

## ***H*-FUZZY SEMITOPOGENOUS PREORDERED SPACES**

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### **1. Preliminaries**

Throughout this paper we will let  $H$  denote the complete Heyting algebra  $(H, \vee, \wedge, *)$  with order reversing involution  $*$ . 0 and 1 denote the supremum and the infimum of  $\emptyset$ , respectively. Given any set  $X$ , any element of  $H^X$  is called  $H$ -fuzzy set (or, simply  $f$ .set) in  $X$  and will be denoted by small Greek letters, such as  $\mu, \nu, \rho, \sigma$ .  $H^X$  inherits a structure of  $H$  with order reversing involution in natural way, by defining  $\vee, \wedge, *$  pointwise (same notations of  $H$  are usual). If  $f$  is a map from a set  $X$  to a set  $Y$  and  $\mu \in H^Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(\mu)$  is the  $f$ .set in  $X$  defined by  $f^{-1}(\mu)(x) = \mu(f(x))$ . Also for  $\sigma \in H^X$ ,  $f(\sigma)$  is the  $f$ .set in  $Y$  defined by  $f(\sigma)(y) = \sup\{\sigma(x) : f(x) = y\}$  ([4]). A preorder  $R$  on a set  $X$  is reflexive and transitive relation on  $X$ , the pair  $(X, R)$  is called preordered set. A map  $f$  from a preordered set  $(X, R)$  to another one  $(Y, T)$  is said to be preorder preserving (inverting) if for  $x, y \in X$ ,  $xRy$  implies  $f(x)Tf(y)$  (resp.  $f(y)Tf(x)$ ).

For the terminology and notation, we refer to [10, 11, 13] for category theory and [7] for  $H$ -fuzzy semitopogenous spaces.

### **2. Category PHFS and its subcategories**

A  $H$ -fuzzy semitopogenous preordered space (or, simply phfs.space) is a triplet  $(X, S, R)$  consisting of a set  $X$ , a hfs.structure  $S$  ([7]) and a preorder  $R$  on  $X$ .

With PHFS we will denote the category whose objects are phfs.spaces and whose morphisms are continuous preorder preserving maps.

Let HFS denote the category of  $H$ -fuzzy semitopogenous spaces and continuous maps, and let PORD denote the category of preordered sets and preorder preserving maps.

We note that PHFS is the meet category of HFS and PORD, i.e.,  $PHFS = HFS \wedge PORD$  (see [12] for the meet categories of two categories).

Since HFS and PORD are both topological ([7], [5]), by [12], one has the following:

**THEOREM 2.1.** *PHFS is a topological and cotopological category.*

Using the above theorem, one has the following:

**COROLLARY 2.2.** *PHFS is complete and cocomplete.*

**NOTATION.** Let  $^k$  be an ordinary operation ([7]). We will let  $^k$ -PHFS denote the full subcategory of PHFS consisting of those phfs.space  $(X, S, R)$  with  $S = S^k$ .

**THEOREM 2.3.** (1) *If  $^k$  is coarser than  $^1$ , then  $^1$ -PHFS is coreflective in  $^k$ -PHFS.*

(2) *Let  $^a$  be a symmetrical elementary operation. The  $^{sa}$ -PHFS is closed under the formation of initial sources in  $^a$ -PHFS.*

*Proof.* (1) Let  $(X, S, R) \in ^k$ -PHFS. It is clear that  $S^1$  is  $^1$ -hfs.structure on  $X$  and the identity map  $1_X : (X, S^1, R) \rightarrow (X, S, R)$  is a continuous preorder preserving map. Take any  $(Y, V, T)$  in  $^1$ -PHFS and any continuous preorder preserving map  $f : (Y, V, T) \rightarrow (X, S, R)$ . Then  $f^{-1}(S^1) = (f^{-1}(S))^1 < V^1$ . Since  $V^1 = V$ ,  $f : (Y, V, T) \rightarrow (X, S^1, R)$  is a continuous preorder preserving map. This completes the proof.

(2) Suppose that  $(f_i : (X, S, R) \rightarrow (X_i, S_i, R_i))_{i \in I}$  is an initial source in  $^a$ -PHFS. Since PORD is closed under initial sources, it is enough to show that  $S = S^{sa}$ . Since  $^{sa}$ -HFS is coreflective in  $^a$ -HFS,  $S = (\cup f_i^{-1}(S_i))^{sa}$ .

Let  $\sqsubset = (\cup_{i \in F} f_i^{-1}(\sqsubset_i))^a$ , where  $\sqsubset_i \in S_i$  ( $i \in F$ ) and  $F$  is a nonempty subset of  $I$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sqsubset^{sa} &= ((\cup_{i \in F} f_i^{-1}(\sqsubset_i)) \cup (\cup_{i \in F} f_i^{-1}(\sqsubset_i))^c)^a \\ &= ((\cup_{i \in F} f_i^{-1}(\sqsubset_i)) \cup (\cup_{i \in F} f_i^{-1}(\sqsubset_i^c)))^a. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $^a$  is symmetrical and  $(X_i, S_i, R_i) \in ^{sa}$ -PHFS,  $\sqsubset^{sa} = \sqsubset$ . This completes the proof.

**DEFINITION 2.4.** In a preordered set  $(X, R)$ , a  $f$ .set  $\mu$  in  $X$  will be called increasing (decreasing) if for  $x, y \in X$ ,  $xRy$  implies  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(y)$  (resp.  $\mu(y) \leq \mu(x)$ ) in  $H$ .

