

# On extended real valued functions in pointfree topology

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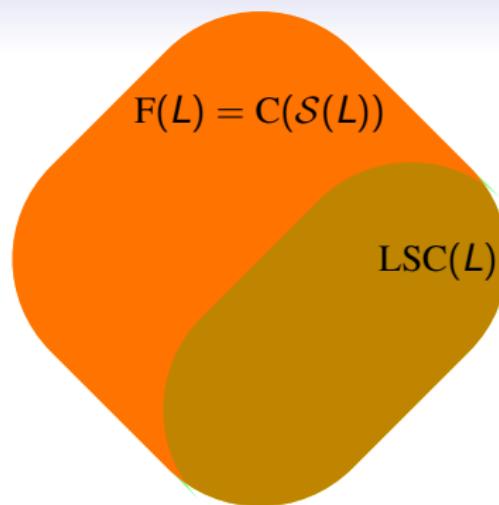
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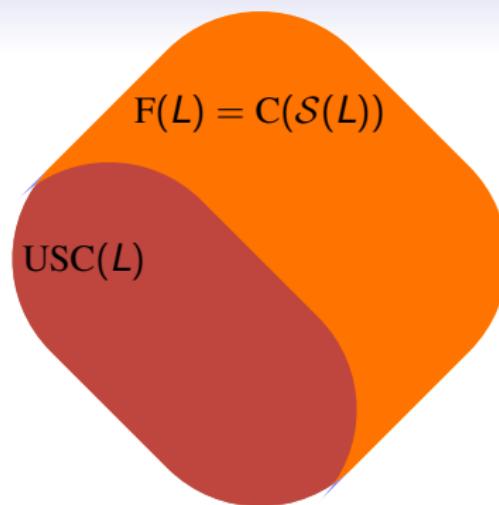
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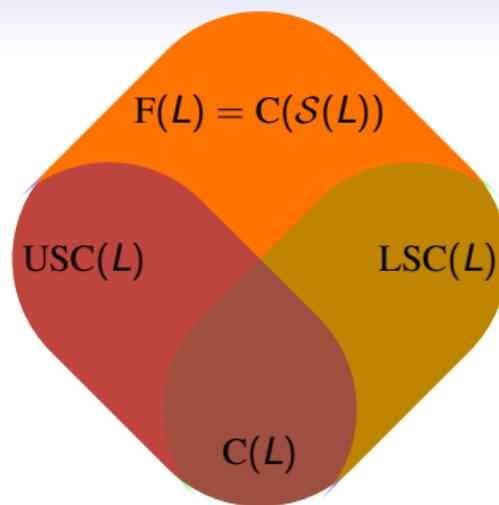


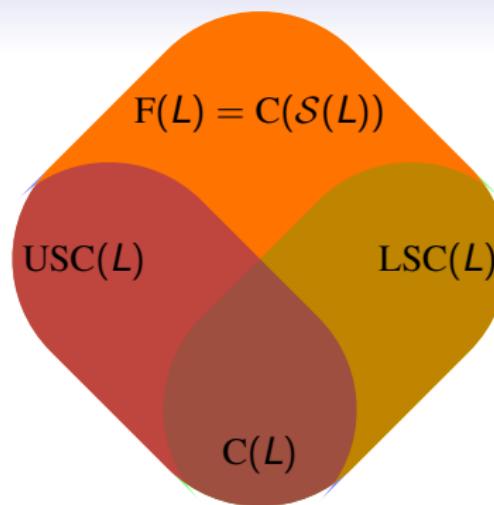
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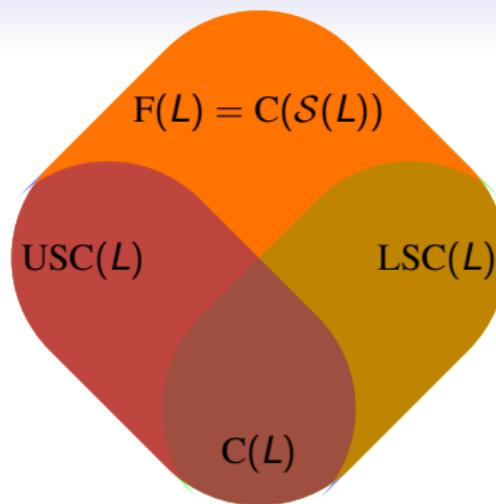








