ON UNIVERSAL COMPOSITIONS OF MAPS

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Abstract

In this paper we shall introduce notions of \mathcal{F} -universality and \mathcal{F} -e-universality for maps between compact Hausdorff spaces and explore the behaviour of these properties under the operation of composition of maps. We consider both the quest for conditions on maps f and g which would imply that their composition $g \circ f$ is either \mathcal{F} -universal or \mathcal{F} -e-universal and the quest for consequences on f and g when the composition $g \circ f$ is either \mathcal{F} -universal or \mathcal{F} -e-universal is either \mathcal{F} -universal or \mathcal{F} -e-universal. In our approach \mathcal{F} is an arbitrary class of maps. For a special choice of \mathcal{F} , the notion of \mathcal{F} -universality reduces to Holsztyński's notion of universality while \mathcal{F} -e-universality reduces to Sanjurjo's notion of proximate universality.

Throughout the paper, unless stated otherwise, by a space we mean a compact Hausdorff space and by a map we mean a continuous function between spaces. We shall always consider maps $f: X \to Y$ and $g: Y \to Z$ and their composition $g \circ f: X \to Z$. The letters M, N, and P will be reserved for spaces containing X, Y, and Z as closed subsets, respectively.

We shall use \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} to denote arbitrary classes of maps. The fact that a map f belongs to \mathcal{F} will be expressed by saying that f is an \mathcal{F} -map. Let \mathcal{F}_A^Z denote the class of all \mathcal{F} -maps $a: A \to B$ with B contained in Z. Let \mathcal{A} be the class of all maps.

For maps $a: X \to Y$ and $b: X \to Y$ between spaces X and Y and an open cover σ of Y we let $a \approx b$, $a \approx b$, and a = b mean that a(x) = b(x) for some $x \in X$, a(x) = b(x) (i. e., that some member of σ contains both a(x) and b(x)) for some $x \in X$, and a(x) = b(x) for every $x \in X$, respectively.

A map $f: X \to Y$ is \mathcal{F} -universal provided $f \approx a$ for every \mathcal{F}_X^{Y} -map a. Observe that a map is \mathcal{A} -universal iff it is universal in the sense of Holsztyński [5].

In order to define \mathcal{F} -e-universal maps we shall use Borsuk's method from [2]. In this approach we do not require exact coincidence and we allow that maps slip outside of compacta into neighborhoods in an ambient space.

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Let \tilde{X} denote the collection of all open covers of a space X. Let n(A, X)and kn(A, X) stand for the collection of all open and of all compact neighborhoods in X of a subset A in X, respectively. Let \tilde{X}_A denote all collections of open subsets of X which cover A and let $i_{A,X}$ be the inclusion of A into X.

A map $f: X \to Y$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in N provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$ there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$ such that $f \stackrel{\sim}{\approx} a$ for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^U$. Observe that a map of metric compacta is \mathcal{A} -e-universal in the Hilbert cube Q iff it is proximately universal in the sense of Sanjurjo [10, Theorem 5].

It was already noticed by Holsztyński in [7] that the composition of universal maps need not be universal. Some partial results in the identification of sufficient conditions on maps $f: X \to Y$ and $g: Y \to Z$ which imply that the composition $g \circ f: X \to Z$ is (proximately) universal are included in [6], [7], [1], and [10].

In the present paper we establish theorems which give answers to the above problem for \mathcal{F} -universality and \mathcal{F} -e-universality in N and also to a question to find conditions which imply that either f or g is \mathcal{F} -universal and \mathcal{F} -e-universal in N and in P when the composition $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal and \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, respectively.

Our first result shows that in the definition of universalities with respect to a class \mathcal{F} we can always pass on to a larger class.

A map f is an $[\mathcal{F}]$ -map provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{Y}$ there is an $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^{Y}$ with $f \stackrel{\sigma}{=} a$. It is an $[\mathcal{F}, N)$ -map provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$ and every $V \in n(Y, N)$ there is an $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^{V}$ with $f \stackrel{\sigma}{=} a$. Similarly, f is an (\mathcal{F}, M, N) -map provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$ and every $V \in n(Y, N)$ there is a $U \in kn(X, M)$ and an $a \in \mathcal{F}_U^{V}$ with $f \stackrel{\sigma}{=} a|_X$.

Theorem 1.

- (a) A map f is \mathcal{F} -universal iff it is $[\mathcal{F}]$ -universal.
- (b) A map f is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in N iff it is $[\mathcal{F}, N)$ -e-universal in N.

