

A Skew Approach to Enrichment for Gray-Categories

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... BUT $(2\text{-Cat}, \otimes, \mathbb{I})$ -Cat are enough !
- GRAY tensor $\overset{\longleftarrow}{\text{product}}$ $\overset{\text{Rmk}}{=}$ We couldn't use the CARTESIAN product, but \otimes is still monoidal !

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- PROBLEM: There is NO monoidal biclosed str. on Gray-Cat
 1. Capturing weak transformations (Cramé, 1999)
 2. Interacting well with Lack's model structure on Gray-Cat (Bourke & Gurski, 2015)

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$$= F(gf) \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \gamma_x \\ \downarrow \gamma_{gf} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow Gx \\ \downarrow G(gf) \end{array} \quad Fz \xrightarrow{\gamma_z} Gz$$

This is quite unnatural
... In fact this would
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Not composable 

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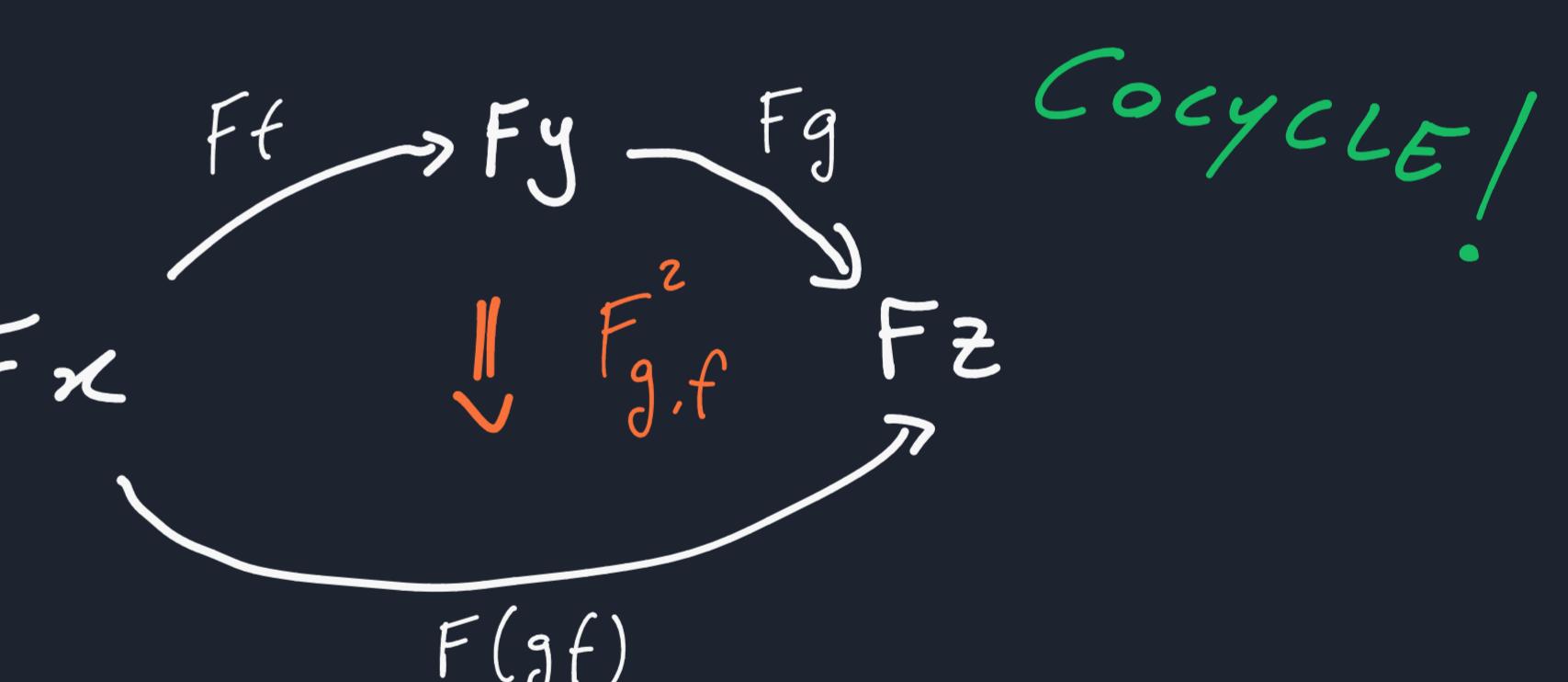
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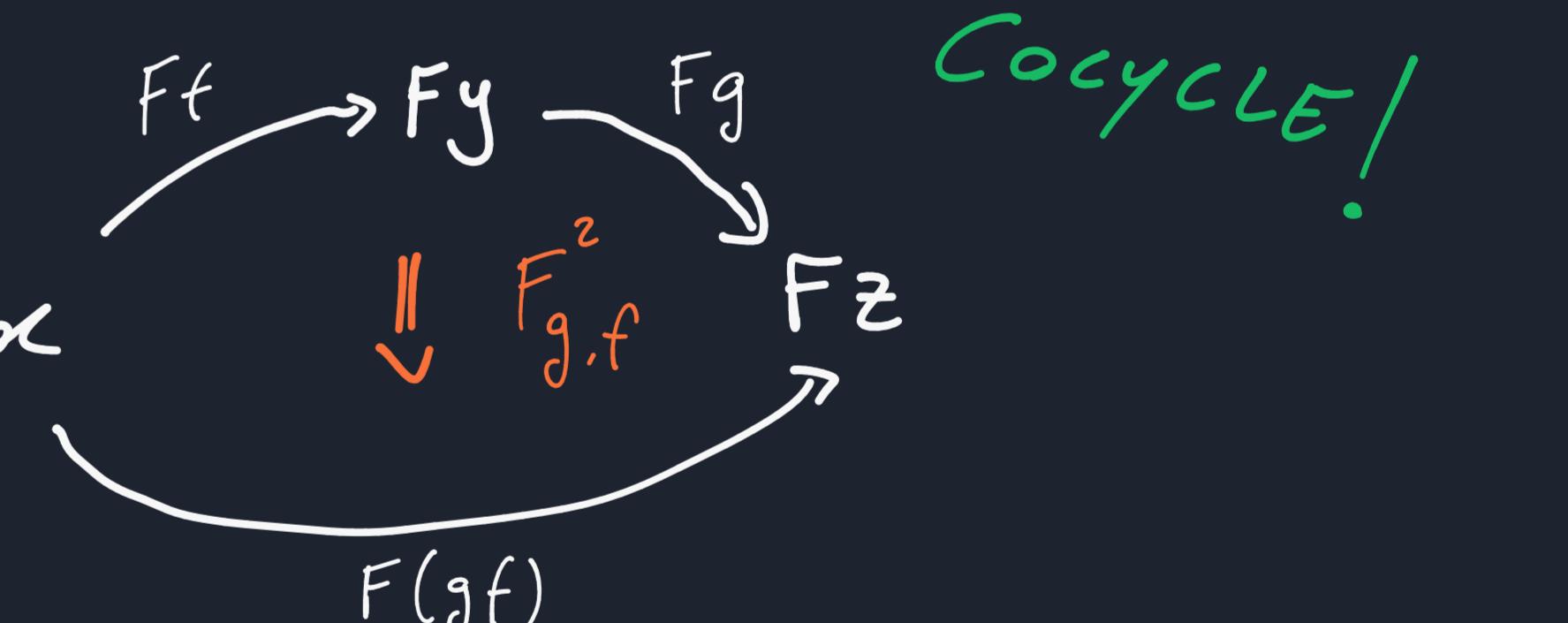
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- WARNING: It's unlikely that we could find a representing tensor
 \hookrightarrow In general cats of weak maps are poorly behaved...

