

MODEL STRUCTURES

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1. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 1.1 (Hovey Definition 2.1.1). Suppose \mathcal{C} is a cocomplete category, and λ is an ordinal. A λ -sequence in \mathcal{C} is a colimit-preserving functor $X : \lambda \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$, commonly written as

$$X_0 \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow X_\beta \rightarrow \cdots.$$

Since X preserves colimits, for all limit ordinals $\gamma < \lambda$, the induced map

$$\operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \gamma} X_\beta \rightarrow X_\gamma$$

is an isomorphism. We refer to the map $X_0 \rightarrow \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} X_\beta$ as the *composition* of the λ -sequence. Given a collection \mathcal{D} of morphisms in \mathcal{C} such that every map $X_\beta \rightarrow X_{\beta+1}$ for $\beta + 1 < \lambda$ is in \mathcal{D} , we refer to the composition $X_0 \rightarrow \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} X_\beta$ as a *transfinite composition* of maps in \mathcal{D} .¹

Definition 1.2 (Hovey Definition 2.1.2). Let γ be a cardinal. An ordinal α is γ -filtered if it is a limit ordinal and, if $A \subseteq \alpha$ and $|A| \leq \gamma$, then $\sup A < \alpha$.

Given a cardinal γ , a γ -filtered category is one such that any diagram $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ has a cocone where \mathcal{D} has $< \gamma$ arrows. A category is just “filtered” if it is ω -filtered, i.e., if every finite diagram in \mathcal{C} admits a cocone. Note that an ordinal α is γ -filtered precisely when it is γ -filtered as a category, and in particular every ordinal is ω -filtered.

Definition 1.3 (Hovey Definition 2.1.3). Suppose \mathcal{C} is a comcomplete category, $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \operatorname{Mor} \mathcal{C}$ is some collection of morphisms of \mathcal{C} , A is an object of \mathcal{C} , and κ is a cardinal. We say that A is κ -small relative to \mathcal{D} if, for all κ -filtered ordinals λ and all λ -sequences

$$X_0 \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow X_\beta \rightarrow \cdots$$

such that each map $X_\beta \rightarrow X_{\beta+1}$ is in \mathcal{D} for $\beta + 1 < \lambda$, the map of sets

$$\operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} \mathcal{C}(A, X_\beta) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(A, \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} X_\beta)$$

is an isomorphism. We say that A is *small relative to \mathcal{D}* if it is κ -small relative to \mathcal{D} for some κ . We say that A is *small* if it is small relative to \mathcal{C} itself.

Recall that given a small category \mathcal{D} and a functor $F : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \operatorname{Set}$, we may explicitly construct the colimit of F as the set

$$\operatorname{colim} F := \left(\coprod_{d \in \mathcal{D}} F(d) \right) / \sim,$$

where the equivalence relation \sim is **generated** by

$$((x \in F(d)) \sim (x' \in F(d'))) \quad \text{if} \quad (\exists (f : d \rightarrow d') \text{ with } Ff(x) = x').$$

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¹To be more precise, there may be different (isomorphic) choices of colimit $\operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \gamma} X_\beta$, which give rise to different choices of composition $X_0 \rightarrow \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \gamma} X_\beta$. Thus, the composition of a λ -sequence is only unique up to composition by a unique isomorphism.

In particular, if \mathcal{D} is a filtered category then the resulting relation can be described as follows:

$$(1) \quad ((x \in F(d)) \sim (x' \in F(d'))) \quad \text{iff} \quad (\exists d'', (f : d \rightarrow d''), (g : d' \rightarrow d'') \text{ with } Ff(x) = Fg(x')).$$

given a cone $\eta : F \Rightarrow \underline{Y}$ under F , the unique map $\text{colim } F \rightarrow Y$ maps the equivalence class of $x \in F(d)$ to the element $\eta_d(x) \in Y$. We will use this characterization of the colimit in the following example.

