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M-UNIVERSAL INITIAL COMPLETIONS**

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**RÉSUMÉ.** Une  $M$ -complétion initiale universelle d'une catégorie concrète  $(A,U)$  sur  $X$ , où  $M$  est une collection de  $A$ -sources, est un foncteur concret  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  dans une catégorie initialement complète qui transforme les  $M$ -sources en sources  $U_M$ -initiales et qui est universel pour cette propriété. On donne un critère pour que  $E$  soit plein et une condition pour que ce soit un adjoint à droite. Pour des  $M$  spéciaux, on en déduit divers résultats connus (par exemple pour des foncteurs topologiquement algébriques) ou nouveaux (e.g., pour des foncteurs essentiellement algébriques).

**0. INTRODUCTION.**

Various types of functors studied in Categorical Topology and Algebra are instances of  $(E,M)$ -functors, e.g., topological (or initially complete), topologically algebraic, regular, essentially algebraic functors (for some definitions, see 1). Since H. Herrlich's guiding paper on initial completions [6] (see also [7]), it has been an objective to determine MacNeille completions and universal initial completions of given concrete categories (for a survey, see [8] 1.3, [12], [3]). Moreover, in [11] Herrlich and Strecker discovered an interesting connection between topologically algebraic functors (introduced by Y.H. Hong in [13] as a generalization of topological as well as algebraic functors) and their universal initial completions: a concrete category  $(A,U)$  is topologically algebraic iff its universal initial completion is reflective. This result will now be extended to  $(E,M)$ -functors. For this purpose, the concept of a universal initial completion of a concrete category  $(A,U)$  over  $X$  is generalized relative to a given arbitrary conglomerate  $M$  of  $A$ -sources, called an  $M$ -universal initial completion

$$E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M).$$

This completion is new only in the sense that we don't demand that  $M$  consists only of  $U$ -initial sources. So, the completion

$(A_M, U_M)$  is a slight generalization of the concept of a *universal*  $(\Delta, \Gamma)$ -completion where  $\Gamma = \{X\text{-sources}\}$  and  $\Delta$  is any conglomerate of  $U$ -initial sources, as described by Andrée C. Ehresmann [4]. The construction and universal property of  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  are obtained by the "same" technique used in [4] and [6].  $E$  is not a completion in the usual sense, i.e.,  $E$  need not be a full embedding. But we shall prove that  $E$  is a full embedding iff  $M$  consists only of  $U$ -initial sources.

We establish a general correspondence between an  $(E, M)$ -factorization structure of  $U$  and the right adjointness of the  $M$ -universal initial completion of  $(A, U)$ . Our main result is that  $U: A \rightarrow X$  is an  $(E, M)$ -functor iff  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  is right adjoint and  $M$  is (as we shall say)  $U$ -restrictive. From this, the above mentioned characterization of topologically algebraic functors follows for  $M = \{U\text{-initial sources}\}$ , but for other choices of  $M$  we obtain new characterizations. In particular, the case  $M = \{A\text{-monosources}\}$  is interesting: in [10], Herrlich introduced the concept of an *essentially algebraic category*  $(A, U)$  as a very general notion of an "algebraic" category. It will turn out that a concrete category  $(A, U)$  is essentially algebraic iff it has a full and reflective  $\{\text{monosources}\}$ -universal initial completion. Some examples of  $\{\text{monosources}\}$ -universal initial completions will be determined.

## 1. TERMINOLOGY.

In this paper, let  $(A, U)$  denote a *concrete category* over a fixed (base) category  $X$ , i.e., a pair  $(A, U)$  where  $U: A \rightarrow X$  is a faithful and amnesic functor (*amnesic* means that an  $A$ -isomorphism  $f$  is an  $A$ -identity if  $Uf$  is an  $X$ -identity). A *concrete functor*  $F: (A, U) \rightarrow (B, V)$  between concrete categories over  $X$  is a functor  $F: A \rightarrow B$  with  $U = VF$ . An *extension* is a full concrete embedding.

A  $U$ -morphism is a pair  $(f, A)$ , where  $f: X \rightarrow UA$  is an  $X$ -morphism and  $A$  an  $A$ -object. We often write  $f: X \rightarrow A$  for a  $U$ -morphism. A  $U$ -epi(morphism) is a  $U$ -morphism  $e: X \rightarrow A$  such that for each pair  $(a, b): A \rightrightarrows B$  of  $A$ -morphisms  $(Ua)e = (Ub)e$  implies  $a = b$ .