REMARK 2.5. (1) If  $\{\mu_i : i \in I\}$  is a nonempty family of increasing (decreasing) *f*.sets in a preordered set  $X$ , then  $\bigvee\{\mu_i : i \in I\}$  and  $\bigwedge\{\mu_i : i \in I\}$  are both increasing (resp. decreasing).

(2) For any *f*.set  $\mu$  in a preordered set  $X$ ,  $i(\mu) = \bigwedge\{\rho : \mu \leq \rho \text{ and } \rho \text{ is an increasing } f\text{-set in } X\}$  is the smallest increasing *f*.set containing  $\mu$ , and  $d(\mu) = \bigwedge\{\rho : \mu \leq \rho \text{ and } \rho \text{ is a decreasing } f\text{-set in } X\}$  is the smallest decreasing *f*.set containing  $\mu$ .

DEFINITION 2.6. A phfs.space  $(X, S, R)$  will be called increasing (decreasing) if for any  $\ll \in S$ ,  $\mu \ll \rho$  implies that there exists  $\ll_1 \in S$  such that  $\mu \ll_1 \sigma \ll_1 \rho$  for some suitable increasing (resp. decreasing) *f*.set  $\sigma$  in  $(X, R)$ .

We will let  $I(D)$  denote the set of all increasing (resp. decreasing) *f*.sets in a preordered set  $X$ .

LEMMA 2.7. Let  $X$  be a preordered set. Then one has the following:

(1) We define a relation  $\Delta$  on  $H^X$  as follows:  $\mu \Delta \rho$  iff there exists  $\sigma \in I$  such that  $\mu \leq \sigma \leq \rho$ . Then  $\{\Delta\}$  is an increasing <sup>b</sup>-hfs. structure on  $X$ .

(2) We define a relation  $\nabla$  on  $H^X$  as follows:  $\mu \nabla \rho$  iff there exists  $\sigma \in D$  such that  $\mu \leq \sigma \leq \rho$ . Then  $\{\nabla\}$  is a decreasing <sup>b</sup>-hfs. structure on  $X$ .

*Proof.* (1) Since 0 and 1 are increasing *f*.set in  $X$ ,  $0 \Delta 0$  and  $1 \Delta 1$  and hence  $\Delta$  satisfies SO1) in [7]. SO2) and SO3) in [7] are immediate from definition of  $\Delta$ . It follows from 2.5.1 that  $\Delta$  is a biperfect fs.order on  $X$ . It is clear that  $\{\Delta\}$  satisfies S1) in [7]. Suppose  $\mu \Delta \rho$ . Then  $\mu \leq \sigma \leq \rho$  for some  $\sigma \in I$ . Since  $\sigma \Delta \sigma$ ,  $\mu \Delta \sigma \Delta \rho$ . Thus  $\Delta$  satisfies S2) in [7]. This completes the proof.

(2) This is analogous to (1).

THEOREM 2.8. Let  $S$  be a hfs. structure on a preordered set  $X$ . Then one has the following:

- (1)  $S$  is increasing iff  $S < \{\Delta\}$ .
- (2)  $S$  is decreasing iff  $S < \{\nabla\}$ .
- (3)  $\Delta = \nabla^c$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $(\Rightarrow)$  Take any  $\ll \in S$  and let  $\mu \ll \rho$ . Since  $S$  is increasing, there exists  $\sqsubset \in S$  such that  $\mu \sqsubset \sigma \sqsubset \rho$  for some  $\sigma \in I$ . Since  $\sigma \in I$ , by SO2) in [7],  $\mu \Delta \rho$ . Thus  $S < \{\Delta\}$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Take any  $\ll \in S$  and let  $\mu \ll \rho$ . Then there exists  $\square \in S$  such that  $\mu \square \sigma \square \nu \square \rho$  for some  $\sigma, \nu \in H^X$ . Since  $S < \{\Delta\}$ ,  $\mu \square \theta \square \rho$  for some  $\theta \in I$ . Thus  $S$  is increasing.

(2) This is analogous to (1).

(3) This follows from the fact that  $\sigma \in I$  iff  $\sigma^* \in D$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.9.** (1) *A hfs.structure coarser than an increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure is also increasing (resp. decreasing).*

(2) *A hfs.structure  $S$  is increasing (decreasing) iff so is each of the structures  $S^q, S^p, S^{qp}, S^b, S^t, S^{tq}, S^{tqp}$  and  $S^{tb}$ .*

(3) *A hfs.structure  $S$  is increasing iff  $S^c$  is decreasing.*

(4) *If  $f$  is a preorder preserving map of a preordered set  $(X, R)$  to a increasing (decreasing) phfs.space  $(Y, S, T)$ , then  $(X, f^{-1}(S), R)$  is also increasing (resp. decreasing).*

(5) *If  $f$  is a preorder inverting map of a preordered set  $(X, R)$  to a increasing (decreasing) phfs.space  $(Y, S, T)$ , then  $(X, f^{-1}(S), R)$  is also decreasing (resp. increasing).*

*Proof.* (1) Suppose  $S$  is an increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure and  $S^- < S$ . Since  $<$  is a transitive relation,  $S^-$  is increasing (decreasing).