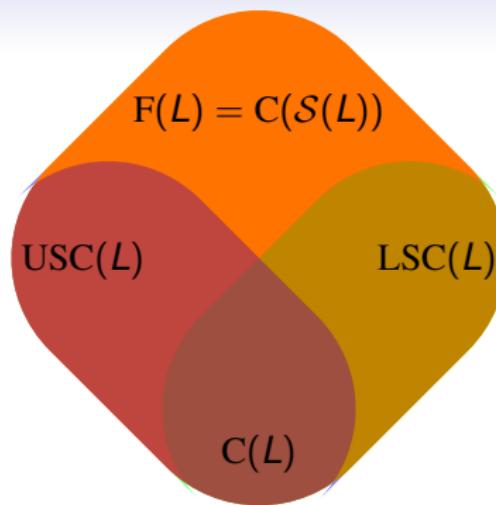
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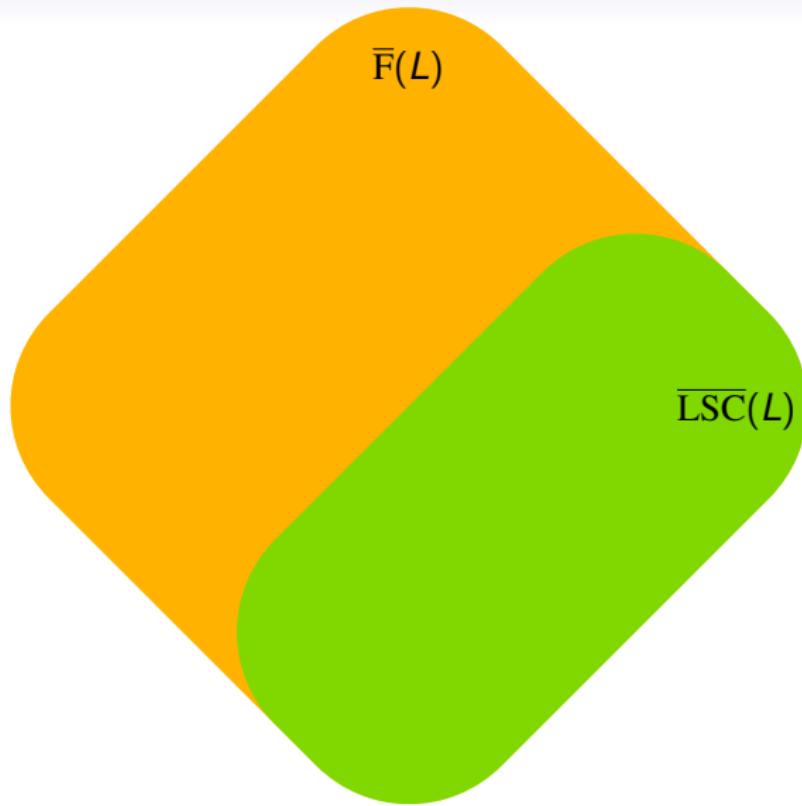
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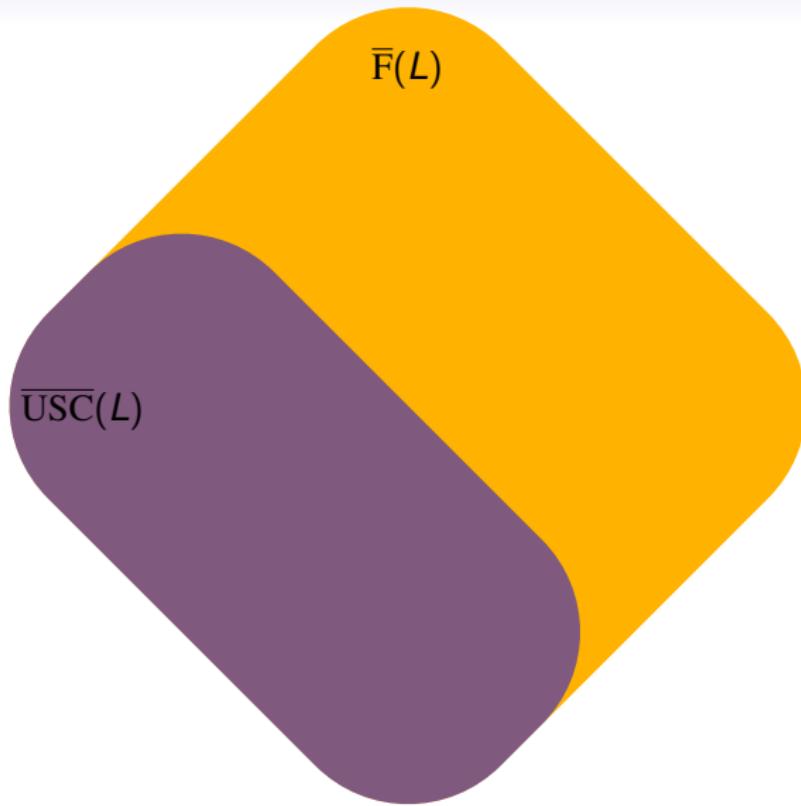