A  $U$ -source on  $X$  is a pair  $(X, S)$  where  $X$  is an  $X$ -object and  $S = (f_i: X \rightarrow A_i)_{i \in I}$  is a family of  $U$ -morphisms indexed by a class  $I$ . We usually write  $(f_i: X \rightarrow A_i)_I$  or  $(f_i)_I$  for  $(X, S)$ . We say that  $f: X \rightarrow A$  belongs to, or is a member of  $(f_i)_I$  provided there is some  $i \in I$  with  $f = f_i$ . If  $U$  is the identity functor on  $A$ , then

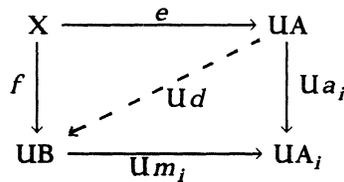
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a  $U$ -source is called an  $A$ -source. We say that  $(g_j: X \rightarrow B_j)_J$  is an extension of  $(f_j: X \rightarrow A_j)_I$  (and that  $(f_j)_I$  is a restriction of  $(g_j)_J$ ) provided  $I$  is a subclass of  $J$  and  $(g_j)_I = (f_j)_I$ .

Given a class  $E$  of  $U$ -morphisms and a collection  $M$  of  $A$ -sources, we say that  $(A, U)$  (or  $U$ ) is  $(E, M)$ -factorizable provided for each  $U$ -source  $(f_j: X \rightarrow A_j)_I$  there are

$$(e: X \rightarrow A) \in E \text{ and } (m_j: A \rightarrow A_j)_I \in M \text{ such that } (f_j)_I = (Um_j e)_I.$$

$(A, U)$  is called an  $(E, M)$ -functor provided it is  $(E, M)$ -factorizable and each pair  $(e: X \rightarrow A) \in E, (m_j: B \rightarrow A_j)_I \in M$  is  $U$ -orthogonal, i.e., whenever the outer rectangle of the diagram



commutes, i.e.,  $(Ua_i)e = (Um_j)f$  for all  $i \in I$ , then there exists exactly one  $A$ -morphism  $d: A \rightarrow B$  (the diagonal) such that

$$f = (Ud)e \text{ and } (m_j d)_I = (a_j)_I.$$

We call any  $U$ -morphism  $e: X \rightarrow A$   $M$ -orthogonal provided for all  $(m_j)_I \in M, e$  and  $(m_j)_I$  are  $U$ -orthogonal. We call  $U$  an  $(-, M)$ -functor provided there is a class  $E$  of  $U$ -morphisms such that  $U$  is an  $(E, M)$ -functor.  $A$  is called an  $(E, M)$ -category provided the identity functor on  $A$  is an  $(E, M)$ -functor.

An  $A$ -source  $(m_j: A \rightarrow A_j)_I$  is called

- a *monosource* provided for each pair  $(a, b): B \rightrightarrows A$  of  $A$ -morphisms  $(m_j a)_I = (m_j b)_I$  implies  $a = b$ ,

- $U$ -initial provided whenever

$$(UB \xrightarrow{f} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_i)_I = (UB \xrightarrow{Ua_i} UA_i)_I$$

then there exists exactly one  $A$ -morphism  $f^-: B \rightarrow A$  with  $Uf^- = f$  (and with

$$(B \xrightarrow{f^-} A \xrightarrow{m_j} A_j)_I = (B \xrightarrow{a_j} A_j)_I),$$

- an *all-source* (on  $A$ ) provided each  $A$ -morphism with domain  $A$  belongs to  $(m_j)_I$ .

$(A, U)$  (or  $U$ ) is called:

- *initially complete* provided  $U$  is an (identity, initial)-functor,
- *topologically algebraic* provided  $U$  is a  $(-, \text{initial})$  functor ([7], 2.3),

– *essentially algebraic* provided  $U$  is ( $U$ -epi, monosource)-factorizable and  $U$  reflects isomorphisms [10] (cf. Proposition 4 (a), (b) below).

We use a *set-class-conglomerate* hierarchy. "Categories" with conglomerate-many objects are called *quasicategories*. A concrete quasicategory over  $X$  is called *legitimate* provided there exists an injection from the conglomerate of its objects into a class.

## 2. THE $M$ -UNIVERSAL INITIAL COMPLETION.

Let  $(A,U)$  be a concrete category over  $X$  and let  $M$  be any conglomerate of  $A$ -sources. We generalize the well-known construction of a universal initial completion of  $(A,U)$  in an obvious manner, i.e., we construct a quasicategory  $(A_M, U_M)$  over  $X$  and a concrete (*comparison*) functor  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  which has the following properties:

(M1)  $(A_M, U_M)$  is initially complete and  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  carries over the sources in  $M$  into  $U_M$ -initial sources, and

(M2) (*Universality of E*) whenever  $F: (A,U) \rightarrow (B,V)$  is a concrete functor into an initially complete concrete (quasi)category which carries over the sources in  $M$  into  $V$ -initial sources, then there exists exactly one initial sources preserving concrete functor  $\bar{F}: (A_M, U_M) \rightarrow (B,V)$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (A,U) & \xrightarrow{F} & (B,V) \\
 \downarrow E & \nearrow \bar{F} & \\
 (A_M, U_M) & & 
 \end{array}$$

commutes. If  $\bar{F}: (A_M, U_M) \rightarrow (B,V)$  is in particular an isomorphism, then  $F: (A,U) \rightarrow (B,V)$  is called an  *$M$ -universal initial completion*. (Note that we deviate from the normal usage of *completion*, since  $E: A \rightarrow A_M$  need not be full and  $A_M$  need not be legitimate.)