(2) Let  $a$  be one of  $q, p, qp, b, tb, tqp$  and  $tb$ .  $S$  is increasing (decreasing) iff  $S < \{\Delta\}$  ( $S < \{\nabla\}$  iff  $S^a < \{\Delta\}$  ( $S^a < \{\nabla\}$ ) iff  $S^a$  is increasing (decreasing).

(3)  $S$  is increasing iff  $S < \{\Delta\}$  iff  $S^c < \{\Delta^c\}$  iff  $S^c < \{\nabla\}$  iff  $S$  is decreasing.

(4) Suppose  $(Y, S, T)$  is increasing. Take any  $\square \in S$  and suppose  $\mu f^1(\square)\rho$ . There exists  $\ll \in S$  such that  $\mu f^{-1}(\ll)f^{-1}(\sigma)f^{-1}(\ll)\rho$  for some  $\sigma \in I$ . Since  $f$  is preorder preserving and  $\sigma$  is an increasing (decreasing)  $f$ .set in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(\sigma)$  is an increasing (decreasing)  $f$ .set in  $X$ . Thus  $(X, f^{-1}(S), R)$  is increasing (decreasing).

(5) This is analogous to (4).

Notation let IPHFS (DPHFS) denote the full subcategory of PHFS determined by increasing (decreasing, resp.) preordered hfs.spaces.

**THEOREM 2.10.** *IPHFS is bireflective in PHFS.*

*Proof.* For  $(X, S, R) \in PHFS$ ,  $T(S) = \{\square : \square \text{ is a fs.order on } X \text{ and there is a fs.order } \ll \in S \text{ which is finer than } \square\}$  and let  $S^u = \{\ll :$

there exists a sequence  $(\ll_n)$  in  $T(S)$  such that  $\ll = \ll_1$  and for each  $n$ ,  $\mu \ll_n \rho$  implies that there exists an increasing f.set  $\sigma$  in  $X$  such that  $\mu \ll_{n+1} \sigma \ll_{n+1} \rho$ . It is clear that  $S^u$  is an increasing hfs.structure on  $X$  and  $1_X : (X, S, R) \rightarrow (X, S^u, R)$  is a continuous preorder preserving map. Let  $(Y, U, T) \in IPHFS$  and suppose  $f : (X, S, R) \rightarrow (Y, U, T)$  is a continuous preorder preserving map. Then  $f^{-1}(U) < S$ . Since  $f^{-1}(U)$  is increasing,  $f^{-1}(U) < S^u$ . This completes the proof.

For any  $(X, S, R) \in PHFS$ ,  $S^u$  will be called the upper hfs.structure of  $(X, S, R)$ .

REMARK. Since IPHFS and DPHFS are isomorphic, by the above theorem, DPHFS is also bireflective in PHFS. We will let  $S^d$  denote the upper hfs.structure of  $(X, S, R^{op})$ , which is called the lower hfs.structure of  $(X, S, R)$ .

THEOREM 2.11. Let  $^k$  be an ordinary operation such that  $S^k$  is coarser than  $S^{tb}$  for all hfs.structure  $S$  on a set  $X$ . Then for each  $(X, S, R) \in PHFS$ , we have the following:

- (1)  $S^{uk} < S^{ku}$ .
- (2)  $S^{dk} < S^{kd}$ .
- (3) if  $S \cong S^k$ , then  $S^u \cong S^{uk}$  and  $S^d \cong S^{dk}$ .

Proof. (1) Since  $S^u < S$ ,  $S^{uk} < S^k$ . By (2.9.2)  $S^{utb}$  is increasing. It follows from (2.9.1) that  $S^{uk}$  is increasing. Thus  $S^{uk} < S^{ku}$ .

- (2) This is similar to (1).
- (3) This is immediate from (1) and (2).

THEOREM 2.12. For any  $(X, S, R) \in PHFS$ , we have the following:

- (1)  $S^{dc} = S^{cu}$  and  $S^{uc} = S^{cd}$ .
- (2) if  $S$  is symmetrical, then  $S^u = S^{dc}$  and  $S^d = S^{uc}$ .

Proof. (1) Let  $\square \in S^{dc}$ . There exists  $\ll \in S^d$  such that  $\square = \ll^c$ . Since  $\ll \in S^d$ , there exists a sequence  $(\ll_n)$  in  $S$  such that  $\ll = \ll_1$  and for each  $n$ ,  $\mu \ll_n \rho$  implies that  $\mu \ll_{n+1} \sigma \ll_{n+1} \rho$  for some decreasing f.set in  $X$ . Thus  $\square \in S^{cu}$ , and hence  $S^{dc} \subseteq S^{cu}$ . By the same way, the inverse inclusion holds. The second part is similar to the first part.

- (2) This is immediate from (1).

Let  $\ll$  be fs.order on a set  $X$ . We will let  $\ll^{u(d)}$  denote  $\{\ll\}^{u(d)}$ . Then  $\mu \ll^{u(d)} \rho$  iff there is map  $\phi : E \rightarrow I(D)$  such that  $r < s$  implies

$\phi(r) \ll \phi(s)$ .  $\phi(0) = \mu$  and  $\phi(1) = \rho$ , where  $E$  denotes the set of all dyadic rationals between 0 and 1, i.e., the set of all rational numbers  $r = n/2^m$ ,  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \leq 2^m$ .