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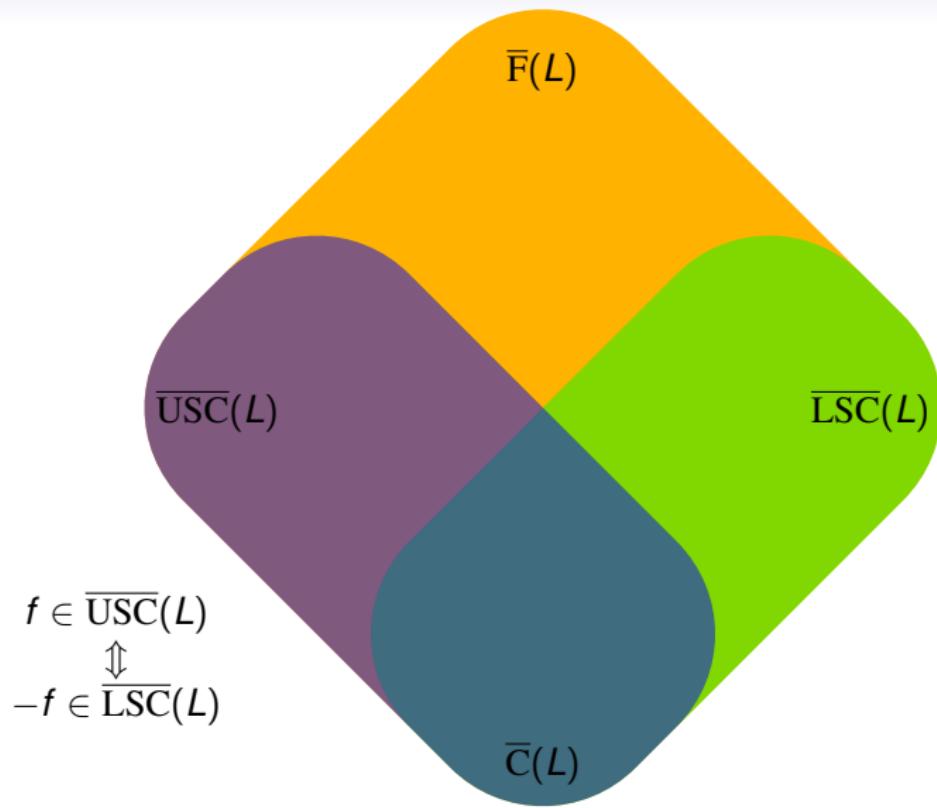
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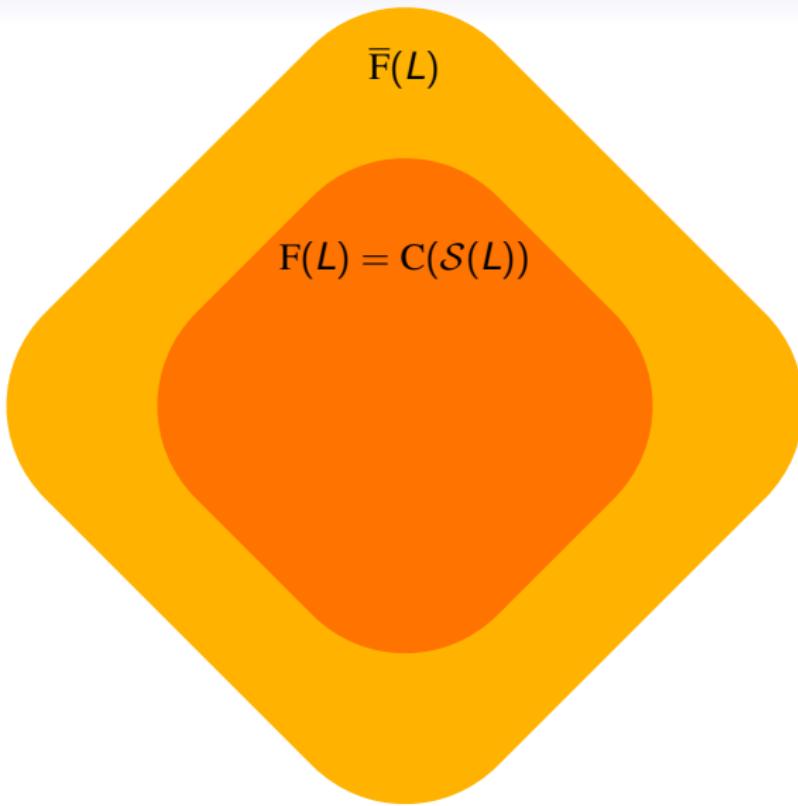
