

Characterizing clan-algebraic categories

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Overview

Context

- In talks at HoTT/UF 2020 and at CT 2021 I presented a conjecture concerning categories of models of a *clan*.
- In this talk I will give/outline a proof of this conjecture.

Three Parts

- Recall functorial semantics of (essentially) algebraic theories
- Clans as generalized algebraic theories
- If there's time: Examples and models in higher (homotopy) types

Part I

Algebraic Theories

Definition

A **single-sorted algebraic theory** (SSAT) is a pair (Σ, E) consisting of

- a family $\Sigma = (\Sigma_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, of sets of n -ary **operations**
- a set of **equations** E whose elements are pairs of open terms over Σ

Definition

The **syntactic category** $\mathcal{C}(\Sigma, E)$ of a SSAT is given as follows:

1. For each natural number $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there is an **object** $[n]$
2. **morphisms** $\sigma : [n] \rightarrow [m]$ are m -tuples of terms in n variables modulo E -provable equality
3. **identities** are lists of variables, **composition** is given by substitution

Proposition

Given a SSAT (Σ, E) :

1. $\mathcal{C}(\Sigma, E)$ has finite products given by $[n] \times [m] = [n + m]$
2. $\mathbf{Set}\text{-}\mathbf{Mod}(\Sigma, E) \simeq \mathbf{FP}(\mathcal{C}(\Sigma, E), \mathbf{Set})$

Finite-product theories

Definition

- A **FP-theory** is just a small FP-category \mathcal{C} .
- **Models** of \mathcal{C} are FP-functors $A : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ (or into another FP-category).

Denote the category of models by

$$\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{C}) := \mathbf{FP}(\mathcal{C}, \mathbf{Set}) \overset{\text{full}}{\subseteq} [\mathcal{C}, \mathbf{Set}].$$

For every object $\Gamma \in \mathcal{C}$ of an FP-theory, the co-representable functor

$$\mathcal{C}(\Gamma, -) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$$

is a model. Thus, the dual Yoneda embedding co-restricts to $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{C})$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \\ & \swarrow \scriptstyle Z & \downarrow \\ \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{C}) & \subseteq & [\mathcal{C}, \mathbf{Set}] \end{array}$$

Finite-limit theories

Definition

- A **FL-theory** is a small finite-limit category \mathcal{L} .
- A **model** of \mathcal{L} is a finite-limit preserving functor $A : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$.

FL-theories are more expressive than FP-theories – structures definable by finite-limit theories include

- categories, posets, 2-categories, monoidal categories, categories with families ...

Again $\mathcal{L}(\Gamma, -)$ is a model for every $\Gamma \in \mathcal{L}$ and we get an embedding

$$Z : \mathcal{L}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{L}) := \mathbf{FL}(\mathcal{L}, \mathbf{Set}) \overset{\text{full}}{\subseteq} [\mathcal{L}, \mathbf{Set}].$$

Moreover, we can characterize the essential image of Z in $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{L})$.

Locally finitely presentable categories

Definition

- An object C of a cocomplete locally small category \mathfrak{X} is called **compact**^a, if

$$\mathfrak{X}(C, -) : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$$

preserves filtered colimits.

- A category \mathfrak{X} is called **locally finitely presentable**, if
 - \mathfrak{X} is locally small and cocomplete
 - the full subcategory $\mathbf{comp}(\mathfrak{X}) \subseteq \mathfrak{X}$ on compact objects is essentially small and dense.

^aMore traditionally: 'finitely presentable'

Theorem

- $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{L})$ is locally finitely presentable for all finite-limit theories \mathcal{L} .
- The essential image of $Z : \mathcal{L}^{\mathrm{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{L})$ comprises precisely the compact objects.