Example 1.4 (Hovey 2.1.5). Every set is small. Indeed, if A is a set we claim that A is $|A|$ -small. To see this, suppose λ is an $|A|$ -filtered ordinal, and X is a λ -sequence of sets. Given $\alpha < \beta < \lambda$, let $\iota_{\alpha,\beta} : X_\alpha \rightarrow X_\beta$ denote the induced morphism. We will write $X_\lambda := \text{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} X_\beta$, and let $\iota : X \Rightarrow X_\lambda$ be the colimit cone, so that given $\beta < \lambda$, $\iota_\beta : X_\beta \rightarrow X_\lambda$ is the leg of the colimit cone at X_β . By composing with the functor $\mathcal{C}(A, -) : \text{Set} \rightarrow \text{Set}$, we get another λ -sequence $\{\mathcal{C}(X_\beta, A)\}_{\beta < \lambda}$. The cone ι under X induces a cone ι_* under $\mathcal{C}(X_\beta, A)$ with nadir $\mathcal{C}(A, X_\lambda)$. Let $\eta : \mathcal{C}(X_\beta, A) \Rightarrow \text{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} \mathcal{C}(X_\beta, A)$ be the colimit cone, and let $\ell : \text{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} \mathcal{C}(A, X_\lambda) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(A, X_\lambda)$ be the unique morphism of cones so that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{C}(A, X_0) & \xrightarrow{(\iota_{0,1})_*} & \mathcal{C}(A, X_1) & \xrightarrow{(\iota_{1,2})_*} & \dots & \xrightarrow{(\iota_{\beta,\beta+1})_*} & \mathcal{C}(A, X_\beta) & \xrightarrow{(\iota_{\beta,\beta+1})_*} & \dots \\ & \searrow \eta_0 & \searrow \eta_1 & & & & \searrow \eta_\beta & & \\ & & & & & & \text{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} \mathcal{C}(A, X_\beta) & & \\ & \searrow (\iota_0)_* & \searrow (\iota_1)_* & & & & \searrow (\iota_\beta)_* & & \\ & & & & & & \downarrow \ell & & \\ & & & & & & \mathcal{C}(A, X_\lambda) & & \end{array}$$

First, we wish to show that ℓ is surjective. Indeed, let $f : A \rightarrow X_\lambda$. For each $a \in A$, there exists some $\beta_a \in \lambda$ and some $a' \in X_{\beta_a}$ such that $f(a) = \eta_{\beta_a}(a')$ (see the preceding discussion). Then let $\gamma := \sup_{a \in A} \beta_a$. Since $|\{\beta_a\}_{a \in A}| \leq |A|$ and λ is $|A|$ -filtered, necessarily $\gamma < \lambda$. Now, define $g : A \rightarrow X_\gamma$ like so: for $a \in A$, define $g(a) := \iota_{\beta_a,\gamma}(a')$, where $a' \in X_{\beta_a}$ was chosen earlier so that $\iota_{\beta_a}(a') = f(a)$. Then we claim that $\ell(\eta_\gamma(g)) = f$. Indeed, as ℓ is a morphism of cocones, $\ell \circ \eta = \iota_*$, so that we have

$$\ell(\eta_\gamma(g)) = (\iota_\gamma)_*(g) = \iota_\gamma \circ g,$$

and given $a \in A$ we have

$$\iota_\gamma(g(a)) = \iota_\gamma(\iota_{\beta_a,\gamma}(a')).$$

By definition of a cone, $\iota_\gamma \circ \iota_{\beta_a,\gamma} = \iota_{\beta_a}$, so that

$$\ell(\eta_\gamma(g))(a) = \iota_\gamma(\iota_{\beta_a,\gamma}(a')) = \iota_{\beta_a}(a') = f(a),$$

so that indeed $\ell(\eta_\gamma(g)) = f$.

It remains to show ℓ is injective. Suppose we are given $[f], [g] \in \text{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} \mathcal{C}(A, X_\beta)$ such that $\ell([f]) = \ell([g])$. Then by the preceding discussion, there exists $\alpha, \beta < \lambda$, $f \in \mathcal{C}(A, X_\alpha)$, and $g \in \mathcal{C}(A, X_\beta)$ such that $\eta_\alpha(f) = [f]$ and $\eta_\beta(g) = [g]$. Then since $\ell \circ \eta = \iota_*$, we have

$$\ell([f]) = \ell([g]) \implies \iota_\alpha \circ f = (\iota_\alpha)_*(f) = \ell(\eta_\alpha(f)) = \ell(\eta_\beta(g)) = (\iota_\beta)_*(g) = \iota_\beta \circ g.$$

