

Universal algebra over locally presentable categories

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Single-sorted algebras

Definition

A (single-sorted) algebra consists of:

- a base set A ;
- operators $\sigma: A^n \rightarrow A$ ($n \geq 0$);
- equations.

Example

A group consists of:

- a base set G ;
- operators $e: 1 \rightarrow G$, $i: G \rightarrow G$, $m: G^2 \rightarrow G$;
- equations $m(e, x) = x = m(x, e)$, $m(x, i(x)) = e = m(i(x), x)$,
 $m(m(x, y), z) = m(x, m(y, z))$.

Multi-sorted algebras

Definition

S : a set. (the set of sorts)

An S -sorted algebra consists of:

- base sets $(A_s)_{s \in S}$ indexed by S ;
- operators $\sigma: A_{s_1} \times \cdots \times A_{s_n} \rightarrow A_s$;
- equations.

Example

A chain complex consists of:

- base sets $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$;
- operators $0_n: 1 \rightarrow A_n$, $-_n: A_n \rightarrow A_n$, $+_n: A_n \times A_n \rightarrow A_n$,
 $d_n: A_n \rightarrow A_{n+1}$;
- appropriate equations.

This is an \mathbb{Z} -sorted algebra.

The free-forgetful adjunctions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbf{Grp} & \\ F \uparrow & & \downarrow U \\ & \mathbf{Set} & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbf{Ch} & \\ F \uparrow & & \downarrow U \\ & \mathbf{Set}^{\mathbb{Z}} & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E) & \\ F \uparrow & & \downarrow U \\ & \mathbf{Set}^S & \end{array}$$

($\underline{\Omega}$, \underline{E}): an S -sorted algebraic theory.
operators equations

Relativization via monads

Theorem ([Lin69])

There is an equivalence

$$\mathbf{Th}^S \simeq \mathbf{Mnd}_f(\mathbf{Set}^S).$$

Here,

\mathbf{Th}^S : the category of S -sorted algebraic theories,

$\mathbf{Mnd}_f(\mathbf{Set}^S)$: the category of finitary monads on \mathbf{Set}^S .

S -sorted algebraic theory = finitary monad on \mathbf{Set}^S

↓ generalize

???

\mathcal{A} -relative algebraic theory = κ -ary monad on \mathcal{A}
(\mathcal{A} : a locally κ -presentable category)

Relative algebraic theories

Informal definition [Kaw23a]

\mathcal{A} : a (locally presentable) category

An \mathcal{A} -relative algebraic theory consists of:

- a set Ω of partial operators;
- a set E of implications $\dots (\underbrace{\text{YYY}}_{\text{postcondition}} \text{ whenever } \underbrace{\text{XXX}}_{\text{precondition}})$

such that

- For each operator $\omega \in \Omega$, its domain must be defined by “ \mathcal{A} ’s language.”
- For each implication in E , its precondition must be written in “ \mathcal{A} ’s language.”

A generalized Linton theorem

Theorem ([Kaw23a; Kaw24])

For a locally κ -presentable category \mathcal{A} , there is an equivalence

$$\mathbf{Th}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{A}} \simeq \mathbf{Mnd}_{\kappa}(\mathcal{A}).$$

Here,

$\mathbf{Th}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{A}}$: the category of \mathcal{A} -relative (κ -ary) algebraic theories,

$\mathbf{Mnd}_{\kappa}(\mathcal{A})$: the category of κ -ary monads on \mathcal{A} .

↑ generalize

Recall (Linton's theorem)

$$\mathbf{Th}_{\aleph_0}^S \simeq \mathbf{Mnd}_{\aleph_0}(\mathbf{Set}^S).$$

Example: small categories

Example

A **small category** consists of:

- a base quiver $\text{mor}\mathcal{C} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{d} \\ \xleftarrow{c} \end{array} \text{ob}\mathcal{C}$;
- a total operator $\text{id}: \text{ob}\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{mor}\mathcal{C}$;
- a **partial** operator $\circ: \text{mor}\mathcal{C} \times \text{mor}\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{mor}\mathcal{C}$ such that

$$g \circ f \text{ is defined iff } d(g) = c(f)$$

which satisfy the following:

- $d(\text{id}(x)) = x$ and $c(\text{id}(x)) = x$;
- $d(g \circ f) = d(f)$ and $c(g \circ f) = c(g)$ whenever $d(g) = c(f)$;
- $f \circ \text{id}(d(f)) = f$ and $\text{id}(c(f)) \circ f = f$;
- $(h \circ g) \circ f = h \circ (g \circ f)$ whenever $d(h) = c(g)$ and $d(g) = c(f)$.

