On stars of coverings and uniform spaces

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It is the aim of this note to elucidate some aspects of the interrelation existing between coverings of a set and symmetrical perfect topogenous orders defined on that set. In particular, we shall give a syntopogenous characterization of uniformities based on their definition as systems of coverings. 1)

§ 1. Coverings and symmetrical perfect topogenous orders

Let E be a nonvoid set. Coverings of E will be denoted by lower case Greek letters. A cover the members of which are pairwise disjoint will be called a partition. For α , β covers of E, we write

$$\alpha \cap \beta = \{A \cap B \mid A \in \alpha, B \in \beta\},\$$

and $\alpha \leq \beta$ will mean that for any $A \in \alpha$ there exists a $B \in \beta$ satisfying $A \subseteq B$. — We still need the following

Definition 1. A symmetrical perfect topogenous order on E is a relation < defined on the set of all subsets of E, satisfying the following axioms:

- (01) $\emptyset < \emptyset, E < E$;
- (02) $A < B \Rightarrow A \subseteq B$:
- $(03) \quad A \subseteq A' < B' \subseteq B \Rightarrow A < B;$
- $(P') \quad A_i < B \ (i \in I) \Rightarrow \bigcup \{A_i | i \in I\} < B;$
- (S) $A < B \Rightarrow E B < E A$. $||^2$)

Remark. (03) and (P') together imply

(P) $A_i < B_i \ (i \in I) \Rightarrow \bigcup \{A_i | i \in I\} < \bigcup \{B_i | i \in I\}.$

¹) Of course, the syntopogenous characterization of uniformities based on their definition as systems of coverings can be inferred from two known results, (7.33) in [1] and "Kočetkov's theorem" in [2]. Nevertheless, an explicit formulation of this result and its (nontrivial) direct proof might deserve some interest.

²⁾ As usual, the sign | indicates the end of a proof or of a statement.

Again, (P) and (S) together imply

(Q)
$$A_i < B_i \ (i \in I) \Rightarrow \bigcap \{A_i | i \in I\} < \bigcap \{B_i | i \in I\}.$$

Between covers and symmetrical perfect topogenous orders a close connection is established by the following

Theorem 1. (1) If γ is a cover of E, then the relation $<_{\gamma}$ defined between subsets of E by

$$A < B \Leftrightarrow St(A, \gamma) \subseteq B$$

is a symmetrical perfect topogenous order 3) on E.

(2) For any symmetrical perfect topogenous order < on a set E there exists a cover γ of E such that $<=<_{\gamma}$.

(3) If < and $<_1$ are symmetrical perfect topogenous orders on E satisfying $<_1 \subseteq <$, then there exist covers γ and δ of E, such that $<=<_{\gamma}$, $<_1=<_{\delta}$ and $\gamma \leq \delta$

On the other hand, $\gamma \leq \delta$ always implies $<_{\delta} \leq <_{\gamma}$.

PROOF. (1) Let γ be a cover of E. Clearly,

$$xUy \Leftrightarrow (\exists G \in \gamma)x, y \in G$$

is a reflexive and symmetrical relation. Put

$$A <_{\gamma} B \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \in A \\ x U v \end{bmatrix} \to y \in B,$$

or equivalently

$$A <_{\gamma} B \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{St}(A, \gamma) \subseteq B$$
.

By [1], (5.41), the relation $<_{\gamma}$ is a biperfect topogenous order. In view of the implication

St
$$(A, \gamma) \subseteq B \Rightarrow$$
 St $(E - B, \gamma) \subseteq E - A$

it is even symmetrical:

$$A <_{\nu} B \Rightarrow E - B <_{\nu} E - A$$
.

(Of course, it is also possible to check the conditions of Definition 1. directly.) (2) For $x \in E$ put

$$U(x) = \bigcap \{V | x < V\} = \{y | x \not< E - y\}.$$

Clearly, $\{U(x)|x\in E\}$ is a cover of E, symmetrical in the sense that

$$y \in U(x) \Leftrightarrow x \in U(y)$$
.