For each $a \in A$, since $\iota_\alpha(f(a)) = \iota_\beta(g(a))$, by Equation 1 there exists γ_a with $\alpha, \beta \leq \gamma_a$ such that $\iota_{\alpha,\gamma_a}(f(a)) = \iota_{\beta,\gamma_a}(g(a))$. Then let $\gamma := \sup_{a \in A} \gamma_a$. Since $|\{\gamma_a\}_{a \in A}| \leq |A|$ and λ is $|A|$ -filtered, necessarily $\gamma < \lambda$. Now, in order to show $[f] = [g]$, by Equation 1 it suffices to show that $(\iota_{\alpha,\gamma})_*(f) = (\iota_{\beta,\gamma})_*(g)$. Indeed, given $a \in A$, we have

$$(\iota_{\alpha,\gamma})_*(f)(a) = \iota_{\alpha,\gamma}(f(a)) = \iota_{\gamma_a,\gamma} \circ \iota_{\alpha,\gamma_a}(f(a)) = \iota_{\gamma_a,\gamma} \circ \iota_{\beta,\gamma_a}(g(a)) = \iota_{\beta,\gamma}(g(a)) = (\iota_{\beta,\gamma})_*(g)(a),$$

precisely the desired result..

Definition 1.5 (Hovey Definition 2.1.7). Let I be a class of maps in a category \mathcal{C} .

- (1) A map is *I-injective* if it has the right lifting property w.r.t. every map in I . The class of *I-injective* maps is denoted *I-inj* (or I_\perp).
- (2) A map is *I-projective* if it has the left lifting property w.r.t. every map in I . The class of *I-projective* maps is denoted *I-proj* (or $\perp I$).

- (3) A map is an *I-cofibration* if it has the left lifting property w.r.t. every *I*-injective map. The class of *I*-cofibrations is the class $(I\text{-inj})\text{-proj}$ and is denoted $I\text{-cof}$ (or ${}_{\perp}(I_{\perp})$).
- (4) A map is an *I-fibration* if it has the right lifting property w.r.t. every *I*-projective map. The class of *I*-fibrations is the class $(I\text{-proj})\text{-inj}$ and is denoted $I\text{-fib}$ (or $({}_{\perp}I)_{\perp}$).

Lemma 1.6. *Given classes A and B of maps in a category \mathcal{C} with $A \subseteq B$, $A \subseteq {}_{\perp}(A_{\perp})$, $A \subseteq ({}_{\perp}A)_{\perp}$, $({}_{\perp}(A_{\perp}))_{\perp} = A_{\perp}$, ${}_{\perp}(({}_{\perp}A)_{\perp}) = {}_{\perp}A$, $A_{\perp} \supseteq B_{\perp}$, ${}_{\perp}A \supseteq {}_{\perp}B$, ${}_{\perp}(A_{\perp}) \subseteq {}_{\perp}(B_{\perp})$, and $({}_{\perp}A)_{\perp} \subseteq ({}_{\perp}B)_{\perp}$.*

Proof. **TODO.** □

Definition 1.7 (Hovey Definition 2.1.9). Let I be a set of maps in a cocomplete category \mathcal{C} . A *relative I-cell complex* is a transfinite composition of pushouts of elements of I . That is, if $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a relative *I*-cell complex, then there is an ordinal λ and a λ -sequence $X : \lambda \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ such that f is the composition of X and such that, for each β such that $\beta + 1 < \lambda$, there is a pushout square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C_{\beta} & \longrightarrow & X_{\beta} \\ g_{\beta} \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ D_{\beta} & \longrightarrow & X_{\beta+1} \end{array}$$

with $g_{\beta} \in I$. We denote the collection of relative *I*-cell complexes by *I*-cell. We say that $A \in \mathcal{C}$ is an *I-cell complex* if the map $0 \rightarrow A$ is a relative *I*-cell complex.

Lemma 1.8. *Let \mathcal{C} be a category and I a class of morphisms in \mathcal{C} . Then *I*-cell is closed under composition with isomorphisms.*

Proof. Suppose that $f : B \rightarrow C$ is an element of *I*-cell, and $h : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : C \rightarrow D$ are isomorphisms in \mathcal{C} . We wish to show $f \circ h$ and $g \circ f$ are also elements of *I*-cell. Since $f \in I\text{-cell}$, there exists an ordinal λ , a λ -sequence X with $X_0 = B$, and a colimit cone $\eta : X \Rightarrow \underline{C}$, such that $\eta_0 = f$.

First of all, construct a new cone $\eta' : X \Rightarrow \underline{D}$ under X where $\eta'_{\beta} := g \circ \eta_{\beta}$. It is straightforward to verify that η' is a colimit cone for X since η is a colimit cone and g is an isomorphism. Thus, $g \circ f = g \circ \eta_0 = \eta'_0 \in I\text{-cell}$, as η'_0 is the composition of a sequence of pushouts of elements of I .

