

Higher cats course

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Course has 2 parts:

Part 1 (L1-6)

- In L1-6, we study globular ω -groupoids, focusing on the (globular theory)-based approach and Grothendieck ω -groupoids.

We cover (in detail):

- cats & groupoids as models of "graphical theories".
- Globular sets & globular theories
- Grothendieck ω -groupoids
- Fundamental ω -groupoids & the homotopy hypothesis.
- Construction of globular ω -groupoids associated to identity types.

Note : Along the way, we give a careful construction of the "efficient small object argument" & explain how it captures free constructions in universal algebras (L4).

Part 2 (L7-11)

Quick overview of simplicial models of higher cat, covering quasicategories, complete Segal spaces, some models of $(\infty, 2)$ -cats & higher \dagger ∞ -cosmoi.

Lecture 1 - Groupoids & categories revisited

- What are the theories of categories & groupoids & what makes them special (amongst other theories)?
- What do we mean by a "theory"?
- Well, for classical algebraic structures, one can answer this question with Lawvere theories.
- In this setting we are interested in sets X with operations

$$X^{(n)} \xrightarrow{m_x} X$$

arities satisfying some equations.
are natural numbers

- We want to view operations as maps $1 \xrightarrow{m} n$ in a cat \mathbb{T} & our algebra X as a functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{T}^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{X} & \text{Set} \\
 \downarrow m \\
 \mathbb{N} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Set} \\
 & & \downarrow m_X \\
 & & X^1 = X
 \end{array}$$

- For this reason, we take our cat. of arities \mathbb{N} to be the cat of fin. ordinals $n = \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ & functions between them.

This category has some canonical coproducts

$$\begin{array}{c}
 | \quad | \dots | \\
 i_0 \searrow \downarrow \swarrow i_{n-1} \\
 \quad \quad n
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{where } i_j \text{ picks out the element } j \in I.$$

- A Lawvere theory is an identity on objects $J: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{T}$

functor preserving these coproducts (equally all finite coproducts) & a model of \mathbb{T} is a functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X: \mathbb{T}^{\mathcal{P}} & \longrightarrow & \text{Set} \\
 \text{coproducts} & \text{to} & \text{products} \\
 \downarrow m \\
 \mathbb{N} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X(n) \cong X(1)^n \\
 & & \begin{array}{c} \nearrow X(1) \\ \rightarrow ! \\ \searrow X(1) \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

Mod(Π) \subseteq (Π , Set) is
 Full subcategory of the functor cat.
 containing the Π -models.

EX. - In the Lawvere theory Π for monoids,
 we have a map $1 \xrightarrow{m} 2$, which gets
 sent to $X(1)^2 \cong X(2) \xrightarrow{X(m)} X(1)$
 a binary op.

- In general, given a type of algebraic
 structure $T = (\Omega, E)$, we calculate
 the associated Lawvere theory Π as follows:
 consider the adjunction

$$\text{Alg}(T) \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{F} \\ \xrightarrow{U} \end{array} \text{Set}$$

F - free algebra
U - Forgetful

we define Π by
 factoring $\text{IN} \xrightarrow{\text{inc}} \text{Set} \xrightarrow{F} \text{Alg}(T)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \nearrow J \\ \text{identity} & \searrow I & \\ \text{on objects} & & \Pi \end{array}$$

Fully Faithful

so $\Pi(n, m) = \text{Alg}(T)(F_n, F_m)$
 with composition
 as in $\text{Alg}(T)$.

E.g. in the case of monoids
 $1 \xrightarrow{m} Z \in \mathbb{T}$ corresponds to monoid map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F1 & \longrightarrow & FZ \\ \text{"} & & \text{"} \\ \mathbb{N} & \longrightarrow & \text{Words}\{a,b\} \\ 1 & \longmapsto & [a,b] = [a].[b]. \end{array}$$

In this setting, we always have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Alg}(\mathbb{T}) & \xrightarrow{\text{equiv}} & \text{Mod}(\mathbb{T}) \mid X \\ \downarrow u^r & & \downarrow u^r \\ \text{Set} & & X(1) \end{array}$$

so we can treat classical algebraic structures (involving operations

$$X^n \longrightarrow X)$$

using Lawvere Theories.

- But what about categories & groupoids?

A category X is not a set but a directed graph

$X_1 \xrightarrow{s} X_0$ & involves operations like t

$X_1 \times_{X_0} X_1 \longrightarrow X_1$
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 $\text{Graph}(0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2, X) \longrightarrow \text{Graph}(0 \rightarrow 1, X)$
 arities

- As such, we define our category $\Delta_0 \subseteq \text{Graph}$ of arities to consist of the graphs

$[n] = \{0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow n\}$
 for $n \geq 0$. no endomorphisms!

- In Δ_0 , we have the maps

$[0] \xrightarrow{0} [1]$
 $\xrightarrow{1}$

picking out 0 & 1 of $[1]$,

- A graphical theory consists of an identity on obs functor

$$J: \Delta_0 \longrightarrow \Pi$$

preserving these graphical sums.

- A model of Π is a functor

$$X: \Pi^{\text{op}} \longrightarrow \text{Set}$$

sending graphical sums in Π to graphical products (wide pullbacks)

this just says that the induced map

$$X[n] \longrightarrow \underbrace{X[1] \times_{X[0]} \dots \times_{X[0]} X[1]}_{n \text{ copies}}$$

is invertible &

is called the Segal condition.

- $\text{Mod}(\Pi) \subseteq [\Pi^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$ is full subcat of presheaves sat. Segal condition.

The theory of categories

We calculate the theory ΠCat of categories by factoring

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Delta_0 & \xleftrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Graph} \xrightarrow{\text{Free } F} \text{Cat} \\ & \searrow \text{I} & \nearrow \text{J} \\ & \text{Cat} & \end{array} \quad \text{as before.}$$

id on obs I J FF

What does it look like?

Obs : $[n] = \{0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow n\}$

Morphisms: $F[n] \rightarrow F[m] \in \text{Cat}$?

Well the free cat on $[n]$ is just $[n]$ viewed as an ordinal (or cat) with all composites & ids added -

Thus $\Pi \text{Cat} = \Delta$, the simplicial category of finite non-empty ordinals & order-preserving maps between them.

& $\Pi \text{Cat} = \Delta \xrightarrow{\text{J}} \text{Cat}$ the full inclusion.

- $\Delta_0 \xrightarrow{\text{I}} \Delta$ is the obvious id. on obs functor & pres. glob. sums - This is the graphical theory of categories.

For instances, $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline \downarrow \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline \downarrow \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline \downarrow \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ in Δ
 corresponds to
 map $X_0 \times X_0 \times X_0 \xrightarrow{\text{comp}} X_1$ in a cat X .
 (not Δ_0)

The so-called nerve functor

$N = \text{Cat}(J, 1) : \text{Cat} \longrightarrow [\Delta^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$
 sends $C \longmapsto NC$ where

$$NC(n) = \text{Cat}([n], C) =$$

$\{ \text{composable sequences } a_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} a_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} \dots \xrightarrow{f_n} a_n \text{ in } C \}$

It is fully faithful & has in its ess. image those simplicial sets sat. the Segal condition.

this is Grothendieck's nerve theorem.

This says that

$$\text{Cat} \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Mod}(\Delta) \leftrightarrow [\Delta^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$$

so categories \equiv models of Δ .

so indeed we can capture categories using graphical theories.

What about groupoids?

$$\text{Factoring } \Delta_0 \begin{array}{ccc} \hookrightarrow & \text{Grph} & \xrightarrow{F} \text{Gpd} \\ & \searrow I & \nearrow J \\ & \text{Topd} & \end{array}$$

as before, what is a map

$$F[n] \rightarrow F[m] \in \text{Gpd}?$$

Well $F[n] = F\{0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow n\}$

$$= \{0 \rightrightarrows 1 \rightrightarrows 2 \dots n-1 \rightrightarrows n\}$$

is in fact contractible: non-empty & $\exists!$ iso between any 2 obs.

Because of this, a functor

$F[n] \rightarrow F[m]$ is uniquely specified by the function between sets of objects - i.e.

a function $[n] \rightarrow [m]$ (not nec. ord pres.)

So $\Delta_0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{T}_{\text{Gpd}} = \mathbb{F}$ -finite
non-empty
ordinals & Functions.

- For instance $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \downarrow \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightrightarrows \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \downarrow \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ encodes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_1 & \xrightarrow{\text{inv}} & X_1 \\ s \swarrow \uparrow t & & t \swarrow \uparrow s \\ & X_0 & \end{array} \text{ in a groupoid.}$$

- The inclusion $\mathbb{F} \xrightarrow{J} \text{Gpd}$ induces the symmetric nerve functor

$$\text{Gpd} \longrightarrow [\mathbb{F}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$$

which restricts to an equivalence

$$\text{Gpd} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Mod}(\mathbb{F}) \text{ with}$$

those presheaves satisfying the

Segal condition.

(This is the symmetric nerve theorem.)

What makes the theory of groupoids special?

- Consider $\Delta_0 \xrightarrow{J} \Pi_{\text{Gpd}} = \mathbb{F}$.

Recalling $\Pi_{\text{Gpd}}([n], [m]) = \text{Gpd}(\mathbb{F}[n], \mathbb{F}[m])$
 where $\text{Gpd} \xrightleftharpoons[u]{\mathbb{F}} \text{Gph}$

- Recall that given $x, y \in U\mathbb{F}[n]$,
 $\exists! x \rightarrow y$.

ie. given $[0] \xrightarrow[\text{g}]{\text{f}} U\mathbb{F}[n]$
 $\begin{array}{ccc} [0] & \xrightarrow[\text{g}]{\text{f}} & U\mathbb{F}[n] \\ \circ \downarrow \downarrow & & \\ [1] & \dashrightarrow \exists! & \end{array}$

or equivalently,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{F}[0] & \xrightarrow[\bar{\delta}]{\bar{\text{f}}} & \mathbb{F}[n] \\ \text{I} \circ \downarrow \downarrow \text{II} & & \\ \mathbb{F}[1] & \nearrow \exists! h & \end{array}$$

Defⁿ) A graphical theory

is contractible

if given

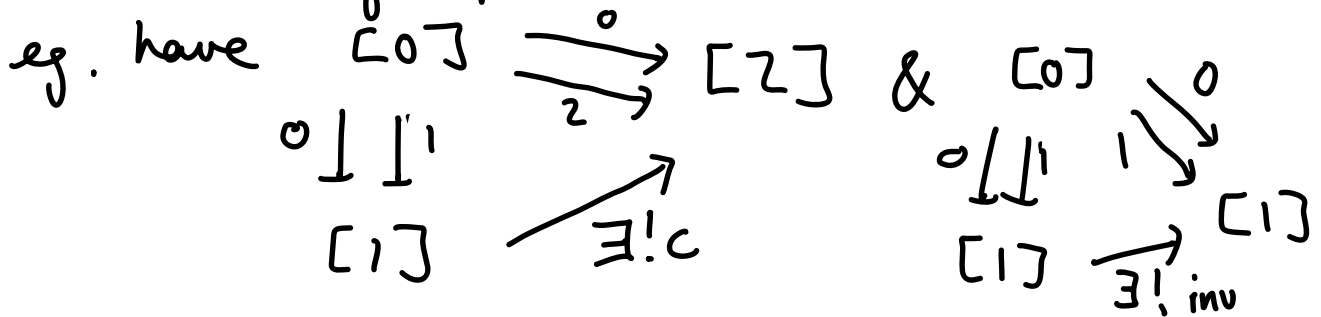
$$\begin{array}{ccc} [0] & & \\ \text{I} \circ \downarrow \downarrow \text{II} & & \\ [1] & & \end{array}$$

$I: \Delta_0 \rightarrow \Pi$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [n] \in \Pi & & \\ \text{f} \xrightarrow[\text{g}]{} & & \\ \dashrightarrow \exists! & & \end{array}$$

Example) By the above, the theory of groupoids is contractible.

- In fact, any contractible theory Π encodes groupoids:



& inducing in a Π -model X , the

str of a groupoid on its underlying graph

$$X[1] \xrightarrow[x_1]{x_0} X[0] \text{ with maps}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 X[1] \times_{x_0} X[1] \cong X[2] \xrightarrow{X[c]} X[1] \quad , \\
 X[0] \xrightarrow{X[i]} X[1] \quad , \\
 X[1] \xrightarrow{X[inv]} X[1] \quad .
 \end{array}$$

Uniqueness of the liftings involved in contractibility ensures associativity etc, so we really obtain a groupoid.

In fact we get a functor

$$\text{Mod}(\Pi) \xrightarrow{K} \text{Mod}(\Pi_{\text{topd}}) \cong \text{Opd}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{=} & \\ \searrow & & \swarrow \\ & [\Delta_0^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}] & \end{array}$$

commuting with the forgetful functors to $[\Delta_0^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$,

which is induced by a commutative triangle

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \Delta_0 & \\ \text{I} \swarrow & & \searrow \text{I} \\ \Pi_{\text{topd}} & \xrightarrow{\text{J}} & \Pi \end{array}$$

(such is called a morph. of graphical theories). This commutative triangle is unique.

That is,

Theorem) Π_{Topol} is the initial contractible graphical theory.

Proof) - To say that Π is contractible is equally to say that

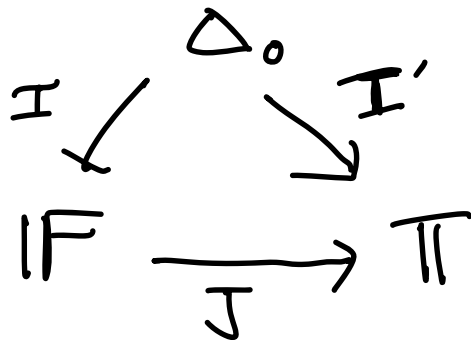
$[0] \xrightarrow{\circ} [1]$ is a coproduct in Π .

- Since $[n]$ is a globular sum, it follows that \circ - picks out 0

$[0] \xrightarrow{\quad \vdots \quad} [n]$

is an $(n+1)$ -fold coprod. in Π $\overset{n}{\sim}$ - picks out n

- By commutativity in



\mathbb{J} is forced to preserve these coproducts,

so given a function $n \xrightarrow{f} m \in \mathbb{F}$
we must define $Jf : J_n \rightarrow J_m$ to
be the unique map s.t.

$$Jf \circ J_i = J(f \circ i) \text{ for } i \in \{0, \dots, n\}.$$

Functoriality is straightforward. \square

Lecture 2 - Grothendieck n -groupoids

- Just as cats & groupoids are graphs w' structures, so n -cats / n -groupoids are n -graphs (aka globular sets) with structure.

- The globular cat \mathbb{G} is the category gen by the graph

$$\{ 0 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau_1} \end{array} 1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau_2} \end{array} 2 \dots n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{n+1}} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau_{n+1}} \end{array} n+1 \dots \}$$

satisfying the globularity relations

$$\sigma_{n+1} \circ \sigma_n = \tau_{n+1} \circ \sigma_n \quad \&$$

$$\sigma_{n+1} \circ \tau_n = \tau_{n+1} \circ \tau_n \quad .$$

- It follows that there are just 2 maps

$$n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{n,m}} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau_{n,m}} \end{array} m \text{ for } m > n \text{ \& I write}$$

$$n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau} \end{array} m \text{ when context is clear .}$$

- The category $[\mathbb{G}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$ is the category of globular sets -

a globular set $X : \mathbb{G}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$ consists of

$$X(n+1) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{n+1}} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau_{n+1}} \end{array} X(n) \dots X(2) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau_2} \end{array} X(1) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} \\ \xrightarrow{\tau_1} \end{array} X(0)$$

set the globularity relations

$$\sigma_n \circ \sigma_{n+1} = \sigma_n \circ \tau_{n+1} \quad \&$$

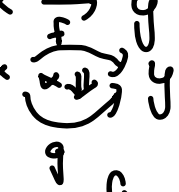
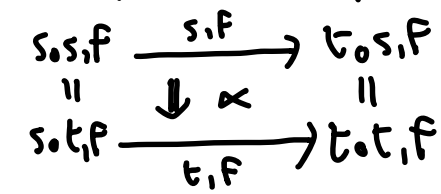
$$\tau_n \circ \sigma_{n+1} = \tau_n \circ \tau_{n+1} \quad .$$

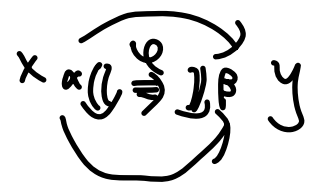
- Here $X(n)$ is the set of n-cells of X .

- In a globular set, we have

objects (or 0-cells): $x, y, z \dots \in X(0)$

1-cells: $x \xrightarrow{f} y \sim$ i.e. $s, f \xrightarrow{f} t, f$

2-cells: $x \xrightarrow{f} y$  i.e. $s, s, f \xrightarrow{s, f} t, s, f$


3-cells $x \xrightarrow{f} y$  etc. . . .

- The Yoneda embedding

$\gamma: \mathbb{G} \longrightarrow [\mathbb{G}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$ sends

$n \longmapsto \gamma_n$,

the free n-cell (sometimes called n-globe).

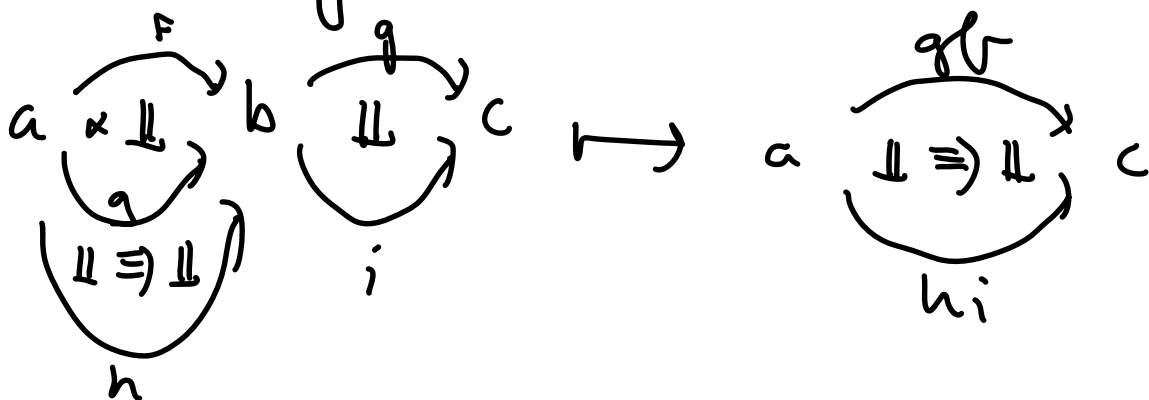
E.g. $\gamma(2) = \left\{ \cdot \xrightarrow{f} \cdot \right\}$, where
 I have omitted labels of cells (all are distinct)

- Given a diagram as below left in an ω -cat / ω -gpod

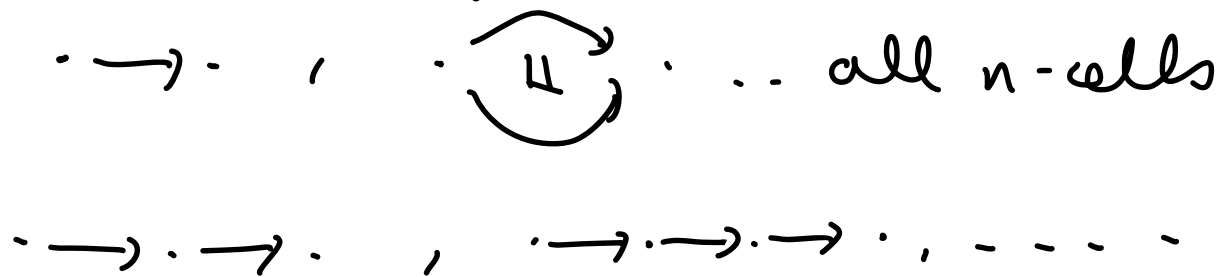
$$a \xrightarrow{f} b \xrightarrow{g} c \quad \mapsto \quad a \xrightarrow{gf} c$$

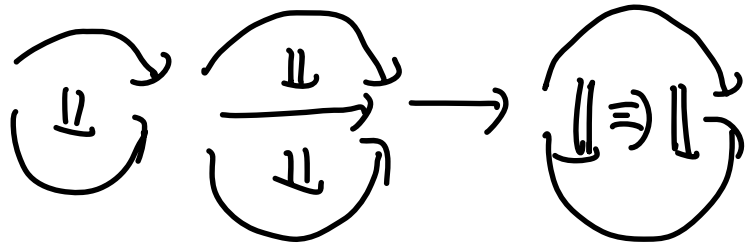
we want to compose it.

Similarly



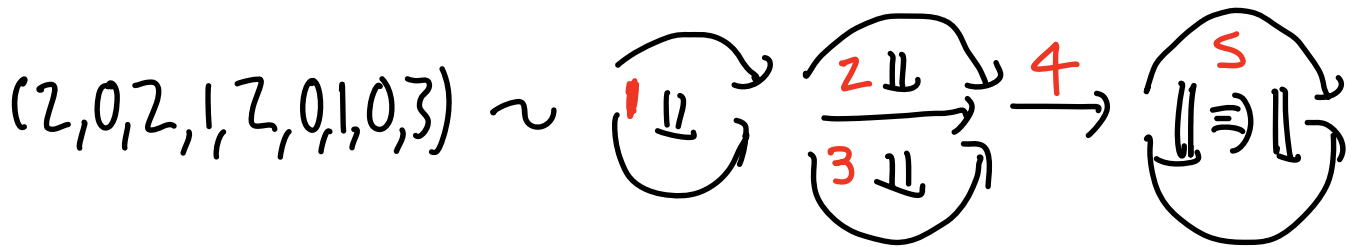
The diagram shapes (arities) are the so-called globular pasting diagrams (gpd's) & include globular sets like:





How to parametrise such shapes?

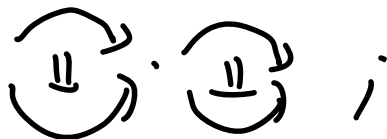
$$(1, 0, 1, 0, 1) \sim \cdot \xrightarrow{1} \cdot \xrightarrow{2} \cdot \xrightarrow{3} \cdot$$



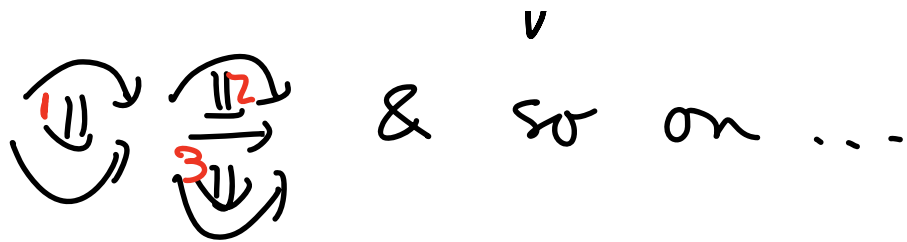
The sequence on the left is called a table of dimensions : it parametrises the associated globular pasting diag -

eg $(2, 0, 2, 1, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3)$ says -

attach a 2-cell 1 to a 2-cell 2 along a 0-cell



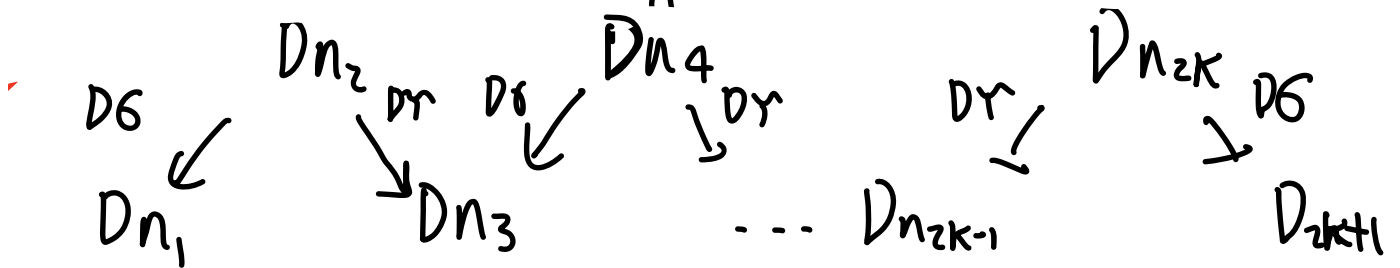
then attach a 2-cell 3 to 2 along its 1-cell boundary



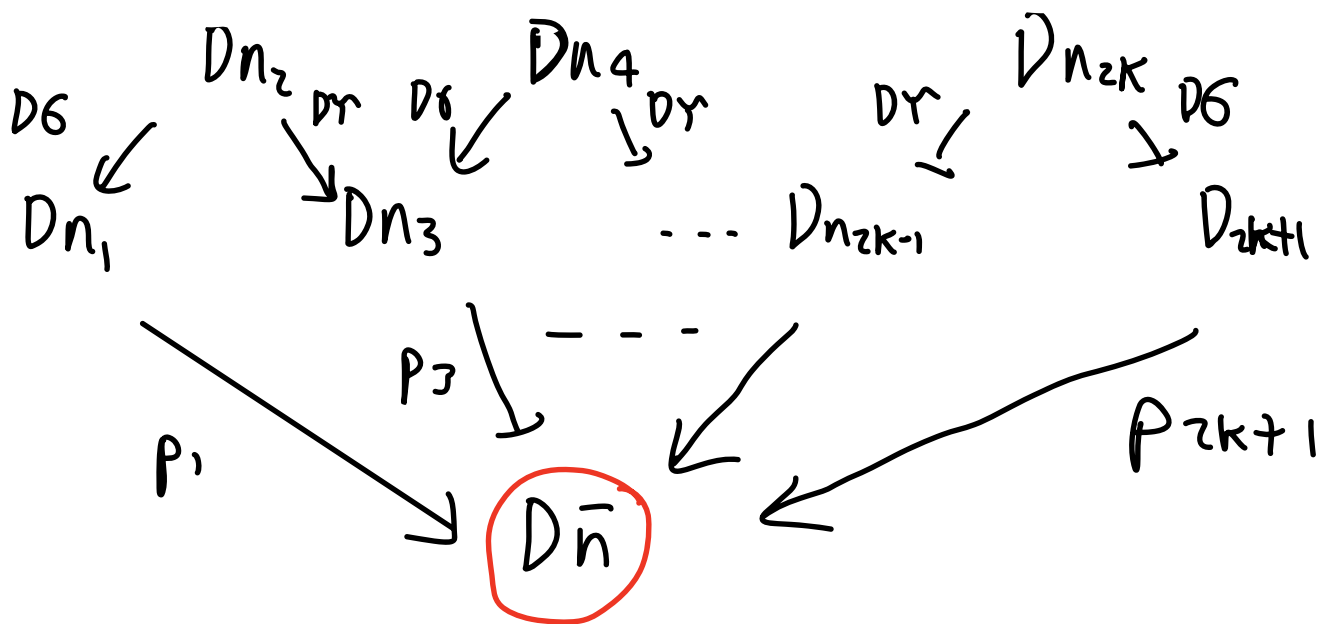
Def.) A table of dimensions is a sequence $\bar{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_{2k+1})$

with $n_1 \rhd n_2 \rhd n_3 \rhd n_4 \rhd \dots \rhd n_{2k-1} \rhd n_{2k} \rhd n_{2k+1}$

Given a coglobular object $G \xrightarrow{D} \mathcal{C}$, we obtain a diagram in \mathcal{C}



whose colimit, if it exists, we call a globular sum $D\bar{n}$



- In particular, for $\gamma: \mathbb{G} \rightarrow [\mathbb{G}^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$
 $\gamma_{\bar{n}}$ is the corresponding g.p.d.

