



Comma ∞ -cat



Motivation

- Universal properties of (co-)limits & adjunctions
 - by means of cones
 - by means of bijection between some hom-sets
- Present the equivalent definitions in terms of comma ∞ -cats
- Comma ∞ -cats will be preserved by functors of ∞ -cosmoi

Motivation

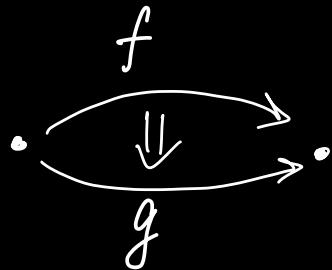
- Encoding limits, colimits & adjunctions as equivalences between comma ∞ -cats, ones are preserved, reflected & created by weak equivalences of ∞ -cosmoi
- As a consequence, these notions are invariant under change of models between quasi-cats, complete Segal spaces, Segal cats and naturally marked simplicial sets

Recall: a quasi-categorical setting, smothering functors

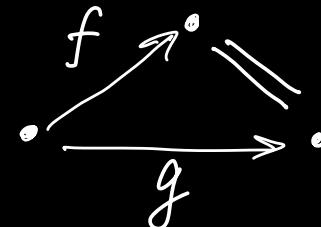
Q — quasi-cat

Then its homotopy cat hQ has:

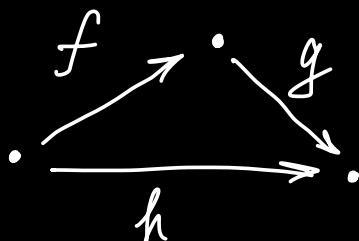
- elements of Q as its objects
- homotopy classes of 1-simplices of Q as its arrows



\exists 2-simplex with the outer edge
being degenerate



- a composition relation



$gf \sim h$ in hQ

- Let \mathcal{I} be a 1-cat

In general,

$$h(Q^{\mathcal{I}}) \not\cong (hQ)^{\mathcal{I}}$$

But it is so when \mathcal{I} is a set

- $h(Q^{\mathcal{I}})$ – homotopy coherent diagrams of shape \mathcal{I} in Q
- $h(Q^{\mathbb{I}})$ – homotopy coherent diagrams

A canonical comparison functor

$$h(Q^{\mathcal{I}}) \longrightarrow (hQ)^{\mathcal{I}}$$

$$Q^{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{I}} \xrightarrow{\text{ev}} Q \xrightarrow{h} hQ \rightsquigarrow \text{transpose}$$

In particular, $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{Q} := \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{P}) = \Delta[1]$

Lemma. The canonical functor

$$h(Q^2) \longrightarrow (hQ)^2$$

is smothering meaning that it is

- Surjective on objects
- full
- conservative, i.e., reflects invertibility of morphisms

but not necessarily injective nor faithful

Once again,

∞ -cats
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Def (smothering functor) A functor $f: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$

is smothering \Leftrightarrow it has the right lifting property with respect to the set of functors:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \emptyset \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{1} \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{2} \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{2} \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{I} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\mathbb{1} = \mathcal{N}(\overset{\curvearrowright}{?}) \quad \mathbb{2} = \mathcal{N}(\cdot \longrightarrow \cdot) \quad \mathbb{I} = \mathcal{N}(\cdot \underset{\sim}{\circlearrowleft} \cdot)$$

Lemma (smothering fibers). Each fiber of a smothering functor is a nonempty connected groupoid

$f: A \rightarrow B$ - smothering

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_\ell & \longrightarrow & A \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow f \\ \mathbb{I} & \xrightarrow{\ell} & B \end{array}$$

Lemma. \mathcal{T} - 1-cat, free on a reflexive directed graph
 \mathcal{Q} - quasi-cat

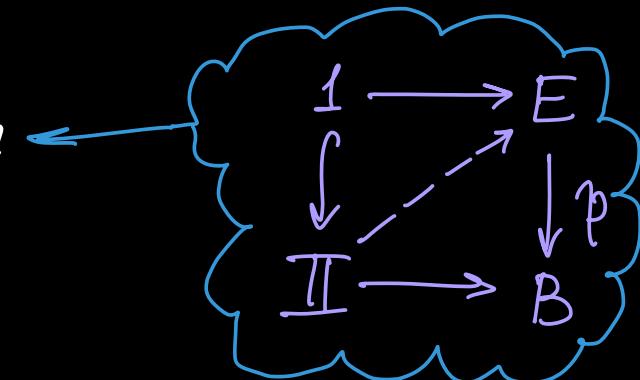
Then

$$h(\mathcal{Q}^{\mathcal{T}}) \rightarrow (h\mathcal{Q})^{\mathcal{T}}$$

is smothering

Lemma. Let p be an isofibration

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \times_E & \longrightarrow & E \\ \downarrow \lrcorner & & \downarrow p \\ A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$



The canonical functor

$$h(A \times_E) \longrightarrow hA \times_{hB} hE$$

is smothering

Lemma. For any tower of isofibrations between quasi-cats

$$\dots \rightarrow E_n \rightarrow E_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow E_2 \rightarrow E_1 \rightarrow E_0$$

the functor

$$h(\lim_n E_n) \rightarrow \lim_n hE_n$$

is smothering

Lemma. \forall cospan $C \xrightarrow{g} A \leftarrow f$ between quasi-cats

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}_A(f, g) & \longrightarrow & A^2 \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow (\text{cod}, \text{dom}) \\ C \times B & \xrightarrow{g \times f} & A \times A \end{array}$$

The functor $h\text{Hom}_A(f, g) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{hA}(hf, hg)$ is smothering

These smothering functors express weak universal properties of arrow, pullback & comma constructions in the homotopy 2-cat of any ∞ -cosmos

∞ -categories of arrows

- The previous constructions motivate the following ones
- An element of an ∞ -cat $a: 1 \rightarrow A$
 \Leftrightarrow the vertices of $\underbrace{\text{Fun}(1, A)}_{\text{the underlying quasi-cat}}$

Def (arrow ∞ -cat) Let A be an ∞ -cat

The ∞ -cat of arrows in A is A^2 together with the
isofibration

$$A^2 := A^{\Delta[1]} \xrightarrow{(p_1, p_0)} A^{\partial\Delta[1]} \cong A \times A$$

induced by $\partial\Delta^1 \hookrightarrow \Delta[1]$

$0: 1 \hookrightarrow 2, 1: 1 \hookrightarrow 2$

The ∞ -cat comes with a canonical 2-cell

Lemma (generic arrow) $\forall \infty\text{-cat } A$, the ∞ -cat of arrows A^2 comes equipped with a canonical 2-cell

$$(*) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A^2 & \xrightarrow{\quad p_0 \quad} & A \\ \Downarrow k & \nearrow & \\ & p_1 & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{the generic arrow with} \\ \text{codomain } A \end{array}$$

Proof:

- $\text{Fun}(X, A^2) \cong \text{Fun}(X, A)^2$ — a strict universal simplicial cotelensor property of A^2
- By the Yoneda Lemma $(*)$ is encoded by the image of identity $(\text{id}: A^2 \rightarrow A^2)$ \mapsto an elem. of $\text{Fun}(A^2, A)^2$ at the repr. obj.

\uparrow a 1-simplex in $\text{Fun}(A^2, A)$ \leftarrow it represents a 2-cell k

- What about a 2-cell \mathbb{K} ?