Proof: (b). Let $\xi \in \tilde{N}_Y$. Let ξ^* and ξ^{**} denote the set of all members σ of \tilde{N}_Y such that the star of σ and the double-star of σ refines ξ , respectively. Let $\sigma \in \xi^*$. By assumption, there is a $V \in n(Y, N)$ such that $f \stackrel{\sim}{\approx} h$ for every $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$.

Consider a $k \in [\mathcal{F}, N]_X^V$. Choose an $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ with $h \stackrel{\sigma}{=} k$. Since $f \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} h$, we get $f \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} k$.

The following theorem resembles Theorem (3.3) in [7] and Theorem 9 in [10].

For a map $f : X \to Y$ and a space Z, let $\sigma_Z(f) : X \times Z \to Z \times Y$ be a map defined by $\sigma_Z(f)(x,z) = (z,f(x))$ for every $(x,z) \in X \times Z$. Let $\sigma_Z(\mathcal{F}) = \{\sigma_Z(f) : f \in \mathcal{F}\}.$

Theorem 2.

- (a) The composition $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal iff the product $f \times g$ is $\sigma_Y(\mathcal{F})$ -universal.
- (b) The composition g f is F-e-universal in P iff the product f × g is σ_Y(F)-e-universal in Y × P.

Proof: (b). Let $g \circ f$ be \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P. Let $\xi \in Y \times P_{Y \times Z}$. Choose an $\eta \in \tilde{P}_Z$ such that $b \stackrel{\pi}{=} c$ in P implies $(a,b) \stackrel{\xi}{=} (a,c)$ in $Y \times P$ for every $a \in Y$. By assumption, there is a $V \in n(Z,P)$ with $h \stackrel{\pi}{\approx} g \circ f$ for every $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$. Let $U = Y \times V \in n(Y \times Z, Y \times P)$.

Consider a $k \in \sigma_Y(\mathcal{F})_{X \times Y}^U$. Pick an $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ such that $k = \sigma_Y(h)$. The way in which V was selected implies the existence of an $x \in X$ with $h(x) \stackrel{n}{=} g \circ f(x)$. Then

$$k(x, f(x)) = \sigma_Y(h)(x, f(x)) = (f(x), h(x))$$

and $(f(x), h(x)) \stackrel{\xi}{=} (f(x), g \circ f(x)) = (f \times g)(x, f(x))$. Hence, $k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} f \times g$.

Conversely, suppose that $f \times g$ is $\sigma_Y(\mathcal{F})$ -e-universal in $Y \times P$. Let $\eta \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\mu \in \eta^*$. Let $\theta = g^{-1}(\mu)$. Let $\xi = \{E \times M : E \in \theta, M \in \mu\} \in Y \times P_{Y \times Z}$. By assumption, there is a $U \in n(Y \times Z, Y \times P)$ such that $k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} f \times g$ for every $k \in \sigma_Y(\mathcal{F})_{X \times Y}^U$. Choose a $V \in n(Z, P)$ with $Y \times V \subset U$.

Consider an $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$. Since $\sigma_Y(h)$ is in $\sigma_Y(\mathcal{F})_{X \times Y}^U$, there is an $(x, y) \in X \times Y$ with $(y, h(x)) \stackrel{\xi}{=} (f(x), g(y))$. In other words, $y \stackrel{\theta}{=} f(x)$ and $h(x) \stackrel{\mu}{=} g(y)$. Hence, $h \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} g \circ f$.

The first half of the above theorem clearly includes Theorem (3.3) in [7]. In order to see that it also generalizes Theorem 9 in [10], we need the following theorem.

Recall [9] that a space X is an approximate polyhedron provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{X}$ there is a polyhedron K and maps $u: X \to K$ and $d: K \to X$ with $d \circ u \stackrel{\sigma}{=} id_X$, where id_X is the identity map on X. One can easily see that a space is an approximate polyhedron iff it is an approximate absolute neighborhood retract (in the sense of Clapp) for the class of all compact Hausdorff spaces [4].

A class \mathcal{F} of maps is *solid* provided $f \circ g \in \mathcal{F}$ for every $f \in \mathcal{F}$ and every map g such that $f \circ g$ can be defined. Similarly, \mathcal{F} is a *legal* class provided $f \circ g \in \mathcal{F}$ for every $g \in \mathcal{F}$ and every map f such that $f \circ g$ can be defined. Clearly, the class \mathcal{A} is both solid and legal.

Theorem 3. Let \mathcal{F} be a legal class of maps. If f is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in some approximate polyhedron R, then f is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in every space N.