Gabriel-Ulmer duality¹

Theorem

There is a bi-equivalence of 2-categories

$$\mathbf{FL} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\text{comp}(\mathfrak{X})^{\text{op}} \leftarrow \mathfrak{X}} \\ \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L} \mapsto \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{L})} \end{array} \mathbf{LFP}^{\text{op}}$$

where

- **FL** is the 2-category of **small** FL-categories and FL-functors
- **LFP** is the 2-category of locally finitely presentable categories and functors preserving small limits and filtered colimits ('forgetful functors').

¹P. Gabriel and F. Ulmer. *Lokal präsentierbare Kategorien*. Springer-Verlag, 1971.

Duality for finite-product theories²

There's a 'restriction' of G–U duality to finite-product theories:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbf{FP}_{\mathbf{cc}} & \xleftarrow[\{\text{compact projectives}\}^{\text{op}} \leftarrow \mathfrak{X}]{\mathcal{C} \mapsto \mathbf{FP}(\mathcal{C}, \mathbf{Set})} & \mathbf{ALG}^{\text{op}} \\
 F \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \dashv \\ \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right) U & & \downarrow J \\
 \mathbf{FL} & \xleftarrow[\{\text{compact objects}\}^{\text{op}} \leftarrow \mathfrak{X}]{\mathcal{L} \mapsto \mathbf{FL}(\mathcal{L}, \mathbf{Set})} & \mathbf{LFP}^{\text{op}}
 \end{array}$$

- $\mathbf{FP}_{\mathbf{cc}}$ is the 2-category of Cauchy-complete finite-product categories
- \mathbf{ALG} is the 2-category of **algebraic categories** and **algebraic functors**
 - An **algebraic category** is an l.f.p. category which is Barr-exact and where the compact (regular) projective objects are dense
 - An **algebraic functor** is a functor that preserves small limits, filtered colimits, and regular epimorphisms.
- There's also a formulation in terms of sifted colimits, but we don't need it.

²J. Adámek, J. Rosický, and E.M. Vitale. *Algebraic theories: a categorical introduction to general algebra*. Cambridge University Press, 2010.

Part II

Toward clans

- Finite-limit theories have a nice duality theory but seem far from syntax
- Syntactic counterparts are given by
 - Freyd's **essentially algebraic theories**³
 - Cartmell's **generalized algebraic theories**⁴ (or 'dependent algebraic theories')
 - Johnstone's **cartesian theories**⁵
 - Palmgren and Vickers' **quasi-equational theories**⁶
 - and probably others
- Clans can be viewed as a categorical representation of generalized algebraic theories
- They're as expressive as FL-theories, but 'finer', i.e. closer to syntax

³P. Freyd. "Aspects of topoi". In: *Bulletin of the Australian Mathematical Society* (1972).

⁴J. Cartmell. "Generalised algebraic theories and contextual categories". In: *Annals of Pure and Applied Logic* (1986).

⁵P.T. Johnstone. *Sketches of an elephant: a topos theory compendium. Vol. 2.* Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2002.

⁶E. Palmgren and S. J. Vickers. "Partial horn logic and Cartesian categories". In: *Annals of Pure and Applied Logic* (2007).

Definition

A **clan** is a small category \mathcal{T} with terminal object 1 , equipped with a class $\mathcal{T}_\dagger \subseteq \text{mor}(\mathcal{T})$ of morphisms – called **display maps** and written \rightarrow – such that

1. pullbacks of display maps along all maps exist and are display maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Delta^+ & \xrightarrow{s^+} & \Gamma^+ \\ q \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow p \\ \Delta & \xrightarrow{s} & \Gamma \end{array},$$

2. display maps are closed under composition, and
3. isomorphisms and terminal projections $\Gamma \rightarrow 1$ are display maps.

- Definition due to Taylor⁷, name due to Joyal⁸ ('a clan is a collection of families')
- Relation to semantics of dependent type theory: display maps represent **type families**.
- Observation: clans have finite products (as pullbacks over 1).

⁷P. Taylor. "Recursive domains, indexed category theory and polymorphism". PhD thesis. University of Cambridge, 1987, § 4.3.2.