Verify that source & target of \mathbb{K} are the domain evaluation
and codomain evaluation
functors

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Fun}(X, A^2) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Fun}(X, A)^2 \\
 \downarrow (p_1, p_0)_* & & \downarrow (\text{cod}, \text{dom}) \\
 \text{Fun}(X, A \times A) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Fun}(X, A) \times \text{Fun}(X, A)
 \end{array}$$

$$A^{1+1} \cong A \times A \qquad \qquad \text{Fun}(X, A)^{1+1} \cong \text{Fun}(X, A) \times \text{Fun}(X, A)$$

- From the commutativity of the square, we are done \square

By the Yoneda lemma again

$$h\text{Fun}(X, A^2) \longrightarrow h\text{Fun}(X, A)^2$$

- This is not a nat. iso, nor a nat. equivalence of cats

However:

Prop. (the weak universal property of the arrow ∞ -cat)

The generic arrow $A^2 \xrightarrow{\alpha} A$ has a weak univ. prop. in the homotopy 2-cat given by
 $\begin{array}{c} p_0 \\ \Downarrow k \\ p_1 \end{array}$

(i) 1-cell induction:

Given α
 Then $\exists \lceil \alpha \rceil : X \rightarrow A^2$, s.t.
 $s = p_0 \lceil \alpha \rceil$, $t = p_1 \lceil \alpha \rceil \& \alpha = k \lceil \alpha \rceil$

$$t \left(\begin{array}{c} X \\ \lceil \alpha \rceil \\ \Downarrow k \\ A \end{array} \right)_S = {}^t \circ {}^s$$

(ii) 2-cell induction: Given functors $\alpha, \alpha': X \rightarrow A^2$ & natural transformations $\tau_1 \& \tau_0$ s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{c} X \\ \downarrow \alpha' \quad \downarrow \alpha \\ A^2 \quad \quad \quad A^2 \\ \Downarrow \tau_1 \qquad \qquad \qquad \Downarrow \tau_0 \\ p_1 \swarrow \quad \searrow p_0 \\ A \end{array} & = & \begin{array}{c} X \\ \downarrow \alpha' \quad \downarrow \alpha \\ A^2 \quad \quad \quad A^2 \\ \Downarrow \tau_0 \qquad \qquad \Downarrow \tau_1 \\ p_0 \swarrow \quad \searrow p_1 \\ A \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

\exists a natural transformation $\tau: \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha'$

$$p_1 \tau = \tau_1 \& p_0 \tau = \tau_0$$

(iii) 2-cell conservativity: \forall natural transformation

$$\begin{array}{c} X \xrightarrow{\alpha} A^2 \\ \Downarrow \tau \\ \xrightarrow{\alpha'} A^2 \end{array} \quad \text{if both } p_1 \tau \& p_0 \tau \text{-iso} \\
 \text{then } \tau \text{ is iso too}$$

Proof: Let $Q = \text{Fun}(X, A)$ in the setting of

$h(Q^2) \rightarrow (hQ)^2$ to be smothering

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 h\text{Fun}(X, A^2) & \longrightarrow & h\text{Fun}(X, A)^2 \\
 (p_{1*}, p_{0*}) \searrow & & \swarrow (\text{cod}, \text{dom}) \\
 h\text{Fun}(X, A) \times h\text{Fun}(X, A) & & \\
 \parallel & & \\
 h\text{Fun}(X, A \times A) & &
 \end{array}$$

- We have a smothering functor over the cat $h\text{Fun}(X, A \times A)$
- Surjectivity on objects \rightsquigarrow 1-cell induction, fullness \rightsquigarrow 2-cell induction
conservativity \rightsquigarrow 2-cell conservativity \triangleleft

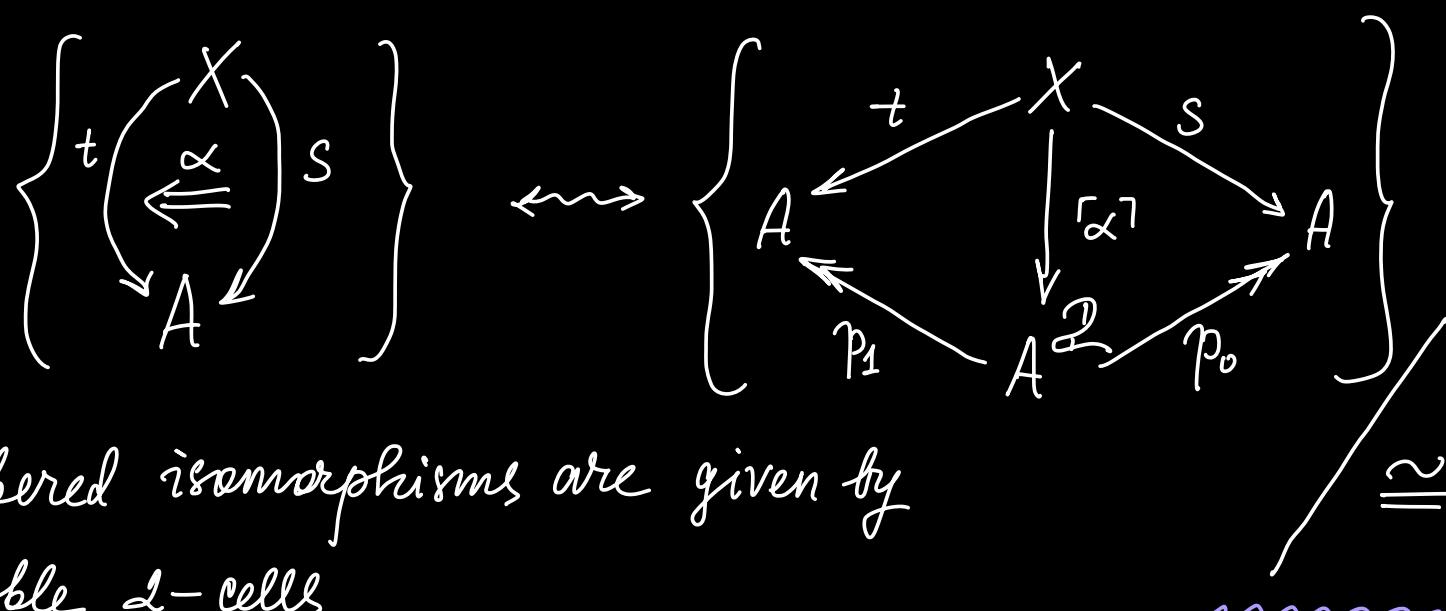
- The functors $\Gamma_\alpha^\gamma: X \rightarrow A^{\mathbb{P}^1}$ are not unique

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\quad \Downarrow \alpha \quad} & A \\ \uparrow & & \end{array}$$

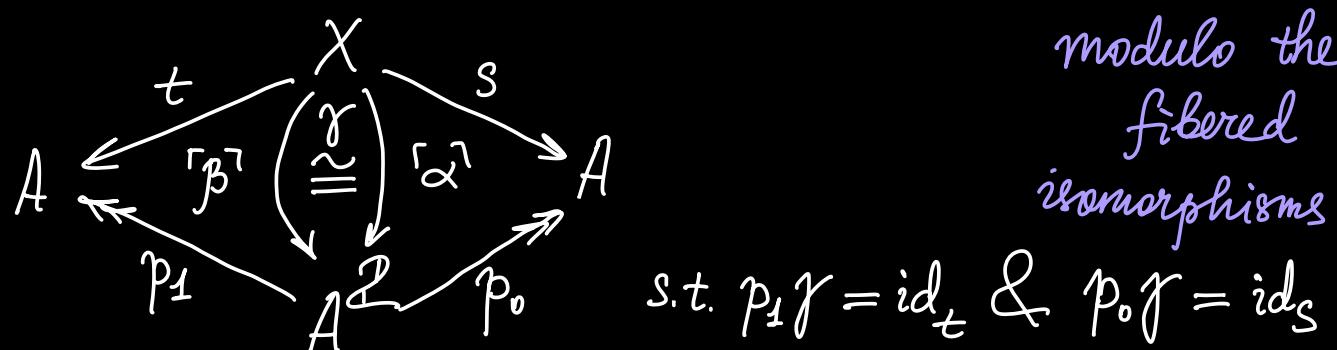
- However, they are unique up to "fibered" isomorphisms:

Prop. Whiskering with $A^2 \xrightarrow{\text{Id}} A$ induces

a bijection



The fibered isomorphisms are given by
invertible 2-cells



Proof: • The fibers of the smothering functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} h\text{Fun}(X, A^{\mathcal{D}}) & \longrightarrow & h\text{Fun}(X, A)^{\mathcal{D}} \\ (p_{1*}, p_{0*}) \searrow & & \swarrow (\text{cod}, \text{dom}) \\ h\text{Fun}(X, A) \times h\text{Fun}(X, A) & & \end{array}$$

are connected groupoids

- The objects of the fiber over $X \xrightarrow{\Downarrow \alpha} A$ are functors $X \rightarrow A^{\mathcal{D}}$, s.t. $(X \rightarrow A^{\mathcal{D}} \Rightarrow k) = \alpha$

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whiskering

the generic arrow

$${}^t(\Downarrow \alpha)_S = {}^t\left(\begin{array}{c} X \\ \Downarrow \alpha \\ A^{\mathcal{D}} \\ \Rightarrow k \\ A \end{array}\right)_S$$

- The morphisms — invertible 2-cells that

whisker with $(p_1, p_0): A^{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow A \times A$ to the identity 2-cell $(\text{id}_t, \text{id}_s)$

- The action of the smothering functor defines a bijection b/w the obj. - its codomain & their resp. fibers

Uniqueness of arrow ∞ -cats

Def. (fibered equivalence) A fibered equivalence over an ∞ -cat B in an ∞ -cosmos \mathcal{K} is an equivalence

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{\sim} & F \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & B & \end{array} \quad E \underset{B}{\cong} F$$

in the sliced ∞ -cosmos $\mathcal{K}_{/B}$

Prop. (uniqueness of arrow ∞ -cats) If isofibration

$(e_1, e_0): E \rightarrowtail A \times A$ fibered equivalent to $(p_1, p_0): A^2 \rightarrow A \times A$

the 2-cell $E \xrightarrow[e_0]{\Downarrow \varepsilon} A$ encoded by the equivalence

$e: E \xrightarrow{\text{?}} A^2$ satisfies the weak universal prop. And conversely...

The comma construction: in a 1-categorical setting

Consider a cospan

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

$\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}$ - ordinary categories

Objects of $g \downarrow f$ are triples $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{B}, h)$, $h: g(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow f(\mathcal{B})$

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \mathcal{C} & \mathcal{B} \end{matrix}$$

a morphism in \mathcal{A}

Morphisms of $g \downarrow f$ are pairs (s_1, s_2) , $s_1: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}' \in \mathcal{F}_1$

$$s_2: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}' \in \mathcal{B}_1$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} g(\mathcal{C}) & \xrightarrow{g(s_1)} & g(\mathcal{C}') \\ h \downarrow & & \downarrow h' \\ f(\mathcal{B}) & \xrightarrow{f(s_2)} & f(\mathcal{B}') \end{array}$$

$$(s_1, s_2) \circ (s'_1, s'_2) = (s'_1 \circ s_1, s'_2 \circ s_2)$$

$$id_{(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{B}, h)} = (id_{\mathcal{C}}, id_{\mathcal{B}})$$

Equivalently,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & g \downarrow f & \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}^2 \\
 & \downarrow (p_0, p_1) & \downarrow (p_0, p_1) \\
 \mathcal{L} \times \mathcal{B} & \xrightarrow{g \times f} & \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}
 \end{array}$$

\mathcal{A}^2
 \downarrow
 $(C, B, h : g(C) \rightarrow f(B))$
 \curvearrowright
 $\uparrow g \downarrow f_0$
 (S_1, S_2, h) s.t.

$$(g \times f)(S_1, S_2) = (p_0, p_1) \left(\begin{array}{c} g(C) \xrightarrow{h} f(B) \\ \downarrow g(S_1) \quad \downarrow f(S_2) \\ g(C') \xrightarrow{h'} f(B') \end{array} \right)$$

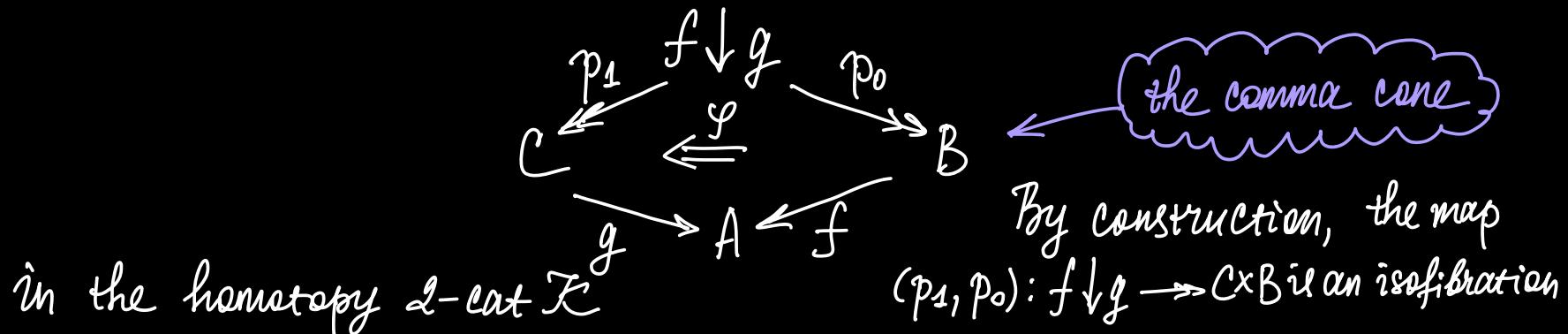
$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$
 \uparrow
 $(\mathcal{A}^2)_1$

The comma construction in ∞ -cosmos

Def. (comma ∞ -cat) Let $C \xrightarrow{g} A \leftarrow f B$ be a diagram of ∞ -categories in an ∞ -cosmos \mathcal{R} . The comma ∞ -cat $\text{Hom}_A(f, g)$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f \downarrow g = \text{Hom}_A(f, g) & \xrightarrow{[g]} & A^2 \\ (p_1, p_0) \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow (p_1, p_0) \\ C \times B & \xrightarrow{g \times f} & A \times A \end{array}$$

The top horizontal functor represents a 2-cell



Example. The ∞ -cat of arrows is a special case of the comma construction

$A = A = A$ — the identity span

$$\begin{array}{ccc} id \downarrow id & \longrightarrow & A^2 \\ \downarrow \lrcorner & & \downarrow \\ A \times A & = & A \times A \end{array} \quad id \downarrow id = A^2$$

So, the generic arrow of the ∞ -cat of arrows can be regarded as a comma cone:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & A^2 & & \\ & p_1 \swarrow & & \searrow p_0 & \\ A & & \Downarrow \varphi & & A \\ & \Downarrow & & \Downarrow & \end{array}$$

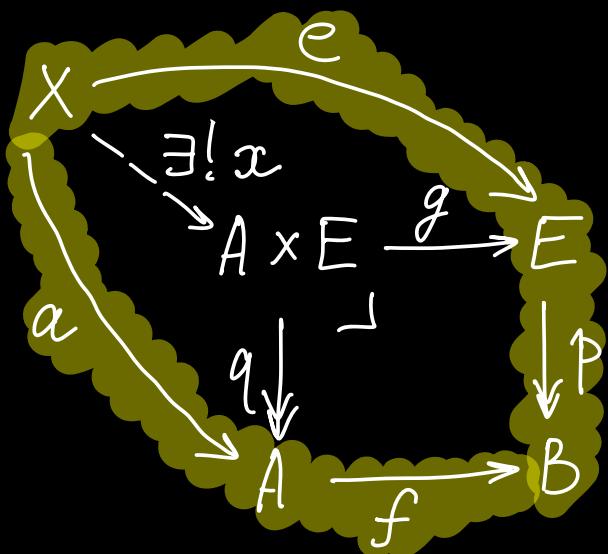
Pullbacks of isofibrations

- Pullbacks have weak 2-dim universal property
- It can be used to prove that equivalences pull back along isofibrations to equivalences
- In turn, it gives the equivalence invariance of pullbacks in an ∞ -cosmos

