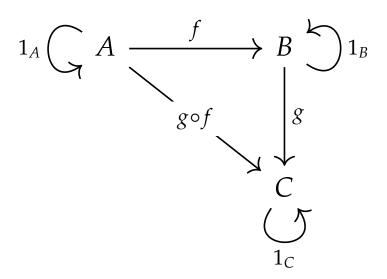
## **Category Theory**

- A Journey from Concretization to Abstraction -

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# **Chapter 1**

# **Categorical**

#### Example 1.1 (Determinant).

#### [ Two Categories ]

- 1. Category of Commutative Rings (CRing)
  - **Objects**: Commutative rings *R*, *S*, ...
  - **Morphisms**: Ring homomorphisms  $\phi$  : R → S
- 2. Category of Groups (Grp)
  - Objects: Groups
  - Morphisms: Group homomorphisms

[ **Two Functors** ] Note that  $GL_n$  represents the functor, while  $GL_n$  denotes the group.

- 1. General Linear Group Functor ( $GL_n : CRing \rightarrow Grp$ )
  - On Objects:

$$R \mapsto GL_n(R)$$

Maps a ring R to the general linear group  $GL_n(R)$ , which consists of all  $n \times n$  invertible matrices over R.

**– On Morphisms**: Let  $GL_n(\phi)$  :  $GL_n(R)$  →  $GL_n(S)$ .

$$\phi \mapsto \mathbf{GL}_n(\phi)$$

It preserves invertibility.

- 2. Unit Functor (U : CRing  $\rightarrow$  Grp)
  - On Objects:

$$R \mapsto R^{\times}$$

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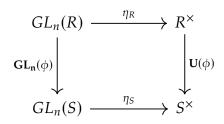
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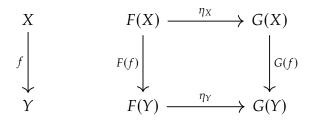
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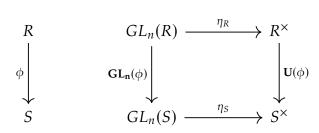
$$\det_R : GL_n(R) \to R^{\times}$$

is a natural transformation between two functors,  $GL_n$  and U.

- On Objects:  $η_R : GL_n(R) → R^{\times}$
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**Example 1.2.** Consider 
$$\mathbb{Z}$$
 and  $GL_2(\mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{Z}) : ad - bc \neq 0 \right\}$ .

#### [ Two Categories ]

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- Morphisms: Group homomorphisms

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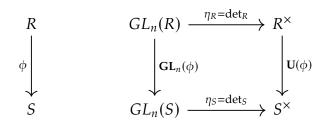
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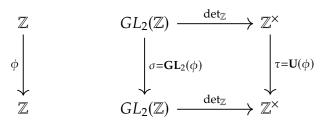
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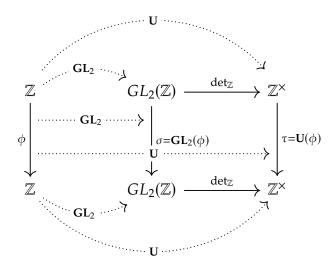
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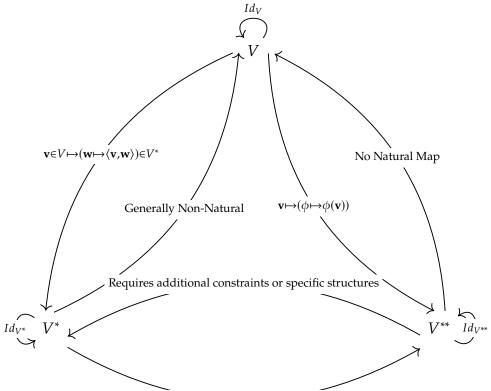
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Requires additional constraints or specific structures

#### **Example 1.3** (Evaluation Mapping as Natural Transformation).

#### **Definition** (Evaluation Map)

- Let *V* , *K* be sets, and
- let  $K^V$  be the set of all mappings from V to K.

