*—INDUCTIVE LIMITS AND PARTITION OF UNITY

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ABSTRACT In this note we define and discuss some properties of partition of unity on
*—inductive limits of topological vector spaces. We prove that if a partition of unity exists
on a *—inductive limit space of a collection of topological vector spaces, then it is
isomorphic and homeomorphic to a subspace of a *—direct sum of topological vector spaces.

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1.   INTRODUCTION

M. De Wilde [1] introduced the concept of partition of unity in an inductive limit
space of a family of locally convex spaces which extends the usual partition of unity in
function spaces. Around the same time S.O. Iyahen [2] introduced *—inductive limits of
topological vector spaces, not necessarily locally convex, as a generalisation of inductive
limits. In this paper, we consider the notion of partition of unity in *—inductive limit
spaces of topological vector spaces and obtain some useful results some of which are
analogous to De Wilde's results in [1]. In section 2, we briefly discuss the well—known
concept of F—semi—norms in topological vector spaces. The details may be found in [6]. In
section 3, we define the concept of partition of unity in *—inductive limit and using this,
obtain a family of F—semi—norms defining the *—inductive limit topology. Finally we
conclude with a representation theorem of *—inductive limit space with a partition of
unity.
We prove that if a partition of unity exists on a *—inductive limit space of a collection of
topological vector spaces, then it is isomorphic and homeomorphic to a subspace of a
*—direct sum of topological vector spaces.

2.   F–SEMI–NORMS

Let E be a vector space over k where k is the field real or complex numbers.

DEFINITION 2.1

An F–semi–norm on E is a mapping $\nu : E \to \mathbb{R}$ such that

(i) $\nu(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in E$;

(ii) $\nu(\lambda x) \leq \nu(x)$ for all $x \in E$ and for all $|\lambda| \leq 1$;

(iii) $\nu(x+y) \leq \nu(x) + \nu(y)$ for all $x, y \in E$;

(iv)   for each $x \in E$, $\nu(\lambda x) \to 0$ as $\lambda \to 0$.

Suppose that $V = \{\nu_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is a family of F–semi–norms on E. Then V determines a linear topology η on E. A base of η–neighbourhoods of the origin in E consists of sets of the form

$$U_{\nu_{\alpha_1}, \nu_{\alpha_2}, \nu_{\alpha_n}, \epsilon} = \{x \in E : \nu_{\alpha_j}(x) < \epsilon, j = 1,2,\ldots,k\}$$

where ϵ is an arbitrary positive number and $\nu_{\alpha_1}, \nu_{\alpha_2}, \ldots, \nu_{\alpha_n}$ is any finite subcollection of V. Also, it is clear that each $\nu_\alpha \in V$ is η–continuous and η is the topology on E determined by the family Q of all η–continuous F–semi–norms on E. In fact, an F–semi–norm $\mu \in Q$ if and only if, for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ and a finite collection $\nu_{\alpha_1}, \nu_{\alpha_2}, \ldots, \nu_{\alpha_n}$ of V such that

$$U_{\nu_{\alpha_1}, \nu_{\alpha_2}, \ldots, \nu_{\alpha_n}, \delta} \subseteq \{x : \mu(x) < \epsilon\}.$$

Conversely, we have the following:

THEOREM 2.1

A vector space topology on E can always be determined by a family of F–semi–norms.

Proof: see [6], chapter 1, Proposition 2.

3.   PARTITION OF UNITY:

Let (E, τ) be the *–inductive limit of a family of topological vector spaces (E_i, τ_i) $i \in I$, an index family, relative to linear maps $u_i : E_i \to E$. Suppose further that the index set I is directed and that for each pair indices i, j $\in$ I with i < j, there is a continuous linear map $v_{ij} : E_i \to E_j$ such that $u_i = u_j \circ v_{ij}$.

DEFINITION 3.1   A partition of unity on E is defined to be a family of linear maps (T_i) $(i \in I)$, $T_i : E \to E_i$, which satisfies the following conditions.

(i) $T_i \circ u_j$ is continuous for each pair (i–j).

(ii)   For each $j \in I$, $T_i \circ u_j = 0$ except for a finite number of $i \in I$.

(iii) $\displaystyle\sum_{i \in I} u_i \circ T_i$ is the identity map on E.

Remark: We note that the condition (i) is equivalent to the following condition:

(i)   each $T_i : E \to E_i$ is continuous.

Example 3.2   Suppose (E, τ) is the inductive limit of locally convex spaces (E_i, τ_i) $(i \in I)$ with $\{T_i\}$ $(i \in I)$ is a partition of unity of (E,τ). Then since τ is coarser than the

*—inductive limit topology τ^* on E, it follows that $\{T_i\}$ (i $\in$ I) is also a partition of unity of (E, τ^*).