E.g. $\gamma(1,0,2) = \cdot \rightarrow \cdot \begin{matrix} \circlearrowleft \\ \Downarrow \\ \circlearrowright \end{matrix} \cdot$

- We write Θ_0 for
 the cat whose objects are the
tables of dimensions & with
 $\Theta_n(\bar{n}, \bar{m}) = [\mathbb{G}^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}](\gamma_{\bar{n}}, \gamma_{\bar{m}})$.

- Equiv, Θ_0 is skeletal Full subcat.
 of $[\mathbb{G}^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$ containing the gpds.

- Θ_0 is our category of activities.

- In partic., have

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} n & \longrightarrow & (n) & \longrightarrow & \gamma n \\ \mathbb{G} & \xrightarrow{I} & \Theta_0 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & [\mathbb{G}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}] \end{array}$$

fully Faithful

Remark

① Given $D: \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$, globular sums $D(\bar{n})$ are equally the weighted colimits $\gamma(\bar{n}) * D$.

② - A t.o.d. has dimension d where d is the maximum nat. no. appearing in the sequence.

E.g. $\dim(1, 0, 2) = 2$.

- There is just one t.o.d. of dimension 0,
 $(0) = \bullet$

The 1-d t.o.d.s are those of the form $(1, 0, 1, 0, 1, \dots)$ i.e.

$\bullet \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \dots$ capturing the finite ordinals.

In particular $\Delta_0 \subseteq \Theta_0$ is the full subcategory containing the t.o.d.s of dimension ≤ 1 .

Defⁿ) A globular theory is an id. on obs
 functor $J: \mathcal{O}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$
 preserving globular sums.

Given a globular theory \mathbb{T} , the
 category of \mathbb{T} -models in \mathcal{C} is
 the full subcategory

$$\text{Mod}(\mathbb{T}, \mathcal{C}) \longleftrightarrow [\mathbb{T}^{\mathcal{O}}, \mathcal{C}]$$

whose obs are those functors

$\mathbb{T}^{\mathcal{O}} \xrightarrow{x} \mathcal{C}$ sending globular
 sums to globular products -
 i.e. sending the specified colimits to
 limits.

- We write $\text{Mod}(\mathbb{T})$ for the category
 of \mathbb{T} -models in Set .

- Of course, each representable
 $\mathbb{T}(-, \bar{n})$ is a \mathbb{T} -model, since
 reps send all colimits to
 limits.

- Restricting along $G \xrightarrow{I} \Theta_0 \xrightarrow{J} \Pi$

induces a forgetful functor

$$\text{Mod}(\Pi) \xrightarrow{u} [G^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$$

so each Π -model has und. glob. set

- The category G -Th of globular theories has morphisms given by commutative triangles

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \Theta_0 & \\ J_{\Pi} \swarrow & \cong & \searrow J_S \\ \Pi & \xrightarrow{K} & S \end{array}$$

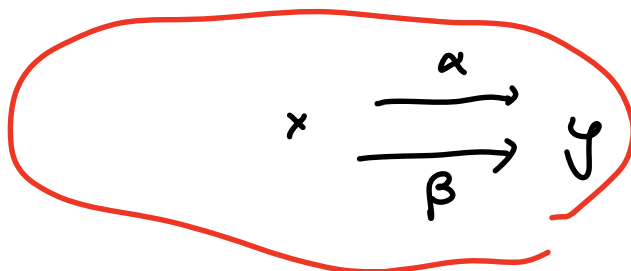
- Such automatically preserve globular sums.

Contractible globular sets

- In a globular set X , n -cells α, β are said to be parallel if

- $n=0$ or $s_n \alpha = s_n \beta$
& $t_n \alpha = t_n \beta$.

picture



A glob. set X is contractible

- if $X(0)$ is non-empty &

- given parallel $\alpha, \beta \in X(n)$

$$\exists \theta \in X(n+1) \text{ st } s_{n+1}(\theta) = \alpha \text{ \& } t_{n+1}(\theta)$$

i.e. given 0-cells $x, y \exists x \rightarrow y$.

Given 1-cells $x \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} y$

$$\exists x \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \Downarrow \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} y \text{ etc.}$$

Contractible Theories

Consider a glob theory $J: \mathcal{O}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$,
with $D = J \circ I: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$
 $n \longmapsto (n)$

Defⁿ) A globular theory \mathbb{T} is
contractible if each globular set
 $U\mathbb{T}(-, \bar{m}) = \mathbb{T}(D-, \bar{m})$
is contractible.

What does this mean in elementary
terms?

- Well $\mathcal{O}_0((0), \bar{m}) \subseteq \mathbb{T}((0), \bar{m})$ so
 $\mathbb{T}(D0, \bar{m})$ always non-empty.
- let us call elements of $\mathbb{T}(Dn, \bar{m})$
n-cells in \bar{m} .
- Two such $Dn \xrightarrow{f} \bar{m}$ are parallel
in $\mathbb{T}(D-, \bar{m})$
 $\Leftrightarrow n=0$ or $f \circ D\sigma_n = g \circ D\sigma_n$ &
 $f \circ D\gamma_n = g \circ D\gamma_n$.

- Contractibility of Π says that given \bar{m} a glob. sum &

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D_n & \xrightarrow{F} & \bar{m} \text{ parallel in } \Pi \\
 \Downarrow & \Downarrow & \rightarrow \\
 D(n+1) & \dashrightarrow & \exists h
 \end{array}$$

$D_0 \perp \perp D^r$

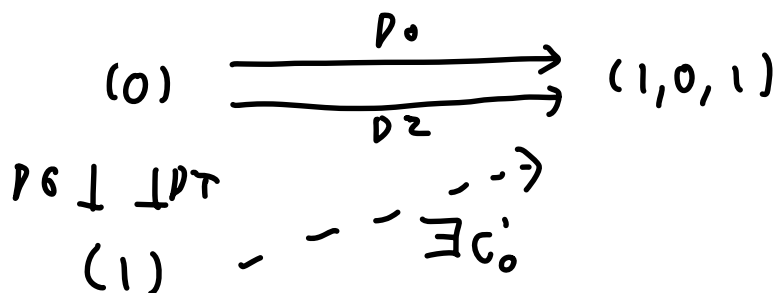
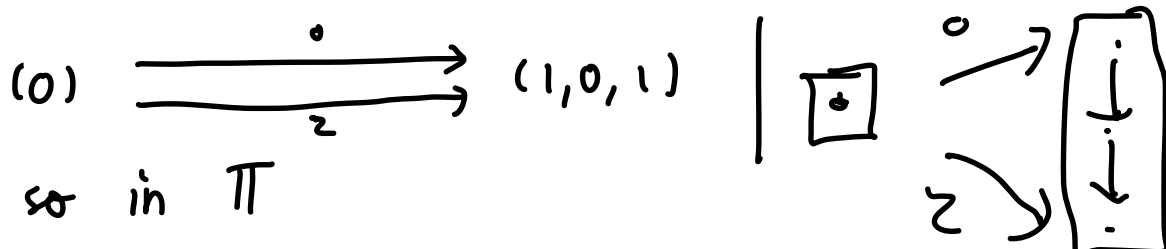
Defⁿ) A Grothendieck ω -groupoid is a model for some contractible globular theory Π .

Remark) First outlined by Grothendieck in his letter to Daniel Quillen 1983 at start of Pursuing Stacks. Exposed & made fully precise by Maltsiniotis in 2010.

So the idea is that models of such Π should have structure of a weak ω -groupoid.

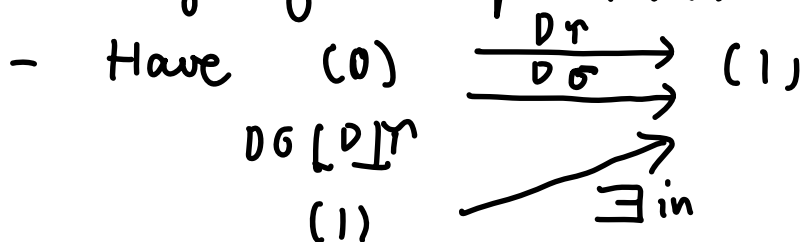
Let's investigate why?

Well in \mathcal{O}_0 , have maps

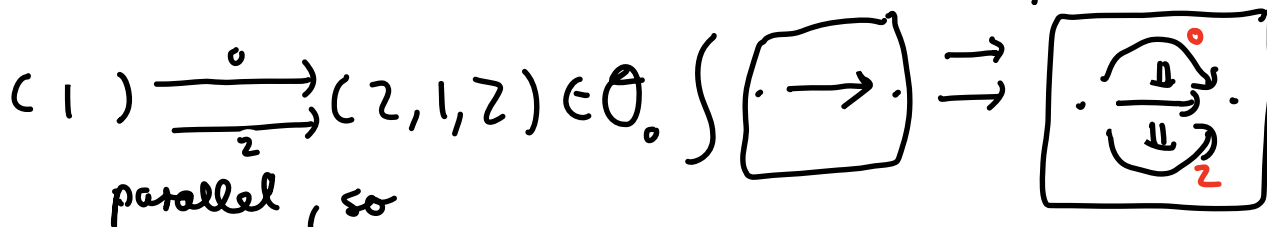


which in a Π -model X gets sent to

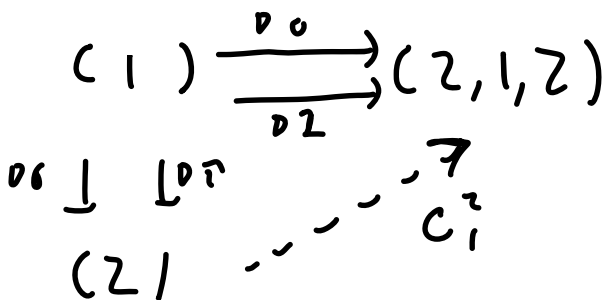
$\hat{G}(\cdot \rightarrow \cdot, X) \cong X(1,0,1) \xrightarrow{\exists c'_0} X1 \cong \hat{G}(\cdot \rightarrow \cdot, X)$
 giving composition.



corresponding
to inverses
map



parallel, so

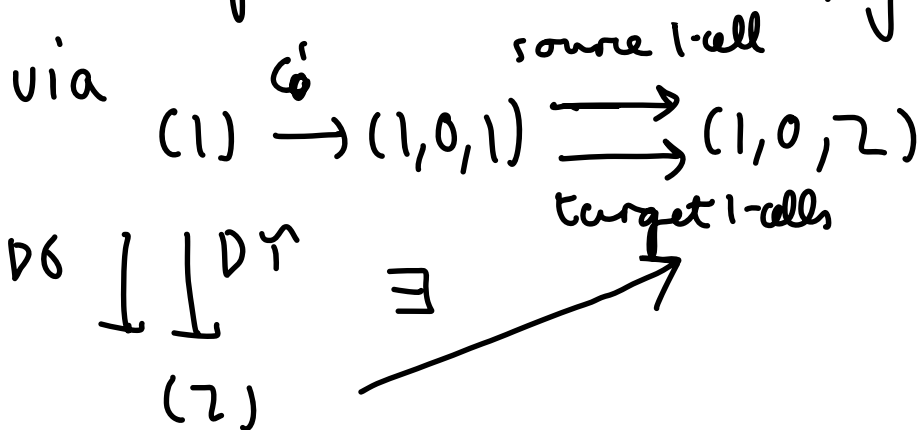
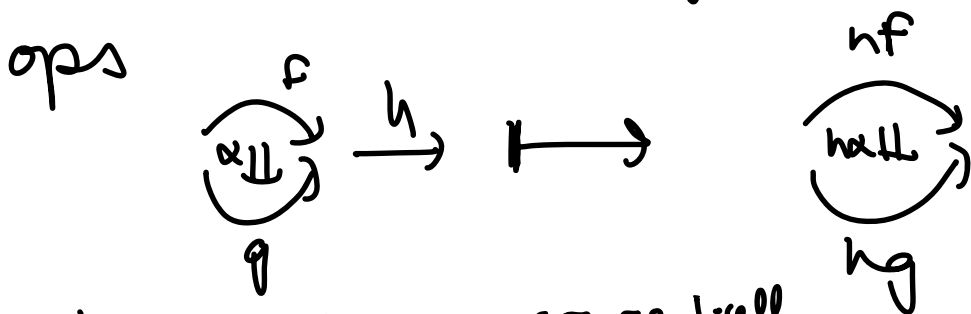


giving comp- of
2-cells along 1-cells.

Similarly get composition

$(n) \xrightarrow{c_i^n} (n, i, n)$ of n -cells along i -cell boundaries
all $i < n$.

- I call all these complexity 1 operations
- At level 2, we get whiskering



- For $f \xrightarrow{g} h \in X$,
we get the associator
 $(hg)f \Rightarrow h(gf)$ via
the lifting

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & c_0' & (c_0', 0, 1) \\
 (1) & \rightarrow (1, 0, 1) & \xrightarrow{\quad} (1, 0, 1, 0, 1) \\
 \delta \perp \downarrow & & (1, 0, c_0') \\
 (2) & & \xrightarrow{\quad} \equiv
 \end{array}$$

I call them complexity 2 operations because they are dependent upon complexity 1 operations

Exercise Convince yourself that any contractible globular theory Π encodes the structure you would like in a weak ω -groupoid.

Examples

- We can construct the globular theories of strict ω -categories Θ , by factoring

$$\Theta_0 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\quad} \widehat{G} \xrightarrow{F} \text{Strict } \omega\text{-cat} \\ \searrow \quad \swarrow \\ \Theta \end{array}$$

called Joyal's cat Θ . Will re-appear later in defs of weak ω -cat & (ω, n) -cat

- It admits a simple description, in fact, using "wreath products". (later)
- The globular theory Θ_{gr} for strict ω -groupoids does not admit a known simple description.

Eq. - free ω -groupoid on $(Z) = 0 \circ \mathbb{Z}^1$ has infinitely many 1-cells, so

$\Theta_{gr}((1), (Z))$ is infinite ...

- Takes some work to show it is contractible (Ara - Strict ω -groupoids are Grothendieck...)

Lecture 3

Last time I mentioned

Proposition

Consider $D: \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$ where \mathcal{C} has D -glob. sums.

Then $\Theta_0 \xrightarrow{\text{lan}_D} \mathcal{C}$ exists and sends $\bar{n} \mapsto D(\bar{n})$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Theta_0 & \xrightarrow{\text{lan}_D} & \mathcal{C} \\ \uparrow I & \text{"} & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{G} & \xrightarrow{D} & \mathcal{C} \end{array}$$
 It preserves I -globular sums, & is the unique up to iso extension w' this property.

Proof The following proof is probably too formal!

- From enriched cat. theory, the wise left Kan ext. will exist \Leftrightarrow the weighted colims $\Theta_0(I-, \bar{m}) * D$ exist $\forall \bar{m}$, where $\Theta_0(I-, \bar{m}): \mathcal{G}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$.

- It is then defined as the ev. unique functor sending the canonical cocone

$$\Theta_0(I-, \bar{m}) \xrightarrow{1} \Theta_0(I-, \bar{m})$$

to a weighted colimit in \mathcal{C}

But $\Theta_0(I-, \bar{m}) \cong$ (applying $J: \Theta_0 \rightarrow [\mathcal{G}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$)

$[\mathcal{G}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}](Y-, Y(\bar{m})) \cong$ (by Yoneda)

$Y(\bar{m})$ & then

$Y(\bar{m}) \cong \Theta_0(I-, \bar{m})$ is the cocone exhib.

\bar{m} as $Y(\bar{m}) * I$.

- But since weighted cols of the $Y(\bar{m})$ are precisely the globular sums, the result follows. \square

The globular theory of topological spaces

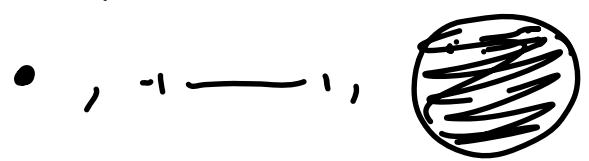
- Firstly, we will construct the globular theory of spaces & show it is contractible.

- Firstly, we construct

$$D: \mathbb{G} \longrightarrow \text{Top}$$

$$n \longmapsto D^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| \leq 1\}$$

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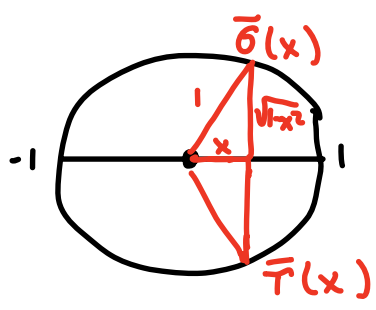
Then

$$n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\bar{\sigma}} \\ \xrightarrow{\bar{\gamma}} \end{array} n+1 \longmapsto D^n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\bar{\sigma}} \\ \xrightarrow{\bar{\gamma}} \end{array} D^{n+1}$$

are the north/south hemisphere maps

$$\bar{\sigma}(x) = (x, \sqrt{1-x^2}), \quad \bar{\gamma}(x) = (x, -\sqrt{1-x^2})$$

eg.



- Then we obtain the Kan extension

$$D: \mathcal{O}_0 \longrightarrow \text{Top sending} \\ \bar{n} \longmapsto D(\bar{n}).$$

We obtain the globular theory Π_{Top} of spaces

by factoring $\mathcal{O}_0 \xrightarrow{I} \Pi_{\text{Top}} \xrightarrow{J} \text{Top}$

as id. on obs / ff.

Proposition

Π_{Top} is contractible.

Proof

- The spaces $D(\bar{n})$ are things like



$D(\bar{n})$ is always contractible as a space,
i.e. $D(\bar{n}) \rightarrow 1$ a homotopy equivalence.

We must show that given

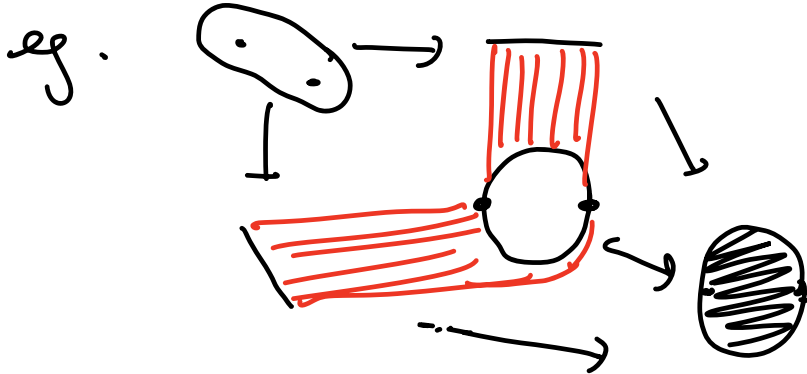
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D^n & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} & D(\bar{m}) \text{ parallel} \\
 \bar{\delta} \perp \perp \bar{\gamma} & & \\
 D^{n+1} & \nearrow \exists h &
 \end{array}$$

Now to say that f & g are parallel is, by definition, to say that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D^{n-1} + D^{n-1} & \xrightarrow{\bar{\delta} + \bar{\gamma}} & D^n \\
 \bar{\delta} + \bar{\gamma} \downarrow & & \searrow f \\
 D^n & \xrightarrow{g} & D(\bar{m})
 \end{array}$$

Note that $S^n = \{x : |x| = 1\}$ is the pushout

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D^{n-1} + D^{n-1} \xrightarrow{\bar{\sigma} + \bar{\gamma}} D^n & & \\
 \bar{\sigma} + \bar{\gamma} \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow i \\
 D^n & \xrightarrow{j} & S^n \\
 \bar{\gamma} \searrow & & \swarrow k \\
 & & D^{n+1}
 \end{array}$$

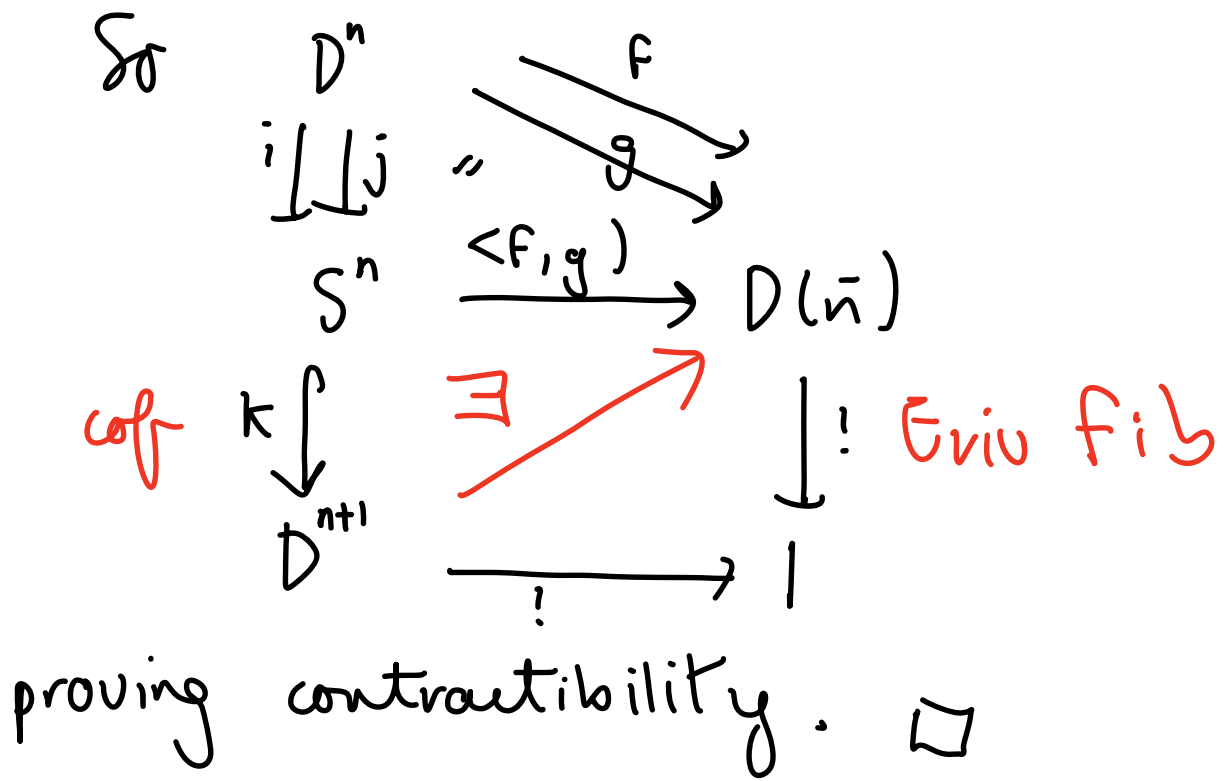


So using pushout property

obtain

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D^n & \xrightarrow{f} & \\
 i \downarrow \downarrow j & \cong & \downarrow g \\
 S^n & \xrightarrow{\langle f, g \rangle} & D(\bar{n}) \\
 k \downarrow & & \downarrow ! \\
 D^{n+1} & \xrightarrow{!} & |
 \end{array}$$

But now k is a cofibration in the Quillen model structure on Top ,
 & $D(\bar{n}) \rightarrow 1$ a triv. fibration



Fundamental ω -groupoid of a space

Now $\mathcal{O}_0 \xrightarrow{I} \Pi_{\text{Top}} \xrightarrow{J} \text{Top}$ induces

$$\text{Top} \xrightarrow{N_J} [\Pi_{\text{Top}}^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$$

$$\& N_J X = \text{Top}(J-, X) = \text{Top}(-, X) \circ J$$

sends glob. sums to globular products

since J pres. glob. sums
 $\text{Top}(-, X)$ sends colims to lims.

Hence each $N_J X$ is a model of Π_{Top} -
we obtain a factorisation

$$\text{Top} \xrightarrow{N_J} \text{Mod}(\Pi_{\text{Top}}) \hookrightarrow [\Pi_{\text{Top}}^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$$

$N_J X$ is the Fundamental ω -groupoid of X .

- What does it look like?

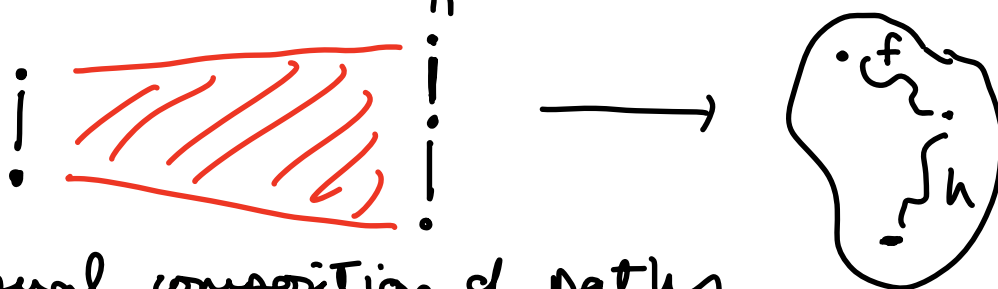
$$N_J X(\bar{n}) = \text{Top}(D(\bar{n}), X).$$

- In partic, underlying globular set has

$$N_{\mathcal{J}}X(n) = \text{Top}(D^n, X).$$

- Composition

$$D(1) \xrightarrow{c_0} D(1,0,1) \xrightarrow{\langle f, g \rangle} X$$



is usual composition of paths
(up to htpy).

So it really does look like the Fundamental
 ∞ -groupoid should look.

Weak equivalences of ∞ -groupoids

What is a weak equiv. of top spaces?

Usually defined as

- $f: X \rightarrow Y$ inducing
- $\pi_0 X \rightarrow \pi_0 Y$ bijⁿ on path comps
 - bij $\pi_n(X, x) \rightarrow \pi_n(Y, f(x))$
on homotopy groups $\forall n, x \in X$.

Remark: group structure not actually relevant to this def...

- Similarly, can define homotopy groups of ∞ -groupoids.
- If X is model of contractible theory Π , let $\pi_0 X =$ set of connected components of underlying graph of X .

Also, For all n

can form groupoid $n\text{-Gr}(X)$ whose

- objects are n -cells α, β
- morphisms: equiv. classes of $(n+1)$ -cells

$\alpha \xrightarrow{\varphi} \beta$ where
 where $\varphi \sim \varphi'$ if $\exists (n+2)$ -cell $\varphi \rightarrow \varphi'$.

Exercise

- Each $n\text{-Gr}(X)$ is a groupoid, using the composition operations in Π

eg $(n) \xrightarrow{C_{n-1}^n} (n, n-1, n) \in \Pi$

& this is independent of the choice of composition operation.

- Now given $x \in X_0$, obtain $k_n(x) \in X_n$,

where $k_n(x)$ is the "identity n -cell" on x , arising from the contractibility of Π

Then $\Pi_{n+1}(X, x) := n\text{-Gr}(X)(k_n x, k_n x)$



This gives a functor

$$\pi_0 : \text{Mod}(\pi) \longrightarrow \text{Set} \ \&$$

$$\pi_n : \text{Mod}(\pi)_* \longrightarrow \text{Grp}$$

pointed models

& point preserving maps

taking the homotopy groups of a π -model.

