# Genuine equivariant operads

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#### Abstract

We build new algebraic structures, which we call genuine equivariant operads, which can be thought of as a hybrid between equivariant operads and coefficient systems. We then prove an Elmendorf type theorem stating that equivariant operads, with their graph model structure, are equivalent to genuine equivariant operads with their projective model structure.

As an application, we build explicit models for the  $N_{\infty}$ -operads of Blumberg and Hill.

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# 1 Introduction

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# 2 Planar and tall maps

## 2.1 Planar structures

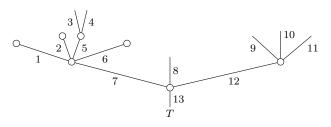
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**Definition 2.1.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree. A *planar structure* of T is an extension of the descendancy partial order  $\leq_d$  to a total order  $\leq_p$  such that:

• Planar: if  $e \leq_p f$  and  $e \nleq_d f$  then  $g \leq_d f$  implies  $e \leq_p g$ .

**Example 2.2.** An example of a planar structure on a tree T follows, with  $\leq_r$  encoded by the number labels.



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Intuitively, given a planar depiction of a tree T,  $e \leq_d f$  holds when the downward path from e passes through f and  $e \leq_p f$  holds if either  $e \leq_d f$  or if the downward path from e is to the left of the downward path from f (as measured at the node where the paths intersect).

Intuitively, a planar depiction of a tree amounts to choosing a total order for each of the sets of *input edges* of each node (i.e. those edges immediately above that node).

While we will not need to make this last statement precise, we will nonetheless find it convenient to show that Definition 2.1 is equivalent to such choosing total orders for each of the sets of input edges. To do so, we first introduce some notation.

**Notation 2.4.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree and  $e \in T$  and edge. We will denote

$$I(e) = \{ f \in T : e \le_d f \}$$

and refer to this poset as the *input path of* e.

We will repeatedly use the following, which is a consequence of [2, Cor. 5.26]

**Lemma 2.5.** If  $e \leq_d f$ ,  $e \leq_d f'$ , then f, f' are  $\leq_d$ -comparable.

**Proposition 2.6.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree. Then

- (a) for any  $e \in T$  the finite poset I(e) is totally ordered;
- (b) the poset  $(T, \leq_d)$  has all joins, denoted  $\vee$ . In fact,  $\bigvee_i e_i = \min(\bigcap_i I(e_i))$ .

*Proof.* (a) is immediate from Lemma 2.5. To prove (b) we note that  $\min(\bigcap_i I(e_i))$  exists by (a), and that this is clearly the join  $\bigvee e_i$ .

**Notation 2.7.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree and suppose that  $e <_d b$ . We will denote by  $b_e^{\uparrow} \in T$  the predecessor of b in I(e).

**Proposition 2.8.** Suppose e, f are  $\leq_d$ -incomparable edges of T and write  $b = e \vee f$ . Then

- (a)  $e <_d b$ ,  $f <_d b$  and  $b_e^{\uparrow} \neq b_f^{\uparrow}$ ;
- (b)  $b_e^{\uparrow}, b_f^{\uparrow} \in b^{\uparrow}$ . In fact  $\{b_e^{\uparrow}\} = I(e) \cap b^{\uparrow}, \{b_f^{\uparrow}\} = I(f) \cap b^{\uparrow}$ ;

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(c) if 
$$e' \leq_d e$$
,  $f' \leq_d f$  then  $b = e' \vee f'$  and  $b_{e'}^{\uparrow} = b_e^{\uparrow}$ ,  $b_{f'}^{\uparrow} = b_f^{\uparrow}$ .

*Proof.* (a) is immediate: the condition e = g (resp. f = g) would imply  $f \le_d e$  (resp.  $e \le_d f$ ) while the condition  $b_e^{\uparrow} = b_f^{\uparrow}$  would provide a predecessor of b in  $I(e) \cap I(f)$ .

For (b), note that any relation  $a <_d h$  factors as  $a \le_d b_a^* <_d b$  for some unique  $b_a^* \in b^{\uparrow}$ , where uniqueness follows from Lemma 2.5. Choosing a = e implies  $I(e) \cap b^{\uparrow} = \{b_e^*\}$  and letting a range over edges such that  $e \le_d a <_d b$  shows that  $b_e^*$  is in fact the predecessor of b.

To prove (c) one reduces to the case e' = e, in which case it suffices to check  $I(e) \cap I(f') = I(e) \cap I(f)$ . But if it were otherwise there would exist an edge a satisfying  $f' \leq_d a <_d f$  and  $e \leq_d a$ , and this would imply  $e \leq_d f$ , contradicting our hypothesis.

**Proposition 2.9.** Let  $c = e_1 \lor e_2 \lor e_3$ . Then  $c = e_i \lor e_j$  iff  $c_{e_i}^{\uparrow} \neq c_{e_j}^{\uparrow}$ . Therefore, all ternary joins in  $(T, \leq_d)$  are binary, i.e.

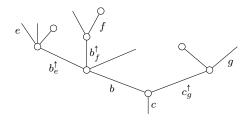
$$c = e_1 \lor e_2 \lor e_3 = e_i \lor e_j \tag{2.10}$$

 $for \ some \ 1 \leq i < j \leq 3, \ and \ ( \fbox{\cite{1.10}} ) \ fails \ for \ at \ most \ one \ choice \ of \ 1 \leq i < j \leq 3.$ 

*Proof.* If  $c_{e_i}^{\uparrow} = c_{e_i}^{\uparrow} = c_$ 

The "therefore" part follows by noting that  $c_{e_1}^{\uparrow}$ ,  $c_{e_2}^{\uparrow}$ ,  $c_{e_3}^{\uparrow}$  can not all coincide, or else c would not be the minimum of  $I(e_1) \cap I(e_2) \cap I(e_3)$ .

**Example 2.11.** In the following example  $b = e \lor f$ ,  $c = e \lor f \lor g$ ,  $c_e^{\uparrow} = c_f^{\uparrow} = b$ .



**Notation 2.12.** Given a set S of size n we write  $Ord(S) \simeq Iso(S, \{1, \dots, n\})$ . We will usually abuse notation by regarding its objects as pairs  $(S, \leq)$  where  $\leq$  is a total order in S.

**Proposition 2.13.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree. There is a bijection

 $\{planar\ structures\ (T, \leq_p)\} \longrightarrow \prod_{(a^{\uparrow} \leq a) \in V(T)} \mathsf{Ord}(a^{\uparrow})$   $\leq_p \longmapsto (\leq_p \mid_{a^{\uparrow}})$   $(2.14) \quad \boxed{\mathsf{PLANAR}\ \mathsf{EQ}}$ 

*Proof.* We will keep the setup of Proposition 2.8 throughout: e, f are  $\leq_d$ -incomparable edges and we write  $b = e \vee f$ . In analytic of Proposition 2.8 throughout: e, f are  $\leq_d$ -incomparable edges and we write  $b = e \vee f$ .

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To check that (2.14) is surjective, it suffices (recall that e, f are assumed  $\leq_d$ -incomparable) to check that defining  $e \leq_p f$  to hold iff  $b_e^{\uparrow} < b_f^{\uparrow}$  holds in  $b^{\uparrow}$  yields a planar structure.

Antisymmetry and the total order conditions are immediate, and it thus remains to check the transitivity and planar conditions. Transitivity of  $\leq_p$  in the case  $e'_{\begin{subarray}{c} \begin{subarray}{c} \begin{subarray}{c$ 

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It remains to check transitivity in the hardest case, that of  $e <_p f <_p g$  with Ennaryjoin propincomparable f,g. We write  $c = e \lor f \lor g$ . By the "therefore" part of Proposition 2.9, either (i)  $e \lor f <_d c$ , in which case Proposition 2.9 implies  $c_e = c_f^{\dagger}$  and transitivity follows; (ii)  $f \lor g <_d c$ , which follows just as (i); (iii)  $e \lor f = f \lor g = c$ , in which case  $c_e^{\dagger} < c_f^{\dagger} < c_g^{\dagger}$  in  $c^{\dagger}$  so that  $c_e^{\dagger} \neq c_g^{\dagger}$  and by Proposition 2.9 it is also  $e \lor g = c$  and transitivity follows.  $\Box$ PLANARIZE DEF

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**Remark 2.15** Definition 2.1 readily extends to forests  $F \in \Phi$ . The analogue of Proposition 2.13 then states that the data of a planar structure is equivalent to total orderings of the nodes of F together with a total ordering of its set of roots. Indeed, this follows by either adapting the proof above or by noting that planar structures on F are clearly in bijection with planar structures on the join tree  $F \star \eta$  (cf. [2, Def. 7.44]), which adds a single edge  $\eta$  to F, serving as the (unique) root of  $F \star \eta$ .

When discussing the substitution procedure in §2.3 we will find it convenient to work with a model for the category  $\Omega$  that possesses exactly one representative of each possible planar structure on each tree or, more precisely, such that the only isomorphisms preserving the planar structures are the identities. On the other hand, using such a model for  $\Omega$  throughout would, among other issues, make the discussion of faces in §2.2 rather awkward. We now outline our conventions to address such issues.