**THEOREM 2.13.** *For any  $(X, S, R) \in PHFS$ , we have (1)  $S^{tu} = S^{ut}$  and (2)  $S^{dt} = S^{td}$ .*

*Proof.* (1) Let  $\ll = S^t$  and  $\mu \ll^u \rho$ . Then there is a sequence  $(\ll_n)$  such that  $\ll = \ll_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and for each  $n$ ,  $\mu \ll_n \rho$  implies that  $\mu \ll_{n+1} \sigma \ll_{n+1} \rho$  for some  $\sigma \in I$ . Thus  $\mu S^{ut} \rho$ , and hence  $S^{tu} < S^{ut}$ . Since  $S^u < S$ ,  $S^{ut} < S^t$ . The inverse inequality can be found in (2.11.1).

(2) is similar to (1).

### 3. <sup>a</sup>-Convex spaces

Throughout this section all spaces are assumed to be phfs.spaces, and <sup>a</sup> will denote an elementary operation.

In a preordered set  $(X, R)$ ,  $\mu \in H^X$  will be called convex if  $\mu = \sigma \wedge \rho$ , where  $\sigma, \rho$  are increasing, decreasing *f*.sets in  $(X, R)$ , respectively.

**REMARK.** (1) If  $\{\mu_i : i \in I\}$  is a family of convex *f*.sets in a preordered set  $(X, R)$ , then  $\bigwedge \{\mu_i : i \in I\}$  is also a convex.

(2) Let  $\mu$  be a *f*.set in preordered set  $(X, R)$ . Then  $c(\mu) = i(\mu) \wedge d(\mu)$  is the smallest convex *f*.set containing  $\mu$ .

(3) Let  $\mu$  be a convex *f*.set in a preordered set  $(X, R)$ . If  $xRzRy$  and  $\mu(x) \wedge \mu(y) > 0$ , then  $\mu(z) > 0$ .

**LEMMA 3.1.** *For any order family  $A$  on a set  $X$  and any elementary operation <sup>a</sup>, one has the following:*

(1)  $A^{g^a} = A^{agg^a} = A^{gagg^a}$ .

(2)  $A^{ta} = A^{tat} = A^{ata} = A^{tata}$ .

(3)  $A^{st} = A^{ts}$ .

*Proof.* (1) Since <sup>a</sup> and <sup>g</sup><sup>a</sup> are ordinary operations,  $A^{gagg^a} = A^{g^a} < A^{agg^a}$ . Since <sup>g</sup> and <sup>a</sup> are ordinary operations,  $A^{agg^a} < A^{gagg^a}$ . Thus  $A^{g^a} = A^{agg^a} = A^{gagg^a}$ .

(2) Since <sup>a</sup> is an elementary operation, <sup>ta</sup> is an ordinary operation and hence  $A^{ta} = A^{tat} = A^{ata} = A^{tata}$ .

(3) It follows from the fact that for any order family  $A$  on a set  $X$ ,  $\bigcup \{<^c : < \in A\} = (\bigcup \{< : < \in A\})^c$ .

LEMMA 3.2. For a nonempty family  $\{A_i : i \in I\}$  of order families on a set  $X$ , one has the following:

- (1)  $(\cup\{A_i : i \in I\})^k = (\cup\{A_i^k : i \in I\})^k$ , where  $k$  is an ordinary operation.
- (2)  $(\cup\{A_i : i \in I\})^{ga} = (\cup\{A_i^a : i \in I\})^{ga}$ .
- (3) if  $I = \{1, 2\}$ , then  $(A_1 \cup A_2)^{gt} \cong (A_1^t \cup A_2^t)^g$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $A = (\cup\{A_i : i \in I\})$ . Then  $A_i \subseteq A$  implies  $A_i < A$ , so that we get from 03) in [7],  $A_i^k < A^k$  and  $\cup\{A_i^k : i \in I\} < A^k$ ,  $(\cup\{A_i^k : i \in I\})^k = A^{kk} = A^k$  from 02) in [7]. On the other hand, we get from 01) in [7]  $A_i < A_i^k$ ,  $A < \cup\{A_i^k : i \in I\}$ ,  $A^k < (\cup\{A_i^k : i \in I\})^k$ .

(2) This follows from (3.1.1) and (1).

(3) It is clear that  $(A_1 \cup A_2)^{gt} = (A_1 \cup A_2)^{tg}$ . Since  $t$  is an ordinary operation, by (1),  $(A_1^t \cup A_2^t) = (A_1^t \cup A_2^t)^{tg} = (A_1 \cup A_2)^{tg}$ . Since  $(A_1^t \cup A_2^t)^g = \{A_1^t, A_2^t, A_1^t \cup A_2^t\}$ ,  $(A_1 \cup A_2)^{gt} \cong (A_1^t \cup A_2^t)^g$ .

DEFINITION 3.3. A space  $(X, S, R)$  will be called:

- (1) almost  $a$ -convex if  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ .
- (2)  $a$ -convex if  $S \cong (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ .

PROPOSITION 3.4. (1) A space  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex iff  $(S_1 \cup S_2)^g < S < (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$ , where  $S_1(S_2)$  is an increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure on  $(X, R)$ .

(2) A space  $(X, S, R)$  is  $a$ -convex iff  $S \cong (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$ , where  $S_1(S_2)$  is an increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure on  $(X, R)$ .

