

This document contains a list of short ideas of future research in Algebraic General Topology.

I have created branch `devel` in [the L^AT_EX repository](#) for the book to add new “draft” features there. The `devel` branch isn’t distributed by me in PDF format, but you can download and compile it yourself.

This research plan is not formal and may contain vague statements.

1. THINGS TO DO FIRST

Which filter operations are congruences on equivalence of filters?

2. MISC

“Unfixed” for more general settings than lattice and its sublattice. (However, it looks like this generalization has no practical applications.)

Should clearly denote $\text{pFCD}(\mathfrak{A}; \mathfrak{B})$ or $\text{pFCD}(\mathfrak{A})$.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Compact_element

Try to describe a filter with up of infinitely small components. For this use a filter (of sets or filters) rather than a set of sets.

3. CATEGORY THEORY

Can product morphism (in a category with restricted identities) be considered as a categorical product in [arrow category](#)? (It seems impossible to define projections for arbitrary categories with binary product morphism. Can it be in the special cases of functors and retracts?)

Attempting to extend Tychonoff product from topologies to functors: — If i has left adjoint: If r is left adjoint to i , we have $\text{Hom}(A, i(X \times Y)) = \text{Hom}(r(A), X \times Y) = \text{Hom}(r(A), X) \times \text{Hom}(r(A), Y) = \text{Hom}(A, i(X)) \times \text{Hom}(A, i(Y))$. — If also the left adjoint is full and faithful: $\text{Hom}(A, i(r(X) \times r(Y))) = \text{Hom}(r(A), r(X) \times r(Y)) = \text{Hom}(r(A), r(X)) \times \text{Hom}(r(A), r(Y)) = \text{Hom}(A, X) \times \text{Hom}(A, Y)$. See also <http://math.stackexchange.com/q/1982931/4876>. However this does not apply because reflection of topologies in functors is not full.

Being intersecting is defined for posets (= thin categories). It seems that this can be generalized for any categories. This way we can define (pointfree) functors between categories generalizing pointfree functors between posets. (However this is probably easily reducible to the case of posets.)

I have defined $\text{RLD}\sharp$ to describe Hom-sets of the category or retracts but without source and destination and without composition. RLD should be replaced with $\text{RLD}\sharp$ where possible, in order to make the theorems throughout the book a little more general. Also introduce similar features like $\Gamma\sharp$ and $\mathfrak{F}\Gamma\sharp$ (the last notation may need to be changed).

Misc properties of continuous functions between endofunctors and endoretracts.

<http://nforum.ncatlab.org/discussion/6765/please-help-with-a-proof-that-a-category-is-monoidal/> proves that finitary staroids are isomorphic to an ideal on a poset (for semilattices only).

[1] defines two categories with objects being filters. Another article on the same topic:

<https://eudml.org/doc/16352> (Koubek, Václav, and Reiterman, Jan. “On the category of filters.”)

FiXme: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cauchyspace> says “The category of Cauchy spaces and Cauchy continuous maps is cartesian closed.” Generalize. <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/0166864187900988>

4. COMPACT FUNCOIDS

Generalize the theorem that compact topology corresponds to only one uniformity.

For compact funcoids the Cantor’s theorem that a function continuous on a compact is uniformly continuous.

Every closed subset of a compact space is compact. A compact subset of a Hausdorff space is closed. 17.5 theorem in Willard.

17.6 theorem in Willard.

17.7 theorem in Willard: The continuous image of a compact space is compact.

17.10 Theorem in Willard: A compact Hausdorff space X is a $T4$ -space. Also 17.11 Corollary, 17.13, 17.14 theorem.

”Locally compact” for funcoids. See also 18 ”Locally compact spaces: in Willard. Compactification.

5. MISC

Counterexample at <https://math.stackexchange.com/a/3046071/4876>.

<https://www.researchgate.net/project/Contra-continuity-in-its-different-aspects>

We know that $(\text{RLD})_{\text{out}}(f \sqcup g) = (\text{RLD})_{\text{out}}f \sqcup (\text{RLD})_{\text{out}}g$. Hm, then it is a pointfree funcoid!

