

For a poset P and a monotone function $f: P \rightarrow P$ we define $\underline{\text{fix}}(f) \in P$

$$(1) f(\underline{\text{fix}}(f)) \sqsubseteq \underline{\text{fix}}(f)$$

$$(2) f(x) \sqsubseteq x \Rightarrow \underline{\text{fix}}(f) \sqsubseteq x$$

If $\underline{\text{fix}}(f)$ exists then it is unique.

Let $p, q \in P$ satisfy (1) & (2). Then $p = q$.

By (1) for p we have $f(p) \sqsubseteq p$.

By (2) for q we have $q \sqsubseteq p$.

[?] Do all monotone functions on posets have a least pre-fixed point?

[!] No. (E.g. $\neg: \text{Bool} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$)

Least pre-fixed points are fixed points

If it exists, the least pre-fixed point of a monotone function on a partial order is necessarily a fixed point.

I.e. $f(\text{lfp}(f)) = \text{lfp}(f)$

We show: $f(\text{lfp}(f)) \sqsubseteq \text{lfp}(f)$ by (lfp 1)

[?] $\text{lfp}(f) \sqsubseteq f(\text{lfp}(f))$?

$$\frac{x \leq y}{f(x) \leq f(y)}$$

Since f is
monotone

(lfp 1)

$$\underline{f(\text{lfp } f) \leq f(x)}$$

$f(\text{lfp } f)$ is a pre fixed point

i.e.:

$$\underline{f(f(\text{lfp } f)) \leq f(\text{lfp } f)}$$

$$\underline{\text{lfp } f \leq f(\text{lfp } f)}$$

(lfp 2)

Thesis^{*}

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passage to the
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All computable functions are continuous.

monotone + new preservation property.

Cpo's and domains

A **chain complete poset**, or **cpo** for short, is a poset (D, \sqsubseteq) in which all countable increasing chains $d_0 \sqsubseteq d_1 \sqsubseteq d_2 \sqsubseteq \dots$ have least upper bounds, $\bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} d_n$:

$$\forall m \geq 0 . d_m \sqsubseteq \bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} d_n \quad (\text{lub1})$$

$$\forall d \in D . (\forall m \geq 0 . d_m \sqsubseteq d) \Rightarrow \bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} d_n \sqsubseteq d. \quad (\text{lub2})$$

A **domain** is a cpo that possesses a least element, \perp :

$$\forall d \in D . \perp \sqsubseteq d.$$

Examples:

(1) Are finite posets domains?

($\{ \text{true}, \text{false} \}, =$) \bullet true \bullet false

(2) Are all finite posets with least element domains?

Yes, because every chain in it looks like

$$x_0 \subseteq x_1 \subseteq x_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq x_n \subseteq x_n \subseteq x_n \subseteq \dots$$

which has lub x_n .

(3) (\mathbb{N}, \leq) is not a foundation.

because the chain

$$0 \leq 1 \leq 2 \leq \dots \leq n \leq \dots \quad (\text{new})$$

does not have a lub, in fact it does not have any upper bound.

(4) Define Ω to have underlying set $\mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$

and order

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$$\begin{aligned} n \leq m & \quad \forall n \leq m \text{ in } \mathbb{N} \\ n \leq \infty & \quad \forall n \end{aligned}$$



(5) $(\mathcal{P}(X), \subseteq)$

\parallel
 $\{S \mid S \text{ is a subset of } X\}$

is a domain with $\perp = \emptyset$

and lubs given by unions:

for $S_0 \subseteq S_1 \subseteq S_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq S_n \subseteq \dots$

The lub is

$$\bigcup_n S_n$$

$$\overline{\perp \sqsubseteq x}$$

$$\overline{x_i \sqsubseteq \bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} x_n} \quad (i \geq 0 \text{ and } \langle x_n \rangle \text{ a chain})$$

$$\frac{\forall n \geq 0. x_n \sqsubseteq x}{\bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} x_n \sqsubseteq x} \quad (\langle x_i \rangle \text{ a chain})$$

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$$\text{graph} \left(\bigsqcup_n f_n \right) = \bigcup_n \text{graph}(f_n)$$

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Least element \perp is the totally undefined partial function.