⁸A. Joyal. "Notes on clans and tribes". In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:1710.10238* (2017).

Examples

- Finite-product categories \mathcal{C} can be viewed as clans with $\mathcal{C}_\dagger = \{\text{product projections}\}$
- Finite-limit categories \mathcal{L} can be viewed as clans with $\mathcal{L}_\dagger = \text{mor}(\mathcal{L})$

We call such clans **FP-clans**, and **FL-clans**, respectively.

- The syntactic category of every Cartmell-style **generalized algebraic theory** is a clan.
- Clan for categories:

$$\mathcal{K} = \{\text{categories free on finite graphs}\}^{\text{op}} \subseteq \mathbf{Cat}^{\text{op}}$$

$$\mathcal{K}_\dagger = \{\text{functors induced by graph inclusions}\}^{\text{op}}$$

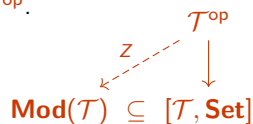
\mathcal{K} can be viewed as syntactic category of a generalized algebraic theory of categories with a sort O of objects, and a dependent sort $x, y: O \vdash M(x, y)$ of morphisms – vertices of a finite graph are object variables and edges are morphism variables in a context. Graph inclusions are dual to context extensions.

Models

Definition

A **model** of a clan \mathcal{T} is a functor $A : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ which preserves **1** and pullbacks of display-maps.

- The category $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T}) \subseteq [\mathcal{T}, \mathbf{Set}]$ of models is l.f.p. and contains \mathcal{T}^{op} .
- For FP-clans $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}_\dagger)$ we have $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}_\dagger) = \mathbf{FP}(\mathcal{C}, \mathbf{Set})$.
- For FL-clans $(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}_\dagger)$ we have $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}_\dagger) = \mathbf{FL}(\mathcal{L}, \mathbf{Set})$.
- $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{K}_\dagger) = \mathbf{Cat}$.



Observation

The same category of models may be represented by different clans.
For example, SSATs can be represented by FP-clans as well as FL-clans.

The weak factorization system

- Would like duality between clans and their categories of models.
- Since the same l.f.p. category can be represented by different clans, we cannot hope to reconstruct the clan from the models alone.
- Solution: equip the models with additional structure in form of a **weak factorization system**.

Definition

Let \mathcal{T} be a clan. Define w.f.s. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ on $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T})$ by

- $\mathcal{F} := \mathbf{RLP}(\{Z(p) \mid p \in \mathcal{T}_+\})$ class of **full maps**
- $\mathcal{E} := \mathbf{LLP}(\mathcal{F})$ class of **extensions**

i.e. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ is cofibrantly generated by the image of \mathcal{T}_+ under $Z : \mathcal{T}^{\mathrm{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T})$.

- Call $A \in \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T})$ a **0-extension**, if $(0 \rightarrow A) \in \mathcal{E}$
- E.g. corepresentables $Z(\Gamma)$ are 0-extensions since terminal projections $\Gamma \rightarrow 1$ are display maps.
- The same weak factorization system was also introduced by S. Henry in a HoTTEST talk⁹, see also¹⁰.

⁹S. Henry, *The language of a model category*, HoTTEST seminar, Jan. 2020, https://youtu.be/7_X0qbSX1fk

¹⁰S. Henry. "Algebraic models of homotopy types and the homotopy hypothesis". In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:1609.04622* (2016).

Full maps

- $f : A \rightarrow B$ in $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T})$ is full iff it has the RLP with respect to all $Z(p)$ for display maps $p : \Delta \rightarrow \Gamma$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{T}(\Gamma, -) & \longrightarrow & A \\
 Z(p)=\mathcal{T}(p, -) \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow f \\
 \mathcal{T}(\Delta, -) & \longrightarrow & B
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A(\Delta) & \xrightarrow{f_\Delta} & B(\Delta) \\
 A(p) \downarrow & & \downarrow B(p) \\
 A(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{f_\Gamma} & B(\Gamma)
 \end{array}$$

- This is equivalent to display-naturality-squares being weak pullbacks.
- Considering $p : \Delta \rightarrow 1$ we see that full maps are surjective and hence regular epis.

