# A point-free relation-algebraic approach 

## to general topology

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Early in the twentieth century, topology has split into general or point set theory, mainly invented by Georg Cantor and later developed further by Felix Hausdorff, and what we today call algebraic topology, elaborated as Alexander Grothendieck's cathedral.

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## Illustrating the left residuum



Left residua show how columns of the relation $R$ below the fraction backslash are contained in columns of the relation $S$ above

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|  | $R$ above $\quad S$ below |



The symmetric quotient shows which columns of the upper are equal to columns of the lower relation

## Set Comprehension

Finding equal columns $i, k$ of relations $R, S$ :
$\forall n: \quad(n, i) \in R \leftrightarrow(n, k) \in S$
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## Construction of domains

Given a relation algebra, we may extend it in several ways:

- direct product
- direct sum
- direct power
- quotient
- extrusion
- target permutation


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Given any direct products by projections
$\pi: X \times Y \longrightarrow X, \quad \rho: X \times Y \longrightarrow Y$,
$\pi^{\prime}: U \times V \longrightarrow U, \quad \rho^{\prime}: U \times V \longrightarrow V$,
we define the Kronecker product, the fork-, and the join-operator:
i) $(A \otimes B):=\pi ; A ; \pi^{\prime \top} \cap \rho ; B ; \rho^{\prime \top}$
ii) $(C \otimes D):=C ; \pi^{\top} \cap D ; \rho^{\top}$
iii) $(E \oslash F):=\pi ; E \cap \rho ; F$

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Any relation $\varepsilon$ satisfying
$-\operatorname{syq}(\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \subseteq \mathbb{I}, \quad$ (i.e., in fact $\operatorname{syq}(\varepsilon, \varepsilon)=\mathbb{I})$

- $\operatorname{syq}(\varepsilon, R)$ is surjective for every relation $R$ starting in $X$.
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Subset $U$ and corresponding point $e$ in the powerset via $\varepsilon, \Omega$

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## A topology in different forms


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## Non-topological kernel-forming

Kernel-forming that is not a topology, since not intersection-closed

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{U} \pi=\pi, \\
& \mathcal{U} \subseteq \varepsilon, \\
& \mathcal{U} \Omega \subseteq \mathcal{U}, \\
& (\mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{U}) ; \mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{U}, \\
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It is $T_{2}$-space, i.e., a topology satisfying the Hausdorff property, when
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## Separation axioms

Let a topology given in relational form, i.e., by $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{K}, \varepsilon_{\mathcal{O}}$ as required. It is called a
i) $T_{0}$-space if $\operatorname{syq}\left(\mathcal{U}^{\top}, \mathcal{U}^{\top}\right)=\mathbb{I}$
ii) $T_{1}$-space if $\quad \overline{\mathbb{I}} \subseteq \mathcal{U}: \overline{\mathcal{U}}^{\top}$.
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f=\begin{gathered}
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\end{aligned}
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## Homomorphism

This concept works for groups, fields and other algebraic structures, but also for relational structures as, e.g., graphs.
$\Phi, \Psi$ is a homomorphism from $R$ to $R^{\prime}$, if
$\Phi, \Psi$ are mappings satisfying $R ; \Phi \subseteq \Psi ; R^{\prime}$.
$\Phi, \Psi$ is an isomorphism between $R$ and $R^{\prime}$, if
$\Phi, \Psi$ as well as $\Phi^{\top}, \Psi^{\top}$ are homomorphisms.
Theorem
If $\Phi, \Psi$ are mappings, then

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R ; \Psi \subseteq \Phi ; R^{\prime} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad R \subseteq \Phi_{i}^{\prime} ; \Psi^{\top} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \\
& \Phi^{\top} ; R \subseteq R^{\prime} ; \Psi^{\top} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \Phi^{\top} ; R \Psi \subseteq R^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
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If relations $\Phi, \Psi$ are not mappings, one cannot fully execute this rolling; there remain different forms of (bi-)simulations.

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\varepsilon^{\top} ; R=\vartheta_{R} ; \varepsilon^{\prime \top} & \varepsilon^{\prime \top} ; R^{\top}=\vartheta_{R^{\top} ;} \varepsilon^{\top} \quad \text { i.e. mutual simulation }
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\end{array}
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but there exist many relations $W$ satisfying $R=\overline{\varepsilon_{i} W ;{\overline{\varepsilon^{\prime}}}^{\top}}$

## Existential image



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\end{gathered}\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
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\mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} \\
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## Lifting the continuity condition