Let

$$\gamma = \{H \mid x \in H \Rightarrow H \subseteq U(x)\}.$$

³⁾ Of course, St $(A, \gamma) = \bigcup \{G \in \gamma | G \cap A \neq \emptyset \}$.

For any $x \in E$, $x \in U(x)$ implies $\{x\} \in \gamma$, so γ is a cover of E. Moreover, $\{x, y\} \in \gamma$ for $x \in E$ and $y \in U(x)$. Indeed,

$$\begin{cases} x \in U(x) \\ y \in U(x) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \{x, y\} \subseteq U(x),$$

and

$$y \in U(x) \Rightarrow x \in U(y) \\ y \in U(y)$$
 $\Rightarrow \{x, y\} \subseteq U(y).$

We see that γ is a cover of E, and also that

St
$$(x, y) = U(x)$$

for any $x \in E$. Now each of the following conditions is equivalent to the next one:

$$A < B,$$

$$x < B \ (x \in A),$$

$$U(x) \subseteq B \ (x \in A),$$

$$\cup \{U(x) | x \in A\} \subseteq B,$$

$$\cup \{St \ (x, \gamma) | x \in A\} \subseteq B,$$

$$St \ (A, \gamma) \subseteq B,$$

$$A <_{\gamma} B.$$

(3) Put
$$U_1(x) = \bigcap \{V | x <_1 V\}$$
 and
$$\delta = \{H | x \in H \Rightarrow H \subseteq U_1(x)\}.$$

One sees that $<_1 = <_\delta$. Moreover, $<_1 \subseteq <$ implies $U(x) \subseteq U_1(x)$ for $x \in E$ and so $H \in U(x)$ implies $H \in U_1(x)$. Hence we get $\gamma \subseteq \delta \Rightarrow \gamma \subseteq \delta$.

Again, if $\gamma \leq \delta$, then St $(A, \gamma) \subseteq$ St (A, δ) for any $A \subseteq E$. Thus we have the implication

$$\gamma \leq \delta \Rightarrow <_{\delta} \subseteq <_{\gamma}$$
.

Let us now supplement the results of the previous theorem by a characterization of those orders ⁴) $<_{\gamma}$ which are generated by partitions γ . One easily sees that the many-to-one correspondence

$$\gamma \Rightarrow <_{\gamma}$$

becomes one-to-one, if we restrict γ to run through the partitions of E. More detailed information about partition-generated orders $<_{\gamma}$ is contained in the following

Theorem 2. (1) A symmetrical perfect topogenous order < is generated by a partition iff

$$A < B \Rightarrow [A \subseteq H \subseteq B \text{ for some } H \text{ satisfying } H < H].$$

⁴⁾ Unless the contrary is explicitely stated, the words ,,order"and ,,relation" stand for ,,symmetrical perfect topogenous order".

(2) If a relation < is generated by a partition γ , then this γ is uniquely determined as the class of minimal self-preceding subsets of E:

$$H \in \gamma$$
 iff $H < H$ and $\emptyset \neq G \subset H \Rightarrow G \triangleleft G$.

PROOF. Part (2) is clear; so is the necessity of the condition in (1). The only thing to prove is the sufficiency of that condition: Suppose it holds for an order <, and for $x \in E$ put $U(x) = \bigcap \{V | x < V\}$. Clearly x < U(x), and in view of the condition and of the fact that U(x) is the smallest set H satisfying x < H, we also have U(x) < U(x). By what has just been said, the implication

$$x < A \Rightarrow U(x) \subseteq A$$

also holds.

Let us now establish the implication

$$(*) U(x) \cap U(y) \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow U(x) = U(y).$$

First of all, $z \in U(x) \Rightarrow x \in U(z)$ U(z) < U(z) $\Rightarrow x < U(z) \Rightarrow U(x) \subseteq U(z)$. By symmetry we

get $U(z) \subseteq U(x)$ and finally $z \in U(x) \Rightarrow U(z) = U(x)$. Let now be $z \in U(x)$ and $z \in U(y)$. Then

$$U(z) = U(x) = U(y)$$

and (*) results proved.

