

**Definition 0.1** (Category, map (arrow, morphism), composition, domain, codomain)

A category  $\mathcal{A}$  consists of: a collection  $\text{ob}(\mathcal{A})$  of objects, and for each  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$ , a collection  $\mathcal{A}(A, B)$  of maps, arrows, or morphisms from  $A$  to  $B$ . Such that for each  $A, B, C \in \text{ob}(\mathcal{A})$  a function (named composition)  $\circ : \mathcal{A}(B, C) \times \mathcal{A}(A, B) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(A, C)$ ,  $(g, f) \mapsto g \circ f$  meets following:

For each  $f \in \mathcal{A}(A, B), g \in \mathcal{A}(B, C), h \in \mathcal{A}(C, D) : (h \circ g) \circ f = h \circ (g \circ f)$  (asociativity).  
 For each  $A \in \text{ob}(\mathcal{A}) \exists 1_A \in \mathcal{A}(A, A)$ , called the identity, such that, for each  $f \in \mathcal{A}(A, B) : f \circ 1_A = f = 1_B \circ f$ .

*Poznámka* (Notation)

$$A \in \text{ob}(\mathcal{A}) \Leftrightarrow A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

$$f \in \mathcal{A}(A, B) \Leftrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \Leftrightarrow f : A \rightarrow B.$$

For  $f \in \mathcal{A}(A, B)$ :  $\text{domain}(f) := A$  and  $\text{codomain}(f) := B$ .

*Například* (of categories)

Category of:

- sets (SET):  $\text{ob}(SET) := \text{sets}$ ,  $SET(A, B) := \text{functions from } A \text{ to } B$ ,  $\circ$  is composition;
- groups (GRP):  $\text{ob}(GRP) := \text{groups}$ ,  $GRP(G, H) := \text{group homomorphisms}$ ,  $\circ$  is composition;
- rings (RING):  $\text{ob}(RING) := \text{rings}$ ,  $RING(A, B) := \text{ring homomorphisms}$ ,  $\circ$  is composition;
- vector spaces ( $VECT_{\mathbb{K}}$ ):  $\text{ob}(VECT_{\mathbb{K}}) := \text{vector spaces over } \mathbb{K}$ ,  $RING(A, B) := \mathbb{K}$  linear maps,  $\circ$  is composition;
- topological spaces (TOP):  $\text{ob}(TOP) := \text{topological spaces}$ ,  $RING(A, B) := \text{continuous maps}$ ,  $\circ$  is composition.

**Definition 0.2** (Isomorphism, inverse)

$f : A \rightarrow B$  in a category  $\mathcal{A}$  is an isomorphism if exists a map  $g : B \rightarrow A$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $g \circ f = 1_A$  and  $f \circ g = 1_B$ . Then we call  $g$  the inverse of  $f$ .

*Například*

In SET isomorphisms are bijections.

### *Příklad*

Show that inverses are unique (justifying the use of the determine article in the previous definition).

### *Poznámka*

0-morphisms are called morphisms (between objects), 1-morphisms are called functors (between categories), 2-morphisms are called natural transformations (between functors).

## **Definice 0.3** (Functor)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be categories. A functor  $F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  consists of: a function  $F : \text{ob}(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \text{ob}(\mathcal{B})$ , and for each  $A, A' \in \mathcal{A}$  a function  $F : \mathcal{A}(A, A') \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(F(A), F(A'))$ . Such that

$$F(f' \circ f) = F(f) \circ F(f'), \quad \forall A A' A'' \in \mathcal{A},$$

$$F(1_A) = 1_{F(A)} \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

### *Například* (Forgetful functors)

$U : GRP \rightarrow SET$ , for any group  $(G, \cdot)$ ,  $U((G, \cdot)) := G$ , and for any morphism  $f$ ,  $U(f : (G, \cdot) \rightarrow (H, *)) := f : G \rightarrow H$ . (Exercise: Convince yourself that this is a well-defined functors.)

We can do the same for rings, vector spaces and topological spaces.

### *Například*

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the following category:  $\text{ob}(\mathcal{A}) = \{\cdot\}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(\cdot, \cdot) = 1$ , and  $1 \circ 1 = 1$ . It is called discrete category with one object.

$$\text{ob}(\mathcal{B}) = \{\cdot, *\}, \mathcal{B}(\cdot, \cdot) = 1, \mathcal{B}(\cdot, *) = \emptyset$$

Directed transitive graph (with all loops) with concatenation of edges.