Small categories are algebras over quivers.

Further examples

Example

		algebras over \sim
small categories	\rightsquigarrow	quivers
UDO semirings	\rightsquigarrow	posets
partial Boolean algebras	\rightsquigarrow	graphs
monoid-graded rings	\rightsquigarrow	monoid-graded sets
generalized complete metric spaces	\rightsquigarrow	generalized metric spaces
Banach spaces	\rightsquigarrow	pointed metric spaces

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Equational classes

Definition

(Ω, E) : a single-sorted algebraic theory. A full subcategory $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is **definable (by equations)** if $\mathcal{E} = \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E + \exists E')$, i.e., \mathcal{E} can be defined by adding equations.

Example

$\{\text{commutative monoids}\} \subseteq \mathbf{Mon}$ is definable by the equation $xy = yx$.

Example

$\{\text{invertible monoids}\} \subseteq \mathbf{Mon}$ is **not** definable by equations.
not definable by equations.

How can we prove this?

Birkhoff's variety theorem

Birkhoff's variety theorem [Bir35]

(Ω, E) : a single-sorted algebraic theory. $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$: fullsub.

TFAE:

- 1 $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is definable by equations.
- 2 $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is closed under products, subobjects, and quotients.

closed under products: $A_i \in \mathcal{E} \implies \prod_i A_i \in \mathcal{E}$.

closed under subobjects: $B \subseteq A$: sub, $A \in \mathcal{E} \implies B \in \mathcal{E}$.

closed under quotients: $A \twoheadrightarrow B$: surj, $A \in \mathcal{E} \implies B \in \mathcal{E}$.

Corollary

$\{\text{invertible monoids}\} \subseteq \mathbf{Mon}$ is not definable by equations.

Proof.

$\frac{\mathbb{N}}{\text{-invertible}} \subset \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{\text{invertible}} \rightsquigarrow \{\text{inv. monoids}\} \subseteq \mathbf{Mon}$: not closed under subobjects \square

A generalized Birkhoff's theorem

Theorem ([Kaw23a; Kaw24])

(Ω, E) : an \mathcal{A} -relative (κ -ary) algebraic theory. $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$: fullsub.

TFAE:

- 1 $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is definable.
- 2 $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is closed under products, closed subobjects, (U, κ) -local retracts, and κ -filtered colimits.

single-sorted alg. (Set-relative alg.)		\mathcal{A} -relative alg.
products	\rightsquigarrow	products
subobjects	\rightsquigarrow	<i>closed subobjects</i>
quotients	\rightsquigarrow	<i>(U, κ)-local retracts</i>
	\rightsquigarrow	<i>κ-filtered colimits</i> (new)

The filtered colimit elimination problem

Question

Why can the closure property under filtered colimits be eliminated in the case of **Set**-relative algebras?

Answer

The category **Set** satisfies a “noetherian” condition.

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A noetherian condition for categories

Definition ([Kaw23b])

A category \mathcal{A} satisfies the **ascending chain condition (ACC)** if it has no chain $A_0 \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_2 \rightarrow \dots$ of objects such that there is no morphism $A_n \leftarrow A_{n+1}$ for all n .

Example

Set satisfies ACC.

Proof.

Let $A_0 \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow \dots$ be an ω -chain of sets. If there is no map $A_0 \leftarrow A_1$, then $A_0 = \emptyset$ and $A_1 \neq \emptyset$. Thus, a map $A_1 \leftarrow A_2$ exists. \square

Example

Quiv, the category of quivers, does **not** satisfy ACC.

Proof.