On the other hand, we may construct a new λ -sequence X' by defining $X'_0 = A$, $X'_{\beta} = X_{\beta}$ for all $0 < \beta < \lambda$, the map $X'_0 \rightarrow X'_{\beta}$ for $0 < \beta < \lambda$ to be the composition

$$A \xrightarrow{h} B = X_0 \longrightarrow X_{\beta},$$

and the composition $X'_{\alpha} \rightarrow X'_{\beta}$ to simply be the same map $X_{\alpha} \rightarrow X_{\beta}$ for $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < \lambda$. It is straightforward to verify that defines a λ -sequence, and that we may define a colimit cone $\eta' : X' \Rightarrow \underline{C}$ by $\eta'_0 = \eta_0 \circ h = f \circ h$, and $\eta'_{\beta} = \eta_{\beta}$ for $0 < \beta < \lambda$. Furthermore, clearly for all $1 < \beta + 1 < \lambda$, we have the arrow $X'_{\beta} \rightarrow X'_{\beta+1}$ is a pushout of a map in I . Thus, in order to show $f \circ h \in I\text{-cell}$, it remains to show that the arrow $A = X'_0 \rightarrow X'_1 = X_1$ is a pushout of a map in I . Indeed, we know since $B = X_0 \rightarrow X_1$ is a pushout of a map $k : P \rightarrow Q$ in I , and it can be easily verified the diagram on the right is a pushout diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P & \longrightarrow & X_0 \\ k \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ Q & \longrightarrow & X_1 \end{array} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \begin{array}{ccc} P & \longrightarrow & X_0 \xrightarrow{h^{-1}} X'_0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow h \\ & & X_0 \\ & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ Q & \longrightarrow & X'_1 \end{array}$$

□

Lemma 1.9 (Hovey 2.1.10). *Suppose I is a class of maps in a category \mathcal{C} with all small colimits. Then $I\text{-cell} \subseteq {}_{\perp}(I_{\perp})$.*

Proof. **TODO.** □

Theorem 1.10 (Small Object Argument, Hovey 2.1.14). *Suppose \mathcal{C} is a cocomplete category, and I is a set of maps in \mathcal{C} . Suppose the domains of the maps of I are small relative to *I*-cell. Then there is a functorial factorization (γ, δ) on \mathcal{C} such that for all morphisms $f \in \mathcal{C}$, the map $\gamma(f)$ is in *I*-cell and the map $\delta(f)$ is in *I*-inj.*

Proof. **TODO.** □

Corollary 1.11 (Hovey 2.1.15). *Suppose that I is a set of maps in a cocomplete category \mathcal{C} . Suppose as well that the domains of I are small relative to I -cell. Then given $f : A \rightarrow B$ in ${}_{\perp}(I_{\perp})$, there is a $g : A \rightarrow C$ in I -cell such that f is a retract of g by a map which fixes A .*

Proof. **TODO** □

Definition 1.12 (Hovey Definition 2.1.17). Suppose \mathcal{C} is a model category. We say that \mathcal{C} is *cofibrantly generated* if there are sets I and J of maps such that:

1. The domains of the maps of I are small relative to I -cell;
2. The domains of the maps of J are small relative to J -cell;
3. The class of fibrations is J_{\perp} ; and
4. The class of trivial fibrations is I_{\perp} .

We refer to I as the set of *generating cofibrations* and to J as the set of *generating trivial cofibrations*. A cofibrantly generated model category is *finitely generated* if we can choose the sets I and J above so that the domains and codomains of I and J are finite relative to I -cell.

Proposition 1.13 (Hovey Proposition 2.1.18). *Suppose \mathcal{C} is a cofibrantly generated model category, with generating cofibrations I and generating trivial fibrations J .*

- (a) *The cofibrations form the class ${}_{\perp}(I_{\perp})$.*
- (b) *Every cofibration is a retract of a relative I -cell complex.*
- (c) *The domains of I are small relative to the cofibrations.*
- (d) *The trivial cofibrations form the class ${}_{\perp}(J_{\perp})$.*
- (e) *Every trivial cofibration is a retract of a relative J -cell complex.*
- (f) *The domains of J are small relative to the trivial cofibrations.*

If \mathcal{C} is fibrantly generated, then the domains and codomains of I and J are finite relative to the cofibrations.