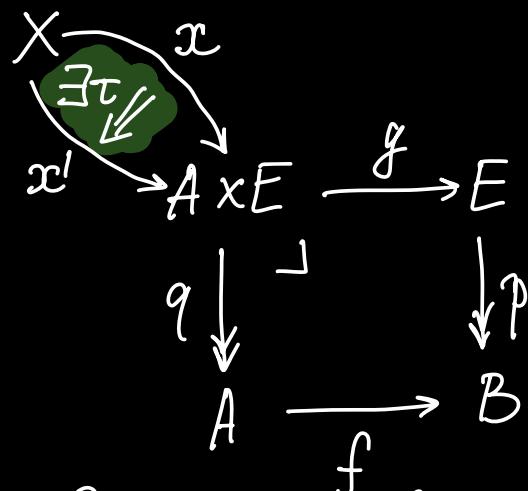
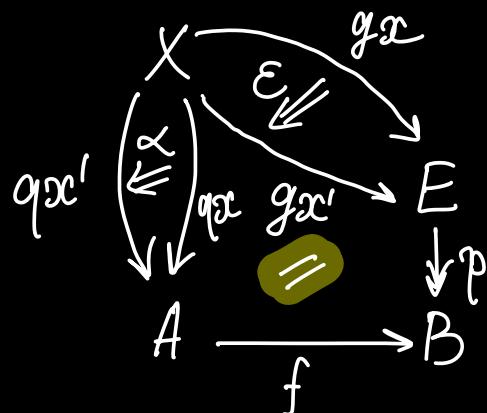
Prop. (the weak universal property of the pullback)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \times E & \xrightarrow{g} & E \\ q \downarrow \sim & & \downarrow p \\ A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$

(i) 1-cell induction: a commut. square over the coequal factors uniquely



2-cell induction:



Given functors $x, x': X \rightarrow A \underset{B}{\times} E$ & nat. transf. $\alpha: qx \Rightarrow qx'$

s.t. $p\epsilon = f\alpha$, there exists a nat. transf. $\tau: x \Rightarrow x'$ s.t. $q\tau = \alpha \& g\tau = \epsilon$

$\tau: x \Rightarrow x'$ s.t. $q\tau = \alpha \& g\tau = \epsilon$

(iii) 2-cell conservativity: $\forall x \underset{\tau \Downarrow}{\times} A \underset{B}{\times} E$ if both $q\tau$ & $g\tau$ are iso then τ is an iso

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Proof: • Consider the pullback diagram of quasi-cats

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Fun}(X, A \underset{B}{\times} E) & \xrightarrow{g_*} & \text{Fun}(X, E) \\ q_* \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow p_* \\ \text{Fun}(X, A) & \xrightarrow{f_*} & \text{Fun}(X, B) \end{array}$$

• Apply the fact that the canonical functor

$$h(A \underset{B}{\times} E) \rightarrow hA \underset{hB}{\times} hE$$

is smathering for any pullback diagram of quasi-cats of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \underset{B}{\times} E & \longrightarrow & E \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow p \\ A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$

• So, apply it to the our case:

$$\begin{array}{c} h\text{Fun}(X, A \underset{B}{\times} E) \rightarrow h\text{Fun}(X, A) \times_{h\text{Fun}(X, B)} h\text{Fun}(X, E) \\ \text{is smathering} \end{array}$$



Prop. In any ∞ -cosmos the pullback of an equivalence is an equivalence, i.e., ∞ -cosmoi are right proper.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F & \xrightarrow{\sim g} & E \\ q \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow p \\ A & \xrightarrow{\sim f} & B \end{array}$$

Prop. (Pullback is an equiv. invariant construction in any ∞ -cosmos)

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} C & \longrightarrow & A & \longleftarrow & B \\ \downarrow r & & \downarrow p & & \downarrow q \\ \overline{C} & \longrightarrow & \overline{A} & \longleftarrow & \overline{B} \\ \bar{g} & & \bar{f} & & \end{array}$$

$C \underset{A}{\times} B \longrightarrow \overline{C} \underset{\overline{A}}{\times} \overline{B}$ is again an equivalence

Proof:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & g & & \\
 & C & \xrightarrow{\sim} & P & \rightarrow A \\
 \text{2-of-3} & \downarrow r & \text{the right properness} & \downarrow p & \downarrow p \\
 \bar{C} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \bar{P} & \rightarrow & \bar{A} \\
 & \bar{g} & & &
 \end{array}$$

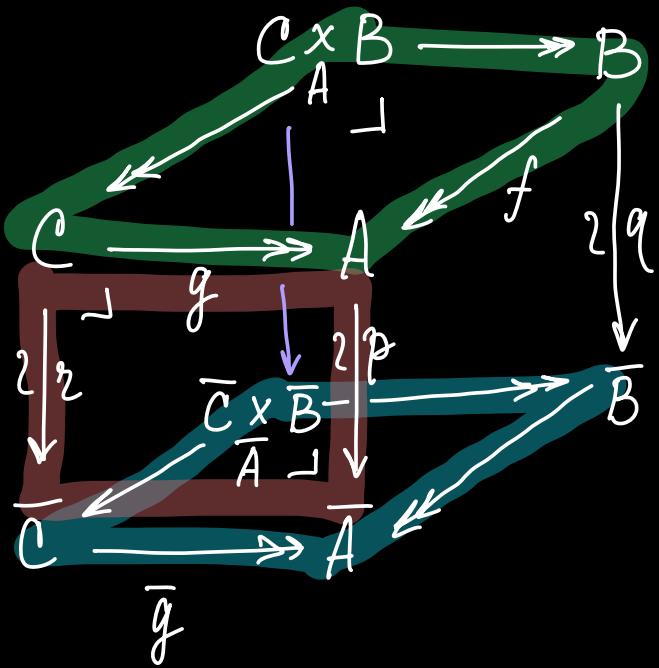
Hence, $P \rightarrow A$ is equivalent to the map g

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C \times B & \xrightarrow{\sim} & P \times B & \rightarrow & B \\
 A \downarrow & & A \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\
 C & \xrightarrow{\sim} & P & \rightarrow & A
 \end{array}$$

Brown's factorization
used

- By right properness, the pullback of $P \rightarrow A$ along f is equiv. to the pullback of $g: C \rightarrow A$ along f and similarly for the lower maps
- So, it suffices to consider

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C & \xrightarrow{g} & A & \xleftarrow{f} & B \\
 \downarrow r & \downarrow p & \downarrow q & & \downarrow \\
 \bar{C} & \xrightarrow{\bar{g}} & \bar{A} & \xleftarrow{\bar{f}} & \bar{B}
 \end{array}$$



- They are pullback squares
- So, the back square is as well
- $C \times B \xrightarrow[A]{} \bar{C} \times \bar{B}$
is the pullback
of the equivalence q
along an isofibration



Prop. (maps between commas) A commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C & \xrightarrow{g} & A & \xleftarrow{f} & B \\
 \downarrow r & & \downarrow p & & \downarrow q \\
 \overline{C} & \xrightarrow{\bar{g}} & \overline{A} & \xleftarrow{\bar{f}} & \overline{B}
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{induces} \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Hom}_A(f, g) = f \downarrow g & \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_p(q, r)} & \bar{f} \downarrow \bar{g} = \text{Hom}_{\overline{A}}(\bar{f}, \bar{g}) \\
 \downarrow (p_1, p_0) & & \downarrow (p_1, p_0) \\
 C \times B & \xrightarrow{r \times q} & \overline{C} \times \overline{B}
 \end{array}$$

If p, q and r are all isofibrations, all trivial fibrations, or all equivalences then the induced map is again an isofibration, trivial fibration, or equivalence, resp.