Let Q_n denote the n -path

$$Q_n: \quad 0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow n.$$

Then, the inclusions yields a chain $Q_0 \rightarrow Q_1 \rightarrow Q_2 \rightarrow \cdots$, and there is no quiver morphism $Q_n \leftarrow Q_{n+1}$. □

Example

Ring, the category of rings, does **not** satisfy ACC.

Proof.

This is because there is a non-trivial chain of finite fields

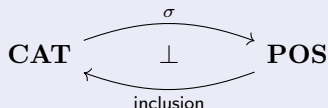
$$\mathbb{F}_p \hookrightarrow \mathbb{F}_{p^2} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{F}_{p^4} \hookrightarrow \cdots \hookrightarrow \mathbb{F}_{p^{2^n}} \hookrightarrow \cdots .$$

□

Relation to ordinary ACC

Definition

- Objects X and Y are **strongly connected** if there are morphisms $X \rightarrow Y$, $Y \rightarrow X$.
- An equivalence class under strong connectedness is called a **strongly connected component**.
- $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$: the large poset of all strongly connected components in a category \mathcal{A} .
(the *posetification* of \mathcal{A})



Proposition

A category \mathcal{A} satisfies ACC \Leftrightarrow the large poset $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ satisfies ACC.

Proposition

\mathbf{Set}^S satisfies ACC \Leftrightarrow the set S is finite.

Proof.

Since the posetification σ preserves products, the following holds:

$$\sigma(\mathbf{Set}^S) \cong \sigma(\mathbf{Set})^S \cong \{0 < 1\}^S \cong \mathcal{P}(S).$$

“ $\mathcal{P}(S)$ satisfies ACC $\Leftrightarrow S$: finite” is trivial. □

Filtered colimit elimination

Theorem ([Kaw23b; Kaw24])

(Ω, E) : an \mathcal{A} -relative (κ -ary) algebraic theory. $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$: fullsub.
Assume that \mathcal{A} satisfies ACC.

TFAE:

- 1 $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is definable.
- 2 $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is closed under products, closed subobjects, (U, κ) -local retracts, and κ -filtered colimits.

Some applications of filtered colimit elimination

Corollary

- **Set** satisfies ACC.
 - ↪ fil.colim.elim. holds for **single-sorted alg.**
 - ↪ The classical Birkhoff theorem [Bir35]
- **Setⁿ** satisfied ACC.
 - ↪ fil.colim.elim. holds for **finite-sorted alg.**
 - ↪ This subsumes a result in [ARV12].
- **Pos** satisfied ACC.
 - ↪ fil.colim.elim. holds for **ordered alg.**
 - ↪ This subsumes a result in [Blo76].
- **Met_∞**, the category of generalized metric spaces, satisfied ACC.
 - ↪ fil.colim.elim. holds for **metric alg.**
 - ↪ This subsumes a result in [Hin16].

Filtered colimit elimination: sketch of proof

fullsub $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$: closed under products, closed sub, (U, κ) -local ret.
 $(A_J)_{J \in \mathbb{I}}$: a κ -filtered diagram s.t. $A_J \in \mathcal{E}$.

For each $J \in \mathbb{I}$, we can construct a “nice” wide sub-diagram $\mathbb{I}_J \subseteq \mathbb{I}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \prod_{I \in \mathbb{I}} A_I & & \\
 \uparrow m_J & \swarrow m & \\
 \text{Colim}_{J \in \mathbb{I}} \lim_{I \in \mathbb{I}_J} A_I & \xrightarrow{\text{Colim}_{J \in \mathbb{I}} \pi_J} & \text{Colim}_{J \in \mathbb{I}} A_J \\
 \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\
 \lim_{I \in \mathbb{I}_J} A_I & \xrightarrow{\pi_J} & A_J
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{in } \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$$

$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathbf{Alg}(\Omega, E)$ is closed under κ -filtered colimits. □

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Locally connected categories

Definition

$C \in \mathcal{C}$ is **connected** $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \mathcal{C}(C, \bullet): \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ preserves small coproducts.