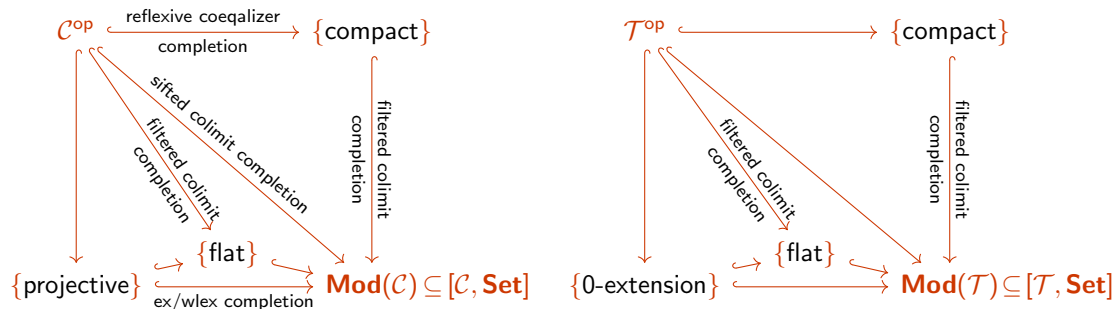
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A(\Delta) & \xrightarrow{f_\Delta} & B(\Delta) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 1 & \longrightarrow & 1
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A(\Delta) & \xrightarrow{f_\Delta} & B(\Delta) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 A(\Delta) \times A(\Delta) & \xrightarrow{f_\Delta \times f_\Delta} & B(\Delta) \times B(\Delta)
 \end{array}$$

- For FL-clans, only isos are full (consider naturality square for diagonal $\Delta \rightarrow \Delta \times \Delta$)
- For FP-clans we have

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{full map} & = & \text{regular epimorphism} \\
 \text{extension} & = & \text{coproduct inclusion } A \hookrightarrow P + A \text{ with } P \text{ projective} \\
 0\text{-extension} & = & \text{projective object}
 \end{array}$$

The fat small object argument

Motivation: subcategories of models for FP-theory \mathcal{C} and clan \mathcal{T} .



- Flat algebras are filtered colimits of corepresentables, computed *freely* in the functor categories.
- For SSATs we have $\{\text{projective}\} \subseteq \{\text{flat}\}$ since
 - arbitrary free objects are filtered colimits of free objects over finite sets
 - projective objects are retracts of free objects
- In the general clan case, $\{0\text{-extension}\} \subseteq \{\text{flat}\}$ by the **fat small object argument**¹¹.

¹¹M. Makkai, J. Rosicky, and L. Vokrinek. "On a fat small object argument". In: *Advances in Mathematics* (2014).

Reconstructing the clan

Definition

Given a clan \mathcal{T} , let $\mathbb{C} \subseteq \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T})$ be the full subcategory on **compact 0-extensions**.

- $Z : \mathcal{T}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T})$ factors through \mathbb{C} since corepresentables $Z(\Gamma)$ are compact and 0-extensions.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \mathbb{C} \\ & \nearrow E & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{T}^{\text{op}} & \xrightarrow{Z} & \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T}) \end{array}$$

- $0 \in \mathbb{C}$ and if $\begin{array}{ccc} C & \rightarrow & D \\ \downarrow e & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ E & \rightarrow & F \end{array}$ is a pushout with $F \in \mathbb{C}$ and $e \in \mathcal{E}$ then $F \in \mathbb{C}$.
- Therefore \mathbb{C} is a **coclan** with extensions as "co-display maps".