For all $p \in X$, all $V \in \mathcal{U}^{\prime}(f(p))$, exists a $U \in \mathcal{U}(p)$ with $f(U) \subseteq V$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \forall p \in X: \forall V \in \mathcal{U}^{\prime}(f(p)): \exists U \in \mathcal{U}(p): f(U) \subseteq V \\
& \forall p \in X: \forall v \in \mathbf{2}^{X^{\prime}}: \mathcal{U}_{f(p), v}^{\prime} \longrightarrow\left(\exists u: \mathcal{U}_{p, u} \wedge\left[\forall y: \varepsilon_{y u} \rightarrow \varepsilon_{f(y), v}^{\prime}\right]\right) \\
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& f: \mathcal{U}^{\prime} \subseteq \mathcal{U}: \vartheta_{f^{\top}}^{\top}
\end{aligned} \text { The last step is proved as follows: }
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{U}: \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \overline{f_{i} \varepsilon^{\prime}}} \subseteq \mathcal{U}: \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \overline{f_{i}, \varepsilon^{\prime} ; \vartheta_{f^{\top} ; \vartheta_{f}^{\top}}}} \text { because } \vartheta_{f^{\top}} \text { is total } \\
& =\mathcal{U}: \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \overline{f ; \varepsilon^{\prime} ; \operatorname{syq}\left(f ; \varepsilon^{\prime}, \varepsilon\right) ; \vartheta_{f^{\top}}^{\top}}} \text { by definition of } \vartheta_{f^{\top}} \\
& \subseteq \mathcal{U}: \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \overline{\varepsilon ; \vartheta_{f^{\top}}^{\top}}} \text { cancellation } \\
& =\mathcal{U}: \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}} ; \vartheta_{f^{\top}}^{\top} \text { since } \vartheta_{f^{\top}} \text { is a mapping } \\
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Again, there is an obligation to prove
$f$ is $\mathcal{K}$-continuous $\Longleftrightarrow f$ is $\mathcal{O}_{D}$-continuous

$f$ is $\mathcal{O}_{V}$-continuous $\Longleftrightarrow f$ is $\varepsilon_{\mathcal{O}}$-continuous

Thank you!

# Language and system 

## Systems to support work with relations

- RelView: RBDD-Implementierung; auch für große Relationen
- Titu Rel eine relationale Sprache, transformierbar, interpretierbar
- RalF: weiland ein guter Formel-Manipulator und Beweis-Assistent
- RATH: Exploring (finite) relation algebras with tools written in Haskell


## Aims in designing TituRel

- Formulate all problems so far tackled with relational methods
- Transform relational terms and formulae in order to optimize them
- Interpret the relational constructs as boolean matrices, in RelView, in the Titu Rel substrate, or in Rath
- Prove relational formulae with system support in the style of Ralf or Rasiowa-Sikorski
- Translate relational formulae into $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{X}$-representation, or to first-order predicate logic, e.g.

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With a variable valuation $v: x \mapsto v(x)$ terms are evaluated

$$
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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| tokens | $\varphi$ fct. | in supporting set | a function table $\varphi_{I}$ for $\varphi$ <br>  <br>  <br> $p$ p subset $p_{I}$ for $p$ |

Out of this and the variables $V$ one forms terms and formulae

$$
T=V|K| \varphi(T) \quad F=p(T)|\neg F| \forall V: F
$$

With a variable valuation $v: x \mapsto v(x)$ terms are evaluated

$$
v^{*}(x):=v(x) \quad v^{*}(k):=k_{I} \quad v^{*}(\varphi(t)):=\varphi_{I}\left(v^{*}(t)\right)
$$

and formulae interpreted

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \models_{I, v} p(t): \Longleftrightarrow v^{*}(t) \subseteq p_{I} \quad \not \models_{I, v} \neg F: \Longleftrightarrow \not \models_{I, v} F \\
& \models_{I, v} \forall x: F \quad: \Longleftrightarrow \quad \text { For all } s \text { holds } \models_{I, v_{x \leftarrow s}} F
\end{aligned}
$$

## Relational language



The system Titu REL runs under one of the following acronym interpretations

- This is the ultimate relation system
- Towards improved techniques using relations
- Teaching informaticians to use relations
- Try it, to use relations
- Toolkit intended to use relations
- Testing innovative tools using relations
- Think innovative - try using relations


Titu REL ontvangt de Heilige Graal en de Heilige Speer uit handen van een Engelenschaar die neder daalt uit de hemel. Hij bouwt een Tempel voor deze heilige relikwien, de Graalburcht Montsalvat. Ridders die tot de Graal worden geroepen vormen de ridderschap van de Heilige Graal, hun Koning is Titurel. Op hoge leeftijd draagt hij zijn ambt over op zijn zoon Amfortas.

