Category theory

A study of Lawvere-Schanuel

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Part 1

Book Study: Lawvere-Schanuel

1.1 EXERCISES

1.1.1 Article II, Exercise 1

(R) 1_A is its own inverse.

(S) f is the inverse of g.

(T) $(kf)^{-1} = f^{-1}k^{-1}$.

1.1.2 Article II, Exercise 2

We have four equations:

1. $gf = 1_A$
2. $fg = 1_B$
3. $kf = 1_A$
4. $fk = 1_B$

From points 2 and 3, we see that

$$k = k1_B = k(fg) = (kf)g = 1_A g = g.$$

1.1.3 Article II, Exercise 3

a. Since f is invertible, $fh = fk$, so premultiplying by f^{-1} and using associativity of composition, we get $h = k$.

b. Exact same steps as Part (a).

c. Counterexample:
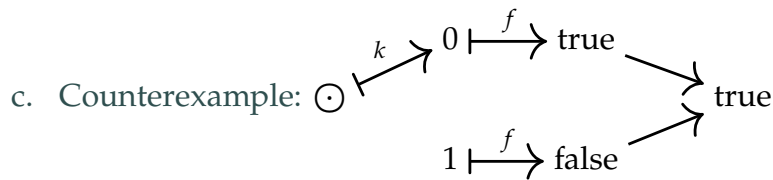
1.1.4 Article II, Exercise 4

1. $f^{-1} : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} : x \mapsto \frac{1}{3}(x - 7)$
2. $g^{-1} : [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty) : x \mapsto \sqrt{x}$
3. Not injective
4. Not injective
5. $l^{-1} : [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty) : x \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{x} - 1\right)$

1.1.5 Article II, Exercise 5

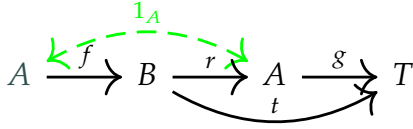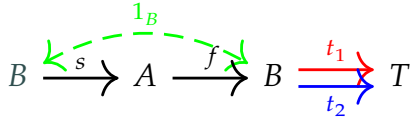0 can be mapped to either b, p, or q. 1 can be mapped to either r, or s. So total number of possibilities $= 3 \times 2 = 6$. In general, the number of sections is given by $\prod_{b \in \text{im } f} f^{-1}(b)$, where f^{-1} represents the preimage of f.

1.1.6 Article II, Exercise 6

1.1.7 Article II, Exercise 7

$$t_1 = t_1 1_B = t_1 fs = t_2 fs = t_2 1_B = t_2$$

1.1.8 Article II, Exercise 8

Let $f : A \to B, g : B \to C$ has sections $s_f : B \to A, s_g : C \to B$, respectively. That is, $fs_f = 1_B$ and $gs_g = 1_C$. Now, $(gf)(s_f s_g) = g(fs_f)s_g = g1_B s_g = gs_g = 1_C$, so $s_f s_g$ is a section for gf.

1.1.9 Article II, Exercise 9

Since r is a retraction of f, we have $rf = 1$. Now, since $e = fr$, we have

$$ee = (fr)(fr) = f(rf)r = f(rf)r = f1r = fr = e,$$

showing that e is idempotent.
If f is an isomorphism, then $r = f^{-1}$, so $e = 1$.

1.1.10 Article II, Exercise 10

Let $f : A \to B, g : B \to C$ has sections $f^{-1} : B \to A, g^{-1} : C \to B$, respectively. So

$$(gf)(f^{-1}g^{-1}) = g(ff^{-1})g^{-1} = g1_B g^{-1} = gg^{-1} = 1_C, \text{ and}$$
$$(f^{-1}g^{-1})(gf) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}g)f = f^{-1}1_B f = f^{-1}f = 1_A.$$

1.1.11 Article II, Exercise 11

For the first case, we can define f such that Fatima $\mapsto$ coffee, Omer $\mapsto$ tea, and Alysia $\mapsto$ cocoa. In the second case, the cardinalities are different, so there does not exist an isomorphism between the two sets.

1.1.12 Article II, Exercise 12

Number of isomorphisms = number of automorphisms = n!

1.1.13 Session 4, Exercise 2

even $\mapsto$ positive, odd $\mapsto$ negative.

