is an  $L$ -subset in  $X$ , iff  $\alpha \leq A(x)$ . For all undefined basic concepts, our reference is [2–5].

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**Definition 1.** A subset  $\mathcal{B}$  of a  $L$ -topology  $\delta$  on  $X$  which has the property

$$U \in \delta \iff (x_\alpha \in U \Rightarrow \exists B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ with } x_\alpha \in B \subseteq U)$$

is called a **strong base** of  $\delta$ .

**Theorem 1.** A subset  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $L^X$  is a strong base for some  $L$ -topology on  $X$  if and only if it satisfies the following three conditions:

- (i)  $x_\alpha \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \exists B_{x_\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $x_\alpha \in B_{x_\alpha}$ ,
- (ii)  $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $x_\alpha \in B_1 \wedge B_2 \Rightarrow \exists B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $x_\alpha \in B_3 \subseteq (B_1 \wedge B_2)$ ,
- (iii)  $\{B_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in J} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$  and  $x_\alpha \in \bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda \Rightarrow \exists B \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $x_\alpha \in B \subseteq \bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda$ .

*Proof.* It is clear that if  $\mathcal{B}$  is a strong base for some  $L$ -topology on  $X$  then it satisfies the conditions (i)–(iii). Conversely, suppose that for subset  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $L^X$  the conditions (i)–(iii) are satisfied. We shall show that the set

$$\delta_{\mathcal{B}} = \{U \subseteq L^X \mid x_\alpha \in U \Rightarrow \exists B_{x_\alpha} \in \mathcal{B} \text{ with } x_\alpha \in B_{x_\alpha} \subseteq U\}$$

is a  $L$ -topology (so-called  *$L$ -topology generated by  $\mathcal{B}$* ) on  $X$ .

$0_X \in \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$  is trivial. For every  $x_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$  there exists  $B_{x_\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}$  satisfying  $x_\alpha \in B_{x_\alpha}$  by (i). Since  $B_{x_\alpha} \subseteq \mathbf{1}_X$  we have  $x_\alpha \in B_{x_\alpha} \subseteq \mathbf{1}_X$ , so  $\mathbf{1}_X \in \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

Let  $\{U_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in J} \subseteq \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $x_\alpha \in \bigvee_\lambda U_\lambda$ . Let  $x_\alpha := U_\lambda(x)$ . Then  $x_\alpha \in \bigvee_\lambda U_\lambda$ . Since  $U_\lambda \in \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$ , then  $\exists B_\lambda \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $x_\alpha \in B_\lambda \subseteq U_\lambda$ . Hence

$$x_\alpha \in \bigvee_\lambda U_\lambda \subseteq \bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda \subseteq \bigvee_\lambda U_\lambda.$$

By (iii) there exists an element  $B$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $x_\alpha \in B \subseteq \bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda$ . Therefore  $x_\alpha \in B \subseteq \bigvee_\lambda U_\lambda$ . Thus  $\bigvee_\lambda U_\lambda \in \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

Let  $U, V \in \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $x_\alpha \in U \wedge V$ . Then  $x_\alpha \in U$  and  $x_\alpha \in V$ . Therefore  $\exists B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $x_\alpha \in B_1 \subseteq U$  and  $x_\alpha \in B_2 \subseteq V$ . Hence  $x_\alpha \in B_1 \wedge B_2 \subseteq U \wedge V$ . From (ii) there is an element  $B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x_\alpha \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \wedge B_2$ . Then  $x_\alpha \in B_3 \subseteq U \wedge V$ , i.e.  $U \wedge V \in \delta_{\mathcal{B}}$ .  $\square$

**Example 1.** . Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and  $L = [0, 1]$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the collection of the following  $L$ -subsets:  $B_0 = (x, \frac{a}{4/5}, \frac{b}{1/2})$ ,  $B_1 = (x, \frac{a}{1}, \frac{b}{1/2})$ ,  $B_2 = (x, \frac{a}{1/2}, \frac{b}{1})$ ,  $B_3 = (x, \frac{a}{1/2}, \frac{b}{1/2})$ ,  $B_n = (x, \frac{a}{4/5-1/n}, \frac{b}{1/2})$  ( $n \geq 4$ ).

