# The Formal Dual of Birkhoff's Completeness Theorem 

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\underset{\exists}{\langle A, \alpha\rangle \xrightarrow{\forall p}} \underset{[ }{H} H_{[ } C
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Here, $[P]$ is the largest subcoalgebra of $H C$ contained in $P$.

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Thus, $\langle A, \alpha\rangle \models_{C} P$ iff $\langle A, \alpha\rangle \in \operatorname{Proj}([P])$, i.e.,
$\operatorname{Hom}(\langle A, \alpha\rangle, H C) \cong \operatorname{Hom}(\langle A, \alpha\rangle,[P])$.

## Example



The cofree coalgebra $H 2$

## Example



## Example



This coalgebra satisfies $P$.

## Example



Under any coloring, the elements of the coalgebra map to elements of $P$.

## Example



This coalgebra doesn't satisfy $P$.

## Example



If we paint the circle red, it isn't mapped to an element of $P$.

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$\langle A, \alpha\rangle \models P \Rightarrow Q$ just in case every homomorphism $\langle A, \alpha\rangle \rightarrow[P]$ factors through $[Q]$, i.e.,
$\operatorname{Hom}(\langle A, \alpha\rangle,[P]) \cong \operatorname{Hom}(\langle A, \alpha\rangle,[Q])$.

## Example



## Recall our coequation $P$.

## Example



Let $Q$ be the coequation above.

## Example



And consider the "conditional coequation" $P \Rightarrow Q$.

## Example



This coalgebra satisfies $P \Rightarrow Q$.

## Example



## However we paint it so that it factors through $P$, it also factors through $Q$.

## Example


(It also satisfies $Q \Rightarrow P$.)

## Dualizing negations

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Note: This does not mean that $\langle A, \alpha\rangle \models \neg P$ ! "Something in $A$ does not land in $P$," is not the same as, "Everything in $A$ does not land in $P$."

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The coalgebra on the left satisfies $\bar{P}$.

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No matter how we paint it, the square does not land in $P$

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Further, let Mod $S$ denote the models of $S$ for $S$ a class of coequations, conditional coequations or Horn coequations.

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Theorem (Birkhoff covariety theorem).

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\operatorname{Mod} \operatorname{Th} \mathbf{V}=\mathcal{S H} \Sigma \mathbf{V}
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Theorem (Quasi-covariety theorem).

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\text { Mod } \operatorname{lmp} \mathbf{V}=\mathcal{H} \Sigma \mathbf{V}
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Theorem (Horn covariety theorem).
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Let $\operatorname{Ded}: \operatorname{Rel}(U F X) \rightarrow \operatorname{Rel}(U F X)$ be the closure operation taking a set $E$ of equations over $X$ to its deductive closure. We can decompose Ded into two closure operators.

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In fact, $P \nrightarrow Q$ is necessarily an $\mathcal{S}$-morphism.

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As is well-known, if $\Gamma$ preserves pullbacks of $\mathcal{S}$-morphisms, then $\square$ is an S 4 operator.
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Proof.

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\frac{P \rightarrow Q \vdash P \rightarrow Q}{(P \rightarrow Q) \wedge P \vdash Q}
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By the counit of adjunction $-\wedge P \dashv P \rightarrow-$.

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