

Outline

Last time: homotopies & equivalences (§9)

Today : • A correction on joins of universes
• Contractible types & maps (§10)

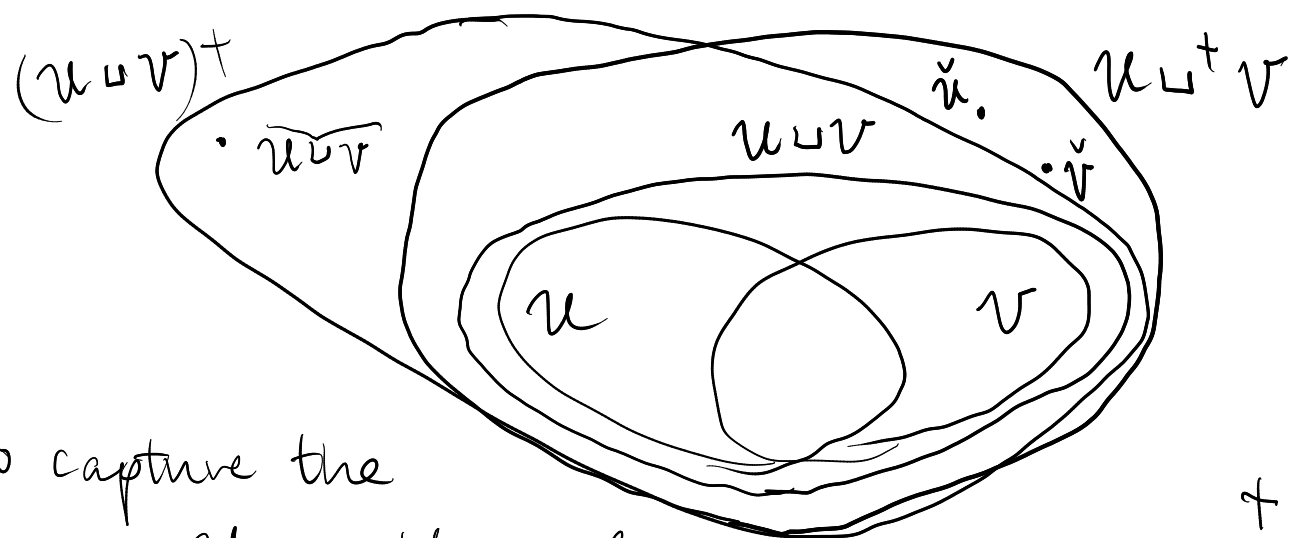
Main result: equivalences are contractible maps
via: coherently invertible map.

A correction regarding joins of universes

In Lecture 4 I said the join of $(U, \tau_U), (V, \tau_V)$ was obtained by reflecting on the 4 type families

$$\begin{array}{l} \cancel{\vdash U \text{ type}} \quad \cancel{\vdash V \text{ type}} \\ \underbrace{X:U \vdash \tau_U(X) \text{ type} \quad Y:V \vdash \tau_V(Y) \text{ type}}_{\rightsquigarrow U \sqcup V} \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \vdash U \text{ type} \\ \vdash V \text{ type} \end{array}} \right\} \rightsquigarrow U \sqcup^+ V$$

but $U \sqcup V$ should only reflect the latter two.



To capture the τ on U , we'd need

to say, but we haven't, that $U \sqcup U \dot{\leq} U$.

In Agda, we use universe polymorphism to, among other things, give types to type formers, e.g.,

$$\dagger : U \rightarrow V \rightarrow U \sqcup V$$

Contractible types - intro

Contractibility is how we in HoTT/UF express uniqueness
(see talks by Emily Riehl)

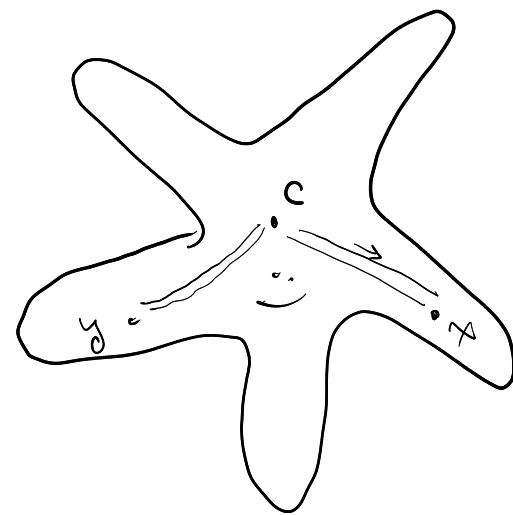
Def For any type A , let $\text{is-contr}(A) := \sum_{c:A} \prod_{x:A} c = x$

(propositions as types interpretation of

"there is a c in A st. every x in A is equal to c ")

c is called the center of contraction &

$C : \text{const}_c \sim \text{id}_A$ is called the contraction



Ex The unit type $\mathbb{1}$ is contractible w/
 $c := *$, $C := \text{ind}_{\mathbb{1}}^{x.* = x} (\text{refl}_*)$

Observation

A is contractible iff $! := \text{const}_* : A \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$ is an equiv.