In case  $M$  is the conglomerate of all  $U$ -initial sources,  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  is just the universal initial completion (see [6,7,11]). In case  $M$  consists only of  $U$ -initial sources,  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  is a special case of Andrée C. Ehresmann's construction of a *universal  $(\Delta, \Gamma)$ -completion* [4] if one puts  $\Delta = M$  and  $\Gamma$  is the conglomerate of all  $X$ -sources.  $(\Delta, \Gamma)$ -completions, where  $\Delta$  is a conglomerate of  $U$ -initial sources and  $\Gamma$  a conglomerate of  $X$ -sources, were introduced to unify completions of concrete categories, so, for special choices of  $(\Delta, \Gamma)$  one

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obtains the *universal initial completion* ([4], 3), or the *universal (concrete limit) completion*, due to Adamek and Koubek [2] (see also [9]). Although, for our purposes, we do not require that  $M$  consists only of  $U$ -initial sources (cf. Proposition 1), the construction of the  $M$ -universal initial completion and the proof of its properties (M1) and (M2) are essentially the same as for the  $(\Delta, \Gamma)$ -completion or analogous to the universal initial completion. So, we give the construction of  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  and may omit the proofs of (M1) and (M2).

**CONSTRUCTION OF  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$ .**

Call a  $U$ -source  $(f_i: X \rightarrow A_i)_I$  *M-enriched* provided it satisfies the following two conditions:

(C1) Whenever  $a: A_i \rightarrow A$  is an  $A$ -morphism for some  $i \in I$ , then  $(Ua)f_i: X \rightarrow A$  belongs to  $(f_i)_I$ , and

(C2) Whenever  $f: X \rightarrow A$  is a  $U$ -morphism and  $(m_k: A \rightarrow A_k)_K \in M$  such that for each  $k \in K$ ,  $(Um_k)f: X \rightarrow A_k$  belongs to  $(f_i)_I$ , then  $f: X \rightarrow A$  belongs to  $(f_i)_I$ .

Each  $U$ -source  $S = (f_j: X \rightarrow A_j)_I$  has a least  $M$ -enriched extension  $\bar{S} = (f_j: X \rightarrow A_j)_J$  called the *M-enrichment* of  $S$ .

A *source map*  $f: (X, S) \rightarrow (Y, T)$  between  $M$ -enriched  $U$ -sources is an  $X$ -morphism  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  such that for each member  $g: Y \rightarrow A$  of  $T$ ,  $gf: X \rightarrow A$  is a member of  $S$ .

Now, let  $A_M$  be the quasicategory where its object conglomerate is the conglomerate of all  $M$ -enriched  $U$ -sources and its morphism class is the class of all source maps. Composition and identities in  $A$  are adopted from  $X$ .

The concrete functor  $U_M: A_M \rightarrow X$  is the projection functor

$$U_M(f: (X, S) \rightarrow (Y, T)) = f: X \rightarrow Y.$$

The object assignment of  $E: A \rightarrow A_M$  is defined as follows: for any  $A$ -object  $A$  let  $S_A$  be the  $M$ -enrichment of the one-member  $U$ -source  $U\text{id}_A: UA \rightarrow A$ , and put  $EA = (UA, S_A)$ . The morphism assignment of  $E$  is defined by

$$Ef = Uf: (U, S_A) \rightarrow (U, S_B) \text{ for } f: A \rightarrow B \text{ in } A.$$

(In fact,  $Ef$  is a source map, since the restriction of  $S_B$  to the  $U$ -source  $S$  of all members  $g: UB \rightarrow C$  of  $S_B$  such that  $gUf: UA \rightarrow C$  belongs to  $S_A$  contains  $\text{id}_{UB}: UB \rightarrow B$ , and one easily checks that  $S$  is  $M$ -enriched, whence  $S = \bar{S} = S_B$ .)

For the main purpose of this paper, namely, the characterization of  $(E, M)$ -functors, we need only the  $M$ -universal initial

completions, but it is worthwhile to mention that given any conglomerate  $\Delta$  of  $A$ -cones and any conglomerate  $\Gamma$  of  $X$ -cones with  $U[\Delta] \subset V\Gamma$ , one can construct a (possibly non-full and non-legitimate) universal  $(\Delta, \Gamma)$ -completion of  $(A, U)$  in the sense of [4] (in [4], 3, one may drop the condition that  $\Delta$  consists only of  $U$ -initial cones).