Proof:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C \times B & \xrightarrow{g \times f} & A \times A & \xleftarrow{(p_1, p_0)} & A^2 \\
 \downarrow r \times q & & \downarrow p \times p & & \downarrow p \\
 \overline{C} \times \overline{B} & \xrightarrow{\bar{g} \times \bar{f}} & \overline{A} \times \overline{A} & \xleftarrow{(p_1, p_0)} & \overline{A}^2
 \end{array}$$

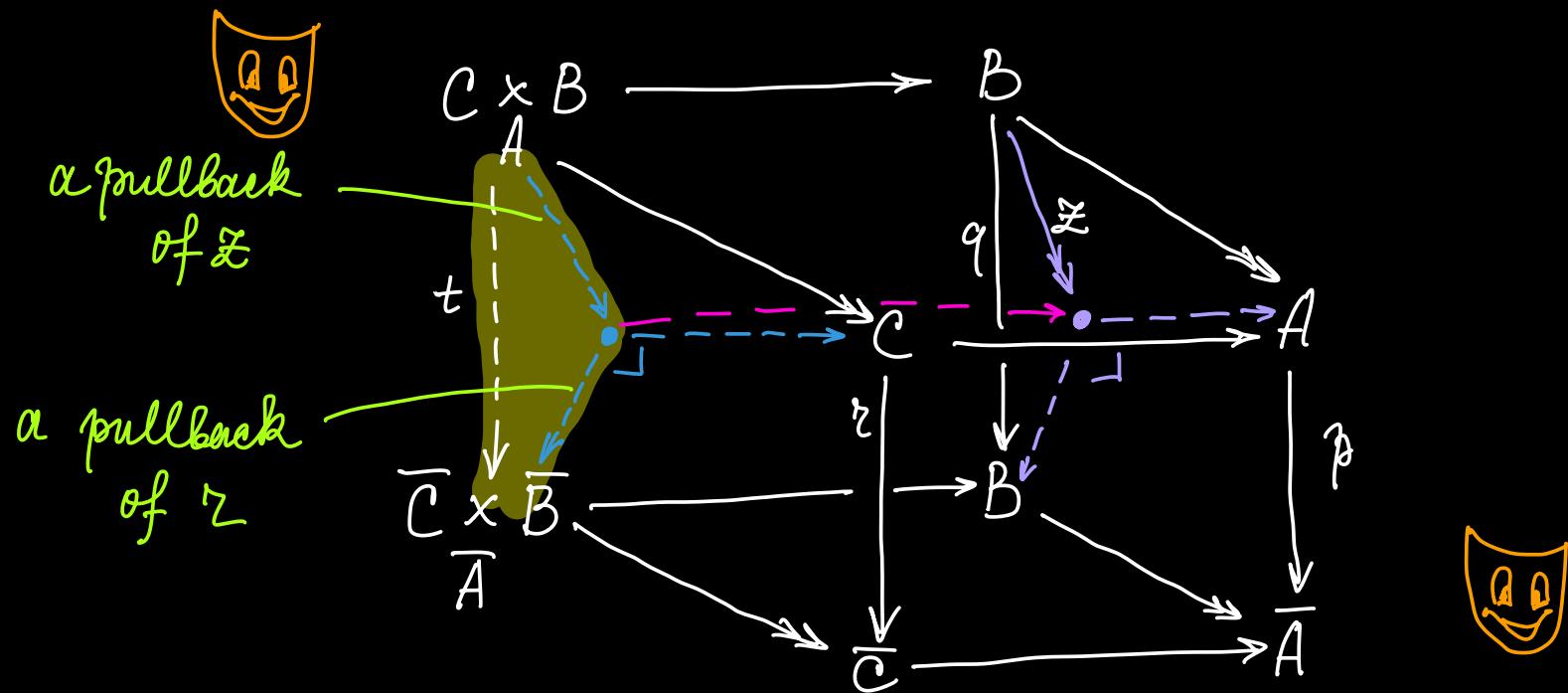
the Leibniz tensor
 of $\mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{2}$
 with p

Lemma.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} C & \xrightarrow{g} & A & \xleftarrow{f} & B \\ \downarrow r & & \downarrow p & \searrow \text{z} & \downarrow q \\ \overline{C} & \longrightarrow & \overline{A} & \longleftarrow & \overline{B} \\ & & \bar{g} & & \bar{f} \end{array}$$

in a cat of fibrant objects

If z and $\bar{\text{z}}: B \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\bar{A}} \overline{B}$ are both triv. fib. or fib. \Rightarrow
the induced pullback maps is again a triv. fib. or fib. resp.



So, by the lemma, we are done in the case of fib. and triv. fib.

For equivalences, note that $r \times q$, $p \times p$ & p^2 are as well

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C \times B & \xrightarrow{g \times f} & A \times A \\ \downarrow r \times q & & \downarrow p \times p \\ \overline{C} \times \overline{B} & \xrightarrow{\bar{g} \times \bar{f}} & \overline{A} \times \overline{A} \end{array}$$

$\xleftarrow{(p_1, p_0)}$ $\xleftarrow{(p_1, p_0)}$

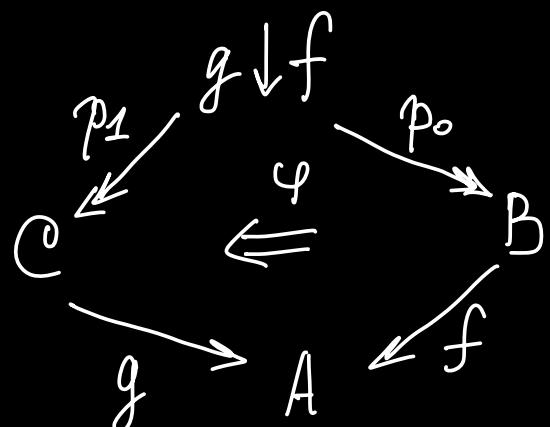
A^2
 $\downarrow p^2$
 \overline{A}^2

By the pullback invariance, we get an equivalence between
the pullbacks



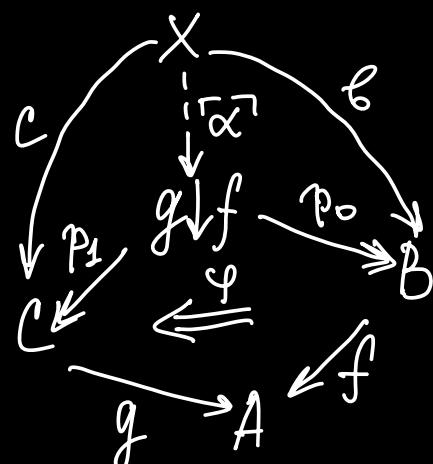
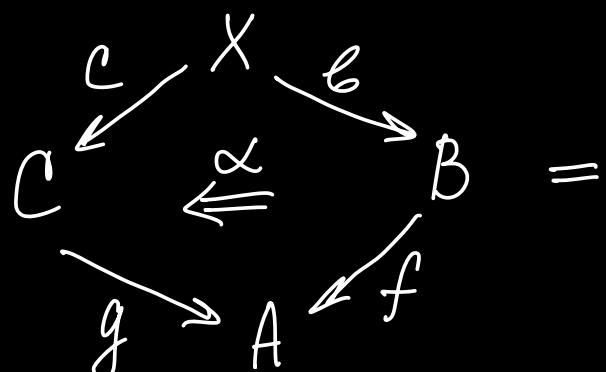
Prop. (the weak universal property of the comma ∞ -category)