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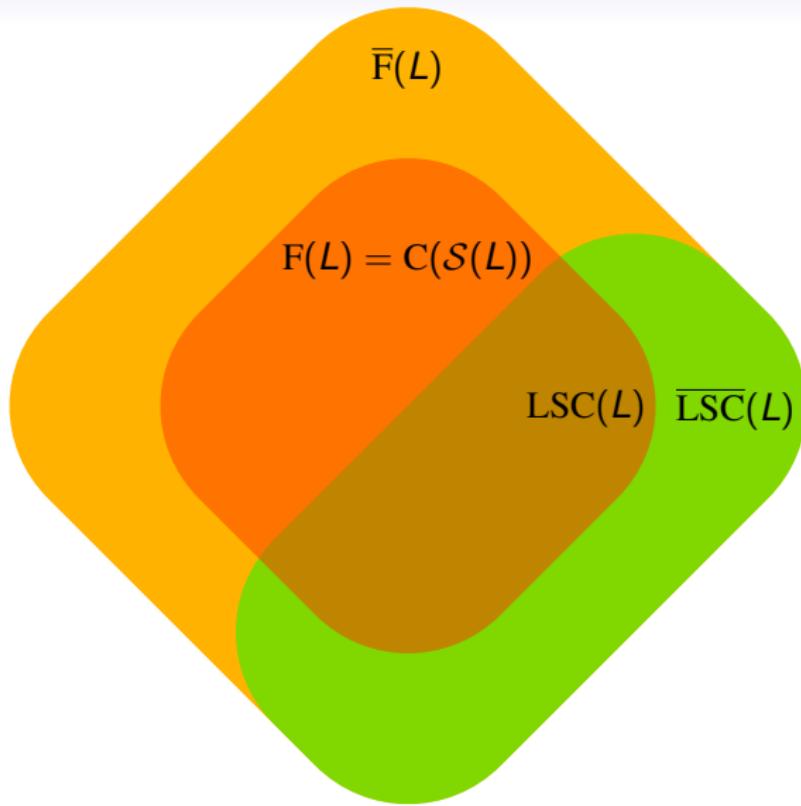
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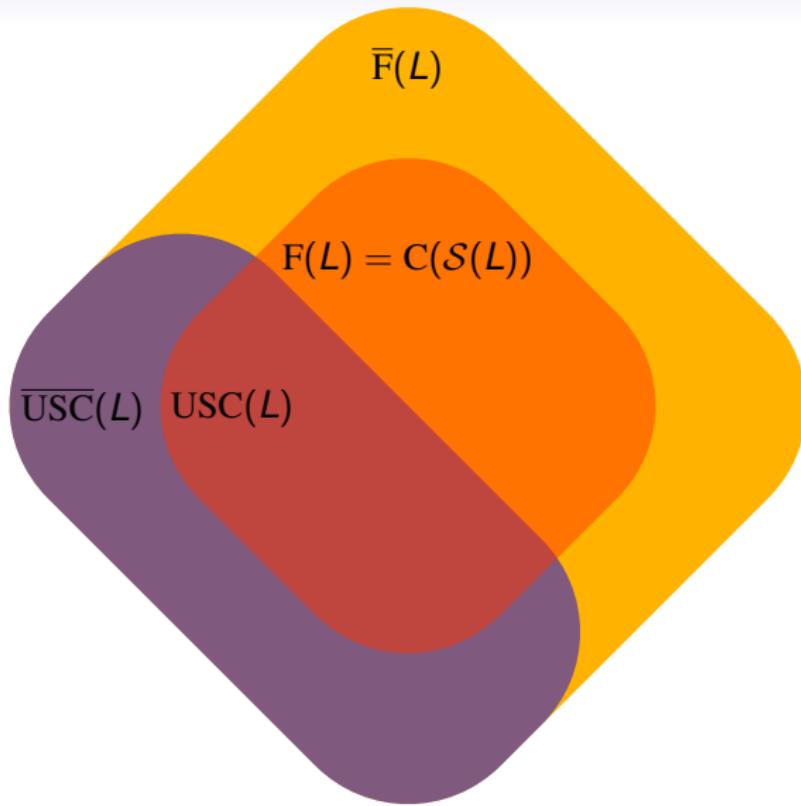


