

Extending FO logic with topology

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- 1 Why topology?
- 2 Generalised topology quantifiers
- 3 The topology of homsets

Part 1: Why topology?

The original **CFI construction** is a pair of transforms X_{-}, \tilde{X}_{-} sending 3-regular graphs to 3-regular graphs.

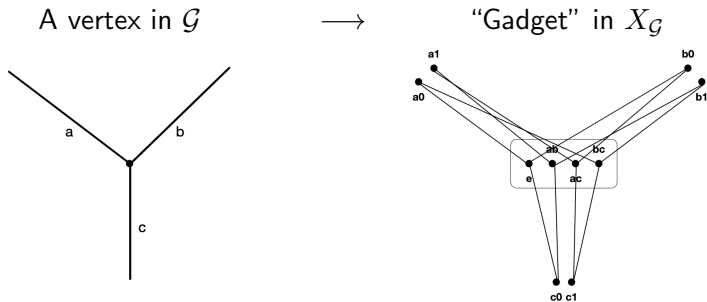
For any k and \mathcal{G} of large enough tree width, we have

$$X_{\mathcal{G}} \equiv_{\mathcal{L}^k(\#)} \tilde{X}_{\mathcal{G}} \text{ but } X_{\mathcal{G}} \not\equiv \tilde{X}_{\mathcal{G}}$$

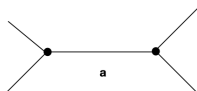
Rank and linear algebraic quantifiers distinguish them

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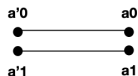
Vertices in CFI construction



An edge a in \mathcal{G}



Untwisted edge in $X_{\mathcal{G}}$



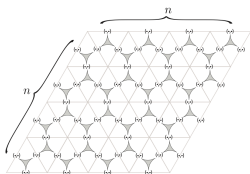
Twisted edge in $\tilde{X}_{\mathcal{G}}$



$\tilde{X}_{\mathcal{G}}$ contains exactly one “twisted” edge.

Why topology?

- \mathcal{G} as triangulation of torus



- 2-regular CFI graphs distinguished by connectedness



- Grohe implies $L^k(\#)$ captures isom on any class of graphs of bounded genus.

Question 1 Can we devise a (tractably computable) topology-based equivalence relation $\equiv_{\mathcal{T}}$ which distinguishes $X_{\mathcal{G}}$ and $\tilde{X}_{\mathcal{G}}$?

Question 2 Is there a categorical semantics for any such equivalence relation?

Part 2: Topology quantifiers

$\Psi^T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ a *type T interpretation* is a collection of $\mathcal{L}[\sigma]$ formulae in \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} which defines for any structure \mathcal{A} and any asgmt \mathbf{a} to variable \mathbf{x} an object of type T which depends only on the truth values of the formulas in Ψ^T in \mathcal{A}, \mathbf{a} as \mathbf{y} varies over A^n

- $\Psi^{\text{Set}} = \psi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$
interprets a **set** for any \mathcal{A}, \mathbf{a}
- $\Psi^\tau = \langle \psi_R(\mathbf{x}, y_1, \dots, y_{n_R}) \rangle_{R \in \tau}$
interprets a τ -**structure** for any \mathcal{A}, \mathbf{a}
- $\Psi^{\mathbb{F}\text{Mod}} = \langle \psi_{M_i}(\mathbf{x}, y_1, \dots, y_{2n}) \rangle_{i \in [r]}$
interprets a **tuple of r $n \times n$ 0-1 matrices over \mathbb{F}** for any \mathcal{A}, \mathbf{a}

A type T quantifier $Q_{\mathcal{K}}^T$ for $L[\sigma]$ is described by an isom-closed class \mathcal{K} of T objects and binds the \mathbf{y} variables of $\Psi^T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ an $L[\sigma]$ -interpretation of type T .

$Q_{\mathcal{K}}^T \mathbf{y} . \Psi^T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is true on \mathcal{A}, \mathbf{a} if and only if the corresponding T object is in \mathcal{K}

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quantifiers $Q_{\mathcal{K}}^{\mathbb{F}\text{Mod}}$ are linear-algebraic quantifiers over \mathbb{F}

¹arbitrary conjunctions and disjunctions of

Abstract simplicial complex $\Delta = (V, S)$ a pair of vertex set V and simplex set S , a downward closed subset of 2^V
Dimension of a simplex $s \in S$ is $|s| - 1$.

$$\Psi^{\text{Simp}_n} = \langle \psi_m(\mathbf{x}, y_1, \dots, y_m) \rangle_{m \in [n+1]}$$

Interpretation of n -dimensional abstract simplicial complex from a σ -structure.