- In fact, we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\text{Top}, *) & \xrightarrow{N_J} & (\text{Mod}(\pi_{\text{Top}}), *) \\
 \pi_n \searrow & \cong & \swarrow \pi_n \\
 & \text{Grp} &
 \end{array}$$

Defⁿ) A morphism $f: X \rightarrow Y$ of π -models is a weak equiv.

if

- $\pi_0 X \longrightarrow \pi_0 Y$ bijⁿ on path comps
- bij $\pi_n(X, x) \longrightarrow \pi_n(Y, f(x))$
 $\forall n, x \in X_0$.

Corollary

$$\text{Top} \xrightarrow{N_J} \text{Mod}(\Pi_{\text{Top}})$$

preserves & reflects weak equivalences.

Proof

Since the triangle commutes.

The homotopy hypothesis?

- A good guess for what the homotopy hypothesis should say is that the above functor induces an equiv. of cats when we invert the weak equivs on either side.
- Close, but not quite Grothendieck's formulation anyway ...

Weakness (aka cellularity)

So far, we talked about contractibility which leads to ω -groupoids.

But suppose we want to single out the theories of weak ω -groupoids?
How to do it?

Grothendieck's formulation was: (essentially)

Π is a coherator if it is contractible & Π is the colimit of a chain

$$\mathcal{O}_0 = \Pi_0 \rightarrow \Pi_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \Pi_n \xrightarrow{J_n} \Pi_{n+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \Pi \in \mathcal{G}\text{-Th}$$

where - there is a set P_n of

parallel pairs $(l) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{u} \\ \xrightarrow{v} \end{array} \bar{m}$ in Π_n

such that Π_{n+1} is obtained by freely

adding a lifting

$$(l) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{u} \\ \xrightarrow{v} \end{array} \bar{m} \\ \perp\perp \\ (l+1) \quad \nearrow \varphi_{u,v} \in \Pi_{n+1}$$

For each $(u,v) \in P_n$.

What is the idea?

E.g. if we take all parallel pairs at each stage, then:

in Π_1 , get liftings such as

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (0) & & \circ \\ \downarrow \downarrow & \searrow & \nearrow \\ & 2 & \end{array}$$

$$(1) \longrightarrow (1, 0, 1) \quad \& \text{ then}$$

$o'_0 \in \Pi_1$

$$(1) \xrightarrow{o'_0} (1, 0, 1) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{(o'_0, 1)} \\ \xrightarrow{(1, o'_0)} \end{array} (1, 0, 1, 0, 1) \text{ is}$$

a parallel pair in Π_1 , but not equal since we added the liftings freely.

Thus we don't force any equations like associativity.

More conceptually, it corresponds to cellularity, which is

just another part of the same story as contractibility.

Cellularity & contractibility

- let J be a class of morphisms in a cat \mathcal{C} .

Write $j \perp f$ if

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 a & \xrightarrow{r} & c \\
 j \perp \downarrow & \exists \nearrow & \downarrow f \\
 b & \xrightarrow{s} & d
 \end{array}$$

& $J^\square = \{ f : j \perp f \mid \forall j \in J \}$

& ${}^\square J = \{ f : f \perp j \mid \forall j \in J \}$

Then $J \leq {}^\square(J^\square)$.

- We say $({}^\square(J^\square), J^\square)$ is a weak factorisation system if each arrow factors as a

J-cofibration (in $\square(J^\square)$)

followed by a
J-contraction (in J^\square)

- These can be generated using Quillen's small object argument.
if. eg. J is a set & \mathcal{C} is nice,
eg. locally presentable,

This produces factorisations

$$\square(J^\square) \ni \underline{J\text{-cell}} \ni \begin{array}{ccc} a & \xrightarrow{f} & b \\ & \searrow g & \nearrow h \\ & c & \in J^\square \end{array}$$

$J\text{-cell}$ is the closure of $J \subseteq \text{Mor}(\mathcal{C})$

under - pushouts of maps in J

- coproducts

- transfinite composition

- Then the J -cofibrations are the retracts of the J -cellular maps.

- We say an object X is
 - J -cellular if $\emptyset \rightarrow X$ is a J -cellular map
 - J -contractible (or J -injective) if

$$X \rightarrow 1 \in J^{\square}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{array}{ccc} a & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\ J \ni j \perp & \nearrow & \\ b & & \end{array}$$

Next time, I will describe a set of maps B in the category \mathcal{B} - Th such that:

- The $(J$ -cellular, J -contractible) - objects are exactly Grothendieck's coherators, i.e. the globular theories for weak ∞ -groupoids.

lecture 4 - Cellularity & The small object argument

- Consider $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \text{Mor}(\mathcal{C})$.

- The small object argument will factor

$$A \xrightarrow{F} B$$

$$\square (\mathcal{J}^\circ) \ni \text{cell}(\mathcal{J}) \ni g \searrow c \nearrow h \in \mathcal{J} \square$$

- I just want to explain this in the case $B=1$:
then for each $A \in \mathcal{C}$ we form

$$A \xrightarrow{f \in \text{cell}(\mathcal{J})} A^* \in \text{Inj}(\mathcal{J})$$

- This is weakly universal in the sense that given

$$A \xrightarrow{g} B \in \text{Inj}(\mathcal{J})$$

$$f \searrow A^* \xrightarrow{\exists} B$$

Indeed

$$\square (\mathcal{J}^\circ) \ni f \downarrow A^* \xrightarrow{\exists} B \downarrow ! \in \mathcal{J} \square$$

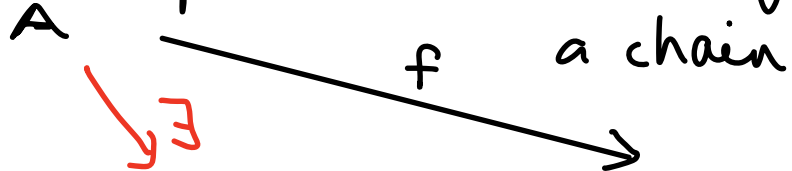
$$A \xrightarrow{g} B$$

$$A^* \xrightarrow{!} 1$$

but we will also explain how to

make it really universal.

- I will also assume that each $j: A \rightarrow B \in \mathcal{J}$ has A a finitely presentable object, which implies each map f to a colim of



$B_0 \rightarrow B_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow B_n \rightarrow B_{n+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow B_\omega$

factors through some earlier stage.

- Also that \mathcal{C} is locally small & cocomplete.

The classical small object argument
(detailed explanation)

- Consider $X \in \mathcal{C}$.
- Need to find $X \rightarrow X^*$ w' X^* \mathcal{J} -inj.

- Consider the solid part of

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\
 J \ni j \downarrow & & \downarrow \eta_x \\
 B & \cdots \rightarrow & X^*
 \end{array}$$

Certainly we need a dotted filler,
 so might define X^* as universal
 ob. equipped with arrow $X \xrightarrow{\eta_x} X^*$
 & filling function φ as below

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\
 J \ni j \downarrow & \varphi(j, f) \rightarrow & \downarrow \eta_x \\
 B & & X^*
 \end{array}$$

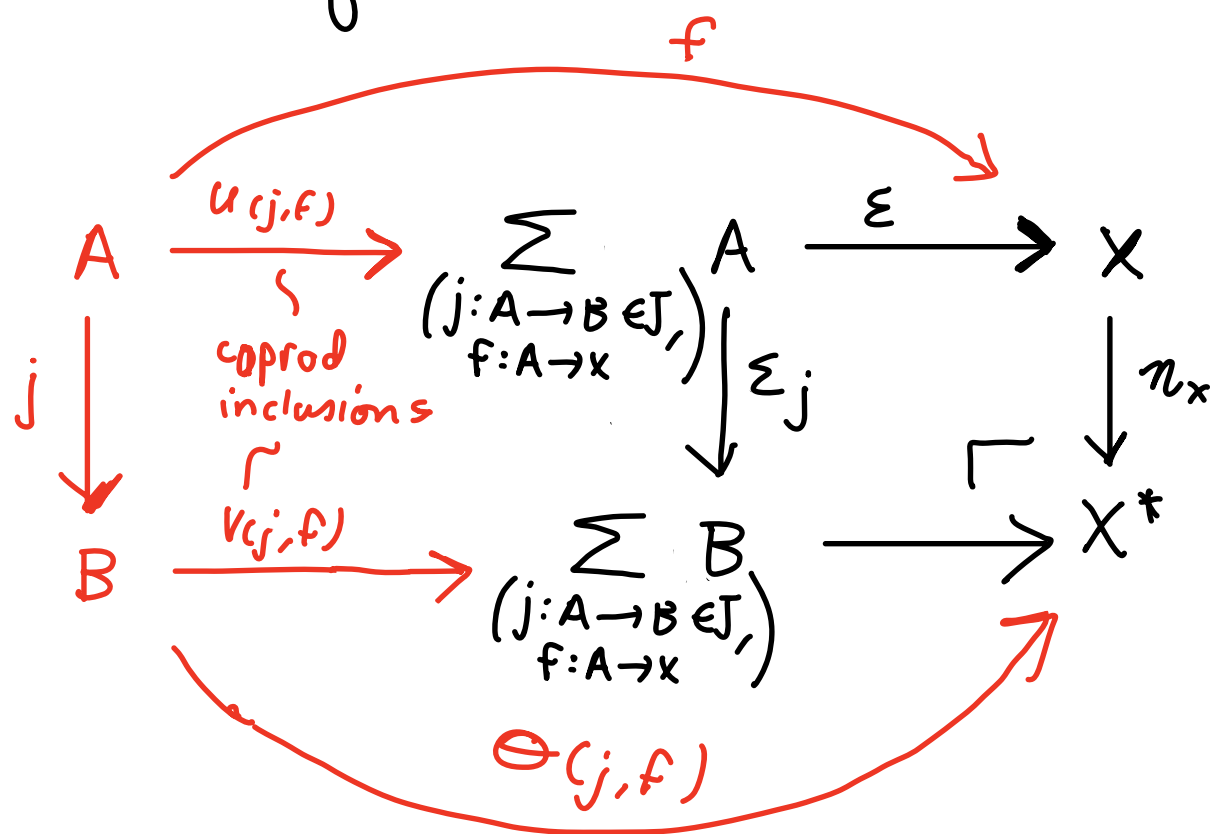
Its universal property is that given a second pair $(X \xrightarrow{k} Y, \theta)$

filling function

$\exists! X^* \xrightarrow{k'} Y$ such that

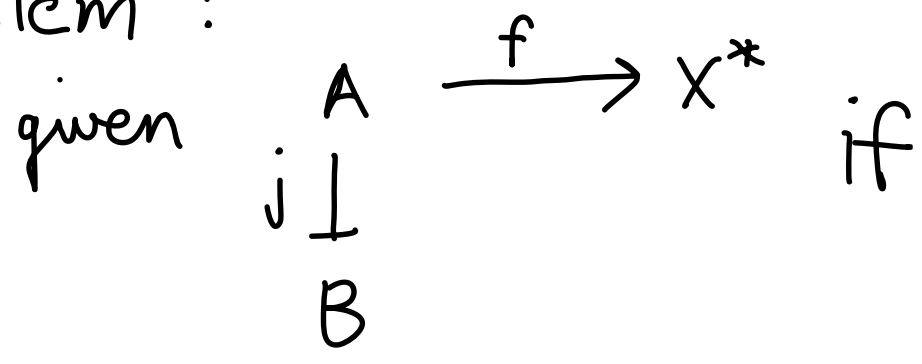
$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & A & \xrightarrow{f} & X & \\
 J \ni j \downarrow & & & \downarrow \eta_x & \searrow k \\
 & B & \xrightarrow{\varphi(j,f)} & X^* & \xrightarrow{k'} & Y \\
 & & \searrow \theta(j,f) & & & \swarrow & \\
 & & & & & &
 \end{array}$$

This can be captured as the pushout on right below



so π_x is J-cellular.

Problem :



f factors as $A \xrightarrow{f'} X \xrightarrow{\pi_x} X^*$,

get filler

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f'} & X \\
 j \downarrow & \searrow f'' & \downarrow \pi_x \\
 B & \xrightarrow{\theta(j, f')} & X^*
 \end{array}$$

but if $f : A \rightarrow X^*$ does not factor through π_x , perhaps no filler - X^* not J-injective

So we repeat :

setting $X_0 = X$;
 $X_{n+1} = (X_n)^*$

$$X = X_0 \xrightarrow{\pi_{X_0}} X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_{X_1}} X_2 \cdots \rightarrow X_n \cdots \rightarrow X_\omega$$

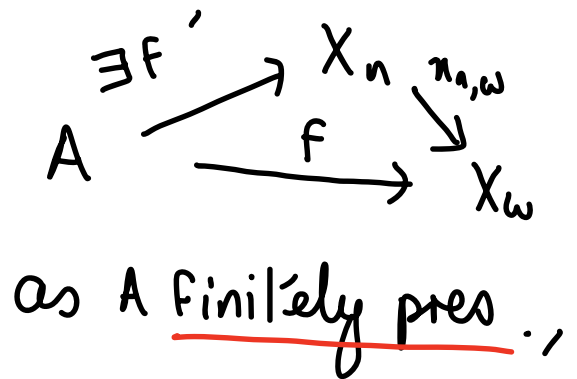
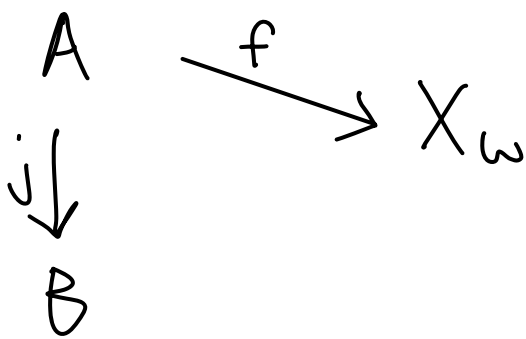
$\xrightarrow{\pi_{0,\omega}}$

& X_ω The colimit of the chain.

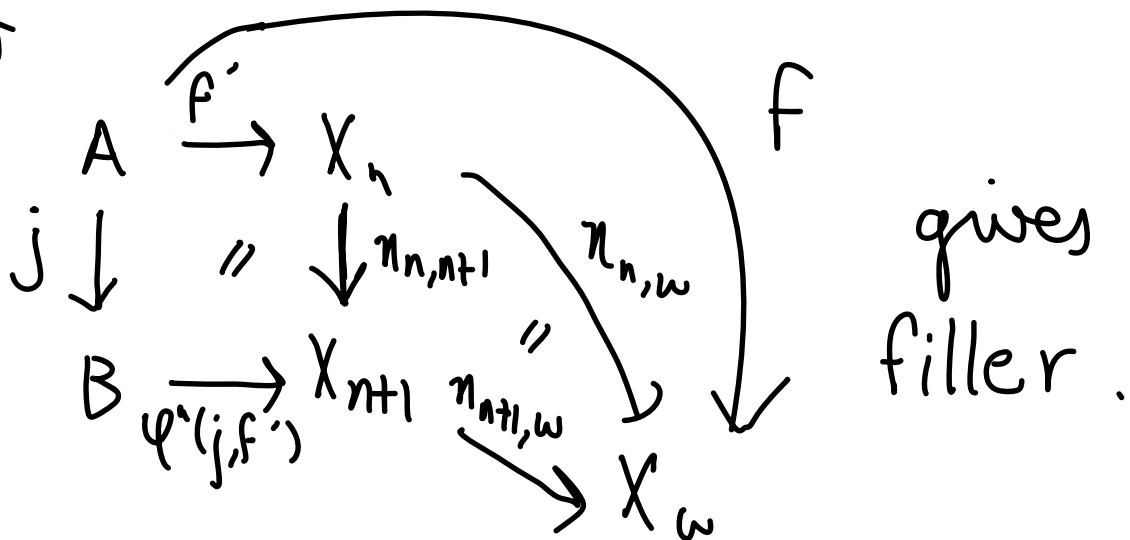
- Then π is J -cellular by construction.

- Consider

Then



so



Thus $X_\omega \in \text{inj}(J)$ & this

completes the usual small object argument.

- The small object argument has some odd features.
- At stage 1, we add a canonical lifting

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{F} & X & \xrightarrow{\pi_{0,1}} & X_1 \\ J \ni j \downarrow & & & \nearrow & \\ B & & & \varphi^1(j, F) & \end{array}$$

& then at stage 2 a lifting

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} A & \xrightarrow{F} & X & \xrightarrow{\pi_{0,1}} & X_1 & \xrightarrow{\pi_{1,2}} & X_2 \\ J \ni j \downarrow & & & & & \nearrow & \\ B & & & & & \varphi^2(j, \pi_{0,1} \circ F) & \end{array}$$

So now two liftings

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{F} & X & \xrightarrow{\pi_{0,1}} & X_1 & \xrightarrow{\pi_{1,2}} & X_2 \\ J \Rightarrow j \downarrow & & \nearrow \varphi^1(j, F) & & ? & & \nearrow \varphi^2(j, \pi_{0,1} \circ F) \\ B & & & & & & \end{array}$$

For the same problem which need not be the same !!

In particular this means that in X_w we have added many fillers for the same lifting problem - this prevents X_w from having canonical liftings / a universal property.

There are two solutions

① This involves forming coequalisers

identifying the liftings \rightarrow
the algebraic small object
argument.

② A simpler solution is what I'll
call the efficient small object
argument:

it is simpler than ①, but in
the cases we are interested in,
they coincide.

The efficient small object argument

This starts exactly as before:

$$X_0 = X,$$

$$X_0 \xrightarrow{\pi_{0,1}} X_1 \quad \text{is} \quad X \xrightarrow{\pi_X} X^*.$$

Suppose we have $X_n \xrightarrow{\pi_{n,n+1}} X_{n+1}$.

Call $A \xrightarrow{f} X_{n+1}$ irredundant if it does not factor through $X_n \xrightarrow{\pi_{n,n+1}} X_{n+1}$.

- We define X_{n+2} as the universal object equipped with a filter

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & X_{n+1} \\
 \downarrow \varphi(j,f) & & \downarrow \pi_{n+1,n+2} \\
 J \ni j & \xrightarrow{\varphi(j,f)} & B \xrightarrow{\quad} X_{n+2}
 \end{array}$$

for each pair (j, f) with f irredundant.

- Then $X_{n+1} \rightarrow X_{n+2}$ is again a pushout of a coproduct of maps in J just as before, only we only consider irredundant f .

- Now take the colim of the chain

$$X \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow X_n \longrightarrow X_e$$

as before -

an easy adaptation of the prev. proof shows X_e is J -injective

& $X \rightarrow X_e$ is J-cellular by construction.

In fact, under further assumptions X_e is the free algebraic injective.

Algebraic injectivity

A J-algebraic injective (X, ψ) is an object $X \in \mathcal{C}$ + a lifting function

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\ \downarrow j \in J & \lrcorner & \nearrow \psi(j, f) \\ B & & \end{array}$$

A morphism $g: (X, \psi) \rightarrow (Y, \theta)$ of algebraic injectives is

$g: X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & X & \xrightarrow{g} & Y \\ \downarrow j \in J & \lrcorner & \nearrow \psi(j, f) & \lrcorner & \nearrow \theta(j, g \circ f) \\ B & & & & \end{array}$$

These form a cat J-Alg, which comes with a Forgetful functor $U: \text{J-Alg} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$.

Example

In Set, consider

$$j: 2 \hookrightarrow 3 \quad \& \quad J = \{j\}.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \end{array}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \boxed{\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{array}} \end{array}$$

A J-alg. injective (X, φ) gives

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & \xrightarrow{(a,b)} & X \\ j \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ 3 & & (a,b, m(a,b)) \end{array} -$$

i.e. a function $X^2 \xrightarrow{m} X$.

Thus J-Alg is the category of magmas.

More generally, any category

Ω -Alg for Ω a signature in universal algebra is of form

J -Alg for J a set of monos between finite sets

& let us compare the efficient & classical small object arguments

let $X \in \text{Set}$. In both cases, X_1 is universally equipped with fillers

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & \xrightarrow{(a,b)} & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 3 & \xrightarrow{(a,b, m(a,b))} & X_1 \end{array} \quad \text{so} \quad X_1 = X \cup \{m(a,b) : a, b \in X\}$$

- At stage 2, $Z \xrightarrow{(u,v)} X_1$ is irredundant just when at least one of u, v does not belong to X .
 i.e. one is of form $m(a, b)$.

- So in efficient soa, we have fillers like

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & (a, m(b, c)) & \\
 Z & \longrightarrow & X_1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 3 & \longrightarrow & X_2 \\
 & (a, m(b, c), m(a, m(b, c))) &
 \end{array}$$

X_0 - a, b, c

X_1 - $a, b, m(a, b), \dots$

X_2 - $m(a, m(b, c)), m(m(a, b), m(c, d)) \dots$

$X_e = \bigcup X_n$ is free magma on X !

- Classical soa produces $m(a, b)$, but also $m'(a, b)$ at stage 2 - useless..

This suggest efficient soa produces free algebraic injectives & , under some assumptions , it does .

Remark : One possible advantage of classical soa is due to its simplicity - simply iterating a functor $X \mapsto X^*$.

I have not checked functoriality of the efficient soa . Of course , under the assumptions below , it will be functorial - even a monad .

Theorem let J be a set of monos with f.p. domain & \mathcal{C} cocomplete. Suppose J -cellular maps are mono.

Then $X \xrightarrow{\text{no/w}} X_e$ is the Free J -algebraic injective on X .

Remark) In Set or $[\mathcal{C}, \text{Set}]$ this holds.

Main point is that pushouts of mono are mono. In Set , each mono of form

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \xrightarrow{i} X+Y & \& X \rightarrow Z \\ \text{mono} \quad \downarrow i & & \downarrow \Gamma \quad \text{mono} \\ X+Y & \rightarrow & Z+Y \end{array}$$

~~Proof~~ First, we give X_e structure of object of $J\text{-Alg}$.

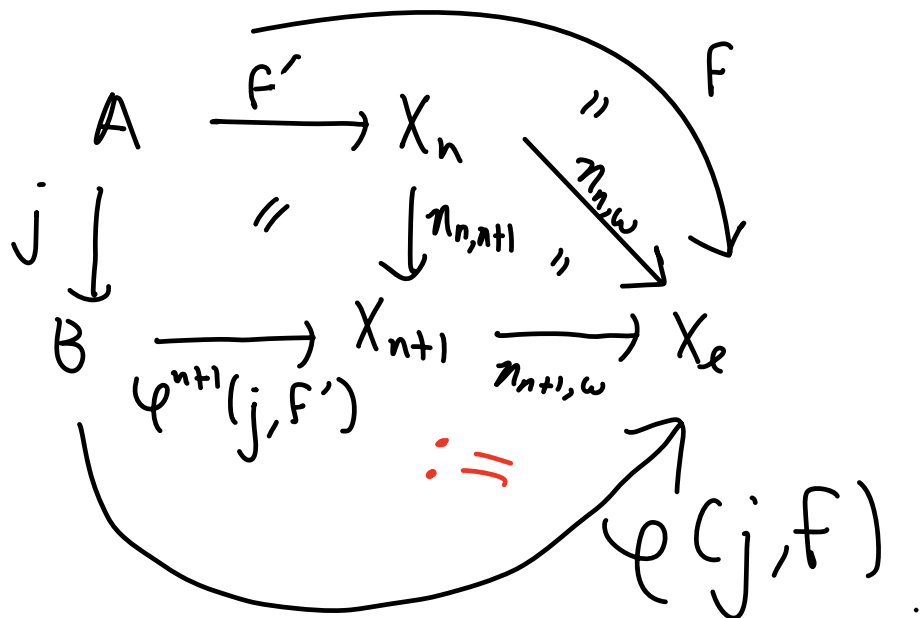
Given $f: A \rightarrow X_e$, let's define the complexity of f as the least natural number n st

$$f \text{ factors as } \begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{F} & X_n \\ & \searrow F & \downarrow \pi_{n,w} \\ & & X_e \end{array}$$

(Such an n exists as A fin. pres.)

By assumption, $\pi_{n,w}$ is mono -
hence the factorisation F' is unique.

Given $A \xrightarrow{f} X_e$ where f has complexity n ,
 $J \ni j \downarrow B$ we define



Since n & f' are uniquely determined by f , $\varphi(j, f)$ is well defined.

Consider $(Y, \theta) \in \mathcal{J}\text{-Alg}$ & $g: X \rightarrow Y \in \mathcal{C}$.

We must show $\exists! (X_e, \varphi) \xrightarrow{\bar{g}} (Y, \theta)$
such that

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{n_{0,\omega}} & X_e & \xrightarrow{\bar{g}} & Y \\
 & & \parallel & & \\
 & & g & &
 \end{array}$$

To give such an extension is to give a system

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X_0 & \xrightarrow{g_0} & \\
 \pi_{0,1} \downarrow & & \\
 X_1 & \xrightarrow{g_1} & \\
 \downarrow & & \\
 \vdots & & \\
 X_n & \xrightarrow{g_n} & \\
 \pi_{n,n+1} \downarrow & & \\
 X_{n+1} & \xrightarrow{g_{n+1}} & \\
 \vdots & &
 \end{array}$$

with $g_0 = g$

- But by the universal property of X_{n+1} , given $g_n \exists! g_{n+1}$ extending g_n & having this property.
- Since $g_0 = g$, we have obtained a unique extension \tilde{g} preserving fillers for morphisms of complexity $n \leq n$ - that is, preserving all fillers. \square

Closest thing to a ref for this stuff:

- JB - Iterated algebraic injectivity & the Faithfulness conjecture.

Builds on

- Nikolaus - Algebraic models for higher cats.

- For more on algebraic small ds. arg.org,

Garner - Understanding the small ds. argument

L5 - Cellularity continued & the homotopy hypothesis

Recap: J a set of arrows in \mathcal{C}

Then $J \subseteq \text{Cell}(J) \subseteq \text{Mor}(\mathcal{C})$ consists of
closure of J in $\text{Mor}(\mathcal{C})$ under
coproducts, pushouts & transfinite composites.

Exercise: $\text{Cell}(J)$ equally consists of the
transfinite composites of pushouts of
coproducts of maps in J .

(Idea: Just need to show this second class
of maps is closed under
coproducts, pushouts & transfinite composites.)

Last week: assuming \mathcal{C} locally small,
cocomplete,
domains of maps in J finitely presentable
the (efficient) small object argument
produces factorisation

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\
 \searrow g & & \nearrow h \\
 & C & \in \mathcal{J} \square
 \end{array}$$

$\text{cell}_\omega(\mathcal{J}) : \Rightarrow$
 ω -cellular maps:

the ω -composites of pushouts of coproducts of maps in \mathcal{J} .

In fact, under above assumptions,
 $\text{cell}_\omega(\mathcal{J}) = \text{cell}(\mathcal{J})$.