Thus $\gamma = \{U(x) | x \in E\}$ is a partition of E and in the same way as in the proof of Theorem 1. we get A < B iff $\bigcup \{U(x) | x \in A\} \subseteq B$, and this in turn iff St $(A, \gamma) \subseteq B$. (In establishing the second ,iff" we have to make use of the implication

$$a \in U(x) \Rightarrow U(a) = U(x).$$

§ 2. A characterization of uniformities defined as systems of coverings

We start with the following well-known (see e.g. [2] or [3])

Definition 2. A system Σ of coverings of a set E is a uniformity on E if the following conditions are satisfied:

(C1)
$$\begin{array}{c} \alpha \in \Sigma \\ \alpha \leq \beta \end{array} \} \Rightarrow \beta \in \Sigma;$$

(C2)
$$\alpha, \beta \in \Sigma \Rightarrow \alpha \cap \beta \in \Sigma;$$

(C3)
$$\alpha \in \Sigma \Rightarrow (\exists \beta \in \Sigma) [\{ \text{St}(x, \beta) | x \in E \} \leq \alpha]. \blacksquare$$

The uniformities of a given set are partially ordered in a natural way:

$$\Sigma_1 \subseteq \Sigma_2 \Leftrightarrow (\alpha \in \Sigma_1 \to \alpha \in \Sigma_2).$$

Remark. 5) Condition (C3) can be replaced by the following one:

$$\alpha \in \Sigma \Rightarrow (\exists \beta \in \Sigma) [\{ St (B, \beta) | B \in \beta \} \leq \alpha].$$

⁵⁾ See e.g. [2], p. 563, bottom. For the readers convenience, we expose in detail the proof outlined there.

PROOF. (C3a) implies (C3), since from $x \in B$ there follows St $(x, \beta) \subseteq \text{St } (B, \beta)$. On the other hand, (C3) implies (C3a). As a matter of fact, if to a given $\alpha \in \Sigma$ a cover $\gamma \in \Sigma$ is chosen by (C3), and to this γ a cover $\beta \in \Sigma$ is chosen again by (C3), then β satisfies the requirement of (C3a) with respect to α : If $\{\text{St } (x, \gamma) | x \in E\} \leq \alpha$, and $\{\text{St } (x, \beta) | x \in E\} \leq \gamma$, then for $B \in \beta$ we have

St
$$(B, \beta) = \bigcup \{ \text{St } (x, \beta) | x \in B \},$$

and for any $x \in B$,

$$B \subseteq \operatorname{St}(x, \beta) \subseteq G_x \in \gamma$$
.

Thus, for any fixed $x_0 \in B$, we can infer from

$$x_0 \in B \subseteq \bigcap \{G_x | x \in B\}$$

that

St
$$(B, \beta) \subseteq \bigcup \{G_x | x \in B\} \subseteq St(x_0, \gamma)$$
.

Definition 3. A nonvoid family $\mathcal{S} = \{ < | < \in \mathcal{S} \}$ of symmetrical perfect topogenous orders on a set E is a symmetrical perfect syntopogenous structure on E, if it satisfies the following conditions:

(S1)
$$<_1, <_2 \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow (\exists < \in \mathcal{S})(<_1 \subseteq < \& <_2 \subseteq <);$$

$$(S2) \qquad < \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow (\exists <' \in \mathcal{S}) (< \subseteq <'^2).$$

Remark. Condition (S2) is capable of the following more explicit formulation: If $< \in \mathcal{S}$, then there exists a $<' \in \mathcal{S}$ such that

$$A < B \Rightarrow (\exists C)(A <' C <' B).$$

Definition 4. A symmetrical perfect syntopogenous structure $\mathscr S$ on a set E is said to be descending, if the implication

(D)
$$< \in \mathcal{S} \\ <_1 \subseteq <$$
 $\Rightarrow <_1 \in \mathcal{S}$

holds for any symmetrical perfect topogenous order $<_1$ over E.

