



Morphism Properties of Digital Categories

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Abstract

In this paper we defined the Img_{κ} category and researched the properties of monomorphism, epimorphism and isomorphism for digital categories which are related with the categorical structure in [1]. Also initial and terminal objects in digital categories are defined by using \mathcal{K} – adjacency relation. Hence we determined the initial and terminal objects of digital categories which have digital image with \mathcal{K} – adjacency as objects. In addition to this we proved that the objects of the same type in a digital category are isomorphic.

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1. Introduction

Digital Topology is a field of mathematical science which investigates the image processing and digital image processing. Many Researchers, for example Rosenfeld [2], Han [3], Kong [4], Boxer [5,6], Karaca [7] and others have contributed this area with their research. The notion of digital image, digital continuous map is studied in [2, 3, 4, 5, 6]. Their characterization and effective computation became a useful tool for our research. Then we carry this notion to category theory and we construct some fundamental category models in digital topology.

We introduce the Img_{κ} Category and give the monomorphism and epimorphism properties of Img_{κ} category. Also we define the initial and terminal objects in Img_{κ} and prove that initial and terminal objects are isomorphic in Img_{κ} .

2. Preliminaries

In this study we indicate the set of integers by \mathbb{Z} . Then \mathbb{Z}^n denotes the set of lattice points in Euclidean n – dimensional spaces. A finite subset of \mathbb{Z}^n with an adjacency relation is said to be digital image.

Definition 2.1. ([5] and [6])

- (1) Two points p and q in \mathbb{Z}^2 are 2 – adjacent if $|p - q| = 1$.
- (2) Two points p and q in \mathbb{Z}^2 are 8 – adjacent if they are distinct and differ by at most 1 in each coordinate.
- (3) Two points p and q in \mathbb{Z}^2 are 4 – adjacent if they are 8 – adjacent and differ by exactly one coordinate.
- (4) Two points p and q in \mathbb{Z}^3 are 26 – adjacent if they are distinct and differ by at most 1 in each coordinate.
- (5) Two points p and q in \mathbb{Z}^3 are 18 – adjacent if they are 26 – adjacent and differ in at most two coordinates.
- (6) Two points p and q in \mathbb{Z}^3 are 6 – adjacent if they are 18 – adjacent and differ by exactly one coordinate.

Suppose that \mathcal{K} be an adjacency relation defined on \mathbb{Z}^n . A digital image $X \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$ is \mathcal{K} – connected [5] if and only if for every pair of points $\{x, y\} \subset X$, $x \neq y$, there



is a set $\{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_c\} \subset X$ such that $x = x_0, x_c = y$ and x_i and x_{i+1} are κ -neighbors, $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, c-1\}$.

Definition 2.2. Let X and Y are digital images such that $X \subset \square^{n_0}$, $Y \subset \square^{n_1}$. Then the digital function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a function which is defined between digital images.

Definition 2.3. ([5] and [6]) Let X and Y are digital images such that $X \subset \square^{n_0}$, $Y \subset \square^{n_1}$. Assume that $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Let κ_i be an adjacency relation defined on \square^{n_i} , $i \in \{0, 1\}$. f is called to be (κ_0, κ_1) -continuous if the image under f of every κ_0 -connected subset of X is κ_1 -connected.

A function satisfying Definition 2.3 is referred to be digitally continuous. A consequence of this definition is given below.

Proposition 2.4. ([5] and [6]) Let X and Y are digital images. Then the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be (κ_0, κ_1) -continuous if and only if for every $\{x_0, y_0\} \subset X$ such that x_0 and x_1 are κ_0 -adjacent, either $f(x_0) = f(x_1)$ or $f(x_0)$ and $f(x_1)$ are κ_1 -adjacent.

The basic notions of Category Theory is given in [8], [9]. Also digital and soft properties of categories are investigated in [1], [10].

Definition 2.5. [1] A category \mathbf{C} consists of the following data:

- Objects: A, B, C, \dots
- Arrows: f, g, h, \dots
- For each arrow f , there are given objects $dom(f), cod(f)$

called the domain and codomain of f . We write

$$f : A \rightarrow B$$

to indicate that $A = dom(f)$ and $B = cod(f)$

- Given arrows $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$, that is, with

$$cod(f) = dom(g)$$

there is given an arrow

$$g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$$

called the composite of f and g .

- For each object A , there is given an arrow

$$1_A : A \rightarrow A$$

called the identity arrow of A .

