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SIMPLY (CO)REFLECTIVE SUBCATEGORIES OF THE CATEGORIES
DETERMINED BY POSET-VALUED FUNCTORS

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Abstract: By the criteria in [3] and [4] one sees easily that simply reflective and simply coreflective subcategories (i.e., such (co)reflective subcategories that the (co)reflections are carried by identities) of the semi-lattice fiberings \mathcal{U}_F (see 1.3 below, cf. [2]) are again of the form \mathcal{U}_G for a suitable G . In this note we study the relation of this functor G to the original F . We show that in the reflection case (Theorem 3.4) there is a transformation $\epsilon : F \rightarrow G$ and a subtransformation (see 1.4) φ such that $\epsilon\varphi = 1$, so that G can be considered as a nice factorfunctor of F . In the coreflection case (Theorem 3.7) there is a subtransformation ϵ and a transformation $\lambda : G \rightarrow F$ such that $\epsilon\lambda = 1$. (The φ, λ , resp., are naturally connected with the embedding of \mathcal{U}_G into \mathcal{U}_F .)

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§ 1. Subtransformations

1.1. The category of all sets and mappings is denoted by Set , the category of partially ordered sets and order preserving mappings is denoted by Poset . \mathcal{Q} designates the category of partially ordered sets in which every non-void subset has an infimum and of the suprema preserving mappings, CSL is its complete subcategory generated by the

complete lattices.

The symbol

\mathfrak{E}

is used as a variable with values Poset, \mathcal{D} , CSL. I.e., the appearance of \mathfrak{E} in a definition or in a statement indicates its applicability for any of the mentioned categories.

1.2. Convention: The partial orderings will be always denoted by the symbol \leq . Furthermore, if A, B are partially ordered sets and $f, g: A \rightarrow B$ mappings, we write

$$f \leq g$$

if $f(a) \leq g(a)$ for every $a \in A$.

1.3. Let $F: \text{Set} \rightarrow \mathfrak{E}$ be a functor. In accordance with [2] we denote by

\mathcal{U}_F

the category the objects of which are couples (X, a) with X a set and $a \in F(X)$, the morphisms from (X, a) into (Y, b) being all the triples (a, f, b) with $f: X \rightarrow Y$ such that $F(f)(a) \leq b$.

\mathcal{U}_F will be considered as a concrete category endowed by the forgetful functor sending (a, f, b) to f .

1.4. Let $F, G: \text{Set} \rightarrow \mathfrak{E}$ be functors. A subtransformation

$$\tau: F \xrightarrow{\leq} G$$

is a collection of morphisms $\tau = (\tau^X: F(X) \rightarrow G(X))_{X \in \text{objSet}}$

such that for every $f: X \rightarrow Y$

$$G(f) \cdot \tau^X \leq \tau^Y \cdot F(f).$$

Subtransformations $\tau: F \xrightarrow{\leq} G$ and $\vartheta: G \xrightarrow{\leq} H$ compose in an obvious way. The obtained illegitimate category will be denoted by

$$\text{subtr} [\text{Set}, \mathcal{E}].$$

1.5. Consider the categories \mathcal{A}_F with $F: \text{Set} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ and the functors $\Phi: \mathcal{A}_F \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_G$ such that $V \circ \Phi = U$, where U, V are the natural forgetful functors (see 1.3). The obtained illegitimate category will be denoted by

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{E}}.$$

1.6. Let $\tau: F \xrightarrow{\leq} G$ be a subtransformation. Define

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} [\tau]: \mathcal{A}_F &\rightarrow \mathcal{A}_G \text{ by } [\tau](X, a) = (X, \tau^X(a)) \text{ and} \\ [\tau](a, f, b) &= (\tau^X(a), f, \tau^Y(b)) \text{ for } f: X \rightarrow Y. \end{aligned}$$

(The definition is correct: $G(f) \tau^X(a) \leq \tau^Y F(f)(a) \leq \tau^Y(b)$.)