1.1.14 Session 4, Exercise 3

1. Bijective, but not a morphism
2. Not injective
3. Not injective
4. Isomorphism
5. Bijective, but not a morphism
6. Not a function $(-1 \mapsto -1 \notin (0, \infty))$

1.1.15 Session 5, Exercise 1

a. $h(a_1) = g(f(a_1)) = g(f(a_2)) = h(a_2)$.

b. Fix $c_0 \in C$, and define $g(b) = \begin{cases} h(a), & \text{if } b = f(a) \text{ for some } a \in A \\ c_0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$. Then $gf = h$. Note that in order to choose an element $a \in f^{-1}(b)$, we have to invoke the axiom of choice.

1.1.16 Session 5, Exercise 2

a. Take $b = f(a)$.

b. For each $a \in A$, using the axiom of choice, choose an element $f_a \in g^{-1}(h(a))$. Now, define $f : A \to B : a \mapsto f_a$.

1.1.17 Session 9, Exercise 3

Therefore, $f = r's1_A = r's$.
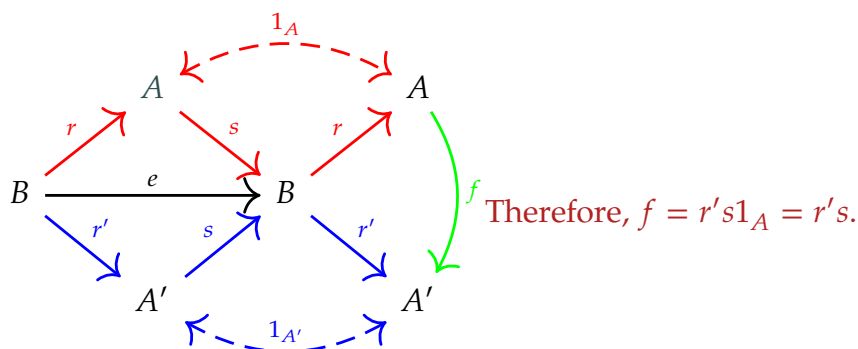
1.1.18 Session 10, Notes

We have two separate theorems.

(**FPT**)   Any continuous endomap of B^{n+1} has a fixed point.

(**NRT**)   There is not continuous retraction for the inclusion $j : S^n \to B^{n+1}$.

We want to show that (FPT) $\Longleftrightarrow$ (NRT).

($\Longleftarrow$)   Equivalently, $\neg$(FPT) $\Longrightarrow \neg$(NRT). This is the proof he gives.

($\Longrightarrow$)   This is Exercise 3.

1.1.19 Session 10, Exercise 1

Use the same idea as what he proves, but use $g(x)$ instead of x, and use the fact that $gj = j$, so points on the boundary are still mapped to themselves.

1.1.20 Session 10, Exercise 2

To show that A has the fixed point property, we have to show that for any $g : A \to A$, there exists $y : T \to A$ such that $gy = y$. Now, from the diagram, and using the fixed point property of X, since $sgr : X \to X$, there is $x : T \to X$ such that $(sgr)x = x$. Premultiplying by r and using $rs = 1_A$, we get $g(rx) = (rx)$, so $y = rx$ is the required map.
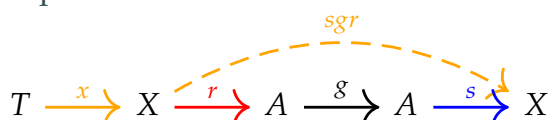
1.1.21 Session 10, Exercise 3

Assume (FPT) is true. Exercise 2 says that if there is a continuous retraction $r : B^{n+1} \to S^n$, then if B^{n+1} has the fixed-point property, so does S^n. But even though the antipodal map $a : B^{n+1} \to B^{n+1}$ has a fixed-point, the map $a|_{S^n} : S^n \to S^n$ has no fixed-points. So it must be that there is no continuous retraction $r : B^{n+1} \to S^n$, which is (NRT).

1.1.22 Session 10, Exercise 4

ToDo.