The comma cone



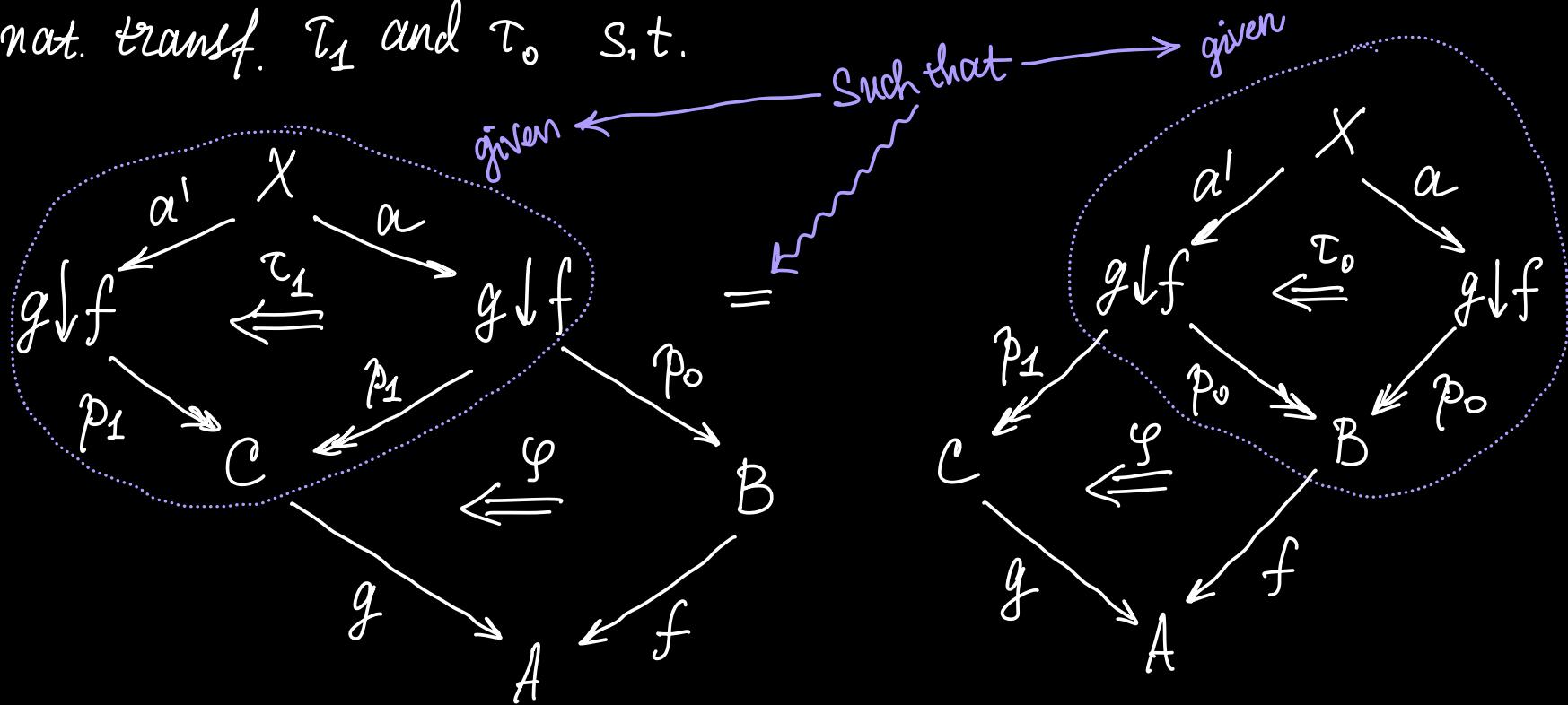
has a weak universal property in the homotopy 2-category given by 3 operations:

(i) 1-cell induction:



there exists a functor $\lceil \alpha \rceil: X \rightarrow g \downarrow f$, s.t. $b = p_0 \lceil \alpha \rceil$, $c = p_1 \lceil \alpha \rceil \& \alpha = \varphi \lceil \alpha \rceil$

(ii) 2-cell induction: Given $a, a' : X \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(f, g)$ and
nat. transf. τ_1 and τ_0 s.t.



there exists a natural transformation $\tau : a \Rightarrow a'$ s.t.

$$p_1 \tau = \tau_1 \quad \& \quad p_0 \tau = \tau_0, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & a' & X & a & \\
 & \swarrow & \downarrow & \searrow & \\
 g\downarrow f & \iff & & g\downarrow f & = \\
 & \searrow & \downarrow & \swarrow & \\
 & & C & &
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{c}
 a' \xleftarrow[X]{\tau} a \\
 g\downarrow f \\
 \downarrow p_1 \\
 C
 \end{array}$$

&

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & a' & X & a & \\
 & \swarrow & \downarrow & \searrow & \\
 g\downarrow f & \iff & & g\downarrow f & = \\
 & \searrow & \downarrow & \swarrow & \\
 & & C & &
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{c}
 a' \xleftarrow[X]{\tau} a \\
 g\downarrow f \\
 \downarrow p_0 \\
 B
 \end{array}$$

(iii) 2-cell conservativity: $\forall X \xrightarrow{\alpha} g \downarrow f \text{ if } p_1 \tau \& p_0 \tau$
 are iso then τ is so

Proof: Apply the cosmological functor

$$\text{Fun}(X, -) : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow Q\text{Cat}$$

to

$$\begin{array}{ccc} g \downarrow f & \xrightarrow{\tau^\varphi} & A^2 \\ (p_1, p_0) \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow (p_1, p_0) \\ C \times B & \xrightarrow{g \times f} & A \times A \end{array}$$

functors

We will have

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Fun}(X, \text{Hom}_A(g, f)) & \cong \text{Hom}_{\text{Fun}(X, A)}(\text{Fun}(X, f), \text{Fun}(X, g)) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \text{Fun}(X, A)^2 \\ \text{Fun}(X, A) \downarrow & \lrcorner & & \downarrow (p_1, p_0) \\ \text{Fun}(X, C) \times \text{Fun}(X, B) & \xrightarrow{\text{Fun}(X, g) \times \text{Fun}(X, f)} & \text{Fun}(X, A) \times \text{Fun}(X, A) & & \end{array}$$

Now, by the standard technique we get a smothering functor over $h\text{Fun}(X, C \times B)$:

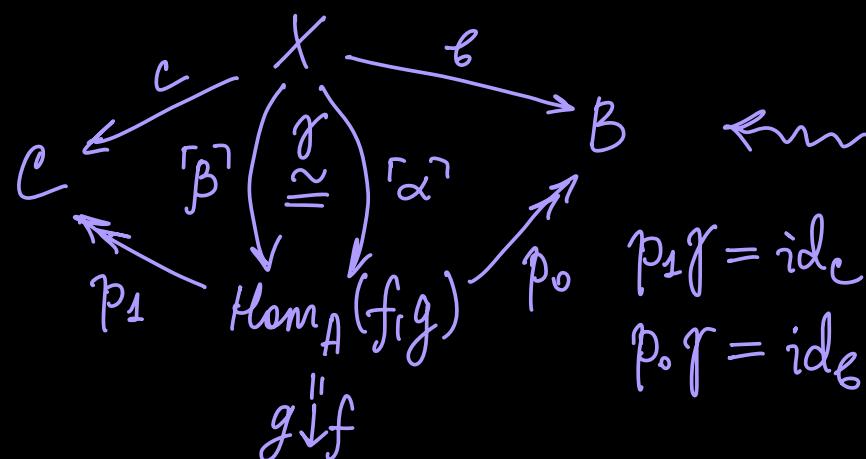
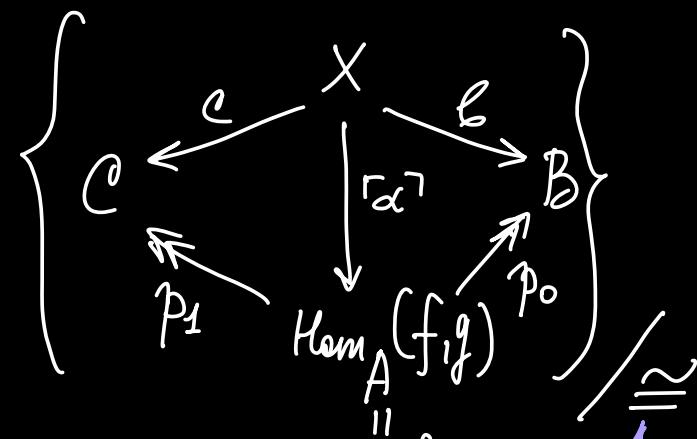
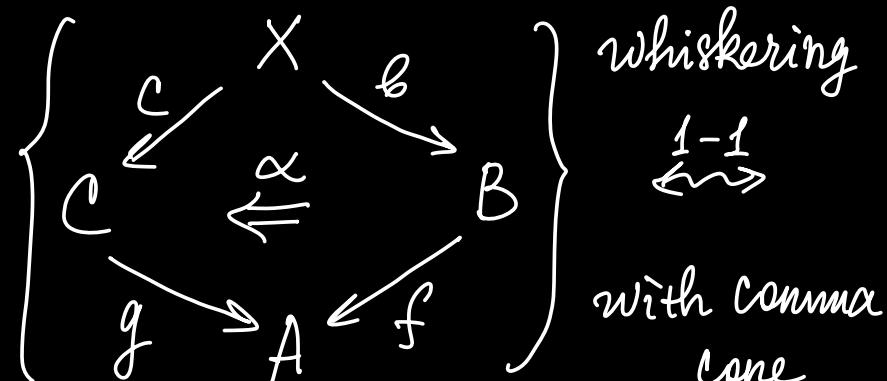
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 h\text{Fun}(X, \text{Hom}_A(f, g)) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{h\text{Fun}(X, A)}^{(h\text{Fun}(X, f), h\text{Fun}(X, g))} \\
 (p_{0*}, p_{1*}) \searrow & & \swarrow (\text{cod}, \text{dom}) \\
 h\text{Fun}(X, C) \times h\text{Fun}(X, B) & & \square
 \end{array}$$