Example

- 1 A top. space $X \in \mathbf{Top}$ is connected \Leftrightarrow it is connected (in the usual sense).
- 2 A set $X \in \mathbf{Set}$ is connected \Leftrightarrow it is a singleton.
- 3 A category $\mathcal{C} \in \mathbf{Cat}$ is connected \Leftrightarrow all objects are connected by zig-zags.
- 4 A presheaf $P \in \mathbf{Set}^{\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}}$ is connected \Leftrightarrow so is the caty of elements $\int P$.

Definition

\mathcal{C} is **locally connected** $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$ it has small coproducts and every object is a small coproduct of connected objects.

Example

- **Top** is **not** locally connected.
- **Set**, **Cat**, and any presheaf categories $\mathbf{Set}^{\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}}$ are locally connected.

A characterization of locally connected categories

Definition

Given a category \mathcal{A} , we define a category **Fam**(\mathcal{A}) (*the category of families*):

- object \cdots a small family $(A_i \in \mathcal{A})_{i \in I}$;
- morphism $(A_i)_I \rightarrow (B_j)_J \cdots$ a map $I \xrightarrow{f} J$ together with a family $(A_i \xrightarrow{f_i} B_{f(i)} \text{ in } \mathcal{A})_{i \in I}$.

Theorem ([CV98])

\mathcal{C} is locally connected $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C} \simeq \mathbf{Fam}(\mathcal{A})$ for some \mathcal{A} .

\mathcal{C} : locally connected $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{C} \simeq \mathbf{Fam}(\mathcal{C}_{\text{conn}})$
($\mathcal{C}_{\text{conn}} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$: the fullsub of all connected objects)

ACC for locally connected categories

Definition

- $L \subseteq \text{ob}\mathcal{A}$ is called a **lower class** $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$ “ $X \rightarrow Y \in L$ ” implies $X \in L$.
- $\mathbb{L}(\mathcal{A})$: the (large) poset of lower classes on \mathcal{A} .

Lemma ([Kaw23b])

\mathcal{C} : locally connected $+\alpha \rightsquigarrow \sigma(\mathcal{C}) \cong \mathbb{L}(\mathcal{C}_{\text{conn}}) (\cong \mathbb{L}\sigma(\mathcal{C}_{\text{conn}}))$.

Proof.

$$\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \cong \sigma(\mathbf{Fam}(\mathcal{C}_{\text{conn}})) \cong \mathbb{L}(\mathcal{C}_{\text{conn}}). \quad \square$$

Lemma ([Kaw23b])

The poset $\mathbb{L}(\mathcal{A})$ satisfies ACC \Leftrightarrow Every lower class on \mathcal{A} is *finitely generated*.

Corollary ([Kaw23b])

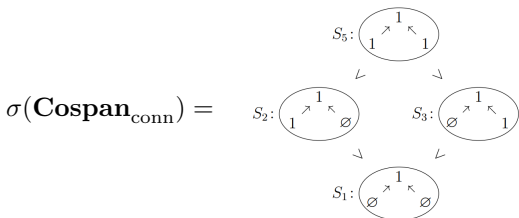
A locally connected category \mathcal{C} satisfies ACC \Leftrightarrow Every class on $\mathcal{C}_{\text{conn}}$ is finitely generated.

Cospan := $\mathbf{Set}^{[\cdot \rightarrow \cdot \leftarrow \cdot]}$ (presheaf category)

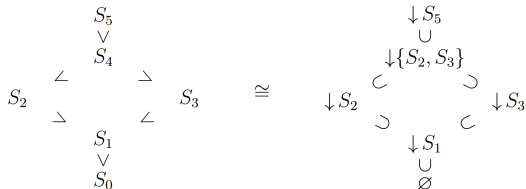
Cospan has only 6 strongly connected components:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_0: & \begin{array}{ccc} & \emptyset & \\ \nearrow & & \nwarrow \\ \emptyset & & \emptyset \end{array}, & S_1: & \begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ \nearrow & & \nwarrow \\ \emptyset & & \emptyset \end{array}, & S_2: & \begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ \nearrow & & \nwarrow \\ 1 & & \emptyset \end{array}, \\
 S_3: & \begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ \nearrow & & \nwarrow \\ \emptyset & & 1 \end{array}, & S_4: & \begin{array}{ccc} \lceil 0 \rceil & 2 & \rceil 1 \rceil \\ \nearrow & & \nwarrow \\ 1 & & 1 \end{array}, & S_5: & \begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ \nearrow & & \nwarrow \\ 1 & & 1 \end{array}.
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,