Let  $\Omega^p$ , the category of planarized trees, denote the category with objects pairs  $T_{\leq p} = (T, \leq_p)$  of trees together with a planar structure and morphisms the underlying maps of trees (so that the planar structures are ignored). There is a full subcategory  $\Omega^s \to \Omega^p$ , whose objects we call standard models, of those  $T_{\leq p}$  whose underlying set is one of the sets  $\underline{n} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and for which  $\leq_p$  coincides with the canonical order.

**Example 2.16.** Some examples of standard models, i.e. objects of  $\Omega^s$ , follow (further, (2.3) can also be interpreted as such an example).

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Here  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are isomorphic to each other but not isomorphic to any other standard model in  $\Omega^s$  while both C and U are the unique objects in their isomorphism classes.

Given  $T_{\leq_p} \in \Omega^p$  there is an obvious standard model  $T_{\leq_p}^s \in \Omega^s$  given by replacing each edge by its order following  $\leq_p$ . Indeed, this defines a retraction  $(-)^s : \Omega^p \to \Omega^s$  and a natural transformation  $\sigma: id \to (-)^s$  given by isomorphisms preserving the planar structure (in fact, the pair  $((-)^s, \sigma)$  is clearly unique).

Convention 2.18. From now on, we will write simply  $\Omega$ ,  $\Omega_G$  to denote the categories  $\Omega^s$ ,  $\Omega_G^s$  of standard models (where planar structures are defined in the underlying forest as in Remark 2.15). Similarly  $O_G$  will denote the model  $O_G^s$  for the orbital category whose objects are the orbital G-sets whose underlying set is one of the sets  $\underline{n} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

Therefore, whenever one of our constructions produces an object/diagram in  $\Omega^p$ ,  $\Omega^p_G$ ,  $\mathsf{O}^p_G$  (of trees, G-trees, orbital G-sets with a planarization/total order) we will hence implicitly reinterpret it by using the standardization functor  $(-)^s$ .

Example 2.19. To illustrate our convention, we consider the trees in Example 2.16.

One has subfaces  $F_1 \subset F_2 \subset U$  where  $F_1$  is the subtree with edge set  $\{1, 2, 6, 7\}$  and  $F_2$  is the subtree with edge set  $\{1, 2, 3, 6, 7\}$ , both with inherited tree and planar structures. Applying  $(-)^s$  to the inclusion diagram on the left below then yields a diagram as on the right.



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Similarly, let  $\leq_{(12)}$  and  $\leq_{(45)}$  denote alternate planar structures for U exchanging the orders of the pairs 1,2 and 4,5, so that one has objects  $U_{\leq_{(12)}}$ ,  $U_{\leq_{(45)}}$  in  $\Omega^p$ . Applying  $(-)^s$  to the diagram of underlying identities on the left yields the permutation diagram on the right.

$$U \xrightarrow{id} U_{\leq (45)} \qquad U \xrightarrow{(45)} U$$

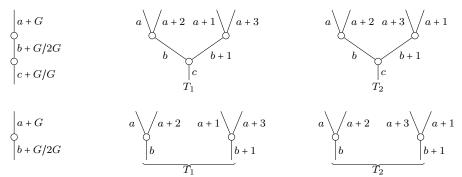
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**Example 2.20.** An additional reason to leave the use of  $(-)^s$  implicit is that when depicting G-trees it is preferable to choose edge labels that describe the action rather than the planarization (which is already implicit anyway).

For example, when  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{/4}$ , in both diagrams below the orbital representation on the left represents the isomorphism class consisting of the two trees  $T_1, T_2 \in \Omega_G$  on the right.



**Definition 2.21.** A morphism  $S \xrightarrow{\varphi} T$  in  $\Omega$  that is compatible with the planar structures  $\leq_p$  is called a *planar map*.

More generally, a morphism  $F \to G$  in the categories  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi^G = \Omega^G_{\text{pef6b}}$  of forests, G-forests, G-trees is called a *planar map* if it is an independent map (cf. [2, Def. 5.28]) compatible with the planar structures  $\leq_p$ .

**Remark 2.22.** The need for the independence condition is justified by [2, Lemma 5.33] and its converse, since non independent maps do not reflect  $\leq_d$  inequalities.

We note that in the  $\Omega_G$  case a map  $\varphi$  is independent iff  $\varphi$  does not factor through a non trivial quotient iff  $\varphi$  is injective on each edge orbit.

**Proposition 2.23.** Let  $F \xrightarrow{\varphi} G$  be an independent map in  $\Phi$  (or  $\Omega$ ,  $\Omega_G$ ,  $\Phi_G$ ). Then there is a unique factorization

$$F \xrightarrow{\simeq} \bar{F} \to G$$

such that  $F \xrightarrow{\simeq} \bar{F}$  is an isomorphism and  $\bar{F} \to G$  is planar.

Proof. We need to show that there is a unique planar structure  $\leq_p^{\overline{F}}$  on the underlying forest of F making the underlying map a planar map. Simplicity of G ensures that for any vertex  $e^{\uparrow} \leq e$  of F the edges in  $\varphi(e^{\uparrow})$  are all distinct while independence of  $\varphi$  likewise ensures that the edges in  $\varphi(e^{\uparrow})$  are all distinct while independence of  $\varphi$  likewise ensures that the edges in  $\varphi(e^{\uparrow})$  are all distinct. The result now follows from (the forest version of) Proposition 2.13: one simply orders each set  $e^{\uparrow}$  and  $\underline{r}_F$  according to its image.

not quite complete... maybe that  $\leq_p$  is the closure of  $\leq_d$  and the vertex relations under transitivity and the planar condition

**Remark 2.24.** Proposition 2.23 says that planar structures can be pulled back along independent maps. However, they can not always be pushed forward. As an example, in the notation of (2.17), consider the map  $C \to T_1$  defined by  $1 \mapsto 1$ ,  $2 \mapsto 4$ ,  $3 \mapsto 2$ ,  $4 \mapsto 5$ .

**Remark 2.25.** Given any tree  $T \in \Omega$  there is a unique corolla  $lr(T) \in \Sigma$  and planar tall map  $lr(T) \to T$ . Explicitly, the number of leaves of lr(T) matches that of T, together with the inherited order.

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#### 2.2Outer faces and tall maps

In preparation for our discussion of the substitution operation in §2.3, we now recall some basic notions and results concerning outer subtrees and tree grafting, as in [2, §5].

**Definition 2.26.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree and  $e_1 \cdots e_n = \underline{e} \leq e$  a broad relation in T.

We define the planar outer face  $T_{\underline{e} \leq e}$  to be the subtree with underlying set those edges  $f \in T$  such that

$$f \leq_d e, \quad \forall_i e_i \not<_d f,$$
 (2.27) OUTERFACE EQ

generating broad relations the relations  $f^{\uparrow} \leq f$  for f satisfying (2.27) and  $\forall i f \neq e_i$ , and planar structure pulled back from T.

**Remark 2.28.** If one forgoes the requirement that  $T_{e \le e}$  be equipped with the pullback planar structure, the inclusion  $T_{\underline{e} \leq e} \to T$  is usually called simply an outer face.

We now recap some basic results.

**Proposition 2.29.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree.

- (a)  $T_{\underline{e} \leq e}$  is a tree with root e and edge tuple  $\underline{e}$ ;
- (b) there is a bijection

 $\{planar \ outer \ faces \ of \ T\} \leftrightarrow \{broad \ relations \ of \ T\};$ 

- (c) if  $R \to S$  and  $S \to T$  are outer face maps then so is  $R \to T$ ;
- (d) any pair of broad relations  $g \le v$ ,  $fv \le e$  induces a grafting pushout diagram

*Proof.* We first show (a). That  $T_{\underline{e} \leq e}$  is indeed a tree is the content of [2, Prop. 5.20]: more precisely,  $T_{\underline{e} \leq e} = (T^{\leq e})_{\leq \underline{e}}$  in the potation therein. That the root of  $T_{\underline{e} \leq e}$  is e is clear and that the root tuple is  $\underline{e}$  follows from [2, Remark 5.23].

- (b) follows from (a), which shows that  $\underline{e} \leq e$  can be recovered from  $T_{\underline{e} \leq e}$ . (c) follows from the definition of outer face together with [2, Lemma 5.33], which states that the  $\leq_d$  relations on S, T coincide.

Since by (c) both  $T_{\underline{g} \leq v}$  and  $T_{\underline{f}v \leq e}$  are outer faces of  $T_{\underline{f}\underline{g} \leq v}$ , (d) is a restatement of [2,Prop. 5.15].

**Definition 2.31.** A map  $S \xrightarrow{\varphi} T$  in  $\Omega$  is called a *tall map* if

$$\varphi(\underline{l}_S) = \underline{l}_T, \qquad \varphi(r_S) = r_T,$$

where  $l_{(-)}$  denotes the leaf tuple and  $r_{(-)}$  the root. The following is a restatement of [2, Cor. 5.24]

**Proposition 2.32.** Any map  $S \xrightarrow{\varphi} T$  in  $\Omega$  has a factorization, unique up to unique isomorphism.

$$S \xrightarrow{\varphi^t} U \xrightarrow{\varphi^u} T$$

as a tall map followed by an outer face (in fact,  $U = T_{\varphi(l_S) \leq r_S}$ ).