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 - (strict maps $a \rightarrow b \in \mathcal{C}$)
 - Weak maps $\frac{a \rightsquigarrow b}{i \otimes a \rightarrow b \in \mathcal{C}}$
 - $C(a \otimes b, c) \cong C(a, [b, c])$
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- What's the trick?
- $C(a, b) \rightarrow C(i, [a, b])$ NOT inv!
- $i \otimes a \xrightarrow{\uparrow} b$, i.e.
 weak maps $a \rightsquigarrow b$

THE MAIN RESULT

THEOREM (Bourke & L.) There are closed skew monoidal structures:

- $(\text{Gray-Cat}, \otimes_{\ell}, \mathbb{1})$ with internal hom $\text{Lax}(A, B)$ \rightsquigarrow LAX GRAY PRODUCT
- $(\text{Gray-Cat}, \otimes_p, \mathbb{1})$ with internal hom $\text{Psd}(A, B)$ \rightsquigarrow PSEUDO GRAY PRODUCT
 - Also symmetric!

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- Skew Multicategories!

PROBLEM: Do we have to define n -ary multimap $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$?

see L.'s PhD Thesis \hookrightarrow (Bourke&l.) Nope! The 4-ary structure is enough!

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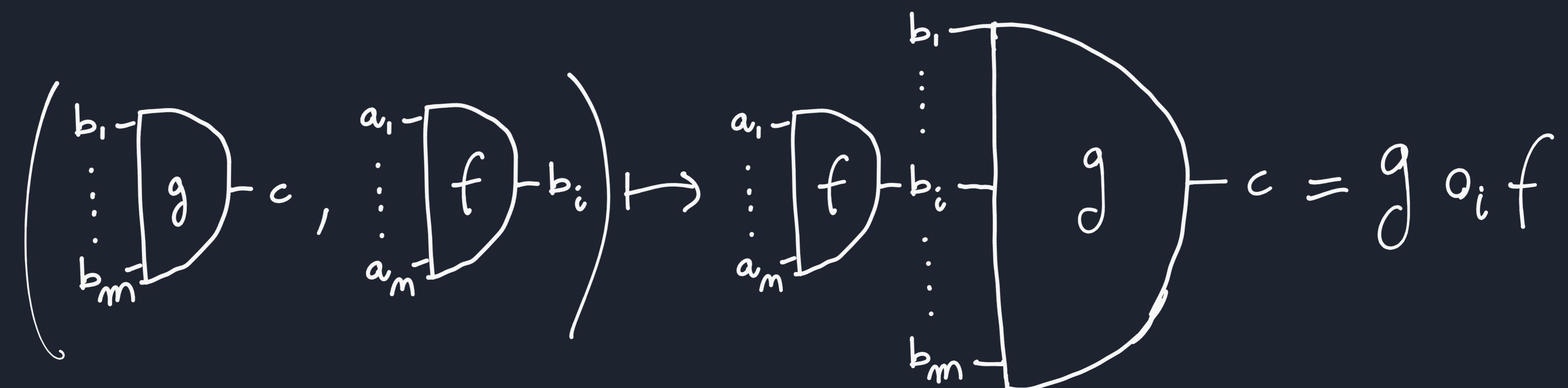
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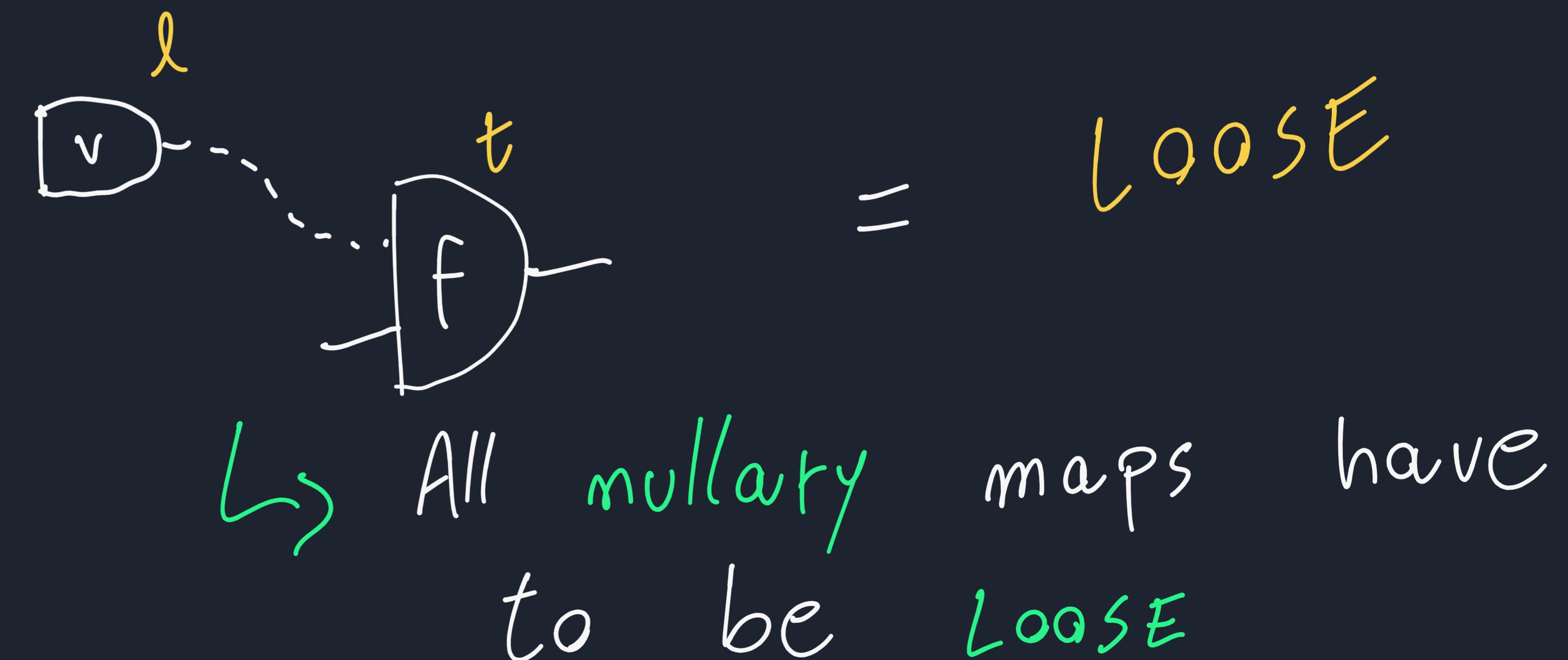
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UNDERSTANDING TIGHT/LOOSE