Further, let us observe that the category \mathcal{A}_F determines the functor F , since $F(X) = \{a \mid (X, a) \in \text{obj } \mathcal{A}_F\}$ and $F(f)(a) = \min\{b \mid (a, f, b) \in \text{morph } \mathcal{A}_F\}$. For a functor $\Phi: \mathcal{A}_F \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_G$ such that $V \circ \Phi = U$ define

$$(2) \quad \langle \Phi \rangle: F \xrightarrow{\leq} G \text{ by } (X, \langle \Phi \rangle^X(a)) = \Phi(X, a).$$

(It is a subtransformation: $\varphi = (a, f, F(f)(a))$ is a morphism, hence $\Phi(\varphi) = (\langle \Phi \rangle^X(a), f, \langle \Phi \rangle^Y F(f)(a))$ is a morphism,

so that $G(f)\langle\Phi\rangle^X(a) \leq \langle\Phi\rangle^Y F(f)(a)$.)

After an easy checking the equations

$$[\text{id}] = \text{id} , \langle \text{id} \rangle = \text{id}, [\tau \circ \mathcal{A}] = [\tau] \cdot [\mathcal{A}], \langle \Phi \cdot \Psi \rangle = \langle \Phi \rangle \cdot \langle \Psi \rangle, \langle [\tau] \rangle = \tau \text{ and } [\langle \Phi \rangle] = \Phi$$

we obtain

Statement: The formulas (1) and (2) establish an isomorphism between $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{A}}$ and $\text{subtr}[\text{Set}, \mathcal{A}]$.

1.7. Remark: As a consequence of 1.6 we obtain that \mathcal{U}_F and \mathcal{U}_G are equally carried (i.e. there is an iso-functor $\Phi: \mathcal{U}_F \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_G$ with $V \cdot \Phi = U$, cf. 0.2 in [4]) iff F is naturally equivalent to G . (The only point to be checked is that an invertible subtransformation is a transformation and hence a natural equivalence: But if $\tau = \mathcal{A}^{-1}$, we have for $f: X \rightarrow Y$

$$\tau^Y F(f) = \tau^Y F(f) \mathcal{A}^X \tau^X \leq \tau^Y \mathcal{A}^Y G(f) \tau^X = G(f) \tau^X .)$$

§ 2. Concretely adjoint functors

2.1. Let (\mathcal{A}, U) , (\mathcal{B}, V) be concrete categories, $L: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$, $R: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ functors such that $V \circ L = U$ and $U \circ R = V$. L (R resp.) is said to be a concretely left (right, resp.) adjoint of R (of L , resp.) if there is a natural equivalence

$$\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{B}}: \mathcal{B}(L(x), y) \cong \mathcal{A}(x, R(y))$$

such that $U(\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{B}}(\varphi)) = V(\varphi)$ for every $\varphi: L(x) \rightarrow y$.

Remark: The condition of $U(\alpha(\varphi)) = V(\varphi)$ for every $\varphi : L(x) \rightarrow y$ is equivalent to a formally weaker one,

$$U(\alpha^{xL(x)}(1_{L(x)})) = 1_{U(x)} \text{ for every } x .$$

Really, we have for $\psi : x \rightarrow x'$, $\varphi : y' \rightarrow y$ and $\alpha : L(x') \rightarrow y'$

$$\alpha^{x'\psi}(\varphi \circ \alpha \circ L(\psi)) = R(\varphi) \cdot \alpha^{x'\psi}(\alpha) \cdot \psi ,$$

so that for $\psi = 1_x$, $y' = L(x)$ and $\alpha = 1_{L(x)}$,

$$\alpha^{xL(x)}(\varphi) = R(\varphi) \cdot \alpha^{xL(x)}(1_{L(x)}) .$$

2.3. Proposition: $L : \mathcal{A}_F \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_G$ is a concretely left adjoint of $R : \mathcal{A}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_F$ iff

$$\langle L \rangle \cdot \langle R \rangle \leq 1 \text{ and } \langle R \rangle \cdot \langle L \rangle \geq 1 .$$

Proof: Put $\lambda = \langle L \rangle$, $\varphi = \langle R \rangle$. Let L be a concretely left adjoint of R . Since $1_{R(X,a)} = (\varphi^X(a), 1_X, \varphi^X(a))$ is a morphism, $\alpha^{-1}(1_{R(X,a)}) = (\lambda^X \varphi^X(a), 1_X, a)$ is a morphism, and hence $\lambda^X \varphi^X(a) \leq a$. Similarly, using $1_{L(X,b)}$, $b \leq \varphi^X \lambda^X(b)$.