Proof of this a bit harder -
 see Mal'toiniotis "Grothendieck ω -groupoids"
 Proposition A.6

Recall From L3 :

Π is a coerator if it is contractible & Π is the colimit of a chain

$$\mathcal{O}_0 = \Pi_0 \rightarrow \Pi_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \Pi_n \xrightarrow{J_n} \Pi_{n+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \Pi \in \mathcal{G}\text{-Th}$$

where - there is a set P_n of parallel pairs $(l) \xrightarrow{u} \bar{m}$ in Π_n such that Π_{n+1} is obtained by freely adding a lifting

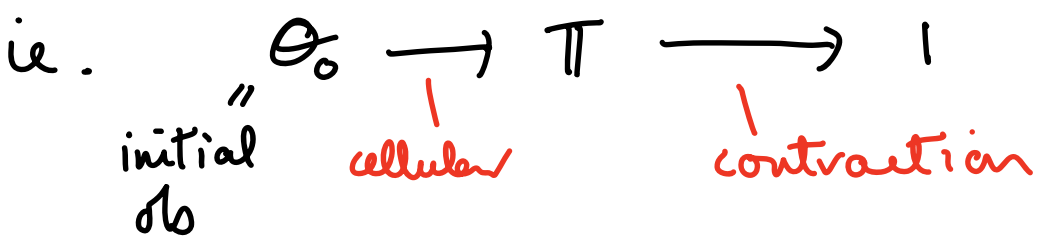
$$\begin{array}{ccc} (l) & \xrightarrow{u} & \bar{m} \\ \downarrow & & \nearrow \psi_{u,v} \in \Pi_{n+1} \\ (l+1) & & \end{array}$$

For each $(u,v) \in P_n$.

Now I want to describe a set of maps J in the category of globular theories $\mathcal{G}\text{-Th}$ such that

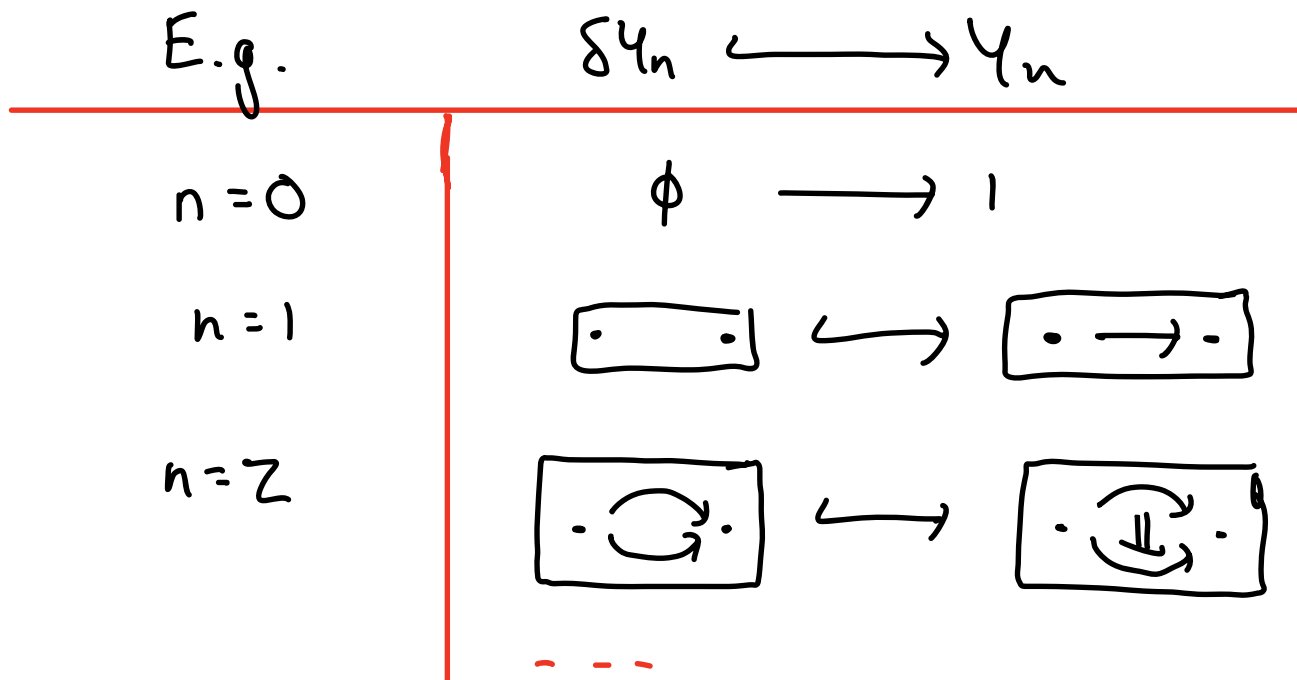
or ω -cellular

coerators $\equiv J$ -cellular, J -contractible theories



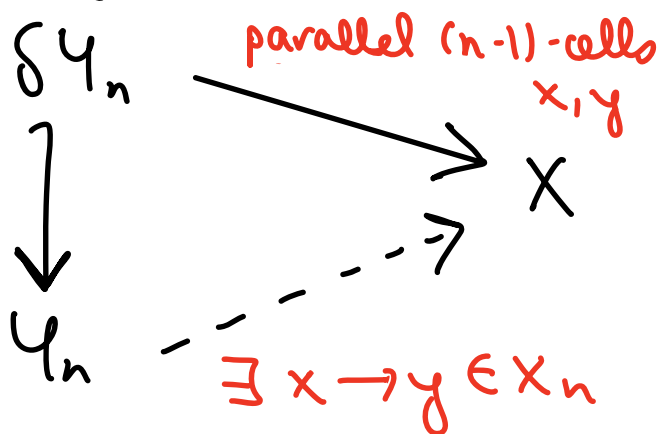
Firstly, consider the category $[G^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$
 & let $B = \{ \delta Y_n \xrightarrow{j^n} Y_n : n \in \mathbb{N} \}$
boundary of n -cell n -cell

defined by $\delta Y_n(m) = \emptyset$ if $m \geq n$
 & $\delta Y_n(m) = Y_n(m)$ if $m < n$.



Then δY_n consists of a parallel pair of $(n-1)$ -cells, in particular

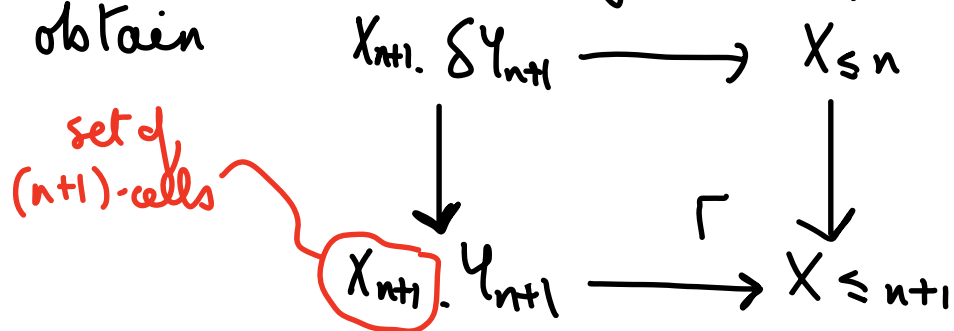
X is \mathcal{B} -injective $\Leftrightarrow X$ is contractible



Remarks

- ① Each $\delta Y_n, Y_n$ is finite & so certainly finitely presentable.
- ② Each globular set X is \mathcal{B} -cellular: it is a colimit

$\emptyset \longrightarrow X_0 \dashrightarrow \dots \dashrightarrow X_{\leq n} \hookrightarrow X_{\leq n+1} \dots \longrightarrow X$
 where $X_{\leq n}$ has only cells of height $\leq n$ -



ie. glue on the (n+1)-cells @ stage n+1.

Consider a globular Theory \mathbb{T} :

$$\mathbb{G} \xrightarrow{(\cdot)^{\circ}} \mathcal{O}_0 \xrightarrow{J} \mathbb{T}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_D$

Recall that \mathbb{T} is contractible,

\Leftrightarrow each glob. set $\mathbb{T}(D-, \bar{m})$ is contractible

We can view this as a functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U_{\bar{m}} : \mathbb{G}\text{-Th} & \longrightarrow & [\mathbb{G}^{\circ}, \text{Set}] \\ \mathbb{T} & \longmapsto & \mathbb{T}(D-, \bar{m}) \end{array}$$

Let us take for granted

\otimes $\mathbb{G}\text{-Th}$ is cocomplete,

each $U_{\bar{m}}$ has a left adjoint $F_{\bar{m}}$
 preserving f.p. objects.

(These props hold much more generally - see eg. Monads & Theories (JB / R. Garner))

Assuming this, we can consider the set of maps in $G\text{-Th}$:

$$B^* = \{ F_{\bar{m}}(\delta Y_n) \xrightarrow{F_{\bar{m}}(j_n)} F_{\bar{m}}(Y_n) : \bar{m} \in \Theta_0, n \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

all of which have f.p. domain

& now

Theorem

Π is a cooperator iff it is B^* -cellular & B^* -contractible.

Proof

- B^* -contractibility of Π says

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F_{\bar{m}}(\delta Y_n) & \xrightarrow{\theta f} & \Pi \\
 F_{\bar{m}}(j_n) \downarrow & \nearrow \exists g & \\
 F_{\bar{m}}(Y_n) & &
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{or by} \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \delta Y_n & \xrightarrow{\theta f} & U_{\bar{m}} \Pi \\
 j_n \downarrow & \nearrow \exists g & \\
 Y_n & &
 \end{array}$$

adjointness

which says exactly that Π is contractible.

• B^* -cellularity says that \exists colimit

$$\mathcal{O}_0 \rightarrow \Pi_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \Pi_j \rightarrow \Pi_{j+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \Pi$$

where $\Pi_j \rightarrow \Pi_{j+1}$ is a pushout of a coproduct of maps in B^* .

Let's just consider a pushout of a single map -
in fact to give a commutative square as below left

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F_{\bar{m}}(\partial Y_n) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R} & & \partial Y_n & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R}(D, \bar{m}) \\
 F_{\bar{m}}(j_n) \downarrow & & \downarrow K & & j_n \downarrow & & \downarrow K \\
 F_{\bar{m}}(Y_n) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{S} & & Y_n & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{S}(D, \bar{m})
 \end{array}$$

is (by adjointness) to give a square as above right -

The top map gives a parallel pair of

$(n-1)$ -cells $D_n \xrightarrow{F} \bar{m}$ a parallel pair of n -cells in \bar{m}

& the lower map provides a filler

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D_n & \xrightarrow[\text{K}_g]{\text{K}_f} & \bar{m} \\
 \text{K}_D \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{K}_D \\
 D_{(n+1)} & \xrightarrow{\varphi_{f,g}} &
 \end{array}$$

so the universal such square

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F_{\bar{m}}(Y_n) & \xrightarrow{\langle f, g \rangle} & \mathbb{R} \\
 F_{\bar{m}}(j_n) \downarrow & & \downarrow \Gamma \\
 F_{\bar{m}}(Y_n) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R}\langle f, g \rangle
 \end{array}$$

has the universal property that it is obtained by freely adding a filler $\varphi_{f,g}$ for the parallel pair (f, g) .

More generally, to say $\Pi_j \rightarrow \Pi_{j+1}$ is a pushout of a coproduct of maps in \mathcal{B}^* is to say that

Π_{j+1} is obtained by freely

adding fillers for a set of parallel pairs in Π_j . \square

Summary

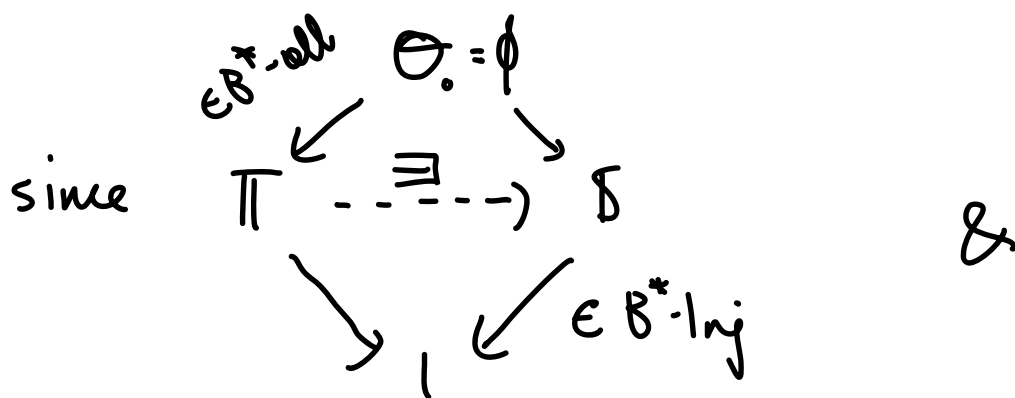
- Contractibility $\sim \infty$ -groupoid str
- Cellularity \sim weakeners (no strict equations)

Cellular contractible theories are the theories for weak ∞ -groupoids.

These are called coherators.

The homotopy hypothesis made precise

- If Π is a coherator & \mathcal{S} contractible,
then $\exists \Pi \xrightarrow{K} \mathcal{S} \in \mathcal{G}\text{-Th}$:



this induces

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Mod}(\mathcal{S}) & \xrightarrow{K^*} & \text{Mod}(\Pi) \text{ by restr.} \\
 \downarrow u^{\mathcal{S}} & = & \downarrow u^{\Pi} \\
 & & [\mathcal{G}^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]
 \end{array}$$

Then K^* preserves weak equivalences

since it preserves the construction of homotopy groups (exercise) or since, in fact, being a weak equivalence is a property of the

underlying map of globular sets.

In particular, if Π is a coherator,

$$\Pi \xrightarrow{\cong K} \Pi_{\text{Top}} \quad \text{— globular theory of top. spaces}$$

& so

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \text{No} & & \\ & & \text{''} & & \\ \text{Top} & \xrightarrow{N_J} & \text{Mod}(\Pi_{\text{Top}}) & \xrightarrow{K^*} & \text{Mod}(\Pi) \end{array}$$

preserves weak equivalences since both components do.

Grothendieck's homotopy hypothesis
(precise form)

For any coherator Π ,
the induced functor

$\text{Top}(W^{-1}) \longrightarrow \text{Mod}(\Pi)(W^{-1})$
is an equivalence of categories.

Comments

- ① Formulated in 1983 by Grothendieck (Pursuing Stacks)
- ② Really one would like a bit more - to put a model structure on $\text{Mod}(\Pi)$ for Π a coherator such that

is $\text{Top} \xrightarrow{N_\infty} \text{Mod}(\Pi)$ a Quillen equivalence.

And to prove that for any 2 coherators Π & Π' , $\text{Mod}(\Pi)$ & $\text{Mod}(\Pi')$ are suitably equivalent.

Open questions.

③ Smaller question

Is the globular theory Π_{top} cellular?
i.e. is Π_{top} a coherator?

(Update: no, it isn't - explained
next week.)

Examples of coherators

- Both the small object argument & efficient small object argument applied to B^* provide examples of coherators

$$\phi = \mathcal{O}_0 \xrightarrow{B^*\text{-cellular}} \Pi \xrightarrow{B^*\text{-contractible}} 1$$

- The efficient soa produces the free B^* -algebraic injective on ϕ - that is, the initial object of $\text{Alg}(B^*)$ - these are globular theories equipped with a contraction:

that is, a theory Π equipped with:

For each parallel pair $n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} \bar{m} \in \Pi$ we are given a chosen lifting

$$\begin{array}{ccc} n & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} & \bar{m} \\ \perp\perp & \nearrow \psi(f,g) & \\ n+1 & & \end{array}$$

This does not follow from the theorem last week on the efficient soa immediately, since I don't expect $\text{cell}(B^*) \subseteq \text{Mono}$.

- However it is true that if Π is cellular, then each cellular map $\Pi \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ is mono (ie. id on obs & faithful).

- This is all that is needed to show that the efficient soa produces free algebraic injectives on cellular objects in particular since $\emptyset = \Theta_0$ is cellular,

the efficient soa applied to $\Theta_0 \rightarrow 1$ produces the initial globular theory with contraction.

* above a bit technical to prove - JB "iterated algebraic injectivity..."

Lecture 6 - Grothendieck ω -groupoids from type theory & weak factorisation systems

This time :

how to get an internal Gr. ω -groupoid str on a topological space, a type, a Kan complex ...

The idea :

If \mathcal{C} has a weak fact. system (L, R) then can form

path object on X :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{i \in X} & PX \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \langle s, t \rangle \in R \\ & & X \times X \end{array}$$

Writing $X_0 = X$, $X_1 = PX$, this is the start of a globular object.

- Now paths are supposed to be composable so we ought to have

$$X_1 \times_{X_0} X_1 \xrightarrow{\text{comp}} X_1$$

It should be a filler for the

square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_0 & \xrightarrow{i} & X_1 \\ \langle i, i \rangle \downarrow & \nearrow \text{comp} & \downarrow \langle s, t \rangle \in \mathcal{R} \\ X_1 \times_{X_0} X_1 & \xrightarrow{\langle s, t \rangle} & X_0 \times X_0 \end{array}$$

if we want the composite of id. paths to be an id.

If the left vertical is $\in \mathcal{L}$ - we get such a composition by the lifting prop. & this is the start of an ω -groupoid str, involving higher paths ...

Remark: Asking such maps are in \mathcal{L} is closely related to homotopy type theory where if you can define an operation on identity paths you can do it everywhere (path induction)

- This reminds me of something I once knew!
- For topological spaces, the identity path on $x \in X$ is the constant path $\Delta_x: [0,1] \rightarrow X$.
- The composite of constant paths in Top is constant!
- This indicates that the theory Π_{Top} is not cellular:

indeed we have an equation

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D1 & \xrightarrow{\text{const}} & D0 \\
 \text{comp} \downarrow & \nearrow & \\
 D(1,0,1) & \langle \text{const}, \text{const} \rangle &
 \end{array}
 \text{ in } \Pi_{\text{Top}}.$$

- Indeed in Π_{Top} , $D0 = (0)$ is terminal!!

FACT! : IF $(0) \in \Pi$ is terminal,
 Π is not cellular.

Proof: Still to formalise it properly.

Identity type categories

An identity-type category is a cat \mathcal{C} equipped w' a weak factorisation system (L, R) such that

- A terminal ob 1 exists & each $! : X \rightarrow 1 \in R$
- Pullbacks of R -maps exist & the pullback of an L -map along an R -map is an L -map.

Remark) • The pullback of an R -map is of course an R -map (true for any wfs).

Examples

Concept introduced by Gambino-Gorner (The identity type wfs). Other authors have considered related structures (Joyal-Tribes), Shulman (Type-theoretic Fibration cats).

- Main point :- syntactic category of dependent \$
type theory comes equipped w'
 - class of fibrations R .
- Fibrations $B \rightarrow A$ correspond to dependent types over the base $x \in A \vdash B(x)$ type.

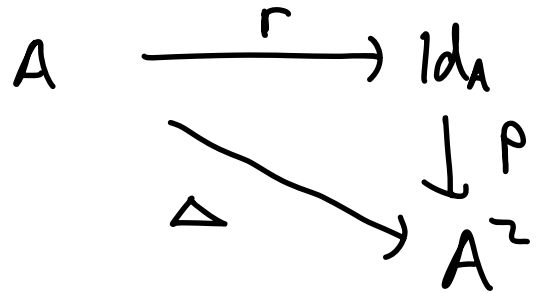
More accurately, for each dependent type B as above, we have a dependent projection

$$p: (x:A, y:B(x)) \longrightarrow (x:A).$$

- If we add "identity types", we get a wfs satisfying the above axioms.

Id types give ① $x, y:A \vdash \text{Id}_A(x, y) : \text{Type}$
 & ② $r(x) := \text{refl}(x) \in \text{Id}_A(x, x)$.

- i.e. a factorisation in \mathcal{S} of diagonal.



- The rules for identity types say

③ given $x, y:A, z:\text{Id}_A(x, y) \vdash C(x, y, z) \vdash \text{Type}$
 & $c(x) : C(x, x, r(x))$

then ④ have $J_c(x, y, u) : C(x, y, u)$

⑤ $J_c(x, x, r(x)) = c(x)$

These correspond to

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \textcircled{3} & A & \xrightarrow{c} & C \\
 r \downarrow & & & \downarrow \\
 \text{Id}_A & = & & \text{Id}_A
 \end{array}$$

& then

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{c} & C \\
 r \downarrow & \textcircled{5} \nearrow J & \downarrow \\
 \text{Id}_A & = & \text{Id}_A
 \end{array}$$

so the reflexivity maps have left lifting prop wrt dependent projections.

-To make above precise, I point out that the objects of syntactic category are dependent contexts like $(x:A, y:A, z:Id_A(x,y))$ for instance.

- ② Lots of other examples:
- cat of Kan complexes
 - Top spaces

Reflexive globular contexts

- Given $X \in \mathcal{C}$ an id. type category,
we can extend it to a globular
object $X : \mathbb{G}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$.

- We set $X(0) = X$ & define $X(1)$ by
the factorisation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X(0) & \xrightarrow{i_0, i_1 \in \mathcal{K}} & X(1) \\ & \searrow \Delta & \downarrow \langle s_1, t_1 \rangle \in \mathcal{R} \\ & & X(0) \times X(0) \end{array}$$

- This makes $X(1) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{s_1} \\ \xrightarrow{t_1} \end{array} X(0)$ a
graph or 1-globular object.

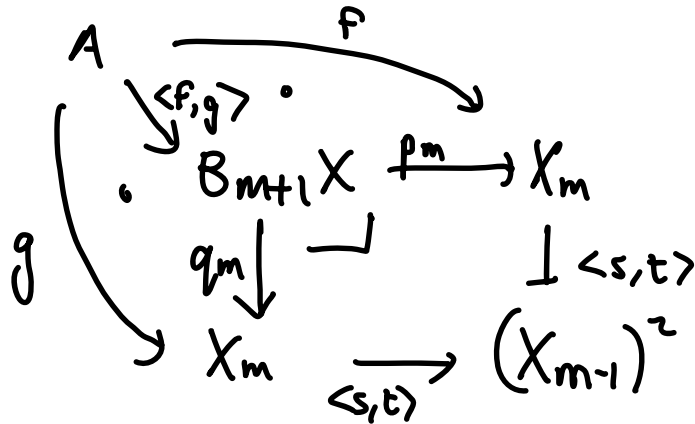
- We extend it inductively:

suppose we have constructed X as an
 n -globular object, we must show how
to extend it to a $(n+1)$ -globular object.

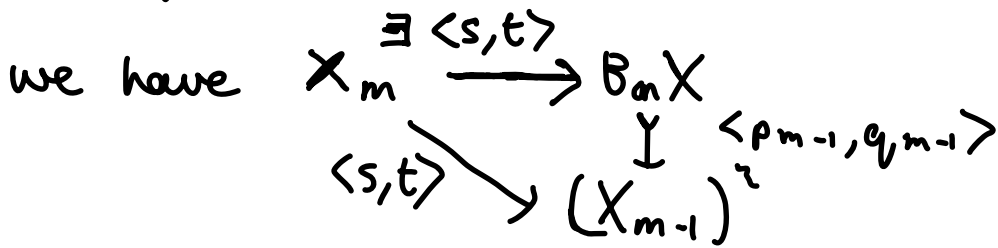
- Given a n -globular object X , can define m -boundary $B_m X$ of X for $1 \leq m \leq n+1$.

- Its universal property is that $\mathcal{C}(A, B_{m+1} X) \cong \text{Parallelopaio in } \mathcal{C}(A, X-)$ of m -cells

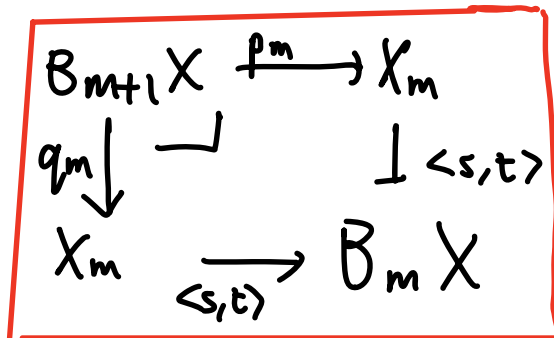
- Therefore



- This defⁿ is the clearest one but observe



& then



equivalently since $\langle p_m, q_m \rangle$ is monic.

- The inductive construction now works as :
suppose we have the n-glob. object X
& suppose that $B_m X$ exists &

$$X_m \xrightarrow{\langle s, t \rangle} B_m X \in \mathcal{R} \quad \forall m \leq n.$$

(Note this is true for $n=1$ since)

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\langle s, t \rangle} B_1 X = X_0 \times X_0 \in \mathcal{R}.$$

- Then the pullback

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 B_{m+1} X & \xrightarrow{p_m \in \mathcal{R}} & X_m \\
 \mathcal{R} \ni q_m \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \langle s, t \rangle \in \mathcal{R} \text{ exists} \\
 X_m & \xrightarrow[\in \mathcal{R}]{\langle s, t \rangle} & B_m X
 \end{array}$$

& we have the induced map

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X(n) & \xrightarrow{1} & X(n) \\
 \downarrow \langle 1, 1 \rangle & & \downarrow \langle s, t \rangle \\
 B_{m+1} X & \xrightarrow{p_n} & X(n) \\
 \downarrow q_n & \lrcorner & \downarrow \langle s, t \rangle \\
 X(n) & \xrightarrow[\langle s, t \rangle]{} & B_n X
 \end{array}$$

& define $X(n) \xrightarrow{i_{n,n+1} \in \mathcal{K}} X(n+1)$
 $\searrow \langle 1, 1 \rangle \quad \downarrow \langle s_{n+1}, t_{n+1} \rangle$
 $B_{n+1} X \in \mathcal{R}$

& now $X(n+1) \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{s_{n+1}} \\ \xrightarrow{t_{n+1}} \end{matrix} X(n)$ extends X

to a (n+1)-globular object.

By induction, we obtain a globular object X satisfying

① \exists \mathcal{K} -maps $i_{n,n+1} : X(n) \rightarrow X(n+1)$ making X a reflexive globular object.

② The maps $X(n+1) \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{s_n} \\ \xrightarrow{t_n} \end{matrix} X(n)$ &

$\langle s_n, t_n \rangle : X(n+1) \rightarrow B_{n+1} X$ are \mathcal{R} -maps.

A globular object with these props will be called a reflexive globular context.

Theorem

Any reflexive glob. context X ad. the structure of Groth ω -groupoid.

We will construct it using endomorphism theories.

Endomorphism Theories

- Let $G^{\mathcal{P}} \xrightarrow{A} \mathcal{C}$ be a globular object.
- If \mathcal{C} has A -glob. products, an right Kan extend

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Theta_0^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{A(-)} & \mathcal{C} \\ D^{\mathcal{P}} \uparrow & \text{"} & \downarrow \\ G^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{A} & \mathcal{C} \end{array}$$

globular product preserving functor.

- Now Factor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Theta_0^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{J_A^{\mathcal{P}}} & (\text{End} A)^{\mathcal{P}} \\ D^{\mathcal{P}} \uparrow & \text{"} & \downarrow K_A \\ G^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{A} & \mathcal{C} \end{array}$$

id. on obs
f.f.

- Both $J_A^{\mathcal{P}}$ & K_A preserve globular products by construction.

- Then $\Theta_0 \xrightarrow{J_A} \text{End}(A)$ pres glob. sums, so it is a globular theory, the endomorphism theory of A .

- Explicitly, $\text{End}(A)(\bar{n}, \bar{m}) = \mathcal{C}(A(\bar{m}), A(\bar{n}))$

- In particular, $K_A: (\text{End} A)^{\mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$
 $\bar{n} \longmapsto A(\bar{m})$

equips A with structure of $\text{End} A$ -model.

Exercise

There is a natural bijection

$$\mathcal{G}\text{-Th}(\Pi, \text{End}A) \cong (\text{Mod}\Pi)_A - \text{the set of } \Pi\text{-model structures on } A.$$

It is obtained by postcomposing by KA .