**2. FULLNESS AND RIGHT ADJOINTNESS CRITERION FOR  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$ .**

The completion  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  need not be a full embedding. The following Fullness Criterion shows that the fullness of the  $(\Delta, \Gamma)$ -completion in the sense of [4] is not accidentally implied by the assumption that  $\Delta$  contains only  $U$ -initial sources:

**PROPOSITION 1** (*Fullness Criterion*). *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  is a full embedding,
- (b) every member of  $M$  is  $U$ -initial.

**PROOF.** (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b): Let  $(m_j: B \rightarrow A_j)_{j \in I} \in M$  and consider

$$(UB \xrightarrow{f} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_j)_{j \in I} = (UB \xrightarrow{Ua_j} UA_j)_{j \in I}.$$

We show that  $f$  is a source map  $f: (UA, S_A) \rightarrow (UB, S_B)$ . Since  $S_A$  is  $M$ -enriched, each  $(Um_j)f = Ua_j$  and hence  $f: UA \rightarrow UB$  belongs to  $S_A$ . Thus the restriction of  $S_B$  to the  $U$ -source  $S$  of all members  $g: UB \rightarrow C$  of  $S_B$  such that  $gf: UA \rightarrow C$  belongs to  $S_A$  contains  $\text{id}_{UB}: UB \rightarrow B$  and is  $M$ -enriched (as one easily checks), hence  $S = S_B$ , and

$$f: (UA, S_A) \rightarrow (UB, S) = (UB, S_B)$$

is a source map.

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a): For each  $A$ -object  $A$ , let  $S$  be the restriction of  $S_A$  to the source of all members  $g: UA \rightarrow B$  of  $S_A$  for which there exists an  $A$ -morphism  $a: A \rightarrow B$  with  $Ua = f$ .  $S$  obviously satisfies (C1), and also (C2), since if  $f: UA \rightarrow UB$  is a  $U$ -morphism, and  $(m_j: UA \rightarrow A_j)_{j \in I}$  belongs to  $S$ , then there exists an  $A$ -morphism  $f^-: A \rightarrow B$  with  $Uf^- = f$  (because  $(m_j)_{j \in I}$  is  $U$ -initial). Since each  $(Um_j)f$  belongs to  $S_A$ ,  $f$  belongs to  $S_A$ , hence also to  $S$ . So,  $S$  is  $M$ -enriched and obviously contains  $\text{id}_{UA}: UA \rightarrow A$ , hence  $S = S_A$ . Now, let  $f: (UA, S_A) \rightarrow EB$  be a source map. Then  $f = f \text{id}_{UB}$  belongs to  $S_A$ . Since  $S_A = S$ , there exists an  $A$ -morphism  $f: A \rightarrow B$  with  $f = Uf^- = Ef^-$ . ■

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The main result of Herrlich & Strecker [11], namely that the universal initial completion of  $(A,U)$  is reflective iff every  $U$ -source is  $(U\text{-epi, initial})$ -factorizable, is now extended to the  $M$ -universal initial completion.

We say that  $E:(A,U)\rightarrow(B,V)$  is a *right adjoint* provided  $E:A\rightarrow A_M$  has a (not necessarily concrete) left adjoint.

**PROPOSITION 2** (*Right Adjointness Criterion*). *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $E:(A,U)\rightarrow(A_M,U_M)$  is a right adjoint,
- (b) every  $M$ -enriched  $U$ -source is  $(U\text{-epi, all-source})$ -factorizable.

If (a) or (b) holds, then  $A_M$  is legitimate.

**PROOF.** (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b): Let  $(X,S)$  be  $M$ -enriched, i.e., an object of  $A_M$ . There exists an  $E$ -universal morphism  $r:(X,S)\rightarrow EA$ . Since  $r$  is an  $E$ -epi,  $r:X\rightarrow UA$  is also a  $U$ -epi. Since  $r:(X,S)\rightarrow EA$  is a source map,  $r:X\rightarrow UA$  belongs to  $S$ . Since  $S$  satisfies (C1), for each member  $a:A\rightarrow B$  of the all-source on  $A$ ,  $(Ua)r:X\rightarrow B$  belongs to  $S$ , which, together with the universality of  $r:(X,S)\rightarrow EA$  implies that  $S$  is  $(U\text{-epi, all-source})$ -factorizable.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (a): Let  $(X,S), S=(f_j: X\rightarrow A_j)_I$  be an  $A_M$ -object. There exists a  $(U\text{-epi, all-source})$ -factorization

$$(X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Ua_j} UA_j)_I$$

of  $S$ . Since  $e:X\rightarrow UA$  belongs to  $S$  and is a  $U$ -epi,  $e:(X,S)\rightarrow EA$  is an  $E$ -epi. For each  $E$ -morphism  $f:(X,S)\rightarrow UB$ ,  $f:X\rightarrow UB$  belongs to  $S$ , so  $e:(X,S)\rightarrow EA$  is  $E$ -universal.