<u>Example 3.3</u>   Let $\{E_n\}$ (n = 1,2,...) be a sequence of topological vector spaces, E be the *—direct sum of the E_n's as defined in [2], and let $\{P_n\}$ (n = 1,2,...) be the projection maps of E onto E_n. Then, E is the *—inductive limit of the sequence $\{\bigoplus_{i=1}^{N} E_i\}$ (N = 1,2,...) and the maps $\{P_n\}$ constitute a partition of unity.

We now consider some properties of the *—inductive limit space (E, τ) with a partition of unity $\{T_i\}$ (i ϵ I) but first some notations.

For each i $\in$ I, let P_i be a family of F—semi—norms on E_i. Then P_i determines a linear topology τ_i on E_i and let $Q_i = \{v_i^a : a \epsilon \Gamma_i\}$ be the family of all τ_i—continuous F—semi—norms on E_i. For each collection s of F—semi—norms $\{v_i^a : v_i^a \in Q_i\}$ (i $\in$ I) and each set σ of positive real numbers $\{c_i\}$ i $\in$ I, we define a non—negative real—valued function τ_σ^s on E by the equation

$$\tau_\sigma^s (x) = \sum_{i \in I} c_i \, v_i^a (T_i x) \quad \text{for } x \in E. \tag{3.1}$$

It is easy to verify that τ_σ^s is a well—defined, F—semi—norm on E. By $\amalg$ we denote the family of all such F—semi—norms τ_σ^s for every collection of σ and s.

THEOREM 3.4   The *—inductive limit topology τ on E is given by the family $\amalg$ of F—semi—norms τ_σ^s defined by the equation 3.1.

PROOF   Let $\tau_\amalg$ be the linear topology on E generated by the collection $\amalg$ We have to prove that $\tau = \tau_\amalg$. We will do this in two steps. First, to prove that $\tau_\amalg$ is coarser than τ, it is sufficient to show that each $u_j : (E_j, \tau_j) \to (E, \tau_\amalg)$ is continuous. See [4]. Now each u_j is continuous, if and only if for any $\tau_\sigma^s \, \epsilon \, \amalg$, $\tau_\sigma^s \circ u_j : E_j \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous

In fact, for each x ϵ E_j,

$$\tau_\sigma^s (u_j x) = \sum_{i \in I} c_i \, v_i^a (T_i u_j x).$$

But $T_i \circ u_j$ is equal to 0 except for a finite number of indices i $\in$ I.

Let $J = \{i \in I : T_i \circ u_j \neq 0\}$.

Now each $T_i \circ u_j$ is continuous from E_j into E_i, and so $v_i^a (T_i \circ u_j)$ is τ_j—continuous Thus we can write $\tau_\sigma^s \circ u_j = \sum_{i \in J} c_i (v_i^a (T_i \circ u_j))$ and so $\tau_\sigma^s \circ u_j$ is continuous. From that it follows that $\tau_\amalg \subseteq \tau$

For each x ϵ E,

$$\nu(x) \quad = \nu \left[\sum_{i \in I} u_i \circ T_i x \right]$$

$$\leq \sum_{i \in I} \nu(u_i T_i x).$$

Now $\nu_0 u_i$ is a τ_i—continuous F—semi—norm on E_i and so belongs to Q_i. Hence

$$\nu(x) \leq \sum (\nu_0 u_i)(T_i x)$$

$$= \tau_\sigma^s (x).$$

Here $s = \{\nu_0 u_i\}$ $(i \in I)$, and $c_i = 1$ for each $i \in I$. This implies that the identity map $(E, \tau_{II}) \to (E, \tau)$ is continuous and so τ is coarser that τ_{II} as required. This completes the proof.

COROLLARY 3.5   If each E_i $(i \in I)$ is separated, then (E, τ) is separated.

THEOREM 3.6   If B is a bounded set in E, then $T_i b = 0$ except for a finite number of indices $i \in I$. Hence B is bounded in E if and only if there exists a continuous linear mapping T from E onto some E_i such that $B = u_i TB$.

The proof is analogous to that of the corresponding result in ([1], p3) and so is omitted here.

COROLLARY 3.7   If each $\{E_i\}$ is sequentially complete, then E is sequentially complete.

PROOF: Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in E. Then $\{x_n\}$ is a bounded set in E, and so, by theorem 3.6, there exists a continuous linear mapping T from E into some E_i such that $\{x_n\} = u_i T\{x_n\}$.