(3) If a space  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex then  $(X, S^a, R)$  is  $a$ -convex.

(4) If  $a$  is an elementary operation such that  $S^{au} \cong S^{ua}$  and  $S^{ad} \cong S^{da}$  for any hfs.structure  $S$  on a set  $X$ , then the converse of (3) holds.

(5) Let  $(X, S, R)$  be a space with  $S \cong S^a$ .  $(X, S, \leq)$  is almost  $a$ -convex iff it is  $a$ -convex.

(6) Let  $e$  be an elementary operation such that  $S^a$  is coarser than  $S^e$  for any hfs.structure  $S$  on a set  $X$ . If a space  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex, then it is almost  $e$ -convex.

(7) If a space  $(X, S, R)$  is (almost)  $a$ -convex and  $e$  is an elementary operation such that  $a^e$  is also elementary operation, then  $(X, S^e, R)$  is (almost)  $a^e$ -convex.

*Proof.* (1) The necessity is obvious. Conversely, if this condition is fulfilled by  $S$ , then  $S_1(S_2) < S^u(S^d)$ , therefore  $(S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga} < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ ,

so that  $S$  is almost  $^a$ -convex.

(2) The necessity is obvious. Conversely, if this condition is fulfilled by  $S$ , then  $S_1(S_2) < S^u(S^d)$ , therefore  $S \cong (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga} < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ . But  $S^a \cong (S_1 \cup S_2)^{gaa} = (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga} \cong S$ , so that  $S$  is  $^a$ -convex.

(3) If  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex, then, by (1),  $(S_1 \cup S_2)^g < S < (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$ , where  $S_1(S_2)$  is an increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure on  $(X, R)$ . Since  $^a$  is an elementary operation,  $(S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga} < S^a < (S_1 \cup S_2)^{gaa} = (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$  and hence  $(S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga} \cong S^a$ . By (2),  $S^a$  is  $^a$ -convex.

(4) If  $(X, S^a, R)$  is  $^a$ -convex, then  $S^a \cong (S^{au} \cup S^{ad})^{ga}$ . Since  $S^{au} \cong S^{ua}$  and  $S^{ad} \cong S^{da}$ ,  $S^a \cong (S^{ua} \cup S^{da})^{ga}$ . By Lemma 3.1.1 and 3.2.1,  $S^a \cong (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ . Since  $S < S^a$ ,  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ . Thus  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex.

(5) It is immediate from the definition 3.3.

(6) If  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex, then  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ . By the assumption,  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga} < (S^u \cup S^d)^{gae}$ . Thus  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^e$ -convex.

(7) If  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex, then  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ , therefore  $S^e < (S^u \cup S^d)^{gae}$ . Since  $(S^u \cup S^d)^g < S$ ,  $(S^u \cup S^d)^g < S^e$ . By (1),  $(X, S^e, \leq)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex. If  $(X, S, R)$  is  $^a$ -convex, then  $S \cong (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ , and hence  $S^e \cong (S^u \cup S^d)^{gae}$ . By (2),  $(X, S^e, R)$  is  $^{ae}$ -convex.

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Let  $(X, S, R)$  be a almost  $^a$ -convex space. Then  $(X, S^t, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex, and hence  $(X, S^{ta}, R)$  is  $^a$ -convex.*

*Proof.* If  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex, then  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ , and hence  $S^{ta} < (S^u \cup S^d)^{gata} \cong (S^{ut} \cup S^{dt})^{ga}$  ((3.1.2) and (3.2.3)). By (2.13),  $S < (S^{tu} S^{td})^{ga}$ . Thus  $(X, S^t, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex. The second part is immediate from (3.4.3).

**NOTATION.**  $^a$ -APHFS ( $^a$ -CPHF) denotes the full subcategory of PHFS determined by all almost  $^a$ -convex ( $^a$ -convex, resp.) spaces.

**THEOREM 3.6.** (1)  $^a$ -APHFS is bireflective in PHFS.

*Proof.* Suppose  $(f_i : (X, S, R) \rightarrow (X_i, S_i, R_i))_{i \in I}$  is an initial source in PHFS and each  $(X_i, S_i, R_i) \in ^a$ -APHFS. Then  $S \cong (*) = (\cup\{f^{-1}(S_i) : i \in I\})^g$  and  $xRy$  iff  $f_i(x)R_i f_i(y)$  for all  $i \in I$ . Since for each  $i \in I$ ,  $(X_i, S_i, R_i) \in ^a$ -APHFS,  $(S_{i1} \cup S_{i2})^g < S_i < (S_{i1} \cup S_{i2})^{ga}$ , for some



increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure  $S_{i1}$  ( $S_{i2}$ , resp.) on  $(X, R)$ . For each  $i \in I$ ,  $f_i^{-1}((S_{i1} \cup S_{i2})^g) = (f_i^{-1}(S_{i1} \cup S_{i2}))^g = (f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}) \cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i2}))^g < f_i^{-1}(S_i)$  from 06) in [7].