We recall that a face  $F \to T$  is called inner if is obtained by iteratively removing inner edges, i.e. edges other than the root or the leaves. In particular, it follows that a face is inner iff it is tall. The usual face-degeneracy decomposition thus combines with Corollary 2.32 to give the following. **Corollary 2.33.** Any map  $S \xrightarrow{\varphi} T$  in  $\Omega$  has a factorization, unique up to unique isomorphisms,

$$S \xrightarrow{\varphi^{-}} U \xrightarrow{\varphi^{i}} V \xrightarrow{\varphi^{u}} T \tag{2.34}$$
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as a degeneracy followed by an inner face followed by an outer face.

*Proof.* The factorization (2.34) can be built by first performing the degeneracy-face decomposition and then performing the tall-outer decomposition on the face map.

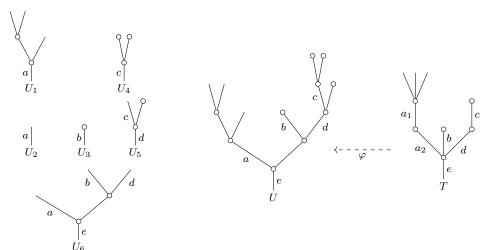
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#### 2.3 Substitution

One of the key ideas needed to describe operads is that of substitution of tree nodes, a process that we will prefer to repackage in terms of maps of trees. We start by discussing appush EQ example, focusing on the related notion of iterated graftings of trees (as described in (2.30)).

**Example 2.35.** The trees  $U_1, U_2, \dots, U_6$  on the left below can be grafted into the tree U in the middle. More precisely (among other possible grafting orders), one has

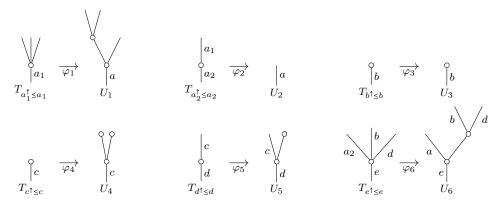
$$U = ((((((U_6 \coprod_a U_2)) \coprod_a U_1) \coprod_b U_3) \coprod_d U_5) \coprod_c U_4$$
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the tree T together with the (unique) planar tall maps  $\varphi_i$  below.



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From this perspective, U can now be thought as obtained from T by substituting each of its nodes with the corresponding  $U_i$ . Moreover, the  $\varphi_i$  assemble to a planar tall map  $\varphi: T \to U$  (such that  $a_i \mapsto a, b \mapsto b, \dots, e \mapsto e$ ), which likewise encodes the same information.

Our perspective will then be that data for substitution of tree nodes such as in (2.38) can equivalently be repackaged using planar tall maps.

**Definition 2.39.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree.

A T-substitution datum is a tuple  $\{U_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}\}_{(e^{\uparrow} \leq e) \in V(T)}$  such that  $\operatorname{Ir}(U_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}) = T_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}$ . Further, a map of T-substitution data  $\{U_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}\} \to \{V_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}\}$  is a tuple of planar tall maps  $\{U_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e} \to V_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}\}$ .

**Definition 2.40.** Let  $T \in \Omega$ .

The Segal core poset Sc(T) is the poset with objects the edge subtrees  $\eta_e$  and vertex substrees  $T_{e\uparrow < e}$ . The order relation is given by inclusion.

**Remark 2.41.** Note that the only maps in Sc(T) are inclusions of the form  $\eta_a \subset T_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}$ . In particular, there are no pairs of composable non-identity relations in Sc(T).

Given a  $T\text{-substitution datum }\{U_{\{e^\uparrow\leq e\}}\}$  we abuse notation by writing

$$U_{(-)}: Sc(T) \to \Omega$$

for the functor  $\eta_a \mapsto \eta$ ,  $T_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e} \mapsto U_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}$  and sending the inclusions  $\eta_a \subset T_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}$  to the composites

$$\eta \xrightarrow{a} T_{e^\uparrow \leq e} = \operatorname{Ir}(U_{e^\uparrow \leq e}) \to U_{e^\uparrow \leq e}.$$

**Proposition 2.42.** Let  $T \in \Omega$  be a tree. There is an isomorphism of categories

Where Sub(T) denotes the category of T-substitution data and  $\Omega_{T/}^{pt}$  the category of planar tall maps under T.

*Proof.* We first claim that (i) the  $\operatorname{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(T)} U_{(-)}$  indeed exists; (ii) for the canonical datum  $\{T_e \uparrow_{\leq e}\}$ , it is  $T = \operatorname{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(T)} T_{(-)}$ ; (iii) the induced map  $T \to \operatorname{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(T)} U_{(-)}$  is planar tall.

The argument is by induction on the number of vertices of T, with the base cases of T with 0 or 1 vertices being immediate, since then T is the terminal object of Sc(T). Otherwise, one can choose a non trivial grafting decomposition so as to write  $T = R \coprod_{e} S$ ,

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resulting in identifications  $\mathsf{Sc}(R) \subset \mathsf{Sc}(T)$ ,  $\mathsf{Sc}(S) \subset \mathsf{Sc}(T)$  so that  $\mathsf{Sc}(R) \cup \mathsf{Sc}(S) = \mathsf{Sc}(T)$  and  $\mathsf{Sc}(R) \cap \mathsf{Sc}(S) = \{\eta_e\}$ . The existence of  $\mathsf{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(T)} U_{(-)}$  is thus equivalent to the existence of the pushout below.

$$\eta \longrightarrow \operatorname{colim}_{\operatorname{Sc}(R)} U_{(-)}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad (2.44) \text{ ASSEMBLYGRAFT EQ}$$

$$\operatorname{colim}_{\operatorname{Sc}(S)} U_{(-)} \longrightarrow \operatorname{colim}_{\operatorname{Sc}(T)} U_{(-)}$$

By induction, the top right and bottom left colimits exist for any  $U_{(-)}$ , equal R and S in the case  $U_{(-)} = T_{(-)}$ , and the maps  $R \to \operatorname{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(R)} U_{(-)}$ ,  $S \to \operatorname{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(S)} U_{(-)}$  are planar tall. But is now follows that (2.44) is a grafting pushout diagram, so that the pushout indeed exists. The conditions that  $T = \operatorname{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(T)} T_{(-)}$  and  $T_{\mathsf{ATM}} T_{\mathsf{ATM}} T_{\mathsf{ATM}}$ 

The fact that the two functors in (2.43) are inverse to each other is clear by the same inductive argument.

**Remark 2.45.** It follows from the previous proof that, writing  $U = \operatorname{colim}_{Sc(T)} U_{(-)}$ , one has

$$V(U) = \coprod_{(e^{\uparrow} < e) \in V(T)} V(U_{e^{\uparrow} \le e}). \tag{2.46}$$

Alternatively, (2.46) can be regarded as a map  $f^*: V(U) \to V(T)$  induced by the planar tall map  $f: T \to U$ . Explicitly,  $f^*(U_{u^{\uparrow} \le u})$  is the unique  $T_{t^{\uparrow} \le t}$  such that  $U_{u^{\uparrow} \le u} \subset U_{t^{\uparrow} \le t}$ . We note that  $f^*$  is indeed contravariant in the tall planar map f.

## 3 The genuine equivariant operad monad

We now turn to the task of building the monad encoding genuine equivariant operads.

## 3.1 Wreath product over finite sets

In what follows we will let F denote the usual skeleton of the category of finite sets and all set maps. Explicitly, its objects are the finite sets  $\{1,2,\cdots,n\}$  for  $n\geq 0$ . However, much as in the discussion in Convention 2.18 we will often find it more convenient to regard the elements of F as equivalence classes of finite sets equipped with total orders.

**Definition 3.1.** For a category C, we let  $F \wr C$  denote the opposite of the Grothendieck construction for the functor

$$F^{op} \longrightarrow \mathsf{Cat}$$
 $I \longmapsto \mathcal{C}^I$ 

Explicitly, the objects of  $F \wr C$  are tuples  $(c_i)_{i \in I}$  and a map  $(c_i)_{i \in I} \to (d_j)_{j \in J}$  consists of a pair

$$(\phi: I \to J, (f_i: c_i \to d_{\phi(i)})_{i \in I}),$$

henceforth abbreviated as  $(\phi, (f_i))$ .

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The following is immediate.

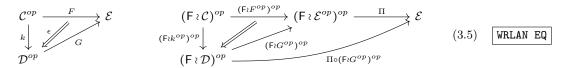
**Proposition 3.2.** Suppose C has all finite coproducts. One then has a functor as on the left below. Dually, if C has all finite products, one has a functor as on the right below.

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
\mathsf{F} \wr \mathcal{C} & \stackrel{\coprod}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{C} & (\mathsf{F} \wr \mathcal{C}^{op})^{op} & \stackrel{\Pi}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{C} \\
(c_i)_{i \in I} & (c_i)_{i \in I} & (c_i)_{i \in I} & & & & & & & \\
\end{array}$$

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**Lemma 3.3.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{E}$  is a bicomplete category such that coproducts commute with limits in each variable. If the leftmost diagram

is a right Kan extension diagram then so is the composite of the rightmost diagram. Dually, if in  $\mathcal{E}$  products commute with colimits in each variable, and the leftmost diagram



is a left Kan extension diagram then so is the composite of the rightmost diagram.