$d \sqsubseteq d \sqsubseteq d \sqsubseteq \dots \quad \sqsubseteq d \sqsubseteq \dots$

Some properties of lubs of chains

Let D be a cpo.

$\forall n \quad d \sqsubseteq d$
 $\bigcup_n d \sqsubseteq d$ $d \sqsubseteq \bigcup_n d$

1. For $d \in D$, $\bigcup_n d = d$.

2. For every chain $d_0 \sqsubseteq d_1 \sqsubseteq \dots \sqsubseteq d_n \sqsubseteq \dots$ in D ,

$\bigcup_n d_n = \bigcup_n d_{N+n}$ $\rightarrow \bigcup_n d_n$

for all $N \in \mathbb{N}$.

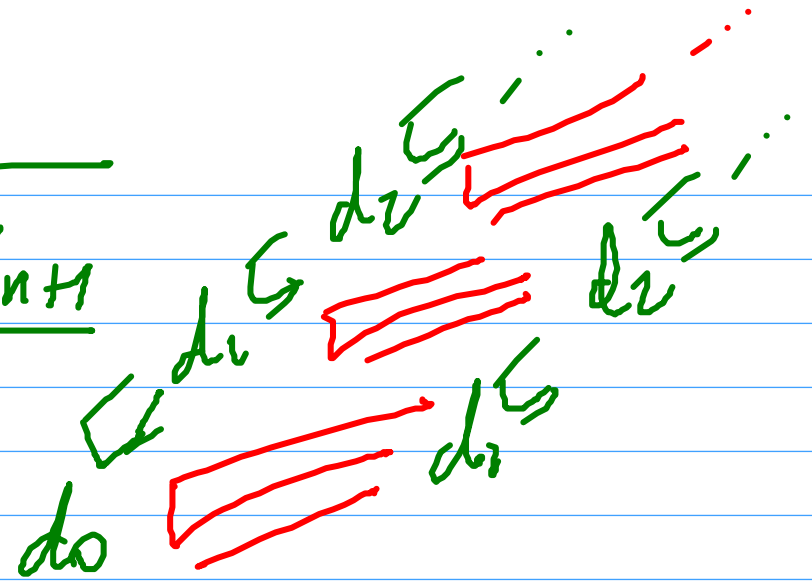
$d_N \sqsubseteq d_{N+1} \sqsubseteq \dots \sqsubseteq d_{N+n} \sqsubseteq \dots$
 $\rightarrow \bigcup_n d_{N+n}$

$$\boxed{\Omega_n \subset \Omega_{n+1}}$$

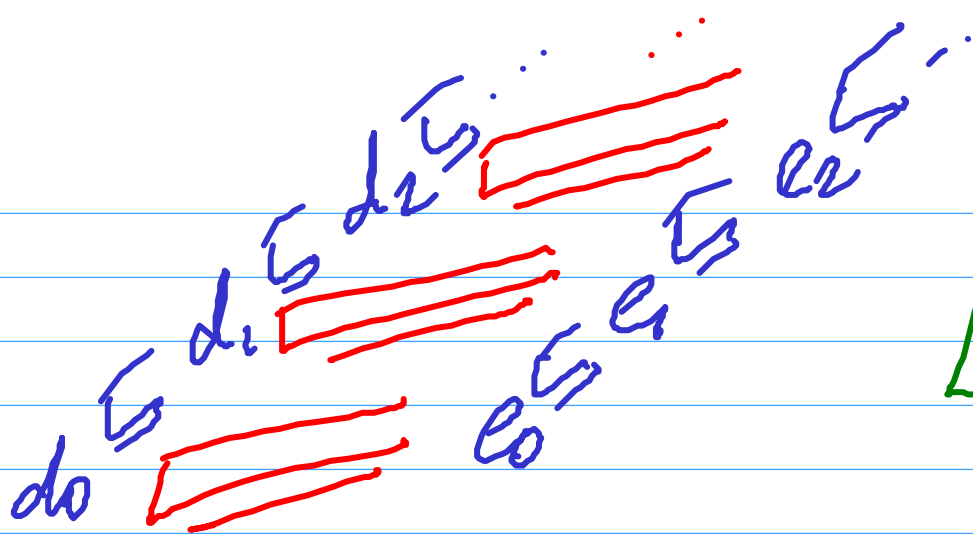
$$(i=0) \ d_0 \in d_1 \in \Omega_n \subset \Omega_{n+1} \quad (i \geq 1) \ d_i \in \underbrace{\Omega_n}_{n} \subset \Omega_{n+1}$$

