

Network Sheaves Valued in Categories of Adjunctions and their Laplacians

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Abstract

We report past and ongoing efforts to compute (global) sections of cellular sheaves valued in categories of adjunctions. First, we discuss previous work on sheaves valued in $\mathcal{L}tc$, the category of complete lattices and Galois connections. Then, we survey ongoing efforts to generalize the fixed point theorem (Theorem 1) to (i) $CatAdj$, the category of (sufficiently small) categories and adjunctions, and (ii) $\mathbb{M}Adj$, the category of ordered monoid-enriched categories and adjunctions.

Cellular sheaves are sheaves with coefficients in a category \mathcal{D} whose base space is an Alexandrov space of a certain poset—a face relation poset—encoding the gluing of cells in a cell complex X (vertices and edges in a graph, perhaps) onto one another [1, 2]. If \mathcal{D} is complete, a folk theorem (full proof is supplied in [3]) is that the category of sheaves over the Alexandrov topology of a face relation poset \mathbf{P}_X is equivalent to the category of functors and natural transformations,

$$[\mathbf{P}_X, \mathcal{D}].$$

One motivation for extending the theory of cellular sheaves beyond categories of vector spaces [1] and categories of inner product spaces [4] lies in graph signal processing. Standard graph filtering techniques not only require input signals to be collected in vector spaces with a homogeneous number of features, but are unnameable to data types that are not vector-valued, such as set-valued data types e.g. arising in semantics of multi-agent systems [5] or recommendation systems [6].

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In this extended abstract, we consider cellular sheaves over a graph $G = (V_G, E_G)$ valued in a category of adjunctions, i.e. functors

$$\mathcal{F} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{A}dj$$

—for brevity, we narrow our focus to sheaves over graphs, but many of the results readily generalize to sheaves over cell complexes. Previous work [7] has addressed the particular case where $\mathcal{A}dj$ is $\mathcal{L}tc$, the category of lattices and Galois connections. Objects of $\mathcal{L}tc$ are complete lattices, i.e. posets that are complete (limits denoted \bigvee) in the categorical sense—and consequently cocomplete (colimits denoted \bigwedge) [9, Theorem 2.2]. Morphisms in $\mathcal{L}tc$ consist of adjunctions (i.e. monotone Galois connections [8]) $F_* \dashv F^*$ between complete lattices,

$$\mathbf{L} \xrightleftharpoons[F_*]{F^*} \mathbf{L}'.$$

Adjunctions are composed in the usual way; the identity morphism is the identity adjunction, $1_{\mathbf{L}} \dashv 1_{\mathbf{L}}$.

We summarize some key results of our work [7] as follows:

- We construct a Laplacian—the **Tarski Laplacian** denoted L —associated to a given sheaf

$$\mathcal{F} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{L}tc$$

which acts as a diffusion operator on the (product) lattice of 0-cochains,

$$C^0(G; \mathcal{F}) := \prod_{v \in V_G} \mathcal{F}(v).$$

Explicitly, the Tarski Laplacian is an order-preserving map,

$$L : \prod_{v \in V_G} \mathcal{F}(v) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in V_G} \mathcal{F}(v),$$

$$(L\mathbf{x})_v = \bigwedge_{e \in \delta(v)} (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e})_* \left(\bigwedge_{w \in \partial(e)} (\mathcal{F}_{w \triangleleft e})_* (x_w) \right).$$

- Via the Tarski Laplacian, we show how to compute (guaranteeing existence *gratis* by invoking the Tarski Fixed Point Theorem [10]) a limit,

$$\lim (\underline{\mathcal{F}} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{S}up),$$

(a complete lattice) whose elements are called **sections**. In order that sections exist, we pass to the category $\mathcal{S}up$ of complete lattices and completely \bigvee -preserving maps (continuous functors). The category $\mathcal{S}up$ being complete [11], functors factoring through \mathcal{F} , i.e. functors $\underline{\mathcal{F}}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{P}_G & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} & \mathcal{L}tc \\ & \searrow \underline{\mathcal{F}} & \downarrow U_{\text{left}} \\ & & \mathcal{S}up \end{array}$$

into Sup , have all limits.¹

- We prove the following fixed point theorem:

Theorem 1 ([7, Theorem 3.1]). *Let $\mathcal{F} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{L}tc$ be a cellular sheaf over G . Suppose $\underline{\mathcal{F}} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow Sup$ is the functor $U_{\text{left}} \circ \mathcal{F}$. Then,*

$$\lim \underline{\mathcal{F}} = \text{Post}(L)$$

where $\text{Post}(L) := \text{Fix}(L \wedge id) = \{\mathbf{x} \in C^0(G; \mathcal{F}) : L(\mathbf{x}) \geq \mathbf{x}\}$.

In work in progress, we seek to generalize the above results (especially the fixed point theorem) for various choices of Adj .

1. Suppose Adj is the 2-category $CatAdj$, the category of (\mathbb{U} -small) categories (for some Grothendiek universe \mathbb{U}) and adjunctions (cf. [12]).

