

MyMathlibProject/CategoryFormalization.lean

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2 This is the file written by Hongwei.Wang in winter 2026,
3 this file is the basic formalization of Category Theory in
4 Pure Mathematics.
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16 import Mathlib
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24 ## Categories
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29 Def (Category): A Category  $\mathbb{A}$  consits of a collection `Ob $_{\mathbb{A}}$ ` of objects
30 and  $\forall A, B \in Ob_{\mathbb{A}}$ , there is a collection `Hom $_{\mathbb{A}}(A, B)$ ` of maps or morphisms
31 from A to B, such that
32 1. Existence of identity:  $\forall X \in Ob_{\mathbb{A}}$  , there is a morphism  $X \rightarrow X$  denoted as
   1 $_X$ 
33 2. Composition laws :  $\forall X, Y, Z \in Ob_{\mathbb{A}}$  , such that  $f(X) = Y, g(Y) = Z$  ,
34 this is equivlent to say  $f \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(X, Y)$  and  $g \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(Y, Z)$  then we
35 have  $g \circ f (X) = Z$  , i.e.  $g \circ f \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(X, Z)$  .
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37 Moreover, the collection of the morphisms satisfy the two more axioms that
38 3. Associativity :  $\forall f \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(X, Y), g \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(Y, Z), h \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(Z, W)$  , we
   have
39    $(h \circ g) \circ f = h \circ (g \circ f) \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(X, W)$ 
40 4. Identity law:  $\forall f \in Hom_{\mathbb{A}}(X, Y)$  we have  $f \circ 1_X = f = 1_Y \circ f$ 
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44 A category consists of objects living in a universe `u` .
45 For any two objects `X Y` , the type of morphisms `hom X Y`
46 lives in a universe `v` .
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48 Since the structure `Category` contains a field whose value
49 is a type in `Type v` , the category structure itself must
50 live in universe `v + 1` .
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52 Taking into account the universe of objects as well, a category
53 with objects in `Type u` and morphisms in `Type v` lives in
54 universe `max u (v + 1)`.
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57 universe v u
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59 def x : ℙ := 1
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61 class MyCat (Ob : Type u) : Type (max u (v + 1)) where
62   hom   : Ob → Ob → Type v
63   id    : (X : Ob) → hom X X
64   comp  : {X Y Z : Ob} → hom X Y → hom Y Z → hom X Z
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66   comp_id : {X Y : Ob} → (f : hom X Y) →
67     comp (id X) f = f
68
69   id_comp : {X Y : Ob} → (f : hom X Y) →
70     comp f (id Y) = f
71
72   assoc : {W X Y Z : Ob} →
73     (f : hom W X) → (g : hom X Y) → (h : hom Y Z) →
74     comp (comp f g) h = comp f (comp g h)
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78 Category structure:
79 Set Category
80 ob(Set) : {S1, S2, S3 ....}.   for S1, S2, Hom(S1, S2) = f : S1 → S2
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82 Linear Vect Space Category
83 ob(LV) : {H, G, ....}.   for H, G. Hom(H, G) = L (H, G) = Matrix
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85 Group Category
86 ob(Grp) : {G1, G2, G3, ...}.  for G1, G2. Hom(G1, G2) = homomorphism: G1 → G2
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94 -- U should carefully use the `comp`: (f : X → Y) , (g : Y → Z) ↦ g ∘ f
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97 -- we say a function f : X → X, x ↦ x, we denote the f
98 -- as 1_X
99 namespace Mycat
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102 scoped notation3 "1" => id
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104 scoped infixr:10 " → " => MyCat.hom