$$\begin{aligned}
 (**) &= \cup\{(f_i^{-1}(S_{i1} \cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i2}))^g : i \in I\} \\
 &< (\cup\{f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}) \cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i2})\}^g : i \in I\})^g \\
 &= ((\cup\{f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}) : i \in I\}) \cup (\cup\{f_i^{-1}(S_{i2}) : i \in I\}))^g
 \end{aligned}$$

from (3.2.1). Thus  $(**) < (*)$ . Since  $f_i^{-1}(S_i) < f_i^{-1}((S_{i1} \cup S_{i2})^{ga})$  ( $i \in I$ ),  $(*) < (\cup\{f_i^{-1}((S_{i1} \cup S_{i2})^{ga}) : i \in I\})^g$ . From 01) and 06) in [7] and (3.2.1),

$$\begin{aligned}
 (*) &< (\cup\{(f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}) \cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i2}))^{ga} : i \in I\})^{ga} \\
 &= ((\cup\{f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}) : i \in I\}) \cup (\cup\{f_i^{-1}(S_{i2}) : i \in I\}))^{ga}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By (2.10) and (3.2.1),  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex. This completes the proof.

The following lemma is the result in [6].

**LEMMA 3.7.** *Let  $G : C \rightarrow D$  be a functor and  $A$  ( $B$ , resp.) a subcategory of  $C$  ( $D$ , resp.) such that  $G$  has a restriction  $E : A \rightarrow B$ , i.e.,  $G \circ H = F \circ E$ , where  $H, F$  are embedding functors. Suppose*

- (1)  *$B$  is a coreflective (reflective, resp.) subcategory of  $D$ .*
- (2)  *$E : A \rightarrow B$  is full and  $G : C \rightarrow D$  is faithful and full; and for each  $C \in C$ , there is  $A \in A$  such that  $E(A)$  is isomorphic to  $B$ -coreflection ( $B$ -reflection, resp.) of  $G(C)$ . Then  $A$  is a coreflective (reflective, resp.) subcategory of  $C$ .*

The following is now immediate from the above Lemma, Theorem 2.3.1, Theorem 3.6.

- COROLLARY 3.8.** (1)  *$^a$ -CPHFS is bireflective in  $^a$ -PHFS.*
- (2)  *$^a$ -CPHFS is coreflective in  $^a$ -APHFS.*

**THEOREM 3.9.** *Let  $^a$  be a symmetrical elementary operation. Then one has the following:*

- (1) *A space  $(X, S, R)$  is (almost)  $^a$ -convex iff  $(X, S^c, R)$  is (almost)  $^a$ -convex.*

(2) If  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex, then  $(X, S^s, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex, and hence  $(X, S^{sa}, R)$  is  $a$ -convex.

*Proof.* (1) If  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex, then  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga}$ . Then  $S^c < (S^u \cup S^d)^{cga} = (S^{uc} \cup S^{dc})^{ga}$ . By (2.12.1),  $(X, S^c, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex. The converse is similar to the necessity. If  $(X, S, R)$  is  $a$ -convex,  $S^c \cong (S^u \cup S^d)^{gac} = (S^{uc} \cup S^{dc})^{ga}$ . By (2.12.1),  $(X, S^c, R)$  is  $a$ -convex.

(2) This is immediate from (1), (3.6) and (3.2.3).

**THEOREM 3.10.** *Let  $(X, S, R)$  be a symmetrical space. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex.
- (2) there is an increasing structure  $S_1$  on  $X$  such that  $S_1 < S < S_1^{sa}$ .
- (3) there is an decreasing structure  $S_1$  on  $X$  such that  $S_1 < S < S_1^{sa}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $a$ -convex, then by (2.12.2), one has  $S < (S^u \cup S^d)^{ga} = (S^u \cup S^{uc})^{ga} = S^{usa}$ . Clearly  $S^{us} < S$ . Hence  $S^u$  will do the job for  $S_1$ . The other implications are obvious.

**THEOREM 3.11.** *Let  $(X, S, R)$  be a symmetrical space. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(X, S, R)$  is  $a$ -convex.
- (2)  $S \cong S_1^{sa}$ , where  $S_1$  is increasing on  $(X, R)$ .
- (3)  $S \cong S_1^{sa}$ , where  $S_1$  is decreasing on  $(X, R)$ .

*Proof.* It is analogous to (3.10).

**THEOREM 3.12.** *Let  $(X, S, R)$  be a space such that  $S \cong S^k$ , where  $k=a$  or  $k=ta$  for an elementary operation  $a$ , which fulfills  $\ll^a$  is coarser than  $\ll^b$  for any semitopogenous order  $\ll$ . Then one has the following:*

(1)  $(X, S, R)$  is  $a$ -convex iff there exist hfs.structures  $S_1 = S_1^k$  and  $S_2 = S_2^k$  such that  $S_1(S_2)$  is increasing (decreasing) on  $(X, R)$ , and  $S \cong (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$ .

(2) If  $S$  is symmetrical, then  $(X, S, R)$  is  $a$ -convex iff  $S \cong S_1^{sk}$  for an increasing or decreasing hfs.structure  $S_1 = S_1^k$  on  $(X, R)$ .

*Proof.* (1) The sufficiency of the condition is clear even in the case of  $k=ta$  (see (3.4.2) and (3.2.3)). Conversely, if  $(X, S, R)$  is  $a$ -convex, then  $S \cong S^k \cong (S^u \cup S^d)^{gk} = (S^{uk} \cup S^{dk})^{gk}$  ((3.1.2), (3.2.2) and (3.2.3)). Put  $S_1 = S^{uk}$  and  $S_2 = S^{dk}$ .  $k$  is an ordinary operation, for which  $S^k$  is

coarser than  $S^{tb}$ , thus from (2.11.1) and (2.11.2),  $S_1 \cong S^u$  and  $S_2 \cong S^d$ , so that  $S_1(S_2)$  is increasing (decreasing, resp.). Finally from (02) or [6],  $S_1 = S_1^k$  and  $S_2 = S_2^k$ .