The **evaluation mapping** for  $K^V$  is the mapping  $ev : K^V \times V \to K$  defined by:

$$ev(f, v) := f(v)$$

for  $f \in K^V$  and  $v \in V$ .

#### Consider a linear mapping

$$\phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}, \quad \phi(\mathbf{v}) = \phi(v_1, v_2) = 3v_1 - 2v_2.$$

Then evaluation map  $ev : \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}^2} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  ensure

$$ev(\phi, (1, 1)) = \phi(1, 1) = 3 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot 1 = 1.$$

#### [Category]

- 1. Category of Vector Space (Vect<sub>K</sub>)
  - Object:
    - \* Vector Spaces over field  $K: V, W, \cdots$
    - \* Dual Spaces:  $V^*$ ,  $W^*$ ,  $\cdots$ . Note that

$$V^* := \{ \phi : V \to K \mid \phi \text{ is linear functional} \}$$

\* Double dual Spaces:  $V^{**}$ ,  $W^{**}$ ,  $\cdots$ . Note that

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It preserves invertibility.

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It preserves the unit property.

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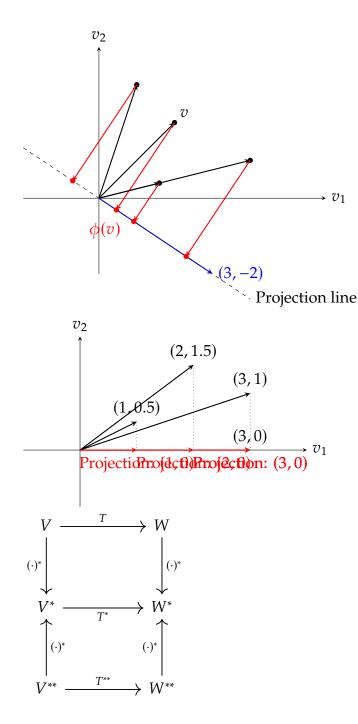
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$$\downarrow^{\sigma = \operatorname{GL}_{2}(\phi)} \qquad \downarrow^{\tau = \operatorname{U}(\phi)}$$

$$GL_{n}(\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\eta_{\mathbb{Z}} = \operatorname{det}_{\mathbb{Z}}} \mathbb{Z}^{\times}$$



**Definition 1.1** (Vector Space and Dual Space).

- Let *V* be a finite-dimensional *vector space* over field  $\mathbb{K}$ . That is,  $V = K^n$ .
- The *dual space*  $V^*$  of V consists of all linear functionals on V. That is,

$$V^* = \{ \phi : V \to \mathbb{R} \mid \phi \text{ is linear} \}.$$

**Definition 1.2** (Double Dual Space). The *double dual space*  $V^{**}$  of a vector space V is defined as the dual of the dual space, i.e.,  $V^{**} = (V^*)^*$ . For each  $\psi \in V^{**}$ ,  $\psi$  is a functional acting on elements of  $V^*$ .

#### Natural Isomorphism Between V and $V^{**}$

**Theorem 1.1** (Canonical Isomorphism). For every finite-dimensional vector space V, there is a canonical isomorphism  $\eta_V: V \to V^{**}$  defined by

$$\eta_V(v)(\phi) = \phi(v),$$

for every  $v \in V$  and  $\phi \in V^*$ . This map is a natural isomorphism, meaning it commutes with all linear transformations.

**Definition 1.3** (Induced Map on Dual and Double Dual Spaces). For a linear transformation  $T: V \to W$  between vector spaces, the induced map on the dual space,  $T^*: W^* \to V^*$ , is defined by

$$T^*(\phi) = \phi \circ T$$

where  $\phi \in W^*$ . Similarly, the induced map on the double dual space,  $T^{**}: V^{**} \to W^{**}$ , is defined by

$$T^{**}(\psi) = \psi \circ T^*,$$

where  $\psi \in V^{**}$ .