Now, if (a) holds, choose for any  $M$ -enriched  $U$ -source  $(X,S)$  a  $(U\text{-epi, all-source})$ -factorization

$$(X \xrightarrow{e_S} UA \xrightarrow{Ua_j} UA_j)_I$$

of  $S$ . The  $M$ -enrichment of  $(e_S: X\rightarrow A)$  obviously coincides with  $S$ . So, the assignment  $(X,S) \mapsto e_S$  is an injection from the conglomerate of all  $M$ -enriched  $U$ -sources into the class of all  $U$ -morphisms, thus  $A_M$  is legitimate. ■

**LEMMA.** *If*

$$(X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Ua_j} UA_j)_I$$

*is a  $(U\text{-epi, all-source})$ -factorization of an  $M$ -enriched  $U$ -source, then  $e$  is  $M$ -orthogonal.*

**PROOF.** Consider

$$(X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{U b_j} UB_j)_J = (X \xrightarrow{f} UB \xrightarrow{U m_j} UA_j)_J$$

where  $(m_j: B \rightarrow B_j)_{j \in J} \in M$ . Since  $((U b_j)e: X \rightarrow B_j)_{j \in J}$  is a restriction of the  $M$ -enriched source  $((U a_j)e: X \rightarrow A_j)_{j \in I}$ ,  $f: X \rightarrow B$  belongs to it, i. e., there is a  $k \in I$  with

$$(f: X \rightarrow B) = (U a_k)e: X \rightarrow A_k.$$

We have

$$U(m_j a_k)e = (U m_j)(U a_k)e = (U m_j)f = (U b_j)e,$$

hence  $m_j a_k = b_j$  for all  $j \in J$  (since  $e$  is  $U$ -epi). So,  $a_k: A \rightarrow A_k = B$  functions as a diagonal. ■

**REMARK 1.** If  $(A, U)$  satisfies (a) and (b) of Proposition 2, then the  $M$ -universal initial completion of  $(A, U)$  can be given in a more convenient form, namely, up to equivalence, as the quasi-category  $B$  of all  $M$ -orthogonal  $U$ -epis  $(e, A)$  as the  $B$ -objects; a  $B$ -morphism  $f: (e, A) \rightarrow (e', A')$  between  $M$ -orthogonal  $e: X \rightarrow A$  and  $e': X' \rightarrow A'$  is an  $X$ -morphism  $f: X \rightarrow X'$  for which there exists an  $A$ -morphism  $a: A \rightarrow A'$  such that  $e'f = (Ua)e$ . This is clear, since the object assignment  $(X, S) \mapsto e_S$  given in the last part of the proof of Proposition 2 can easily be extended to a full embedding from  $A_M$  into  $B$  which is an equivalence. (By the above lemma,  $e_S$  is  $M$ -orthogonal.) This observation generalizes Herlich & Strecker's construction of a universal initial completion of a topologically-algebraic  $(A, U)$  ([11], 2.5).

### 3. $(E, M)$ -FUNCTORS AND $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$ .

If  $(A, U)$  has a right adjoint  $M$ -universal initial completion then every  $U$ -source has a  $(M$ -orthogonal, source)-factorization. This follows from Proposition 2 and the lemma. Now, we look for a condition for  $M$  guaranteeing that every  $U$ -source is  $(M$ -orthogonal,  $M$ )-factorizable, i. e., that  $U$  is an  $(-, M)$ -functor, namely:

**DEFINITION.**  $M$  is called  $U$ -restrictive provided that for each  $(U$ -epi, all-source)-factorization

$$(X \xrightarrow{f} UB \xrightarrow{U m_j} UA_j)_J$$

of the  $M$ -enrichment of a  $U$ -source  $(f_j: X \rightarrow UA_j)_{j \in J}$  the restriction  $(m_j)_{j \in J}$  belongs to  $M$ .

Now we state our main result. There we assume the tri-

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vial condition that  $M$  is *isomorphism closed*, i.e., whenever  $(m_i: A \rightarrow A_i)_I \in M$  and  $f: B \rightarrow A$  is an  $A$ -isomorphism, then we have  $(m_i f: B \rightarrow A_i)_I \in M$ .

**THEOREM.** *The following conditions are equivalent, for any isomorphism closed  $M$ :*

- (a)  $U: A \rightarrow M$  is an  $(E, M)$ -functor for some  $E$ ,
- (b)  $U: A \rightarrow M$  is  $(U\text{-epi}, M)$ -factorizable and  $M$  is  $U$ -restrictive,
- (c)  $E: (A, U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  is a right adjoint and  $M$  is  $U$ -restrictive.