Proof: Let $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$. Let T be a space obtained by glueing R and N along Y. Since N is a closed subset of T, there is an $\eta \in \tilde{T}_Y$ such that $\eta|_N$ refines

 σ . Let $\xi \in \eta^*$. By assumption, there is a $V \in n(Y, R)$ with $f \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} h$ for every $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$. Select refinements π of $\xi|_R$ and ρ of ξ such that the star $st(Y, \pi)$ of Y with respect to the collection π is a subset of V and that $\rho|_R$ refines π . Let $\tau \in \rho^*$. Since R is an approximate polyhedron, there is an $S \in n(R, T)$ and a map $r: S \to R$ such that $y \stackrel{\tau}{=} r(y)$ for every $y \in Y$. Hence, there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$ such that $U \subset S \bigcap st(Y, \tau)$ and $u \stackrel{\tau}{=} r(u)$ for every $u \in U$.

Consider an $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^U$. Let $k = r \circ h$. Since \mathcal{F} is legal, $k \in \mathcal{F}$. But, $k(X) \subset st(Y,\rho|_R) \subset st(Y,\pi) \subset V$. Hence, $k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} f$. It follows that $f \stackrel{\pi}{\approx} h$ because $k \stackrel{\tau}{\approx} h$. Since $f(X) \bigcup h(X) \subset N$, we get $f \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} h$.

The next three results are related to Proposition (3.9) in [1] and the first half of Theorem 8 in [10].

A map g is an $X[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-retraction provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{Z}$ and every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^Z$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^Y$ with $a \stackrel{\sigma}{=} g \circ b$.

A map g is an $X(\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G}]$ -e-retraction in P provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ there is a $W \in n(Z, P)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^Y$ with $a \stackrel{\sigma}{=} g \circ b$.

A map g is an $X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-retraction in (N, P) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G: U \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{\sigma}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $V \in n(Y, U)$ there is a $W \in n(Z, P)$ so that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^Y$ with $a \stackrel{\sigma}{=} G \circ b$.

Observe that g is a $Z[\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}]$ -e-retraction iff it is ARI (approximately right invertible) [8]. Also, g is a $Z(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A})$ -e-retraction in (Q, Q) iff it is a weakly refinable map (see [10, Theorem 6]).

Theorem 4.

- (a) If f is G-universal and g is an $X[\mathcal{F}, G]$ -e-retraction, then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal.
- (b) If f is G-universal and g is an X(F,G)-e-retraction in P, then g f is F-e-universal in P.
- (c) If f is G-e-universal in N and g is an $X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-retraction in (N, P), then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P.

Proof: (c). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\eta \in \sigma^*$. Since g is an $X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-retraction in (N, P), there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G: U \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{n}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $V \in n(Y, U)$ there is a $W \in n(Z, P)$ so that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $a \stackrel{n}{=} G \circ b$. Let $\theta = G^{-1}(\eta) \in \tilde{N}_Y$.

Since f is *G*-e-universal in N, there is an $S \in n(Y, N)$ with the property that $h \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} f$ for every $h \in \mathcal{G}_X^S$. Let $V = S \cap U \in n(Y, U)$. By assumption, there is a $W \in n(Z, P)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $a \stackrel{n}{=} G \circ b$.

Consider a $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$. Choose an $h \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $k \stackrel{n}{=} G \circ h$. The way in which V was selected implies $h \stackrel{\theta}{=} f$. Hence, $G \circ h \stackrel{n}{\approx} G \circ f \stackrel{n}{=} g \circ f$. Finally, we get

k≈g∘f. ∎

A map g is $ARI[\mathcal{F}]$ provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{Z}$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Z^Y$ with $g \circ s \stackrel{\sigma}{=} id_Z$.

A map g is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G: U \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{\sigma}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $V \in n(Y, U)$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Z^V$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{\sigma}{=} i_{Z,P}$.

A map g is $ARI(\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$, a map $G: U \to P$, and a $W \in kn(Z, P)$ such that $g \stackrel{\sigma}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $V \in n(Y, U)$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_W^V$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{\sigma}{=} i_{W,P}$.

Clearly, $ARI[\mathcal{A}]$ and $ARI(\mathcal{A})$ in (Q, Q) maps agree with weakly refinable maps, while $ARI[\mathcal{A}]$ maps agree with ARI maps.

Theorem 5. Let \mathcal{F} be a solid class of maps.

- (a) If f is \mathcal{F} -universal and g is $ARI[\mathcal{F}]$, then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{A} -universal.
- (b) If f is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in N and g is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{A} -universal.
- (c) If f is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in N and g is $ARI(\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{A} -e-universal in P.

Proof: (c). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\xi \in \sigma^*$. Since g is $ARI(\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), there is a $V \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G: V \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{\xi}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $W \in n(Y, V)$ there is a $U \in kn(Z, P)$ and an $s \in \mathcal{F}_U^W$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{\xi}{=} i_{U,P}$.