In particular, a good way to put Groth.
 ω -groupoid structure on $A: \mathcal{G}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$
is to show $\text{End}A$ is contractible:

Then the $\text{End}A$ -model structure on A
exhibits A as an ω -groupoid.

Now $\text{End}A$ is contractible just when for
each $\bar{m} \in \mathcal{O}_0$, the globular set

$$\text{End}A(\text{JD-}, \bar{m}) \text{ is contractible.}$$

$$\text{But } \text{End}A(\text{JD}_n, \bar{m}) = \mathcal{C}(A\bar{m}, A_n)$$

so this just says that

- each $\mathcal{C}(A\bar{m}, A-): \mathcal{G}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$
is a contractible globular set:

In el. terms, given $A_{\bar{m}} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} A_n$
 st $sf = sq$ & $tf = tq$ (f & g are parallel)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \exists & \\ & \nearrow & \\ & & A(n+1) \\ & & s \perp \downarrow t \\ A_{\bar{m}} & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{F} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} & A_n \end{array} .$$

This is how we will construct an ω -groupoid from type theory.

Theorem

Any reflexive glob. context A ad. The structure of Groth ω -groupoid.

~~Proof~~ - let us write $A(n) \xrightarrow{i_{n,m}} A(m)$
for $m > n$ for the maps obtained by
composing the $i_{n,n+1}$'s,

& $A(0) \xrightarrow{i_m := i_{0,m}} A(m)$.

- These give a cone $\Delta A(0) \xrightarrow{i} A \in [G^{\mathcal{P}}, \mathcal{C}]$

since

$$A(0) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{i_n} A(n) \\ \xrightarrow{i_{n-1}} A(n-1) \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{"} \\ \text{"} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \downarrow s_n \\ \downarrow t_n \end{array}$$

- So we obtain

$$\begin{array}{ccc} n & \longrightarrow & A(0) \xrightarrow{i_n} A(n) \\ G^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{i/A} & A(0)/\mathcal{C} \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \text{cod} \\ & A & \mathcal{C} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ A(n) \end{array}$$

- We will prove that

(i) $A(0)/\mathcal{C}$ has i/A -glob. products

② $\text{End}(i/A)$ is contractible.

Then the composite

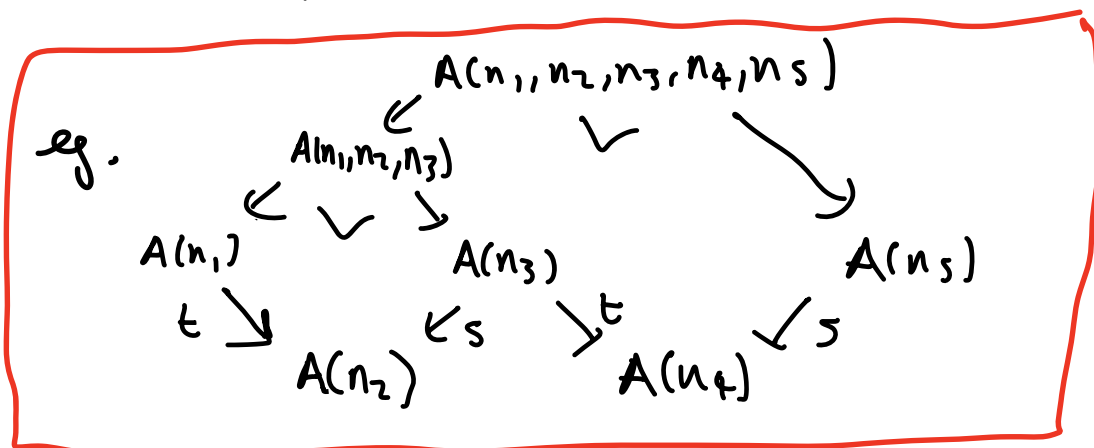
$$\text{End}(i/A) \xrightarrow{K_{i/A}} A(0)/\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\text{cod}} \mathcal{C}$$

| pres. glob. prods
↙ pres all connected lims

preserves globular products & so will exhibit $\text{End}(i/A)$ -model str. on A - i.e. ω -groupoid structure.

First, we prove ①.

In constructing globular products in \mathcal{C} , we need to construct them using iterated pullbacks, since \mathcal{C} only has some pullbacks:



Use induction over length of cod $\bar{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_k)$.

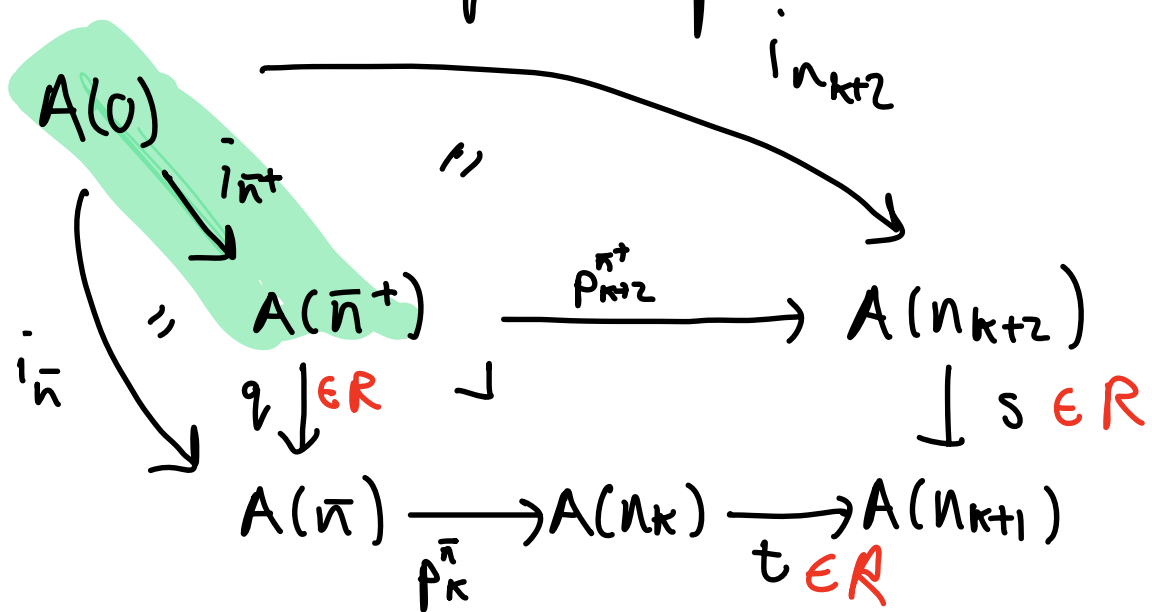
- We will write $A(\bar{n}) \xrightarrow{p_j^{\bar{n}}} A(n_j)$ for the limit projection,
 & $A(0) \xrightarrow{i_{\bar{n}}} A(\bar{n})$ for glob. prod in $X(0)/\mathcal{C}$
 which satisfies $A(0) \xrightarrow{i_{\bar{n}}} A(\bar{n})$
 $\searrow i_j \quad \perp \quad p_j^{\bar{n}}$
 $\quad \quad \quad A(n_j)$

- Certainly $A(0)/\mathcal{C}$ has glob. products for cod's of length 1.
- For $\bar{n}^+ = (n_1, \dots, n_k, n_{k+1}, n_{k+2})$, the glob prod is the pullback

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A(\bar{n}^+) & \xrightarrow{p_{n_{k+2}}^{\bar{n}^+}} & A(n_{k+2}) \\
 \downarrow q \in R & \lrcorner & \downarrow s \in R \\
 A(\bar{n}) & \xrightarrow{p_k^{\bar{n}}} A(n_k) \xrightarrow{t \in R} & A(n_{k+1})
 \end{array}$$

which exists since $s \in R$.

- The gldo. product in $A(0)/\mathcal{C}$ is then the unique map



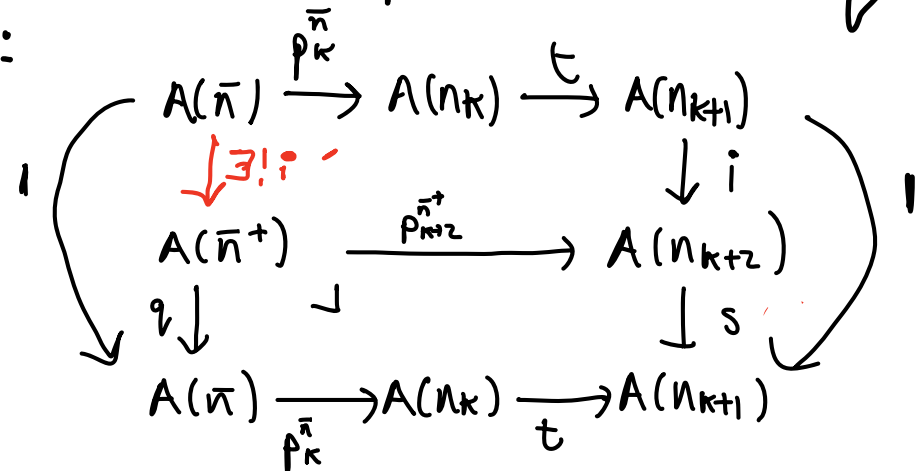
to the pullback.

- Our inductive construction also proves: each final projⁿ $p_{n}^{n_k} \in \mathcal{R}$.
- Indeed, if $p_{n}^{n_k} \in \mathcal{R}$, so is the lower leg in diagram. Hence so is the upper leg by pullback stability.

- We also will prove by induction that each $\bar{i}_n : A(0) \rightarrow A(\bar{n}) \in \mathcal{K}$.

- Since the right leg s is split epi, so is its pullback q .

indeed :



Since lower square & outer square are pullbacks, so is upper. As $i \in \mathcal{K}$, so is $i \in \mathcal{K}$ as pullbacks of \mathcal{K} -maps along \mathcal{K} -maps are \mathcal{K} -maps.

- Remains to show

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A(0) & \xrightarrow{i_{\bar{n}} \in \mathcal{A}} & A(\bar{n}) \\
 & \searrow^{i_{\bar{n}^+}} & \downarrow^{i' \in \mathcal{A}} \\
 & & A(\bar{n}^+)
 \end{array}$$

since the claim then follows by induction.

- Both give $i_{\bar{n}}$ when postcomposed by pullback projection q .

- Certainly

$$p_{k+2}^{\bar{n}^+} \circ i_{\bar{n}^+} = i_{n_{k+2}}.$$

Also

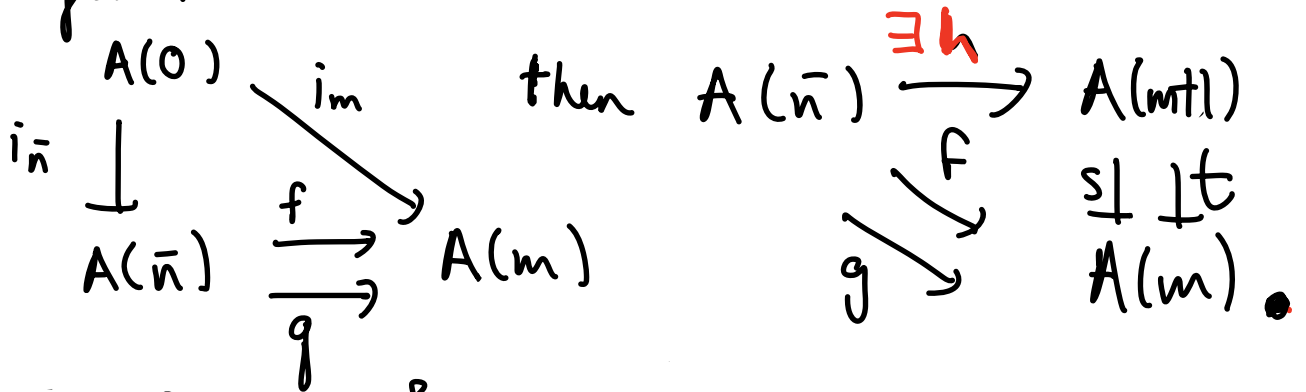
$$p_{k+2}^{\bar{n}^+} \circ i' \circ i_{\bar{n}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} i \circ t \circ p_{\bar{n}} \circ i_{\bar{n}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def of } i_{\bar{n}} \text{ as limit}}{=} i \circ t \circ i_{n_k} \stackrel{\text{cone}}{=} i \circ i_{n_{k+1}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} i_{n_{k+2}}$$

Hence they agree on postcomp. w' the pullback projections

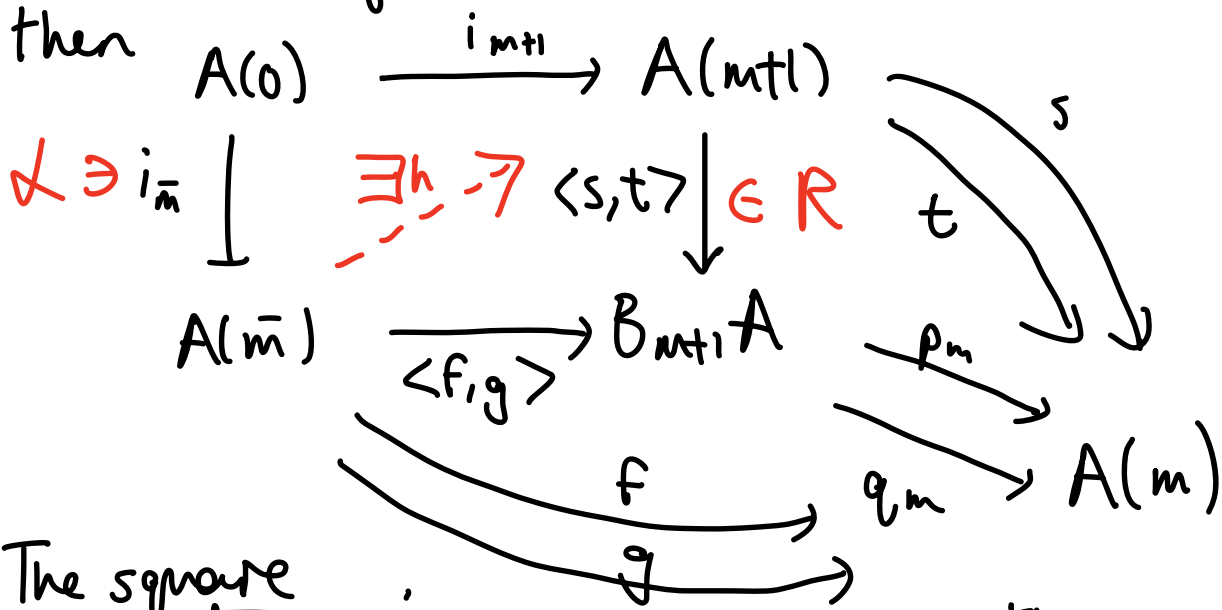
It remains to prove contractibility of $\text{End}(i/A)$.

- This amounts to showing that given



s.t. $s \circ f = s \circ g$ &
 $t \circ f = t \circ g$

- Get $\langle f, g \rangle : A(\bar{n}) \rightarrow B_{m+1}A$ &



The square commutes since p_m, q_m are jointly mono.
Hence we obtain a diagonal filler

completing the proof. \square

References

- This was proven by Van den Berg & Garner
"Types are weak ω -groupoids"
using Batanin weak ω -cats.
- I wrote a short expository paper
showing how their proof can be done
much more briefly if we use
Grothendieck ω -groupoids,

Note on the construction of globular
weak ω -groupoids from types,
topological spaces etc.

which is what this lecture was
based on.

Higher cats course part 2 - simplicial higher categories

Post-course summary:

This was a quick overview to some simplicial approaches to (∞, n) -categories covering -

L7) ∞ -groupoids & $(\infty, 1)$ -cats : Kan complexes & quasocats.

L8) Other models of $(\infty, 1)$ -cats :- simpl. enriched cats
- Segal cats
- complete Segal spaces

L9) ∞ -cosmoi : model independent approach to $(\infty, 1)$ -cats

L10 & L11) Simp models of $(\infty, 2)$ -cat & higher, covering higher quasocats, higher complete Segal spaces & complicial sets.

Note) Some of this stuff I was just learning on the fly so could no doubt be improved, and any comments very welcome.

L7 - Kan complexes & quasicategories

- Kan complexes \equiv simplicial ∞ -groupoids
- Quasicats \equiv simplicial $(\infty, 1)$ -categories, meaning all n -morphisms above dimension 1 are invertible.

Also called ∞ -categories.

- So Kan complexes \equiv simplicial $(\infty, 0)$ -cats
quasicats \equiv - - - $(\infty, 1)$ -cats
? \equiv - - -

- Both are defined as simplicial sets with properties.

- Here $\Delta =$ simplicial cat of non-empty finite ordinals

$$[n] = \{0 < \dots < n\} \text{ for } n \geq 0$$

& order preserving maps.

The factorisation system

Δ has a strict fact. system (Surj/Inj).

• The surjections are generated by the maps

$$\sigma_i^n : [n+1] \longrightarrow [n] \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n$$

taking value @ i twice;

• The injections are generated by the maps

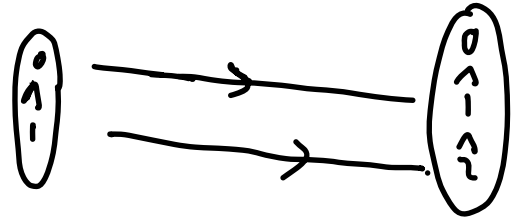
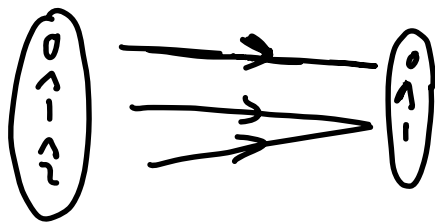
$$\delta_i^n : [n-1] \longrightarrow [n] \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n$$

which omit i .

$$\underline{\sigma_1^1} : [2] \rightarrow [1]$$

$$\delta_0^2 : [1] \longrightarrow [2]$$

E.g



• Δ is freely generated by these maps subject to the simplicial identities:

- comp. of two δ 's
 - comp. of two σ 's
 - Rewrite $\sigma \cdot \delta$
- } which I won't use.

Simplicial sets

- Write $s\text{Set}$ for $[\Delta^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$, the cat. of simplicial sets.

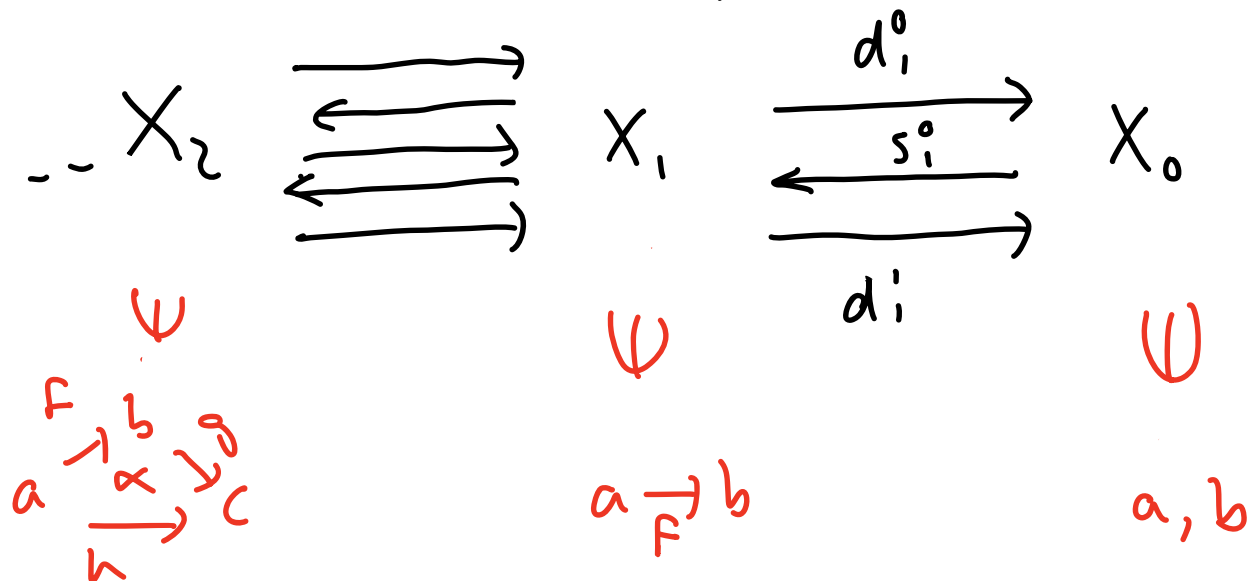
- A simplicial set X comes equipped with

$$X_n \xrightarrow{d_i^n} X_{n-1}, \quad X_n \xrightarrow{s_i^n} X_{n+1}$$

for $0 \leq i \leq n$.

- Elements of X_n called n -simplices.

- In low dimensions, have



No joy drawing beyond X_3 !

Yoneda embedding

$$y: \begin{array}{ccc} \Delta & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{S}\text{Set} \\ n & \longmapsto & \Delta^n, \text{ the } n\text{-simplex.} \end{array}$$

$$\Delta^0$$

$$\circ$$

$$\Delta^1$$

$$0 \rightarrow 1$$

$$\Delta^2$$

$$0 \begin{array}{c} \nearrow 1 \\ \parallel \\ \searrow 2 \end{array}$$

+ degenerate
higher cells

Just write

$$n \xrightarrow{F} m$$

$$\longmapsto \Delta^n$$

$$\xrightarrow{f} \Delta^m$$

Two embeddings

- We have the full inclusion

$$J: \Delta \longrightarrow \text{Cat} -$$

indeed, we saw it earlier as the inclusion of the graphical theory of categories.

- Also $\Delta \xrightarrow{K} \text{Top}$

$$[n] \longmapsto |\Delta^n|$$

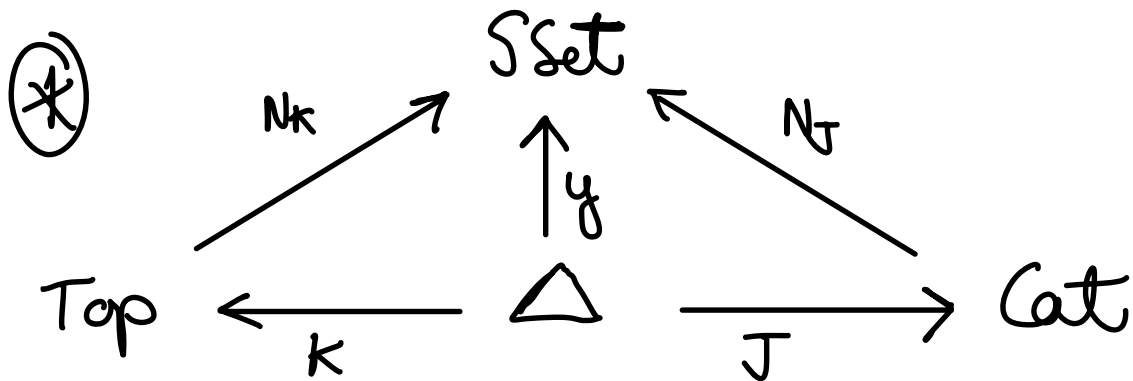
$$= \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n \mid \sum x_i \leq 1\}$$

views $[n]$ as standard n -simplex $|\Delta^n|$,

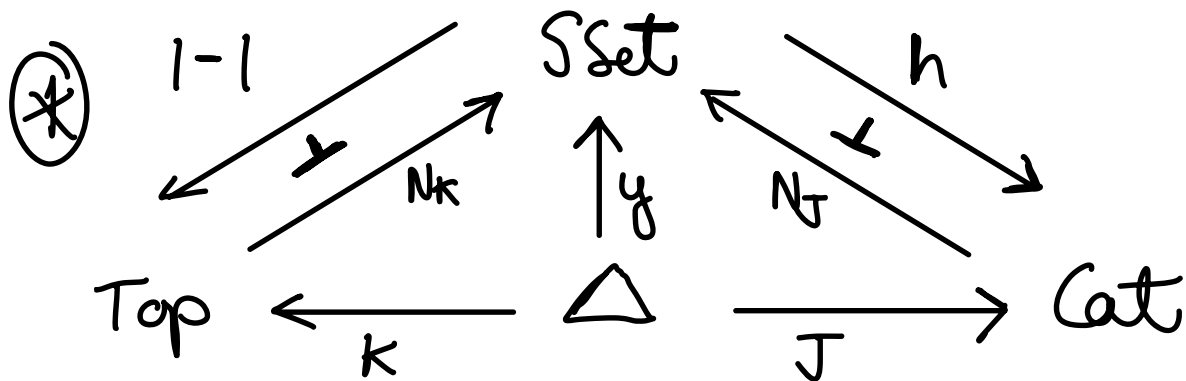
$$\& f: [n] \rightarrow [m] \longmapsto |\Delta^n| \xrightarrow{|f|} |\Delta^m|$$
$$|f|(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (y_0, \dots, y_m)$$

where $y_j = \sum_{i \in f^{-1}(j)} x_i$

These induce



- Here $N_K X := \text{Sing}(X)$ is the singular complex of X , with value $\text{Sing} X_n = \text{Top}(|\Delta^n|, X)$ the set of n -simplices in X .
- $N_J C := NC$ is the nerve of C :
 $NC_n = \text{Cat}([n], C)$
 $= \{\text{composable sequences of length } n\}$



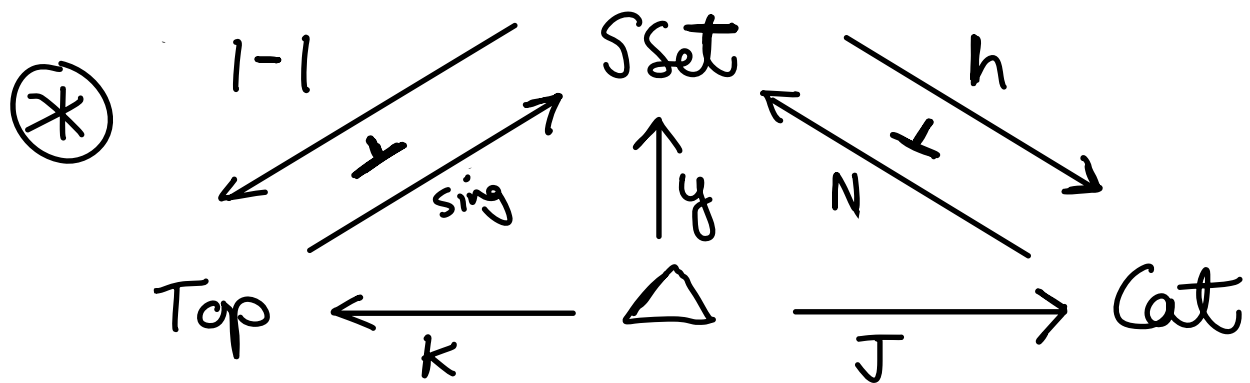
- Since $SSet$ is the free cocompletion of Δ both of these have left adjoints, as depicted.