Reconstructing the clan

Theorem

The full inclusion $E : \mathcal{T}^{\text{op}} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ exhibits \mathbb{C} as *Cauchy-completion* of \mathcal{T}^{op} , i.e. every compact 0-extension is a retract of a corepresentable.

Proof.

- Let $C \in \mathbb{C}$.
- Since 0-extensions are flat, $\int C$ is filtered, thus C is a filtered colimit of corepresentables.
- Since C is compact, id_C factors through a colimit inclusion map.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & C \\ & \swarrow \text{dashed} & \downarrow \text{id} \\ Z(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{\sigma_{(\Gamma, x)}} & C \end{array}$$

□

Clan-algebraic categories

Definition

A **clan-algebraic category** is a category \mathfrak{X} with a w.f.s. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ that arises as category of models of a clan.

With this definition we get a contravariant bi-equivalence

$$\mathbf{Clan}_{\text{cc}} \quad \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\text{comp}(\mathfrak{X})^{\text{op}} \leftarrow \mathfrak{X}} \\ \mathcal{T} \mapsto \mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T}) \end{array} \quad \mathbf{cAlg}^{\text{op}}$$

between

- the 2-category $\mathbf{Clan}_{\text{cc}}$ of Cauchy-complete clans and functors preserving 1 , display maps, and pullbacks of display maps, and
- the 2-category \mathbf{cAlg} of clan-algebraic categories and functors preserving small limits, filtered colimits, and full maps.

Can we characterize clan-algebraic categories more abstractly?

Characterizing clan-algebraic categories

Assume \mathfrak{X} is clan-algebraic with w.f.s. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$. Then

1. \mathfrak{X} is cocomplete,
2. \mathfrak{X} has a small dense family of compact 0-extensions, and
3. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ is cofibrantly generated by maps between compact 0-extensions.

Now assume we have a category \mathfrak{X} with w.f.s. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ satisfying 1–3.

Then the subcategory $\mathbb{C} \subseteq \mathfrak{X}$ of compact 0-extensions is a coclan.

We get a nerve/realization adjunction

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{J} & \mathfrak{X} \\
 \downarrow Z & \nearrow L & \nwarrow N \\
 \mathbf{Mod}(\mathbb{C}^{\mathrm{op}}) & &
 \end{array}$$

$L(A) = \mathrm{colim}(\int A \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{J} \mathfrak{X})$
 $N(X) = \mathfrak{X}(J(-), X)$

However, this adjunction is not an equivalence in general:

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Counterexample

Consider

- $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq [2^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}]$ full subcategory on injections
- $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ w.f.s. on \mathfrak{X} cofib. generated by $\{(0 \rightarrow Y_0), (0 \rightarrow Y_1)\}$

Then $\mathbf{Mod}(\{\text{compact 0-extensions}\}^{\text{op}}) \simeq [2^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}]$ and N is the subcategory inclusion.

A commutative diagram illustrating the relationship between three categories:

- Top-left: \mathbb{C}
- Top-right: \mathfrak{X}
- Bottom-left: $[2^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}]$

The diagram consists of the following arrows:

- A horizontal arrow $J: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}$.
- A vertical arrow $Z: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow [2^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}]$.
- A curved arrow $L: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow [2^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}]$.
- A curved arrow $N: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow [2^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}]$.
- A curved arrow $\dashv: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

The diagram is intended to show that N is the subcategory inclusion, but the diagram as drawn is not strictly commutative, illustrating the 'exactness condition' that is missing.

Conclusion: We're missing an 'exactness condition' analogous to 'Barr-exactness' in the characterization of algebraic categories!

Quotients of componentwise-full equivalence relations

- Recall that a FL-category \mathcal{L} is called *Barr-exact*, if all equivalence relations in \mathcal{L} have stable effective quotients.
- This can't be the case for clan algebraic categories in general. However, we have:

Lemma

For any clan \mathcal{T} , $\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T})$ has **full and effective quotients of componentwise-full equivalence relations**.