Model questions

## Model problem



## Model problem

## Theory of relation algebra



## Predicate logic vs. relational logic

RRA (representable relation algebras, i.e. the Boolean matrix algebras) are not finitely axiomatizable. (Don Monk)

RA can express any (and up to logical equivalence, exactly the) first-order logic formulas containing no more than three variables.

RRA is axiomatizable by a universal Horn theory.

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$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\mathbb{I}^{\top}=\mathbb{I} & \\
a^{\top}=c & b^{2}=\bar{b}=\mathbb{I} \cup a \cup c \\
b^{\top}=b & a ; c=c ; a=\mathbb{T} \\
c^{\top}=a & a ; b=b ; a=a \cup b \\
a^{2}=a & c ; b=b ; c=c \cup b \\
c^{2}=c &
\end{array}
$$

Ralph McKenzie's homogeneous non-representable RA
The element $a$ cannot be conceived as a Boolean matrix.

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$$
\pi ; R ; P ; \pi^{\prime \prime \top} \cap \rho ; S ; Q: \rho^{\prime \prime \top} \subseteq
$$



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4 morphisms in any other case

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It is, however, possible to prove that

$$
\left(Q \otimes \mathbb{I}_{X}\right) ;\left(\mathbb{I}_{B} \otimes R\right)=(Q \otimes R)=\left(\mathbb{I}_{A} \otimes R\right) ;\left(Q \otimes \mathbb{I}_{Y}\right)
$$

This does express correctly that $Q$ and $R$ may with one execution thread be executed in either order; i.e., with meandering "coroutines".

But no two execution threads are provided to execute in parallel.

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History of relations

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Relations were being developed at a time when

- formal semantics was not yet known
language and interpretation
typing and unification
- the idea that several models of a theory may exist, was close to being completely unknown (non-Euclidian geometry: Bolyai, Lobatschevskij $\approx 1840$ )
- one was still bound to handle the following in the respective natural language, namely in English, German, Latin, Greek, Japanese, Russian, Arabic ...!

| quantification | $\forall, \exists$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| conversion | $R^{\top}$ |
| composition | $A ; B$ |

but also „brother", „father", „uncle"
and only gradually developed a more standardized language

- the concept of a matrix had not yet been coined (Cayley, Sylvester 1850's)


## History of relations

George Boole's investigations on the laws of thought of 1854:
In every discourse, whether of the mind conversing with its own thoughts, or of the individual in his intercourse with others, there is an assumed or expressed limit within which the subjects of its operation are confined. The most unfettered discourse is that in which the words we use are understood in the widest possible application, and for them the limits of discourse are co-extensive with those of the universe itself. But more usually we confine ourselves to a less spacious field. ...Furthermore, this universe of discourse is in the strictest sense the ultimate subject of the discourse. The office of any name or descriptive term employed under the limitations supposed is not to raise in the mind the conception of all the beings or objects to which that name or description is applicable, but only of those which exist within the supposed universe of discourse.

## History of relations

## Ernst Schröder (1841-1902)

## C. S. Peirce (1839-1914)

$\cap$
Arthur Cayley (1821-1895)
matrices
J. J. Sylvester (1814-1897)
typing $\cap$
George Boole (1815-1864)
Augustus De Morgan (1806-1871)


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which makes 18 symbols in standard mathematics notation. This will now shrink down to just 7.

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& \Longleftrightarrow \quad \forall x, y, z: \rho_{x y} \wedge \rho_{y z} \rightarrow\left(\rho ; E^{\top}\right)_{x z} \\
& \Longleftrightarrow \quad \neg\left(\exists x, z:\left(\exists y: \rho_{x y} \wedge \rho_{y z}\right) \wedge\left[\rho ; E^{\top}\right]_{x z}\right) \\
& \Longleftrightarrow \quad \neg\left(\exists x, z:(\rho ; \rho)_{x z} \wedge \overline{\left[\rho E^{\top}\right]_{x z}}\right) \\
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Together with the others, we get $\quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \rho ; \rho \subseteq \rho$

## Closure and contact

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We consider a set related to its powerset, with a membership relation $\varepsilon: X \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ and a powerset ordering $\Omega: \mathcal{P}(X) \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$. A relation $C: X \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ is called an Aumann contact relation, provided
i) it contains the membership relation, i.e., $\varepsilon \subseteq C$,
ii) an element $x$ in contact with a set $Y$ all of whose elements are in contact with a set $Z$, will be in contact with $Z$, the so-called infectivity of contact, i.e., $C ; \varepsilon^{\top}, \bar{C} \subseteq C$, or equivalently, $C^{\top} ; \bar{C} \subseteq \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{C}$.