- Leading example: Cats w/ a choice of finite product
loose n-ary \rightsquigarrow funct. $A_1 \times \dots \times A_m \rightarrow B$ prod-preserving up-to-iso
tight n-ary \rightsquigarrow " $A_1 \times \dots \times A_m \rightarrow B$ " & STRICTLY in A_1
- Tight \sim strict in the 1st variable



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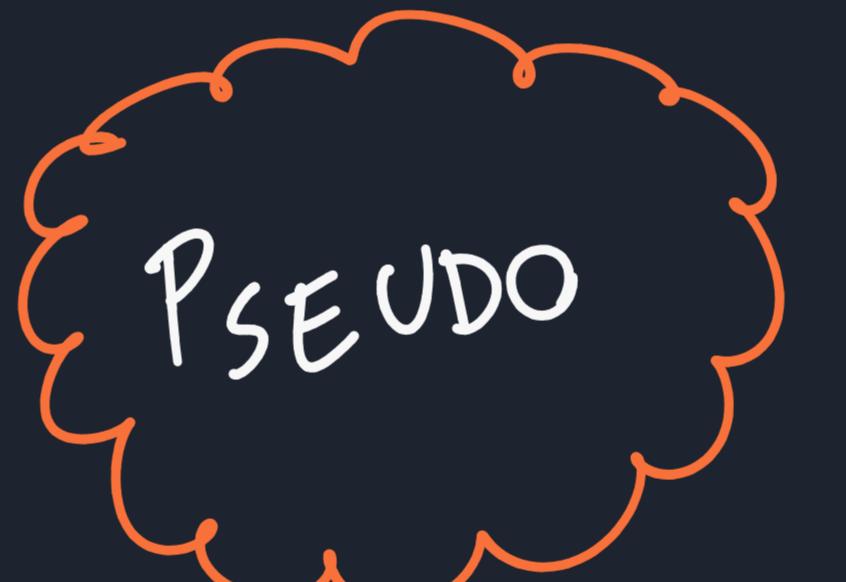
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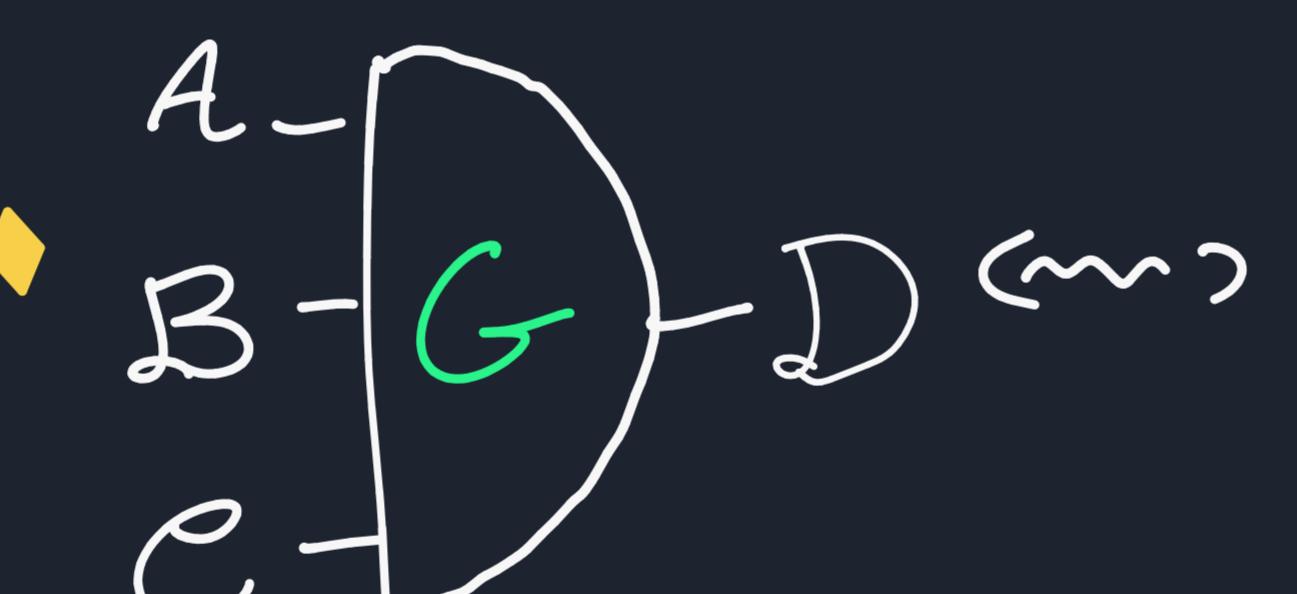
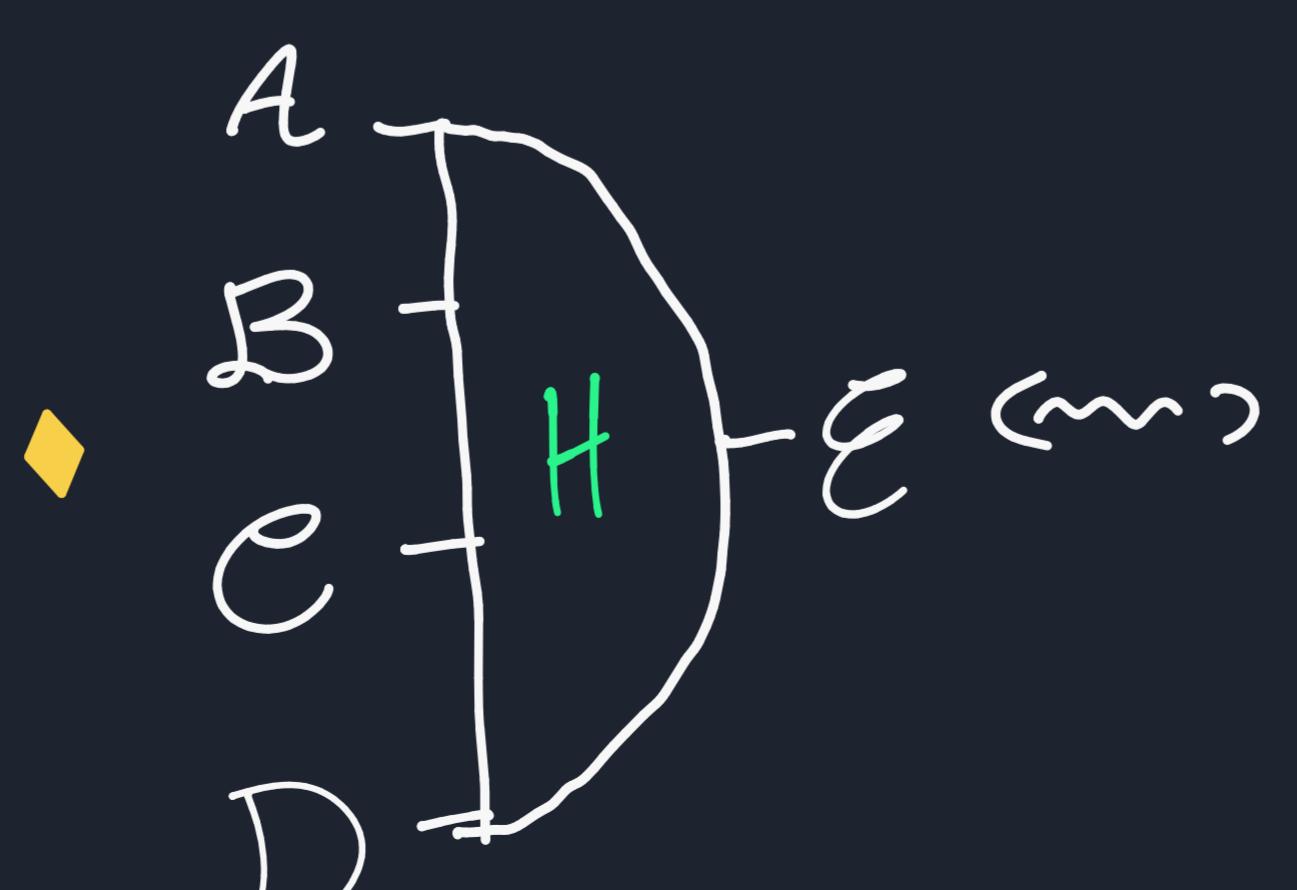
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- ..
- Not homotopically well behaved
- ↪ \otimes_p does not preserve cofibrant obj.

