

A complete Proof of the Yoneda Lemma

$\mathcal{C} : \mathbf{Cat}$

$\mathcal{S} : \mathbf{Cat} := \text{Hom}(\mathcal{C} \times \text{Hom}(\mathcal{C}, \mathbf{Set}), \mathbf{Set})$

$L : \mathcal{S} := ((X, F) \mapsto \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(X, -), F), (f, \eta) \mapsto \theta \mapsto \eta \circ \theta \circ (- \circ f))$

$R : \mathcal{S} := ((X, F) \mapsto FX, (f, \eta) \mapsto \eta_Y \circ Ff)$

$\alpha : \text{Hom}(L, R) := (X, F) \mapsto (-)_X \text{id}_X$

$\beta : \text{Hom}(R, L) := (X, F) \mapsto x \mapsto Z \mapsto F(-)x$

$\alpha_{(Y, G)} \circ L(f, \eta)$ | definitions of α, L

$= (-)_Y \text{id}_Y \circ \eta \circ \theta \circ (- \circ f)$ | definition of \circ

$= \theta \mapsto (\eta_Y \circ \theta_Y \circ (- \circ f)_Y) \text{id}_Y$ | application

$= \theta \mapsto \eta_Y(\theta_Y(\text{id}_Y \circ f))$ | identities

$= \theta \mapsto \eta_Y(\theta_Y(f \circ \text{id}_X))$ | naturality of θ

$= \theta \mapsto \eta_Y((Ff \circ \theta_X) \text{id}_X)$ | definition of \circ

$= \eta_Y \circ Ff \circ (-)_X \text{id}_X$ | definitions of α, R

$= R(f, \eta) \circ \alpha_{(X, F)}$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ is natural.

$\beta_{(Y, G)} \circ R(f, \eta)$ | definitions of β, R

$= (x \mapsto Z \mapsto g \mapsto Ggx) \circ \eta_Y \circ Ff$ | definition of \circ

$= x \mapsto Z \mapsto g \mapsto (Gg \circ \eta_Y)(Ffx)$ | naturality of η

$= x \mapsto Z \mapsto g \mapsto (\eta_X \circ Fg)(Ffx)$ | definition of \circ

$= x \mapsto Z \mapsto g \mapsto (\eta_X(Fg \circ Ff)x)$ | functoriality of F

$= x \mapsto Z \mapsto g \mapsto (\eta_X(F(g \circ f)x))$ | definition of \circ

$= x \mapsto \eta \circ (Z \mapsto g \mapsto Fgx) \circ (- \circ f)$ | definition of \circ

$= (\theta \mapsto \eta \circ \theta \circ (- \circ f)) \circ (x \mapsto Z \mapsto F(-)x)$ | definitions of β, L

$= L(f, \eta) \circ \beta_{(X, F)}$

$\Rightarrow \beta$ is natural.

$(\alpha \circ \beta)_{(X, F)} x$ | definitions of α, β

$= F \text{id}_X x$ | functoriality of F

$= \text{id}_{FX} x$ | identity

$= x$ | definition of id_R

$\Rightarrow \alpha \circ \beta = \text{id}_R$

$(\beta \circ \alpha)_{(X, F)} \eta_Y f$ | definitions of α, β

$= (Ff \circ \eta_X) \text{id}_X$ | naturality of η

$= (\eta_Y \circ \text{Hom}(X, -)f) \text{id}_X$ | definition of \circ

$= \eta_Y(f \circ \text{id}_X)$ | identity

$= \eta_Y f$ | definition of id_L

$\Rightarrow \beta \circ \alpha = \text{id}_L$

$\Rightarrow (\alpha, \beta) : L \cong R$