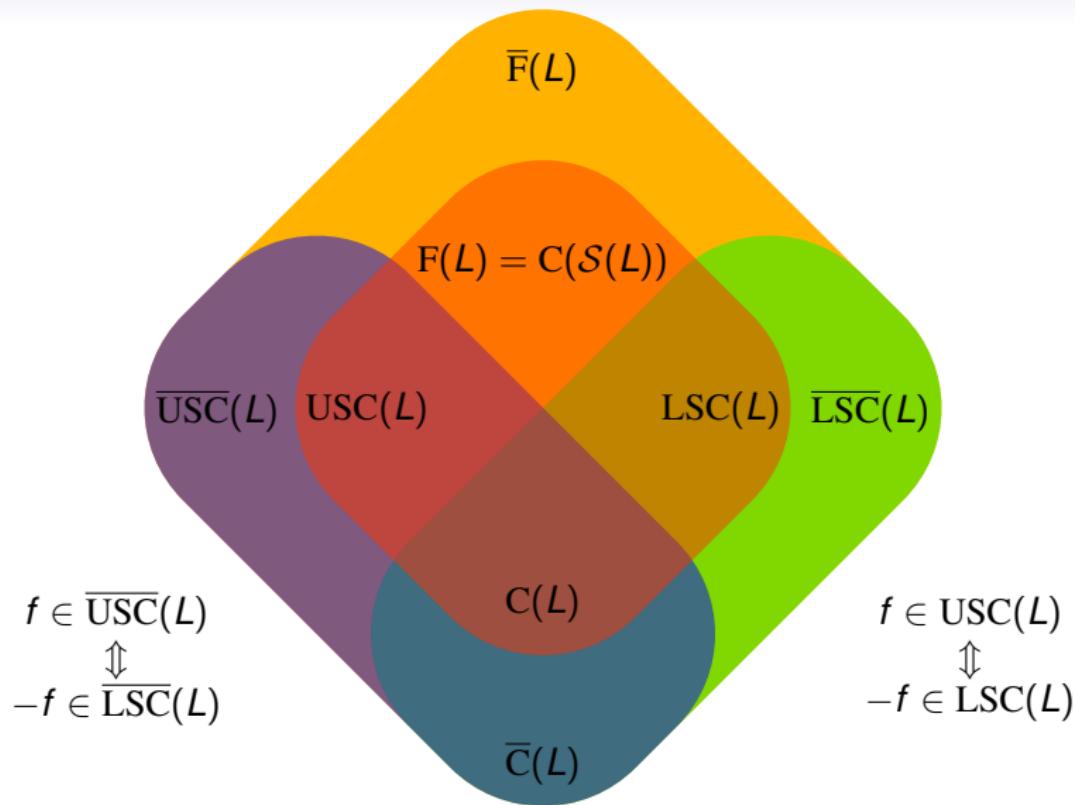












## Background: generating frame homomorphisms by scales

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$$\bigvee\{c_r : r \in \mathbb{Q}\} = 1 = \bigvee\{c_r^* : r \in \mathbb{Q}\}.$$

### Remark

An extended scale  $\{c_r : r \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  in  $L$  is necessarily an antitone family.

Furthermore, if  $\mathcal{C}$  consists of complemented elements, then  $\mathcal{C}$  is an extended scale if and only if it is antitone.

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for all  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then the following hold:

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- (2) If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a scale, then  $f \in C(L)$ .

### Lemma

Let  $f, g \in \overline{C}(L)$  be generated by the extended scales  $\{c_r : r \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  and  $\{d_r : r \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ , respectively. Then:

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$$\langle r, s \rangle \diamond \langle t, u \rangle = \{x \diamond y \mid x \in \langle r, s \rangle \text{ and } y \in \langle t, u \rangle\}.$$

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