Conjecture 1. $\langle f \rangle \sqcup S = \bigsqcup_{\mathcal{X} \in S} \langle f \rangle \mathcal{X}$ if S is a totally ordered (generalize for a filter base) set of filters (or at least set of sets). [Counterexample: <https://portonmath.wordpress.com/2018/05/20/a-counterexample-to-my-recent-conjecture/>]

Should we replace the word “intersect” with the word “overlap”?

Instead of a filtrator use “closure“ $(X, [X])$?

(FCD) , $(\text{RLD})_{\text{in}}$, $(\text{RLD})_{\text{out}}$ can be defined purely in terms of filtrators. So generalize it.

Generalize for funcoids and reloids factoring into monovalued and injective:

<https://math.stackexchange.com/q/2414159/4876>. Generalize it for star-composition with multidimensional, identity relations, identity staroids/multifuncoids, or identity reloid. Isn’t thus a category with star-morphisms determined by a regular category?! Also try to split into complete and co-complete funcoids/reloids.

Open problems on $\beta\omega$ (Klass Pieter Hart and Jab van Mill).

Example that $\text{Compl } f \sqcup \text{CoCompl } f \sqsubset f$ (for both funcoids and reloids). Proof for funcoids (for reloids it’s similar): Take $f = \mathcal{A} \times^{\text{FCD}} \mathcal{B}$. Then (write an explicit proof) $\text{Compl } f = (\text{Cor } \mathcal{A}) \times^{\text{FCD}} \mathcal{B}$ and $\text{CoCompl } f = \mathcal{A} \times^{\text{FCD}} (\text{Cor } \mathcal{B})$. Thus $\text{Compl } f \sqcup \text{CoCompl } f \neq f$ (if \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are non-principal).

Every funcoid (reloid) is a join of monovalued funcoids (reloids). For funcoids it’s obvious (because it’s a join of atomic funcoids). For reloids?

“Vicinity” and “neighborhood” mean different things, e.g. in [2].

Micronization μ and S^* are in some sense related as Galois connection. To formalize this we need to extend μ to arbitrary reloids (not only binary relations).

We need (it is especially important for studying compactness) to find a product of functors which coincides with product of topological spaces. (Cross-composition product doesn't because it is even not a functor (but a pointfree functor).) Neither subatomic product.

Subspace topology for space μ and set X is equal to $\mu \sqcap (X \times^{\text{FCD}} X)$.

Change terminology: *monotone* \rightarrow *increasing*.

What are necessary and sufficient conditions for up f to be a filter for a functor f ?

Article "Neighborhood Spaces" by D. C. KENT and WON KEUN MIN. <ftp://ftp.math.ethz.ch/EMIS/journals/IJMMS/Volume327/239107.pdf>

$g \sqsubseteq f^\circ \circ h \Leftrightarrow f \circ g \sqsubseteq h$?

$\lim x \rightarrow af(x) = b$ iff $x \rightarrow a$ implies $\langle f \rangle x \rightarrow b$ for all filters x .

<http://mathoverflow.net/q/36999/4086> "A good place to read about uniform spaces".

Research the posets of all proximity spaces and all uniform spaces (and also possibly reflexive and transitive functors/reloids).

Are filters on all Heyting or all co-Heyting lattices star-separable? <http://math.stackexchange.com/q/1326266/4876>

Define generalized pointfree reloids as filters on systems of sides.

Galois connections primer – study to ensure that we considered all Galois connections properties.

Germs seems to be equivalent to monovalued reloids.

$\mathcal{A} = \min \left\{ \frac{X}{\forall K \in \partial \mathcal{A}: K \not\leq K} \right\}$, so we can restore \mathcal{A} from $\partial \mathcal{A}$.

Boolean functor is a join-semilattice morphism from a boolean lattice to a boolean lattice. Generalize for pointfree functors.

Another way to define pointfree reloid as filters on Galois connections between two posets.

$L \in \text{GR} \prod^{\text{Strd}^*} \mathcal{A} \Leftrightarrow \forall \text{finite } M \subseteq \text{dom } \mathcal{A} \forall i \in M : Ai \not\leq Li$

Star-composition with identity staroids?

Does upgrading/downgrading of the ideal which represents a prestaroid coincide with upgrading/downgrading of the prestaroid?

It seems that equivalence of filters on different bases can be generalized: filters $\mathcal{A} \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $\mathcal{B} \in \mathfrak{B}$ are *equivalent* iff there exists an $X \in \mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{B}$ which is greater than both \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} . This however works only in the case if order of the orders \mathfrak{A} and \mathfrak{B} agree, that is if then are both a suborders of a greater fixed order.