Proof. **TODO.** □

Theorem 1.14 (Hovey Theorem 2.1.19). *Suppose \mathcal{C} is a complete & cocomplete category. Suppose \mathcal{W} is a subcategory of \mathcal{C} , and I and J are sets of maps of \mathcal{C} . Then there is a cofibrantly generated model structure on \mathcal{C} with I as the set of generating cofibrations, J as the set of generating trivial fibrations, and \mathcal{W} as the subcategory of weak equivalences if and only if the following conditions are satisfied.*

1. *The subcategory \mathcal{W} has the 2-of-3 property and is closed under retracts.*
2. *The domains of I are small relative to I -cell.*
3. *The domains of J are small relative to J -cell.*
4. *$J\text{-cell} \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap {}_{\perp}(I_{\perp})$.*
5. *$I_{\perp} \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap J_{\perp}$.*
6. *Either $\mathcal{W} \cap {}_{\perp}(I_{\perp}) \subseteq {}_{\perp}(J_{\perp})$ or $\mathcal{W} \cap J_{\perp} \subseteq I_{\perp}$.*

Proof. **TODO.** □

Definition 1.15. Let \mathcal{C} be a category and I a collection of morphisms in \mathcal{C} . Then if I is closed under transfinite composition, pushouts, and retracts then we say I is *saturated*.

2. TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

An injective map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ in **Top** is an *inclusion* if U is open in X if and only if there is a V open in Y such that $f^{-1}(V) = U$. If f is a closed inclusion and every point in $Y \setminus f(X)$ is closed, then we call f a *closed T_1 inclusion*. We will let \mathcal{T} denote the class of closed T_1 inclusions in **Top**.

The symbol D^n will denote the unit disk in \mathbb{R}^n , and the symbol S^{n-1} will denote the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^n , so that we have the boundary inclusions $S^{n-1} \hookrightarrow D^n$. In particular, for $n = 0$ we let $D^0 = \{0\}$ and $S^{-1} = \emptyset$.

Recall: If $F : \mathcal{J} \rightarrow \mathbf{Top}$ is a functor, where \mathcal{J} is a small category, the limit of F is obtained by taking the limit in the category of sets, and then topologizing it with the *initial topology*, where if $\eta : \varinjlim F \Rightarrow F$ is the limit cone, then the open sets in $\varinjlim F$ are precisely the sets of the form $\eta_j^{-1}(U)$ where $j \in \mathcal{J}$ and $U \subseteq F_j$ is open. Similarly, the colimit of F is obtained by taking the colimit $\varinjlim F$ in the category of

sets, and declaring a set $U \subseteq \operatorname{colim} F$ to be open if and only if $\varepsilon_j^{-1}(U)$ is open in F_j for all $j \in \mathcal{J}$, where $\varepsilon : F \Rightarrow \operatorname{colim} F$ is the colimit cone.

Definition 2.1. A map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ in **Top** is called a *weak equivalence* if

$$\pi_n(f, x) : \pi_n(X, x) \rightarrow \pi_n(Y, f(x))$$

is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$ and for all $x \in X$. We will write \mathcal{W} to refer to the class of all weak equivalences in **Top**.

Define the set of maps I' to consist of all the boundary inclusion $S^{n-1} \hookrightarrow D^n$ for all $n \geq 0$, and define the set J to consist of all the inclusions $D^n \hookrightarrow D^n \times I$ mapping $x \mapsto (x, 0)$ for $n \geq 0$. Then a map f will be called a *cofibration* if it is in $I\text{-cof} = {}_{\perp}(I'_{\perp})$, and a *fibration* if it is in $J\text{-inj} = J_{\perp}$.

A map in I' -cell is usually called a *relative cell complex*; a relative CW-complex is a special case of a relative cell complex, where, in particular, the cells can be attached in order of their dimension. Note that in particular maps of J are relative CW complexes, hence are relative I' -cell complexes. A fibration is often known as a *Serre fibration* in the literature.

Theorem 2.2 (Hovey Theorem 2.4.19). *There is a finitely generated model structure on **Top** with I' as the set of generating cofibrations, J as the set of generating trivial cofibrations, and the cofibrations, fibrations, and weak equivalences as above. Every object of **Top** is fibrant, and the cofibrant objects are retracts of relative cell complexes.*

Proof. We will apply [Theorem 1.14](#) to get that there is a cofibrantly generated model structure on **Top** with I' as the set of generating cofibrations, J as the set of generating trivial fibrations, and \mathcal{W} as the subcategory of weak equivalences. The six requirements outlined in the theorem will be verified like so:

1. \mathcal{W} is a subcategory of \mathcal{C} which has the 2-of-3 property and is closed under retracts: [Lemma 2.7](#).
2. The domains of I' are small relative to I' -cell: [Proposition 2.6](#).
3. The domains of J are small relative to J -cell: [Proposition 2.6](#).
4. $J\text{-cell} \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap {}_{\perp}(I'_{\perp})$: In [Proposition 2.8](#), we will show ${}_{\perp}(J_{\perp}) \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap {}_{\perp}(I'_{\perp})$, and by [Lemma 1.9](#) $J\text{-cell} \subseteq {}_{\perp}(J_{\perp})$.
5. $I'_{\perp} \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap J_{\perp}$: [Proposition 2.9](#)
6. $\mathcal{W} \cap J_{\perp} \subseteq I'_{\perp}$: [Proposition 2.10](#)

It will follow by the definition of a cofibrantly generated model structure ([Definition 1.12](#)) that the fibrations in this model structure are given by J_{\perp} , which is precisely how we defined it. By [Proposition 1.13](#), the class of cofibrations will be given by ${}_{\perp}(I'_{\perp})$, which is likewise exactly how we defined them.

In [Proposition 2.4](#), we will show that compact spaces are finite relative to the class \mathcal{T} of closed T_1 inclusions. Hence, this model structure will be finitely generated, as the domains and codomains of I' and J are all compact, and by the reasoning given above we will have shown $I'\text{-cell} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$.

We will show that every object of **Top** is fibrant in [Corollary 2.11](#). **Finally, to see that cofibrant objects are retracts of relative cell complexes, FINISH** \square

Lemma 2.3 (Hovey 2.4.1). *Every topological space is small relative to the inclusions.*

Proof. As with the case of sets, we claim that every topological space X is $|X|$ -small relative to the inclusions. Indeed, suppose X is a λ -sequence of inclusions in **Top**. First, we claim that each map $\iota_{\alpha, \beta} : X_{\alpha} \rightarrow X_{\beta}$ is an inclusion for $\alpha \leq \beta < \lambda$. We do so by presuming $\alpha < \lambda$ fixed and performing transfinite induction on β . First of all, in the case $\beta = \alpha$, $\iota_{\alpha, \alpha}$ is the identity and therefore clearly an inclusion. Now, suppose that $\iota_{\alpha, \beta}$ is an inclusion, then we wish to show that $\iota_{\alpha, \beta+1}$ is an inclusion. Since $\iota_{\alpha, \beta+1} = \iota_{\beta, \beta+1} \circ \iota_{\alpha, \beta}$ the composition of inclusions, it too is clearly an inclusion. Finally, suppose that γ is a limit ordinal, and that the map $\iota_{\alpha, \beta}$ is an inclusion for all $\alpha \leq \beta < \gamma$. We wish to show that the map $\iota_{\alpha, \gamma}$ is an inclusion. First, we claim this map is an injection. Since γ is a limit ordinal and X is colimit-preserving, X_{γ} is the colimit of the diagram X restricted to those X_{β} such that $\beta < \gamma$, so that in particular by [Equation 1](#) and the discussion at the beginning of this section, given $a, b \in X_{\alpha}$, $\iota_{\alpha, \gamma}(a) = \iota_{\alpha, \gamma}(b)$ iff $\iota_{\alpha, \beta}(a) = \iota_{\alpha, \beta}(b)$ for some $\alpha \leq \beta < \gamma$. But we know the map $\iota_{\alpha, \beta}$ is an inclusion, so that if $\iota_{\alpha, \beta}(a) = \iota_{\alpha, \beta}(b)$, then it must have been true $a = b$ in X_{α} . Hence, $\iota_{\alpha, \gamma}$ is injective. Finally, we wish to show that $U \subseteq X_{\alpha}$ is open if and only if there is some $V \subseteq X_{\gamma}$ open such that $\iota_{\alpha, \gamma}^{-1}(V) = U$. The backwards direction is clear as $\iota_{\alpha, \gamma}$ is continuous. Now suppose, $U \subseteq X_{\alpha}$

is open. Then since $\iota_{\alpha,\beta}$ is an inclusion for all $\alpha \leq \beta < \gamma$, for $\alpha \leq \beta$ there exists $V_\beta \subseteq X_\beta$ open such that $\iota_{\alpha,\beta}^{-1}(V_\beta) = U$. Now, define

$$V := \bigcup_{\alpha \leq \beta < \gamma} \iota_{\beta,\gamma}(V_\beta).$$

First of all, we claim that $\iota_{\beta,\gamma}^{-1}(V) = V_\beta$ for all $\beta < \gamma$. **TODO: FINISH.**

