Arithmetic universes as generalized point-free spaces

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Grothendieck toposes as generalized spaces? Classifying topos S[T] = "space of models of T" - but depends on choice of elementary topos S.For some T, can use any S with nno.Use arithmetic universes (AUs) to get base-independence.

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 "Sketches for arithmetic universes" (arXiv:1608.01559)"Arithmetic universes and classifying toposes" (arXiv:1701.04611)

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# Point-free topology

Point-set topology says:

- 1 define collection of points as set
- 2 define topology, using open subsets

In constructive mathematics:Separating the points from the topology damages the space

Evidence?

From topos theory -

 - important theorems (Heine-Borel, Tychonoff) fail for point-set spacesFrom predicative mathematics -

- points may even fail to form a set.

Point-free topology describes points and opens in one single structure

- a logical theory
- points are models
- opens are propositions

#### Locales

Frame = complete lattice, binary meet distributes over all joinsFrame homomorphism preserves finite meets, all joins

Locale  $X =$  frame  $OX$ Locale map f: X -> Y = frame homomorphism Of: OY -> OX

Categories:  $Loc = Fr^{\wedge}op$ 

Presentations = propositional geometric theories

Algebra Logic signature generatorsG- propositional symbolsR axioms relations $\Lambda a_i \leq \frac{1}{n} \Lambda b_{ik}$  $\frac{1}{i}a_{i} \longmapsto \frac{1}{i} \frac{1}{k} \frac{b_{i}}{k}$ presentation $T = (G, R)$  theory (signature, axioms) Lindenbaum algebraframe presentedO[T] = (formulae modulo equivalence) Fr<G|R>connectives: finite conjunction, arbitrary disjunction Universal property of  $O[T] = Fr < G/R$ 



### Another approach: formal topology



- formal points (models)
- formal opens (formulae modulo equivalence)

### e.g. Sierpinski \$

one generator P, no relations

 $Point = model = truth value$  Open = formula





Map  $X \rightarrow $$  = model of theory in OX $=$  open of  $X$ model of theory at X

# Grothendieck topos = generalized point-free space

Ungeneralized: locale X Frame = algebraic theory of opens

 X -> Sierpinski \$Lattice, finite  $\wedge$ , arbitrary  $\vee$ Map = function (backwards) preserving those

Generalized: topos X Grothendieck topos = algebraic theory of sheaves (local homeomorphisms) $X \rightarrow \{sets\}$  Category, finite limits, arbitrary colimits Map = functor (backwards) preserving those

~ geometric morphism



# Presentations: Geometric theories

generators = signature: sorts, functions, predicatesrelations = axioms

Ungeneralized: propositionalno sorts,signature just propositional symbols Generalized: predicate formulae built with

Present frame by generators and relations:

- Lindenbaum algebra
- = formulae modulo equivalence

Grothendieck topos generated using finite limits, arbitrary colimits"making axioms hold" $=$  classifying topos  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ 

Injection of generators gives generic model of theory.

Example: "space of sets" (object classifier)

Theory  $\langle \hat{\mathcal{V}} \rangle$  one sort, nothing else. Classifying topos  $Set[0] = [Fin, Set]$ 

Conceptually object = continuous map  $\{sets\}$  ->  $\{sets\}$ Continuity is (at least) functorial + preserves filtered colimits Hence functor {finite sets} -> {sets}

Generic model is the subcategory inclusion Inc: Fin -> Set

#### Example: "space of pointed sets"

Theory  $\mathcal{V}, \mathfrak{P}$  one sort X, one constant x: 1 -> X. Classifying topos  $\text{Set}[\emptyset, P^+]= [Fin, Set]/Inc$ 

In slice category: 1 becomes Inc, Inc becomes Inc x Inc

Generic model is Inc with



Universal property of Set[T]