**PROOF.** (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b): By [11], 2.1, every  $(E, M)$ -functor  $U$  is  $(U\text{-epi}, M)$ -factorizable. Now we prove that  $M$  is  $U$ -restrictive: let

$$(f_j: X \longrightarrow UA_j)_J = (X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_j)_J$$

be a  $(U\text{-epi}, \text{all-source})$ -factorization of the  $M$ -enrichment  $(f_j)_J$  of a  $U$ -source  $(f_i)_I$ . There exists an  $(E, M)$ -factorization

$$(f_j: X \longrightarrow UA_j)_I = (X \xrightarrow{\bar{e}} U\bar{A} \xrightarrow{U\bar{m}_j} UA_j)_I.$$

Let  $(f_k: X \rightarrow A_k)_K$  be the restriction of  $(f_j)_J$  to the  $U$ -source of all members  $g: X \rightarrow B$  of  $(f_j)_J$  for which there exists (exactly one)  $A$ -morphism  $a: \bar{A} \rightarrow B$  such that

$$(g: X \longrightarrow B) = (X \xrightarrow{\bar{e}} U\bar{A} \xrightarrow{Ua} UB).$$

Since  $\bar{e}: X \rightarrow U\bar{A}$  is a  $U$ -epi (see [11], 2.1),  $(f_k)_K$  is an extension of  $(f_i)_I$ , and it is  $M$ -enriched, since it obviously satisfies (C1), and if  $f: X \rightarrow B$  is any  $U$ -morphism and  $(n_l: B \rightarrow B_l)_L \in M$  such that each  $(Un_l)f: X \rightarrow B_l$  belongs to  $(f_k)_K$ , then for each  $l \in L$  there is an  $A$ -morphism  $a_l: \bar{A} \rightarrow B_l$  such that the outer rectangle of the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\bar{e}} & U\bar{A} \\ f \downarrow & \swarrow \text{---} Ud \text{---} & \downarrow Ua_l \\ UB & \xrightarrow{Un_l} & UA_l \end{array}$$

commutes for each  $l \in L$ . Since  $\bar{e}$  is  $M$ -orthogonal, there exists a diagonal  $d: \bar{A} \rightarrow B$  in  $A$ . Since each  $(Un_l)f$  belongs to the  $M$ -enriched  $(f_j)_J$ ,  $f$  belongs to  $(f_j)_J$ , hence to  $(f_k)_K$ . Thus,  $(f_k)_K$  is an  $M$ -enriched extension of  $(f_i)_I$ , so  $(f_k)_K = (f_j)_J$  and  $\bar{e}: X \rightarrow U\bar{A}$  belongs to  $(f_k)_K$ . Now,  $e: X \rightarrow UA$  belongs to  $(f_j)_J = (f_k)_K$ , so there are  $A$ -morphisms

$$a: A \rightarrow \bar{A} \text{ and } \bar{a}: \bar{A} \rightarrow A \text{ with } \bar{e} = (Ua)e \text{ and } e = (U\bar{a})\bar{e}.$$

Since  $e$  and  $\bar{e}$  are  $U$ -epis,  $a: A \rightarrow \bar{A}$  is an  $A$ -isomorphism. Because  $(f_j)_I$  is a restriction of  $(f_j)_J$ , the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{e} & UA \\
 \bar{e} \downarrow & \swarrow Ua & \downarrow Um_i \\
 U\bar{A} & \xrightarrow{Um_i} & UA_i
 \end{array}$$

commutes, for each  $i \in I$ . Since  $(\bar{m}_i)_I \in M$  and  $M$  is isomorphism closed,  $(m_j)_I \in M$ .

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c): Let

$$(f_j: X \longrightarrow UA_j)_J = (X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_j)_J$$

be a  $(U\text{-epi}, M)$ -factorization of an  $M$ -enriched  $(f_j)_J$ . Then  $e: X \rightarrow A$  belongs to  $(f_j)_J$ , and the  $U$ -epi property of  $e$  implies that  $(m_j)_J$  is an all-source on  $A$ . (c) follows now from Proposition 2.

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a): Let  $S = (f_j: X \rightarrow UA_j)_I$  be a  $U$ -source and  $\bar{S} = (f_j: X \rightarrow UA_j)_J$  be its  $M$ -enrichment. By Proposition 2, there exists a  $(U\text{-epi}, \text{all-source})$ -factorization

$$(X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_j)_J$$

of  $\bar{S}$ . By the lemma,  $e: X \rightarrow A$  is  $M$ -orthogonal. Since  $M$  is  $U$ -restrictive,  $(m_j)_I \in M$ . So

$$(X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_j)_I$$

is an  $(M\text{-orthogonal}, M)$ -factorization of  $S$ . ■

**REMARK 2.** We mention the following fact (and omit its proof):

For each  $(U\text{-epi}, \text{all-source})$ -factorization

$$(X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_j)_J$$

of the  $M$ -enrichment of a  $U$ -source  $(f_j: X \rightarrow UA_j)_I$ , the restriction  $(m_j)_I$  belongs to  $M_U$ , i.e., the conglomerate of all  $A$ -sources  $(n_k)_K$  such that for each  $M$ -orthogonal  $U$ -epi  $f: X \rightarrow B$  the pair  $f, (n_k)_K$  is  $M$ -orthogonal.