*Proof.* Unpacking definitions using the pointwise formula for Kan extensions ([1, X.3.1]), the claim concerning ([3.4]) amounts to showing that for each  $(d_i) \in \mathsf{F} \wr \mathcal{D}$  one has natural isomorphisms

$$\lim_{((d_i)\to(kc_j))\in((d_i)\downarrow F\wr C)} \left(\coprod_i F(c_j)\right) \simeq \coprod_i \lim_{(d_i\to kc_i)\in d_i\downarrow C} \left(F(c_i)\right). \tag{3.6}$$

Noting that the canonical factorizations of each  $(\varphi,(f_i)):(d_i)_{i\in I}\to (kc_j)_{j\in J}$  as

$$(d_i)_{i \in I} \to (c_{\phi(i)})_{i \in I} \to (kc_j)_{j \in J}$$

exhibit  $\prod_i (d_i \downarrow \mathcal{C})$  as a coreflexive subcategory of  $(d_i) \downarrow \mathsf{F} \wr \mathcal{C}$ , we see that it is an initial subcategory. Therefore

$$\lim_{((d_i)\to(kc_j))\in((d_i)\downarrow\operatorname{FiC})} \left(\coprod_j F(c_j)\right) \simeq \lim_{((d_i)\to(kc_i))\in\Pi_i(d_i\downarrow\mathcal{D})} \left(\coprod_i F(c_i)\right)$$

and hence (3.6) now follows from the assumption that coproducts commute with limits in each variable.

**Notation 3.7.** Using the coproduct functor  $\mathsf{F}^{\wr 2} = \mathsf{F}^{\wr \{0,1\}} = \mathsf{F} \wr \mathsf{F} \xrightarrow{\sqcup} \mathsf{F}$  (where  $\coprod_{i \in I} J_i$  is ordered lexicographically) and the simpleton  $\{1\} \in \mathsf{F}$  one can regard the collection of categories  $\mathsf{F}^{\wr \{0,\cdots,n\}} \wr \mathcal{C} = \mathsf{F}^{!\underline{n}} \wr \mathcal{C}$  as a coaugmented cosimplicial object in Cat. As such, we will denote by

$$\delta^{i} : \mathsf{F}^{n-1} : \mathcal{C} \to \mathsf{F}^{n} : \mathcal{C}. \qquad 0 < i < n$$

the cofaces obtained by inserting simpletons  $\{1\} \in \mathsf{F}$  and by

$$\sigma^{i} : \mathsf{F}^{n+1} \wr \mathcal{C} \to \mathsf{F}^{n} \wr \mathcal{C}, \qquad 0 \le i \le n$$

the codegeneracies obtained by applying the coproduct  $F^{2} \xrightarrow{\coprod} F$  to adjacent F coordinates.

## 3.2 Equivariant leaf-root and vertex functors

**Definition 3.8.** A morphism  $T \xrightarrow{\varphi} S$  in  $\Omega_G$  is called a *quotient* if the underlying morphism of forests

$$\coprod_{[g] \in G/H} T_{[g]} \to \coprod_{[h] \in G/K} S_{[h]}$$

maps each tree component (or, equivalently, some tree component) isomorphically onto its image component.

We denote the subcategory of G-trees and quotients by  $\Omega_G^q$ .

**Definition 3.9.** The *G*-symmetric category, which we will also call the category of *G*-corollas, is the full subcategory  $\Sigma_G \subset \Omega_G^q$  of those *G*-trees that are corollas, i.e. *G*-trees such that each edge is either a root or a leaf (but not both).

**Definition 3.10.** The *leaf-root functor* is the functor  $\Omega_G^q \xrightarrow{\text{lr}} \Sigma_G$  defined by

$$lr(T) = \{leaves of T\} \coprod \{roots of T\}$$

with a broad relation  $l_1 \cdots l_n \leq r$  holding in lr(T) iff its image holds in T and similarly for the planar structure  $\leq_p$ .

Remark 3.11. Generalizing Remark 2.25,  $\operatorname{Ir}(T)$  can alternatively be characterized as being the unique G-corolla which admits an also unique (tree-wise) tall planar map  $\operatorname{Ir}(T) \to T$ . Moreover,  $\operatorname{Ir}(T)$  can usually be regarded as the "smallest inner face" of T, obtained by removing all the inner edges, although this characterization fails when  $T = G \cdot_H \eta$  is a stick G-tree. Some examples with  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{/4}$  follow.

**Remark 3.12.** One consequence of the fact that planarizations can not be pushed forward along tree maps (cf. Remark 2.24) is that  $\operatorname{Ir}: \Omega_G^q \to \Sigma_G$  is not a categorical fibration. maybe add to this.

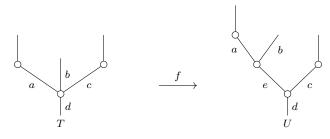
**Definition 3.13.** Given  $T \in \Omega_G$  we define the set  $V_G(T)$  of *G-vertices* of T to be the orbit set V(T)/G, i.e. the quotient of the vertex set V(T) by its G-action.

Furthermore, we will regard  $V_G(T)$  as an object in  $\mathsf{F}$  by equipping it with its lexicographic order: i.e. vertex equivalence classes  $[e^{\uparrow} \leq e]$  are ordered according to the planar order  $\leq_p$  of the smallest representative  $qe, q \in G$ .

of the smallest representative ge,  $g \in G$ .

Remark 3.14. Following Remark 2.45, a planar tall map  $f:T \to U$  of G-trees induces a G-equivariant map  $f^*:V(U) \to V(T)$  and thus also a map of orbits  $f^*:V_G(U) \to V_G(T)$ . We note, however, that  $f^*$  is not in general compatible with the order on  $V_G$ , as is indeed the case even in the non-equivariant case.

A minimal example follows.



In V(T) the vertices are ordered as a < c < d while in V(U) they are ordered as a < e < c < d but the map  $f^*: V(U) \to V(T)$  is given by  $a \mapsto a, c \mapsto c, d \mapsto d, e \mapsto d$ .

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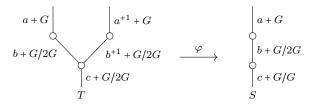
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Note that each element of  $V_G(T)$  corresponds to an unique edge orbit Ge for e not a leaf. As such, we will represent the corresponding G-vertex by  $v_{Ge} = (Ge)^{\uparrow} \leq Ge$  (which we interpret as the concatenation of the relations  $f^{\uparrow} \leq f$  for  $f \in Ge$ ) and write

$$T_{v_{Ge}} = T_{(Ge)^{\uparrow} \leq Ge} = \coprod_{f \in Ge} T_{f^{\uparrow} \leq f}.$$

We note that  $T_{v_{Ge}}$  is always a G-corolla. Indeed, noting that a quotient map  $\varphi:T\to S$ induces quotient maps  $T_{v_{ge}} \to S_{v_{G\varphi(e)}}$  one obtains a functor

Remark 3.16. The need to introduce the  $F \wr C$  categories comes from the fact that general quotient maps do not preserve the number of G-vertices. For a simple example, let  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{/4}$ and consider the quotient map



sending edges labeled a, b, c to the edges with the same name and the edges  $a^{+1}$ ,  $b^{+1}$  to the edges a+1, b+1. We note that T has three G-vertices  $v_{Gc}$ ,  $v_{Gb}$ ,  $v_{Gb+1}$  while S has only two G-vertices  $v_{Gc}$  and  $v_{Gb}$ .  $V(\phi)$  then maps the two corollas  $T_{v_{Gb}}$  and  $T_{v_{Gb+1}}$  isomorphically onto  $T_{S_{Gb}}$  and the corolla  $T_{v_{Gc}}$  non-isomorphically onto  $S_{v_{Gc}}$ . Definition 2.39 now immediately generalizes.

**Definition 3.17.** Let  $T \in \Omega_G$  be a G-tree.

A T-substitution datum is a tuple  $\{U_{v_{Ge}}\}_{v_{Ge} \in V_G(T)}$  such that  $\mathsf{Ir}(U_{v_{Ge}}) = T_{v_{Ge}}$ . Further, a map of T-substitution data  $\{U_{v_{Ge}}\} \to \{V_{v_{Ge}}\}$  is a tuple of planar tall maps  $\{U_{v_{Ge}} \to V_{v_{Ge}}\}.$ 

Remark 3.18. To establish the equivariant analogue of Proposition SUBDATAUNDERPLAN PROP 2.42 we will prefer to repackage equivariant substitution data in terms of non-equivariant terms.

Noting that there are decompositions  $U_{v_{Ge}} = \coprod_{ge \in Ge} U_{ge^{\uparrow} \leq ge}$  and letting  $G \ltimes V(T)$  denote the Grothendieck construction for the action of G on the non-equivariant vertices V(T)(often called the action groupoid), it is immediate that an equivariant T-substitution datum is the same as a functor  $G \ltimes V(T) \to \Omega$  whose restriction to  $V(T) \subset G \ltimes V(T)$  is a (nonequivariant) substitution datum.