Proof.

Given equivalence relation $r : R \rightrightarrows A \times A$ with $r_0, r_1 : R \rightarrow A$ full, show that component-wise quotient is a model again. \square

Characterizing clan-algebraic categories

Definition

An **adequate category** is a category \mathfrak{X} with a w.f.s. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ (whose maps we call extensions and full, respectively), s.th.

1. \mathfrak{X} is cocomplete,
2. \mathfrak{X} has a small dense family of compact 0-extensions (in particular \mathfrak{X} is l.f.p.),
3. $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ is cofibrantly generated by maps between compact 0-extensions, and
4. \mathfrak{X} has full and effective quotients of componentwise-full equivalence relations.

Lemma

Assume \mathfrak{X} is adequate and $F : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ preserves finite limits and sends full maps to surjections. Then F preserves quotients of componentwise-full equivalence relations.

Proof.

Let $R \begin{smallmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_0} \\ \xrightarrow{r_1} \end{smallmatrix} A \xrightarrow{f} B$ be a **full exact sequence** in \mathfrak{X} , i.e. all arrows are full, f is the coequalizer of r_0, r_1 , and r_0, r_1 is the kernel pair of f . Then Ff is a surjection with kernel pair Ff_0, Ff_1 . But surjections are always coequalizers of their kernel pair. □

Idea of proof

- Assume that \mathfrak{X} is adequate.
- To show that it is clan-algebraic, we want to show that its nerve/realization adjunction

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{J} & \mathfrak{X} \\
 \downarrow z & \searrow L & \uparrow N \\
 \mathbf{Mod}(\mathbb{C}^{\mathrm{op}}) & &
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(A) &= \mathrm{colim}(\int A \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{J} \mathfrak{X}) \\
 N(X) &= \mathfrak{X}(J(-), X)
 \end{aligned}$$

is an equivalence.

- By density the right adjoint N is fully faithful, i.e. the counit is an isomorphism.
- It remains to show that the unit of the adjunction is an isomorphism, i.e.

$$A(C) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathfrak{X}(C, \mathrm{colim}(\int A \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{J} \mathfrak{X})).$$

for all $A \in \mathbf{Mod}(\mathbb{C}^{\mathrm{op}})$ and $C \in \mathbb{C}$.

- We know that $\mathfrak{X}(C, -)$ preserves filtered colimits and quotients of componentwise-full equivalence relations, so we'd like to decompose $\mathrm{colim}(\int A \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{J} \mathfrak{X})$ in terms of these constructions.
- This is essentially what we're doing in the following.

Jointly full cones

- Let $D : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}$ be a diagram in an adequate category.
- A cone (A, ϕ) over D is called **jointly full**, if for every cone (C, γ) , extension $e : B \rightarrow C$ and map $g : B \rightarrow A$ constituting a cone morphism $g : (B, \gamma \circ e) \rightarrow (A, \phi)$, there exists a map $h : C \rightarrow A$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{g} & A \\ e \downarrow & \nearrow h & \downarrow \phi_i \\ C & \xrightarrow{\gamma_i} & D_i \end{array}$$

commutes for all $i \in \mathcal{I}$.

- Observation:** The cone (A, ϕ) is jointly full iff the canonical map to the limit is full.

Definition

A **nice diagram** in an adequate category \mathfrak{X} is a truncated simplicial diagram

$$A_2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{d_0} \xrightarrow{s_0} \\ \xleftarrow{d_1} \xrightarrow{s_1} \\ \xleftarrow{d_2} \end{array} A_1 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{d_0} \xrightarrow{s_0} \\ \xleftarrow{d_1} \end{array} A_0$$

where

1. A_0 , A_1 , and A_2 are 0-extensions,
2. the maps $d_0, d_1 : A_1 \rightarrow A_0$ are full,

3. in the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_2 & \xrightarrow{d_0} & A_1 \\ d_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow d_1 \\ A_1 & \xrightarrow{d_0} & A_0 \end{array}$$
 the span constitutes a jointly full diagram over the cospan,