$\sigma(\mathbf{Cospan}) \cong \mathbb{L}(\sigma(\mathbf{Cospan}_{\text{conn}}))$ is displayed as follows:



ACC for G -Set

G : a topological group \rightsquigarrow G -Set: locally connected

Definition

$A \in \mathcal{E}$ is called an **atom** $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} A \neq 0$ and $\text{Sub}(A) = \{0, A\}$.

$$(G\text{-Set})_{\text{conn}} = \{\text{atoms in } G\text{-Set}\} \simeq \{\text{open subgroups of } G\}$$

Corollary ([Kaw23b])

G : a topological group

- 1 $\sigma(G\text{-Set}) \cong \mathbb{L}(\text{open subgroups of } G)$
- 2 $G\text{-Set}$ satisfies ACC \Leftrightarrow Every lower set of open subgroups of G is finitely generated.

Thank you!



Today's slide



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κ -filtered colimits

Definition

A small category \mathbb{I} is **κ -filtered** if every $(< \kappa)$ -small diagram has a cocone in \mathbb{I} .

Definition

A **κ -filtered colimit** is a colimit of a functor from a κ -filtered small category.

Representing models

Theorem ([Kaw23a; Kaw24])

\mathbb{T} : a κ -ary partial Horn theory

For every \mathbb{T} -model M , we have:

$$\llbracket \vec{x}.\varphi \rrbracket_M \cong \mathbf{PMod} \mathbb{T}(\langle \vec{x}.\varphi \rangle_{\mathbb{T}}, M).$$

Definition

An object $A \in \mathcal{A}$ is κ -presentable if its Hom-functor

$$\mathcal{A}(A, -): \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$$

preserves κ -filtered colimits.

Theorem ([Kaw23a; Kaw24])

\mathbb{T} : a κ -ary partial Horn theory

TFAE for a \mathbb{T} -model $M \in \mathbf{PMod} \mathbb{T}$:

- 1 M is κ -presentable.
- 2 There exists a κ -ary Horn formula $\vec{x}.\varphi$ s.t. $M \cong \langle \vec{x}.\varphi \rangle_{\mathbb{T}}$.

Example: UDO semirings

Example ([Gol03])

A **uniquely difference-ordered semiring** consists of:

- a base poset (R, \leq) ;
- total operators $+, \cdot : R \times R \rightarrow R$;
- constants $0, 1 \in R$;
- a partial operator $\ominus : R \times R \rightarrow R$ such that

$$b \ominus a \text{ is defined iff } a \leq b$$

which satisfy the following:

- $(R, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ is a semiring;
- $a \leq a + b$;
- $(a + b) \ominus a = b$;
- $a + (b \ominus a) = b$ whenever $a \leq b$.

UDO semirings are algebras over posets.

Example: partial abelian groups

Example ([BH12])

A **partial abelian group** consists of:

- a base set A with a reflexive symmetric relation $\odot \subseteq A \times A$; (a set with commensurability)
- a constant $0 \in A$;
- a total operator $- : A \rightarrow A$;
- a partial operator $+ : A \times A \rightarrow A$ such that

$$a + b \text{ is defined iff } a \odot b$$

which satisfy the following:

- $a \odot 0$;
- $a \odot (-b)$ whenever $a \odot b$;
- $a \odot (b + c)$ whenever $a \odot b, b \odot c, c \odot a$;
- $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$ whenever $a \odot b, b \odot c, c \odot a$;
- $a + b = b + a$ whenever $a \odot b$;
- $a + 0 = a$ and $a \odot (-a) = 0$.

Definition

A **monoid-graded set** is a map $d: X \rightarrow M$ from a set X to a monoid (M, \cdot, e) .