On the other hand, let $\lambda \varphi \leq 1$ and $1 \leq \varphi \lambda$. Take an $f : X \rightarrow Y$. If $G(f) \lambda^X(a) \leq b$, we have $F(f)(a) \leq F(f) \varphi^X \lambda^X(a) \leq \varphi^Y G(f) \lambda^X(a) \leq \varphi^Y(b)$; if $F(f)(a) \leq \varphi^Y(b)$, we have $G(f) \lambda^X(a) \leq \lambda^Y F(f)(a) \leq \lambda^Y \varphi^Y(b) \leq b$. Thus, f carries a morphism $L(X,a) \rightarrow (Y,b)$ iff it carries a morphism $(X,a) \rightarrow R(Y,b)$.

2.3. Remark: Let us have collections of morphisms $(\lambda^X : G(X) \rightarrow F(X))_X$ and $(\rho^X : F(X) \rightarrow G(X))_X$ such that always

$$\lambda^X \rho^X \leq 1 \text{ and } \rho^X \lambda^X \geq 1 .$$

Then 1) If (λ^X) is a transformation, then (ρ^X) is a subtransformation,

2) If (ρ^X) is a transformation and (λ^X) is a subtransformation, then (λ^X) is a transformation.

Really, in the first case we have

$$F(f) \rho^X \leq \rho^Y \lambda^Y F(f) \rho^X = \rho^Y G(f) \lambda^X \rho^X \leq \rho^Y G(f) ,$$

in the second one,

$$\lambda^Y F(f) \leq \lambda^Y F(f) \rho^X \lambda^X = \lambda^Y \rho^Y G(f) \lambda^X \leq G(f) \lambda^X$$

2.4. Following [1], a subcategory \mathcal{B} of a concrete category (\mathcal{A}, U) is said to be simply reflective (coreflective, resp.) if the embedding $(\mathcal{B}, U | \mathcal{B}) \subset (\mathcal{A}, U)$ has a concretely left (right, resp.) adjoint. (In other words, if it is (co)reflective and the (co)reflection morphisms are identity carried.)

2.5. Lemma: Every coretraction in $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{X}}$ is a full embedding.

Proof: Let $V \circ \Phi = U$, $U \circ \Psi = V$ and $\Psi \Phi = 1$. Let $\varphi : \Phi(a) \rightarrow \Phi(b)$ be a morphism. We have $\psi = \Psi(\varphi) : a \rightarrow b$ and $V \Phi \Psi(\varphi) = U \Psi(\varphi) = V(\varphi)$. Since the

forgetful functors are faithful, $\Phi(\psi) = \varphi$.

2.6. By 2.5 and 1.6 we obtain immediately:

Corollary: Let $\Phi : \mathcal{A}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_F$ be such that $V \cdot \Phi = U$. If there is a subtransformation λ (φ , resp.) such that $\lambda \cdot \langle \Phi \rangle = 1$ and $\langle \Phi \rangle \lambda \geq 1$ ($\varphi \cdot \langle \Phi \rangle = 1$ and $\langle \Phi \rangle \cdot \varphi \leq 1$, resp.) then Φ is an isomorphism onto a simply reflective (coreflective, resp.) subcategory of \mathcal{A}_F , equally carried with \mathcal{A}_G .

§ 3. Simply (co)reflective subcategories of \mathcal{A}_F .

3.1. In this paragraph we will show that there are no other simply (co)reflective subcategories of an \mathcal{A}_F but those embedded as in 2.6. First, let us make a few observations, actually trivial restatements of the definitions combined with an introduction of a notation which will be used in the sequel.

Let \mathcal{K} be a simply reflective subcategory of \mathcal{A}_F . Then, for every $a \in F(X)$ we have an $\bar{a} \in F(X)$ such that

- 1) $a \leq \bar{a}$,
- 2) $(X, \bar{a}) \in \text{obj } \mathcal{K}$,
- 3) If $(Y, b) \in \text{obj } \mathcal{K}$ and if $F(f)(a) \leq b$, then $F(f)(\bar{a}) \leq b$.

Similarly, if \mathcal{K} is a concretely coreflective subcategory of \mathcal{A}_F , then for every $a \in F(X)$ we have an $\underline{a} \in F(X)$ such that

- 1^c $\underline{a} \leq a$,

2^c) $(X, \underline{a}) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}$,

3^c) If $(Y, b) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}$ and if $F(f)(b) \leq a$, then $F(f)(b) \leq \underline{a}$.