It is easy to check that for  $\mathcal{B}$  the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) of Theorem 1 are valid. Therefore,  $\mathcal{B}$  is a strong base for some  $L$ -topology on  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.** Every strong base of a  $L$ -topology is a base.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a strong base on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{B}}$  the subset of all unions of elements of  $\mathcal{B}$ . We shall show that the subset  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{B}}$  is a  $L$ -topology on  $X$ .

The first condition of  $L$ -topology is trivial. If  $\{U_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in J} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{B}}$ , then for every  $\lambda$  there exists a family  $\{B_{\mu,\lambda}\} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$  with  $U_\lambda = \bigvee_\mu B_{\mu,\lambda}$ . Hence  $\bigvee_\lambda U_\lambda = \bigvee_{\mu,\lambda} B_{\mu,\lambda} \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{B}}$ , i.e. the second condition of  $L$ -topology is also true.

Put  $U = \bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda, V = \bigvee_\mu B_\mu \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{B}}$  and let  $x_\alpha \in U \wedge V = (\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda) \wedge (\bigvee_\mu B_\mu)$ . Then  $x_\alpha \in \bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda$  and  $x_\alpha \in \bigvee_\mu B_\mu$ . By (iii) there are  $B, B' \in \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$x_\alpha \in B \subseteq \bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda \quad \text{and} \quad x_\alpha \in B' \subseteq \bigvee_\mu B_\mu.$$

Hence

$$x_\alpha \in B \wedge B' \subseteq \left(\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda\right) \wedge \left(\bigvee_\mu B_\mu\right).$$

There exists by (ii) an element  $B_{x,\alpha}$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  with  $x_\alpha \in B_{x,\alpha} \subset B \wedge B'$ . Therefore  $x_\alpha \in B_{x,\alpha} \subset (\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda) \wedge (\bigvee_\mu B_\mu)$  and  $U \wedge V = (\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda) \wedge (\bigvee_\mu B_\mu) = \bigvee_{x,\alpha} B_{x,\alpha}$ , i.e.  $U \wedge V \in \mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B}$ . Thus  $\mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B}$  is a  $L$ -topology on  $X$ .  $\square$

*Remark 1.* The converse of Theorem 2 is false:

**Example 2.** Consider the family  $\mathcal{B}$  of Example 1 without the set  $B_0$ .

It is easy to check that for  $\mathcal{B}$  the conditions (i) and (ii) of Theorem 1 are valid again and it is base for some  $L$ -topology on  $X$ . But, now for  $\mathcal{B}$  the condition (iii) is not true. For this we consider the set  $\bigvee_{n \geq 4} B_n = (x, \frac{a}{4/5}, \frac{b}{1/2})$ .

It is easy to see that for this set there is no set  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $B(a) \geq \alpha$  and  $B \subset \bigvee_{n \geq 4} B_n$ . Hence, for the  $L$ -point  $a_\alpha$  there does not exist a set  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $a_\alpha \in B \subset \bigvee_{n \geq 4} B_n$ . Therefore,  $\bigvee_{n \geq 4} B_n \notin \delta_\mathcal{B}$ , i.e.  $\delta_\mathcal{B}$  is not a  $L$ -topology on  $X$ . Since condition (iii) of Theorem 1 is not satisfied,  $\mathcal{B}$  is not a strong base.

Now, we consider other example.

**Example 3.** Let  $(I[L], \delta)$  be the  $L$ -fuzzy unit interval with its canonical  $L$ -topology. We briefly recall the definitions from [2], [3].