4. there exists a symmetry map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_1 & \xrightarrow{d_1} & A_0 \\ d_0 \downarrow & \searrow \sigma & \uparrow d_0 \\ A_0 & \xleftarrow{d_1} & A_1 \end{array}$$
 making the triangles commute, and

5. there exists a 0-extension \tilde{A} and full maps $f, g : \tilde{A} \rightarrow A_1$ constituting a jointly full cone over the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_1 & & A_1 \\ d_0 \downarrow & \swarrow d_1 \searrow & \downarrow d_1 \\ A_0 & \xleftarrow{d_0} & A_0 \end{array}$$

Nice diagrams

Lemma

For any nice diagram, the pairing $A_1 \xrightarrow{\langle d_0, d_1 \rangle} A_0 \times A_0$ admits a decomposition $A_1 \twoheadrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\langle r_0, r_1 \rangle} A_0 \times A_0$ into a full map and a monomorphism, and $\langle r_0, r_1 \rangle$ is a componentwise-full equivalence relation.

Lemma

Assume \mathfrak{X} is adequate and $F : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ preserves finite limits and sends full maps to surjections. Then for every nice diagram, F preserves coequalizers of the arrows $d_0, d_1 : A_1 \rightarrow A_0$.

Lemma

The restriction L' of L in the nerve/realization adjunction

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{J} & \mathfrak{X} \\
 \downarrow & \nearrow L' & \\
 \{0\text{-ext}\} & \xrightarrow{\dashv} & \\
 \downarrow & \nwarrow N & \\
 \mathbf{Mod}(\mathbb{C}^{\mathrm{op}}) & &
 \end{array}$$

to 0-extensions is fully faithful and preserves full maps and nice diagrams.

Nice diagrams

Lemma

For every object A of an adequate category \mathfrak{X} there exists a nice diagram

$$A_2 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{d_0} \xrightarrow{s_0} \\ \xleftarrow{d_1} \xrightarrow{s_1} \\ \xleftarrow{d_2} \end{array} A_1 \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{d_0} \xrightarrow{s_0} \\ \xleftarrow{d_1} \end{array} A_0$$

such that A is the coequalizer of $d_0, d_1 : A_1 \rightarrow A_0$.

Proof.

- A_0 is given by covering A by a 0-extension, i.e. factoring $0 \rightarrow A$ as $0 \hookrightarrow A_0 \xrightarrow{e} A$.

- A_1 is given by covering the kernel of $A_0 \rightarrow A$ by a 0-extension

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 \hookrightarrow A_1 & \twoheadrightarrow & R & \xrightarrow{r_0} & A_0 \\ & & r_1 \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow e \\ & & A_0 & \xrightarrow{e} & A \end{array}$$

- A_2 is given by covering the following pullback:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 \hookrightarrow A_2 & \twoheadrightarrow & \bullet & \rightarrow & A_1 \\ & & \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow d_0 \\ & & A_1 & \xrightarrow{d_1} & A_0 \end{array}$$

□

The theorem

Theorem

Adequate categories are clan-algebraic.

Proof.

Let \mathfrak{X} be adequate and let $\mathbb{C} \subseteq \mathfrak{X}$ be the co-clan of compact 0-extensions. It remains to show that

