

More clones from ideals

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Definition

Fix a set X . We write $\mathcal{O}^{(n)}$ for the set of n -ary operations:
 $\mathcal{O}^{(n)} = X^{X^n}$, and we let $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_X = \bigcup_{n=1,2,\dots} \mathcal{O}^{(n)}$.

A **clone on X** is a set $C \subseteq \mathcal{O}$ which contains all the projection functions and is closed under composition.

Equivalently, a clone is the set of term functions of some universal algebra on X .

Fact

The set of clones on X forms a complete Lattice: **CLONE**(X).

Definition: For any $C \subseteq \mathcal{O}$ let $\langle C \rangle$ be the clone generated by C .
We write $C(f)$ for $\langle C \cup \{f\} \rangle$.

Size of $\mathbf{CLONE}(X)$

If X is finite, then \mathcal{O}_X is countable.

- ▶ If $|X| = 1$, then \mathcal{O}_X is trivial.
- ▶ If $|X| = 2$, then $\mathbf{CLONE}(X)$ is countable, and completely understood. (“Post’s Lattice”)
- ▶ If $3 \leq |X| < \aleph_0$, then $|\mathbf{CLONE}(X)| = 2^{\aleph_0}$, and not well understood.

If X is infinite, then

- ▶ $|\mathcal{O}_X| = 2^{|X|}$,
- ▶ $|\mathbf{CLONE}(X)| = 2^{2^{|X|}}$,
- ▶ and only little is known about the structure of $\mathbf{CLONE}(X)$.

Completeness

Example

The functions $\wedge, \vee, \text{true}, \text{false}$ do not generate all operations on $\{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$.

Proof: All these functions are monotone, and \neg is not.

Now let X be any set.

Example

Assume that \leq is a nontrivial partial order on X , and that all functions in $C \subseteq \mathcal{O}$ are monotone with respect to \leq .

Then $\langle C \rangle \neq \mathcal{O}$.

Polymorphisms

Let X be a set, $C \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X$.

- ▶ If all functions in C respect some order \leq on X ,
- ▶ or: if all functions in C respect some nontrivial equivalence relation θ
- ▶ or: if all functions in C respect some nontrivial fixed set $A \subset X$
(i.e., $f[A^k] \subseteq A$)
- ▶ or ...

then $\langle C \rangle \neq \mathcal{O}$.

We write $\text{Pol}(\leq)$, $\text{Pol}(\theta)$, $\text{Pol}(A)$, ... for the **clone of all functions respecting \leq , θ , A , ...**

Instead of unary (A) or binary (\leq , θ) relations, we may also consider n -ary or even infinitary relations.

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Pol() and precomplete clones

- ▶ Every set of the form $\text{Pol}(A_1) \cap \text{Pol}(A_2) \cap \text{Pol}(\theta_3) \cap \dots$ is a clone.
- ▶ Conversely, every clone is the intersection of sets of the form $\text{Pol}(R)$ (where the R 's can be chosen of finite arity if X is finite).

The “maximal” or “precomplete” clones are the coatoms in the clone lattice.

$C \neq \emptyset$ is precomplete iff $C(f) = \emptyset$ for all $f \in \emptyset \setminus C$.

- ▶ Every precomplete clone is of the form $\text{Pol}(R)$ for some relation R .

Question

Which relations R give rise to precomplete clones?

This is nontrivial, already for binary relations.

Precomplete clones on finite sets

Example

Let $\emptyset \neq A \neq X$.

Then $\text{Pol}(A)$ is precomplete.

Example

Let X be finite. Let θ be a nontrivial equivalence relation.

Then $\text{Pol}(\theta)$ is precomplete.

Theorem (Rosenberg, 1970)

There is an explicit list $(R_i : i \in I)$ of finitely many (depending on the cardinality of X) relations such that $(\text{Pol}(R_i) : i \in I)$ lists all precomplete clones on X .

Moreover, every clone $C \neq \emptyset$ is below some precomplete clone.

Precomplete clones on infinite sets

Example

Let $\emptyset \neq A \neq X$.

Then $\text{Pol}(A)$ is precomplete.

Example

Let θ be a nontrivial equivalence relation **with finitely many classes**.

Then $\text{Pol}(\theta)$ is precomplete.

- ▶ For which R is $\text{Pol}(R)$ precomplete?
- ▶ Is every $C \neq \emptyset$ below some precomplete clone?

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Fixpoint clones

Definition

Let $A \subseteq X$. $\text{fix}(A)$ is the set of all functions f satisfying

$$\forall x \in A : f(x, \dots, x) = x.$$

This is a clone.

Definition

Let F be a filter on X . $\text{fix}((F))$ is defined as $\bigcup_{A \in F} \text{fix}(A)$, i.e.,

$$\text{fix}((F)) = \{g : \exists A \in F \forall x \in A : g(x, \dots, x) = x\}.$$

- ▶ $\text{fix}((F))$ is a clone.
- ▶ If F is the principal filter generated by the set A , then $\text{fix}((F)) = \text{fix}(A)$.
- ▶ larger filter \Rightarrow larger clone.
- ▶ maximal filter \Rightarrow maximal clone.

Fixpoint clones, application

Let $C_0 := \text{fix}(X)$, i.e. the clone of all **idempotent** functions, i.e., functions f satisfying $f(x, \dots, x) = x$ for *all* $x \in X$.

Let $C_1 := \text{fix}(\emptyset) = \mathcal{O}$, the clone of all functions. Then the interval $[C_0, C_1]$ in the clone lattice is rather complicated, and yet we can “explicitly” describe it.