Let  $md_\mathbb{R}(L)$  be the family of all the monotonically decreasing mappings  $\lambda \in L^\mathbb{R}$  with  $\bigvee_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \lambda(t) = 1$  and  $\bigwedge_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \lambda(t) = 0$ . Let  $md_I(L)$  be the family of all the elements in  $md_\mathbb{R}(L)$  with  $\lambda(t) = 1$  for  $t < 0$  and  $\lambda(t) = 0$  for  $t > 1$ . Define an equivalence relation  $\sim$  on  $md_I(L)$  as:  $\lambda \sim \mu \Leftrightarrow \forall t, \lambda(t-) = \mu(t-), \lambda(t+) = \mu(t+)$ , where  $\lambda(t-) = \bigwedge_{s < t} \lambda(s)$ ,  $\lambda(t+) = \bigvee_{s > t} \lambda(s)$ . Denote the family of all the equivalence classes in  $md_I(L)$  with respect to  $\sim$  by  $I[L]$ . For every  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , define  $L_t, R_t \in I[L]$  as:  $L_t(\lambda) = \lambda(t-)$  and  $R_t(\lambda) = \lambda(t+)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{B}_L^I$  be the set of all finite intersections of elements of  $\mathcal{S}_L^I = \{L_t, R_t \in I[L] : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

It is easy to show that the set  $\mathcal{B}_L^I$  is a base for a  $L$ -topology, which we denote by  $\delta$ . Moreover, for the set  $\mathcal{B}_L^I$  conditions (i) and (ii) of Theorem 1 are immediately satisfied, because  $R_t = \mathbf{1}_X$  for  $t < 0$ ;  $L_s = \mathbf{1}_X$  for  $s > 1$ , and  $\mathcal{B}_L^I$  is closed under finite intersections.

Let us to show that for the set  $\mathcal{B}_L^I$  the condition (iii) is not true. Let  $\lambda : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be the continuous function defined by

$$\lambda(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 1 - x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

and for  $n \geq 2$  consider points  $t_n, s_n \in \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$t_n := \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} + 2^{-n} & \text{for } n \text{ even,} \\ \frac{1}{4} + 2^{-n} & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad s_n := \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4} - 2^{-n} & \text{for } n \text{ even,} \\ \frac{1}{2} - 2^{-n} & \text{for } n \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

A straightforward calculation shows that  $L_{s_n}(\lambda) \wedge R_{t_n}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} - 2^{-n}$  for all  $n \geq 2$ , so  $\bigvee_{n=2}^\infty (R_{t_n} \wedge L_{s_n})(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2}$ . Hence, for the  $L$ -point  $\lambda_{1/2}$  we have  $\lambda_{1/2} \in \bigvee_{n=2}^\infty (R_{t_n} \wedge L_{s_n})$ . Now, suppose that there exists an element  $R_{t_o} \wedge L_{s_o} \in \mathcal{B}_L^I$  with

$$\lambda_{1/2} \in R_{t_o} \wedge L_{s_o} \subset \bigvee_{n=2}^\infty (R_{t_n} \wedge L_{s_n}).$$

Since  $(R_{t_o} \wedge L_{s_o})(\lambda) = 1/2$ , we have  $t_o \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $s_o \geq \frac{1}{2}$  and at least one of the its is equal to  $1/2$ . Let, for simplicity,  $t_o = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $s_o \geq \frac{1}{2}$ . We define the function  $\mu$  as

$$\mu(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \leq 3/4, \\ 1/2 & \text{if } 3/4 < x \leq 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

A straightforward calculation shows that

$$R_{1/2}(\mu) = \bigvee_{t>1/2} \mu(t) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad L_{s_o}(\mu) = 1 - \bigwedge_{s<s_o} \mu(s) = 1 - 0 = 1,$$

so  $(R_{1/2} \wedge L_{s_o})(\mu) = 1$ . Similarly,

$$R_{t_n}(\mu) = \bigvee_{t>t_n} \mu(t) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad L_{s_n}(\mu) = 1 - \bigwedge_{s<s_n} \mu(s) = 1 - 1 = 0,$$

so  $\bigvee_{n=2}^{\infty} (R_{t_n} \wedge L_{s_n})(\mu) = 0$ . This is a contradiction.