One will easily show that $C$ forms an upper cone, i.e., $C ; \Omega \subseteq C$ : $C^{\top} ; \bar{C} \subseteq \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{C} \subseteq \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}=\bar{\Omega}$

## Closure and contact

Theorem
Given a closure operator $\rho: \mathcal{P}(X) \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ on some powerset defined via a membership relation $\varepsilon: X \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$, the construct $C:=\varepsilon ; \rho^{\top}$ turns out to be an Aumann contact relation.

Beweis.
i) $\varepsilon \subseteq \varepsilon ; \rho^{\top}$
$\Longleftrightarrow$
$\varepsilon ; \rho \subseteq \varepsilon \Longleftarrow$

$$
\varepsilon ; \Omega \subseteq \varepsilon
$$

ii) $C ; \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{C}}=\varepsilon ; \rho^{\top} ; \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \overline{\varepsilon ; \rho^{\top}}}=\varepsilon ; \rho^{\top} ; \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}} ; \rho^{\top} \quad$ since $\rho$ is a mapping
$=\varepsilon ; \rho^{\top} ; \Omega ; \rho^{\top}$
$\subseteq \varepsilon ; \Omega ; \rho^{\top} ; \rho^{\top} \quad$ with the second closure property
$\subseteq \varepsilon ; \Omega ; \rho^{\top} \quad$ with the third closure property
$=\varepsilon ; \rho^{\top}=C \quad$ since $\varepsilon ; \Omega=\varepsilon$

## Closure and contact

## Theorem

Given any Aumann contact relation $C: X \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$, forming the construct $\rho:=\operatorname{syq}(C, \varepsilon)$ results in a closure operator.

Proof: i) $\rho=\operatorname{syq}(C, \varepsilon) \subseteq \overline{C^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}} \subseteq \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}}=\Omega$
ii) We recall $\varepsilon$;syq $(\varepsilon, Y)=Y$ and $\bar{\varepsilon}$;syq $(\varepsilon, Y)=\bar{Y}$ for

$$
\rho ; \bar{\Omega} ; \rho^{\top}=\operatorname{syq}(C, \varepsilon) ; \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon} ; \operatorname{syq}(\varepsilon, C)=C^{\top} ; \bar{C} \subseteq \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}=\bar{\Omega} .
$$

Since $\rho$ is a mapping, we may proceed with

$$
\overline{\rho ; \Omega ; \rho^{\top}} \subseteq \bar{\Omega} \quad \Omega \subseteq \rho ; \Omega ; \rho^{\top} \quad \Omega ; \rho \subseteq \rho ; \Omega
$$

iii) We prove $\rho ; \rho \subseteq \rho$, i.e., $\operatorname{syq}(C, \varepsilon)$;syq $(C, \varepsilon) \subseteq \operatorname{syq}(C, \varepsilon)$ or

$$
\left(\bar{C}^{\top} ; \varepsilon \cup C^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}\right) ; \operatorname{syq}(\varepsilon, C) \subseteq \bar{C}^{\top} ; \varepsilon \cup C^{\top} ; \bar{\varepsilon}
$$

Now, the two terms on the left are treated separately.

## Example

Let an arbitrary relation $R: X \longrightarrow Y$ be given.


Then $C:=\overline{\bar{R} ; \overline{\bar{R}}^{\top} ; \varepsilon}$ is always an Aumann contact relation. To show this, we have to prove
$\varepsilon \subseteq \overline{\bar{R} ;} \overline{\bar{R}}^{\top} ; \varepsilon=C$, which is trivial using Schröder equivalences.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& C^{\top} ; \bar{C} \subseteq \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{C} \Longleftrightarrow \overline{\bar{R}}{\overline{\bar{R}^{\top}}{ }^{\top}}^{\top} ; \bar{R} ; \overline{\bar{R}^{\top} ; \varepsilon} \subseteq \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{R} ; \overline{\bar{R}}^{\top} ; \varepsilon \\
& \quad \Longleftrightarrow \overline{\bar{R}} \overline{\bar{R}}^{\top} ; \varepsilon ; \bar{R} \subseteq \varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{R} \\
& \quad \Longleftrightarrow \overline{\varepsilon^{\top} ; \bar{R}} ; \bar{R}^{\top} \subseteq\left(\bar{R} ; \overline{\bar{R}}^{\top} ; \varepsilon\right)^{\top}
\end{aligned}
$$

The construct $C:=\overline{\bar{R}} \overline{\bar{R}^{\top} ; \varepsilon}$ may be read as follows: It declares those combinations $x \in X$ and $S \subseteq X$ to be in contact $C$, for which every relationship $(x, y) \notin R$ implies that there exists also an $x^{\prime} \in S$ in relation $\left(x^{\prime}, y\right) \notin R$.

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