

"by assuming less we apply to more situations"

- Logical objects or categorical objects
- Proofs as arrows

A Category  $\mathcal{C}$  has the following:

### data

- An object collection " $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$ "
- " $A: \mathcal{C} := A \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$ "
- A morphism collection " $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{C}}$ "
- " $f: \mathcal{C} := f \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{C}}$ "
- " $\mathcal{C}(A \rightarrow B) := \{f: \mathcal{C} \mid \delta^-(f) = A \text{ and } \delta^+(f) = B\}$ "
- Boundary functions - from arrows to objects
  - + Domain " $\delta^-$ "
  - + Codomain " $\delta^+$ "
- Identity arrow functions from objects to arrows
  - "id" s.t.  $\text{id}(A) \in \mathcal{C}(A \rightarrow A)$
- Arrow composition
  - if  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$
  - $f \circ g: A \rightarrow C$

### laws

- left unit law. for  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $\text{id}(A) \cdot f = f$ ,  $f \cdot \text{id}(B) = f$
- right unit law. for  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $f \cdot \text{id}(B) = f$
- associative law. for  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g: B \rightarrow C$ ,  $h: C \rightarrow D$ ,  $(f \circ g) \circ h = f \circ (g \circ h)$

### terms

- just to shorten things

- Arrows  $f$  and  $g$  are composable if  $\delta^+(f) = \delta^-(g)$
- Arrows  $f$  and  $g$  are parallel if  $\delta^-(f) = \delta^-(g)$
- " " " anti-parallel if composable both ways
- An endomorphism is a self-composing arrow
- A path is a "serially composable" list of arrows
- Notation:  $g \circ f = f \cdot g$ .
- Notation: use " $A$ " instead of  $\text{id}(A)$  when obvious.

### Diagram

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C$$

### Commutative Diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ & \searrow f \cdot g & \nearrow g \\ & & C \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{g_1} \\ \xrightarrow{g_2} \end{array} & C & \xrightarrow{h} & D \end{array}$$

"whiskering"

$$f \cdot g_1 = f \cdot g_2, \quad g_1 \cdot h = g_2 \cdot h$$

"pushin" (transitivity of equality, by combining diagrams)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & A & \\ \text{id} \nearrow & & \searrow f \\ A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ f \searrow & & \nearrow \text{id} \\ & B & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{f \cdot g} & C & & \\ f \searrow & & \nearrow g & & \searrow h \\ B & & & & D \\ & \nearrow g \cdot h & & & \end{array}$$



## Example Categories

- the empty category "0"
- $\mathbb{1}^{\text{id}}$  A singleton category "1"
- $\mathbb{D} \mathbb{D} \mathbb{D}$  Discrete categories. Any set can be thought of as a discrete category
- for any pre-order set  $(P, \leq)$  we have a pre-order category  $\mathbb{P}$ .

Objects:  $\mathbb{P}_0 := P$

Arrows:  $\mathbb{P}(x \rightarrow y) := \begin{cases} \{ "x \leq y" \} & \text{if } x \leq y \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Identities:  $\text{id}(x) := "x \leq x"$

Composition:  $"x \leq y" \cdot "y \leq z" = "x \leq z"$

A pre-order category that is not discrete:

$\bullet \rightarrow \bullet$  is the Interval category " $\mathbb{I}$ "  
eg.  $(\mathbb{N}, +, 0)$

- A monoid  $(M, *, \epsilon)$  can be regarded as a monoid category  $\mathbb{M}$ , with:

Objects:  $\mathbb{M}_0 := \{ \star \}$

Arrows:  $\mathbb{M}(\star \rightarrow \star) := M$

Identity:  $\text{id}(\star) = \epsilon$

Composition:  $x \cdot y := x * y$

A simple monoid category that is not discrete.

$\star \rightarrow \star$  so need  $s \cdot s, s \cdot s \cdot s \dots$  if all distinct, this is  $(\mathbb{N}, +, 0)$ .

## Categories of propositions and proofs

Notation:  $\llbracket x \rrbracket \leftarrow$  interpretation of

Objects: interpret proposition (& propositional contexts)

$\llbracket \Lambda \rrbracket : \mathbb{C} \quad \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket : \mathbb{C}$

Arrows: interpret derivations

$\llbracket \frac{\Gamma}{\Lambda} \rrbracket : \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \Lambda \rrbracket$

Identities: identity derivations

Composition: Later, with more machinery

### Functor morphism of categories

for categories  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathbb{D}$ , a functor  $F$  from  $\mathbb{C}$  to  $\mathbb{D}$  has:

- function on objects  $F_0 : \mathbb{C}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_0$

- function on arrows  $F_1 : \mathbb{C}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_1$

s.t.  $F : \mathbb{C}(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}(F_0(A) \rightarrow F_0(B))$   
and  $A \xrightarrow{\alpha} A \xrightarrow{F(\alpha)} F(A) \xrightarrow{F_1(\alpha)} F(A)$

and  $F : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{D} \xrightarrow{F_1} \mathbb{D} \xrightarrow{F_0} \mathbb{D}$   
 $A \xrightarrow{F_1} \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{F_0} \mathbb{D} \xrightarrow{F_1} \mathbb{D}$

Structured sets as categories (what we talked about above)

## Categories of structured sets

- IF NO structure:

SET - the category of sets and functions. Objects: sets, Arrows: functions.  $\text{id}: x \mapsto x$  Comp: function composition

- PREORD - the category of preordered sets.

Object: preordered sets, Arrows: monotone maps,  $\text{id}: x \mapsto x$  Comp: function composition

- MON - category of monoids

Objects: monoids, Arrows: monoid homomorphism