From this observation, we obtain the following consequence:

If  $U$  is  $(U\text{-epi}, M)$ -factorizable and  $E$  is the class of all  $M$ -orthogonal  $U$ -epis, then  $M_U$  is the largest among all  $A$ -sources  $N$  such that  $U$  is an  $(E, N)$ -functor, and for all these pairs  $(E, N)$ , the  $N$ - and the  $M_U$ -universal initial completions of  $(A, U)$  coincide (cf. Remark 1). (In [14], there is an example of an  $(E, M)$ -functor with  $M \neq M_U$ .)

4. APPLICATIONS. MONO-UNIVERSAL INITIAL COMPLETIONS.

Now we apply the theorem of §3 to special U-restrictive M's, obtaining that U is an (-,M)-functor iff  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  is a right adjoint.

(a)  $M = \emptyset$ :

$E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_\emptyset, U_\emptyset)$  coincides with the largest initially dense extension of  $(A,U)$  (see [6,7]). E is only reflective when the base category X is empty.

(b)  $M =$  conglomerate of all A-sources:

Considering empty A-sources  $(A,\emptyset)$ , one has that for each X-object X the U-source of all U-morphisms  $f: X \rightarrow A$  is the only source-enriched U-source on X, i.e.,  $U_M: A_M \rightarrow X$  is an isomorphism, so  $U: (A,U) \rightarrow (X, id_X)$  is a source-universal initial completion, which is a right adjoint iff  $U: A \rightarrow X$  is a (-, source)-functor.

(c)  $M =$  the conglomerate of all U-initial sources:

Here, the full embedding  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  is the universal initial completion (see [6,7]). E is reflective iff U is topologically-algebraic. This is the main result of Herrlich & Strecker ([11], 2.7).

(d)  $M =$  the conglomerate of all monosources in A:

Here, we substitute the prefix M by "mono" and call  $E: (A,U) \rightarrow (A_M, U_M)$  a *mono-universal initial completion*.

**PROPOSITION 3.** *The conglomerate of all monosources in A is U-restrictive.*

**PROOF.** Let

$$(f_j: X \longrightarrow UA_j)_J = (X \xrightarrow{e} UA \xrightarrow{Um_j} UA_j)_J$$

be a (U-epi, all-source)-factorization of the mono-enrichment  $(f_j)_J$  of a U-source  $(f_i)_I$ . Let  $(x,y): B \rightrightarrows A$  be a pair of A-morphisms such that  $m_i x = m_i y$  for all  $i \in I$ . Let K be the class of all  $j \in J$  with  $m_i x = m_j y$ .  $(f_k: X \rightarrow UA_k)_K$  is an extension of  $(f_i)_I$  and we prove that  $(f_k)_K$  is mono-enriched: for any  $k \in K$ , let  $a: A_k \rightarrow B$  be an A-morphism. Since  $(f_j)_J$  is mono-enriched, there is some  $j \in J$  such that  $(Ua_k) f_k: X \rightarrow B$  equals  $f_j: X \rightarrow A_j$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{f_k} & UA_k & \xrightarrow{Ua} & UB = UA_j \\
 & \searrow e & \uparrow Um_k & & \nearrow Um_j \\
 & & UA & & 
 \end{array}$$

We have

$$(Um_j)e = f_j = (Ua)f_k = (UaUm_k)e = U(am_k)e,$$

hence  $m_j = am_k$  (since  $e$  is a  $U$ -epi), so

$$m_jx = am_kx = am_ky = m_jy,$$

i.e.,  $j \in K$  and  $f_j = (Ua)f_k$  belongs to  $(f_k)_K$ . Now, let  $f: X \rightarrow B$  be a  $U$ -morphism and  $(n_l: B \rightarrow B_l)_L$  a mono-source in  $A$  such that  $(Un_l)f: X \rightarrow B_l$  belongs to  $(f_k)_K$  for all  $l \in L$ , i.e., for each  $l \in L$  there exists a  $k_l \in K$  such that  $(Un_l)f$  equals  $f_{k_l}: X \rightarrow A_{k_l}$ . Since  $(f_j)_J$  is mono-enriched, there is some  $j \in J$  such that  $f: X \rightarrow B$  equals  $f_j: X \rightarrow A_j$ . So, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f_{k_l}} & UA_{k_l} = UB_l \\ e \downarrow & \searrow^{f_j=f} & \uparrow Un_l \\ UB & \xrightarrow{Um_j} & UA_j = UB \end{array}$$