Let $\theta = G^{-1}(\xi)$. Sclect a $W \in n(Y, V)$ such that $f \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} h$ for every $h \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$. By assumption, there is a $U \in kn(Z, P)$ and an $s \in \mathcal{F}_U^W$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{\xi}{\leq} i_{U,P}$.

Let $k : X \to intU$ be a map. Observe that $s \circ k \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$ because \mathcal{F} is a solid class of maps. Hence, $f \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} s \circ k$, $g \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{=} G \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ s \circ k \stackrel{\xi}{=} k$, and $k \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} g \circ f$.

In the statement of the next theorem we shall need the following notions. They could be regarded as dual to the notions of nearly extendable maps [2] (or, equivalently, e-movable maps [3]).

A map f is $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-liftable in Z provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{Z}$ and every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Y^Z$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^Z$ with $b \stackrel{\sigma}{=} a \circ f$.

A map f is $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (P, Z) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ there is a $W \in n(Z, P)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Y^W$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^Z$ with $b \stackrel{\sigma}{=} a \circ f$.

A map f is $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (P, Z) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$, every $U \in n(Z, P)$, and every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Y^Z$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^U$ with $b \stackrel{\sigma}{=} a \circ f$.

A map f is $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (P, Z) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ and every $V \in n(Z, P)$ there is a $W \in n(Z, P)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Y^W$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $b \stackrel{\sigma}{=} a \circ f$.

Let $\lambda_Z[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ denote the class of all $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-liftable in Z maps. The notations $\lambda_{(P,Z)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}], \lambda_{(P,Z)}[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$, and $\lambda_{(P,Z)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ have analogous meanings.

A map g is extendable in (N, P) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G: U \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{\sigma}{=} G|_Y$.

Theorem 6. Let \mathcal{F} be a solid class of maps.

- (a) If f is G-universal and g is $ARI[\mathcal{F}]$, then $g \circ f$ is $\lambda_Y[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -universal.
- (b) If f is G-e-universal in N and g is both ARI[F] and extendable in (N, P), then g o f is λ_(N,Y)[F,G)-universal.
- (c) If f is G-universal and g is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), then $g \circ f$ is $\lambda_{(N,Y)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -universal.
- (d) If f is G-e-universal in N and g is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), then $g \circ f$ is $\lambda_{(N,Y)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -universal.
- (e) If f is G-e-universal in N and g is $ARI(\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), then $g \circ f$ is $\lambda_{(N,Y)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-universal in P.

Proof: (d). Let a $\sigma \in \tilde{Z}$ and a $\lambda_{(N,Y)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -map $k : X \to A$ with A contained in Z be given. Pick an $\eta \in \tilde{P}$ such that the restriction $\eta|_Z$ of η to Z refines σ . Let $\xi \in \eta^{**}$. Since g is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G : U \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{\xi}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $V \in n(Y, U)$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Z^V$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{\xi}{=} i_{Z,P}$. Let $\theta = G^{-1}(\xi) \in \tilde{N}_Y$.

By assumption, there is a $V \in n(Y,U)$ such that $h \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} f$ for every $h \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$. Since k is $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (N, P), there is a $W \in n(Y,U)$ with the property that that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_A^W$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $b \stackrel{\theta}{=} a \circ k$. By assumption on g, there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Z^W$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{\xi}{=} i_{Z,P}$. Choose a $t \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $t \stackrel{\theta}{=} (s|_A) \circ k$.

The way in which V was selected implies $f \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} t$. Combining the above relations, we get $g \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{=} G \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ t \stackrel{\xi}{=} G \circ (s|_A) \circ k \stackrel{\xi}{=} i_{A,P} \circ k = k$. Hence, $k \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} g \circ f$.

(e). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\eta \in \sigma^{**}$. Since g is $ARI(\mathcal{F})$ in (N, P), there is a $U \in n(Y, N)$, a map $G: U \to P$, and a $W \in kn(Z, P)$ such that $g \stackrel{?}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $V \in n(Y, U)$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_W^V$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{?}{=} i_{W,P}$. Let $\theta = G^{-1}(\eta) \in \tilde{N}_Y$.

Let $k: X \to A$ be a $\lambda_{(N,Y)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -map and assume that A is a subset of W. Since f is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in N, there is a $V \in n(Y, U)$ such that $h \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} f$ for every $h \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$. Since k is $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (N, P), there is an $R \in n(Y, U)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_A^R$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $b \stackrel{\pi}{=} a \circ k$. Select an $s \in \mathcal{F}_W^R$ and a $t \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$ with $G \circ s \stackrel{\pi}{=} i_{W,P}$ and $t \stackrel{\theta}{=} (s|_A) \circ k$. Observe that $t \stackrel{\theta}{\approx} f$. Hence, $k = i_{W,P} \circ k \stackrel{\pi}{=} G \circ (s|_A) \circ k$ and $G \circ (s|_A) \circ k \stackrel{\pi}{=} G \circ t \stackrel{\pi}{\approx} G \circ f \stackrel{\pi}{=} g \circ f$. It follows that $k \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} g \circ f$.