1.1.23 Article III, Notes

Say we want an bijection between B^2 and S^1. We can do it as follows:
1. Use the linear isomorphism $T : B^2 \to I^2 : x \mapsto R_{\frac{\pi}{4}} S_{\sqrt{2}} x$, where $R_{\frac{\pi}{4}} = R, S_{\sqrt{2}} = S$ are given by

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{2} I_2, \quad \text{and}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\frac{\pi}{4} & -\sin\frac{\pi}{4} \\ \sin\frac{\pi}{4} & \cos\frac{\pi}{4} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Use the C^∞ bijection $f : I^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2 : (x, y) \mapsto \left(\frac{x}{1-x^2}, \frac{y}{1-y^2} \right)$ (or any bijection).
3. Use any bijection from $\mathbb{R}^2$ to $\mathbb{R}$.
4. Now we need a bijection from $\mathbb{R}$ to S^1, or equivalently, from S^1 to $\mathbb{R}$. We construct it as follows. Use $u : S^1 \to (S^1 + (0,1)) : x \mapsto x + (0,1)$ to push the 1-sphere upwards, and then use the stereographic projection to project $(S^1 + (0,1)) \setminus \{(0,2)\}$ onto the real line. We delete the north pole this because both the poles project onto the origin. Now compose this with the shift map

$$s : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} : x \mapsto \begin{cases} x+1 & x \in \mathbb{N} \\ x & x \notin \mathbb{N} \end{cases}.$$

This frees us the origin, so we now map the north pole to the origin to get the required bijection.

1.1.24 Article III, Exercise 1
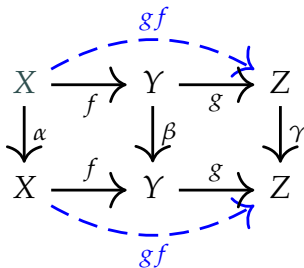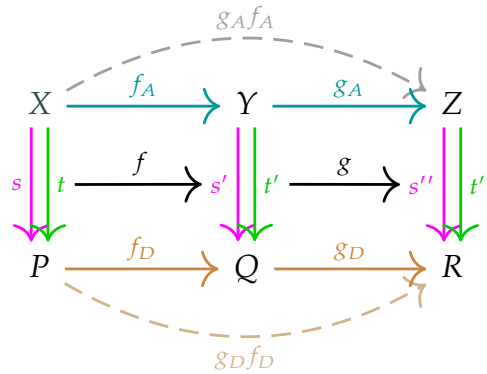
1.1.25 Article III, Exercise 2

The only such idempotent is the identity because

$$1_A = \beta\alpha = \beta(\alpha\alpha) = (\beta\alpha)\alpha = 1_A\alpha = \alpha.$$

1.1.26 Article III, Exercise 4 — 8

4. Involution, 0.
5. Idempotent, $[0, \infty)$.
6. Yes, $\alpha^{-1}(x) = x - 3$.
7. No, because nonmultiples of 5 do not have inverses.
8. Idempotent means $\alpha^2 = \alpha$, so $\alpha^3 = \alpha\alpha^2 = \alpha\alpha = \alpha$.
   Involution means $\alpha^2 = 1_A$, so $\alpha^3 = \alpha\alpha^2 = \alpha 1_A = \alpha$.

1.1.27 Article III, Exercise 11

It is interesting to note that even though commutativity of each block implies commutativity of the diagram, commutativity of the diagram does not imply commutativity of the block. In fact, take only the s arrows and assume commutativity of the whole diagram and the left block. This gives $s''g_Af_A = g_Df_Ds$ and $f_Ds = s'f_A$, so premultiplying the second equation by g_D gives us $g_Ds'f_A = g_Df_Ds = s''g_Af_A$. Thus the right block commutes if and only if f_A is an epimorphism.
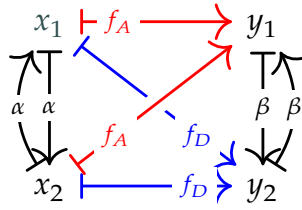
1.1.28 Article III, Exercise 12

The result follows by replacing all the s-morphisms in exercise 1.1.27 by their respective identity morphisms.

1.1.29 Article III, Exercise 13

This is trivial if we follow the path of the indentity morphisms.

1.1.30 Article III, Exercise 14

1.1.31 Article III, Fullness of a subcategory

We use the following notation. Mor denotes set morphisms and Iso denotes set isomorphisms.

▷ $C_0 = (\{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}\}, \text{Iso}\{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}\})$.

▷ $C_1 = (\{\mathbb{N}\}, \text{Mor}\{\mathbb{N}\})$.

▷ $C_2 = (\{\mathbb{N}\}, \text{Iso}\{\mathbb{N}\})$.

▷ $C_3 = (\{\mathbb{N}\}, \{\mathbb{1}_\mathbb{N}\})$.

Note that $C_3 \subset C_2 \subset C_1$. Moreover, the following table holds.

Category	Subcategory of C_0	Full in C_0
C_1	✗	-
C_2	✓	✓
C_3	✓	✗

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