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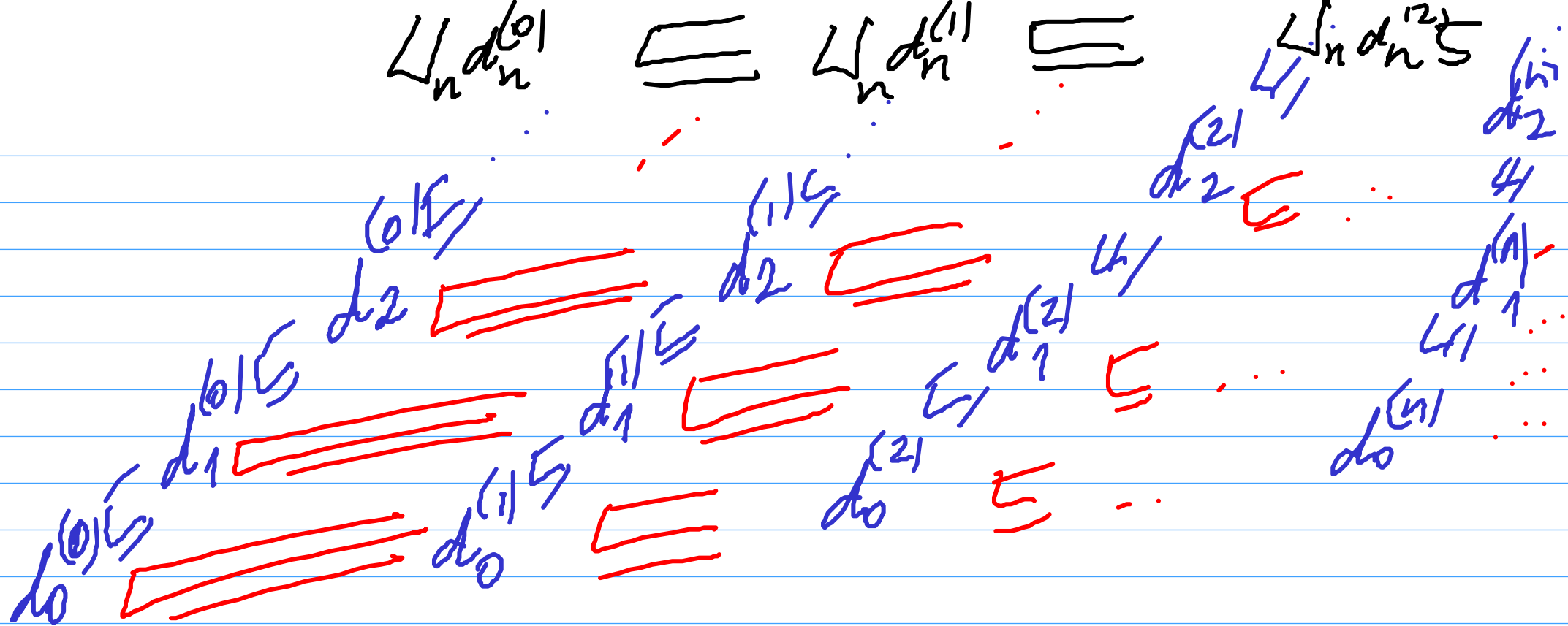
$$\bigcup_n d_n \subseteq \bigcup_n e_n$$

$$\overline{d_i \subseteq e_i}$$

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$$\text{vi. } d_i \subseteq \bigcup_n e_n$$

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Fix the super index, say to m : $\bigcup_n d_n^{(m)}$
 We can take $\bigcup_m \bigcup_n d_n^{(m)}$