The functors $\lceil \alpha \rceil: X \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(f, g)$ induced by a fixed nat. transf.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & X & & \\
 & \swarrow c & \downarrow \alpha & \searrow b & \\
 C & & & & B \\
 & \uparrow g & \Downarrow f & & \\
 & A & & &
 \end{array}$$

are unique up to fibered iso over $C \times B$

Prop. (1-cell induction is unique up to isomorphism)

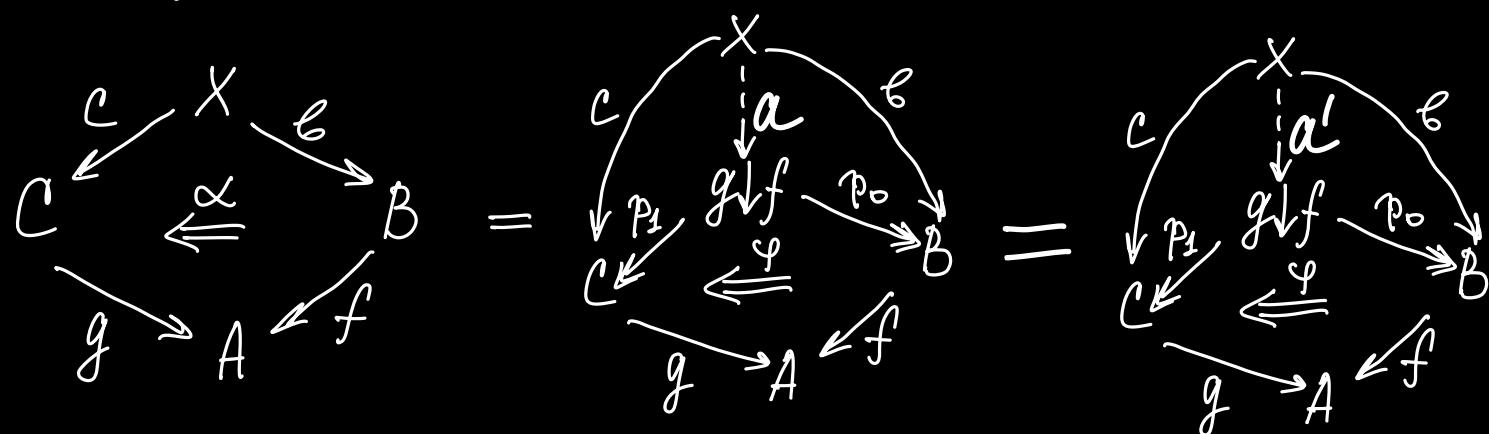


$$X \xrightarrow{\alpha} f \downarrow g \xrightarrow{\alpha'} f' \downarrow g$$

i.e., any two 1-cells $\alpha, \alpha': X \rightarrow f \downarrow g$ over a weak comma object that are induced by the same comma cone $\alpha: fb \Rightarrow gc$ are isomorphic over $C \times B$

Proof: ① One way: fibres of smothering functors are connected groupoids

② Directly:

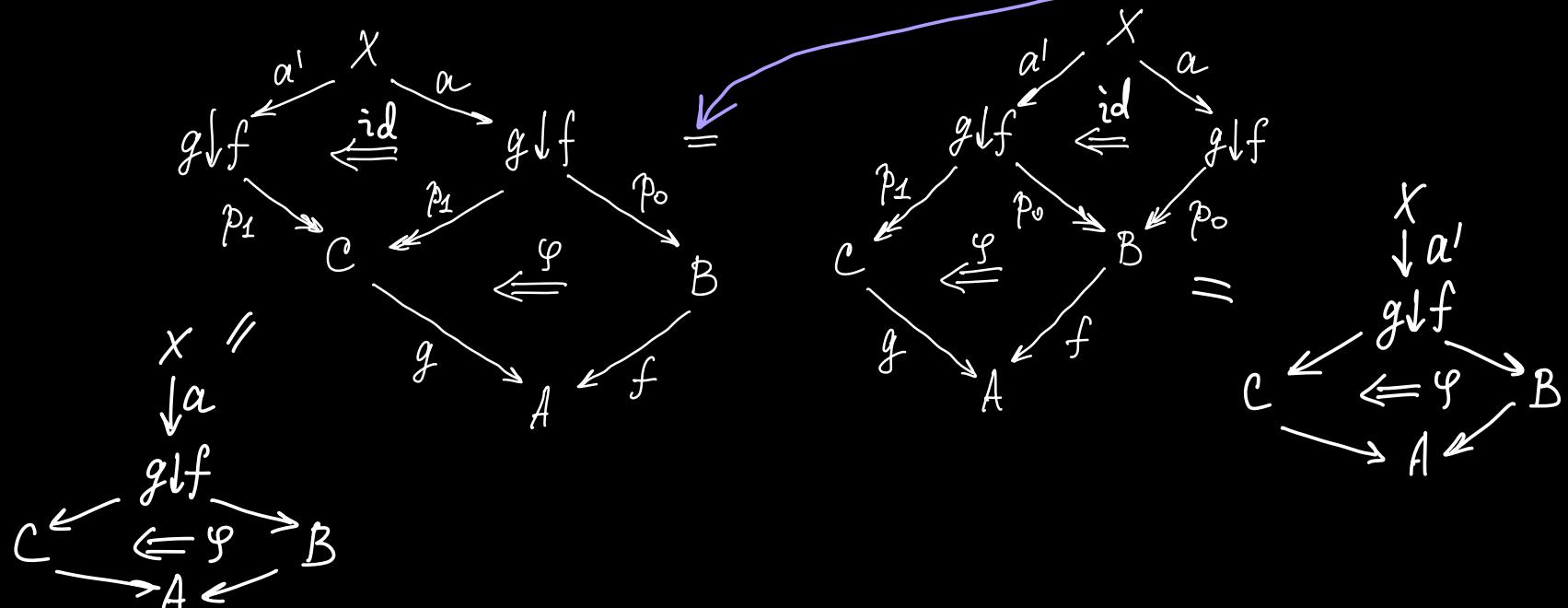
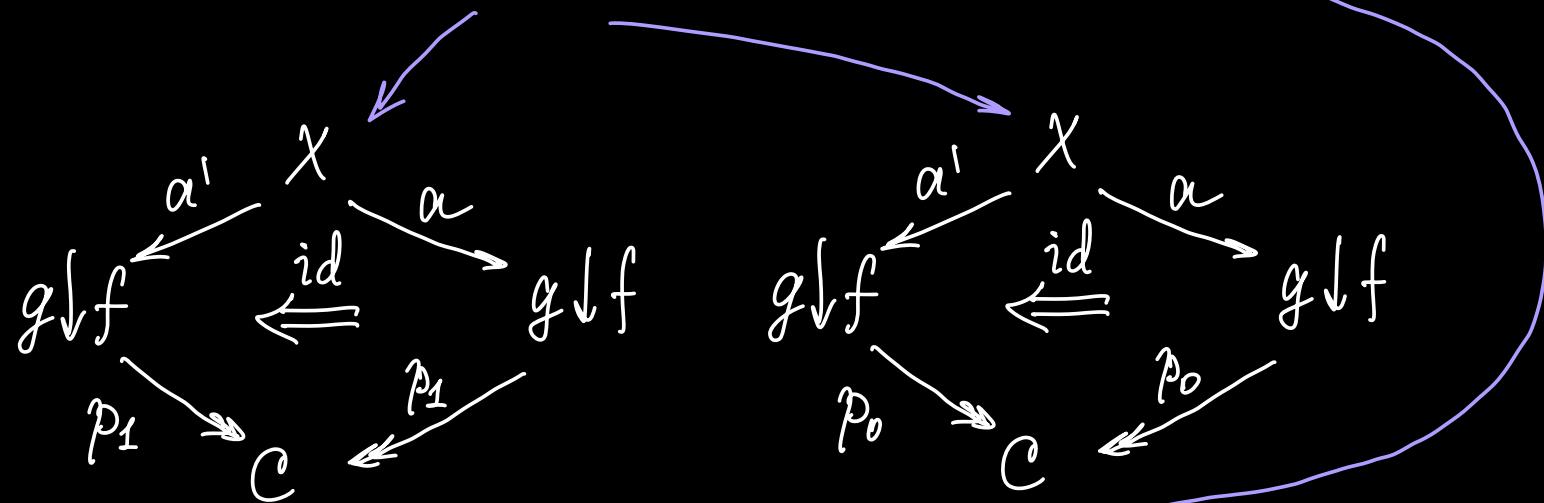