From group  $(G, +)$  we construct category  $\mathcal{G}$  by putting:  $\text{ob}(\mathcal{G}) := \cdot$ ,  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot, \cdot) := G$  and  $\circ := +$ . We can generalize to a monoid  $(M, +)$ .

Now, let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a category with one object  $\{\cdot\}$  (and assume that  $\mathcal{S}(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a set). Then homomorphism with composition are monoid. And isomorphisms with composition are groups (so one-object category with all homomorphism isomorphic represents group).

(Category, where  $\mathcal{A}(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a set, is often called locally small.)

Let  $G$  and  $H$  be groups and  $\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H}$  their associated one-object categories. What is a functor from  $\mathcal{G}$  to  $\mathcal{H}$ ? For  $F : \text{ob}(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \text{ob}(\mathcal{H})$  we have no other choice than  $F(\cdot) := *$ . For  $F : \mathcal{G}(\cdot, \cdot) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(*, *) = \mathcal{H}(F(\cdot), F(\cdot))$  we demonstrated (see lecture) that  $F$  needs to be group homomorphism (and every group homomorphism  $G \rightarrow H$  is functor). (All this work for monoids too.)

Let  $AB$  be the category of  $\text{ob}(AB) := \text{Abelian groups}$  and  $AB(A, B) := \text{group homomorphism}$ . Then  $U : AB \rightarrow GRP$  as „forgetful functor“ is „identity“. The same for commutative rings. Also we have forgetful functor  $U : RING \rightarrow AB$ ,  $(R, +, \cdot) \mapsto (R, +)$  and functor  $U : RING \rightarrow MONOIDS$ ,  $(R, +, \cdot) \mapsto (R, \cdot)$ .

$U : SET \rightarrow VECT_{\mathbb{K}}$  we can define by  $F(X) = (X \rightarrow F)$  (functions from  $X$  to  $F$ ) (free vector space).

#### Definice 0.4 (Functor composition)

When we have functor  $F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  and  $F' : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ . We want to  $F' \circ F$  to be functor, so it has function on objects and functions on morphism classes. Function on object is simply composition  $F' \circ F$ . Functions on morphism classes is also composition:

$$\mathcal{A}(A, A') \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{B}(F(A), F(A')) \xrightarrow{F'} \mathcal{C}(F' \circ F(A), F' \circ F(A')) \implies F' \circ F : \mathcal{A}(A, A') \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(F' \circ F(A), F' \circ F(A')).$$

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*Důkaz*

$$1. (F' \circ F)(1_A) = F'(F(1_A)) = F'(1_{F(A)}) = 1_{F' \circ F(A)}. \text{ (For } A \in \mathcal{A}.)$$

$$2. (F' \circ F)(f' \circ f) = F'(F(f' \circ f)) = F'((F(f')) \circ (F(f))) = (F' \circ F(f')) \circ (F' \circ F(f)).$$

$$\text{(For } A \xrightarrow{f} A' \xrightarrow{f'} A'' \in \mathcal{A}.)$$

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So  $F' \circ F$  is a functor. We call it the composition of  $F$  and  $F'$ .

#### Definice 0.5 (CAT)

The category of categories (CAT) has categories as objects and functors as morphisms (with its composition from the previous definition).

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*Důkaz*

We need: 1. An identity functor  $1_{\mathcal{A}} \in CAT(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A})$  (function on objects is identity, function on  $CAT(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is identity too), we can easily see that it fulfills condition from category definition.

2. Associativity of composition: composition of functions is associative, so we see this from the definition of the functor composition. □

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#### Definice 0.6 (Dual category (opposite category))

For a category  $\mathcal{A}$ , its dual category (or opposite category)  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}$  is defined by:  $\text{ob}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}) = \text{ob}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}(B, A) = \mathcal{A}(A, B)$  ( $\forall A, B \in \text{ob}(\mathcal{A})$ ), composition in  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}$  is the composition in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

*Příklad* (Excercise)

$$(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}})^{\text{op}} = \mathcal{A}.$$

### Definition 0.7 (Contravariant functor)

For two cats  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  a contravariant functor:  $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is a functor  $F : \mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  ( $F(f' \circ f) = (F(f)) \circ (F(f'))$ ).