A map f is an $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-progression in Z provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{Z}$ and every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^Z$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Y^Z$ with $a \stackrel{\sigma}{=} b \circ f$.

A map f is an $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-progression in (P, Z) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ there is a $V \in n(Z, P)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Y^Z$ with $a \stackrel{\sigma}{=} b \circ f$.

A map f is an $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-progression in (P, Z) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$ and every $U \in n(Z, P)$ there is a $V \in n(Z, P)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Y^U$ with $a \stackrel{e}{=} b \circ f$.

Observe that an ALI (approximately left invertible) map f (i. e., a map such that for every $\sigma \in \tilde{X}$ there is a map $s: Y \to X$ with $s \circ f \stackrel{\sigma}{=} id_X$) is an $[\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}]$ -e-progression in every space Z. Similarly, an ALI in M map f (i. e., a map such that for every $\sigma \in \tilde{M}_X$ and every $U \in n(X, M)$ there is a map $s: Y \to U$ with $s \circ f \stackrel{\sigma}{=} i_{X,U}$) will be an $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A})$ -e-progression in every pair (P, Z) where P is an absolute neighborhhod retract. It will be an $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}]$ -eprogression provided, in addition, Z is an approximate polyhedron.

Theorem 7.

- (a) If f is a surjective $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-progression and g is \mathcal{G} -universal, then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal.
- (b) If f is a surjective (F, G)-e-progression in (P, Z) and g is G-universal, then g o f is F-e-universal in P.
- (c) If f is a surjective $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-progression in (P, Z) and g is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in P, then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P.

Proof: (c). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\eta \in \sigma^*$. Since g is *G*-e-universal in P, there is a $U \in n(Z, P)$ such that $g \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} h$ for every $h \in \mathcal{G}_Y^U$. Choose a $V \in n(Z, P)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Y^U$ with $a \stackrel{\eta}{=} b \circ f$.

Let $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$. Select an $h \in \mathcal{G}_Y^U$ with $k \stackrel{n}{=} h \circ f$. By assumption, $g \stackrel{n}{\approx} h$. But, since f is onto, the last relation implies $g \circ f \stackrel{n}{\approx} h \circ f$. Hence, $k \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} g \circ f$.

The (b) part of the next theorem improves the (b) part of Theorem 8 in [10]. We replace Sanjurjo's assumption that a map r is refinable with a weaker assumption (for example, that it is weakly refinable).

Theorem 8. Let \mathcal{F} be a legal class of maps.

- (a) If f is $ARI[\mathcal{F}]$ and g is \mathcal{F} -universal, then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{A} -universal.
- (b) If f is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (M, N), g is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, and P is an approximate polyhedron, then $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{A} -e-universal in P.

Proof: (b). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\xi \in \sigma^{**}$ and $\eta \in \xi^*$. Since g is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, there is a $U \in n(Z, P)$ such that $g \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} h$ for every $h \in \mathcal{F}_Y^U$. We claim that $k \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} g \circ f$ for every map $k : X \to U$.

Indeed, let $k: X \to U$ be a map. Since P is an approximate polyhedron, there is a $W \in n(X, M)$, a $V \in n(Y, N)$, and maps $K: W \to U$ and $G: V \to P$ such that $k \stackrel{\xi}{=} K|_X$ and $g \stackrel{\xi}{=} G|_Y$. Let $\theta = G^{-1}(\eta)$. Since f is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (M, N), there is an $R \in n(X, W)$ and a map $F: R \to V$ such that $f \stackrel{\theta}{=} F|_X$ and for every $T \in n(X, R)$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Y^T$ with $F \circ s \stackrel{\theta}{=} i_{Y,N}$.

Let $T \in n(X, R)$. Choose an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Y^T$ with $F \circ s \stackrel{\theta}{=} i_{Y,N}$. Since the class \mathcal{F} is legal, the composition $K \circ s : Y \to U$ is from \mathcal{F}_Y^U . By assumption, $g \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} K \circ s$. On the other hand, from $F \circ s \stackrel{\theta}{=} i_{Y,N}$ we get $g \stackrel{\eta}{=} G \circ F \circ s$. Hence, we have $K \circ s \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ F \circ s$ and $K|_T \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ F|_T$. Since T was arbitrary, $K|_X \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ F|_X$. But, $G \circ F|_X \stackrel{\eta}{=} G \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{=} g \circ f$, and $k \stackrel{\xi}{=} K|_X$ so that $k \stackrel{\varphi}{\approx} g \circ f$.