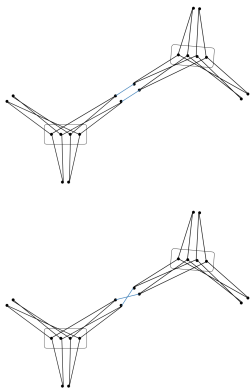
$$Q_{\mathcal{K}}^{\text{Simp}_n}$$

Which classes \mathcal{K} should be allowed?

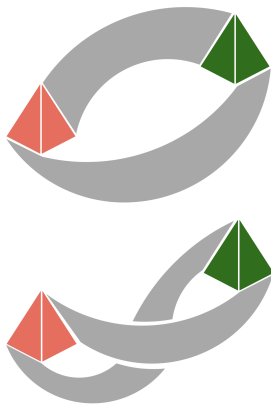
\cong -closed?	As hard as GI
\simeq_h -closed?	??
\simeq_H -closed?	Tractable

An attempt at distinguishing CFI graphs

CFI graphs



Interpreted complexes



Sadly this interpretation did not create complexes for X_G and \tilde{X}_G with different homology!

- Can these complexes be distinguished by some other tractable topological property?
- Can we express the homology-based quantifiers $Q_{\mathcal{K}}^{\text{Simp}_n}$ in $\mathcal{L}^k(\#)$?
- Can we interpret another complex on $X_{\mathcal{G}}, \tilde{X}_{\mathcal{G}}$ which does distinguish them topologically?

Part 3: A Lovasz-type equivalence with topology

$$\mathcal{A} \equiv_{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{B} \iff \forall \mathcal{C} \in F \quad |\text{hom}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{A})| = |\text{hom}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{B})|$$

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Yes! With topology ...

For \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} σ -structures, the *hom-complex* $\mathbf{Hom}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ is a simplicial complex² with vertices the homomorphisms $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ where $\{f_1, \dots, f_m\}$ form a simplex if for all $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$ and all $R \in \sigma$,

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in R^{\mathcal{A}} \implies \prod_i \{f_j(a_i)\}_{j \in [m]} \subseteq R^{\mathcal{B}}$$

²other mostly equivalent notions exist

Example

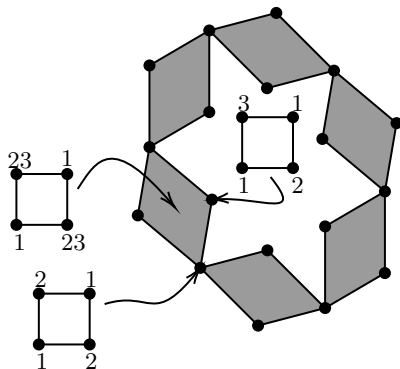


Figure: $\text{Hom}(C_4, K_3)$

See board!

$$\mathbf{Hom}(K_2, C_6) \cong \mathbf{Hom}(K_2, C_3 \cup C_3)$$

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Theorem (Kozlov)

For every two graphs G and H , the isomorphism type of $\text{Hom}(G, H)$ is determined by the isomorphism type of $\text{Hom}^1(G, H)$.

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- While we ask these questions for isomorphism-equivalence and finite undirected graphs, we would like to generalise them to homotopy-equivalence and general finite σ -structures.

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- For graphs with loops

$$\mathcal{G} \simeq^{\mathbf{J}^2} \mathcal{H} \not\Rightarrow \mathcal{G} \equiv_{\mathcal{L}^2(\#)} \mathcal{H}$$

- For $k > 2$ and simple graphs

$$\mathcal{G} \simeq^{\mathbf{J}^k} \mathcal{H} \not\Rightarrow \mathcal{G} \equiv_{\mathcal{L}^k(\#)} \mathcal{H}$$

- Treat \mathcal{C} as a category and define $\mathcal{A} \simeq_{\text{nat}}^{\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{B}$ to be witnessed by natural isomorphisms

$$\text{Hom}(-, \mathcal{A}) \cong \text{Hom}(-, \mathcal{B})$$

- Can we find a game for which it is sensible to talk about the Hom-complex $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}_k \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ for some \mathbb{C}_k in the same way we talk about $\text{hom}(\mathbb{T}_k \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ in the context of the existential k -pebble game?
- Can we find a Lovasz-type result based on Hom complexes? (e.g. proving $\simeq^{\mathcal{C}}$ equivalent to $\equiv_{\mathcal{L}}$ for some logic)