*Příklad*

Functor  $C : \text{TOP} \rightarrow \text{ALG}_{\mathbb{K}}$  is  $X \in \text{TOP} \mapsto C(X) \in \text{ALG}_{\mathbb{K}}$ , where  $C(X)$  is the collection of all continuous functions  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  with addition, multiplication and scalar multiplication. But when we try to define  $C$  for morphisms, we find that it cannot be done this way. ( $C(X \xrightarrow{f} Y) = C(X) \xrightarrow{C(f)} C(Y)$ , so  $C(f)(\varphi) = \varphi \circ f \implies$  this does not define a functor.)

So we „fix it“ by taking contravariant functor.

### Definition 0.8 (Presheaf)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a category a presheaf on  $\mathcal{A}$  is a functor  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{SET}$ .

*Příklad*

Let  $X$  be a topological space. Write  $O(X)$  for ordered subsets of  $X$  ordered by inclusion  $\rightarrow$  category  $\mathcal{O}(X)$ : objects are open subsets, morphisms are inclusion and  $\circ$  is composition of inclusions.

### Definition 0.9 (Faithful functor, full functor)

A functor  $F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is faithful (resp. full) if for each  $A, A' \in \mathcal{A}$  the function

$$\mathcal{A}(A, A') \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(F(A), F(A')), \quad f \mapsto F(f),$$

is injective (resp. surjective)  $\forall A, A' \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Pozor*

If  $F$  is faithful, we do not have  $F(f_1) \neq F(f_2) \forall$  distinct morphisms  $f_1, f_2$ . ( $F(A)$  still can be equal to  $F(A')$ , so it can be  $f_1 : A \rightarrow A, f_2 : A' \rightarrow A'$ .)

### Definition 0.10 (Subcategory)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a category. A subcategory  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{A}$  consists of a subclass  $\text{ob}(\mathcal{S}) \subseteq \text{ob}(\mathcal{A})$  together with, for  $S, S' \in \text{ob}(\mathcal{S})$ , a subclass  $\mathcal{S}(S, S') \subseteq \mathcal{A}(S, S')$  such that  $\mathcal{S}$  is closed under composition.

### Definice 0.11 (Full subcategory)

We say that subcategory  $\mathcal{S}$  is full if  $\mathcal{S}(S, S') = \mathcal{A}(S, S')$ ,  $\forall S, S' \in \text{ob}(\mathcal{S})$ .

*Poznámka*

A full subcategory is identified by its objects.

*Například*

$AB$  is the full subcategory of  $GRP$ .

*Příklad*

For any subcategory  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{A}$ , we have an inclusion functor  $I : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ .

$I$  is faithful, and it is full  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{S}$  is full.

### Definice 0.12

$F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ ,  $\text{Im}(F)$  has objects  $F(A)$  and morphisms  $F(f)$ .

*Pozor*

$\text{Im}(F)$  nemusí být kategorie. (Mohou vzniknout „možnosti složení“, které v původní kategorii nebyly.)

## 0.1 2-morphism and natural transformations

### Definice 0.13 (Natural transformation)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be categories and  $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow[F]{F} \mathcal{B}$  two functors. A natural transformation between  $F$  and  $G$  is a family of morphisms in  $\mathcal{B}$ :  $(F(A) \xrightarrow{\alpha_A} G(A))_{A \in \mathcal{A}}$  such that  $F(f) \circ \alpha_B = \alpha_A G(f)$  for every  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \in \mathcal{A}$ .

We call the morphisms  $\alpha_A$  the components of the natural transformation.

*Příklad*

Define a composition of natural transformations and use it to define the functor category of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  (objects functors  $F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  and morphisms natural transformations  $\alpha$ ).

*Příklad*

For two graphs  $H, K$ , functors between their 1-object cats  $\leftrightarrow$  group homomorphism. What is a natural transformations between two functors?

## 0.2 Free functors

*Poznámka*

Recall forgetfull functors. What about functors in the other direction?

*Například*

$F : SET \rightarrow VECT_{\mathbb{K}}, X \mapsto F(X)$ .  $F(X)$  (the free  $\mathbb{K}$ -vector space) is is functions  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  endowed with the vector space structure (addition and scalar multiplication). (Alternatively  $F(X)$  is the vector space with a basis  $\{e_x^X | x \in X\}$ ).