- $|X|$ is the geometric realisation of X , $|X| = \int^{n \in \Delta} X_n \cdot |\Delta_n|$

- hX is category w' obs X_0 , arrows generated by 1-simplices $x \xrightarrow{f} y \in X_1$, subject to relations:

$$- x \xrightarrow{s_i(x)} x = id_x$$

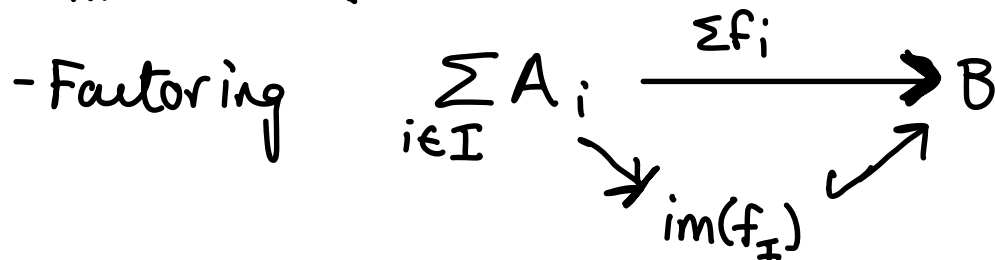
$$- \begin{array}{ccc} x & \xrightarrow{f} & y \\ & \searrow & \downarrow g \\ & & z \end{array} \in X_2 \Rightarrow g \circ f = h \in hX.$$



- Certainly topological spaces give rise to ∞ -groupoids (as we know) so $\text{Sing} X$ should be a simplicial ∞ -groupoid.
- Likewise NC should be an ∞ -category.
- As such, ∞ -cats should be a common generalisation of $\text{Sing} X$ & NC - so let's explore some of their common properties.

Images, boundaries & horns

- Consider a set of maps $\{f_i: A_i \rightarrow B: i \in I\}$ in $\mathcal{S}\text{Set}$.


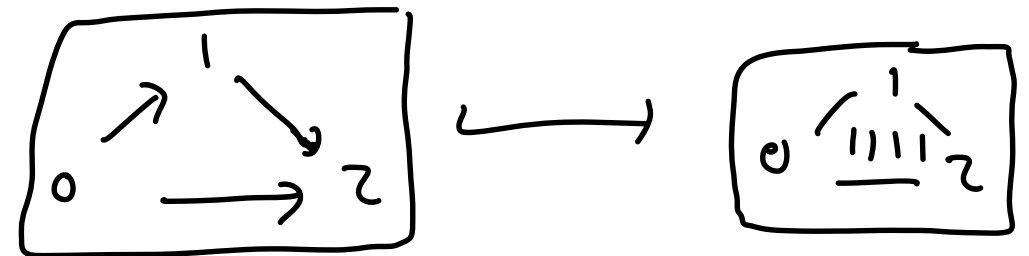


as (pointwise surj / pointwise mono) produces the image of the f_i -

- explicitly $\text{im}(f_{\mathbf{I}})[n]$ consists of those $x \in B[n]$ which are in the image of some $(f_i)_n: A_i[n] \rightarrow B[n]$

Examples

① The joint image of $\{ \sigma_i : \Delta^{n-1} \rightarrow \Delta^n : 0 \leq i \leq n \}$ produces $\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$, the boundary of the n-simplex.

n=0	$\emptyset \hookrightarrow \{0, 1\}$
n=1	
n=2	

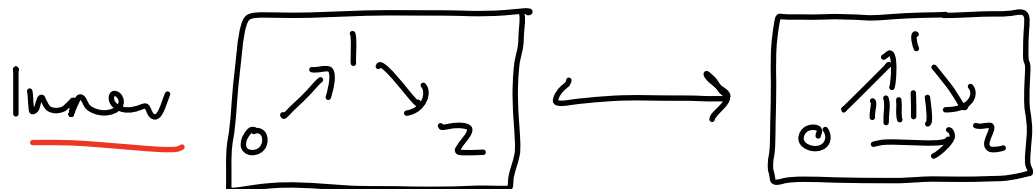
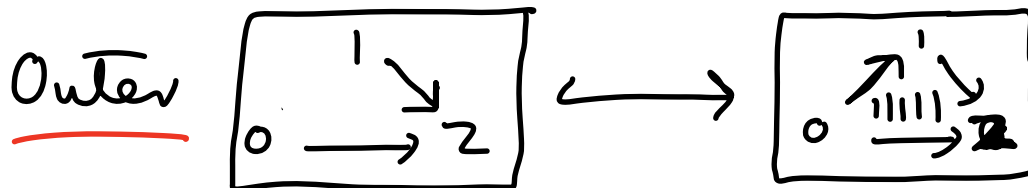
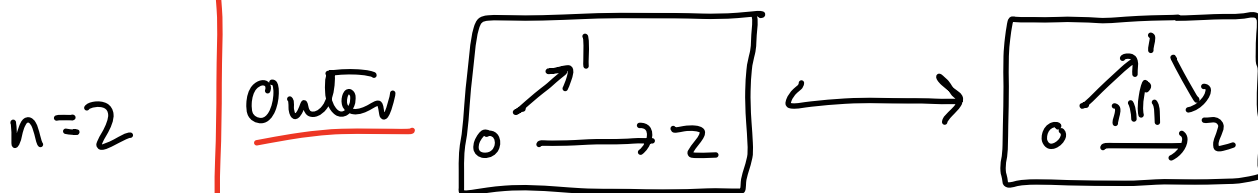
② The joint image of the maps $G_i^n: \Delta^{n-1} \rightarrow \Delta^n$ for $i \neq k, n \geq 1$ produces the k 'th horn inclusion

$$\Lambda_k^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$$

It is called an

- outer horn if $k=0$ or n
- inner horn if $0 < k < n$.

$n=1$ $[0] \hookrightarrow [0 \rightarrow 1], [1] \hookrightarrow [0 \rightarrow 1]$
both outer.



$$\textcircled{3} \text{ For } \begin{array}{ccc} [1] & \xrightarrow{\Theta_{i,i+1}} & [n] \\ 0 < i & \longmapsto & i < i+1 \end{array} \quad \& n \geq 1$$

the joint image of the
 $\Theta_{i,i+1} \quad \Delta^1 \longrightarrow \Delta^n$
 produces the spine of Δ^n :

$$\text{Sp } \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n,$$

which just looks like

$$\boxed{0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow n} \text{ with no } 1\text{-simplices } n \rightarrow m \text{ unless } m = n+1.$$

Note: The inclusions $\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$ & $\Lambda_k^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$ completely determine the classical model structure on SSet : they are the gen. cofibrations & trivial cofibrations.

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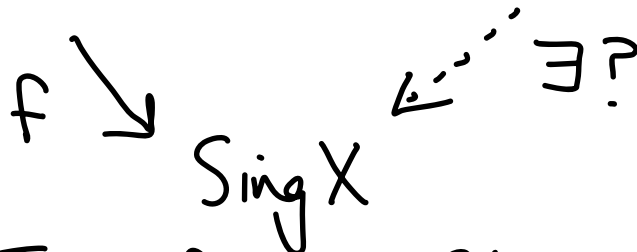
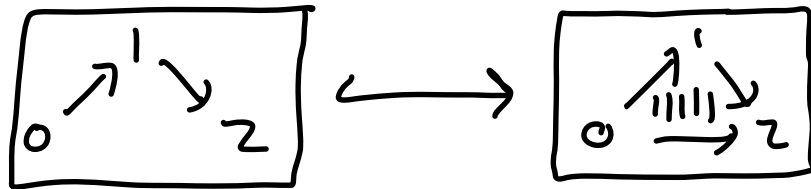
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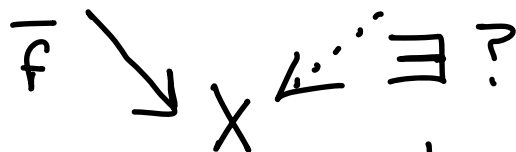
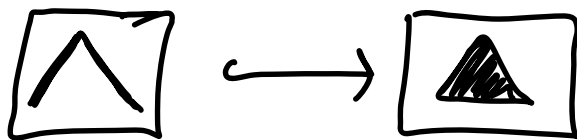
$$\begin{aligned} & \& f: [n] \rightarrow [m] \hookrightarrow |\Delta^n| \xrightarrow{|f|} |\Delta^m| \\ & |f|(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (y_0, \dots, y_m) \\ & \text{where } y_j = \sum_{i \in f^{-1}(j)} x_i \end{aligned}$$

Properties of $\text{Sing } X$

- Consider the inner horn



- By adjointness for $H \dashv \text{Sing}$, this is to give



& we can find a filler by composing paths.

- In fact, the horizontal map is a deformation retraction (in particular a split mono) & has section s - then $\bar{f} \circ s$ is filler.

- Similarly all horn inclusions
 $\Lambda_K^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n \in \text{Sset}$
 are sent by $|-| : \text{Sset} \rightarrow \text{Top}$ to
 deformation retractions.

- E.g. $\angle \hookrightarrow \triangle$, $\triangleright \hookrightarrow \triangle$

- Hence $\text{Sing} X$ is injective to each
 horn inclusion.

Defⁿ A simplicial set X is a
Kan-complex (aka ω -groupoid)
 if $X \in \text{Inj}$ (Horn Inclusions).

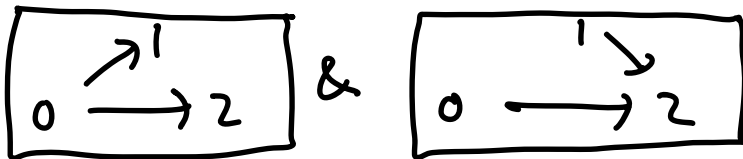
Properties of NC

- A map $\Lambda_1^2 = \boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ 0 & \nearrow & \searrow \\ & & 2 \end{array}} \longrightarrow NC$

picks out a pair $a \xrightarrow{f} b \xrightarrow{g} c \in C$.

- Unique extension $\Delta^2 \longrightarrow NC$ picking out 2-simplex $\begin{array}{ccc} f & \xrightarrow{b} & g \\ a & \xrightarrow{\quad} & c \end{array}$ in NC.

- Not true for outer horns



unless X a groupoid.

Proposition

Each NC is orthogonal to each inner horn inclusion.

unique lifts

~~Proof~~ - We have checked the case Λ_2' above.

- It suffices to check each

$\Lambda_k^n \rightarrow \Delta^n$ is inverted by

$h: \text{SSet} \rightarrow \text{Cat}$.

- Now h determined by 2-truncation

& for $n \geq 4$, these have same

2-truncation - only omit some $(n-1)$ -cells.

- Remains to consider Λ_1^3, Λ_2^3 .

Λ_3' looks like



- So we see $h\Lambda_1^3 = \text{Free cat gen by}$

$$0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3,$$

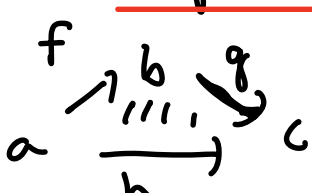
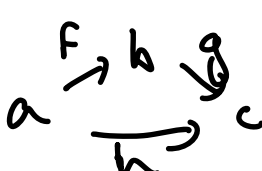
ie. $n = h\Delta^n$, as required.

- Case Λ_1^3 similar. \square

Definition) A simplicial set X is a quasicategory (aka ∞ -cat)
 $X \in \text{Inj}(\text{Inert Horns})$.

Corollary) Both SX & NC are ∞ -cats.

Quasicategories - basic properties

- let X be an ∞ -cat.
- Its 0/1-simplices we call objects & morphisms.
- Given $a \xrightarrow{f} b \xrightarrow{g} c \in X$, we say $h: a \rightarrow c$ is a composite of g & f if \exists 2-simplex  in X .
- We then say that the triangle  commutes & write $gf \sim h$.
- By filling Δ_1^2 , each composable pair has a composite.
- Composites are not unique, but they are unique up to homotopy.
- Also write $a \xrightarrow{1} a$ for $S_0^1(a)$ - this will be identity.

Defⁿ) $a \xrightarrow{f} b \in X$ are

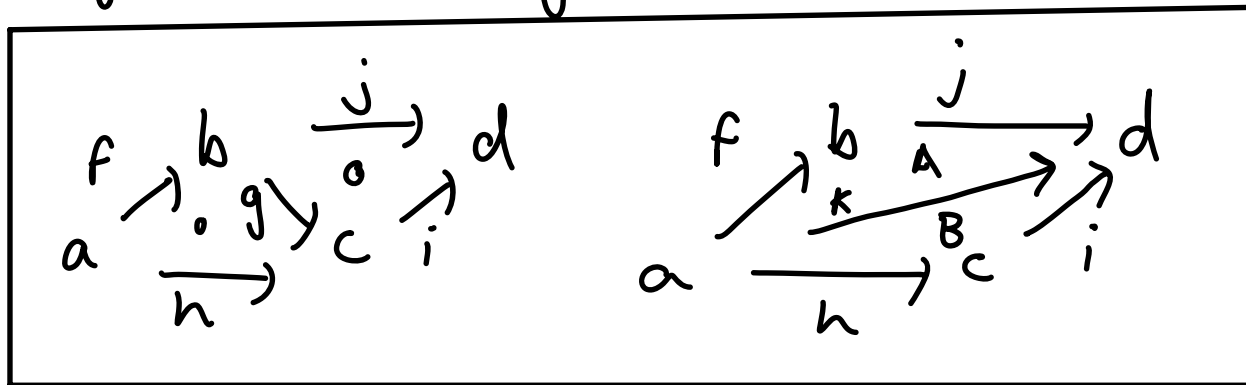
htpic $(f \simeq g) \iff$ if any d

- ① $f \circ a \simeq g$ ② $b \circ f \simeq g$
 ③ $g \circ a \simeq f$ ④ $b \circ g \simeq f$.

Propⁿ) The above 4 relations are equivalent in an ∞ -cat X & an equivalence relation.

Proof

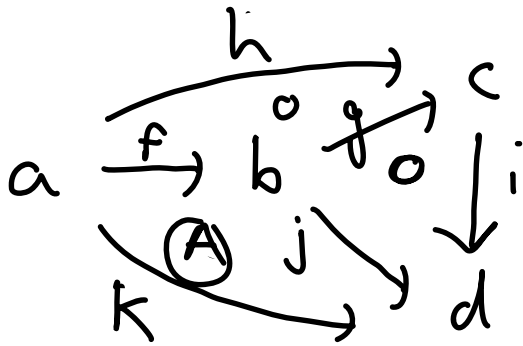
- First observe that in an ∞ -cat X , given a diagram



then A commutes \iff B commutes.

Follows from Filling Λ_1^3, Λ_2^3 .

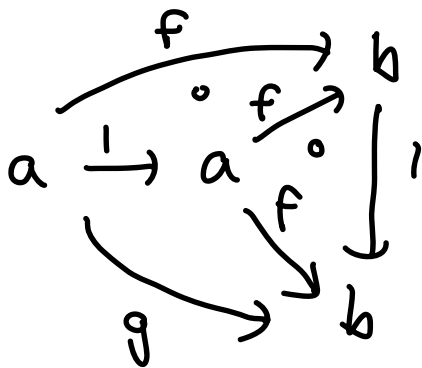
Or can draw as :



& outside as

(B)

- Then

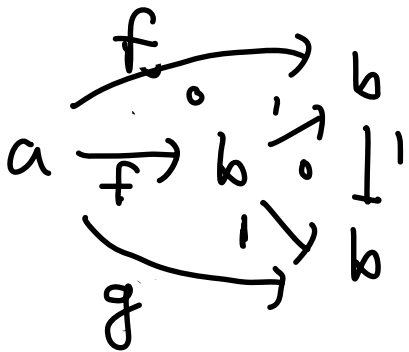


shows (1) $f \circ 1 \sim g$

\Leftrightarrow (2) $1 \circ f \sim g$

$1 \circ f \sim g$

- Likewise (3) \Leftrightarrow (4) (swap f & g)



$1 \circ g \sim f \Rightarrow$

$1 \circ f \sim g$

shows (2) \Leftrightarrow (4)

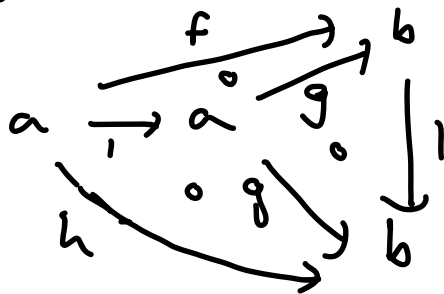
Sim (1) \Leftrightarrow (3)

For the equiv. relation,

• $f \approx f$ since $a \xrightarrow{1} a \xrightarrow{f} b$

• If $f \approx g$ then $f \circ 1 \approx g$ so $g \circ 1 \approx f$ so $g \approx f$.

• If $f \approx g$ & $g \approx h$ then



gives $f \approx h$.



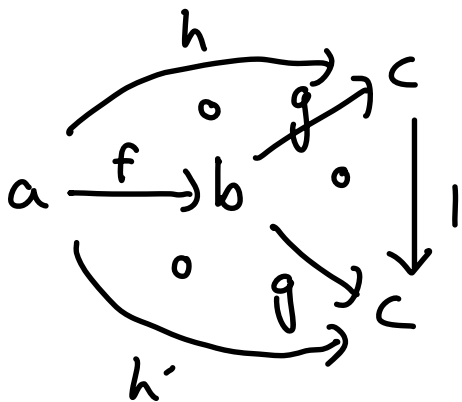
Prop

Composites are unique up to htpy.

Proof

Suppose $a \xrightarrow{f} b \xrightarrow{g} c$ & $a \xrightarrow{f} b \xrightarrow{g} c$

Then



shows $h \approx h'$.

Now we define a cat ho(X) :

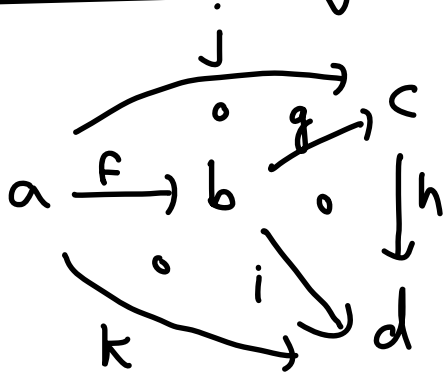
- obs as in X_0 .
- arrows are htpy classes of arrows.

Composition

- Given $a \xrightarrow{[F]} b \xrightarrow{[g]} c$ define $[g] \circ [F] : a \rightarrow c$ to be $[h] : a \rightarrow c$ where $h \sim g \circ F$. Check well-defined.

- Identity $a \xrightarrow{[1_a]} a$.

Associativity



Suppose $[g] \circ [F] = [j]$

$$[h] \circ [g] = [i]$$

$$[i] \circ [F] = [k]$$

Then $([h] \circ [g]) \circ [F] = [i] \circ [F] = [k]$.

& $[h] \circ ([g] \circ [F]) = [h] \circ [j]$ so must show $[h] \circ [j] = [k]$. See diagram.

Clearly unital & so a category.

Exercise

$h_0(X)$ as above equals $h(X)$, as earlier constructed.

18 - Other models of $(\infty, 1)$ -category

- As mentioned last week there are the classical Quillen model structures on Top & SSet , & a Quillen equivalence

$$\text{Top} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{1:1} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{Sing}} \\ \perp \end{array} \text{SSet} .$$

- Fibrant spaces = all
fibrant ssets = Kan complexes := simplicial ∞ -groupoids.
- So we obtain

$$\text{Ho}(\text{Top}) \simeq \text{Ho}(\text{Kan}) \quad \text{saying}$$

topological spaces \equiv simplicial ∞ -groupoids, a form of the homotopy hypothesis, appropriate to simplicial setting.

- What should an $(\infty, 1)$ -cat be?

A simple answer:

a category enriched in ∞ -groupoids.

We can take this to mean topologically or simplicially enriched categories.

We will take SSet -categories,

which include Kan-enriched cats

- A simplicially enriched cat \mathcal{C} has objects a, b, c, \dots , simplicial sets $\mathcal{C}(a, b)$,
 $\text{comp}^n \mathcal{C}(b, c) \times \mathcal{C}(a, b) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(a, c)$,
 $\text{ids } 1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(a, a)$,
here assumed to be small.

strictly associative & unital.

- We call the elements of $\mathcal{C}(a, b)_n$ n -morphisms.

- Then for each n , we have a cat \mathcal{C}_n of objects & n -morphisms.

- Moreover the face & degeneracy maps $\dots \mathcal{C}(a, b)_1 \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \\ \xleftarrow{\quad} \\ \xrightarrow{\quad} \end{matrix} \mathcal{C}(a, b)_0$ are then id. on obs functors.

- In this way we can identify simplicially enriched categories with

② Functors $\Delta^{\mathcal{C}}$ \longrightarrow $\text{Cat}_{i.o.}$ where $\text{Cat}_{i.o.}$ consists of small categories & identity on objects functors.

There is a third way we will look at later.

Since $\text{Top} \xrightarrow{\text{Sing}} \text{SSet} \xleftarrow{N} \text{Cat}$
 preserve products, they induce functors

$\text{Top-Cat} \xrightarrow{\text{Sing}_*} \text{SSet-Cat} \xleftarrow{N_*} \text{Cat-Cat}$

- $\text{Sing}_* C$ has same obs as C ,

homo $\text{Sing}_* C(A, B) = \text{Sing}(C(A, B))$
 & compⁿ

$$\text{Sing}(C(B, C)) \times \text{Sing}(C(A, B)) \cong \text{Sing}(C(B, C) \times C(A, B))$$

$$\downarrow \text{Sing}(\cdot)$$

$$\text{Sing}(C(A, C))$$

- $\text{Sing}_* C$ always enriched in Kan-complexes,
 ie. enriched in ∞ -groupoids.

$N_{\#} : Z\text{-Cat} = \text{Cat} \cdot \text{Cat} \hookrightarrow \text{SSet-Cat}$

identifies $Z\text{-Cat}$ as a Full subcategory
of SSet-Cat containing those
 $\text{SSet-enriched cats } \mathcal{C}$ which are
locally nerves of cats -

there are hence locally $(\infty, 1)\text{-cats}$
(certain $(\infty, 2)\text{-cats}$ - a topic)
for another day,

Simplicially-enriched cats vs quasocats

- We would like an adjunction

$$\underline{S\text{-Cat}} := S\text{Set-Cat} \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \text{+} \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} S\text{Set}$$

which means we should give

$$\Delta \longrightarrow S\text{-Cat}.$$

- Obvious answer:

$$R: \Delta \rightleftarrows \text{Cat} \xrightarrow{D} \mathbb{Z}\text{-Cat} \stackrel{N_*}{\cong} S\text{-Cat}$$

where D views a cat as loc. discrete \mathbb{Z} -cat.

- But then $S\text{-Cat}(R[n], C) \cong \text{Cat}(n, UC)$

- Then N_R is just the underlying cat of C composite

$$S\text{-Cat} \xrightarrow{U} \text{Cat} \xrightarrow{N} S\text{Set}$$

$$C \longmapsto UC \text{ where } (UC)(a, b) = \underline{C(a, b)}.$$

Forgets Far too much!

- Need a $\Delta \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}\text{-Cat}$
 which will encode more info.

- Consider the adjunction

$$\mathcal{Cat} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{F} \\ \xrightarrow{u} \\ \perp \end{array} \mathcal{R}\text{-Graph} \quad \text{cat of reflexive graphs}$$

- $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{X}$ has morphisms -

- sequences $x_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} x_1 \xrightarrow{f_2} \dots \xrightarrow{f_n} x_n$
 where each f_i is non-degenerate,
- $x \xrightarrow{1_x} x$ the chosen degeneracies.

Composition in $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{X}$ is by

- concatenation / deletion of identities.
- Unit $\eta_x: X \rightarrow UFX$ & counit $\epsilon_c: FUC \rightarrow C$
 identity-on-objects.

- Comonad $FU \circledast \mathcal{Cat}$ induces $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{Cat}$

$\Delta^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{\text{Res } \mathcal{C}} \mathcal{Cat}$ its simplicial resolution.

$$\dots \text{FUUFUC} \begin{array}{c} \leftarrow \\ \rightleftarrows \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \text{FUFC} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\epsilon_{\text{FC}}} \\ \leftarrow \epsilon_{\text{UC}} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{FUC}_c} \end{array} \text{FUC} \quad \&$$


all of these maps are id on obs - so this defines a simplicially-enriched category ResC.

- So n-arrows of ResC are paths of paths of paths... in C.

- Obtain $\Delta \hookrightarrow \text{Cat} \xrightarrow{\text{Res}} \text{S-Cat}$ & this is our functor.

- Res([0]) = { - }

- Res([1]) = { $0 \xrightarrow{01} 1$ } only one non-degen maps.

- Res([2]) =  1-arrow

$[01, 12] \xrightarrow{[01, 12]} [02]$

This induces our adjunction

$$\text{S-Cat} \xleftarrow[\text{H = N}_{\text{Res}}]{\text{Q}} \text{S-Set}$$

homotopy coherent nerve.

Then $HC(\mathcal{Z}) = \text{diagrams}$
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & f & b \\
 & \nearrow & \searrow g \\
 a & \xrightarrow{h} & c \\
 & \alpha \Downarrow &
 \end{array}$$
 in \mathcal{C}
 where $\alpha : g \circ f \Rightarrow h$.

If \mathcal{C} is a 2-category, viewed as a simplicially-enriched cat, in fact
 $HC = \text{NHom}([n], \mathcal{C})$

set of normal lax functors from
 $[n] \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$

There are model structures on $S\text{-cat}$ & $S\text{Set}$ called the Bergner & Joyal model structures respectively whose fibrant objects are the

- Kan enriched cats
- quasicats

& then

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathcal{Q} & \\
 S\text{-cat} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & S\text{Set} \\
 & \xrightarrow{H = N_{\text{res}}} &
 \end{array}$$

is a Quillen equivalence, giving a sense in which these provide the same model of homotopy theory.

Segal categories

- Recall our perspective on simplicial enriched cats as functors

* $\Delta^{\mathcal{P}} \xrightarrow{x} \text{Cat}$ whose components are all i.o.

- These correspond to internal cats in $\mathbb{S}\text{Set} = (\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set})$

$$X_1 \times_{X_0} X_1 \longrightarrow X_1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{s} \\ \xleftarrow{i} \\ \xrightarrow{t} \end{array} X_0 \quad \text{with } X_0 \text{ discrete.}$$

- If \mathcal{C} is simplicially enriched, the corresp. internal cat in $\mathbb{S}\text{Set}$ looks like

$$\sum_{a,b,c \in \text{ob } \mathcal{C}} \mathcal{C}(a,b) \times \mathcal{C}(b,c) \longrightarrow \sum_{a,b \in \text{ob } \mathcal{C}} \mathcal{C}(a,b) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{s} \\ \xleftarrow{i} \\ \xrightarrow{t} \end{array} \text{ob } \mathcal{C}$$

- Evaluating at n , it gives an ordinary cat \mathcal{C}_n - the cat of objects of \mathcal{C} & n -morphisms.

- Now an internal cat in $\mathcal{S}\text{Set}$ extends naturally to a functor $\Delta^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{X} \mathcal{S}\text{Set}$ satisfying the Segal condition.

(Functors $\Delta^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{X} \mathcal{S}\text{Set}$ will be simplicial spaces)

- So a simplicially-enriched cat \mathcal{C} is a simplicial space X such that

① X_0 is discrete.

② X satisfies the Segal condition.

If X satisfies ① it is called a Segal precategory.