(2) Suppose that the condition is satisfied by  $S$ . For  $k=a$   $S$  is  $a$ -convex by (3.11). For  $k=ta$  we have  $S \cong S_1^{sta} = S_1^{tsa}$  ((3.1.3)), thus we can refer to (3.11) and (2.9.2). Conversely, let  $(X, S, R)$  be  $a$ -convex and  $S \cong S_1^{sa}$  for an increasing  $S_1$  ((3.11.2)). Then  $S \cong S_1^{sa}$  is coarser than  $S^{sa} = S^a \cong S$ , therefore  $S \cong S^k \cong S^{usak}$ . From (3) in [7] and (2.11),  $S^u \cong S^{uk}$ , thus  $S_1 = S^{uk}$  is increasing,  $S_1 = S_1^k$  and  $S_1 \cong S^{usk} \cong S^{uksk} = S_1^{sk}$ .

NOTATION. Let  $\mu$  be a  $f$ .set in a set  $X$ . Then  $\mu_x(y) = \mu(x)$  if  $y = x$  and  $\mu_x(y) = 0$  if  $y \neq x$ , and  $\mu^x(y) = \mu(x)$  if  $y = x$  and  $\mu^x(y) = 1$  if  $y \neq x$ .

LEMMA 3.13. *Let be  $X$  a set. Then one has the following:*

(1) Let  $\{\ll_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$  be a finite sequence of  $fs$ .orders on  $X$ . Then  $(\cup\{\ll_i : i = 1, \dots, n\})^{qp}$  is coarser than  $(\cup\{\ll_i^{pc} : i = 1, \dots, n\})^{qpc}$ .

(2) Let  $\{\ll_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$  be a finite sequence of biperfect  $fs$ .orders on  $X$ . Then  $(\cup\{\ll_i : i = 1, \dots, n\})^{qp} = (\cup\{\ll_i : i = 1, \dots, n\})^b$ .

*Proof.* (1) Put  $\ll = \cup\{\ll_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $\ll_1 = \cup\{\ll_i^{pc} : i = 1, \dots, n\}$ . Suppose  $\mu \ll^{qp} \rho$ . Then, for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\mu_x \ll^q \rho$ , thus for each  $y \in X$ ,  $\mu_x \ll^q \rho^y$ . Hence  $\mu_x \ll \rho^y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Thus, for each  $y \in X$ ,  $\vee\{\mu_x : \mu_x \ll_i \rho^y\} \ll_i^p \rho^y$  and hence  $(\rho^y)^* \ll_i^{pc} (\vee\{\mu_x : \mu_x \ll_i \rho^y\})^*$ . Then  $(\rho^y)^* \ll_1^q \wedge \{(\vee\{\mu_x : \mu_x \ll_i \rho^y\})^* : i = 1, \dots, n\} = (\vee\{\vee\{\mu_x : \mu_x \ll_i \rho^y\} : i = 1, \dots, n\})^* = \mu^*$  and hence  $\vee\{(\rho^y)^* : y \in X\} \ll_1^\infty \mu^*$ . Since  $\rho^* = \vee\{(\rho^y)^* : y \in X\}$ ,  $\mu \ll_1^{qpc} \rho$ . Thus  $\ll^{qp}$  is coarser than  $\ll_1^{qpc}$ .

(2) Put  $\ll = \cup\{\ll_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$ . By (1),  $\ll^{qpc} = \ll^{qcp}$  and hence  $\ll^{qp}$  is a biperfect  $fs$ .order on  $X$  finer than  $\ll$ . By (1.1.3) in [7],  $\ll^b$  is coarser than  $\ll^{qp}$ . On the other hand,  $\ll$  is coarser than  $\ll^b$  ((1.1.3) in [7]). Thus  $\ll^{qp}$  is coarser than  $\ll^{bqp} = \ll^{bp} = \ll^b$ . Thus  $\ll^{qp} = \ll^b$ .

THEOREM 3.14. *Any  $b$ -convex space is  $qp$ -convex.*

*Proof.* If  $(X, S, R)$  is  $b$ -convex, then  $S \cong S^b$ . Because of (3.13.2) and (3.12.1)  $S \cong (S_1 \cup S_2)^b = (S_1 \cup S_2)^{qp}$ , where  $S_1(S_2)$  is increasing (decreasing) biperfect  $hfs$ .structure on  $(X, R)$ .

NOTATION. We will let  $\mathcal{C}_\sigma$  denote the family  $\{\ll_{\mu,\sigma} : \mu \leq \sigma \leq 1, \sigma \text{ is convex}\}$ .