A map f is $Z[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-movable provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{Y}$ and every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Z^X$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Z^Y$ with $b \stackrel{\sigma}{=} f \circ a$.

A map f is $Z(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-movable in (M, N) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$ there is a $U \in n(X, M)$ and a map $F : U \to N$ such that $f \stackrel{\sigma}{=} F|_X$ and for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Z^U$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Z^Y$ with $b \stackrel{\sigma}{=} F \circ a$.

A map f is $Z(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-movable in (M, N) provided for every $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$ there is a $U \in n(X, M)$ and a map $F : U \to N$ such that $f \stackrel{\sigma}{=} F|_X$ and for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Z^U$ and every $V \in n(Y, N)$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Z^V$ with $b \stackrel{\sigma}{=} F \circ a$.

Observe that a map f is $Z(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}]$ -e-movable in (Q, Q) iff f is internally Z-e-movable [3]. Similarly, a map f is $Z(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A})$ -e-movable in (Q, Q) iff f is Z-e-movable [3].

Let $\mu Z[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ denote the class of all $Z[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-movable maps. The following notations $\mu_{(M,N)}Z(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ and $\mu_{(M,N)}Z(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ have analogous meanings.

Theorem 9.

- (a) If f is $ARI[\mathcal{F}]$ and g is G-universal, then $g \circ f$ is $\mu Y[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -universal.
- (b) If f is ARI[F) in (M, N) and g is both G-universal and extendable in (N, P), then g f is μ_(M,P)Y(F,G]-universal.
- (c) If f is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (M, N) and g is both G-e-universal and extendable in (N, P), then $g \circ f$ is $\mu_{(M,P)}Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-universal.

Proof: (b). Let $a \sigma \in \tilde{Z}$ and $a Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-movable in (M, P) map $k : X \to A$ with A a subset of Z be given. Select an $\eta \in \tilde{P}$ such that $\eta|_Z$ refines σ . Let $\xi \in \eta^*$. Let $\nu \in \xi^{**}$.

Since k is $Y(\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G})$ -e-movable in (M, P), there is a $U \in n(X, M)$ and a map $K: U \to P$ such that $k \stackrel{\nu}{=} K|_X$ and for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Y^U$ there a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Y^A$ with $b \stackrel{\nu}{=} K \circ a$.

Choose a $V \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G: V \to P$ with $g \stackrel{\xi}{=} G|_Y$. Let $\theta = G^{-1}(\nu)$. Since f is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (M, N), there is a $W \in n(X, U)$ and a map

 $F: W \to N$ such that $f \stackrel{\theta}{=} F|_X$ and for every $L \in n(X, W)$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Y^L$ with $F \circ s \stackrel{\theta}{=} i_{Y,N}$.

Let $R \in n(X, W)$. By assumption, we know there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Y^R$ with $F \circ s \stackrel{g}{=} i_{Y,N}$. Choose a $t \in \mathcal{G}_Y^A$ with $t \stackrel{\iota}{=} K \circ s$. Since g is \mathcal{G} -universal, $t \stackrel{\iota}{\approx} g$. Now, $K \circ s \stackrel{\iota}{=} t \stackrel{\iota}{\approx} g$ and $G|_Y \stackrel{\iota}{=} G \circ F \circ s$. It follows that $K|_R \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ F|_R$. But, since R is arbitrary, we get $K|_X \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ F|_X$. Hence, $k \stackrel{\varphi}{\approx} g \circ f$.

(c). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\eta \in \sigma^*$ and $\xi \in \eta^{**}$. By asumptions on g, there is a $J \in n(Z, P)$, a $V \in n(Y, N)$, and a map $G: V \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} h$ for every $h \in \mathcal{G}_Y^J$ and $g \stackrel{\xi}{=} G|_Y$. Let $\theta = G^{-1}(\xi)$.

