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Component categories have been investigated by several authors (see [2], [4]), for topological functors $G : \underline{X} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$, where Ens is the category of sets. We give a generalization to arbitrary functors $G : \underline{X} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$, following an idea of Pumplün and Holmann (unpublished) and we are led to a generalization of a Galois correspondence given by Maranda. [3]. The results are part of my thesis.

Theorem: Let $G : \underline{X} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ be a functor, and $\underline{A} \subset \underline{X}$ a full subcategory such that $G|_{\underline{A}}$ is pointwise non-void, i.e. $G(A) \neq \emptyset$ for all $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$. Then there is a functor $Q_{G,\underline{A}} : \underline{X} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ and a natural transformation $\zeta_{G,\underline{A}} : G \rightarrow Q_{G,\underline{A}}$ with the following properties:

- (i) For all $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$ the cardinality of $G(A)$ is 1.
- (ii) If $\alpha : G \rightarrow P$ is a natural transformation, such that $\alpha(A)$ is of cardinality 1 for all $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$, then there is a unique natural transformation $\xi : Q_{G,\underline{A}} \rightarrow P$ with $\xi \zeta_{G,\underline{A}} = \alpha$.
- (iii) For all $X \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$, $\zeta_{G,\underline{A}}(X)$ is onto.

Definition: Let $\alpha : G \rightarrow P$ be a natural transformation, such that $\alpha(X)$ is onto for all $X \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$. Then $\text{Connect}(\alpha)$ denotes the full subcategory of \underline{X} generated by all \underline{X} -objects A where $P(A)$ is a singleton.

Now the above theorem can be interpreted as a Galois adjunction between Connect and $\zeta_{G,-}$, considered as meta-functors between the meta-category of all full subcategories \underline{A} of \underline{X} with $G|_{\underline{A}}$ pointwise non-void and the meta-category of all pointwise surjective natural transformations with domain G .

Definition: Let $G : \underline{A} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ be a functor. A full subcategory $\underline{A} \subset \underline{X}$ is called a G -component category, iff $\underline{A} = \text{Connect}(\zeta_{G, \underline{A}})$ (or, equivalently, iff there exist a functor P and a natural transformation $\alpha : G \rightarrow P$, such that \underline{A} is the full subcategory generated by all objects $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$ where $P(A)$ is a singleton).

Corollary: If $\underline{A} \subset \underline{X}$ is a full subcategory and $G : \underline{X} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ is a functor with $G|_{\underline{A}}$ pointwise non-void, then $\text{Connect}(\zeta_{G, \underline{A}})$ is the smallest G -component category containing \underline{X} .

Theorem: Let $G : \underline{X} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ be a mono-fibration (i.e. any injective map $m : U \rightarrow G(X)$ has an initial lifting to an X -morphism $\bar{m} : \bar{U} \rightarrow X$). Let M denote the class of all G -initial liftings of injective maps and let $\underline{A} \subset \underline{X}$ be a full and replete subcategory with $G|_{\underline{A}}$ pointwise non void. Let \underline{A} contain all $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$ for which $P(A)$ is a singleton. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) \underline{A} is a G -component category.
- (ii) \underline{A} is strongly locally M -coreflective in the sense of [1], i.e. for any $X \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$ there is a family $(u_i : Z_i \rightarrow X)_{i \in I}$, all Z_i are in \underline{A} , such that for any $f : A \rightarrow X$ with $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$ there is a unique pair (i, h) with $i \in I$, $h : A \rightarrow Z_i$, and $u_i h = f$.
- (iii) \underline{A} fulfills the following conditions:

- 1) If $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$, $f : A \rightarrow B$ is an X -morphism, $G(f)$ is onto, then $B \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$.
- 2) Let $X \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$, $(m_i : A_i \rightarrow X)_{i \in I}$, $I \neq \emptyset$ be a family of G -initial morphisms, such that $G(m_i)$ is onto one for all $i \in I$. If now $\bigcap \{G(m_i)[A_i]\} \neq \emptyset$, $\bigcup \{G(m_i)[A_i]\} = G(X)$ then $X \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$.

This characterization leads to a general investigation of full replete strongly coreflective subcategories of an arbitrary category.

Definition: Let \underline{X} be a category.

- (i) If $A \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$, $(Y, (X_i \xrightarrow{m_i} Y)_{i \in I})$ is a sink, A is called locally uniquely projective with respect to $(Y, (X_i \xrightarrow{m_i} Y)_{i \in I})$, iff for any \underline{X} -morphism $f : A \rightarrow Y$ there is a unique pair (i, h) with $i \in I$, $h m_i = f$. Equivalently, we say $(Y, (X_i \xrightarrow{m_i} Y)_{i \in I})$ is locally uniquely coextendable with respect to A .
- (ii) If $\underline{A} \subset \underline{X}$ is a full subcategory let $P_1^{\text{loc}}(\underline{A})$ denote the conglomerate of all locally coextendable sinks with respect to all $\underline{A} \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$.
- (iii) If S is a conglomerate of \underline{X} -sinks, let $C_1^{\text{loc}}(S)$ denote the full subcategory of \underline{X} generated by all locally uniquely projective objects with respect to all S -sinks.
- (iv) If M is a class of \underline{X} -morphisms, let \hat{M} denote the conglomerate of all sinks $(Y, (X \xrightarrow{m_i} Y_i)_{i \in I})$ with $m_i \in M$ for all $i \in I$.
- (v) Let \underline{A} be a full replete subcategory of \underline{X} and M a class of morphisms. \underline{A} is called strongly locally M -coreflective, if for any $Y \in \text{Ob}(\underline{X})$ there is a sink $(Y, (X_i \xrightarrow{m_i} Y)_{i \in I}) \in P_1^{\text{loc}}(\underline{A}) \cap \hat{M}$ with $X_i \in \text{Ob}(\underline{A})$ for all $i \in I$. \underline{A} is called strongly locally coreflective, iff \underline{A} is strongly locally \underline{X} -coreflective.
- As P_1^{loc} and C_1^{loc} form a Galois correspondence, we look at the full subcategories closed under the correspondence. We get the following

Theorem: Let \mathcal{X} be a category, $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{X}$ a full subcategory, M a class of \mathcal{X} -morphisms.

- (i) If $\mathcal{A} = P_1^{loc} C_1^{loc}(\mathcal{A})$, then \mathcal{A} is closed under the formation of connected colimits.
- (ii) If \mathcal{A} is strongly locally M -coreflective, then $\mathcal{A} = P_1^{loc}(C_1^{loc}(\mathcal{A}) \hat{\cap} M)$.
- (iii) If \mathcal{A} has locally coorthogonal (E, M) -factorizations (see [5]), then $\mathcal{A} = P_1^{loc}(C_1^{loc}(\mathcal{A}) \hat{\cap} M)$ implies that \mathcal{A} is strongly locally M -coreflective.

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