Example

A **monoid-graded ring** consists of:

- a base monoid-graded set (X, d, M, \cdot, e) ;
- a constant $1 \in X$;
- total operators $\otimes: X \times X \rightarrow X$, $0: M \rightarrow X$, $-: X \rightarrow X$;
- a partial operator $+: X \times X \rightarrow X$ s.t. $x + y$ is defined iff $d(x) = d(y)$

which satisfy the following:

- $d(1) = e$, $d(x \otimes y) = d(x)d(y)$, $d(0(a)) = a$, $d(-x) = d(x)$;
- $d(x + y) = d(x)$ whenever $d(x) = d(y)$;
- $(x \otimes y) \otimes z = x \otimes (y \otimes z)$, $1 \otimes x = x = x \otimes 1$;
- $x + 0(d(x)) = x$, $x + (-x) = 0(d(x))$;
- $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$ whenever $d(x) = d(y) = d(z)$;
- $x + y = y + x$ whenever $d(x) = d(y)$;
- $(x + y) \otimes z = x \otimes z + y \otimes z$ and $z \otimes (x + y) = z \otimes x + z \otimes y$ whenever $d(x) = d(y)$.

Closed monomorphisms

Definition ([Kaw23a; Kaw24])

Let \mathbb{T} be a κ -ary partial Horn theory over an S -sorted κ -ary signature Σ .

- 1 A monomorphism $A \hookrightarrow B$ in $\mathbf{PMod} \mathbb{T}$ is called **\mathbb{T} -closed** (or **Σ -closed**) if the following diagrams form pullback squares for any $f, R \in \Sigma$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Dom}(\llbracket f \rrbracket_A) \hookrightarrow \prod_{i < \alpha} A_{s_i} & & \llbracket R \rrbracket_A \hookrightarrow \prod_{i < \alpha} A_{s_i} \\ \downarrow \lrcorner & & \downarrow \lrcorner \\ \text{Dom}(\llbracket f \rrbracket_B) \hookrightarrow \prod_{i < \alpha} B_{s_i} & & \llbracket R \rrbracket_B \hookrightarrow \prod_{i < \alpha} B_{s_i} \end{array}$$

- 2 A morphism $h: A \rightarrow B$ in $\mathbf{PMod} \mathbb{T}$ is called **\mathbb{T} -dense** (or **Σ -dense**) if h factors through no \mathbb{T} -closed proper subobject of B .

Local retracts

Definition ([Kaw23b; Kaw24])

A morphism $p: X \rightarrow Y$ in a category \mathcal{A} is called a **κ -local retraction** if for every κ -presentable object $\Gamma \in \mathcal{A}$ and every morphism $f: \Gamma \rightarrow Y$, there exists a morphism $g: \Gamma \rightarrow X$ such that $p \circ g = f$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ \exists g \nearrow & & \downarrow p \\ \Gamma & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \end{array}$$

A κ -local retraction is also called a κ -pure quotient in [AR04].

Definition ([Kaw23b; Kaw24])

Let $U: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ be a functor. A morphism p in \mathcal{A} is called a **(U, κ) -local retraction** if Up is a κ -local retraction in \mathcal{C} .

The ascending chain condition for categories

Example ([Kaw23b])

- 1 **Set**, **Pos**, and **Ab** satisfy ACC.
- 2 **Ring** and **Lat**_{0,1} **do not** satisfy ACC.
- 3 **Set**^S satisfies ACC $\Leftrightarrow S$ is finite. (S : a set)
- 4 S/\mathbf{Set} satisfies ACC $\Leftrightarrow S$ is finite. (S : a set)
- 5 **Set** ^{\rightarrow} satisfies ACC.
- 6 **Set** ^{$\cdot \rightrightarrows \cdot$} **does not** satisfy ACC.
- 7 **Set** ^{ω} satisfies ACC.
- 8 **Set** ^{ω^{op}} **does not** satisfy ACC.
- 9 The category **URel** of sets with a unary relation satisfies ACC.
- 10 The category **BRel** of sets with a binary relation **does not** satisfy ACC.