- Given a simplicial space X , we always have

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \boxed{0 < 1} \\
 \downarrow \delta_1 \\
 \boxed{0 < 1 < 2}
 \end{array}
 \left| \begin{array}{ccc}
 & X_2 & \\
 s_2 = \text{Segal}_2 \swarrow & & \searrow X \delta_1^2 \\
 X_1 \times_{X_0} X_1 & & X_1
 \end{array} \right. \in \mathcal{S}\text{Set}$$

- If the Segal condition holds, then composition is encoded by

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & X_2 & \\
 (s_2)^{-1} \nearrow & & \searrow X \delta_1^2 \\
 X_1 \times_{X_0} X_1 & & X_1
 \end{array}$$

In a Segal cat, we weaken composition.

Defⁿ) A Segal cat is a Segal precategory such that the Segal maps

$$X_n \xrightarrow{s_n} X_1 \times_{X_0} X_1 \times \dots \times_{X_0} X_1$$

are weak equivalences $\in \mathcal{S}\text{Set}$.

- This kind of weakening can be considered in other contexts as well,

eg in Cat :

then a simplicial category

$$X: \Delta^p \longrightarrow \text{Cat sat.}$$

the Segal cond. is a double cat.

- Asking that the Segal maps

$$X_n \longrightarrow X_1 \times_{X_0} X \cdots X_1$$

are equivalences of cats corresponds to pseudo-double cats.

- Asking that $X(0)$ is discrete forces all squares in the double cat.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} a & \xrightarrow{f} & b \\ \parallel & \alpha \Downarrow & \parallel \\ a & \xrightarrow{g} & b \end{array}$$

to have trivial vert. components so it looks globular

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & f & \\ & \curvearrowright & \\ a & \alpha \Downarrow & b \\ & \curvearrowleft & \\ & g & \end{array}$$

& we get bicategories / 2-categories.

- There is a model structure on $\text{PreCat} \hookrightarrow [\Delta^{\mathcal{Q}}, \text{Set}]$, the category of Segal precats, whose fibrant objects are the Reedy-fibrant Segal cats.

This is Quillen equivalent to those earlier described.

I would like to at least say what Reedy-fibrancy means.

- Firstly lets revisit the Segal condition.

- Consider the spine inclusions

$$\text{Sp} \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n \in (\Delta^{\mathcal{Q}}, \text{Set})$$

Taking weighted limits of $X: \Delta^{\mathcal{Q}} \rightarrow (\Delta^{\mathcal{Q}}, \text{Set})$

$$\text{obtain } \{ \Delta^n, X \} \longrightarrow \{ \text{Sp} \Delta^n, X \}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{SII} & & \text{SII} \\ X_n & \xrightarrow{\text{Segal}} & X|_{x_{x_0}} X|_{x_{x_0}} \dots X| \end{array}$$

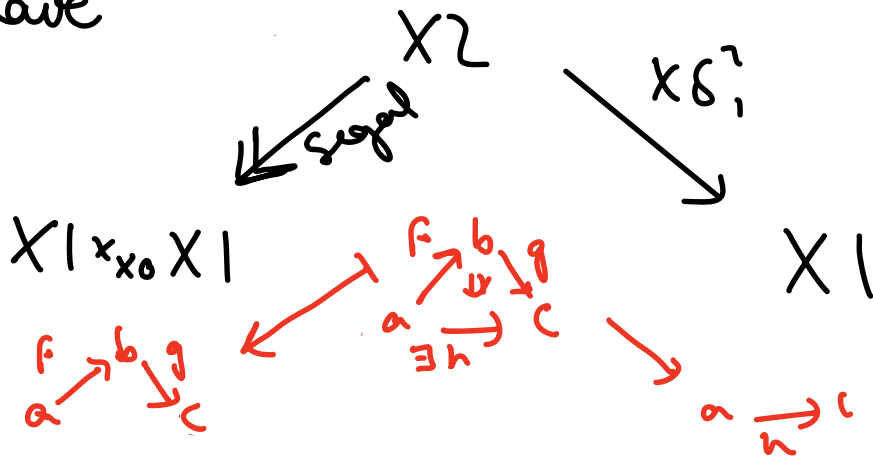
so upper horizontal is Segal map.

② Reedy Fibrancy

• For each boundary inclusion $\partial\Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$
 the induced $\{ \Delta_n, X \} \longrightarrow \{ \partial\Delta^n, X \}$
 is a Kan-fibration.

- Since $\text{Mono} = \{ \text{all } \{ \partial\Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n \} \}$, Reedy-fib.
 implies $\{ V, X \} \rightarrow \{ U, X \}$ a Kan-fib
 $\cup U \hookrightarrow V$ mono.

- In partic, the Segal maps are then
 fibrations & so trivial fibrations
 Then have



- Also considering, $\phi \rightarrow \Delta^n$,
 it follows that each X_n is a Kan complex.

Complete Segal spaces

- Here one starts again with simplicial spaces.

$$X: \Delta^q \longrightarrow (\Delta^q, S).$$

① We keep the condition that the Segal maps are weak equivalences.

② We require Reedy fibrancy.

We drop requirement that X_0 is discrete but add

③ Completeness

- $J \in \text{Cat}$ the Free iso $0 \rightleftharpoons 1$ & consider $N(J)$, the nerve of the free iso
- Can think of it as "Free equiv in an ω -cat".
& $\Delta^0 \hookrightarrow N(J)$ either inclusion.

(This is a gen. triv cof in Joyal model structure.)

- Completeness means that

$$\{N(\mathcal{J}), X\} \longrightarrow \{\Delta^0, X\} = X_0$$

is a weak equivalence (equally a t.fib).

- Usually it is formulated as saying that its section $(\text{covv } \Gamma_0 N(\mathcal{J}) \longrightarrow \Delta^0)$

$$X_0 \longrightarrow \{N(\mathcal{J}), X\}$$

is a weak equivalence.

- The idea is that

$$\{N(\mathcal{J}), X\} = \text{hoeq}(X) \hookrightarrow X(1)$$

is the object of homotopy equivalences in X .

- This says that the identities map

$$X(0) \longrightarrow \text{hoeq}(X) \text{ is an equiv.}$$

It is closely connected to univalence (Stenzel)

Fun fact (Stenzel)

$X : \Delta^{\mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow (\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set})$ is a complete Segal sp

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Delta^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{\text{hoeq}(X)} & (\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}) \\ \Leftrightarrow & & \\ (\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set})^{\mathcal{P}} & \xrightarrow{\{-, X\}} & (\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}) \end{array}$$

is right Quillen functor from

Joyal model structure to classical Kan-model str.

There is a model str. on $(\Delta^{\text{op}}, \text{SSet})$
whose fibrant obs are the
complete Segal spaces, & it
is Quillen equivalent to
the others.

Summary
4 simplicial models of $(\infty, 1)$ -cat
this week & last.

- ① Quasicats
- ② Simplicially enriched cats
- ③ Segal cats
- ④ Complete Segal spaces.

All equivalent,
via equivalences of model cats.

Lecture 9 -

A model-independent approach to $(\infty, 1)$ -categories

- Last time :

different models of $(\infty, 1)$ -category :

- ① quasicats
- ② Segal cats
- ③ complete Segal spaces
- ④ simplicially enriched cats

- Would be nice to do " ∞ -category theory" (ie. adjoints, limits etc) in a way that is independent of which definition we use.

- This is the idea of Riehl & Verity's ∞ -cosmoi.

- Only applies to 1, 2 & 3 above. Simpl. enriched cats have some problems because of their semi-strict nature (eg. the maps between them are strict) which make it problematic working with them.

- We will approach the notion of an ∞ -cosmos gradually.

The 2-category of quasicategories

- Let $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{S}\text{Set}$ denote the full subcat of quasicategories.
- It is also cartesian closed:
 - ① since q-cats are the fibrant obs, closed under products & 1
 - ② - If B is a quasicat, then $\mathcal{S}\text{Set}(A, B)$ a quasicat. In partic, $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}(A, B)$ a quasicat.

- Have adjunction $\text{Cat} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{h} \\ \perp \\ \xrightarrow{N} \end{array} \mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$
as described in L7:

hX has same objects as X & arrows :
homotopy-classes $a \xrightarrow{[f]} b$.

- In fact h preserves finite products (follows from this description or since $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$ "exponential ideal" in $\mathcal{S}\text{Set}$).

- So get $\mathcal{Z}\text{-Cat} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{H = h_*} \\ \perp \\ \xrightarrow{N_*} \end{array} \mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}\text{-Cat}$

$$\text{Z-Cat} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{H = h_*} \\ \perp \\ \xrightarrow{N_*} \end{array} \text{QCat-Cat}$$

- For \mathcal{C} enriched in quasicons, $H\mathcal{C}$ a Z-cat:
 - objects as in \mathcal{C} ,
 - arrows: the objects of $\mathcal{C}(a,b)$
 - 2-cells: homotopy classes of arrows in $\mathcal{C}(a,b)$.
- In other words, $H\mathcal{C}$ has same underlying cat as \mathcal{C} and homotopy classes of 2-cells.

Now QCat is QCat -enriched, so can form $h\text{QCat}$ - the Z-category of quasicons:

- obs, arrows as in QCat (ω -cats, ω -functors)
- 2-cells homotopy classes of " ω -nat t's".

A 2-categorical approach to quasicons

Defⁿ) An adjunction / equivalence of quasicons is an adjunction / equiv. in the 2-category $h\mathcal{Q}at$.

- In el. terms, this means

$$A \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{F} \\ \xrightarrow{u} \end{array} B +$$

$$A \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} B \\ \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} A \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{u} \\ \downarrow \end{array} A \quad \& \quad B \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{1} \\ \xrightarrow{n} A \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{u} \\ \downarrow \end{array} B$$

sat. triangle equations

$$1 \xrightarrow{fn} 1 \xrightarrow{uf} F \xrightarrow{\varepsilon F} F \quad \& \quad u \xrightarrow{nu} u \xrightarrow{fu} u \xrightarrow{u\varepsilon} u$$

- Note: this really means that the eq's hold up to homotopy in $\mathcal{Q}at(A, A), \mathcal{Q}at(B, B)$ - since looking at homotopy-classes of 2-cells.

- Surprising thing: this captures correct notion of adjunction between ∞ -cats.

Corollary: Adjoints & equivalences can be composed (etc).

Proof) Use usual 2-categorical argument in \mathbf{hQCat} - no " ∞ -arguments" needed.

∞ -cosmoi Version 0

- Now it turns out that the categories
 - CSS of complete Segal spaces
 - SegCat of Segal categoriesare naturally simplicially enriched - indeed there are product preserving functors
$$K: \text{CSS}, \text{SegCat} \longrightarrow \text{SSet}$$
taking values in quasicats, so can define $\text{CSS}(A, B) = \text{QCat}(KA, KB)$.
- Since $\text{CSS}, \text{SegCat}$ are QCat -enriched, can form homotopy 2-cats $H(\text{CSS}), H(\text{SegCat})$ & again these capture the correct notions of adjunction & equivalence, analytically defined -
 - ie. the elementary definitions one uses in the specific context, using things like initial obs is "slice ∞ -cats".

∞ -cosmoi Version 0 ctd

- So if all of " ∞ -category theory" we care about are adjunctions & equivalences,

Def VO) An ∞ -cosmos \mathcal{C} is a 2Cat-enriched category.

Will call objects of \mathcal{C} " ∞ -cats"
& prove things about them using the 2-category \mathbf{HE} .

But ∞ -category theory should also concern structures like limits in ∞ -cats, & for these the defⁿ above is not enough.

- Limits in an ω -cat A have diagram shape J a simplicial set (not nec. ω -cat)
- So can't consider $D: J \longrightarrow A$ as a morphism in $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$.
- But $[J, A] = \text{SSet}(J, A) \in \mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$ is the power of A by J in $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$ -
ie. $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}(B, [J, A]) \cong \text{SSet}(J, \mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}(B, A))$
a certain kind of defining nat iso weighted limit.

Axiom (Powers)

An ω -cosmos \mathcal{C} has powers by simplicial sets.

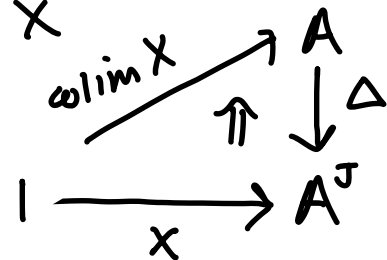
- Then given $A \in \mathcal{C}$, we can form the power $A^J \in \mathcal{C}$
- Taking powers is functorial in SSet -
in partic, the map $J \longrightarrow 1 \in \text{SSet}$ induces, by the univ. prop. of powers, a diagonal map $\Delta: A \longrightarrow A^J$.

Defⁿ) A has J -lims if Δ has a right adj
 J -colims if Δ has a left adj.

What if we want to capture the colimit of a particular diagram?

- In QCat, can capture a diagram as $I \xrightarrow{X} A^J$ as I is a qcat.

- Then can capture limit of X

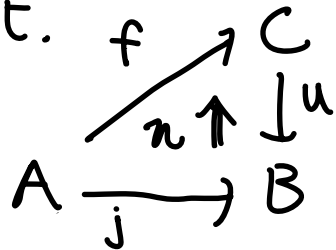


as the right adjoint to Δ relative to X .

- What is a relative adjunction in a 2-category?

Firstly, what is a relative adjunction in Cat?

Given a functor $j: A \rightarrow B$ & $u: C \rightarrow B$ we call $F: A \rightarrow C$ left adjoint to u relative to j when there is a nat η .



such that $\mathcal{C}(fx, y) \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{B}(jx, uy)$
 $fx \xrightarrow{\alpha} y \quad \longmapsto \quad jx \xrightarrow{\eta x} ufx \xrightarrow{\nu x} uy$
 a bijection.

(Equivalently, for each $a \in A$, $\exists ja \xrightarrow{\eta a} ua$ u -universal.)

write $f \dashv_j u$ & say F is j -left adjoint to u .

- In a 2-cat \mathcal{C} we say

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & f \nearrow & C \\ & n \uparrow & \downarrow u \\ A & \xrightarrow{j} & B \end{array}$$

exhibits f as j -left adj to u

if $\forall D \in \mathcal{C}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathcal{C}(D, C) & \text{exhibits} \\ & f_* \nearrow & \\ & n_* \uparrow & \downarrow u_* \\ \mathcal{C}(D, A) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & \mathcal{C}(D, B) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} f_* \dashv j_* \quad u_* \\ \text{in Cat.} \end{array}$$

- l. define concept representably.

- In elementary terms,

given

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D & \xrightarrow{y} & C \\ x \downarrow & \alpha \nearrow & \downarrow u \\ A & \xrightarrow{j} & B \end{array} \quad \exists! \quad \begin{array}{ccc} D & \xrightarrow{y} & C \\ x \downarrow & \beta \nearrow & \downarrow u \\ A & \xrightarrow{j} & B \end{array} \quad \text{st}$$

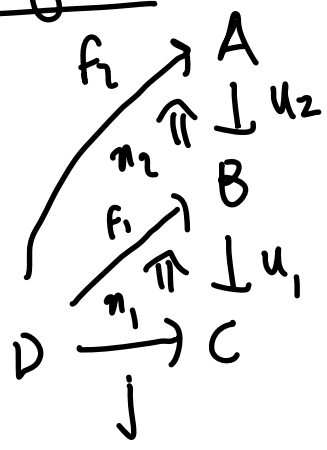
$$\begin{array}{ccc} D & \xrightarrow{y} & C \\ x \downarrow & \beta \nearrow & \downarrow u \\ A & \xrightarrow{j} & B \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} D & \xrightarrow{y} & C \\ \beta \uparrow & f \nearrow & \\ n \uparrow & \downarrow u & \\ A & \xrightarrow{j} & B \end{array} = \alpha.$$

Remarks). Also j -left adjoints are called absolute left liftings.

left lifting $\begin{array}{ccc} & f \nearrow & C \\ & n \uparrow & \downarrow u \\ A & \xrightarrow{j} & B \end{array}$ & $D \xrightarrow{g} A \begin{array}{ccc} & f \nearrow & C \\ & n \uparrow & \downarrow u \\ A & \xrightarrow{j} & B \end{array}$ left lifting.

- Now we define a relative adjunction $f \dashv_j u$ in a QCat-enriched \mathcal{C} to be a relative adjunction in $h\mathcal{C}$.
- Right adjoints relative to j defined dually - reverse 2-cells.

Pasting Lemma



Suppose $f_1 \dashv_j u_1$.
 Then $f_2 \dashv_{f_1} u_2 \iff f_2 \dashv_j u_2 u_1$.

Proof] Sim. to standard lemma for Kan extensions.

Colimits in an ω -cat

- One more thing: in an ω -cosmos \mathcal{C} we don't consider diagrams as morphisms $I \rightarrow A^J$.

Eg. in the ω -cosmos of ptd ω -cats, \exists only one such diagram.
Hence must allow "diagrams" $B \rightarrow A^J$ for B arbitrary.

Definition) Let \mathcal{C} be an ω -cosmos.

A colimit of $B \xrightarrow{X} A^J$ is a left adjoint to X relative to Δ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{col } X & \rightarrow & A \\ & \nearrow & \downarrow \Delta \\ B & \xrightarrow{X} & A^J \end{array} .$$

Remark) In $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$, CSS , SegCat suffices to look at diagrams with $B = I$.

Thm) Left adjoints preserve colims.

Proof) Given $\text{col} X \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \varepsilon \Uparrow \\ C \xrightarrow{x} A^J \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} A \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \in \mathcal{C} \text{ \& } F: A \rightarrow B$

must prove $\text{col} X \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \varepsilon \Uparrow \\ C \xrightarrow{x} A^J \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} A \xrightarrow{F} B \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \text{ exhibits } F \circ \text{col} X \text{ as rel. left adj to } \Delta.$

Now $(-)^J$ preserves adjunctions, so $F^J \dashv U^J$ & then

$A^J \xrightarrow{1} A^J \begin{array}{c} \nearrow F^J \Uparrow \\ \downarrow U^J \end{array} B^J$ rel adj. Then so is $C \xrightarrow{x} A^J \begin{array}{c} \nearrow F^J \Uparrow \\ \downarrow U^J \end{array} A^J$.

So by Lemma, suff to show

$\text{col} X \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \varepsilon \Uparrow \\ C \xrightarrow{x} A^J \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} A \xrightarrow{F} B \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow F^J \Uparrow \\ \downarrow U^J \\ A^J \end{array}$ is abs. left lifting.

But this equals

$\text{col} X \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \varepsilon \Uparrow \\ C \xrightarrow{1} A^J \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} A \xrightarrow{F} B \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \eta \Uparrow \\ \downarrow u \\ A \\ \downarrow \Delta \\ A^J \end{array}$ or

$\text{col} X \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \varepsilon \Uparrow \\ C \xrightarrow{1} A^J \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} F \circ \text{col} X \rightarrow B \\ \downarrow u \\ A \\ \downarrow \Delta \end{array}$

Further aspects of ∞ -cat theory

- For a morphism $F: A \rightarrow B$ of ∞ -cats, certainly we would like to form comma ∞ -cat B/F For instance.
- If $B^{\Delta(1)}$ denotes the ∞ -cat of arrows, we have $B^{\Delta(1)} \xrightarrow{\text{cod}} B$ induced by restriction along $\Delta(0) \xrightarrow{\delta_0'} \Delta(1)$.
- Now can form

pullback

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 B/F & \longrightarrow & B^{\Delta(1)} \\
 \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \text{cod} \\
 A & \xrightarrow{F} & B
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 (a, b \xrightarrow{k} fa) & \mapsto & (b \rightarrow fa) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 a & \mapsto & fa
 \end{array}$$

Problem) $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat} \hookrightarrow \text{SSet}$ not closed under pbs.

However $\text{cod}: B^{\Delta 1} \longrightarrow B$ is a fibration

& $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$ closed under pbs of fibrations.

- In fact $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$, CSS & SegCat all arise as fibrant objects in model cats, so come with natural class of maps: the fibrations between fibrant objects.
- In $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$, these are the maps with lifting prop against inner horns & $1 \longrightarrow N(J)$, & are called isofibrations.

Complete definition of ω -cosmos

A $\mathcal{Q}at$ enriched cat \mathcal{C} equipped with a class of maps $A \twoheadrightarrow B$ called isofibrations.

These satisfy the following axioms:

Limits

- ① \mathcal{C} has powers, all small products, pullbacks of isofibrations & limits of countable towers of isofibrations.

Behavior of isofibrations

- ② $A \twoheadrightarrow 1$ an isofib.
- ③ If $A \twoheadrightarrow B$ an isofib, then $\mathcal{C}(C, A) \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{C}(C, B)$ isofib. of $qats$.
- ④ Isofibrations closed under above lim. constructions.
- ⑤ - If $X \downarrow Y$ mono $\in \mathcal{S}et$, then $A^X \twoheadrightarrow A^Y$ isofib. Moreover, if $A \xrightarrow{f} B$ isofib, then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^Y & \xrightarrow{f^Y} & B^Y \\ \downarrow A_j & \searrow & \downarrow B_j \\ A^X & \xrightarrow{f^X} & B^X \end{array} \quad \text{an isofib}$$

How do these axioms help us?

Certainly $\Delta^0 \xrightarrow{\delta_0} \Delta^1$ is mono

$\Rightarrow A^{\Delta^1} \xrightarrow{\text{cod}} A^{\Delta^0} = A$ is isofib.

Hence
pullback
exists

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B/\downarrow & \longrightarrow & B^{\Delta(1)} \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \text{cod} \\ A & \xrightarrow{F} & B \end{array}$$

so we can talk about comma κ -cats,
slices etc, & lots of other
things.

Lots more stuff to be figured
out

Eq. - Coherent, monoidal κ -cats?

Lecture 10 - $(\infty, 2)$ & higher

- In last lectures, we looked at various flavours of $(\infty, 1)$ -category.

This time, we will look at a few flavours of $(\infty, 2)$ & perhaps (∞, n) -category.

- Roughly 3 flavours:
 - n -fold structures (iterated approaches)
 - Θ_n -based structures (replace Δ by Θ_n where $\Theta_1 = \Delta$)
 - Marked structures (simplicial sets with some special simplices)

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next week

The iterated approach

Firstly, recall that a complete Segal space is a simplicial space

$$X: \Delta^{\mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow (\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \mathcal{S})$$

such that

① It is Reedy fibrant - the maps $\{\Delta^n, X\} \longrightarrow \{\partial\Delta^n, X\}$ are Kan fibrations

② the Segal maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{\Delta^n, X\} & \longrightarrow & \{S_p\Delta^n, X\} \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ X_n & \longrightarrow & X|_{x_0} X|_{x_1 \dots x_0} X| \end{array}$$

are weak equivalences.

③ It is complete - the maps $\{N(J), X\} \longrightarrow X_0$ are weak equivalences.

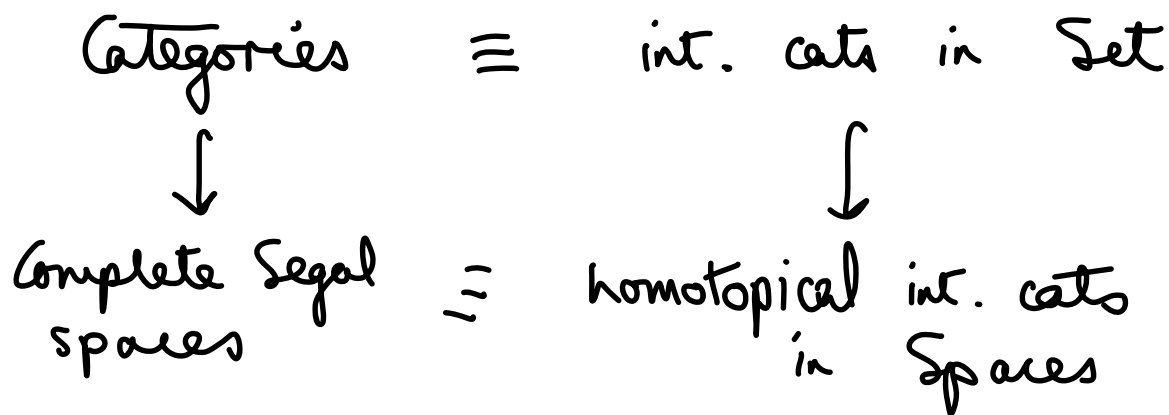
① is a strong form of the statement that each X_n is a Kan-complex - i.e. a space.

Then ① + ② says it is an internal cat, up to $h\text{Top}$ in spaces & ③ says it is homotopically well behaved, somehow.

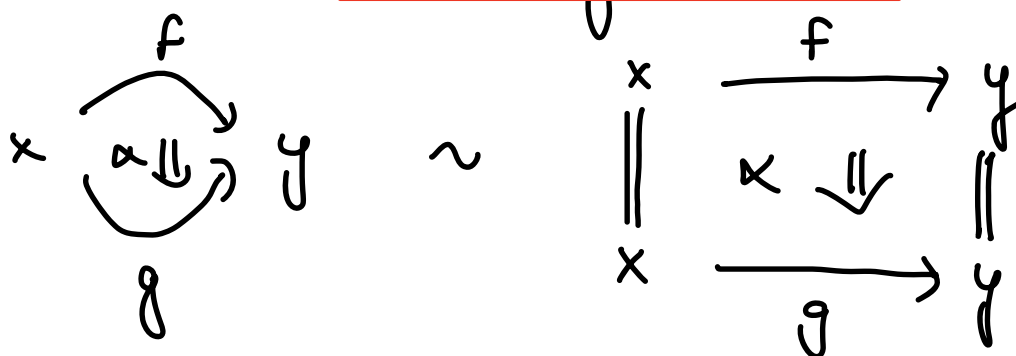
So we can think of complete Segal spaces as :

- homotopical internal cats in spaces.

The generalisation looks like :



- Now 2-cats \cong double categories (aka 2-fold cats) which are vertically discrete



• Now double cats can be seen as functors $\Delta^{\mathcal{Q}} \rightarrow \text{Cat}$ satisfying Segal cond.

• Or equivalently,

$$\Delta^{\mathcal{Q}} \times \Delta^{\mathcal{Q}} \xrightarrow{X} \text{Set}$$

such that $\forall n$ the simplicial sets

$$X(n, -), X(-, n): \Delta^{\mathcal{Q}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

satisfy the Segal condition.

- Vertical discreteness says that

$$X(0, -): \Delta^{\mathcal{Q}} \rightarrow \text{Set} \text{ is discrete -}$$

each map $X(0, 0) \rightarrow X(0, n)$ is identity where $[n] \rightarrow [0]$ is unique map in Δ .

Hence

Definition

A 2-fold complete Segal space is a 2-fold simplicial space

$$X: \Delta^{\mathfrak{p}} \times \Delta^{\mathfrak{p}} \longrightarrow (\Delta^{\mathfrak{p}}, \text{Set})$$

such that

① X is Reedy Fibrant (to be defined)

② $\forall n$, the simplicial spaces

$$X(n, -), X(-, n): \Delta^{\mathfrak{p}} \longrightarrow \text{Set}$$

are complete Segal spaces.

③ $X(0, -): \Delta^{\mathfrak{p}} \longrightarrow \text{Set}$ is homotopically discrete: for $!:[n] \rightarrow [0] \in \Delta$, the induced map $X(0, 0) \longrightarrow X(0, n)$ is a weak equiv of simplicial sets.

Reedy fibrancy in a more general context

A Reedy cat C is a small cat with a degree function $\text{deg} : \text{ob } C \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

& a strict factorisation system (C_+, C_-) such that

- each non-id map in C_- lowers degree,
- - - - - C_+ raises degree -

Examples

① Δ has Reedy structure.