The symmetrical perfect syntopogenous structures on a given set E can be partially ordered by the following convention:

$$\mathcal{S}_1 \! \leq \! \mathcal{S}_2 \! \Leftrightarrow \! [<_1 \in \! \mathcal{S}_1 \! \Rightarrow \! (\exists <_2 \in \! \mathcal{S}_2) (<_1 \subseteq <_2)].$$

For a given order < over E and $x \in E$, write now $U_{<}(x) = \bigcap \{V | x < V\}$ and put $\gamma_{<} = \{U_{<}(x) | x \in E\}$. Clearly, $\gamma_{<}$ is a cover of E. (As a matter of fact, $\gamma_{<}$ will be a cover of E, as soon as < has property (02).) With these notations, there results the following useful

Lemma. St $(x, \gamma_{\leq}) = U_{\leq 2}(x)$ for $x \in E$, and consequently

$$\{\operatorname{St}(x, \gamma_{<})|x \in E\} = \gamma_{<2}$$

for any symmetrical perfect topogenous order < on E.

Remark. $<^2$ is a symmetrical perfect topogenous order on E, whenever < is. (See [1], (2.16), (3.53) and (4.23).)

PROOF.

$$U_{\prec}(x) = \bigcap \{V | x < V\} = \{y | x \not< E - y\},\$$

and by the symmetry of <, $x \le E - y \Leftrightarrow y \le E - x$, i.e.

$$y \in U_{<}(x) \Leftrightarrow x \in U_{<}(y).$$

Also, $x < U_{<}(x)$ by the perfectness of <, and

$$x < H \Leftrightarrow U_{<}(x) \subseteq H$$
.

Now, each of the following conditions is equivalent to the next one:

$$x <^{2} H;$$

$$x < K < H \text{ for some } K \subseteq E;$$

$$x < U_{<}(x) \subseteq K < H \text{ for some } K \subseteq E;$$

$$x < U_{<}(x) < H;$$

$$U_{<}(x) < H;$$

$$y < H \text{ for any } y \in U_{<}(x);$$

$$U_{<}(y) \subseteq H \text{ for any } y \in U_{<}(x);$$

$$\bigcup \{U_{<}(y)|y \in U_{<}(x)\} \subseteq H;$$

$$\bigcup \{U_{<}(y)|x \in U_{<}(y)\} \subseteq H;$$

$$\text{St } (x, \gamma_{<}) \subseteq H.$$

Thus we have proved

$$x <^2 H \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{St}(x, \gamma_<) \subseteq H$$
,

establishing thereby the lemma.

Now we are able to characterize ⁶) uniformities defined as systems of coverings by the following

Theorem 3. (1) Let Σ be a uniformity on E. For $\gamma \in \Sigma$ and A, $B \subseteq E$ put $A <_{\gamma} B \Leftrightarrow St(A, \gamma) \subseteq B$, and $\mathscr{S}_{\gamma} = \{<_{\gamma} | \gamma \in \Sigma\}$.

 \Leftrightarrow St $(A, \gamma) \subseteq B$, and $\mathscr{S}_{\Sigma} = \{ <_{\gamma} | \gamma \in \Sigma \}$. The set \mathscr{S}_{Σ} is a descending, symmetrical and perfect syntopogenous structure on E.

(2) Let \mathcal{S} be a descending, symmetrical and perfect syntopogenous structure on E. For $\langle \mathcal{S} \rangle$ and $x \in E$ put $U_{\langle x \rangle} = \bigcap \{V | x < V\}$, and let

$$\gamma_{\leq} = \{ U_{\leq}(x) | x \in E \}.$$

⁶⁾ This characterization of uniformities differs slightly from that given in [1], Chapter 7.: We need a "descending condition" absent in [1]. This difference is due to the fact that here we are dealing with "whole uniformities" and not with (symmetrical) bases for them as is the case in [1].