Consider a $Y(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-movable in (M, P) map $k: X \to A$ and assume that A is a subset of J. Select a $U \in n(X, M)$ and a map $K: U \to P$ such that $k \stackrel{\ell}{=} K|_X$ and for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_Y^U$ and every $L \in n(Z, P)$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_Y^L$ with $b \stackrel{\ell}{=} K|_A$. Since f is $ARI[\mathcal{F})$ in (M, N), there is a $W \in n(X, U)$ and a map $F: W \to P$ such that $f \stackrel{\theta}{=} F|_X$ and for every $R \in n(X, W)$ there is an $s \in \mathcal{F}_Y^R$ and a $t \in \mathcal{G}_Y^J$ with $t \stackrel{\ell}{=} K \circ s$ and $F \circ s \stackrel{\theta}{=} i_{Y,N}$. The way in which J was selected implies $t \stackrel{\ell}{\approx} g$. Now, we have the following chain of relations $K \circ s \stackrel{\ell}{=} t \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \stackrel{\ell}{=} G|_Y \stackrel{\ell}{=} G \circ F \circ s$. It follows that $K|_R \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} G \circ F|_R$. Since R was arbitrary, we get $K|_X \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} G \circ F|_X$. Hence, $k \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} g \circ f$.

We shall now establish partial converses of the above theorems. This time we assume that the composition $g \circ f$ is universal and try to get that either g or f is universal.

Theorem 10.

- (a) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal and g is both an embedding and $X[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-movable, then f is \mathcal{G} -universal.
- (b) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal and g is both an embedding and $X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-movable in (N, P), then f is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in N.
- (c) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P and g is both an embedding and $X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ e-movable in (N, P), then f is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in N.

Proof: (c). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$. Since g is an embedding, there is a $\xi \in \tilde{P}_Z$ such that for every $U \in n(Y, N)$ and every map $G: U \to P$ with $g \stackrel{\xi}{=} G|_Y$ there is a $V \in n(Y, U)$ such that $G(x) \stackrel{\xi}{=} G(y)$ for $x, y \in V$ implies $x \stackrel{\sigma}{=} y$. Let $\eta \in \xi^*$. We use now the second assumption on g to choose a $U \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $G: U \to P$ such that $g \stackrel{\eta}{=} G|_Y$ and for every $h \in \mathcal{G}_X^U$ and every $W \in n(Z, P)$ there is a $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$ with $k \stackrel{\eta}{=} G \circ h$. Since $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, there is a $W \in n(Z, P)$ such that $k \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} g \circ f$ for every $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$. Finally, pick a $V \in n(Y, U)$ using the way in which ξ was selected.

Let $h \in \mathcal{G}_X^V$. Choose a $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^W$ with $k \stackrel{\eta}{=} G \circ h$. By assumption, $k \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} g \circ f$ and $g \circ f \stackrel{\eta}{=} G \circ f$. Hence, $G \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ h$ and $f \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} h$.

Theorem 11. Let \mathcal{F} be a solid class of maps.

- (a) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal and g is both an embedding and an $[\mathcal{F}]$ -map, then f is \mathcal{A} -universal.
- (b) If g f is F-e-universal in P and g is both an embedding and an [F, P)-map, then f is A-universal.
- (c) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P and g is both an embedding and an (\mathcal{F}, N, P) -map, then f is A-e-universal in N.

Proof: (c). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{N}_Y$. Select ξ and η as in the proof of the previous theorem. Since $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, there is a $V \in n(Z, P)$ such that $k \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} g \circ f$ for every $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$. By the second assumption on g, there is a $U \in kn(Y, N)$ and a $G \in \mathcal{F}_U^V$ with $g \stackrel{\eta}{=} G|_Y$. Let a $W \in n(Y, U)$ be selected using the way in which ξ was chosen.

Let $h: X \to W$ be a map. Since \mathcal{F} is a solid class of maps, $G \circ h \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$. It follows that $G \circ h \stackrel{\eta}{\approx} g \circ f \stackrel{\pi}{=} G \circ f$. Hence, $G \circ h \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} G \circ f$ and $h \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} f$.

Theorem 12. Let \mathcal{F} be a solid class of maps.

- (a) If $g \circ f$ is G-universal and g is both an embedding and an $[\mathcal{F}]$ -map, then f is $\lambda_Z[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -universal.
- (b) If g ∘ f is G-universal and g is both an embedding and an (F, P)-map, then f is λ_(P,Z)(F, G)-universal.
- (c) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in P and g is both an embedding and an $[\mathcal{F}, P)$ -map, then f is $\lambda_{(P,Z)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -universal.

Proof: (c). Let $h: X \to A$ be an $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (P, Z) map and assume that A is a subset of Y. In order to show that $f \approx h$ it suffices to see that $f \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} h$ for every $\sigma \in \tilde{Y}$.

