

Ontological Logs, Higher Categories and a path to programmatic representation

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Part 1: Intuitions and Definitions

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- $\mathcal{C}at \implies (\mathcal{C}at \downarrow \mathcal{C}) \implies sm(\mathcal{C})$
- Colimits / Coverings
- Anisotropy / monoidal \$
- \mathcal{G} / \oplus
- Site / Ontological Generation

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- $\mathcal{C}at$ as a category, $sm, Fun : \mathcal{C}at \rightarrow \mathcal{C}at$
- $\Delta : Id_{\mathcal{C}at} \rightarrow Fun$
- $colim : Fun(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$
- $\eta : Id \rightarrow \Delta \circ colim$ as initial in $\mathcal{L}_{fun, \mathcal{C}}$

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- $\mathcal{C}at$ as a 2-category
- Simplicial Sets
- Functoriality as Naturality
- Pythonic Simplicial Sets
- Face and Degeneracy as ontological expansions

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- I.e. labeled objects and labeled morphisms
- An ontology represents concepts and their relations via category theory

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(careful, in general the spiral product isn't just an ordinary union)

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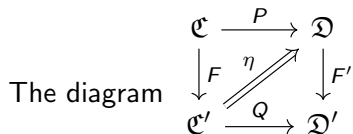
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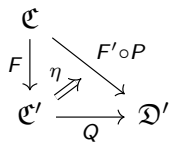
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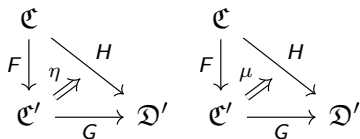
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