3.2. By an easy reasoning we obtain

Lemma: a) $\bar{a} = \min \{b \mid (X, b) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K} \ \& \ a \leq b\}$. In particular, $\bar{a} = a$ for $(X, a) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}$.

b) $a \leq b \implies \bar{a} \leq \bar{b}$.

c) $F(f)(\bar{a}) \leq \overline{F(f)(a)} = \overline{F(f)(\bar{a})}$.

3.3. Let \mathfrak{K} be simply reflective. Put $G(X) = \{a \mid (X, a) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}\}$.

We obtain easily

Lemma: a) If a_i ($i \in J$) are in $G(X)$ and if there is an infimum a of $\{a_i\}$ in $F(X)$, then $a \in G(X)$.

b) If a is a supremum of $\{a_i\}$ in $F(X)$, then \bar{a} is a supremum of $\{\bar{a}_i\}$ in $G(X)$.

3.4. Theorem: Let \mathfrak{K} be a simply reflective subcategory of \mathcal{U}_F , $F: \text{Set} \longrightarrow \mathfrak{K}$. Then there is a functor $G: \text{Set} \longrightarrow \mathfrak{K}$, a transformation $\lambda: F \longrightarrow G$ and a subtransformation $\varphi: G \longrightarrow F$ such that

(i) $\mathfrak{K} = \mathcal{U}_G$ and $[\varphi] = (\mathfrak{K} \subset \mathcal{U}_F)$,

(ii) $\lambda \varphi = 1$ and $\varphi \lambda \geq 1$.

Proof: Put

(*) $G(X) = \{a \mid (X, a) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}\}$, $G(f)(a) = \overline{F(f)(a)}$.

We have

$$a \leq b \implies G(f)(a) \leq G(f)(b)$$

by 3.2 b). By 3.2 a), $G(1)(a) = \bar{a} = a$. By 3.2 c) we have

$$G(g)G(f)(a) = \overline{F(g)(F(f)(a))} = \overline{F(g)F(f)(a)} = \overline{F(gf)(a)} = G(gf)(a).$$

Thus, the formulas (*) define a functor $G: \text{Set} \longrightarrow \text{Poset}$. Now, let $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{D}$ or $\mathcal{X} = \text{CSL}$. Then obviously, by 3.3 a), every $G(X)$ is in $\text{obj } \mathcal{D}$ or $\text{obj } \text{CSL}$. In any case, every subset with an upper bound has a supremum. Now, let a be a supremum of $\{a_i\}$ in $G(X)$. Thus, $\{a_i\}$ has a supremum b in $F(X)$ and we have by 3.3 b) and 3.2 c), and by 3.3 b) again,

$$\begin{aligned} G(f)(a) &= \overline{F(f)(b)} = \overline{\sup_{F(X)} F(f)(a_i)} = \sup_{\text{Obj } G(X)} \overline{F(f)(a_i)} = \\ &= \sup_{G(X)} G(f)(a_i). \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$F(f) \circ^X (a) = F(f)(a) \leq \overline{F(f)(a)} = G(f)(a) = \circ^Y G(f)(a),$$

$$G(f) \lambda^X (a) = G(f)(\bar{a}) = \overline{F(f)(\bar{a})} = \overline{F(f)(a)} = \lambda^Y F(f)(a),$$

and

$$\lambda^X \circ^X (a) = a \quad (\text{by 3.2 a)),} \quad \circ^X \lambda^X (a) = \bar{a} \geq a.$$

If $\varphi = (a, f, b)$ is a morphism in \mathcal{U}_G , we have $G(f)(a) \leq b$. Hence, $F(f)(a) \leq \overline{F(f)(a)} \leq b$, so that φ is in \mathcal{U}_F . Thus, \mathcal{U}_G is a subcategory of \mathcal{U}_F . Since obviously $\text{obj } \mathcal{U}_G = \text{obj } \mathcal{U}$ and since, by 2.5, $[\circ]$ is a full

embedding, we obtain $\mathcal{U}_G = \mathcal{K}$.