**Proposition 3.19.** Let  $T \in \Omega_G$  be a G-tree. There is an isomorphism of categories

$$Sub(T) \longleftrightarrow \Omega_{G,T/}^{pt}$$

$$\{U_{v_{Ge}}\} \longleftrightarrow (T \to colim_{Sc(T)} U_{(-)})$$

$$(3.20) \quad \boxed{SUBDATAUNDERPLANG EQ}$$

Proof. This is a minor adaptation of the non-equivariant analogue Proposition Scatter and Subdataunder Proposition 3.19. Since  $\mathsf{Sc}(T)$  inherits a Guaction one can form the Grothendieck construction  $G \ltimes \mathsf{Sc}(T)$  and by Remark 3.18 equivariant substitution data  $\{U_{v_{Ge}}\}$  therefore induce functors  $U_{(-)}:G \ltimes \mathsf{Sc}(T)$  $Sc(T) \to \Omega$ . It is then immediate that  $colim_{Sc(T)} U_{(-)}$  inherits a G-action, provided it exists. The key observation is then that, since Sc(T) is now a disconnected poset, this colimit is to be interpreted as taken in the category  $\Phi$  of forests rather than in  $\Omega$ .

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Remark 3.21. We will need to know that each of the maps

$$U_{v_{Ge}} \to U = \operatorname{colim}_{\mathsf{Sc}(T)} U_{(-)}$$

induced by the previous proof is a planar map of G-trees. This requires two observations: (i) the restrictions to each of the constituent non-equivariant trees  $U_{ge^{\dagger} \leq ge}$  is planar by Proposition 3.19; (ii) the restriction to the roots of  $U_{v_{Ge}}$  is injective and order preserving since it matches the inclusion of the roots of  $T_{v_{Ge}}$ , and the map  $T \to U$  is a planar map of

#### 3.3 Planar strings

The leaf-root and vertex functors will allow us to reinterpret our results concerning substi-

**Definition 3.22.** The category  $\Omega_{G,n}$  of substitution n-strings is the category whose objects are strings

$$T_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} T_1 \xrightarrow{f_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{f_n} T_n$$

where  $T_i \in \Omega_G$  and the  $f_i$  are tall planar maps, and arrows are commutative diagrams

$$T_{0} \xrightarrow{f_{1}} T_{1} \xrightarrow{f_{2}} \cdots \xrightarrow{f_{n}} T_{n}$$

$$q_{0} \downarrow \qquad q_{1} \downarrow \qquad \qquad q_{n} \downarrow$$

$$T'_{0} \xrightarrow{f'_{1}} T'_{1} \xrightarrow{f'_{2}} \cdots \xrightarrow{f'_{n}} T'_{n}$$

$$(3.23) \quad \boxed{\text{PTNARROW EQ}}$$

where each  $q_i$  is a quotient map.

Notation 3.24. Since compositions of planar tall arrows are planar tall and identity arrows are planar tall it follows that  $\Omega_{G,\bullet}$  forms a simplicial object in Cat, with faces given by composing and degeneracies by inserting identities.

Noting that  $\Omega_{G,0} = \Omega_G^q$  and setting  $\Omega_{G,-1} = \Sigma_G$ , the leaf-root functor  $\Omega_G^q \xrightarrow{\operatorname{lr}} \Sigma_G$  makes  $\Omega_{G,\bullet}^q$  into an augmented simplicial object and, furthermore, the maps  $s_{-1} \colon \Omega_{G,n}^q \to \Omega_{G,n+1}^q$  sending  $T_0 \to T_1 \to \cdots \to T_n$  to  $\operatorname{lr}(T_0) \to T_0 \to T_1 \to \cdots \to T_n$  equip it with extra degeneracies.

**Notation 3.25.** We extend the vertex functor to a functor  $V_G: \Omega_{G,n+1} \to \mathsf{F} \wr \Omega_{G,n}$  by

$$V_G(T_0 \to T_1 \to \cdots \to T_n) = \left(V_G(T_0), (T_{1,v_{Ge}} \to \cdots \to T_{n,v_{Ge}})_{v_{Ge} \in V_G(T_0)}\right)$$

where we abuse notation by writing  $T_{i,v_{Ge}}$  for  $T_{i,(f_i\circ\cdots\circ f_1)(v_{Ge})}$ .

Subdataunderplang property following is a reinterpretation of Proposition 3.19.

Proposition 3.26. The diagram

is a pullback diagram in Cat.

Proof. An object in the pullback ( $3.2\frac{\text{PTPULL EQ}}{\text{SUBVATAUNDERPEANG}}\Omega_{\text{PROF}}^q$  js precisely the same as a n-string in Sub(T), and thus by Proposition 3.19 equivalent to a n+1 planar tall string starting at T.

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The case of arrows is slightly more subtle. A quotient map  $\pi:T\to T'$  induces a G-equivariant poset map  $\pi_*\colon \mathsf{Sc}(T)\to \mathsf{Sc}(T')$  (or equivalently, a map of Grothendieck constructions  $G\ltimes \mathsf{Sc}(T)\to G\ltimes \mathsf{Sc}(T')$ ) and diagrams as on the left below (where  $v_{Ge}$  ranges over  $V_G(T)$  and  $e'=\varphi(e)$ ) induce diagrams (of functors  $\mathsf{Sc}(T)\to\Omega$ ) as on the right below.

$$T_{v_{Ge}} \longrightarrow T_{1,v_{Ge}} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow T_{n,v_{Ge}} \qquad T_{(-)} \longrightarrow T_{1,(-)} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow T_{n,(-)}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

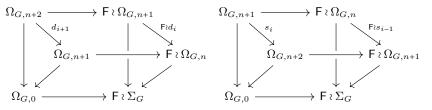
$$T'_{v_{Ge'}} \longrightarrow T'_{1,v_{Ge'}} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow T'_{n,v_{Ge'}} \qquad T'_{(-)} \circ \pi_* \longrightarrow T'_{1,(-)} \circ \pi_* \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow T'_{n,(-)} \circ \pi_*$$

(3.28)

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Passing to colimits then gives the desired commutative diagram (3.23). Moreover, diagrams of the form (3.23) clearly induce diagrams as in (3.28) and it is straightforward to check that these are inverse processes.

Remark 3.29. The diagrams (with back and lower slanted faces instances of (3.27))



commute whenever defined (i.e.  $0 \le i \le n+1$ ).

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Notation 3.30. We will let

$$V_{G,n}:\Omega_{G,n}\to\mathsf{F}\wr\Sigma_G$$

be inductively defined by  $V_{G,n} = \sigma_0 \circ V_{G,n-1} \circ V_G$ .

**Remark 3.31.** When n = 2,  $V_{G,2}$  is thus the composite

$$\Omega_{G,2} \xrightarrow{V_G} \mathsf{F} \wr \Omega_{G,1} \xrightarrow{V_G} \mathsf{F} \wr \mathsf{F} \wr \Omega_{G,0} \xrightarrow{V_G} \mathsf{F} \wr \mathsf{F} \wr \mathsf{F} \wr \Sigma_G \xrightarrow{\sigma^0} \mathsf{F} \wr \mathsf{F} \wr \Sigma_G \xrightarrow{\sigma^0} \mathsf{F} \wr \Sigma_G$$

In light of Remarks 2.45 and 3.14,  $V_{G,n}(T_0 \to \cdots \to T_n)$  is identified with the tuple

$$(T_{n,v_{Ge}})_{v_{Ge} \in V_G(T_n)},$$
 (3.32) VGNISO EQ

though this requires changing the total order in  $V_G(T_n)$ . Rather than using the order induced by  $T_n$ , one instead equips  $V_G(T_n)$  with the order induced lexicographically from the maps  $V_G(T_n) \to V_G(T_{n-1}) \to \cdots \to V_G(T_0)$ , i.e., for  $v, w \in V_G(T_n)$  the condition v < w is determined by the lowest i such that the images of  $v, w \in V_G(T_i)$  are distinct.

## 3.4 A monad on spans

**Definition 3.33.** We will write  $\mathsf{WSpan}^l(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  (resp.  $\mathsf{WSpan}^r(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ ), which we call the category of *left weak spans* (resp. *right weak spans*), to denote the category with objects the spans

$$\mathcal{C} \xleftarrow{k} A \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{D}$$
.

arrows the diagrams as on the left (resp. right) below

$$C \stackrel{k_1}{\swarrow} \stackrel{I}{\swarrow} D \qquad C \stackrel{k_1}{\swarrow} \stackrel{I}{\swarrow} D \qquad C \stackrel{k_1}{\swarrow} \stackrel{I}{\swarrow} D \qquad (3.34) \quad \boxed{\text{TWISTEDARROWRIGHT EQ}}$$

which we write as  $(i, \varphi)$ :  $(k_1, F_1) \to (k_2, F_2)$ , and composition given in the obvious way.

Remark 3.35. There are natural isomorphisms

$$\mathsf{WSpan}^r(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \simeq \mathsf{WSpan}^l(\mathcal{C}^{op}, \mathcal{D}^{op}). \tag{3.36}$$
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Remark 3.37. The terms left/right\_Rape\_most is at the existence of adjunctions (which are seen to be equivalent by using  $(\overline{3.36})$ 

$$\mathsf{Lan} \colon \mathsf{WSpan}^l(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \rightleftarrows \mathsf{Fun}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \colon \iota$$

$$\iota$$
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where the functors  $\iota$  denote the obvious inclusions (note the need for the  $(-)^{op}$  in the second adjunction) and Lan/Ran denote the left/right Kan extension functors.

We will mainly be interested in the span categories  $\mathsf{WSpan}^l(\Sigma_G^{op}, \mathcal{V}) \simeq \mathsf{WSpan}^r(\Sigma_G, \mathcal{V}^{op})$ .