Since a continuous linear mapping from one topological vector space into another takes Cauchy sequences to Cauchy sequences, $T\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in E_i. Now E_i is sequentially complete, and so $T\{x_n\}$ converges to a point x say in E_i. Therefore $u_i T\{x_n\}$ converges to $u_i x$, since u_i is a continuous linear mapping. Therefore $\{x_n\}$ converges to a point in E. Hence the result.

At present it is not known whether the completeness of each (E_i, τ_i) implies the completeness of $\{E, \tau\}$. Lastly we prove that the collection of numbers in σ of Π_σ^s can be chosen in an economical way. An useful application of this is given in [4].

PROPOSITION 3.8   Let $\sigma' = \{c_i : c_i \geq 1\}$. If Π' denotes all F—semi—norms of the form $\Pi_{\sigma'}^s$, for various collections of s and σ', then $\tau_{II} = \tau_{II'}$ where τ_{II} and $\tau_{II'}$ denote the topology generated by Π and Π' respectively.

PROOF   It is obvious that $\Pi' \subseteq \Pi$ and so it is clear that $\tau_{II'}$ is coarser than τ_{II}. Conversely let U be a τ_{II}—neighbourhood of the origin in E. Then V contains a set V of the form

$$V = \{x \in E: \tau_{\sigma_n}^{s_n}(x) < \epsilon; n = 1,2,...m; \epsilon > 0\} \text{ where } \tau_{\sigma_n}^{s_n}(x)$$

$$= \sum c_i^{(n)} \nu_i^{a(n)} (T_i x)$$

Now let for any real number r, [r] denote the greatest integer $\leq$ r   then
$c_i^{(n)} < [c_i^{(n)}] + 1;$

and if we denote $\sigma_n' = \{[c_i^{(n)}] + 1\}$, then it is easy to see that $\tau_{\sigma_n'}^{s_n} (x)$ for all $x \in E$. So we

have $U \supseteq V \supseteq V'$, where $V' = \{x \in E: \tau_{\sigma'_n}^s{}^n(x) < \epsilon; \ n = 1,2,...,m, \ \epsilon > 0\}$ is a

$\tau_{II'}$—neighbourhood of the origin. Thus we have τ_{II} is coarser than $\tau_{II'}$, and so $\tau_{II} = \tau_{II'}$.

4. DIRECT SUM

In this section we give an analogue of a representation theorem given by D. Keim in [3].

Let (E, τ) be the *—inductive limit of topological vector spaces (E_i, τ_i) $(i \in I)$ relative to

linear maps $u_i = E_i \to E$. Suppose, further that, a partition of unity $\{T_j\}$ is defined on

(E, τ). Then we have the following representation theorem.

THEOREM 4.1 (E, τ) is isomorphic and homeomorphic to a subspace of a
*—direct sum of topological vector spaces.

PROOF: Define a linear map Φ from (E, τ) into the *—direct sum of E'_i s as

follows:

$$\Phi : E \to \sum_{i \in I} E_i \text{ given by } \Phi(x) = (T_i x) \text{ for } x \in E.$$

This mapping is well—defined and one—to—one since $\{T_j\}$ satisfies the conditions (ii) and

(iii) of partition of unity respectively. It is easy to check that Φ is a linear map and so, is

an isomorphism. Moreover that Φ is continuous is shown as follows.

By condition (ii) of partition of unity, $T_i \circ u_j = 0$ except for a finite number of $i \in I$ and for

each fixed $j \in I$. Let $i_1, i_2, ..., i_n$ be the finite number of indices such that $T_{i_k} \circ u_j = 0$

for $k = 1,2,...,n$. Then $\Phi \circ u_j = (\sum I_{i_k} \circ T_{i_k}) \circ u_j$ where I_{i_k} is the injection map of

$E_{i_k} \to \sum_{i \in I} E_i$. Now for each i_k, $k = 1,2,...,m$, $I_{i_k} \circ T_{i_k} \circ u_j$ is continuous by condition (i) of

partition of unity and continuity of each I_{i_k}, $k = 1,2,...,n$. Therefore $\Phi \circ u_j$ is continuous for

each $j \in I$. Consequently Φ is continuous [5], as required.

Conversely, let Φ' be a linear map defined by $\Phi' : \sum_{i \in I} E_i \to E$

$$\Phi'(x_i) = \sum_{i \in I} u_i(x_i).$$

This is well—defined since $x_i = 0$ except for a finite number of $i \in I$. Moreover, Φ' is linear

and $\Phi' \mid \Phi(E) = \Phi^{-1}$. Also, $\Phi' \circ I_j = u_j$ is continuous from $E_j \to E$ for each

$j \in I$. Hence Φ' is continuous. Thus Φ is an isomorphism and a homeomorphism from E

onto $\sum_{i \in I} E_i$.

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