Now, □

Proposition 2.4 (Hovey 2.4.2). *Compact topological spaces are finite relative to the class \mathcal{T} of closed T_1 inclusions.*

Proof. □

Proposition 2.5 (Hovey 2.4.5 & 2.4.6). *The class \mathcal{T} of closed T_1 inclusions is saturated.*

Proof. **TODO.** □

Proposition 2.6. *The domains of I' (resp. J) are small relative to I' -cell.*

Proof. By **Lemma 2.3**, every space is small relative to the inclusions, and in particular every space is small relative to the class \mathcal{T} of closed T_1 inclusions. Hence, it suffices to show that $J\text{-cell}, I'\text{-cell} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$. We showed above in **Proposition 2.5** that \mathcal{T} is saturated, and clearly every map in I' and J is a closed T_1 inclusion, so the desired result follows. □

Lemma 2.7 (Hovey Lemma 2.4.4). *The weak equivalences in **Top** are closed under retracts and satisfy 2-of-3 axiom (so that in particular the weak equivalences form a subcategory, as clearly identities are weak equivalences).*

Proof. First we show that weak equivalences satisfy 2-of-3. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be continuous functions of topological spaces.

First of all, suppose f and g are both weak equivalences. Then by functoriality of π_n , since $\pi_n(f, x)$ and $\pi_n(g, f(x))$ are isomorphisms for all $x \in X$, $\pi_n(g \circ f, x) = \pi_n(g, f(x)) \circ \pi_n(f, x)$ is likewise an isomorphism for all $x \in X$, so that $g \circ f$ is a weak equivalence.

Now, suppose that $g \circ f$ and g are weak equivalences. Pick a point $x \in X$. We wish to show that $\pi_n(f, x) : \pi_n(X, x) \rightarrow \pi_n(Y, f(x))$ is an isomorphism for all $n \geq 0$. We know that $\pi_n(g \circ f, x)$ is an isomorphism, and $\pi_n(g, f(x))$ is an isomorphism, say with inverse, φ , so that

$$\varphi \circ \pi_n(g \circ f, x) = \varphi \circ \pi_n(g, f(x)) \circ \pi_n(f, x) = \pi_n(f, x)$$

is an isomorphism, as it is a composition of isomorphisms.

Now, suppose that $g \circ f$ and f are weak equivalences. Pick a point $y \in Y$. Since $\pi_0(f)$ is an isomorphism, there exists a point $x \in X$ such that $f(x)$ belongs to the path component containing y , so that there exists some $\alpha : I \rightarrow Y$ with $\alpha(0) = f(x)$ and $\alpha(1) = y$. Then consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_n(Y, y) & \xrightarrow{\pi_n(g, y)} & \pi_n(Z, g(y)) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \pi_n(Y, f(x)) & \xrightarrow{\pi_n(g, f(x))} & \pi_n(Z, g(f(x))) \end{array}$$

where the left arrow is the isomorphism given by conjugation by the path α , and the right arrow is the isomorphism given by conjugation by the path $g \circ \alpha$. It is tedious yet straightforward to verify that the diagram commutes. Furthermore, we know that $\pi_n(f, x)$ and $\pi_n(g \circ f, x) = \pi_n(g, f(x)) \circ \pi_n(f, x)$ are isomorphisms for all n , so that if we denote the inverse of $\pi_n(f, x)$ by φ , then

$$\pi_n(g \circ f, x) \circ \varphi = \pi_n(g, f(x)) \circ \pi_n(f, x) \circ \varphi = \pi_n(g, f(x))$$

is an isomorphism, as it is given as a composition of isomorphisms. Hence, the top arrow must likewise be an isomorphism, precisely the desired result.

The fact that weak equivalences in **Top** are closed under retracts is entirely straightforward and follows from the fact that the functors π_n preserve retract diagrams and that the class of isomorphisms in any category is closed under retracts. □

Proposition 2.8 (Hovey 2.4.9). $\perp(J_\perp) \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap \perp(I'_\perp)$.