3.5. For the \underline{a} (see 3.1) we obtain easily

Lemma: a) $\underline{a} = \max \{b \mid (X,b) \in \text{obj } \mathcal{K} \text{ \& } b \leq a\}$. In particular, $\underline{a} = a$ for $(X,a) \in \text{obj } \mathcal{K}$.

b) $a \leq b \implies \underline{a} \leq \underline{b}$.

c) $F(f)(\underline{a}) \leq \underline{F(f)(a)}$.

3.6. Let \mathcal{K} be simply coreflective. Put $G(X) = \{a \mid (X,a) \in \text{obj } \mathcal{K}\}$.

We obtain easily

Lemma: a) If a_i ($i \in J$) are in $G(X)$, and if there is a supremum a of $\{a_i\}$ in $F(X)$ (in $G(X)$, resp.), then $a \in G(X)$ (then a is also a supremum of $\{a_i\}$ in $F(X)$, resp.).

b) If a is an infimum of $\{a_i\}$ in $F(X)$, then \underline{a} is an infimum of $\{\underline{a}_i\}$ in $G(X)$.

3.7. Theorem: Let \mathcal{K} be a simply coreflective subcategory of \mathcal{U}_F , $F: \text{Set} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$. Then there is a functor $G: \text{Set} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$, a subtransformation $\varphi: F \xrightarrow{\leq} G$ and a transformation $\lambda: G \rightarrow F$ such that

(i) $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{U}_G$ and $[\lambda] = (\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{U}_F)$,

(ii) $\lambda \varphi \leq 1$ and $\varphi \lambda = 1$.

Proof: Since $F(f)(a) \leq \underline{F(f)(a)}$, we have by 3.5 c) for $(X,a) \in \text{obj } \mathcal{K}$ $F(f)(a) \leq \underline{F(f)(a)}$, and hence (using also 1^c) from 3.1),

for $(X, a) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}$ and any $f: X \rightarrow Y$,
 $(Y, F(f)(a)) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}$.

Thus, we may define a functor $G: \text{Set} \rightarrow \text{Poset}$ putting

$$(*) \quad G(X) = \{a \mid (X, a) \in \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}\}, \quad G(f)(a) = F(f)(a).$$

Now, let $\mathfrak{X} = \mathcal{D}$ or $\mathfrak{X} = \text{CSL}$. Then, by 3.6 b), every $G(X)$ is in $\text{obj } \mathfrak{X}$ by 3.6 a) every $G(f)$ preserves suprema. Thus, G may be regarded as a functor $\text{Set} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}$.

Define $\varphi: F \xrightarrow{\leq} G$ and $\lambda: G \rightarrow F$ putting
 $\varphi^X(a) = \underline{a}$ and $\lambda^X(a) = a$. (We have, by 3.5 c),
 $G(f) \varphi^X(a) = G(f)(\underline{a}) = F(f)(\underline{a}) \leq \underline{F(f)(a)} = \varphi^Y F(f)(a)$,
and obviously $F(f) \lambda^X(a) = F(f)(a) = \lambda^Y G(f)(a)$. We have, by 3.5 a), $\varphi^X \lambda^X(a) = \underline{\lambda^X(a)} = a$ and $\lambda^X \varphi^X(a) = \underline{a} \leq a$.

If $\varphi = (a, f, b)$ is a morphism in \mathcal{U}_G , we have $F(f)(a) = G(f)(a) \leq b$. Thus, \mathcal{U}_G is a subcategory of \mathcal{U}_F . Since obviously $\text{obj } \mathcal{U}_G = \text{obj } \mathfrak{K}$ and since, by 2.5, $[\lambda]$ is a full embedding, we obtain $\mathcal{U}_G = \mathfrak{K}$.

3.8. Remark: By 2.6, 3.4 and 3.7 we see that whenever for subtransformations φ, λ holds $\lambda \varphi = 1$ and $\varphi \lambda \geq 1$ (or, $\lambda \varphi \leq 1$ and $\varphi \lambda = 1$), then λ is a transformation. This, of course, follows easily directly: in the first case we have $\lambda^Y F(f) \leq \lambda^Y F(f) \varphi^X \lambda^X \leq \lambda^Y \varphi^Y G(f) \lambda^X = G(f) \lambda^X$, in the second one, $\lambda^Y G(f) = \lambda^Y G(f) \varphi^X \lambda^X \leq \lambda^Y \varphi^Y F(f) \lambda^X \leq F(f) \lambda^X$.

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