- $\text{deg}([n]) = n$

- $\Delta_- = \text{surjections}$, $\Delta_+ = \text{injections}$.

② If C, D are Reedy-cats, so is $C \times D$:

- $\text{deg}(c, d) = \text{deg}(c) + \text{deg}(d)$.

- classes $(C_- \times D_-, C_+ \times D_+)$.

③ Reflexive globe category $\mathbb{G}_i =$

$0 \rightleftarrows 1 \rightleftarrows 2 \dots$ earlier in course.

④ Also \mathbb{G} - all maps raise degree
(inverse cat)

- I think of degree as measuring the complexity of an object.

Boundaries

- If \mathcal{C} is a Reedy cat, can form boundary

$$\partial\mathcal{C}(-, a) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}(-, a) \in [\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$$

where $\partial\mathcal{C}(b, a) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}(b, a)$ consists of those maps $b \rightarrow a$ factoring through an object of degree lower than a .

Examples

① For Δ , $\partial\Delta(-, n) \hookrightarrow \Delta(-, n)$ is the boundary $\partial\Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$ discussed before.

② In \mathbb{G} , $\partial\mathbb{G}(-, n)$ is the free parallel pair of $(n-1)$ -cells.

③ For $\Delta \times \Delta$, firstly,
 $\Delta \times \Delta(-, (n, m)) = \Delta(-, n) \times \Delta(-, m)$.

$$\partial(\Delta^n \times \Delta^m) =$$

$$\text{im} \left(\partial\Delta^n \times \Delta^m \rightarrow \Delta^n \times \Delta^m, \Delta^n \times \partial\Delta^m \rightarrow \Delta^n \times \Delta^m \right)$$

Def) For $X: \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ & $c \in \mathcal{C}$,

$$M_c X = \{ \partial\mathcal{C}(-, c), X \}, \text{ the}$$

c 'th matching object.

If M is a model cat, we call X

Reedy-fibrant if

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_c & \longrightarrow & M_c X \\ \text{"} & & \text{"} \\ \{\mathcal{C}(-, c), X\} & \longrightarrow & \{\delta\mathcal{C}(-, c), X\} \end{array}$$

is a fibration $\forall c \in \mathcal{C}$.

Remark Reedy-fibrant objects are the fibrant obs in Reedy model-structure on \mathcal{C} .

Definition completed

A 2-fold complete Segal space is a 2-fold simplicial space

$$X: \Delta^q \times \Delta^q \longrightarrow (\Delta^{qp}, \text{Set})$$

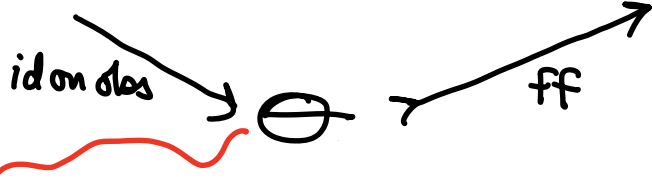
such that

- ① X is Reedy fibrant (with $\deg([n], [m]) = nm$ as above)
 - ② X is a complete Segal space in each variable.
 - ③ $X(0, -)$ is homotopically discrete.
- Not difficult to extend to n .
 - Fibrant obs in model str.
 - One can also do Segal n -cats (sim. in spirit)
 - Some ref here:
 - Riehl-Verity - Theory & Practice of Reedy cats
 - Lynne Moser PhD thesis

Structures based on Θ

- Recall Θ_0 the cat of glob. pasting diag (t.o.d.'s)

- Have $\Theta_0 \longrightarrow [G^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}] \xrightarrow{F} \infty\text{-Cat}$



globular theory of strict ω -categories.

- Θ has objects the glob. pasting diag \bar{n} & morphisms

$$F\bar{n} \longrightarrow F\bar{m} \in \infty\text{-Cat}.$$

- $\Theta_n \hookrightarrow \Theta$ is the Full subcat of Θ containing the glob. p.d.'s of dimension at most n .

- It is also the n -globular theory of strict n -categories.

- For instance $\Theta_1 = \Delta$ - obs

$\emptyset, \emptyset \rightarrow 1, \emptyset \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2, \dots$ & functors between.

n-quasicategories

- These are defined as presheaves

$$\mathcal{O}_n^{\mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow \text{Set}$$

which are fibrant objects in a certain model structure.

- Can be described as injectives, but not so easy or illuminating so I will say no more.

- Will say more about complete Segal \mathcal{O}_n -spaces (aka higher Rezk spaces) which are functors

$$\mathcal{O}_n^{\mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow \text{Sp} = [\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$$

- Helpful/fun to have \rightarrow

Inductive description of Θ_n

- It is possible to describe the maps in Θ_n using a different encoding of globular pasting diagrams.

Observation: An $(n+1)$ -dim g.p.d consists of $[n] \in \Delta$ & for each $i \in [n]$ an n -d pasting diagram

Examples)

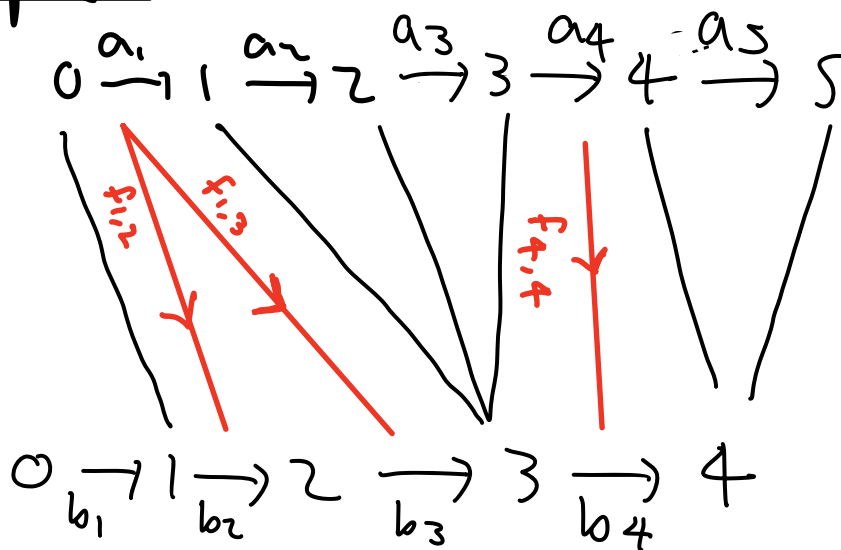
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Can capture as iterated wreath product with Δ .

Defⁿ) let C be a cat. Define new cat ΔC with objects $([n], a)$ where $[n] \in \Delta$ & $a_i \in C$ for each $1 < i \leq n$.

- A morphism $f: ([n], a) \rightarrow ([m], b)$ consists of $f: [n] \rightarrow [m] \in \Delta$ plus $a_i \xrightarrow{f_{i,j}} b_j \in C$ whenever $f(i-1) < j < f(i)$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Example

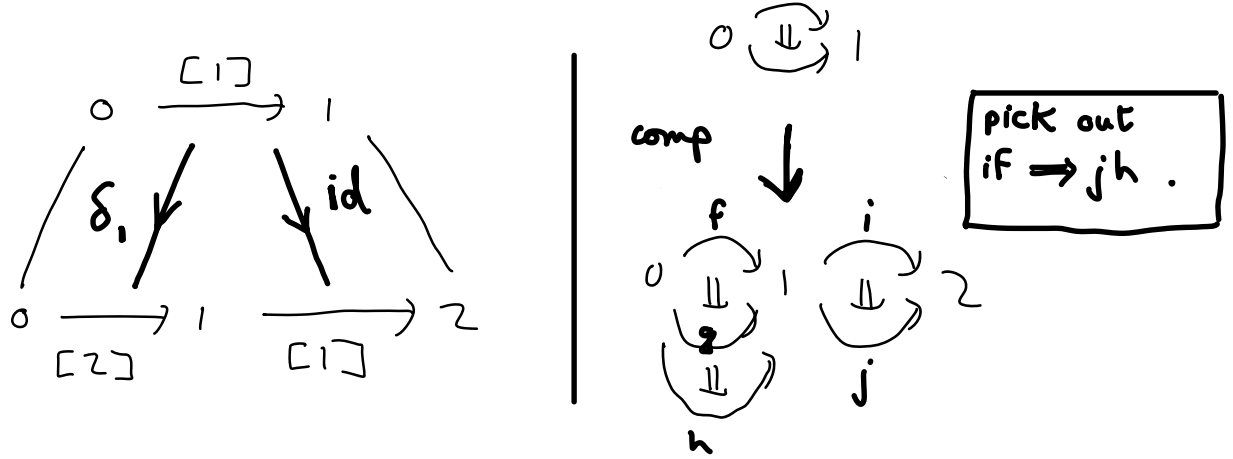


Theorem $\Theta_n = \underbrace{\Delta S \Delta S \Delta S \dots S \Delta}_n$

n fold

On objects, this is clear.

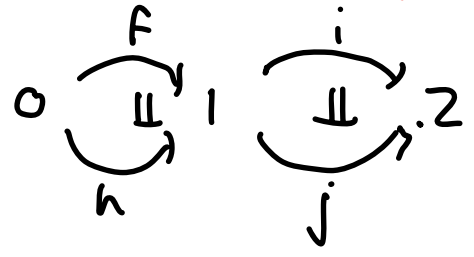
On arrows, will just give a couple of examples in $\Theta_2 = \Delta S \Delta$.

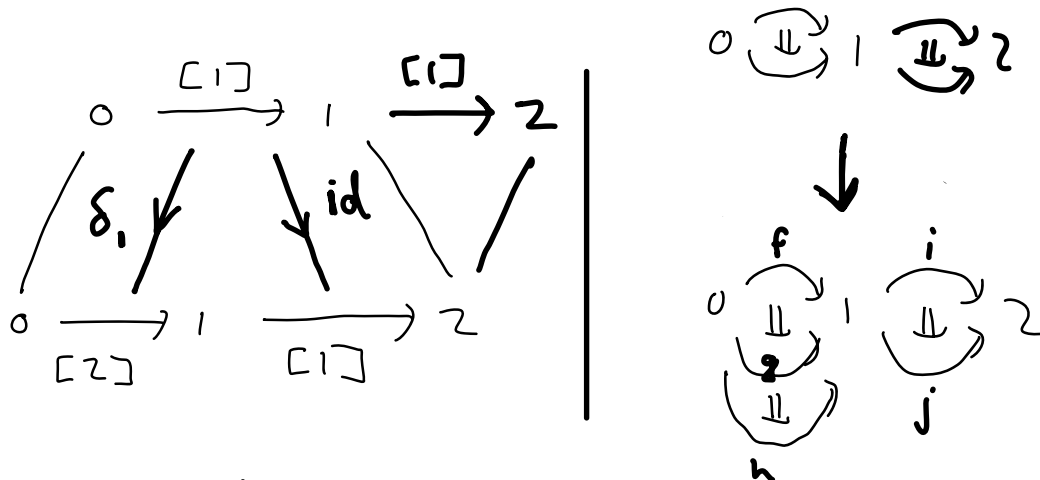


- The interior maps δ_1 & id control the 2-cells we pick out in each hom (vert. composites):

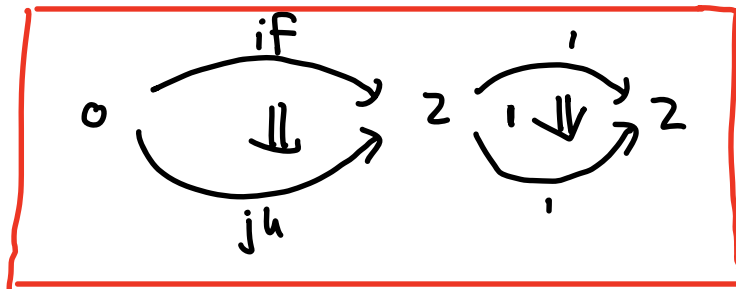
$$\delta_1 \sim 0 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \Downarrow \\ \xrightarrow{h} \end{array} 1, \quad id \sim 1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{i} \\ \Downarrow \\ \xrightarrow{j} \end{array} 2$$

- The outer map $\delta_1 : [1] \rightarrow [2]$ tells us how to put them together (hor. comp)





corresponds to



Exercise : prove theorem !

- Outline : a map $(n) \rightarrow \bar{m}$ in Θ_n
 \sim n -cell in $UF(\bar{m})$ -free n -cat.
- Describe this.
- General maps $\bar{n} \rightarrow \bar{m}$ determined
 by fact \bar{n} a globular sum.

Fact: - If \mathcal{C} is Reedy, so is $\Delta S\mathcal{C}$ -
 $\text{deg}([n], a) = n + \sum \text{deg}(a_i)$.

• In partic., Θ_n a Reedy-cat.

E.g. $\text{deg}\left(\begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \Downarrow \\ \cdot \\ \Downarrow \\ \cdot \end{array} \right) = 1+1+1 = 3.$

$\text{deg}\left(\begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \Downarrow \\ \cdot \end{array} \rightarrow \cdot\right) = 2+1+0 = 3.$

Defⁿ A complete Θ_n -Segal space is a functor
 $X: \Theta_n^{\text{op}} \longrightarrow [\Delta^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}]$

which is

- ① Reedy fibrant
- ② the Segal maps are weak equivs.
- ③ satisfies completeness conditions.

• Reedy fibrancy we know!

② The Segal maps

For $\bar{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3, \dots, n_{2k+1})$ a t.o.d.
 this says that the induced

$$X_{\bar{n}} \longrightarrow X_{n_1} \times_{X_{n_2}} X_{n_3} \times \dots \times X_{n_{2k+1}}$$

is a weak equiv. in $[\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$.

(These maps are invertible just when X is a model of Θ_n - for Set-valued presheaves, this means a strict n -cat. This gives our up to htpy composition)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & X_{\bar{n}} & \\
 \swarrow & & \searrow^{X(\text{comp})} \\
 X_{n_1} \times_{X_{n_2}} X_{n_3} \times \dots \times X_{n_{2k+1}} & & X(\dim(\bar{n}))
 \end{array}$$

as Reedy fib implies \exists section
triv fib \sim

Remark: Rezk treats "vertical" & "horizontal" composition separately but equiv. to above given Reedy fibrancy.

③ Completeness conditions

- Consider $N: n\text{-cat} \rightarrow [\Theta_n^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}]$ be nerve functor.
- D_m the free n -cat containing an m -cell.
- I_{m+1} the free invertible $(m+1)$ -cell.
- $D_m \xrightarrow{d} I_{m+1} \in n\text{-cat}$ picks out domain of invertible $(m+1)$ -cell.

- Eg

	D_m	I_{m+1}
$m=0$	\circ	$\circ \rightleftarrows \bullet$
$m=1$	$\circ \rightarrow \bullet$	$\circ \begin{matrix} \curvearrowright \\ \uparrow \\ \downarrow \\ \curvearrowleft \end{matrix} \bullet$

Completeness

$\forall m < n$, the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{N I_{m+1}, X\} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \{N D_m, X\} \in [\Delta^{\mathcal{P}}, \text{Set}] \\ \text{ii} & & \text{SII} \\ m\text{-hoeq}(X) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X_m \end{array}$$

is a w.e. of simplicial sets.

- When $m=0$, this captures classical completeness condition.
- Next time, marked (∞, n) -cats.

Lecture 11

- I will now turn to the "marked" simplicial examples.
- A few such have been developed. The first such model are the complicial sets, developed by Verity, a model for (∞, ∞) -cats.
- Recently Lurie & others have been looking at a similar model for $(\infty, 2)$ -cats - called ∞ -bicategories. These are very similar & motivated by the complicial sets - so we will study the complicial sets.

Idea

- Want non-invertible 2-simplices

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & A & \\ & \nearrow^f & \\ & B & \\ & \searrow^g & \\ A & \xrightarrow{h} & C \\ & \Downarrow & \end{array}$$

so that we can capture nerves of 2-cats etc.

- But also need the 2-simplices to encode composition of 1-cells

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & A & \\ & \nearrow^F & \\ & B & \\ & \searrow^G & \\ A & \xrightarrow{h} & C \\ & \Downarrow_{SI} & \end{array}$$

& such 2-simplices should be "equivalences"

- Therefore, we need to keep track of a collection of "thin" n -simplices, thought of as equivalences.

- A stratified simplicial set X is a simplicial set with a subset of thin n -simplices containing the degeneracies $\forall n \geq 1$.

Morphisms of stratified simplicial sets preserve thinness.

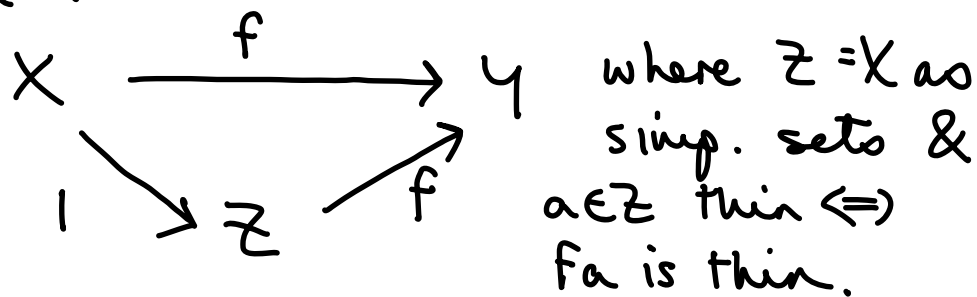
- Strat = cat of stratified simp. sets

Def) • $f: X \rightarrow Y \in \text{Strat}$ is regular if $a \in X_n$ is thin $\Leftrightarrow Fa$ is thin.

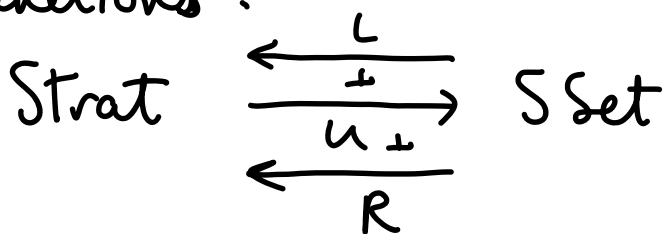
• $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is entire if it is the identity on underlying simpl. sets.

Write $F: X \xrightarrow{r} Y$ & $F: X \xrightarrow{e} Y$ to indicate F is regular/entire.

Note: (Entire, Regular) is fact. system on Strat:



Adjunctions:



where L makes only degeneracies thin & R makes all simplices thin.

Complcial horn inclusions

- Defⁿ) let $0 \leq k \leq n$. Then $\Delta^k[n]$ denotes the n -simplex $\Delta[n]$ & we
- declare a non-degenerate m -simplex to be thin if contains $\{k-1, k, k+1\} \in n[n]$.

Examples - The n -simplex in $\Delta^k[n]$ is thin.

- All $(n-1)$ -sims except $(k-1)$ 'th, k 'th & $(k+1)$ 'th are thin.

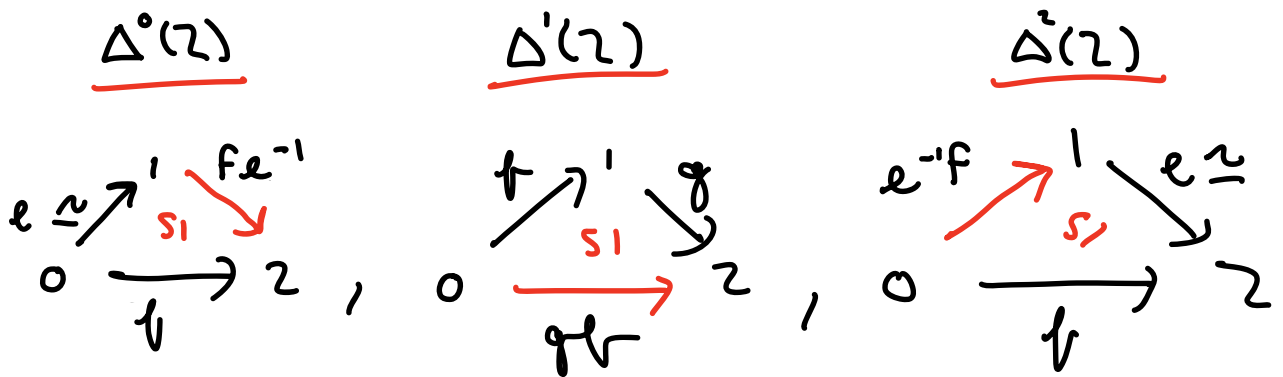
- We consider k -horn $\Lambda^k[n] \hookrightarrow \Delta^k[n]$ as a stratified simplicial subset by declaring the inclusion to be regular.

Complcial horn inclusions

Defⁿ) let $0 \leq k \leq n$. Then $\Delta^k[n]$ denotes the n -simplex $\Delta[n]$ & we

- declare a non-degenerate m -simplex to be thin if contains $\{k-1, k, k+1\} \in n[n]$.

- Below are pictures of the horn inclusions. Those parts in horn are in black, the others in red. Labels are only intended to suggest interpretation.

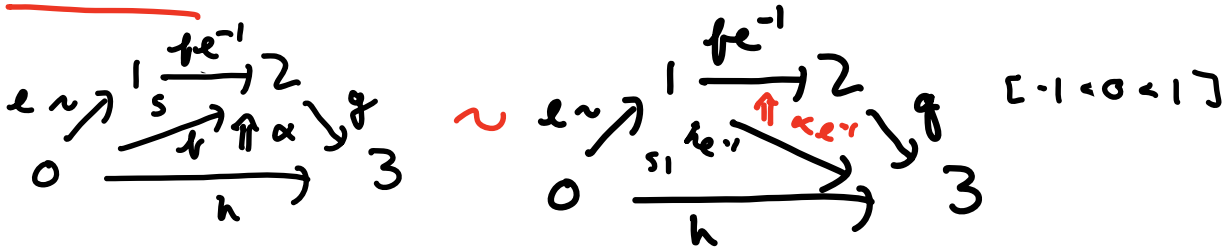


$$\Delta^0(2) : [-1 < 0 < 1] \cap [0 < 1 < 2] = 0 < 1$$

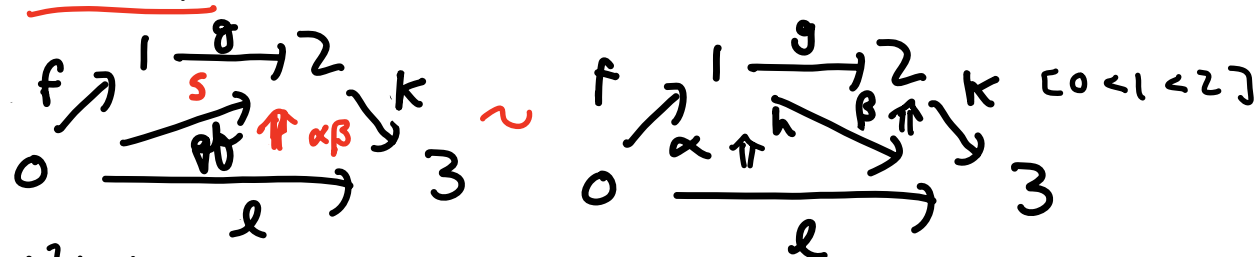
$\Delta^1(2)$ - no thin 1-simp

$\Delta^2(2)$ - $1 \rightarrow 2$ is thin.

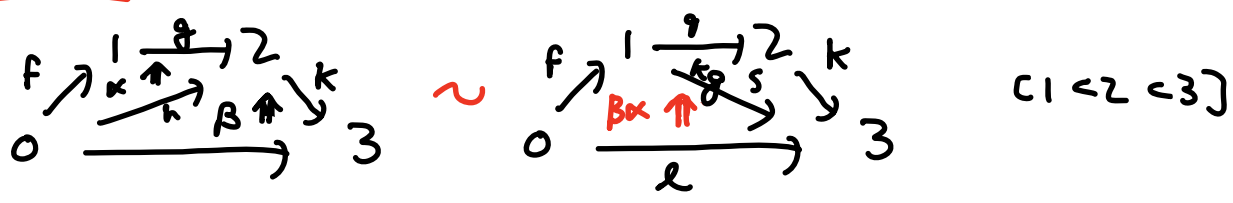
$\Delta^0(3)$



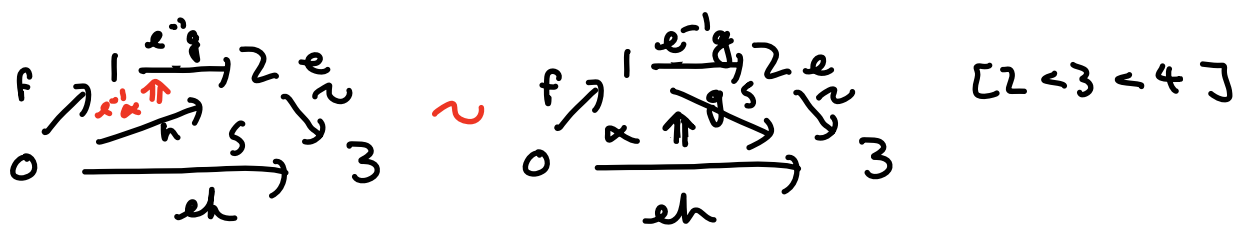
$\Delta^1(3)$



$\Delta^2(3)$



$\Delta^3(3)$



Complcial thinner extensions

- Consider $\Delta^k[n]$.
- Have $\Delta^k[n] \xrightarrow{x} \Delta^k[n]' \xleftarrow{x} \Delta^k[n]''$
where
 - all have same underlying simplicial set
 - in $\Delta^k[n]'$, declare $(k-1), (k+1)$ 'th faces thin.
 - in $\Delta^k[n]''$, declare also k 'th face thin -
so all $(n-1)$ -simplices thin.
- Injectivity against $\Delta^k[n]' \xleftarrow{x} \Delta^k[n]''$
says composite of thin simplices is thin.
- Together, the complcial horn inclusions
& complcial thinner extensions are
called the elementary (anodyne)
extensions.

Defⁿ) A complcial set is a stratified simplicial set injective wrt to elementary extensions.

(∞, n) -cats

- $X \in \text{Strat}$ is n -trivial if all k -simplices for $k > n$ are thin.
- n -trivial complicial sets provide a model for (∞, n) -cats.

• Adjunction

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \xleftarrow{\text{tr}_n} & \\ & \perp & \\ n\text{-Strat} & \xrightleftharpoons{\quad} & \text{Strat} \\ & \perp & \\ & \xleftarrow{\text{core}_n} & \end{array}$$

- where tr_n makes all thin for $k > n$,
 - core_n restricts to those simplices whose faces above dimension n are all thin.
- The two right adjoints above restrict to complicial sets, giving

$$(\infty, n)\text{-cats} \xrightleftharpoons{\quad} (\infty, \infty)\text{-cats}$$

Street-Roberts conjecture

Defⁿ) A strict complicial set is a strat. simp. set which is orthogonal to the elementary extensions.

There is a nerve functor

$N: \omega\text{-Cat} \longrightarrow \text{Strat}$ sending X to its Street nerve, with only identities marked as thin.

Theorem (Verity)

N is fully faithful & has in its essential image exactly the strict complicial sets.

Theorem (Verity)

There is a model structure on Strat whose fibrant objects are the saturated complicial sets :

those whose thin simplices are precisely the equivalences.

Remark) Lurie's n -bicats are similar, but only considers marked 2-simplices, aka- scaled simplicial sets.

Ref) Emily Riehl : Complicial sets, an overture.