Notation 3.38. Given a functor  $\pi: A \to \Sigma_G$ , we let  $\Omega_{G,n}^{(A)}$  denote the pullback (in Cat)

$$\Omega_{G,n}^{(A)} \xrightarrow{V_{G,n}^{(A)}} \mathsf{F} \wr A$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\Omega_{G,n} \xrightarrow{V_{G,n}} \mathsf{F} \wr \Sigma_{G}$$

Explicitly, the objects of  $\Omega_{G,n}^{(A)}$  are pairs

$$(T_0 \to \cdots \to T_n, (a_{e^{\uparrow} \le e})_{(e^{\uparrow} \le e) \in V_G(T_n)})$$

such that  $\pi(a_{e^{\uparrow} \leq e}) = T_{n,e^{\uparrow} \leq e}$ .

**Remark 3.39.** Our primary interest here will be in the  $\Omega_{G,0}^{(A)}$  construction. Importantly, the composite maps  $\Omega_{G,0}^{(A)} \to \Omega_{G,0} \to \Sigma_G$  allow us to iterate the  $\Omega_{G,0}^{(-)}$  construction. In practice, the role of higher strings  $\Omega_{G,n}^{(A)}$  will then be to provide more convenient models for iterated

 $\Omega_{G,0}^{(-)}$  constructions.

Indeed, the content of Proposition 3.26 is then that there are compatible identifications  $\Omega_{G,0}^{(\Omega_{G,n})} \cong \Omega_{G,n+1}$  which identify  $V_G^{(\Omega_{G,n})}$  with  $V_G$ .

Moreover, since all squares in the diagram

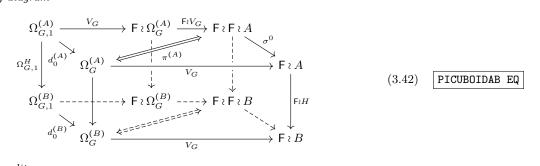
are pullback squares (the top center square is so by induction, the top right square by direct verification, the total top square by definition of  $\Omega_{G,n+1}^{(A)}$  and the bottom left square by

Proposition SUBSASPULL PROPROP obtain identifications  $\Omega_G^{\left(\Omega_{G,n}^{(A)}\right)} \simeq \Omega_{G,n+1}^{(A)}$ .

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**Proposition 3.40.** For any  $A \to \Sigma_G$  there are functors  $d_0^{(A)}: \Omega_{G,1}^{(A)} \to \Omega_G^{(A)}$  and natural isomorphisms

both natural in  $A \to \Sigma$ . Here naturality of  $\pi^{(-)}$  means that for a functor  $H: A \to B$  with corresponding diagram



one has an equality

$$(\mathsf{F} \wr H)\pi^{(A)} = \pi^{(B)}\Omega_{G,1}^{(H)}$$

(i.e. the two natural isomorphisms between the two distinct functors  $\Omega_{G,1}^{(A)} \Rightarrow \mathsf{F} \wr B$  coincide).

*Proof.* Since  $d_0$  has already been defined when  $B = \Sigma_G$ , one can generally define  $d_0^{(A)}$  by using diagram (3.42) when  $B = \Sigma$  and recalling that the front, back and left faces are all known to be pullbacks.

Fill in the definition of 
$$\pi^{(A)}$$
.

**Definition 3.43.** Suppose  $\mathcal V$  has finite products.

We define an endofunctor N of  $\mathsf{Wspan}^r(\Sigma_G, \mathcal{V}^{op})$  by letting  $N(\Sigma_G \leftarrow A \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{op})$  be the span  $\Sigma_G \leftarrow \Omega_G^{(A)} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{op}$  given by the diagram

$$\Omega_G^{(A)} \longrightarrow \mathsf{F} \wr A \longrightarrow \mathsf{F} \wr \mathcal{V}^{op} \xrightarrow{\Pi^{op}} \mathcal{V}^{op} 
\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow 
\Omega_G \longrightarrow \mathsf{F} \wr \Sigma_G 
\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow 
\Sigma_G$$

and defined on arrows in the obvious way.

One has a multiplication  $\mu: N \circ N \Rightarrow N$  given by the natural isomorphisms

where we note that naturality follows from the commutativity of (3.42). (3.44) MULTDEFSPAN EQ

Lastly, there is a unit  $\eta: id \Rightarrow N$  given by the strictly commutative diagrams

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**Proposition 3.46.**  $(N, \mu, \eta)$  form a monad on Wspan<sup>r</sup> $(\Sigma_G, \mathcal{V}^{op})$ .

*Proof.* The natural transformation component of  $\mu \circ (N\mu)$  is given by the composite diagram

whereas the natural transformation component of  $\mu \circ (\mu N)$  is given by

$$\begin{array}{c} \Omega_{G,2}^{(A)} \to \mathsf{F} \wr \Omega_{G,1}^{(A)} \to \mathsf{F}^{!2} \wr \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \to \mathsf{F}^{!3} \wr A \to \mathsf{F}^{!3} \wr \mathcal{V}^{op} \to \mathsf{F}^{!2} \wr \mathcal{V}^{op} \to \mathsf{F}^{!} \mathcal{V}^{op} \to \mathcal{V}^{op} \\ d_{0}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G,1}^{(A)} & & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ d_{0}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\ \Omega_{G}^{(A)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{0} & \downarrow \sigma^{0} \\$$

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## 4 Filtration of Cellular Extensions

We now focus on a particular construction in the category  $\mathcal{V}\mathsf{Op}$  of  $\mathcal{V}$ -enriched operads. In particular, given any  $\mathcal{P} \in \mathcal{V}\mathsf{Op}$ , and  $X, Y \in \mathcal{V}\mathsf{Sym}$ , consider the following pushout.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbb{F}X & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{P} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\mathbb{F}Y & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{P}[u]
\end{array}$$

**Definition 4.1.** We call both the map  $\mathcal{P} \to \mathcal{P}[u]$  and the operad  $\mathcal{P}[u]$  itself a *cellular extension* of  $\mathcal{P}$ .

Cellular extensions in various forms have been extensively studied, as they are of paramount importance to lifting model structres across free-forgetful adjunctions (as we will exploit in 144a, White14b, WY15, Per16, the next section). As has been done previously (see, for example, [?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?]), we will construct a filtration of the map  $\mathcal{P} \to \mathcal{P}[u]$  in the underlying category of sequences.

As we showed above in Example , we have that  $\mathcal{P}[u] \simeq \operatorname{Lan}_{\Omega_{G,e}^{op}} N^e$ . Thus, we are able to decompose  $\mathcal{P}[u]$  by a filtration of  $\Omega_{G,e}$ .

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# 4.1 Stuff Which Probably Will Be Included in an Above Section

We recall a generator-relation description of the category  $\Omega_G^e$ . Objects are  $(X,Y;\mathcal{P})$ -alternating G-trees: odd or *active* nodes are  $\mathcal{P}$ -labeled, and even or *passive* nodes are either X- or Y-labeled, such that G acts by labeled-preserving isomorphisms of the underlying G-tree. Maps come in three generating flavors:

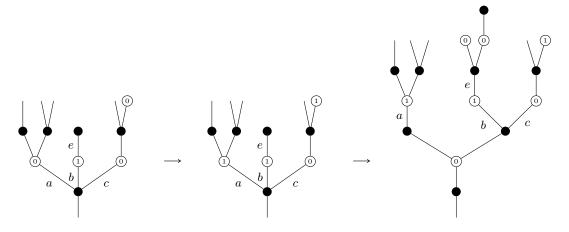
- 1. quotient maps which preserve the labelings of the nodes;
- 2. "passive relabeling" maps  $\partial_Y = \partial_Y^{(v_i)}$ , which are the identity on the underlying tree, but change the labelings on the vertices  $v_1, \ldots, v_n$  from Y to X;
- 3. "active substitution" maps  $\partial_{\mathcal{P}} = \partial_{\mathcal{P}}^{(v_i, S^{v_i})}$ , which are underlying inner face maps, that take an active ( $\mathcal{P}$ -labeled) nodes  $T_{v_i}$  and substitute them with  $(X; \mathcal{P})$ -alternating G-trees  $S^{v_i}$  of height 3 such that we have a (unique) planar-tall maps  $T_{v_i} \to S^{v_i}$  on the underlying G-trees.

Relations are generated by the following:

- 1. any two passive relabeling maps commute;
- 2. compositions of active substitutions are identified if they induce the same underlying map in  $\Omega_G$  after forgetting labels; and
- 3. if  $\partial_Y$  and  $\partial_P$  affect different nodes of T, then the composites  $\partial_Y \partial_P$  and  $\partial_P \partial_Y$  exist and are equal.

Example 4.2. The following is a composite of passive relabelings followed by some active

substitutions:



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#### Remark 4.3. Some remarks:

- 1. Maps in  $\Omega_G^e$  have unique decompositions of the form  $f = q \partial_Y \partial_{\mathcal{P}}$ ; in particular, for any composite  $f = \partial q$ , we have  $f = q' \partial'$ , where  $\partial$  and  $\partial'$  are composites of passive relabeling and active substitutions, and q and q' are quotients.
- 2. Equivalently (and as in  $\Omega_G$ ), for any cartesian map  $q: S \to T$  and any non-cartesian map  $f: T \to T'$ , there must exist a factorization

$$S \xrightarrow{f'} S'$$

$$q \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow q'$$

$$T \xrightarrow{f} T'$$

where q' is also Cartesian, and f' is non-Cartesian.

