

**Theorem 0.1.** *Let  $\mathbf{D}$  have pushouts. Given a coreflection  $L \dashv R: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{D}$  where  $R$  preserves pushouts,  $R$  is a Street opfibration.*

*Proof.* Fix an arrow  $f: a \rightarrow b$  in  $\mathbf{C}$  and an object  $x$  such that  $Rx := a$ . Define  $\hat{f}$  as the pushout of  $Lf$  along the counit  $\varepsilon_x$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} LRx & \xrightarrow{Lf} & Lb \\ \varepsilon_x \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ x & \xrightarrow{\hat{f}} & x +_{LRx} Lb \end{array}$$

Observe that  $R\hat{f}: Rx \rightarrow R(x +_{LRx} Lb)$ . Also there is a string of isomorphisms

$$R(x +_{LRx} Lb) \rightarrow Rx +_{RLRx} RLb \rightarrow Rx +_{Rx} b \rightarrow b$$

whose composite we call  $h$ . Then  $R\hat{f} = f.h^{-1}$  as desired. (*note: some details are needed here*)

Now show that  $\hat{f}$  is cocartesian. Consider a  $\mathbf{D}$ -arrow  $g: x \rightarrow y$  with a  $\mathbf{C}$ -arrow  $\theta: R(x +_{LRx} Lb) \rightarrow Ry$  so that  $R\hat{f}.\theta = Rg$ . Can we uniquely lift  $\theta$ ? Set up the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} LRx & \xrightarrow{Lf} & Lb \\ \varepsilon_x \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ x & \xrightarrow{\hat{f}} & x +_{LRx} Lb \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \nearrow g' \\ \searrow g \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \\ y \end{array}$$

where  $g' := Lh^{-1}.L\theta.\varepsilon_y$ . To show the outer square commutes, it suffices to show that  $Lf.g'$  and  $\varepsilon_x.g$  have the same image under the adjunction homset correspondence. We have

$$Lf.g' = Lf.Lh^{-1}.L\theta.\varepsilon_y \mapsto \eta_{Rx}.RLf.RLh^{-1}.RL\theta.R\varepsilon_y = f.h^{-1}.\theta = R\hat{f}.\theta = Rg$$

and

$$\varepsilon_x.g \mapsto \eta_{Rx}.Rg = Rg.$$

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**Theorem 0.2.** *Given a Street opfibration  $R: \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ , it is a right adjoint when it is nice.*

Let's try to figure out what *nice* could be. Here are some helpful theorems.

**Theorem 0.3** (Freyd's general adjoint functor theorem). *A functor  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  is a right adjoint if  $x$  is complete, locally small, and  $F$  satisfies the solution set condition. The latter says, for any  $Y$ -object  $y$ , there exists a small set  $I$  indexing a collection of  $X$ -objects  $x_{iI}$  and  $Y$ -arrows  $f_i: y \rightarrow F(x_{iI})$  such that every  $F$ -valued  $Y$ -arrow  $y \rightarrow Rx$  factors as  $Fg.f_k$  for  $k \in I$  and  $g: x_k \rightarrow x$ .*

**Theorem 0.4** (Gabriel-Zisman). *An adjunction  $L \dashv R: \mathbf{C} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{D}$ . TFAE:*

- (a)  *$L$  is full and faithful;*
- (b) *the unit is an isomorphism;*
- (c) *the induced comonad on  $\mathbf{D}$  is idempotent,  $L$  is conservative, and  $R$  is essentially surjective.*

Now, let's prove a strong theorem then try to weaken it

**Theorem 0.5.** *Let  $\mathbf{D}$  be locally small and complete. Also let  $R: \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be a continuous, surjective-on-objects Grothendieck opfibration. Then  $R$  is a right adjoint.*

*Proof.* We use 0.3. Suffice to show the solution set condition holds. Fix a  $\mathbf{C}$ -objects  $c$ . Then the indexing set is  $*$ , the collection of  $\mathbf{D}$ -objects consists of a single object  $x_c$  over  $c$  (which exists by surjective-on-objects assumption), and the collection of  $\mathbf{C}$ -arrows consists of the identity. Any map  $f: c \rightarrow Rd$  has a cocartesian lifting  $\hat{f}: x_c \rightarrow x_{Rd}$  and  $f = R\hat{f}.1_c$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 0.6.** *Let  $\mathbf{D}$  be locally small and complete. Also let  $R: \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be a continuous, surjective-on-objects, conservative Street opfibration. Then  $R$  is a right adjoint.*

*Proof.* We use 0.3. Suffice to show the solution set condition holds. Fix a  $\mathbf{C}$ -objects  $c$ . Then the indexing set is  $*$ , the collection of  $\mathbf{D}$ -objects consists of a single object  $x_c$  over  $c$  (which exists by surjective-on-objects assumption), and the collection of  $\mathbf{C}$ -arrows consists of the identity. For any map  $f: c \rightarrow Rd$ , there exists an essential cocartesian lifting  $\hat{f}: x_c \rightarrow d'$  together with a  $\mathbf{C}$ -isomorphism  $h: Rd' \rightarrow Rd$  such that  $f = h.R\hat{f}$ . But  $f = h.R\hat{f} = R\hat{h}.R\hat{f}.1_c = R(\hat{h}.\hat{f}).1_c$  where  $h = R\hat{h}$  because  $R$  is conservative.  $\square$

**Theorem 0.7.** *Let  $\mathbf{D}$  be locally small and complete. Also let  $R: \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be a continuous, essentially surjective, conservative Street opfibration. Then  $R$  is a right adjoint.*

*Proof.* We use 0.3. Suffice to show the solution set condition holds. Fix a  $\mathbf{C}$ -object  $c$ . Then the indexing set is  $*$ , the collection of  $\mathbf{D}$ -objects consists of a single object  $d'$  where  $\theta: c \cong Rd'$  (which exists by essential surjectivity), and the collection of  $\mathbf{C}$ -arrows is  $\theta$ . For any  $\mathbf{C}$ -arrow  $f: c \rightarrow Rd$ , we have (by Street opfibrationness)  $f.\theta^{-1}: Rd' \rightarrow c \rightarrow Rd$ , a cocartesian essential lifting  $f.\theta^{-1}: d' \rightarrow d''$  in  $\mathbf{D}$ , and an isomorphism  $h: d \rightarrow d''$  (by conservativeness) such that  $f.\theta^{-1} = Rh.Rf.\hat{\theta}^{-1}$ . This implies, as required by GAFT, that  $f = R(hf.\hat{\theta}).\theta$ .  $\square$

Thoughts about these assumptions. Here are the desired examples I can think of now: **Set** together with **Graph** or **Top**. The enriched over sets and completeness are both there. So is essential surjectivity. And reflection of isomorphisms. The continuity is definitely needed, since it's necessary if  $R$  is a right adjoint.

Go back to the right adjoint we had in the “converse” to the above theorem. That is, we have a coreflection  $L \dashv R: \mathbf{C} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{D}$  where  $L$  is left exact. Of course this gives the continuity of  $R$ . Essential surjectivity follows from Gabriel-Zisman. Is it a Street opfibration?  $L$  is conservative, but is  $R$ ?

**Example 0.8.** No,  $R$  is not in general conservative. Consider the underlying node functor  $\mathbf{Graph} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ . All **Graph**-endomorphisms on

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are sent to the identity on 2.

At this point, we have partial converses:

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Let  $\mathbf{D}$  be locally small and complete. Also let  $R: \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be a continuous, essentially surjective, conservative Street opfibration. Then  $R$  is a right adjoint.