[Lack's model str. on]
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- ◆ $\otimes_{\#}$ preserves cofibrant obj. & weak eq. between them, $\mathbb{1}$ cofibrant
- ◆ $- \otimes_{\#} A : \text{Psd}(A, -)$ Quillen adj. \Rightarrow induces a skew mon. closed str. on $\text{ho}(\text{Gray-Cat})$



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$$g \left(\begin{array}{c} \beta \\ \Rightarrow \\ z \end{array} \right) g'$$

$$(B \circ f') \cdot (g \circ \alpha)$$

$$\parallel$$

$$(g' \circ \alpha) \cdot (B \circ f)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{array}{ccc} gf & \xrightarrow{g \circ \alpha} & gf' \\ B \circ f \downarrow & \Downarrow B \circ \alpha & \downarrow B \circ f' \\ g'f & \xrightarrow{g' \circ \alpha} & g'f' \end{array}$$

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 & \rightsquigarrow & \\
 & \beta \circ f \downarrow \quad \downarrow \beta \circ \alpha & \beta \circ f' \downarrow \\
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- IDEA: Gray-Cat \rightsquigarrow Semi-strict 4-cat := (Gray-Cat, \otimes_P , $\mathbb{1}$)-Cat

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
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 (G1) - (G4) & \rightsquigarrow & (G1) - (G4)
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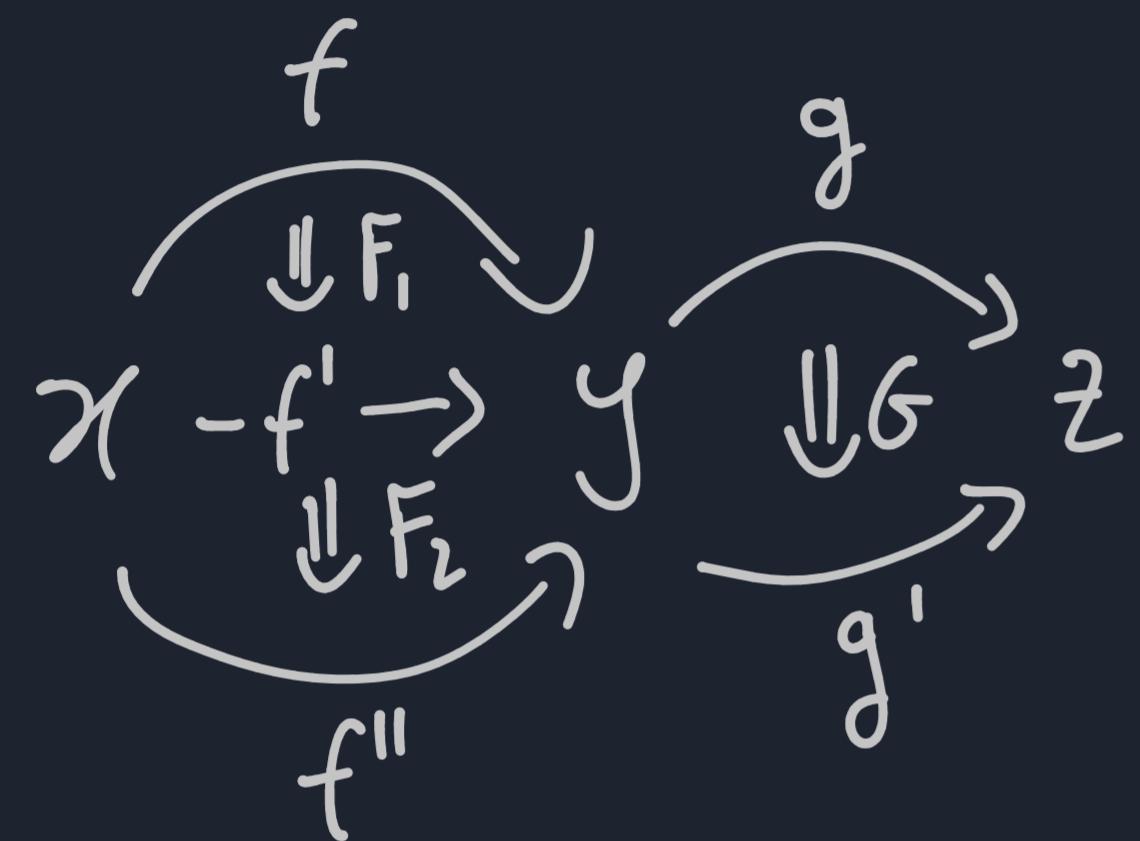
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Thanks for listening!

BONUS: COMPARISON WITH OTHER S.S. 4-CATS

- CRANS, 4-TAS: almost the same data but ...



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