Therefore, for the  $L$ -point  $\lambda_{1/2}$  there does not exist a set  $R_{t_o} \wedge L_{s_o} \in \mathcal{B}_L^I$  with  $\lambda_{1/2} \in R_{t_o} \wedge L_{s_o} \subset \bigvee_{n=2}^{\infty} (R_{t_n} \wedge L_{s_n})$ . Thus, for the set  $\mathcal{B}_L^I$  the condition (iii) is not true. By Theorem 1,  $\mathcal{B}$  is not a strong base for  $\delta$ .

*Remark 2.* In traditional topology condition (iii) of Theorem 1 is automatically satisfied since,

$$\{B_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in J} \subset \mathcal{B} \text{ and } x \in \bigcup_\lambda B_\lambda \Rightarrow \exists \lambda_0 \in J \text{ such that } x \in B_{\lambda_0} \subset \bigcup_\lambda B_\lambda.$$

Thus, in this case the notions of base and strong base coincide.

As noted above if  $\mathcal{B}$  is a strong base then the subset  $\mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B}$  is a  $L$ -topology. On the other hand, by definition the subset  $\delta_\mathcal{B}$  also is a  $L$ -topology. In the following theorem we'll show that these topologies coincide.

**Theorem 3.** *If  $\mathcal{B}$  is a strong base then  $\mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B} = \delta_\mathcal{B}$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\{B_\lambda\} \subset \mathcal{B}$  and  $\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda \in \delta_\mathcal{B}$  we have  $\mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B} \subset \delta_\mathcal{B}$ . Conversely, let  $U \in \delta_\mathcal{B}$ . Choose, for each  $x_\alpha \in U$ , an element  $B_x$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $x_\alpha \in B_x \subset U$ . Then  $U = \bigvee_x B_x$ , so  $U$  equals a union of elements of  $\mathcal{B}$ , i.e.  $U \in \mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B}$ .  $\square$

*Remark 3.* According to Example 2, in order for  $\delta_\mathcal{B}$  to be a  $L$ -topology it is necessary that  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfy condition (iii). On the other hand, conditions (i) and (ii) are sufficient for  $\mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B}$  to be a  $L$ -topology.

Clearly the first and second conditions of  $L$ -topology are satisfied. To check the third condition, we consider

$$\left(\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda\right) \wedge \left(\bigvee_\mu B_\mu\right) = \bigvee_{\lambda,\mu} (B_\lambda \wedge B_\mu).$$

If  $x_\alpha \in (B_\lambda \wedge B_\mu)$  there is, by (ii), an element  $B_{\alpha,x,\lambda,\mu}$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $x_\alpha \in B_{\alpha,x,\lambda,\mu} \subset (B_\lambda \wedge B_\mu)$ . Hence  $B_\lambda \wedge B_\mu = \bigvee_{\alpha,x} B_{\alpha,x,\lambda,\mu}$ . Therefore,

$$\left(\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda\right) \wedge \left(\bigvee_\mu B_\mu\right) = \bigvee_{\alpha,x,\lambda,\mu} B_{\alpha,x,\lambda,\mu},$$

i.e.  $(\bigvee_\lambda B_\lambda) \wedge (\bigvee_\mu B_\mu) \in \mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B}$ . Thus  $\mathcal{A}_\mathcal{B}$  is a  $L$ -topology.

Sometimes we need to go in the reverse direction, from a  $L$ -topology to a strong base that generates it. Below it is one way of obtaining a strong base for a given topology.

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $(X, \delta)$  be a  $L$ -ts. Suppose that  $\mathcal{C}$  is a subset of elements of  $\delta$  such that for each  $U \in \delta$  and  $x_\alpha \in U$ , there is an element  $C_x$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $x_\alpha \in C_x \subset U$ . Then  $\mathcal{C}$  is a strong base for  $\delta$ .*

*Proof.* Immediate from Definition 1. □

*Remark 4.* By Remark 3, a subset  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $L^X$  with the properties (i), (ii) and without the condition (iii), generates the  $L$ -topology  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{B}}$ . Theorem 4 shows that  $\delta$  is a strong base of itself.

