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Many relevant logical completions have been investigated within category theory in recent years, the main instance being the exact completion [A. Carboni, Rapp., Sémin. Math., Louvain, Nouv. Sér. 221–236, 55–98 (1993; Zbl 0838.18003); J. Pure Appl. Algebra 103, No. 2, 117–148 (1995; Zbl 0839.18002); Zbl 0504.18005], A. Carboni and R. Celia Magno, J. Aust. Math. Soc., Ser. A 33, 295–301 (1982; Zbl 0504.18005); R. A. Johnson and K. T. Wu, Stat. Probab. Lett. 12, No. 6, 517–525 (1991; Zbl 0742.62098); Zbl 0866.34016], C. De Coster and M. Gaudenzi, Rapp., Sémin. Math., Louvain, Nouv. Sér. 245–260, 315–339 (1996; Zbl 0866.34016)], which is the universal extension of a category with finite limits to an exact category. A categorical version of quotient for an equivalence relation was introduced and investigated within a doctrine of a sufficient logical structure so as to describe the notion of an equivalence relation [M. E. Maietti and G. Rosolini, Theory Appl. Categ. 27, 445–463 (2013; Zbl 1288.03048); Log. Univers. 7, No. 3, 371–402 (2013; Zbl 1288.03049); Appl. Categ. Struct. 23, No. 1, 43–52 (2015; Zbl 1386.03074)]. It was demonstrated that both the exact completion of a regular category and the exact completion of a category with binary products, a weak terminal object and weak pullbacks are to be seen as instances of a more general completion with respect to an elementary existential doctrine [M. E. Maietti and G. Rosolini, Appl. Categ. Struct. 23, No. 1, 43–52 (2015; Zbl 1386.03074)].

This paper presents the existential completion of a primary doctrine, giving an explicit description of the 2-monad

$$T_e : \mathbf{PD} \rightarrow \mathbf{PD}$$

constructed from the 2-adjunction, where \mathbf{PD} is the 2-category of primary doctrines. It is shown that every existential doctrine

$$P : \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{InfSL}$$

admits an action

$$a : T_e(P) \rightarrow P$$

such that (P, a) is a T_e -algebra, and that if (R, b) is a T_e -algebra, then the doctrine is existential, giving the equivalence the 2-category of T_e -**Alg** and the 2-category **ED** whose objects are existential doctrines. It is also demonstrated that the existential completion preserves the elementary structure of a doctrine, generalizing the bi-adjunction

$$\mathbf{EID} \rightleftarrows \mathbf{Xct}$$

in [M. E. Maietti and G. Rosolini, Appl. Categ. Struct. 23, No. 1, 43–52 (2015; Zbl 1386.03074); M. E. Maietti et al., Tbil. Math. J. 10, No. 3, 141–166 (2017; Zbl 1401.03109)] to a bi-adjunction from the 2-category **EID** of elementary doctrines to the 2-category **Xct** of exact categories.

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- 18C10 Theories (e.g., algebraic theories), structure, and semantics
- 18C15 Monads (= standard construction, triple or triad), algebras for monads, homology and derived functors for monads

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