**THEOREM 3.15.** *A space  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex iff for any  $\ll \in S$ , there is a family  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_\sigma$  such that  $\{\ll\} < \mathcal{C}^{ta} < (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$ , where  $S_1(S_2)$  is increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure on  $(X, R)$  such that  $(S_1 \cup S_2)^g < S$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^a$ -convex,  $(S_1 \cup S_2)^g < S < (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$  for  $S_1(S_2)$  is an increasing (decreasing) hfs.structure on  $(X, R)$ . If  $\ll \in S_1(S_2)$  and  $\ll_1 \in S_1(S_2)$  are such that  $\ll$  is coarser than  $\ll_1^2$ , then  $\mu \ll \rho$  implies  $\mu \ll_1 \nu \ll_1 \rho$ , and we can find an increasing (decreasing) f.set  $\sigma$  in  $(X, R)$  for which  $\nu \leq \sigma \leq \rho$ . Then  $\mu \ll_1 \sigma$ , hence  $\mathcal{C}_\ll = \{\ll_{\alpha, \sigma} : \alpha \ll_1 \sigma, \sigma \text{ is increasing (decreasing)}\}$  is a family of elementary fs.orders such that  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_\sigma$  (increasing or decreasing f.sets are convex), and  $\{\ll\} < \mathcal{C}^{ta} < \{\ll_1^a\}$ . By the same way, if  $\ll_0 \in S_1(S_2)$  and  $\ll_{01} \in S_1(S_2)$  are such that  $\ll_0$  is coarser than  $\ll_{01}^0$ , then there exists  $\mathcal{C}_{\ll_0}^{ta}$  such that  $\{\ll_0\} < \mathcal{C}_{\ll_0}^{ta} < \{\ll_{01}^a\}$ . Put  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_\ll \cup \mathcal{C}_{\ll_0}$ . Then  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_\sigma$ , further  $\mathcal{C}^{ta} = (\mathcal{C}_\ll \cup \mathcal{C}_{\ll_0})^{ta} = (\mathcal{C}_{\ll}^{ta} \cup \mathcal{C}_{\ll_0}^{ta})^{ta} < (S_1 \cup S_2)^{ga}$ . Then converse is obvious.

**COROLLARY 3.16.** *If  $^q$ -space  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^i$ -convex then for every  $\ll \in S$  there exists  $\ll_1 \in S$  such that  $\mu \ll \rho$  implies  $\mu \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^m \alpha_i$ ,  $\bigvee_{i=1}^m \sigma_i \leq \rho$ , where  $m$  is a suitable natural number,  $\alpha_i \ll_1 \sigma_i$ , and  $\sigma_i$  is convex in  $(X, R)$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq m$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $(X, S, R)$  is almost  $^i$ -convex, and put  $\ll \in S$ . There exists  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_\sigma$  and  $\ll_1 \in S$  such that  $\{\ll\} < \mathcal{C}^t < \{\ll_1\}$ . Disregarding the trivial cases of  $\mu = 0$  or  $\rho = 1$ , from  $\mu \ll \rho$ ,

$$\mu \leq \bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} \alpha_{ij}, \quad \bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcap_{j=i}^{n_i} \sigma_{ij} \leq \rho,$$

where  $\sigma_{ij}$  is convex and  $\alpha_{ij} \ll_1 \sigma_{ij}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n_i$ ) by (2.1) in [8]. Then  $\sigma_i = \bigwedge_{j=i}^{n_i} \sigma_{ij}$  is convex, and  $\alpha_i = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{n_i} \alpha_{ij}$  we have  $\mu \leq \bigvee \alpha_i$ ,  $\bigwedge_i^m \sigma_i \leq \rho$ , further  $\alpha_i \ll_1 \sigma_i$ , because  $\ll_1$  is topogeneous fs.order.

In the rest of this section we suppose that all spaces are  $^q$ -phfs.spaces.

**DEFINITION 3.17.** A space  $(X, S, R)$  will be called symmetrizable if there exists a symmetrical  $^i$ -convex  $S_1$  on  $(X, R)$  such that  $S_1 < S < S_1^p$ .

The following is immediate from the above definition, (3.4.1), (3.4.3) and (3.10).

REMARK. (1) If  $(X, S, R)$  is a symmetrizable space, then it is almost  $P$ -convex, and hence  $(X, S^P, R)$  is  $P$ -convex.

(2) If  $(X, S, R)$  is  $i$ -or almost  $P$ -convex symmetrical space, then it is symmetrizable.

NOTATION. Let SyPHFS denote the full subcategory of  $q$ -PHFS determined by symmetrizable spaces.

THEOREM 3.18. *SyPHFS is bireflective in  $q$ -PHFS.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $((f_i : (X, S, R) \rightarrow (X_i, S_i, R_i))_{i \in I}$  is initial source in  $q$ -PHFS and each  $(X_i, S_i, R_i) \in \text{SyPHFS}$ . Then  $S \cong (\cup f_i^{-1}(S_i))^{qq}$ . For each  $i \in I$ , there exists symmetrical  $i$ -convex structure  $S_{i1}$  on  $(X_i, R_i)$  such that  $S_{i1} < S_i < S_{i1}^P$ . Then  $(\cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}))^{qq} < S < (\cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i1})^P)^{qq}$ . Since  $(\cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i1})^P)^{qq} < (\cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}))^{qq}$ ,  $S < (\cup f_i^{-1}(S_{i1}))^{qq}$ . From Theorem 2.12 in [7] and (3.6.2),  $(\cup f_i^{-1}(S_i))^{qq}$  is symmetrical  $i$ -convex structure on  $(X, R)$ , and hence  $(X, S, R)$  is symmetrizable.

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