The following theorem shows when one  $L$ -topology is finer than another in terms of strong bases for these topologies.

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B}'$  be strong bases for the  $L$ -topologies  $\delta$  ve  $\delta'$  on  $X$ , respectively. Then the followings are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\delta \subseteq \delta'$ .
- (2) *For each  $x_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$  and each base member  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  containing  $x_\alpha$ , there is a base member  $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$  such that  $x_\alpha \in B' \subset B$ .*

*Proof.*  $\Leftarrow$  Let  $U \in \delta$  and  $x_\alpha \in U$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}$  generates  $\delta$ , there is a base member  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $x_\alpha \in B \subset U$ . By hypothesis there is a base member  $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$  with  $x_\alpha \in B' \subset B$ . Hence  $x_\alpha \in B' \subset U$ , so  $U \in \delta'$ , by definition.

$\Rightarrow$  We are given  $x_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $B \ni x_\alpha$ .  $B$  belongs to  $\delta$  by definition and  $\delta \preceq \delta'$  by hypothesis; therefore  $B \in \delta'$ . Since  $\delta'$  is generated by  $\mathcal{B}'$ , there is a base member  $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$  such that  $x_\alpha \in B' \subset B$ . □

As an application of Theorem 5 we give the following example.

**Example 4.** Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the set of all *fuzzy circular regions* in the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e. the set of all fuzzy sets of the form  $B(A_{(x,y)}^\beta, r)$ , where  $r > 0$ ,  $A_{(x,y)}^\beta \in \mathcal{F}$  and

$$B(A_{(x,y)}^\beta, r)(A_{(x',y')}^\alpha) := \begin{cases} \alpha\beta, & \text{if } \sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2} + |\alpha - \beta| < r, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

in other words  $B(A_{(x,y)}^\beta, r) := \bigcup_{\substack{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2} \\ + |\alpha - \beta| < r}} A_{(x',y')}^{\alpha\beta}$ .

Similarly, let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the collection of all *fuzzy rectangular regions* in the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e. the collection of all fuzzy sets of the form  $C(A_{(x,y)}^\beta, a)$ , where  $a > 0$ ,  $A_{(x',y')}^\beta \in \mathcal{F}$  and

$$C(A_{(x,y)}^\beta, a)(A_{(x',y')}^\alpha) := \begin{cases} \alpha\beta, & \text{if } \max\{|x-x'|, |y-y'|\} + |\alpha - \beta| < a, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for each  $A_{(x',y')}^\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$ .

It is easy to see that the sets  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  are strong bases of  $L$ -topologies on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and by Theorem 5 the set  $\mathcal{B}$  generates the same  $L$ -topology as the set  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Let us, for instance, to show that the set  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfies the condition (iii) of Theorem 1. Let  $A_{(x,y)}^\alpha$  be a  $L$ -point and  $\{B_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subset \mathcal{B}$  with  $A_{(x,y)}^\alpha \in \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda$ . We may suppose without loss of generality that  $B_\lambda = B(A_{(x,y)}^{\beta_\lambda}, r_\lambda)$  for any  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Then one has  $\sup_\lambda \beta_\lambda = 1$ . If  $\alpha = 1$  we choose the set  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  as  $B(A_{(x,y)}^1, r)$ , for some  $r \in \{r_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ . Let  $\alpha < 1$  and  $r = \sup_\lambda r_\lambda$ . Then there exists  $\lambda_0 \in \Lambda$  with  $\alpha < \beta_{\lambda_0}$ . If  $r < \infty$ , we choose the set  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  as  $B(A_{(x,y)}^{\beta_{\lambda_0}}, r)$ ; if  $r = \infty$ , as  $B(A_{(x,y)}^{\beta_{\lambda_0}}, r')$ , where  $r' = 2|\alpha - \beta_{\lambda_0}|$ . It is all one implies that  $A_{(x,y)}^\alpha \in B \subset \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B(A_{(x,y)}^{\beta_\lambda}, r_\lambda)$ . Thus, for the set  $\mathcal{B}$  the condition (iii) is true.

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