\xrightarrow{n} Have $c : A$, $C : \text{const}_c \sim \text{id}_A$. Then w/ $g := \text{const}_c : \mathbb{1} \rightarrow A$,

$$g \circ \text{const}_* = \text{const}_c \sim \text{id}_A$$

$$\& \text{const}_* \circ g = \text{const}_* \sim \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}} \quad \checkmark$$

\xleftarrow{n}

If $g : \mathbb{1} \rightarrow A$ is an inverse of $!$, let $c := g *$

$$\text{so } c = (g \circ !)(*) = (g \circ !)(x) = x.$$

Ex 2 For any type A w/ $a : A$, the type $\sum_{x:A} a = x$
is contractible.

$\text{center} := (a, \text{refl}_a)$, contraction by path induction.

Singleton induction

Since contractible types are equiv. to $\mathbb{1}$, they have all the str. of $\mathbb{1}$.

Def Let A be a type, $a:A$. We say A sat. singleton induction if for every type family B over A the eval. map

$\text{ev-pt}_a : \left(\prod_{x:A} B(x) \right) \rightarrow B(a)$ has a section.

I.e., we have: $\text{ind-sing}_a : B(a) \rightarrow \prod_{x:A} B(x)$

$$\text{comp-sing}_a : \text{ev-pt}_a \circ \text{ind-sing}_a \sim \text{id}_{B(a)}$$

Thm A is contr. iff we have $a:A$ s.t. A sat. singleton induction.

$a \rightarrow a$: Have (a, C) , let $C'(x) := C(a)^{-1} \cdot C(x)$ so $C'(a) = \text{refl } a$.

So assume WLOG, already $C(a) = \text{refl } a$.

Proof, cont'd

Def $s: B(a) \rightarrow \prod_{x:A} B(x)$

by $s \ b \ x := \text{tr}_B(C(x), b)$

Then for every b , we have

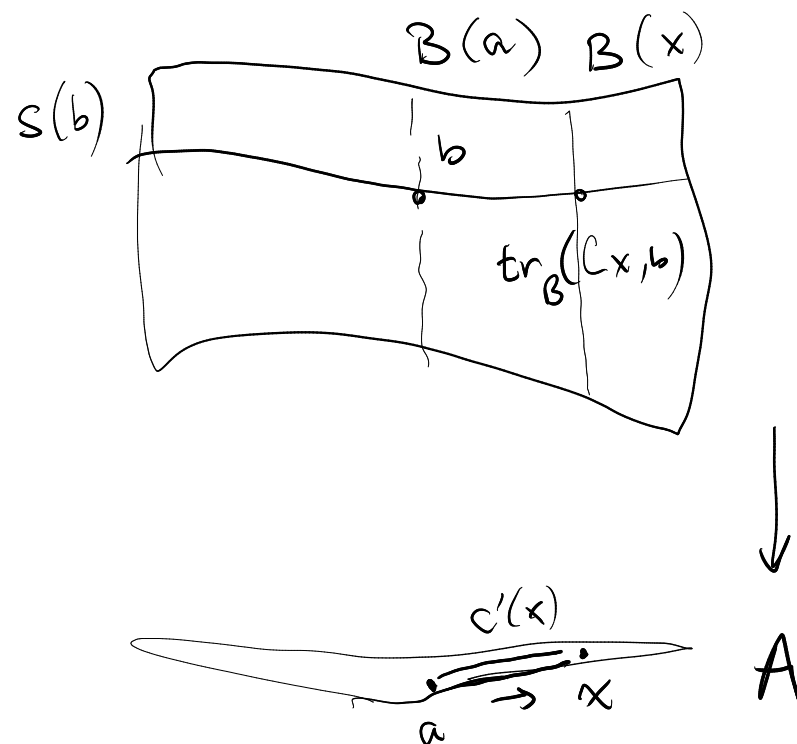
$$s \ b \ a = \text{tr}_B(C(a), b) = \text{tr}_B(\text{refl}_a, b) \equiv b.$$

" \leftarrow ": Suppose we have $a: A$, st. A set-singleton ind.