Under which conditions a function spaces of posets is strongly separable?

Generalize both functors and reloids as filters on a superset of the lattice Γ (see "Functors are filters" chapter).

When the set of filters closed regarding a functor is a (co-)frame?

If a formula $F(x_0, \dots, x_n)$ holds for every poset \mathfrak{A} then it also holds for product order $\prod \mathfrak{A}$. (What about infinite formulas like complete lattice joins and meets?) Moreover $F(x_0, \dots, x_n) = \lambda i \in n : F(x_0, i, \dots, x_n, i)$ (confused logical forms and functions). It looks like a promising approach, but how to define it exactly? For example, F may be a form always true for boolean lattices or for Heyting lattices, or whatsoever. How one theorem can encompass all kinds of lattices and posets? We may attempt to restrict to (partial) functions determined by order. (This is not enough, because we can define an operation restricting \ defined only for posets of cardinality above or below some cardinal κ . For such restricted \ the above formula does not work.) See also <https://portonmath.wordpress.com/2016/01/>

[12/a-conjecture-about-product-order-and-logic/](#). It seems that TODD TRIMBLE shows a general category-theoretic way to describe this: <https://nforum.ncatlab.org/discussion/6887/operations-on-product-order/>.

Get results from <http://ncatlab.org/toddtrimble/published/topogeny>.

What about distributivity of quasicomplements over meets and joins for the filtrator of functors? Seems like nontrivial conjectures.

Conjecture: Each filtered filtrator is isomorphic to a primary filtrator. (If it holds, then primary and filtered filtrators are the same!)

Add analog of the last item of the theorem about co-complete functors for point-free functors.

Generalize theorems about $RLD(A; B)$ as $\mathcal{F}(A \times B)$ in order to clean up the notation (for example in the chapter “Functors are filters”).

Define relicts as a filtrator whose core is an ordered semigroup. This way relicts can be described in several isomorphic ways (just like primary filtrators are both filtrators of filters, of ideals, etc.) Is it enough to describe all properties of relicts? Well, it is not a semigroup, it is a precategory. It seems that we also need functions dom and im into partially ordered sets and “reversion” (dagger).

<http://mathoverflow.net/a/191381/4086> says that n -staroids can be identified with certain ideals!

To relax theorem conditions and definition, we can define *protofunctors* as arbitrary pairs $(\alpha; \beta)$ of functions between two posets. For protofunctors composition and reverse are defined.

Add examples of functors to demonstrate their power: $D \sqcup T$ (D is a digraph T is a topological space), $T \sqcap \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} (x;y) \\ y \geq x \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$ as “one-side topology” and also a circle made from its π -length segment.

Say explicitly that pseudodifference is a special case of difference.

For pointfree functors, if $f : \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}$ exists, then existence of least element of \mathfrak{A} is equivalent to existence of least element of \mathfrak{B} : $y \neq \langle f \rangle \perp^{\mathfrak{A}} \Leftrightarrow \perp^{\mathfrak{A}} \neq \langle f^{-1} \rangle y \Leftrightarrow 0$. Thus $\langle f \rangle y \succ \langle f \rangle y$ and so $\langle f \rangle y = \perp^{\mathfrak{B}}$. Can a similar statement be made that \mathfrak{A} being join-semilattice implies \mathfrak{B} being join-semilattice (at least for separable posets)? If yes, this could allow to shorten some theorem conditions. It seems we can produce a counter-example for non-separable posets by replacing an element with another element with the same full star.

Develop Todd Trimble’s idea to represent functors as a relation ξ further: Define functor as a function from sets to sets of sets $\xi(A \sqcup B) = \xi A \cap \xi B$ and $\xi \perp = \emptyset$.

Denote the set of least elements as Least . (It is either an one-element set or empty set.)

Show that cross-composition product is a special case of infimum product.

Analog of order topology for functors/relicts.

A set is connected if every function from it to a discrete space is constant. Can this be generalized for generalized connectedness and generalized continuity? I have no idea how to relate these two concepts in general.