commutes for each  $l \in L$ , hence

$$U(n_l m_j)e = f_{k_l} = (Um_{k_l})e, \text{ so } n_l m_j = m_{k_l}$$

for all  $l \in L$ . Therefore

$$n_l m_j x = m_{k_l} x = m_{k_l} y = n_l m_j y$$

for each  $l \in L$ , hence  $m_j x = m_j y$  (since  $(n_l)_L$  is a monosource), which shows that  $j \in K$ , i.e.,  $f = f_j$  belongs to  $(f_k)_K$ . Thus,  $(f_k)_K$  is a mono-enriched extension of  $(f_j)_J$ , hence  $K=J$ , i.e.,  $m_j x = m_j y$  for all  $j \in J$ , which implies  $x = y$  (since  $\text{id}_A$  is a member of the all-source  $(m_j)_J$  on  $A$ ). ■

As for topologically-algebraic functors, we are now able to characterize essentially algebraic concrete categories (for definition, see §1). They were introduced by Herrlich [10] as a generalization of the concept of an "algebraic" category. From Propositions 1 and 3 (for an essentially algebraic  $(A,U)$ ,  $A$ -monosources are  $U$ -initial [10], VI) and from the theorem of §3 we obtain:

**PROPOSITION 4.** *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $(A,U)$  is essentially algebraic,
- (b)  $U: A \rightarrow X$  is a  $(-, \text{monosource})$ -functor and reflects isomorphisms.
- (c)  $(A,U)$  has a full and reflective mono-universal legitimate initial completion.

## 5. EXAMPLES OF MONO-UNIVERSAL INITIAL COMPLETIONS.

As initial sources for topological categories, monosources play a basic role for algebraic categories, which is also emphasized by Proposition 4, stating that the essential algebraicity of  $(A,U)$  and the reflectivity of its *mono*-universal initial completion are equivalent. So it is a natural objective to determine the mono-universal initial completions of (essentially) algebraic categories.

In general, any mono-universal initial completion of an essentially algebraic category  $(A,U)$  contains its universal initial completion as a full concrete subcategory, and the two completions coincide iff all  $U$ -initial sources are monosources. By Remark 1, the mono-universal initial completion of  $(A,U)$  is (up to equivalence) the category of all mono-orthogonal  $U$ -epis, which, as one easily proves, equals the category of all extremal  $U$ -epis  $e: X \rightarrow A$ , i.e.,  $A$  is *generated* by  $e$  in the usual algebraic sense (cf. [11], 3.4, who show that the universal initial completion of an (essentially) algebraic  $(A,U)$  coincides with the category of all extremal  $U$ -epis under the *restrictive* condition whereby all  $U$ -initial sources are monosources).

We give some examples:

(a) Consider the trivially concrete category  $(\mathbf{Set}, \text{id})$  over  $\mathbf{Set}$  (=category of sets and maps) and the concrete category  $(\mathbf{Top}, U)$  over  $\mathbf{Set}$  of all topological spaces and continuous maps. Both are initially complete, so they are their own universal initial completions. The extremal ( $U$ -)epis in  $(\mathbf{Set}, \text{id})$  (resp.  $(\mathbf{Top}, U)$ ) are just the surjective maps (resp. surjective maps into discrete spaces). Thus, the mono-universal initial completion of  $(\mathbf{Set}, \text{id})$  as well as of  $(\mathbf{Top}, U)$  is the category of all pairs  $(X, R)$ , where  $R$  is an equivalence relation on the set  $X$ , and of all equivalence relation preserving maps.

(b) More general: For algebraic (=regular in the sense of [5], 2.1) categories  $(A,U)$ , the mono-universal initial completion of  $(A,U)$  is (up to equivalence) the category of all pairs  $(X, r)$  where  $X$  is an  $X$ -object and  $r: FX \rightarrow A$  is a regular epimorphism in  $A$  with  $FX$  the  $U$ -free object with base  $X$ , and the obvious morphisms. For example, the mono-universal initial completion of the concrete category (over  $\mathbf{Set}$ ) of all groups and homomorphisms is the category of all pairs  $(X, N)$ , where  $X$  is a set and  $N$  is a normal subgroup of the free group with base  $X$ , together with the obvious morphisms.

(c) The mono-universal initial completion of the essentially algebraic (but non-algebraic) concrete category  $\mathbf{Cat}$  over  $\mathbf{Set}$

of all small categories and functors between them (cf. [10], IV) is (up to equivalence) the category of all maps  $e: X \rightarrow A$ , where  $e[X]$  generates the small category  $A$ , i.e., every identity in  $A$  is a domain- or codomain-identity of some member of  $e[X]$  and every non-identity member of  $A$  belongs to the compositive hull of  $e[X]$  in  $A$ . This completion cannot be obtained by the category of all pairs  $(X, r)$  defined in (b).

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