Let a be the center of contraction, and apply singleton to $B(x) := (a=x)$, so

$$\text{ind-sing}_a^B: a=a \rightarrow \prod_{x:A} a=x.$$

apply to refl_a to get contraction.



Fibers & contractible maps

Def. Let $f: A \rightarrow B$, $b: B$. The fiber of f at b is

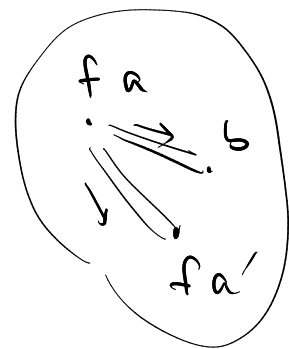
$$\text{fib}_f(b) := \sum_{x:A} f\ x = b \quad (\text{preimage})$$

Obs For all $p: a =_A a'$, we have $\text{tr}_{x.f\ x = b}(p, q) = (\text{ap}_f p)^{-1} \cdot q$
 $q: f\ a = b$

Cor For all $(a, q), (a', q'): \text{fib}_f\ b$ we have

$$((a, q) = (a', q')) \simeq \sum_{p: a = a'} \underbrace{q = \text{ap}_f p \cdot q'}_{(\text{ap}_f p)^{-1} \cdot q = q'}$$

Induced by path. ind & refl.
 of Eq-fib_f .



$$(\text{ap}_f p)^{-1} \cdot q = q'$$

$$\text{Eq-fib}_f((a, q), (a', q'))$$

Def A map $f: A \rightarrow B$ is contractible if all its fibers are,
i.e., we have $\prod_{y:B} \text{is-contr}(\text{fib}_f(y))$

Thm Any contr. map is an equivalence. From the centers
of contr. we get $\prod_{y:B} \text{fib}_f(y) = \prod_{y:B} \sum_{x:A} f x = y$

by H -choice, we get $g: B \rightarrow A$ & $G: f \circ g \sim \text{id}_B$

To show $g \circ f \sim \text{id}_A$, i.e., for all $x:A$, $(g \circ f)x = x$.

$f \circ g \circ f \stackrel{G \circ f}{\sim} f$, so get $p: f(g(fx)) = f(x)$, $(g(fx), p): \text{fib}_f(f(x))$

also, $(x, \text{refl}_{fx}): \text{fib}_f(fx)$, so $(g(fx), p) = (x, \text{refl}_x)$

by contractibility of $\text{fib}_f(fx)$, so $g(fx) = x$ as desired

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Coh. inv. maps

Def Say $f: A \rightarrow B$ is coh. inv. if we have

$$g: B \rightarrow A$$

$$G: f \circ g \sim \text{id}_B$$

$$H: g \circ f \sim \text{id}_A$$

$$K: G \circ f \sim f \circ H \quad (\text{as } f \circ g \circ f \sim f)$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{has-inverse}(f) \\ \text{is-coh-inv}(f) \end{array} \right\}$

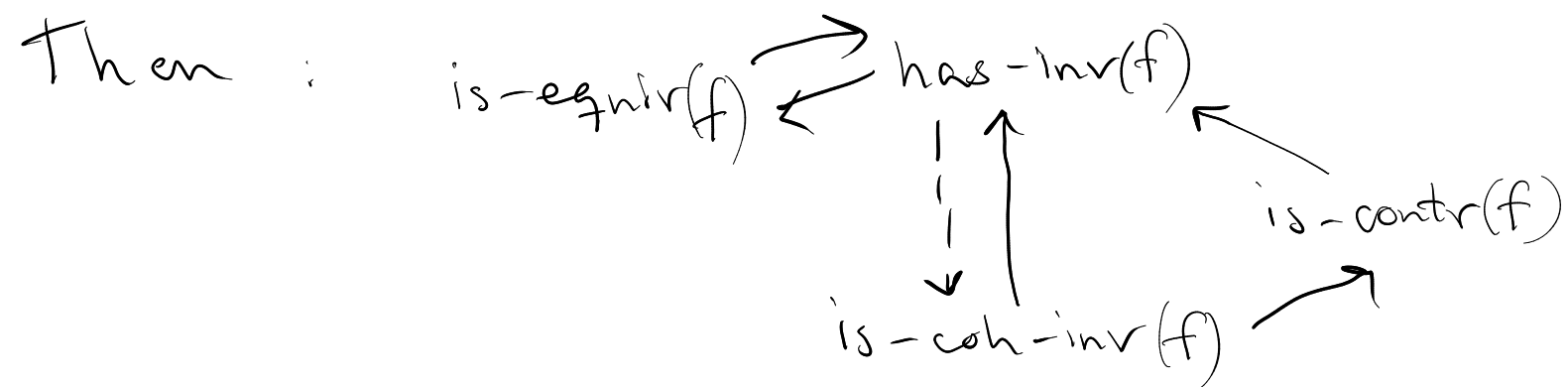
Thm $\text{is-coh-inv}(f) \rightarrow \text{is-contr}(f)$ (i.e., $\prod_{y:B} \text{is-contr}(\text{fib}_f y)$)