Develop theory of *functorial groups* by analogy with topological groups. Attempt to use this theory to solve this open problem:

<http://garden.irmacs.sfu.ca/?q=op/iseveryregularparatopologicalgroupptychonoff>

Is it useful as topological group determines not only a topology but even a uniformity? An interesting article on topological groups: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1901.01420>

Consider generalizations of this article:

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/318822240_Categorically_Closed_Topological_Groups

A space μ is T_2 - iff the diagonal Δ is closed in $\mu \times \mu$.

The β -th projection map is not only continuous but also open (Willard, theorem 8.6).

Tx -separation axioms for products of spaces.

Willard 13.13 and its important corollary 13.14.

Willard 15.10.

About real-valued functions on endofunctors: Urysohn's Lemma (and consequences: Tietze's extension theorem) for functors.

About product of reloids:

<http://portonmath.wordpress.com/2012/05/23/unfounded-questions/>

Generalized Fréchet filter on a poset (generalize for filtrators) \mathfrak{A} is a filter Ω such that

$$\partial\Omega = \left\{ \frac{x \in \mathfrak{A}}{\text{atoms } x \text{ is infinite}} \right\}.$$

Research their properties (first, whether they exists for every poset). Also consider Fréchet element of $\text{FCD}(A; B)$. Another generalization of Fréchet filter is meet of all coatoms.

Manifolds.

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0304397585900623>

(free download, also Google for "pre-adjunction", also "semi" instead of "pre") Are (FCD) and $(\text{RLD})_{\text{in}}$ adjunct?

Check how [multicategories](#) are related with categories with star-morphisms.

At <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semilattice> they are defined distributive semilattices. A join-semilattice is distributive if and only if the lattice of its ideals (under inclusion) is distributive.

The article <http://arxiv.org/abs/1410.1504> has solved "Every paratopological group is Tychonoff" conjecture positively. Rewrite this article in terms of functors and reloids (especially with the algebraic formulas characterizing regular functors).

Generalize interior in topological spaces as the *interior functor* of a co-complete functor f , defined as a pointfree functor $f^\circ : \mathcal{F} \text{ dual Src } f \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \text{ dual Dst } f$ conforming to the formula: $\langle f^\circ \rangle^*(I \sqcap J) = \langle f \rangle^* \overline{I \sqcap J} = \langle f \rangle^*(\overline{I} \sqcup \overline{J})$. However composition of an interior functor with a functor is neither a functor nor an interior functor. It can be generalized using pseudocomplement.

<http://math.sun.ac.za/cattop/Output/Kunzi/quasiintr.pdf> "An Introduction to the Theory of Quasi-uniform Spaces".

<http://www.msand.dk/article/download/10581/8602> ("On equivalence between proximity structures and totally bounded uniform structures")

Characterize the set $\left\{ \frac{f \in \text{FCD}}{(\text{RLD})_{\text{in}} f = (\text{RLD})_{\text{out}} f} \right\}$. (This seems a difficult problem.) Another (possibly related) problem: when up f is a filter for a functor f .

Define $S^*(f)$ for a functor f (using that f is a filter).

Let \mathcal{A} be a filter. Is the boolean algebra $Z(D\mathcal{A})$ a. atomic; b. complete?

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1003.5377.pdf>

<https://www.researchgate.net/project/Generalized-topological-groups-in-Delfs-Knebusch-generalized-topology> and <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/authShare/S0166864117302742/>

[20170530T163200Z/1?md5=a5f9bcce5a6c49d4b8b35fdc0d2f9105](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.05746) (not available for free).

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.05746> about uniform spaces and function spaces.

“Second reloid product” of more than two filters. Also starred second product.

Homotopy with a monovalued (complete?) funcoïd from \mathbb{R} instead of path.

What’s about limits multidimensional functions? $\forall x_i : x_i \rightarrow \alpha_i \Rightarrow f(x) \rightarrow \beta$.

“Contra continuity” (see journals).

6. COMMON GENERALIZATIONS OF FUNCOIDS AND CONVERGENCE SPACES

I propose the following (possible) common generalizations of funcoïds and convergence spaces ([2]):

- To every set we associate an isotone (and in some sense preserving finite joins) collection of filters.
- To every filter we associate an isotone (and in some sense preserving finite joins) collection of filters.
- Consider pointfree funcoïds between isotone families of filters.
- What’s about “double-filtrator” $(A; B; C)$?

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