

## Category Theory:

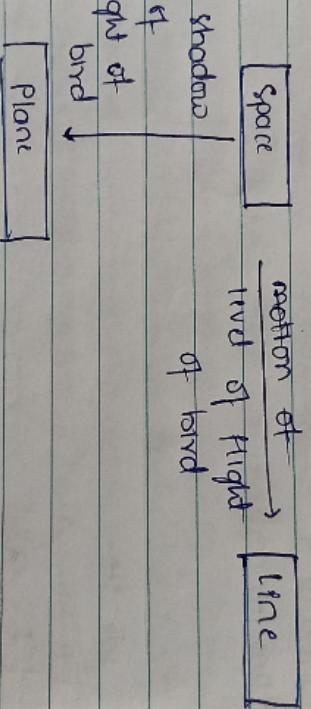
• Ground breaking paper of Eilenberg & Mac Lane  
; "A general theory of natural consequence"

- Multiplication often appears in the guise of independent choices

- Logical relation of and & multiplication (they are different manifestation of same idea)

- called & flight of bird:

We reduce the motion of a bird in space to two of simple/special motions in vertical line & horizontal plane



The category of sets. [Understanding categories in sets]

A map of sets is a process from one set to another. We investigate the composition of maps (following one process by a second process), & find that the algebra of composition of maps resembles the algebra of multiplication of numbers, but its interpretation is much richer

To Understand category, we can consider a familiar example sets (one of the categories)

A category is usually defined by the following ingredients:

- 1) objects and ~~are governed by~~
- 2) morphism ~~and~~ Identity laws
- 3) composition ~~and~~ Associativity laws
- 4) Identity ~~and A~~

In sets:

- 1) objects are nothing but finite sets
- 2) morphisms are maps (also called transformation, function)
- 3) composition is nothing but composition of maps

itself

- 4) A special kind of map/morphism

Illustration: Let  $A, B, C \in D$  be objects.

$f: A \rightarrow B$  can be written as  $A \xrightarrow{f} B$

$g: B \rightarrow C$

$h: C \rightarrow D$ , be maps

now  $g \circ f = g(f)$ , i.e., there exists a map from  $A \rightarrow C$  such that  $h$ , such that  $g \circ f = g(f) = h$

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C$$



Identity and identity  $1_A: A \rightarrow A$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in A$   $\alpha \circ 1_A = \alpha$

$$1_A(\alpha) = \alpha$$

Rules for category

so it can be commutative,

The identity laws:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{D) The identity laws: } \\ \text{(a) If } A \xrightarrow{1_A} A \xrightarrow{g} B \quad | \quad \text{(b) If } A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{1_B} B \\ \text{(c) Then } A \xrightarrow{g \circ 1_A = g} B \quad | \quad A \xrightarrow{1_B \circ f = f} B \end{array}$$

(i) The associative laws:

of composition

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} D$$

[ A point of set  $X$  is a map  $\mapsto X$  ]

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~~The state of  $h \circ g$  is  $(h \circ g)$  or  $h(g)$~~

then  $A \xrightarrow{h} h(g)$  or  $h(g)$  [  $h(g) = (h \circ g)$  of course ]

~~hence,  $h(g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$  (generally)~~

~~[order matters, i.e.,  $g \circ f \neq f \circ g$  generally]~~

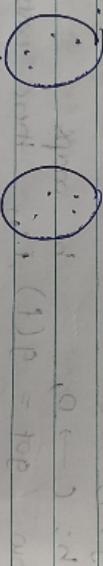
- A map  $f$  of set involves three things
  - 1. a set  $(A)$ , called the domain of the map  $f$
  - 2. a set  $(B)$ , called the codomain of the map  $f$
  - 3. a rule (or process) for  $f$ , assigning to each element of the domain  $A$  exactly one element of the codomain  $B$

(\* two two functions/maps in  $S$  are equal if their domains & codomains are equal, i.e,