- We know that

$$p_0 \alpha = p_0 \alpha'$$

$$p_1 \alpha = p_1 \alpha'$$

$$\varphi_\alpha = \varphi_{\alpha'}$$



- So, by 2-cell induction, $\exists \tau$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
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 a' & X & a \\
 \swarrow & \downarrow & \searrow \\
 g \downarrow f & \xrightleftharpoons{id} & g \downarrow f \\
 \searrow p_0 & & \swarrow p_0 \\
 B & & B
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 \begin{array}{c}
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 a' & \xleftarrow{\tau} & a \\
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 g \downarrow f & & g \downarrow f \\
 \downarrow p_0 & & \\
 B & &
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$$p_0 \tau = id, \quad p_1 \tau = id$$

- By 2-cell conservativity,
 $\tau: a' \Rightarrow a$ is inv

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 a' & \xrightarrow{\parallel \tau} & g \downarrow f \\
 \searrow & & \swarrow \\
 X & & a
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

△

As in the case of arrow categories

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} C & \xrightarrow{g} & A & \xleftarrow{f} & B \\ \downarrow \gamma & \Downarrow \gamma & \downarrow p & \Downarrow \beta & \downarrow q \\ \bar{C} & \longrightarrow & \bar{A} & \longleftarrow & \bar{B} \\ \bar{g} & & \bar{f} & & \end{array}$$

induces a map between comma ∞ -categories

functorial
up to fibered
isomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} \text{Hom}_A(f,g) \\ p_1 \swarrow \quad \searrow p_0 \\ C \quad \quad \quad B \\ \downarrow \gamma \quad \quad \downarrow q \\ \bar{C} \quad \quad \quad \bar{B} \\ \Downarrow \gamma \quad \quad \Downarrow \beta \\ A \quad \quad \quad \bar{A} \\ \downarrow p \quad \quad \downarrow \bar{f} \\ \bar{A} \end{array} & = & \begin{array}{c} \text{Hom}_{\bar{A}}(\bar{f},\bar{g}) \\ \uparrow \beta \Downarrow \gamma \\ \text{Hom}_{\bar{A}}(f,g) \\ p_1 \swarrow \quad \searrow p_0 \\ C \quad \quad \quad B \\ \Downarrow \gamma \quad \quad \Downarrow \beta \\ \bar{C} \quad \quad \quad \bar{B} \\ \Downarrow \bar{f} \quad \quad \Downarrow \bar{g} \\ \bar{A} \end{array} \end{array}$$

The mapping space

Comma ∞ -cats can be used to define the internal mapping spaces

Def. The mapping space between two elements

$x, y : 1 \rightarrow A$ of an ∞ -cat is $y \downarrow x = \text{Hom}_A(x, y) -$
the comma ∞ -cat

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}_A(x, y) & \xrightarrow{\lceil \varphi \rceil} & A^2 \\ (p_1, p_0) \downarrow & & \downarrow (p_1, p_0) \\ 1 & \xrightarrow{(y, x)} & A \times A \end{array}$$

Prop. (mapping spaces are discrete)

For any pair of elements $x, y : 1 \rightarrow A$ of an ∞ -cat

A , the mapping space $\text{Hom}_A(x, y)$ is discrete

i.e., $\forall X \in \mathcal{K}$

$\text{Fun}(X, \text{Hom}_A(x, y))$ is a Kan complex

Proof: We must show

$\text{hFun}(X, \text{Hom}_A(x, y))$ is a groupoid $\forall X$

- $X \xrightarrow{\Downarrow} \text{Hom}_A(x, y)$ is invertible, if $\begin{array}{c} X \\ \Downarrow \\ \text{Hom}_A(x, y) \end{array}$ is an invertible 2-cell
 - by 2-cell conservativity
- But this composite is id since 1 is 2-terminal \square

Prop. (uniqueness of comma ∞ -cats)

\forall isofibration $(e_1, e_0): E \rightarrow C \times B$ that is fibered equivalent to $\text{Hom}_A(f, g) \rightarrow C \times B$ the 2-cell

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & E & & \\ & e_1 \swarrow & \downarrow \varepsilon & \searrow e_0 & \\ C & & & & B \\ & \searrow g & & \swarrow f & \\ & A & & & \end{array}$$

encoded by $e: E \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_A(f, g)$ satisfies the weak universal property of the comma ∞ -cat

Conversely, if $(d_1, d_0): D \rightarrow C \times B$

& $(e_1, e_0): E \rightarrow C \times B$

are equipped with 2-cells

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & D & & \\ & d_1 \swarrow & \downarrow \varepsilon & \searrow d_0 & \\ C & & & & B \\ & \searrow g & & \swarrow f & \\ & A & & & \end{array}$$

&

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & E & & \\ & e_1 \swarrow & \downarrow \varepsilon & \searrow e_0 & \\ C & & & & B \\ & \searrow g & & \swarrow f & \\ & A & & & \end{array}$$

satisfying the weak univ. prop.,
then $D_{C \times B} \cong E$

Proof: \Rightarrow Construct a smothering functor & enjoy



$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & D & & \\ & \swarrow d_1 & \downarrow \delta & \searrow d_0 & \\ C & & B & = & \\ & \searrow g & \swarrow f & & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & D & & \\ & \swarrow d_1 & \downarrow \delta & \searrow d_0 & \\ C & \xleftarrow{\epsilon} & E & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & B \\ & \searrow g & \swarrow f & & \end{array}$$

&

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & E & & \\ & \swarrow e_1 & \downarrow \varepsilon & \searrow e_0 & \\ C & & B & = & \\ & \searrow g & \swarrow f & & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & E & & \\ & \swarrow e_1 & \downarrow \varepsilon & \searrow e_0 & \\ C & \xleftarrow{\delta} & D & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & B \\ & \searrow g & \swarrow f & & \end{array}$$

$$D \cong E$$



Notice $\varepsilon \delta \gamma \varepsilon = \varepsilon$ & $\delta \varepsilon \gamma \delta = \delta$ $\xrightarrow[\text{up to iso}]{} \gamma \delta \varepsilon \cong \text{id}_E$ & $\varepsilon \gamma \delta \cong \text{id}_D$



Merci
beaucoup!

