Monoidal Topology: Advances and Challenges

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NOTE: On the RHS, we first had to *define* what  $\hom_A(\mathcal{X}, \overline{y})$  stands for. In particular:  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\overline{y}$  had to have the same length to make  $\hom_A(\mathcal{X}, \overline{y}) \neq \emptyset$ !

### Burroni 1971: How to internalize multicategories ...

C a category with pullbacks, T = (T,  $\eta$ ,  $\mu$ ) any monad on C. Define the category

### $\operatorname{Cat}(\mathsf{T})$

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- ► Every Eilenberg-Moore T-algebra  $(X, a : TX \rightarrow X)$  gives the T-order  $(X, TX, 1_{TX}, a)$ ; in fact:

T-algebras are precisely those T-categories with domain map an identity.

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Role models: T = L (list monad) and T = U (ultrafilter monad) on **Set** 



Some justifications for the bottom row to be given later!

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Consequently:

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# $(\mathsf{T},\mathcal{V})\text{-}\mathbf{categories}$ as lax $\hat{\mathsf{T}}\text{-}\mathbf{algebras}$

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Proof:

$$(a \cdot a^{\circ} \leq 1_X \text{ and } 1_{TX} \leq a^{\circ} \cdot a) \iff a \dashv a^{\circ} \iff a \text{ is a map}$$

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For T = U, V = 2 and  $X \in Top$ , the functor provides UX with the order

$$\overline{x} \leq \overline{y} \Longleftrightarrow \forall A \subseteq X \text{ closed} : (A \in \overline{x} \Rightarrow A \in \overline{y})$$

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 $(X, a) \in (T, V)-Cat normal$  $\hat{a} \cdot \hat{a}^{\circ} \leq \hat{a}^{\circ} \cdot \hat{a}$   $\Leftrightarrow$   $(TX, \hat{a}) normal in V-Cat$  (X, a) extremally disconnected $<math>\hat{a}^{\circ} \cdot \hat{a} \leq \hat{a} \cdot \hat{a}^{\circ}$  $\Leftrightarrow$  $(TX, \hat{a}^{\circ}) \text{ normal in V-Cat}$ 

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# The case $V = [0, \infty]$ gives approach spaces

[0, ∞]-**Cls** 

$$\begin{split} \delta : X \times \mathsf{P}X &\to [0, \infty] & (\mathsf{R}) \ \forall x \in A : 0 \geq \delta(x, A) \\ \delta(x, A) &= (cA)(x) & (\mathsf{T}) (\sup_{y \in B} \delta(y, A)) + \delta(x, B) \geq \delta(x, A) \end{split}$$

 $[0, \infty]$ -**Top** =: **App** [Lowen 1989] (but his condition (T) is different!):

$$\begin{split} \delta \text{ finitely additive} & (A) \ \delta(x, A \cup B) = \min\{\delta(x, A), \delta(x, B)\} \\ & \delta(x, \mathcal{Q}) = \infty \\ f: X \to Y & (C) \ \delta_X(x, A) \geq \delta_Y(fx, fA) \end{split}$$

#### How to reconcile closure and ultrafilter convergence?

For V completely distributive:

P and U interact via the V-relation  $\varepsilon_X : PX \leftrightarrow UX$  via  $\varepsilon_X(A, \overline{X}) = \begin{cases} k & \text{if } A \in \overline{X} \\ \bot & \text{else} \end{cases}$ With suitable lax extensions obtain

$$A_{\varepsilon} : (U, V) - \mathbf{Cat} \to (P, V) - \mathbf{Cat}, \quad (X, a) \mapsto (X, c_a = a \cdot \varepsilon_X)$$
$$(c_a A)(y) = \bigvee_{\overline{x} \ni A} a(\overline{x}, y)$$
$$A_{\varepsilon} \text{ has a right adjoint } (X, c) \mapsto (X, a_c), \text{ with } a_c(\overline{x}, y) = \bigwedge_{A \in \overline{x}}^{\overline{x} \ni A} (cA)(y)$$

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Corollary (Clementino-Hofmann 2003)

App  $\cong$  (U, [0,  $\infty$ ])-Cat

# **To-Do list**

- Pursue monoidal topology (enriched) in Burroni's (internal) context ...
  - ... and conversely!
- Explore the "algebra-topology" gap in Burroni's setting; partial algebras!
- Apply (T, V)-category theory to "probabilistic" quantales or monads.
- ► To which extent are (T, V)-categories covered by Burroni?
- Apply the emerging theory in particular in topological algebra.
- Dualization, Yoneda, (monoidal) closedness, 2-categorical structure, ...

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