~~if  $A \cong B$ ,  $E_1: A \ni x \mapsto f(x) \in B$  &  $E_2: A \ni x \mapsto g(x) \in B$  then  $E_1 = E_2$  if  $f(x) = g(x) \forall x \in A$~~

~~2nd,  $f(a) = g(a) \forall a \in A$ ) provides 2<sup>nd</sup> condition.~~

- No. of maps from  $A$  to  $B$ : how many?  $A$  ( $n(A)$ ) expressing cardinality of  $A$  in  $S$  (intuitively)
- ~~the~~ from the concept of "independent choices":



~~Card from  $A$  to  $B$  is  $n(A) \times n(B)$~~

~~total no. of maps from  $A$  to  $B$  =  $[n(B)]^{n(A)}$~~

- The algebra of composition  
 $(h \circ f) A$  understanding some different kinds of maps/morphisms]

- composition of morphisms is analogous to multiplication of numbers (composition and using (except that in composition order matters & commutative law isn't applicable))
- To understand the analogy of division of numbers in set category we need to understand two kind of morphisms

proposition: suppose the map  $A \xrightarrow{f} B$  has

a choice problem: (or lifting problem)  
given  $g \in h$  as shown, no had  $gf$  is  
called lifting problem

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & g & \\ f \nearrow & \searrow & \\ A & \xrightarrow{h} & C \end{array}$$

a particular solution  $t$  can be called as choice  
special case of section.

$$\text{if } h = i_A, A = C \text{ then } t = s$$

$$gos = h = i_A$$

$s$  is called section

Proposition: (onto) function or surjection

i) If we suppose a map  $A \xrightarrow{f} B$  has a  
surjection. Then for any  $t \in T$  & for any pair  
of maps  $\begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{x_1} & A \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ T & \xrightarrow{x_2} & B \end{array}$  from any at  
to  $A$  if  $x_1 = x_2 \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$

$f$  is called injective function or monomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} T & \xrightarrow{x_1} & A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ \downarrow & & \swarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & x_2 & & \end{array}$$

2) Suppose a map  $A \xrightarrow{f} B$  has a section.  
Then for any  $t \in T$  any pair  $B \xrightarrow{h} T, B \xrightarrow{t_2} T$   
of maps from  $B$  to  $T$  if  $hof = t_2 of$   
 $\Leftrightarrow h = t_2$

$f$  is called surjective function or epimorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} T & \xrightarrow{h} & B & \xrightarrow{f} & A \\ \downarrow & & \searrow & & \downarrow \\ & & t_2 & & \end{array}$$

- If the single determination problem has a solution for  $t$  (aka solution for  $t$ ) then every determination problem with the same  $t$  has a solution.
- If the single choice problem has a solution for  $t$  (aka section for  $t$ ) a solution for  $t$  (a.k.a. section for  $t$ ) in every choice problem involving this  $t$  will have a solution.

In the above statement, one interesting, as may be analogous to numbers saying that  $\sqrt{5}$  is inverse of  $5$ , & hence  $\sqrt{m \times 5} = \sqrt{m}$ .

$m = \mathbb{Z}_5^{n \times 3}$ , where instead of a reciprocal

The inverse  $\in$  multiplication dir used  
Idempotent: An endomap (whose domain & codomain are same) is called idempotent

equation  $f \circ f = e$  is called idempotent

By the next section, we know that if  $f : A \rightarrow B$

uniqueness of an isomorphism:  $\exists$  morphism  $f : A \rightarrow B$ ,  $\exists$   $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$  such that  $f \circ f^{-1} = 1_B$  &  $f^{-1} \circ f = 1_A$ .  
Hence exists only one inverse  $f^{-1}$ .

**Def:** Isomorphism  $\in$  automorphism

A map  $f$  is called an isomorphism if there exists another map  $f^{-1}$  which is both left & right inverse to  $f$ .

$$f : A \xrightarrow{\quad f \quad} B \quad f \circ f^{-1} = 1_B \quad f^{-1} \circ f = 1_A$$

A map which is both an endomap and at the same time an isomorphism is usually called by the one word automorphism.