center of contr: $(g y, G y)$. To show:

$$\prod_{y:B} \prod_{x:A} \prod_{g: f(x)=y} (g y, G y) = (x, g) \quad \text{suffices: } \prod_{x:A} (g(fx), G(fx)) = (x, \text{refl}_{fx})$$

$$B_y = \text{'is fib's, give } Hx: g(fx)=x, \quad G(fx) = \underset{Kx}{\text{ap}_f}(Hx) \cdot \underset{\square}{\text{refl}_{fx}}$$

Final goal: $\text{has-inverse}(f) \rightarrow \text{is-coh-inv}(f)$



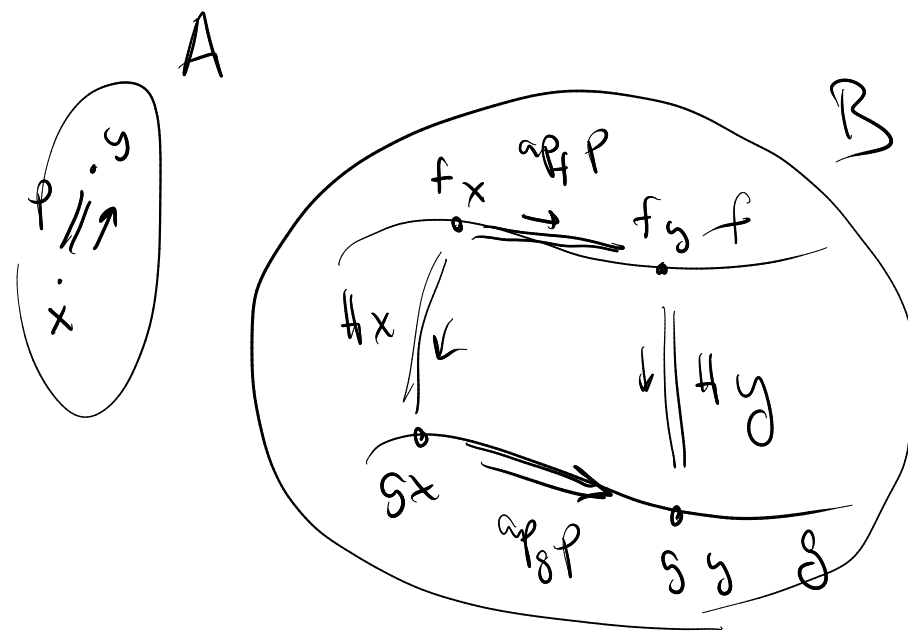
Tool naturality squares of homotopies.

Def $f, g: A \rightarrow B$, $H: f \sim g$

$$\text{nat-hotp}_g(H, p) : \text{ap}_f p \cdot H y = H x \cdot \text{ap}_g p$$

By path ind. on p , suffices to give

$$\text{nat-hotp}_g(H, \text{refl}_x) : \text{refl}_{f x} \cdot H x = H x \cdot \text{refl}_{g x} \quad \square$$



Special case $h: A \rightarrow A$, $H: h \sim \text{id}_A$, then $h(hx) \xrightarrow{\text{ap}_h(Hx)} h(x)$

look at nat square at $Hx: hx = x$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H(hx) & \parallel & \downarrow Hx \\ hx & \xrightarrow{Hx} & x \end{array}$$

So $\text{ap}_h(Hx) = H(hx)$

Now Assume has-inverse(f), i.e., $g: B \rightarrow A$, $G: f \circ g \sim \text{id}_B$, $H: g \circ f \sim \text{id}_A$