- (a) A **cellular stack** over G is a functor $\mathcal{C} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow CatAdj$.
- (b) The Laplacian L is the endofunctor $L : \prod_{v \in V_G} \mathcal{C}(v) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in V_G} \mathcal{C}(v)$ given by

$$(L\mathbf{X})_v := \prod_{e \in \delta(v)} \prod_{w \in \delta(e)} (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (\mathcal{F}_{w \triangleleft e}) \bullet (X_w).$$

For convenience, we supply an additional endofunctor called the **parison functor**²,

$$(\Delta\mathbf{X})_v := \prod_{e \in \delta(v)} (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (X_v),$$

which—in $\mathcal{L}tc$ coefficients—is the (point-wise) meet (\wedge) of expanding maps.

- (c) The following imitates Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. *Suppose \mathcal{C} is a cellular stack over G . Then, the category $\text{Post}(L) := \{f : \mathbf{X} \rightarrow L(\mathbf{X}) \mid \mu_{\mathbf{X}} \circ Lf \circ f = \eta_{\mathbf{X}}\}$ —as in the following commutative diagram³*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbf{X} & \xrightarrow{f} & L(\mathbf{X}) & \xrightarrow{Lf} & L^2(\mathbf{X}) \\ & \searrow \eta_{\mathbf{X}} & & \swarrow \mu_{\mathbf{X}} & \\ & & \Delta(\mathbf{X}) & & \end{array}$$

¹ U_{left} is the functor that forgets right adjoints (remembers left adjoints) in $\mathcal{L}tc$. In slight abuse of notation, we denote U_{left} for the functor that forgets right adjoints in any category of categories and adjunctions and $\underline{\mathcal{F}}$ for postcomposition of some functor \mathcal{F} in such a category with U_{left} .

²A *parison* is an expanding bubble of glass formed in the process of glassblowing.

³ $\eta_{\mathbf{X}}$ is the product of units

$$X_v \xrightarrow{\eta} (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (X_v).$$

$\mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ comes from the monads $((\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet, \mu_{v \triangleleft e}, \eta_{v \triangleleft e})$.

—coincides with the 2-categorical limit

$$\lim(\mathcal{C} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathit{Cat}).$$

2. In an effort to (i) generalize Theorem 1 to weighted graphs and (ii) facilitate the notion of an approximate section (more on this [13, 4]), we look to enriched category theory [14]. For the remainder of this extended abstract, we explore network sheaves of categories and adjunctions for Adj the category $\mathbb{M}\text{-Adj}$ of certain monoidal categories and monoidal adjunctions.

- (a) An ordered monid is a tuple $\mathbb{M} = (M, \cdot, 1, \leq)$ for which $(M, \cdot, 1)$ is a monoid (small monoidal category) and (M, \leq) is a partial order. An \mathbb{M} -category is a category enriched in \mathbb{M} . An \mathbb{M} -functor F between \mathbb{M} -categories is a 1-functor $F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ such that

$$\text{hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(x, x') \leq \text{hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(F(x), F(x'))$$

for all $x, x' \in \mathcal{A}$. An \mathbb{M} -adjunction is a pair of opposing \mathbb{M} -functors $\mathcal{A} \xrightleftharpoons[F \cdot]{F \bullet} \mathcal{B}$ such that

$$\text{hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(F \cdot (x), y) = \text{hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(x, F \bullet (y))$$

for all $x \in \mathcal{A}, y \in \mathcal{B}$. Now, let $\mathbb{M}\text{-Adj}$ denote the category of \mathbb{M} -categories and \mathbb{M} -adjunctions.

- (b) A **cellular \mathbb{M} -stack** over G is a functor $\mathcal{F} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathbb{M}\text{-Adj}$.
(c) Suppose $W : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathbb{M}$ is a weighting of G . Then, the **weighted Tarski Laplacian** is the endomorphism on the product of \mathbb{M} -categories (again, an \mathbb{M} -category) $\prod_{v \in G} \mathcal{F}_v$,

$$(LX)_v := \prod_{\substack{e \in \partial(v) \\ w \in \delta(e)}}^W (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (\mathcal{F}_{w \triangleleft e}) \bullet (X_w)$$

where the product is a limit (indexed or) weighted by W [14, p. 37].

- (d) We end with another generalization of Theorem 1—again relating sections to fixed points. In the special case, \mathbb{M} is $\mathbb{B} = (\{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{F}\}, \wedge, 1, \leq)$, $W(e) = 1$ for all $e \in E_G$, and $m = 1$, we recover Theorem 1 on the nose. We specialize to closed \mathbb{M} -categories⁴ with internal hom in \mathbb{M} ,

$$[a, b] := \bigvee \{c \mid a \cdot c \leq b\}.$$

Theorem 3. *Let $\mathcal{F} : \mathbf{P}_G \rightarrow \mathbb{M}\text{-Adj}$ be cellular \mathbb{M} -stack over G . Suppose $m \in \mathbb{M}$. Then, $\text{hom}(\mathbf{X}, L(\mathbf{X})) \geq m$ if and only if*

$$[W(e), \text{hom}((\mathcal{F}_{w \triangleleft e}) \bullet (X_w), (\mathcal{F}_{v \triangleleft e}) \bullet (X_v))] \geq m$$

for all $e \in E_G, v, w \in \partial(e)$.

⁴Examples of closed \mathbb{M} -categories include categories enriched in \mathbb{B} , the interval $\mathbb{I} = ([0, 1], \cdot, 1, \leq)$, and Heyting algebras [15].

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