3.  $\Omega_{G,-1}^{(2,1)}$  naturally embeds into  $\Omega_G^e$  as a wide subcategory.

**Definition 4.4.** The nerve-evaluation map  $N_{(X,Y),\mathcal{P}}:\Omega^{(2,1)}_{G,-1}\to\mathcal{V}$  extends to  $\Omega^e_G$ . It sends passive relabeling maps  $\partial^v_Y$  to an application of the map  $u(T_v):X(T_v)\to Y(T_v)$  in the v-th component of the indexed tensor product; on active substitution maps  $\partial^v_{\mathcal{P}}^{S^v}$ , it is given by first an application of  $h(T_V):X(T_v)\to\mathcal{P}(T_v)$ , followed by the operad structure map 'collapsing' newly adjacent active nodes.

**Definition 4.5.** Given  $T \in \Omega_G^e$ , let  $V_{\mathcal{P}}(T)$ ,  $V_X(T)$ , and  $V_Y(T)$  be the G-sets of vertices which are  $\mathcal{P}$ -, X-, and Y-labeled, respectively. Similarly, let  $V_{G,\mathcal{P}}(T) = V_{\mathcal{P}}(T)/G$ ,  $V_{G,X}(T) = V_X(T)/G$ , and  $V_{G,Y}(T) = V_Y(T)/G$  be the sets of G-vertices which are correctly labeled.

Further, let  $|T| = |T|_X + |T|_Y$ , where  $|T|_X$  is the "number of X-labeled nodes in any single component of T", and similarly for  $|T|_Y$ . Rigorously, we have

$$|T|_X = \frac{|V_X(T)|}{|G.r|} = \sum_{G.v \in V_{G,X}(T)} \frac{|G.v|}{|G.r|}$$

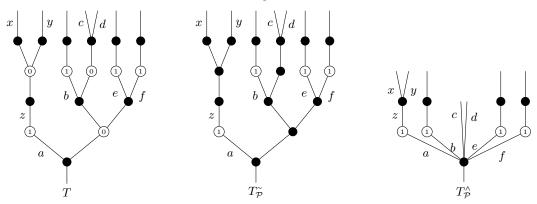
where G.r is the root G-set of T; and similarly for  $|T|_{Y}$ .

**Definition 4.6.** Given a  $(\mathcal{P}; X, Y)$ -alternating G-tree T, let  $T_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge}$  be the alternating tree with  $|T|_{X} = 0$  (so  $T_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge}$  is  $(\mathcal{P}; Y)$ -alternating) created from T by

- 1. first relabeling all X-nodes  $\mathcal{P}$  (yielding a tree in  $\lambda^3 \mathbb{T}_0$ ); then
- 2. collapsing all connected components of  $\mathcal{P}$ -labeled nodes.

There is a unique planar-tall map  $\partial_{\mathcal{P}}: T^{\wedge}_{\mathcal{P}} \to T$ , and in fact this factors through all maps  $\partial_{\mathcal{P}}: S \to T$ .

**Example 4.7.** We demonstrate this functor on an example element in  $\lambda_1^2 \mathbb{T}_G$  below. The source object T is on the left; the (non-alternating) tree  $T_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge}$  which has relabeled all X-nodes as  $\mathcal{P}$ -nodes is in the middle; and the right tree has collapsed all the connected active components. As before, black nodes are active, while white are passive, and we have labeled the interior of the node to denote which kind of passive it is.



## 4.2 Filtration Lemmas

**Definition 4.8.** We define subcategories of  $\Omega_G^e$ .

- 1. Let  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k]$  (respectively  $\Omega_G^e[k]$ ) be the full subcategory of  $\Omega_G^e$  spanned by trees T with  $|T| \leq k$  (respectively, |T| = k).
- 2. Let  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k, -]$  (respectively  $\Omega_G^e[k, -]$ ) be the full subcategory of  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k]$  (respectively  $\Omega_G^e[k]$ ) spanned by trees T with  $|T|_Y \neq k$ .
- 3. Let  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k,0]$  (respectively  $\Omega_G^e[k,0]$ ) be the full subcategory of  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k]$  (respectively  $\Omega_G^e[k]$ ) spanned by trees T with  $|T|_X = 0$  (equivalently,  $|T|_Y = k$ ).
- 4. If  $\Xi$  is any of the above categories, and  $C \in \Sigma_G$ , let  $\Xi(C)$  denote the full subcategory of  $\Xi$  spanned by those trees T with  $val(T) \simeq C$ .

**Remark 4.9.** The categories  $\Omega_G^e[k]$  and  $\Omega_G^e[k,-]$  have only very limited morphisms, as there cannot be any "active substitutions". Thus, any map  $S \to T$  in these categories just changes some Y-labelings into X-labelings, while the underlying (1,1)-alternating tree remains fixed (where here the one passive colour encompasses both Y- and X-labels).

**Lemma 4.10.**  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k-1]^{op}$  is Lan-final in  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k,-]^{op}$  over  $\Sigma_G^{op}$ .

*Proof.* Fix an arbitrary  $C \in \Sigma_G$ , and consider an element  $q_S : val(S) \leftarrow C$  in  $\Omega_G^e [\leq k, -]^{op} \downarrow C$  (so in particular  $S \in \Omega_G^e [\leq k, -]$ ). We must show that the overcategory

$$(\Omega_G^e [\leq k-1]^{op} \downarrow C) \downarrow (val(S) \leftarrow C)$$

is non-empty and connected. If in fact  $S \in \Omega_G^e[\le k-1]$ , the result is immediate. Otherwise, consider the map

$$S_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{\mathcal{P}}} S$$

Since  $|S|_Y \neq k$ ,  $|S^{\wedge}_{\mathcal{P}}| \leq k-1$ , and hence we have a diagram



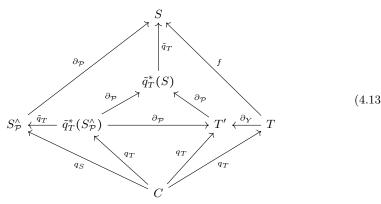
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showing that the desired overcategory is inhabited. Further, given any other element

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in the overcategory, consider the following zig-zag of maps connecting the objects (H.II) and (H.II) and (H.II)



Here, I have omitted the notation "val" from the top three rows. To understand this diagram, we first record that we have a factorization:

$$q_S = \tilde{q}_T q_T$$

Then, if we let  $C_S = val(S) = val(S_P^{\wedge})$  and  $C_T = val(T)$ , we have

$$C \xrightarrow{q_T} C_T \xrightarrow{\tilde{q}_T} C_S$$

and hence, via Remark 4.3 (2), a factorization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C_T & & & \tilde{q}_T^*(S_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge}) \\ & & \tilde{q}_T \downarrow & & & \tilde{q}_T \\ & & & & \tilde{q}_T \\ C_s & & & & S_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge} \end{array}$$

(where we are recording  $C \to val(S)$  as a planar-tall map  $C \to S$ ). A similar analysis shows that the top left trapezoid commutes.

The other regions also commute by a straightforward analysis. Indeed, the top right trapezoid commutes by unique factorization, and finally the middle triangle of  $\partial_{\mathcal{P}}$  maps commutes since  $(\tilde{q}_T^*S)_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge} = \tilde{q}_T^*(S_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge})$ .

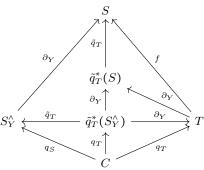
Lastly, we must check that the middle two maps are in fact elements of the appropriate overcategory. This follows from the fact that  $S_{\mathcal{P}}^{\wedge}$  and T have  $|-|_{Y} < k$ . Thus, the overcategory in question is connected, as desired.

come back: define  $S_Y^{\wedge}$ .

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Lemma 4.14.  $\Omega_G^e[k,0]^{op}$  is Lan-final in  $\Omega_G^e[k]$  over  $\Sigma_G^{op}$ .

*Proof.* This follows analogously to Lemma ??, by replacing Diagram 4.13 with the diagram below:



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**Lemma 4.15.**  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k]$  is the isomorphic to the pushout below.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \Omega^e_G[k,-] & \longrightarrow & \Omega^e_G[\leq k,-] \\ & & & \downarrow \\ & & \downarrow \\ & \Omega^e_G[k] & \longrightarrow & \Omega^e_G[\leq k] \end{array}$$

In fact, it is a nervous pushout of fully-faithful functors (see [??]).

*Proof.* Since maps in  $\Omega_G^e$  can only increase |-| by adding  $|-|_X$ , if T is a tree with  $|T| = |T|_Y = k$ , then any other tree  $S \in \Omega_G^e$  connected to T via a zig-zag of maps must have |S| = k; that is, if  $T \in \Omega_G^e[\leq k] \setminus \Omega_G^e[\leq k, -]$ , then the connected component of T is entirely contained in  $\Omega_G^e[k]$ . Conversely, if  $T \in \Omega_G^e[\leq k] \setminus \Omega_G^e[k]$ , the connected component of T is entirely contained in  $\Omega_G^e[\leq k, -]$ . Since the natural induced map

$$\Omega_G^e[k] \coprod \Omega_G^e[\leq k, -] \to \Omega_G^e[\leq k]$$

is clearly full and surjective on objects, the result follows from the above discussion and the obvious fully-faithfulness of the span.  $\,$ 

Abusing notation, we will denote by  $N^e$  the restriction of that functor to any of the subcategories of  $\Omega_G^e$  in the above pushout square.