### 1.1 Example: Application in $\mathbb{R}^2$

**Example 1.4** (Matrix Transformation and Double Dual). Consider the vector space  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ , and let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be represented by the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We compute the induced maps  $T^*$  and  $T^{**}$  and verify the natural transformation property with  $\eta_V$ .

**Action of** *T* **and**  $\eta_V$ : If  $\mathbf{v} = (1, 1)$ , then

$$T(\mathbf{v}) = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The action of  $\eta_{\mathbb{R}^2}$  and  $\phi$  defined by  $\phi(\mathbf{v}) = 3v_1 - 2v_2$  gives

$$\eta_{\mathbb{R}^2}((1,1))(\phi) = 1 \text{ and } \eta_{\mathbb{R}^2}((3,7))(\phi) = 3 \times 3 - 2 \times 7 = -5.$$

**Verification of Commutativity:** To confirm the natural transformation property, we need to show

$$T^{**}(\eta_{\mathbb{R}^2}(\mathbf{v})) = \eta_{\mathbb{R}^2}(T(\mathbf{v})).$$

For  $\mathbf{v} = (1,1)$ , the calculations show that both sides of the equation represent consistent transformations via the isomorphism  $\eta_{\mathbb{R}^2}$ , proving the natural transformation.

#### Example 1.5.

#### [ Category ]

- 1. Category of Finite Vector Spaces (FinVect<sub>K</sub>)
  - Objects:
    - \* Vector space  $V = K^n$  over a field K
    - \* Dual Space  $V^* = \{ \phi \in K^V : \phi \text{ is linear transformation} \}.$
  - Morphisms:
    - \* Linear Transformation  $T: V(=K^n) \to W(=K^m)$
    - \* Dual Transformation  $T^*: W^* \to V^*$  defined by

$$T^*f := f \circ T$$
 for all  $f \in W *$ .

Sometimes we denote  $V^* := \mathcal{L}(V, K)$ . Note that

- ·  $(T^*f)\mathbf{v} = f(T\mathbf{v})$  for all  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ ;
- $\cdot f \in W^* \implies T^* f \in V^*;$
- ·  $T^*$  is linear.

#### [Functor]

- 1. **Dual Space Functor** ( $\mathcal{D}$  : FinVect<sub>K</sub>  $\rightarrow$  FinVect<sub>K</sub>)
  - On Objects:

$$V \mapsto V^* = \mathcal{D}(V)$$

Maps a vector space V to the dual space  $V^*$ , which which consists of all linear functionals from V to K.

- On Morphisms:

$$T \mapsto T^* = \mathcal{D}(T)$$

• [ Natural Transformation: Determinant ] The determinant

$$\det_R : GL_n(R) \to R^{\times}$$

is a natural transformation between two functors,  $GL_n$  and U.

#### 1.2 Currying, Kleisli Category, Grothendieck Construction

#### 1.2.1 Currying

Note.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} A^{B\times C} &\simeq & (A^C)^B \\ (f:B\times C\to A) & \stackrel{\mapsto}{\leftarrow} & \left(\begin{array}{ccc} g & : & B & \longrightarrow & [C\to A] \\ & b\in B & \longmapsto & g_b\in A^C \end{array}\right) \,.$$

Consider  $f: X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ . Then

$$f: X \times Y \to Z \implies f \in Z^{X \times Y}$$

$$\implies f \in (Z^Y)^X, \text{i.e., } x \in X \mapsto f_x \in Z^Y$$

$$\implies f: X \to [Y \to Z].$$

def f1(x): return (x + 1, str(x) + "+1")

def f2(x): return (x + 2, str(x) + "+2")

def f3(x): return (x + 3, str(x) + "+3")

def unit(x):
 return (x, "Ops:")

def bind(t, f):
 res = f(t[0])
 return (res[0], t[1] + res[1] + ";")

print( bind(bind(unit(x), f1), f2), f3) )

$$X \xrightarrow{f} TY \xrightarrow{Tg} T^2Z \xrightarrow{\mu_Z} TZ$$

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