This data required to satisfy the following laws:

Associativity: $h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$ for all $f : A \rightarrow B, g : B \rightarrow C$ and $h : C \rightarrow D$.

Unit: $f \circ 1_A = f = 1_B \circ f$ for all $f : A \rightarrow B$.

3. The Category Img_κ

- The objects of Img_κ are κ -adjacent digital images,
- The morphisms of Img_κ are κ -continuous (digitally continuous) functions,
- For each morphism f in Img_κ

$$dom(f) \text{ and } cod(f)$$

are κ -adjacent digital images.

- Let $(A, \kappa), (B, \kappa)$ and (C, κ) be κ -adjacent digital images, i.e., objects in Img_κ . Given morphisms $f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$ and $g : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ with $cod(f) = dom(g)$. Then the function $g \circ f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ is a κ -continuous function, since the composition of two digital continuous (κ -continuous) is continuous. Thus $g \circ f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ an Img_κ -morphism.
- For each (A, κ) , Img_κ -object, the identity map $1_{(A, \kappa)} : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (A, \kappa)$ is a κ -continuous function. Therefore $1_{(A, \kappa)}$ is an Img_κ -morphism.
- Composition: For all $f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$, $g : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ and $h : (C, \kappa) \rightarrow (D, \kappa)$ Img_κ -morphisms, we have $h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$
- Identity: For each $f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$ Img_κ -morphism

$$f \circ 1_{(A, \kappa)} = f = 1_{(B, \kappa)} \circ f$$

Thus we have construct the Img_κ category of digital images and digital continuous functions.

Let now investigate some properties of Img_κ category.

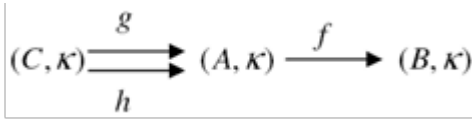


4. Epis and Monos in Img_{κ}

Definition 4.1: Let $(A, \kappa), (B, \kappa)$ and (C, κ) be Img_{κ} -objects which have the same cardinality. For given any $h, g : (C, \kappa) \rightarrow (A, \kappa)$ Img_{κ} -morphism, if $f \circ g = f \circ h$ implies that $g = h$, then

$$f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$$

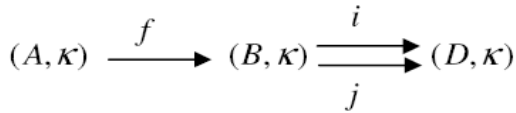
Img_{κ} -morphism is called a \mathcal{K} -monomorphism.



Definition 4.2: Let $(A, \kappa), (B, \kappa)$ and (D, κ) be Img_{κ} -objects which have the same cardinality. For given any $i, j : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (D, \kappa)$ Img_{κ} -morphism, if $i \circ f = j \circ f$ implies that $i = j$, then

$$f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$$

Img_{κ} -morphism is called a \mathcal{K} -epimorphism.



Definition 4.3: In category Img_{κ} , an Img_{κ} -morphism

$$f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$$

is said to be an \mathcal{K} -isomorphism if there is a $g : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (A, \kappa)$ Img_{κ} -morphism such that

$$g \circ f = 1_{(A, \kappa)} \text{ and } f \circ g = 1_{(B, \kappa)}.$$

It is written as $(A, \kappa) \cong (B, \kappa)$.

Lemma 4.4: If $f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$ and $g : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ be two \mathcal{K} -monomorphisms in Img_{κ} category, then $g \circ f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ is a \mathcal{K} -monomorphism.

Proof: Let $f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$ and

$g : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ be two \mathcal{K} -monomorphisms. Suppose that $h, k : (C, \kappa) \rightarrow (A, \kappa)$ are Img_{κ} -morphisms. If

$$(g \circ f) \circ h = (g \circ f) \circ k$$

then it follows that

$$g \circ (f \circ h) = g \circ (f \circ k)$$

from the associativity property of Img_{κ} -morphisms. Since g is an \mathcal{K} -monomorphism, we obtain that $f \circ h = f \circ k$. On the other hand, since f is an \mathcal{K} -monomorphism, we have $h = k$. Therefore $g \circ f$ is a \mathcal{K} -monomorphism. ■

Lemma 4.5: If $f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$ and $g : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ be two \mathcal{K} -epimorphisms in Img_{κ} category, then $g \circ f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ is a \mathcal{K} -epimorphism.