1. Set[T] has a distinguished "generic" model M of T.

2. For any Grothendieck topos E,and for any model N of T in E,there is a unique (up to isomorphism) functor f\*: Set[T] -> Ethat preserves finite limits and arbitrary colimitsand takes M to N.Same idea as for frames

f\* preserves arbitrary colimits- can deduce it has right adjoint

These give a geometric morphism f: E -> Set[T]- topos analogue of continuous map



Reasoning in point-free logic



Get map (geometric morphism) f: S[T\_1] -> S[T\_2]

Dedekind sections, e.g. (L\_x, R\_x)  $+:\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ et x,y E R' Then scrye R where<br>Lety = {gtr|ge Lsc, re Ly}<br>Rxty = {gtr|ge Rx, re Ry}



Spec: [BA] -> Spaces



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\nLet B be a Boolean algebra  
\nThen Spec (B) is point-free space  
\nof prime filters of B,  
\npresented by (b. B)  
\nlogarithm(s) (b. b. z) = (b.)(b. z) digunction  
\nif (a) is a conjugate  
\npoint in B (b. v b. z) = (b.)(b. z)  
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\n(c) = 1

- B a pt of space of Boolean algebras- internal point-free space= external bundle

Spec(B) is fibre over B

Geometricity => construction is uniform:

- single construction on generic B
- also applies to specific B's
- get those by pullback

 $Spec(g) \longrightarrow ER+ prime filter]$ 

 pullback= generalized fibre of generalized point



# Roles of S

Infinities are extrinsic to logic- supplied by S

(1) Supply infinities for infinite disjunctions:get theories T geometric over S.

(2) Classifying topos built over S: geometric morphism  $\left\langle \int \vec{F} \right| \rightarrow \right\rangle$ 

Suppose T has disjunctions all countable

It's geometric over any S with nno.

But different choices of S give different classifying toposes.

Idea: use finitary logic with type theory that provides nno - replace countable disjunctions by existential quantification over countable types

- they become intrinsic to logic

Arithmetic universes instead of Grothendieck toposes



## Aims

- Finitary formalism for geometric theories
- Dependent type theory of (generalized) spaces
- Use methods of classifying toposes in base-independent way
- Computer support for that
- Foundationally very robust topos-valid, predicative
- Logic intemalizable in itself(cf. Joyal applying AUs to Goedel's theorem)

# Classifying AUs

Universal algebra => AUs can be presented by

- generators (objects and morphisms)
- and relations

theory of AUs is cartesian(essentially algebraic)

(G, R) can be used as a logical theory

AU<G|R> has property like that of classifying toposes

Treat AU<G|R> as "space of models of (G,R)"- But no dependence on a base topos!

Issues: How to present theories? Arithmetic" instead of geometric

Not pure logic - needs ability to construct new sorts

Use sketches - hybrid of logic and category theory

- sorts, unary functions, commutativities
- universals: ability to declare sorts as finite limits, finite colimits or list objects



Issues: strictness

Strict model - interprets pullbacks etc. as the canonicalones

- needed for universal algebra of AUs

But non-strict models are also needed for semantics

Contexts are sketches built in a constrained way

- better behaved than general sketches

- every non-strict model has a canonical strict isomorph

Con is 2-category of contexts- made by finitary means

A base-independent category of generalized point-free spaces

The assignment T |-> AU<T>is full and faithful 2-functor

- from contexts

- to AUs and strict AU-functors (reversed)

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Bundles

 a context map (morphism in Con) - transforms models N of T\_1- to models NU of T\_0 $\pi_{o}$  of  $\leftarrow$  AUSI,  $\leftarrow$  AUSI,  $\leftarrow$ 

For each model M of T 0:

- think of its fibre as

"the space of models N of T\_1 such that NU = M"

If U is of a particular kind (extension map) and if M is a model in an elementary topos (with nno) S,then this fibre exists as a generalized space in Grothendieck's sense

- get geometric theory T\_1/M

- it has classifying topos<br> $\bigotimes \left[\begin{matrix} 1 \ 1 \end{matrix}\right]$ 

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### **Conclusions**

Con is proposed as a category of Grothendieck's generalized spaces

- but in a base-independent way
- consists of what can be done in a minimal foundational setting
- of AUs
- constructive, predicative
- includes real line; also theory of regular measures.