We can now define the sequencers which will make up our filtration of  $\mathcal{P}[u]$ :

**Definition 4.16.** Let  $\mathcal{P}_k$  denote the left Kan extension

$$\Omega_G^e[\leq k]^{op} \xrightarrow{N^e} V$$

$$\downarrow^{val} \downarrow^{p_k}$$

$$\Sigma_G^{op}$$

Note that be Lemma 5.6, we have natural maps  $\mathcal{P}_{k-1} \to \mathcal{P}_k$ .

#### 4.3 Notation

In order to state our filtration result, we will need to identify another categorical construction. This filtration will be built out of "pushout products over trees of maps of sequences".

This subsection will be dedicated to making the components of that statement precise. Recall the categorical wreath product, defined in Definition  $\ref{eq:categorical}$ , and that  $F_0$  is the categorical wreath product, defined in Definition  $\ref{eq:categorical}$ ? gory of finite sets and isomorphisms.

**Definition 4.17** Given a map  $u: Y_0 \to Y_1$  of sequences and  $(A, D) \in \mathsf{F_0} \wr \Sigma$ , we borrow notation from [?] and define the functor  $[u]^D: (0 \to 1)^A \to \mathcal{V}$  as the composite

$$(0 \to 1)^A \to \mathsf{F}_0 \wr V \xrightarrow{\otimes} \mathcal{V}$$

where the first map is defined on  $\epsilon: A \to \{0,1\}$  by

$$(\epsilon(a))_a \mapsto (A, (Y_{\epsilon(a)}(D(a)))_a).$$

We recall that, in a general category C, a subcategory  $C' \subseteq C$  is called *convex* if whenever  $c' \in C'$  and  $c \mapsto c'$  is an arrow in C, then both c' and the map are in C'.

**Definition 4.18.** Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a convex subcategory of  $(0 \to 1)^A$ . We define  $Q_{\mathcal{C}}^A[u]^D := \operatorname{colim}_{\mathcal{C}}[u]^D$ ; moreover, given nested convex subcategories  $\mathcal{C}' \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ , let

$$[u]^D \square_{\mathcal{C}'}^{\mathcal{C}} : Q_{\mathcal{C}'}^A [u]^D \to Q_{\mathcal{C}}^A [u]^D$$

denote the unique natural map.

In particular, if C is the full "punctured cube" subcategory  $(0 \to 1)^A \setminus \{(1)_a\}$ , we simplify the notation as follows:

$$Q[u]^{D} := Q_{\mathcal{C}}[u]^{D}$$
$$[u]^{\Box D} := [u]^{D} \Box_{\mathcal{C}}^{(0 \to 1)^{A}} : Q[u]^{D} \to \bigotimes_{a \in A} Y_{1}(D(a)).$$

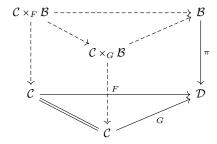
# 5 Appendix

## 5.1 Grothendieck fibrations

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**Definition 5.1.** Suppose  $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_c)$  is a pair in Cat such that  $\mathcal{D}_c$  is a wide subcategory of  $\mathcal{D}$ . A functor  $\pi: \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{D}$  is called a partial Grothendieck construction if there are cartesian lifts for every arrow in  $\mathcal{D}_c$ .

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## 5.2 Kan Extensions - May Also be Part of the Above

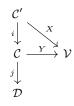
We collect some technical results about the naturality of Kan extensions on their input data, and their preservation under certain categorical constructions.

**Remark 5.3.** For all of the results below, their formal dual result is true of  $\underline{\text{right}}$  Kan extensions.

We begin with an easy result about "stacking" Kan extensions.

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Lemma 5.4. Suppose we have functors



such that  $Y = \operatorname{Lan}_{i} X$ . Then  $\operatorname{Lan}_{ji} X \simeq \operatorname{Lan}_{j} Y$ .

*Proof.* This follows from the Yoneda Lemma by directly unpacking the universal properties of the two functors.  $\hfill\Box$ 

## 5.2.1 Naturality

We formulate precisely what data Kan extensions are natural over.

**Definition 5.5.** Let  $\mathsf{WSpan}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{V})$  be the following category. Objects are spans of functors

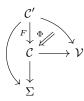


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while morphisms are pairs  $(F, \Phi)$ 

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with F a functor such that the left triangle commutes, and  $\Phi$  a natural transformation.

**Proposition 5.6.** The left Kan extension operation is a functor  $\mathsf{WSpan}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{V}) \to \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{D}}$ .

*Proof.* This is a straightforward diagram chase via the universal property of the left Kan extension. Indeed, suppose we are given the following data:



Then, since we always have a natural transformation  $\operatorname{Lan}_i Y \circ i \Rightarrow Y$ , we have the following chain of bijections and maps:

$$\mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{D}}(\operatorname{Lan}_{j}Y,\operatorname{Lan}_{j}Y) = \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{C}'}(Y,\operatorname{Lan}_{j}Y\circ j) \xrightarrow{(\tilde{i}d)^{*}} \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{C}'}(\operatorname{Lan}_{i}(Yi),\operatorname{Lan}_{j}Y\circ j) = \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{C}}(Yi,\operatorname{Lan}_{j}Y\circ ji)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\Phi^{*}} \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{C}}(X,\operatorname{Lan}_{j}Y\circ ji) = \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{D}}(\operatorname{Lan}_{ji}X,\operatorname{Lan}_{j}Y).$$

The image of the identity, denoted  $\Phi_*$ , is the desired natural transformation. It can similarly be shown that this process preserves compositions.

Diagrammatically,  $\Phi_* : \operatorname{Lan}_{ji} X \to \operatorname{Lan}_j Y$  is the unique map such that the diagram below commutes:

$$X \xrightarrow{\Phi} Y \circ i \xrightarrow{\alpha_{Y} \circ i} \operatorname{Lan}_{j} Y \circ ji$$

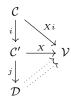
$$\underset{\operatorname{Lan}_{ji}}{\overset{\alpha_{X}}{\longrightarrow}} X \circ ji$$

$$(5.7)$$

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We highlight a special case:

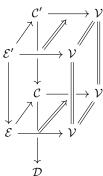
Corollary 5.8. Suppose we have functors  $\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{i} \mathcal{C}' \xrightarrow{j} \mathcal{D}$  and  $X : \mathcal{C}' \to \mathcal{V}$ . Then we have a natural transformation  $\Phi : \operatorname{Lan}_{ji} Xi \to \operatorname{Lan}_{j} X$ .



We can also consider "higher-dimensional" naturality, such as the following.

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**Lemma 5.9.** Suppose we have the following commutative diagram of natural transformations



such that the left and right faces commute, the front and back faces are some natural transformations  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi_{\mbox{\scriptsize ANNITURALTY}\mbox{\tiny PROP}}$  bottom faces are left Kan extension. Then the maps induced by Lemma 5.6 from  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are isomorphic.

*Proof.* We know the sources and targets are isomorphic by Lemma 5.4. The result then follows as in the proof of Lemma 5.6.  $\Box$ 

## 5.2.2 Left Kan Extensions and Pushouts

While dealing with general pushouts of categories requires solving a "word problem" on morphisms, there is a stronger notion which is much easier to understand. We recall that, given a square of categories

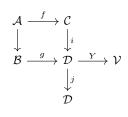
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathcal{A} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\mathcal{C} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{D}
\end{array}$$

if the nerve of this square is a pushout in sSet, then this is a pushout of categories (since the nerve is the inclusion of a reflective subcategory). The pushouts that most concern us in this paper will be of this form.

**Definition 5.10.** We call such squares *nervous pushouts* of categories.

If we further assume that the span of functors is built out of fully-faithful inclusions, these pushouts behave as nicely as possible with left Kan extensions.

Lemma 5.11. Given any diagram in categories of the form



such that the square is a nervous pushout of fully-faithful functors, then  $\mathrm{Lan}_j\,Y$  is the pushout of the induced span

$$Lan_{jif}(Yif) \longrightarrow Lan_{ji}(Yi)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$Lan_{jg}(Yg).$$

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*Proof.* By the universal property of left Kan extensions, it suffices to show that, for any functor  $Z: \mathcal{V} \to \mathcal{D}$ , the natural map

$$\mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{D}}(Y,Zj) \longrightarrow \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{B}}(Yg,Zjg) \prod_{\mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{A}}(Yif,Zjif)} \mathcal{V}^{\mathcal{C}}(Yi,Zji)$$

is a bijection. These two sets give the same data: a collection of maps  $\Phi_b: Y(b) \to Z(b)$  and  $\Phi_c: Y(c) \to Z(c)$  for all  $b \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $c \in \mathcal{C}$ , such that  $\Phi_b = \Phi_c$  whenever  $b = c \in \mathcal{A}$ . In general, the compatibilites required on the right are less demanding. However, with the above assumptions, a map  $d \to d'$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  is uniquely a map in  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \setminus \mathcal{A}$ , or  $\mathcal{C} \setminus \mathcal{A}$ , and thus all the necessary compatibilities are covered by (at least) one of the  $\{\Phi_b\}$  or  $\{\Phi_c\}$ .

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