Morphisms:  $F(f)(e_x^X) := e_{f(x)}^X$ .

*Například*

$U : GRP \rightarrow SET$ , so free functor should look like  $F : SET \rightarrow GRP$ .  $S \mapsto F(S)$ , where  $F(S)$  (the free group) is a sets for which  $\exists i : S \rightarrow F(S)$  inclusion of sets to  $F(S)$ , that for every  $f : S \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  function between sets and groups,  $\exists ! \varphi_i$  such that  $i \circ \varphi_i$  commutes.

Think about / look up: this defines  $F(S)$  uniquely up to group isomorphism.

*Příklad*

Take the set  $\mathcal{S}^{-1} = \{S^{-1} | S \in \mathcal{S}\}$ . Take all words in the alphabet  $\mathcal{S} \cup \mathcal{S}^{-1}$  that are reduced, i.e. we remove pairs of the form  $SS^{-1}$ ,  $S^{-1}S$  and ? is concatenation of words with reduction.

*Příklad*

How does act on morphisms.

TODO!!!

## 1 Adjunction

### Definice 1.1

Let  $\mathcal{A} \xrightleftharpoons[G]{F} \mathcal{B}$  be categories and functors. We say that  $F$  is left adjoint to  $G$ , and  $G$  is right adjoint to  $F$ , and write  $F \dashv G$  if  $B(F(A), B) \cong \mathcal{A}(A, G(B))$  „naturally“ in  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

┌ *Poznámka*

Naturally:  $- : \mathcal{B}(F(A), B) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(A, G(B))$  and  $- : \mathcal{A}(A, G(B)) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(F(A), B)$ .

1.  $\overline{F(A) \xrightarrow{g} B \xrightarrow{q} B'} = A \xrightarrow{\bar{g}} G(B) \xrightarrow{F(q)} G(B') \in \mathcal{A}$ . 2.  $\overline{A' \xrightarrow{p} A \xrightarrow{f} G(B)} = F(A') \xrightarrow{F(p)} F(A) \xrightarrow{\bar{f}} B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

An adjunction between  $F$  and  $G$  is a choice of such isomorphism in  $\mathcal{B}(F(A), B) \cong \mathcal{A}(A, G(B))$ .  
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*Příklad* (Think about this)

Adjoints may not exist. But if an adjunction does exist, then it is unique up to unique isomorphism.

## Definition 1.2 (Initial, terminal and zero object)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a category. An object  $I \in \mathcal{A}$  is initial if for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\exists!$  map  $I \rightarrow A$ . An object  $T \in \mathcal{A}$  is terminal if for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}$   $\exists!$  map  $A \rightarrow T$ . If object is both initial and terminal, we say that it is a zero object.

*Například*

In SET, we have an initial object. It is empty set.

In GRP we have an initial object  $\{e\}$ . And it is also a terminal object.

What object is a terminal object in SET?  $T$  = the set with one element.

The terminal object in CAT is 1, the discrete category with one object.

## Lemma 1.1

Let  $I$  and  $I'$  be two initial objects in a category  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then there is a unique isomorphism  $I \rightarrow I'$ , i.e.  $I \cong I'$ .

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*Důkaz*

Since  $I$  and  $I'$  are both initial objects,  $\exists!$  morphisms  $\text{id}_I : I \rightarrow I$ ,  $f : I \rightarrow I'$ ,  $g : I' \rightarrow I$  and  $\text{id}_{I'} : I' \rightarrow I'$ . Because  $g \circ f = \text{id}_I$  and  $f \circ g = \text{id}_{I'}$ ,  $f$  and  $g$  give an isomorphism between  $I$  and  $I'$ . Moreover we see that it is unique. □

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*Například*

$VECT_{\mathbb{K}}$ : initial object and terminal object is zero vector space (this is part of the „abelian category structure“ of  $VECT_{\mathbb{K}}$ ).

Let  $R$  be a ring. Then we denote by  $MOD_R$  the category of  $R$ -modules with  $R$ -linear maps. This has zero object 0 – the zero module.

*Příklad*

Initial and terminal objects can be described via adjunctions: Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a category, then  $\exists!$  functor  $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow 1$  (the discrete category with one element). What about a functor  $1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ ? We see that such functor  $F \leftrightarrow$  objects  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .

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