

Presheaves over the category of elements of a presheaf

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1 Conventions

We call functors $P : \mathcal{C} \Rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ for some universe \mathcal{U} a presheaf, although the convention is usually dual, with \mathcal{C}^{op} instead. Since the proofs work exactly the same for the dual case, this is justified.

2 The goal

In the file `over_presheaf.lean` we prove a category-theoretic lemma that says if $P : \mathcal{C} \Rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ is a presheaf on category \mathcal{C} then the category of presheaves over the category of elements of P is equivalent to the over category of P .

$$\mathbf{Psh}(\Sigma P) \cong \mathbf{Psh}(\mathcal{C})/P$$

In lean this is stated as

```
def equivalence : (P.elements  $\Rightarrow$  Type u0)  $\cong$  over P :=  
{ functor := _,  
  inverse := _,  
  iso := _,  
  counit_iso := _ }
```

Since presheaves on a category \mathcal{C} is defined as the functors from \mathcal{C} into the universe, which in type theory is taken to be `Type u0` for some universe level u_0 . There are four¹ fields required to define an equivalence of categories: the functors forwards and back, and proof that they are left and right inverses.

The idea is that a presheaf on \mathcal{C} takes any object $X : \mathcal{C}$ to the set of generalized elements of X , which are points $p : \star \rightarrow PX$ ($\star : \mathcal{U}$ is the terminal object in the universe). Then a presheaf F on ΣP takes any object $\langle X : \mathcal{C}, p : PX \rangle$ in the category of elements of P to a generalized elements of X that commute with p , forming points $f : \star \rightarrow F\langle X, p \rangle$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \star & \xrightarrow{f} & F\langle X, p \rangle \\ & \searrow p & \downarrow \\ & & PX \end{array}$$

If we collect these generalized elements under F across all $p : \star \rightarrow X$ then we can get a map $\Sigma_{p:\star \rightarrow X} F\langle X, p \rangle \rightarrow PX$ with each $F\langle X, p \rangle$ the fiber of a point p .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \star & \xrightarrow{\langle p, f \rangle} & \Sigma_p F\langle X, p \rangle \\ & \searrow p & \downarrow \\ & & PX \end{array}$$

¹There is an extra one, the “triangle law”, but it is automatically generated by obviously in this case.

Thus to make a functor forward, we take a functor $F : \text{Psh}(\Sigma P) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ and make a presheaf by

$$(X : \mathcal{C}) \mapsto \Sigma_{p: \star \rightarrow X} F\langle X, p \rangle : \mathcal{U}$$

It is in the over category of P since we have a map down to each generalized set PX with fibers $F\langle X, p \rangle$.

To make an inverse, we take a presheaf $Q : \mathcal{C} \Rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ over P , meaning we have a natural transformation $\alpha : Q \Rightarrow P$, and produce a presheaf on ΣP by taking an object $\langle X, p \rangle : \Sigma P$ and picking out the generalized elements of X under Q that commute with p . This is the pullback

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \alpha_X^{-1} p & \longrightarrow & \star \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow p \\ QX & \longrightarrow & PX \end{array}$$

3 Forwards

To construct the functor forwards, we must functorially construct for each functor $F : P.\text{elements} \Rightarrow \text{Type } u_0$ an object of the over category over P . An object of the over category over P consists of a presheaf $\text{to_presheaf_obj } F : \mathcal{C} \Rightarrow \text{Type } u_0$ and a natural transformation down to P . As described above, we define the presheaf part by taking the sum of generalized elements from F

```
def to_presheaf_obj : C => Type u_0 :=
{ obj := λ X, Σ p : P.obj X, F.obj ⟨ X , p ⟩,
  map := λ X Y h, λ ⟨ p , f ⟩, ⟨ P.map h p , F.map (hom_mk h rfl) f ⟩,
  map_id' := _,
  map_comp' := _ }
```

For mapping morphisms, the obvious thing to do is to send the point p along by the image under P of the morphism h , and send f along the image under F of the morphism in the category of elements induced by h .

3.1 obj_mk and hom_mk

To explain `hom_mk`: For design purposes, it is convenient to make functions `obj_mk` and `hom_mk` that produce objects and morphisms in the category of elements of P^1 ; objects are given by objects $X : \mathcal{C}$ and generalized elements $p : PX$ and morphisms are given by morphisms $h : X \rightarrow Y$ and proofs that h respects the points in X and Y .

```
-- Explicit, typed construction of an object in category of elements -/
def obj_mk (X : C) (p : P.obj X) : P.elements := ⟨ X , p ⟩

-- Explicit, typed construction of a hom in category of elements -/
def hom_mk {X Y : C} {pX : P.obj X} {pY : P.obj Y} (h : X → Y) (hcomm : P.map h pX = pY) :
  obj_mk X pX → obj_mk Y pY := ⟨ h , hcomm ⟩
```

3.2 heq issues

Above we gave the data of what the presheaf on \mathcal{C} does, but obviously is not able to show that this respects the identity and composition, because there are definitional equality issues. For the identity we let $X : \mathcal{C}$

¹We could use brackets $\langle _, _ \rangle$ and provide the type each time, but this is harder on the eyes.