Theorem (Goldstern-Shelah, 2004)

The clones in the interval $[C_0, C_1]$ are exactly the clones $\text{fix}(F)$, for all possible filters (including the trivial filter $\wp(X)$). (Maximal=precomplete clones correspond to ultrafilters.)

So this interval is order isomorphic to the lattice of **closed subsets of βX** (with reverse inclusion).

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Clones from ideals

Definition

Let I be a nontrivial ideal on the set X containing all small sets.

$f : X^k \rightarrow X$ preserves I if $\forall A \in I : f[A^k] \in I$.

We write $\text{Pol}((I))$ for the set of all functions preserving I .

- ▶ $\text{Pol}((I))$ is a clone.
- ▶ If I is the principal ideal generated by the set A , then $\text{Pol}((I)) = \text{Pol}(A)$.
- ▶ larger ideal $\not\Rightarrow$ larger clone.
- ▶ maximal ideal \Rightarrow maximal clone.
- ▶ However, many other ideals also yield maximal clones.

$$I^\circ := \{A \subseteq X : \forall B \in [A]^\omega : [B]^\omega \cap I \neq \emptyset\}.$$

If $I = I^\circ$, then $\text{Pol}((I))$ is maximal.

Ideal clones, application

For every subset $A \subseteq 2^\omega$ we can find (explicitly) an ideal I_A , such that $I_A = I_A^{-\circ}$, and that the ideals I_A are all different.

Theorem (Beiglböck-Goldstern-Heindorf-Pinsker, 2007)

While the ideals I_A are not maximal, the clones $\text{Pol}((I_A))$ are (for nontrivial A).

This gives an explicit example of 2^c many precomplete clones on a countable set. (Even without AC.)

Question

Find such examples on uncountable sets.

Equivalence relations

Example

Let θ be a nontrivial equivalence relation on a finite set. Then $\text{Pol}(\theta)$ is a precomplete clone.

Example

Let θ be a nontrivial equivalence relation on any set, with finitely many classes. Then $\text{Pol}(\theta)$ is a precomplete clone.

Definition

Let \mathcal{E} be a directed family of equivalence relations (coarser and coarser).

Define $\text{Pol}(\mathcal{E})$ as the set of all functions $f : X^k \rightarrow X$ with:
for all $E \in \mathcal{E}$ there is $E' \in \mathcal{E}$ such that: whenever $\vec{x} E \vec{y}$, then $f(\vec{x}) E' f(\vec{y})$.

When is $\text{Pol}(\mathcal{E})$ precomplete? Difficult. Because...

Fact

For every ideal I there is a family \mathcal{E} as above such that
 $\text{Pol}(I) = \text{Pol}(\mathcal{E})$.

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Growth clones

Definition

Let $X = \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ for simplicity. For every infinite $A = \{a_0 < a_1 < \dots\} \subseteq X$ we define **bound**(A) as the set of functions which do not jump to far in A :

$$\text{bound}(A) := \{f : \exists k \forall i : \vec{x} < a_i \Rightarrow f(\vec{x}) < a_{i+k}\}$$

(This is a clone.)

A similar construction is possible for uncountable sets.

Growth clones, continued

Definition

Let $X = \mathbb{N}$ again. For every filter F of subsets of X we define $\text{bound}((F)) := \bigcup_{A \in F} \text{bound}(A)$.

$$\text{bound}((F)) := \{f : \exists A \in F \exists k \forall i : \vec{x} < a_i^A \Rightarrow f(\vec{x}) < a_{i+k}^A\}$$

(where $a_0^A < a_1^A < \dots$ is the increasing enumeration of A).

- ▶ $\text{bound}((F))$ is a clone.
- ▶ If F is the principal filter generated by the set A , then $\text{bound}((F)) = \text{bound}(A)$.
- ▶ larger filter \Rightarrow larger clone.
- ▶ maximal filter $\not\Rightarrow$ maximal clone.
- ▶ (In fact, $\text{bound}((F))$ is never a maximal clone.)

Growth clones, application

Theorem (G^* -Shelah, 2002)

Assume CH. Then on there is a filter F on $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ such that, letting $C := \text{bound}((F))$, we know the interval $[C, \mathfrak{O})$ quite well: it is (more or less) a quite saturated linear order \mathbf{L} with no last element.

(In particular: not every clone is below a precomplete clone.)

We can choose $\text{bound}((F))$ in such a way that the relation $f \leq g \Leftrightarrow f \in C(g)$ is a linear quasiorder. The clones above C will then be the Dedekind cuts in this order.

This relation $f \leq g$ means that on a large set (i.e., a set in the filter F), g grows at least as fast as f .

Growth clones, new application

Theorem? (Aug-Sep 2008)

Let $\mathbb{N} = N_1 \dot{\cup} N_2$, with two infinite disjoint sets N_1, N_2 , say odd and even numbers.

Assume CH. Then there are filters F_1, F_2 on N_1 and N_2 , respectively, such that, letting $C := \text{bound}((F_1)) \cap \text{bound}((F_2))$, we know the interval $[C, \emptyset)$ quite well: it is (more or less) $\mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{L}$, with \mathbf{L} the quite saturated linear order from the previous slide.

Theorem? (2009?)

Let $(F_i : i \in I)$ be a family of many (almost?) disjoint sets.

Assume CH. Then there filters $F_i, i \in I$, such that, letting $C := \bigcap_{i \in I} \text{bound}((F_i))$, the interval $[C, \emptyset)$ is (more or less) \mathbf{L}^I .