Let $\sigma \in \tilde{Y}$. Since g is an embedding, there is a $\xi \in \tilde{Z}$ such that $g(x) \stackrel{\xi}{=} g(y)$ for $x, y \in Y$ implies $x \stackrel{\sigma}{=} y$. Let $\eta \in \tilde{P}$ has the property that $\eta|_Z$ refines ξ . Let $\mu \in \eta^*$. By assumption on $g \circ f$, there is a $U \in n(Z, P)$ with $k \stackrel{\mu}{=} g \circ f$ for every $k \in \mathcal{G}_X^U$. Since h is $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (P, Z), there is a $V \in n(Z, U)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_A^V$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^U$ with $b \stackrel{\mu}{=} a \circ h$. By the second assumption on g, there is an $m \in \mathcal{F}_Y^V$ such that $g \stackrel{\mu}{=} m|_Y$.

The restriction $m|_A$ is in \mathcal{F}_A^V because the class \mathcal{F} is solid. It follows that there is a $k \in \mathcal{G}_X^U$ with $k \stackrel{\mu}{=} m \circ h$. But, $k \stackrel{\mu}{\approx} g \circ f$. Hence, $g \circ h \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \circ f$ and $h \stackrel{\varphi}{\approx} f$.

Theorem 13.

- (a) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal and f is $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-liftable in Z, then g is \mathcal{G} -universal.
- (b) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P and f is $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (P, Z), then g is \mathcal{G} -universal.
- (c) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal in P and f is $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -e-liftable in (P, Z), then g is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in P.
- (d) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P and f is $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-liftable in (P, Z), then g is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in P.

Proof: (d). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\xi \in \sigma^*$. Since $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, there is a $U \in n(Z, P)$ such that $k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \circ f$ for every $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^U$. By assumption on f, there is a $V \in n(Z, U)$ such that for every $a \in \mathcal{G}_Y^V$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{F}_X^U$ with $b \stackrel{\xi}{=} a \circ f$.

Let $h \in \mathcal{G}_Y^V$. Choose a $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^U$ with $k \stackrel{\xi}{=} h \circ f$. Observe that $k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \circ f$. Hence, $h \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{=} k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \circ f$ and $h \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} g$.

Theorem 14. Let \mathcal{F} be a legal class of maps.

- (a) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -universal and f is an $[\mathcal{F}]$ -map, then the mapping g is \mathcal{A} -universal.
- (b) If $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, f is an (\mathcal{F}, N) -map, and P is an approximate polyhedron, then g is \mathcal{A} -e-universal in P.

Proof: (b). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\xi \in \sigma^*$. Since $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{F} -e-universal in P, there is a $U \in n(Z, P)$ such that $k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \circ f$ for every $k \in \mathcal{F}_X^U$.

Let $h \in \mathcal{A}_Y^U$. Since P is an approximate polyhedron, there is a $V \in n(Y, N)$ and a continuous function $H: V \to U$ with $h \stackrel{\xi}{=} H|_Y$. Let $\theta = H^{-1}(\xi)$. Choose an $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ with $a \stackrel{\theta}{=} f$. The assumptions about \mathcal{F} and U imply $H \circ a \in \mathcal{F}_X^U$ and $g \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} H \circ a$. But, $H \circ a \stackrel{\xi}{=} H \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{=} h \circ f$. Hence, $g \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} h$.

Theorem 15.

- (a) If f is an $[\mathcal{F}]$ -map and $g \circ f$ is G-universal, then g is $\mu X[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -universal.
- (b) If f is an $[\mathcal{F}, N)$ -map and $g \circ f$ is G-universal, then the mapping g is $\mu_{(N,P)}X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$ -universal.
- (c) If f is an $[\mathcal{F}, N)$ -map and $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in P, then g is $\mu_{(N,P)}X(\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G})$ -e-universal.

Proof: (c). Let $\sigma \in \tilde{P}_Z$. Let $\xi \in \sigma^{**}$. Since $g \circ f$ is \mathcal{G} -e-universal in P, there is a $U \in n(Z, P)$ such that $k \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \circ f$ for every $k \in \mathcal{G}_X^U$.

Consider an $X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ -e-movable in (N, P) map $h: Y \to A$ and assume that A is contained in U. Choose a $V \in n(Y, N)$ and a map $H: V \to P$ such that $h \stackrel{\xi}{=} H|_Y$ and for every $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ and every $W \in n(Z, P)$ there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^W$ with $b \stackrel{\xi}{=} H \circ a$. Let $\theta = H^{-1}(\xi)$. Since f is an $[\mathcal{F}, N)$ -map, there is an $a \in \mathcal{F}_X^V$ with $a \stackrel{\theta}{=} f$. By assumption, there is a $b \in \mathcal{G}_X^W$ with $b \stackrel{\xi}{=} H \circ a$ and $b \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} g \circ f$. Hence, $g \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{\approx} b$ and $b \stackrel{\xi}{=} H \circ a \stackrel{\xi}{=} H \circ f \stackrel{\xi}{=} h \circ f$ and $g \stackrel{\sigma}{\approx} h$.

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