Let now Σ_{φ} be the set of covers of E with some $\gamma_{<}$ inscribed:

$$\Sigma_{\mathscr{S}} = \{ \gamma | \gamma \geq \gamma_{<} \text{ for some } < \in \mathscr{S} \}.$$

The set $\Sigma_{\mathscr{G}}$ is a uniformity on E.

(3) The mappings $\Sigma \to \mathcal{G}_{\Sigma}$ and $\mathcal{G} \to \Sigma_{\mathcal{G}}$ are one-to-one correspondences, inverse to each other, between the sets of all uniformities and all descending symmetrical and perfect syntopogenous structures on E, which preserve the respective partial

PROOF. (1) By Theorem 1. part (1) each relation $<_{\gamma}$ is a symmetrical perfect topogenous order on E. Moreover, the set \mathscr{S}_{Σ} is descending. As a matter of fact, if γ is a cover of E and $<_1 \subseteq <_{\gamma}$, then there exists 7) a cover δ such that $<_1 = <_{\delta}$ and $\gamma \leq \delta$.

Let δ be defined as in the proof of part (3) of Theorem 1. Then $<_1 = <_{\delta}$, and $G \in \gamma$ implies $G \in \delta$. Indeed, if $x \in G$ then $G \subseteq U_1(x)$, and this because in view of $G\subseteq St(x, y)$ we have the implications

$$y \in G \Rightarrow x \leqslant_{\gamma} E - y \Rightarrow x \leqslant_{1} E - y \Leftrightarrow x \leqslant_{\delta} E - y \Rightarrow y \in U_{1}(x).$$

Thus we have established $\gamma \subseteq \delta$, and thereby also $\gamma \subseteq \delta$.

We still have to prove that \mathscr{S}_{Σ} satisfies the two conditions laid down in Definition 3.

(S1): Let $\gamma, \delta \in \Sigma$. If $\gamma \leq \delta$, then $<_{\delta} \subseteq <_{\gamma}$ by Theorem 1. part (3). Now let $<_{\gamma_1}, <_{\gamma_2} \in \mathscr{S}_{\Sigma}$. Then $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Sigma$, and this in turn implies $\gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2 \in \Sigma$. Put $\gamma = \gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2$. Then

$$\gamma \leq \gamma_1 \Rightarrow <_{\gamma_1} \subseteq <_{\gamma}$$

and

$$\gamma \leq \gamma_2 \Rightarrow <_{\gamma_2} \subseteq <_{\gamma}$$

i.e. (S1) holds with $<_{\gamma} = <_{\gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2} \in \mathscr{S}_{\Sigma}$. (S2): Let $< \in \mathscr{S}_{\Sigma}$, i.e. $< = <_{\gamma}$ for some $\gamma \in \Sigma$. — Choose $\delta \in \Sigma$ so as to have $\{\operatorname{St}(K,\delta)|K\in\delta\} \leq \gamma.$

Now let us show that

$$A <_{\gamma} B \Rightarrow A <_{\delta} St(A, \delta) <_{\delta} B.$$

We clearly have $A <_{\delta} St(A, \delta)$. At the same time, we also have $St(A, \delta) <_{\delta} B$, i.e. we have

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \in \operatorname{St}(A, \delta) \\ x, y \in K \in \delta \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow y \in B.$$

Indeed, $x \in St(A, \delta)$ implies the existence of a $K_1 \in \delta$ such that $x \in K_1$ and $K_1 \cap A \neq \emptyset$.

Also, we have

$$x, y \in K \subseteq St(K, \delta) \subseteq G \in \gamma$$

and in view of $x \in K \cap K_1$, $K_1 \subseteq St(K, \delta)$.