Proof. First, in order to show $\perp(J_\perp) \subseteq \perp(I'_\perp)$, It suffices to show that $J \subseteq I'$ -cell, as by [Lemma 1.9](#) we would have $J \subseteq \perp(I'_\perp)$, and

$$J \subseteq \perp(I'_\perp) \implies \perp(J_\perp) \subseteq \perp((\perp(I'_\perp))_\perp) = \perp(I'_\perp),$$

where the implication and equality both follow from [Lemma 1.6](#) which asserts that

$$A \subseteq B \implies \perp(A_\perp) \subseteq \perp(B_\perp) \quad \text{and} \quad (\perp(A_\perp))_\perp = A_\perp.$$

Now, to show $J \subseteq I'$ -cell, first consider the composition $j_n : D^n \hookrightarrow S^n \hookrightarrow D^{n+1}$, where the first map is the pushout

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^{n-1} & \hookrightarrow & D^n \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ D^n & \longrightarrow & S^n \end{array}$$

obtained by gluing two copies of D^n along their boundary, and the second map map is simply the inclusion $S^n \hookrightarrow D^{n+1}$, which can be written as the pushout

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^n & \xlongequal{\quad} & S^n \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ D^{n+1} & \xlongequal{\quad} & D^{n+1} \end{array}$$

It can be seen that j_n includes D^n as a hemisphere of $S^n = \partial D^{n+1} \subseteq D^{n+1}$. Note that $D^n \times I$ is homeomorphic to D^{n+1} (“smooth out” the sharp edges of the cylinder) via some homeomorphism $h_n : D^{n+1} \rightarrow D^n \times I$, and in particular, we may define h_n so that $h_n(j_n(D^n)) = D^n \times \{0\} \subseteq D^n \times I$ by squashing the hemisphere $j_n(D^n)$ to be one of the faces of the cylinder $D^n \times I$, in which case $h_n \circ j_n : D^n \rightarrow D^n \times I$ is precisely the inclusion $D^n \hookrightarrow D^n \times I$ sending $x \mapsto (x, 0)$, and since $j_n \in I'$ -cell, $h_n \circ j_n \in I'$ -cell by [Lemma 1.8](#).

Now, we claim that $\perp(J_\perp) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$. First note that by [Proposition 2.6](#) and [Corollary 1.11](#), every map in $\perp(J_\perp)$ is a retract of an element of J -cell. Thus, it suffices to find a saturated class \mathcal{S} of maps in **Top** with $J \subseteq \mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{W}$. Indeed, let \mathcal{S} be the class of *inclusions of a deformation retract*, i.e., those maps $i : A \rightarrow B$ such that there exists a homotopy $H : B \times I \rightarrow B$ with $H(i(a), t) = i(a)$ for all $a \in A$, $H(b, 0) = b$ for all $b \in B$, and $H(b, 1) = i(r(b))$ for some map $r : B \rightarrow A$. We must complete three steps:

(1) $J \subseteq \mathcal{S}$.

For $n \geq 0$, let $j_n : D^n \hookrightarrow D^n \times I$ denote the inclusion of D^n as the subset $D^n \times \{0\}$. Define a deformation retract $H : D^n \times I \times I \rightarrow D^n \times I$ by $(x, s, t) \mapsto (x, s(1-t))$. Then indeed we have $H(j_n(x), t) = H(x, 0, t) = (x, 0) = j_n(x)$ for all $x \in D^n$, $H(x, t, 0) = (x, t(1-0)) = (x, t)$ for all $(x, t) \in D^n \times I$, and $H(x, t, 1) = (x, t(1-1)) = (x, 0) = j_n(r(x))$ for all $(x, t) \in D^n \times I$, where $r : D^n \times I \rightarrow D^n$ is the projection onto time zero sending $(x, t) \mapsto (x, 0)$. Thus, indeed $J \subseteq \mathcal{S}$.

(2) $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{W}$.

It suffices to show that if $i : A \rightarrow B$ belongs to \mathcal{S} , then i is a homotopy equivalence. Indeed, given $i : A \rightarrow B$, let $H : B \times I \rightarrow B$ and $r : B \rightarrow A$ be a homotopy and retract satisfying the conditions above. Then in particular, H is a homotopy between id_B (at time $t = 0$) and $i \circ r$ (at time $t = 1$), so it remains to show that $r \circ i$ is homotopic to id_A .

(3) \mathcal{W} is saturated.

□

Proposition 2.9 (Hovey 2.4.10). $I'_\perp \subseteq \mathcal{W} \cap J_\perp$

Proof. [TODO](#).

□

Proposition 2.10 (Hovey 2.4.12). $\mathcal{W} \cap J_\perp \subseteq I'_\perp$

Proof. [TODO](#).

□

Corollary 2.11 (Hovey 2.4.14). *Every topological space is fibrant, i.e., given a space X , the unique map $X \rightarrow *$ is an element of J_\perp .*

Proof. **TODO.**



Questions:

- (1) Lemma 2.3 help pls (limit ordinal case in transfinite induction)