be an object and consider whether we are sending the identity on X to the identity on the sigma type. The problem is, the image of the identity is the function

```
λ ⟨ p , f ⟩ , ⟨ P.map (1 X) p , F.map (hom_mk (1 X) rfl) f ⟩
```

where the second component has type

```
F.obj ⟨ X , P.map (1 X) p ⟩
```

whereas the identity on the image will have second component

```
f : F.obj ⟨ X , p ⟩
```

It makes sense to ask if the functions are equal, but to prove this we must use functional extensionality, introducing such a pair $\langle p, f \rangle$. It makes sense to ask if their images are equal as terms in the sigma type,

```
Σ p : P.obj X, F.obj ⟨ X , p ⟩
```

but to prove this we must use extensionality on the sigma type, which introduces `heq`, since the types on the second part are not definitionally equal. Hence the proof goes

```
def to_presheaf_obj : C ⇒ Type u₀ :=
{ obj := ...,
  map := ...,
  map_id' := λ X, funext (λ ⟨ p , f ⟩ ,
    by { ext, { simp [to_presheaf_obj._match_1] }, ??? } }),
  map_comp' := ... }
```

The first goal is a true equality and can be closed by simplifying until both sides are just p . The second goal (currently `???`) is the hequality and needs care. The goal reduces to asking for a proof that

```
F.map (hom_mk (1 X) rfl) f == f
```

We hope that we can use transitivity of `heq` to break this up into

```
F.map (hom_mk (1 X) rfl) f == F.map (1 ⟨ X, p ⟩) f == f
```

Where the last hequality is a definitional equality, and is true since functor F preserves the identity. The first equality naively looks like two applications of `congr`, but for `heq`. Indeed we make such a lemma

```
lemma hcongr_fun {f₀ : α → β₀} {f₁ : α → β₁} (hβ : β₀ = β₁) (hf : f₀ == f₁) (a : α) :
  f₀ a == f₁ a := by { subst hβ, subst hf }
```

Applying the above removes f , reducing the goal to

```
F.map (hom_mk (1 X) rfl) == F.map (1 ⟨ X, p ⟩)
```

This is surprisingly straight forward

```
lemma map_hom_mk_id_heq_map_id {X : C} {p : P.obj X} {F : P.elements ⇒ Type u₀} :
  F.map (hom_mk (1 X) rfl) == F.map (1 ⟨ X , p ⟩) :=
by { congr', {simp}, {simp} }
```

3.3 The rest of the functor

The story for `map_comp'` is similar, and not worth examining in detail. To summarize, the above gave us a presheaf on \mathcal{C} for each presheaf on ΣP . We want to make this construction a functor, rather than just a function. So we also define a function on maps (natural transformations in our case since the objects are functors)

```

def to_presheaf_map (α : F → G) : to_presheaf_obj F → to_presheaf_obj G :=
{ app := λ X ⟨ p , f ⟩, ⟨ p , α.app _ f ⟩,
  naturality' := λ X Y h, funext (λ ⟨ p , f ⟩, by { ext,
    { simp [to_presheaf_map._match_1, to_presheaf_obj] },
    { apply heq_of_eq, exact congr_fun
      (@nat_trans.naturality _ _ _ _ _ α ⟨ X , p ⟩ ⟨ Y , P.map h p ⟩ ⟨ h , rfl ⟩) f }}}) }

```

The natural transformation at each object $X : \mathcal{C}$ is given extensionally as a map between sigma types such that for each generalized element p of X under P , the diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F\langle X, p \rangle & \xrightarrow{\alpha_X} & G\langle X, p \rangle \\
 f \uparrow & \nearrow & \downarrow \\
 \bullet & \xrightarrow{p} & PX
 \end{array}$$

Since this map is defined component-wise, we use extensionality on the sigma type to check naturality, and it follows from naturality of α , i.e. the outer square commutes because each inner square commutes, where going to the inner square is extensionality.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 F & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & G & & \\
 & & & & \\
 X & & \langle X, p \rangle & & \\
 h \downarrow & & \tilde{h} \downarrow & & \\
 Y & & \langle Y, p \rangle & & \\
 & & & & \\
 \Sigma_p F\langle X, p \rangle & \xrightarrow{(p, \alpha_X)} & \Sigma_p G\langle X, p \rangle & & \\
 \downarrow (p, F\tilde{h}) & \searrow & \swarrow & \downarrow (p, G\tilde{h}) & \\
 & F\langle X, p \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha_X} G\langle X, p \rangle & & & \\
 & F\tilde{h} \downarrow \quad \downarrow G\tilde{h} & & & \\
 & F\langle Y, p \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha_Y} G\langle Y, p \rangle & & & \\
 \downarrow (p, F\tilde{h}) & \swarrow & \nwarrow & \downarrow (p, G\tilde{h}) & \\
 \Sigma_p F\langle Y, p \rangle & \xrightarrow{(p, \alpha_Y)} & \Sigma_p G\langle Y, p \rangle & &
 \end{array}$$

We finally turn this into a functor into the over category, where the maps down to P are projections onto the first component of the sigma type $\Sigma_p F\langle X, p \rangle$ for each X .

```

def to_presheaf_over : (P.elements ⇒ Type u₀) ⇒ over P :=
{ obj := λ F, over.mk ({ app := λ X, sigma.fst } : to_presheaf_obj F → P),
  map := λ F G α, over.hom_mk (to_presheaf_map α) }

```

4 The inverse