⁷⁾ This is a somewhat stronger result than the one contained in part (3) of Theorem 1. As a matter of fact, here we have to find a δ corresponding to a fixed γ , whereas in the earlier result only the relation < was fixed but not the cover γ satisfying <= < γ . (The correspondence $\gamma \rightarrow <_{\gamma}$ is, of course, many-to-one!)

Now, if $x_1 \in K_1 \cap A$, then $x_1 \in A$ and $x_1, y \in G \in \gamma$.

From $A <_{y} B$ we now get $y \in B$, and St $(A, \delta) <_{\delta} B$ results proved.

(2) We have to check the three conditions of Definition 2.

(C1): Clear.

(C2): We see that for $<_1, <_2 \in \mathcal{S}$ the implication

$$<_1 \subseteq <_2 \Rightarrow [U_{<_2}(x) \subseteq U_{<_1}(x) (x \in E)]$$

holds, and consequently $<_1 \subseteq <_2 \Rightarrow \gamma_{<_2} \subseteq \gamma_{<_1}$. Let now be $\gamma, \delta \in \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}$. Then $\gamma_{<_1} \subseteq \gamma$ and $\gamma_{<_2} \subseteq \delta$ for some $<_1, <_2 \in \mathscr{S}$. By (S1) there is a $< \in \mathscr{S}$ such that $<_1 \subseteq <$ and $<_2 \subseteq <$. Thus however

$$\gamma_{<} \leq \gamma_{<_{1}}$$

$$\gamma_{<} \leq \gamma_{<_{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{<} \leq \gamma_{<_{1}} \cap \gamma_{<_{2}} \leq \gamma \cap \delta.$$

This shows that $\gamma \cap \delta \in \Sigma_{\mathscr{G}}$.

(C3): Let $\gamma \in \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}$, i.e. let $\gamma_{<} \leq \gamma$ for some $< \in \mathscr{S}$. Choose now $<_{1} \in \mathscr{S}$ in accordance with (S2), i.e. let $<\subseteq <_{1}^{2}$. (Of course, $<_1^2 \subseteq <_1 \in \mathcal{S}$ implies $<_1^2 \in \mathcal{S}$, but we do not use this fact.) We see that

$$<\subseteq <_1^2 \Rightarrow \gamma_{<_1^2} \subseteq \gamma_{<}$$

and so, by the Lemma, we obtain

$$\gamma_{<\frac{1}{2}} = \{ \operatorname{St}(x, \gamma_{<1}) | x \in E \} \leq \gamma_{<1}.$$

(3) Let $\Sigma \to \mathscr{S}_{\Sigma}$ and $\mathscr{S} \to \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}$. If $\mathscr{S} = \mathscr{S}_{\Sigma}$, then $\Sigma_{\mathscr{S}} = \Sigma$. Indeed,

$$\Sigma_{\mathscr{G}} = \{ \gamma | \gamma \ge \gamma < \text{ for some } < \in \mathscr{S} \},$$

i.e. in our case

 $\Sigma_{\mathscr{G}} = \{ \gamma | \gamma \ge \gamma_{\le \alpha} \text{ for some } <_{\alpha} \in \mathscr{S}_{\Sigma} \} = \{ \gamma | \gamma \ge \gamma_{\le \alpha} \text{ for some } \varrho \in \Sigma \}.$

Now $\gamma_{\leq a} = \{U_{\leq a}(x) | x \in E\}$, and by virtue of

$$U_{<\varrho}(x) = \bigcap \{V | x <_{\varrho} V\} = \bigcap \{V | \operatorname{St}(x, \varrho) \subseteq V\} = \operatorname{St}(x, \varrho)$$

we get

$$\gamma_{<\varrho} = \{ \operatorname{St}(x, \varrho) | x \in E \}.$$

We see that $\gamma \in \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}$ for $\mathscr{S} = \mathscr{S}_{\Sigma}$ iff $\{ \text{St}(x, \varrho) | x \in E \} \leq \gamma \text{ for some } \varrho \in \Sigma. \text{ This, howe-}$ ver, means that $\Sigma_{\mathscr{G}} = \Sigma$. As a matter of fact, for any uniformity Σ we have