We improve G to G' w/ $K: G' \cdot f \sim f \cdot H$

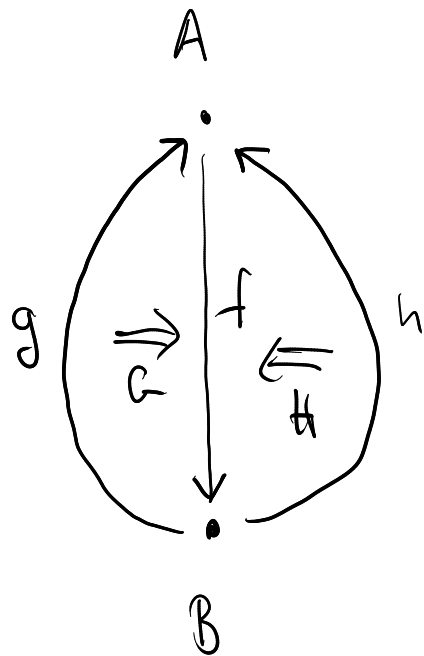
$$\text{Let } y: B, \quad G'y := (f g(y) \xrightarrow{G(fg(y))^{-1}} f g f g(y) \xrightarrow{\text{ap}_f(H(gy))} f g(y) \xrightarrow{Gy} y)$$

Let $x: A$, show

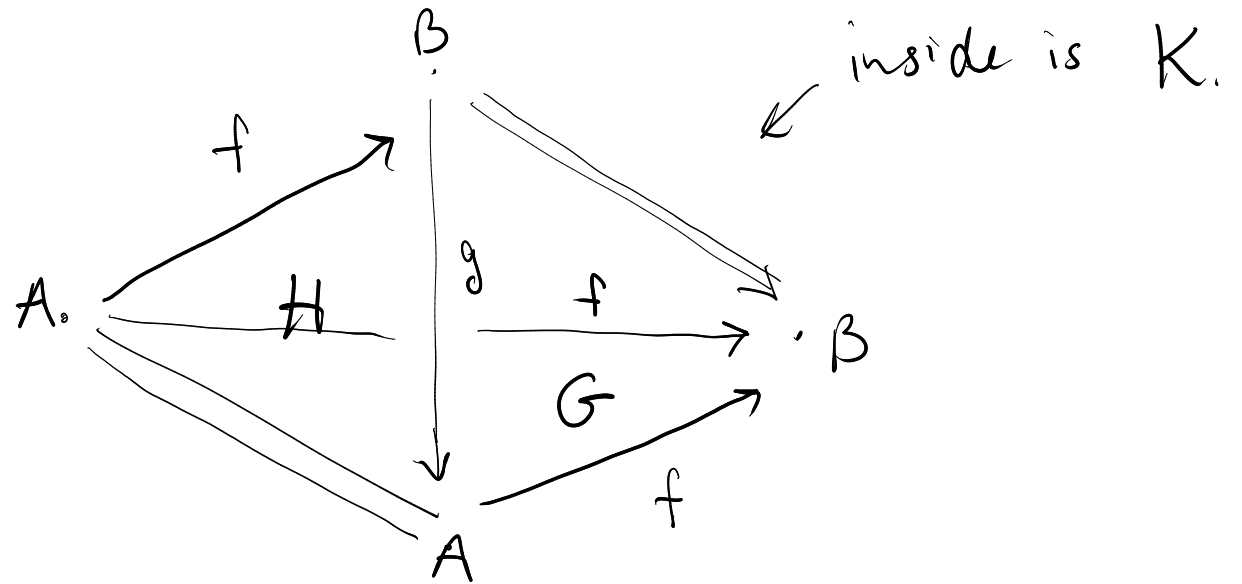
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} f g f g(x) & \xrightarrow{\text{ap}_f(H(gf(x)))} & f g f(x) & & f g f g(x) \xrightarrow{\text{ap}_{fgf}(Hx)} f g f(x) \\ G(fg(x)) \parallel \downarrow & & \downarrow \parallel G(fx) & \text{nat-hyp } g \nearrow & G(fg(x)) \parallel \downarrow & & \downarrow \parallel G(fx) \\ f g f(x) & \xrightarrow{\text{ap}_f(Hx)} & f(x) & & f g f(x) & \xrightarrow{\text{ap}_f(Hx)} & f(x) \quad \square \end{array}$$

Geom. intuition for why $'\text{is equiv}(f) \& \text{is-coh-inv}(f)$ are propositions:

assume f is invertible

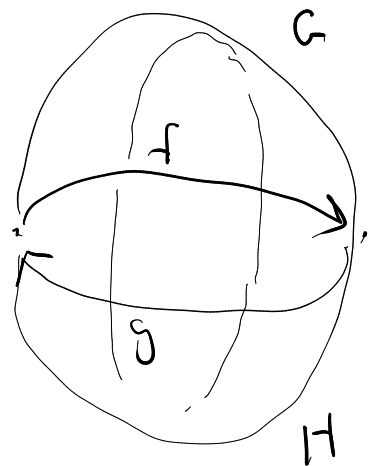


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both contractible.

But



is a 2-sphere.