Proof: Let $f : (A, \kappa) \rightarrow (B, \kappa)$ and $g : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (C, \kappa)$ be two \mathcal{K} -epimorphisms. Assume that $h, k : (B, \kappa) \rightarrow (D, \kappa)$ are Img_{κ} -morphisms. If

$$h \circ (g \circ f) = k \circ (g \circ f),$$

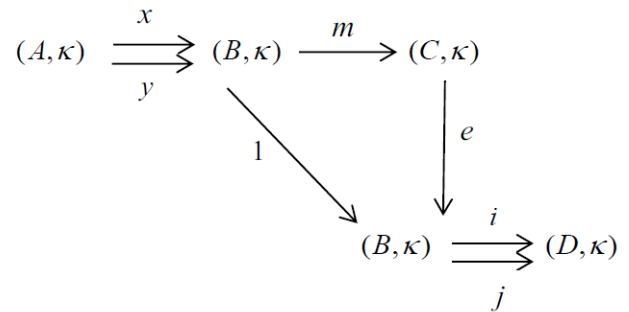
We have

$$(h \circ g) \circ f = (k \circ g) \circ f$$

From the associativity property. Since f is an \mathcal{K} -epimorphism, we obtain that $h \circ g = k \circ g$, and since g is an \mathcal{K} -epimorphism, we get $h = k$. Consequently $g \circ f$ is a \mathcal{K} -epimorphism. ■

Theorem 4.6: Every isomorphism in Img_{κ} is both \mathcal{K} -monomorphism and \mathcal{K} -epimorphism.

Proof: Consider the following diagram:





$$i \circ e \circ m = j \circ e \circ m = i \circ 1_{(B, \kappa)} = j \circ 1_{(B, \kappa)}.$$

Thus we obtain that $i = j$. Consequently m is a \mathcal{K} -epimorphism.

Definition 4.7: An object (U, κ) of a category Img_{κ} is said to be an initial object if for every object (X, κ) of Img_{κ} , the set $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((U, \kappa), (X, \kappa))$ is a singleton. Dually (U, κ) is said to be a terminal object if for every object (X, κ) of Img_{κ} , the set $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((X, \kappa), (U, \kappa))$ is a singleton.

Theorem 4.8: Let Img_{κ} be a category of digital images and digital continuous functions. Then any two initial objects in Img_{κ} are isomorphic.

Proof: Let (U_1, κ) and (U_2, κ) be initial objects in Img_{κ} . We must show $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((U_1, \kappa), (U_2, \kappa))$ contains an isomorphism. If (U_1, κ) is an initial object for Img_{κ} , then $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((U_1, \kappa), (U_2, \kappa)) = \{\alpha\}$ for any object (U_2, κ) . If (U_2, κ) is an initial object for Img_{κ} , then $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((U_2, \kappa), (U_1, \kappa)) = \{\beta\}$ for any object (U_1, κ) . We get $\alpha \circ \beta \in Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((U_2, \kappa), (U_2, \kappa))$ by the composition property of morphisms. Therefore $\alpha \circ \beta = id_{U_2}$. Similarly we have $\beta \circ \alpha = id_{U_1}$. It follows that α is an isomorphism with $\beta = \alpha^{-1}$ and (U_1, κ) and (U_2, κ) are isomorphic.

Theorem 4.9: Let Img_{κ} be a category of digital images and digital continuous functions. Then any two terminal objects in Img_{κ} are isomorphic.

Proof: Assume that (O_1, κ) and (O_2, κ) are terminal objects in Img_{κ} . We want to show that $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((O_1, \kappa), (O_2, \kappa))$ contains an isomorphism. If (O_1, κ) is a terminal object for Img_{κ} , then $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((O_2, \kappa), (O_1, \kappa)) = \{f\}$ for any object (O_2, κ) . If (O_2, κ) is a terminal object for Img_{κ} , then $Mor_{Img_{\kappa}}((O_1, \kappa), (O_2, \kappa)) = \{g\}$ for any object (O_1, κ) . We have $g \circ f = id_{(O_2, \kappa)}$ and similarly

$f \circ g = id_{(O_1, \kappa)}$ by the composition property of morphisms. Therefore f is an isomorphism with $f = g^{-1}$ and (O_1, κ) and (O_2, κ) are isomorphic.

Corollary 4.10: The objects of the same type in Img_{κ} are isomorphic.

Proof: The proof is obtained by Theorem 4.8 and Theorem 4.9.

5. Conclusion

We have construct the category Img_{κ} and worked on some properties of Img_{κ} in this paper. We have obtained some foldings deal with monomorphism and epimorphism properties of Img_{κ} . Also we concluded that the objects of the same type in the category Img_{κ} are isomorphic.

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