$$\alpha \in \Sigma \Leftrightarrow (\exists \beta \in \Sigma)[\{St(x, \beta) | x \in E\} \leq \alpha],$$

the implication \Rightarrow being simply condition (C3), and the reverse implication \Leftarrow being true because by (C1) $\beta \leq \{\text{St}(x, \beta) | x \in E\} \leq \alpha \text{ implies } \alpha \in \Sigma \text{ for any } \beta \in \Sigma.$

Again, let $\mathcal{S} \to \Sigma_{\mathcal{S}}$ and $\Sigma \to \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}$.

If $\Sigma = \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}$ then $\mathscr{S}_{\Sigma} = \mathscr{S}$. First of all,

$$\mathscr{S}_{\Sigma} = \{ <_{\gamma} | \gamma \in \Sigma \} = \{ <_{\gamma} | \gamma \in \Sigma_{\mathscr{G}} \} = \{ <_{\gamma} | \gamma \ge \gamma_{<} \text{ for some } < \in \mathscr{S} \}.$$

Consider now the subset

$$\{ <_{\gamma} | \gamma = \gamma_{<} \text{ for some } < \in \mathcal{S} \}$$

of \mathscr{S}_{Σ} , and let $<_1$ be an arbitrary element of this subset, i.e. let there be a $< \in \mathscr{S}$ such that A < B iff St $(A, \gamma <) \subseteq B$.

Now, each of the following statements is equivalent to the next one:

St
$$(A, \gamma_<) \subseteq B$$
,
St $(a, \gamma_<) \subseteq B$ for $a \in A$,
 $U_{<2}(a) \subseteq B$ for $a \in A$,
 $a <^2 B$ $(a \in A)$,
 $A <^2 B$.

This shows that $<_1 = <^2$, and also that

$$\{<_{\gamma}|\gamma=\gamma_{<}\}=\{<^{2}|<\in\mathcal{S}\}.$$

Now let $\gamma \ge \gamma_{<}$. In view of $\alpha \ge \beta \Rightarrow <_{\alpha} \subseteq <_{\beta}$ we have

$$\mathscr{S}_{\Sigma} = \{ <_{\gamma} | \gamma \ge \gamma < \text{ for some } < \in \mathscr{S} \} = \{ <' | <' \subseteq <^2 \text{ for some } < \in \mathscr{S} \} = \mathscr{S}.$$

Indeed, if $<' \in \mathcal{S}$ then $<' \subseteq <^2$ for some $< \in \mathcal{S}$ by condition (S2) from Definition 3. — On the other hand, $<' \subseteq <^2 \subseteq < \in \mathcal{S}$ implies $<' \in \mathcal{S}$ by the descending condition.

Let us still show that the mappings just considered are order-preserving: The implications

$$\Sigma \subseteq \Sigma_1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma_1} \Rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\Sigma_1}$$

are evident.

On the other hand, $\mathcal{S} \leq \mathcal{S}_1 \Rightarrow \Sigma_{\mathcal{S}} \subseteq \Sigma_{\mathcal{S}_1}$. Indeed, let $\gamma \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{S}}$, i.e. let $\gamma \geq \gamma_{<}$ for some $< \in \mathcal{G}$.

By $\mathscr{S} \leq \mathscr{S}_1$ we have $< \subseteq <_1$ for some $<_1 \in \mathscr{S}_1$, and $< \subseteq <_1 \Rightarrow \gamma_{<_1} \leq \gamma_{<_2} \leq \gamma_{<_3} \leq \gamma_{<_4} \leq \gamma_{<_4} \leq \gamma_{<_5} \leq \gamma_{<_5}$

for a
$$<_1 \in \mathcal{S}_1$$
, i. e. $\gamma \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{S}_1}$.

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