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105 scoped infixr:80 " > " => MyCat.comp
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107 -- a → b → c = a → (b → c)      (infixr)
108 -- a ≫ b ≫ c = a ≫ (b ≫ c)
109 -- ≫
110 -- a → ((b ≫ c) → (d → e))
111 -- a → b ≫ c → d → e
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117 The keyword `infixr` means that the notation is right-associative.
118 For example, `X → Y → Z` is parsed as `X → (Y → Z)`, and similarly
119 `f ≫ g ≫ h` is parsed as `f ≫ (g ≫ h)`.
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121 The number following `infixr` specifies the precedence: since
122 `→` has precedence 10 and `≈>` has precedence 80, the operator `≈>`
123 binds more tightly than `→`. This determines how expressions are
124 parsed in the absence of parentheses.
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128 variable {0b : Type u} [MyCat 0b]
129 variable {X Y Z : 0b}
130 variable (f : X → Y) (g : Y → Z)
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132 #check 1 X
133 #check f ≫ g
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136
137 def discreteCat (α : Type u) : MyCat α where
138   hom X Y := PLift (X = Y)
139   id X := PLift.up rfl
140   comp f g := PLift.up (PLift.down f ▷ PLift.down g)
141   comp_id f := by
142     cases f
143     rfl
144   id_comp f := by
145     cases f
146     rfl
147   assoc f g h := by
148     cases f; cases g; cases h
149     rfl
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151 ## Functors
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154 #check MyCat
155
156 structure MyFun {C : Type u} {D : Type u'} [MyCat.{v} C] [MyCat.{v} D] :
157   Type (max (max u v) (max u' v)) where
158   obj : C → D

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159   map : {X Y : C} → MyCat.hom X Y → MyCat.hom (obj X) (obj Y)
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161   map_id : {X : C} → map (MyCat.id X) = MyCat.id (obj X)
162
163   map_comp : {X Y Z : C} → (f : MyCat.hom X Y) → (g: MyCat.hom Y Z) →
164     map (MyCat.comp f g) = MyCat.comp (map f) (map g)
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168 variable {A B : Type u} [MyCat A] [MyCat B]
169 variable (F : MyFun (C := A) (D := B)) {X Y Z : A}
170 variable (f : X → Y) (g : Y → Z)
171
172 #check F.map (f ≫ g)
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175 @[simp]
176 lemma map_id' (X : A) :
177   F.map (MyCat.id X) = MyCat.id (F.obj X) :=
178   F.map_id
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181 @[simp]
182 lemma map_comp' : F.map (f ≫ g) = F.map f ≫ F.map g :=
183   F.map_comp f g
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185 -- Identity functor
186 def IdFun (C : Type u) [MyCat C] :
187   MyFun (C := C) (D := C) :=
188   {
189     obj := fun X => X
190     map := fun f => f
191     map_id := by simp
192     map_comp := by simp
193   }
194
195 -- Composition of functor
196 def comFun {C D E : Type u} [MyCat._ C] [MyCat._ D] [MyCat._ E]
197   (F : MyFun (C := C) (D := D)) (G : MyFun (C := D) (D := E)) : MyFun (C := C) (D
198   := E) :=
199   {
200     obj := fun X => G.obj (F.obj X)
201     map := fun {X Y} f => G.map (F.map f)
202
203     map_id := by
204       intro X
205       simp [F.map_id, G.map_id]
206
207     map_comp := by
208       intro X Y Z f g
209       simp [F.map_comp, G.map_comp]
210   }
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212 ## Natural Transformations
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215 structure MyNatTrans
216   {C D : Type u} [MyCat.{v} C] [MyCat.{v} D]
217   (F G : MyFun (C := C) (D := D)) :
218   Type (max u v) where
219
220   -- Component at each object
221   app : (X : C) → F.obj X → G.obj X
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223   -- F.obj X → G.obj X ∈ Hom_D (F.obj X, G.obj X)
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226   -- Naturality condition
227   naturality :
228     {X Y : C} → (f : X → Y) →
229     F.map f ≫ app Y = app X ≫ G.map f
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233   -- For a fixed cat C, functor F : C → C
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235   -- Set A, B.  f: A → A      g: A → B
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237   -- f : N → R,    g : N → R .      α : f → g.    α_x : f(x) → g(x)
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239 namespace MyNatTrans
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245 variable {C D : Type u}
246 variable [MyCat.{v} C] [MyCat.{v} D]
247 variable (F : MyFun (C := C) (D := D))
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251
252 end MyNatTrans
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