$$AC \cong \mathfrak{X}(C, LA).$$

for all $A \in \mathbf{Mod}(\mathbb{C}^{\text{op}})$ and $C \in \mathbb{C}$. Let A_{\bullet} be a nice diagram with coequalizer A . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{X}(C, LA) &= \mathfrak{X}(C, L(\text{coeq}(A_1 \rightrightarrows A_0))) \\ &\cong \mathfrak{X}(C, \text{coeq}(LA_1 \rightrightarrows LA_0)) \\ &\cong \text{coeq}(\mathfrak{X}(C, LA_1) \rightrightarrows \mathfrak{X}(C, LA_0)) \\ &\cong \text{coeq}(A_1 C \rightrightarrows A_0 C) \\ &\cong \text{coeq}(\mathbf{Mod}(ZC, A_1) \rightrightarrows \mathbf{Mod}(ZC, A_0)) \\ &\cong \mathbf{Mod}(ZC, \text{coeq}(A_1 \rightrightarrows A_0)) \\ &\cong \mathbf{Mod}(ZC, A) \\ &\cong AC \end{aligned}$$

since $A = \text{coeq}(A_1 \rightrightarrows A_0)$

since L preserves colimits

since $\mathfrak{X}(C, -)$ preserves coeqs of nice diags

since $LA_i = \text{colim}(\int A_i \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X})$ filtered



Part III

Models in higher types

Let \mathcal{S} be the ∞ -topos of spaces/types.

Let \mathcal{C}_{Mon} be the finite-product theory of monoids, and let \mathcal{L}_{Mon} be the finite-limit theory of monoids. Then

$$\mathbf{FP}(\mathcal{C}_{\text{Mon}}, \mathcal{S}) \simeq \mathbf{FL}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{Mon}}, \mathcal{S})$$

but $\mathbf{FP}(\mathcal{C}_{\text{Mon}}, \mathcal{S})$ and $\mathbf{FL}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{Mon}}, \mathcal{S})$ are different:

- $\mathbf{FL}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{Mon}}, \mathcal{S})$ is just the category of monoids
- $\mathbf{FP}(\mathcal{C}_{\text{Mon}}, \mathcal{S})$ is the ∞ -category ‘ A_∞ -algebras’, i.e. homotopy-coherent monoids.

Moral

By being ‘slimmer’, finite-product theories leave room for higher coherences when interpreted in higher types.

This phenomenon has been discussed under the name ‘animation’ in:

- K. Cesnavicius and P. Scholze. “Purity for flat cohomology”. In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:1912.10932* (2019)

Four clans for categories

Cat admits several clan-algebraic weak factorization systems:

- $(\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{F}_1)$ is cofib. generated by $\{(0 \rightarrow 1), (2 \rightarrow 2)\}$
- $(\mathcal{E}_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$ is cofib. generated by $\{(0 \rightarrow 1), (2 \rightarrow 2), (2 \rightarrow 1)\}$
- $(\mathcal{E}_3, \mathcal{F}_3)$ is cofib. generated by $\{(0 \rightarrow 1), (2 \rightarrow 2), (\mathbb{P} \rightarrow 2)\}$
- $(\mathcal{E}_4, \mathcal{F}_4)$ is cofib. generated by $\{(0 \rightarrow 1), (2 \rightarrow 2), (\mathbb{P} \rightarrow 2), (2 \rightarrow 1)\}$

where $\mathbb{P} = (\bullet \rightrightarrows \bullet)$.

The right classes are:

$$\mathcal{F}_1 = \{\text{full and surjective-on-objects functors}\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \{\text{full and bijective-on-objects functors}\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_3 = \{\text{fully faithful and surjective-on-objects functors}\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_4 = \{\text{isos}\}$$

Note that \mathcal{F}_3 is the class of trivial fibrations for the canonical model structure on **Cat**.

Four clans for categories

These correspond to the following clans:

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \{\text{free cats on fin. graphs}\}^{\text{op}}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_2 = \{\text{free cats on fin. graphs}\}^{\text{op}}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_3 = \{\text{f.p. cats}\}^{\text{op}}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_4 = \{\text{f.p. cats}\}^{\text{op}}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_1^\dagger = \{\text{graph inclusions}\}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_2^\dagger = \{\text{injective-on-edges maps}\}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_3^\dagger = \{\text{injective-on-objects functors}\}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_4^\dagger = \{\text{all functors}\}$$

Models in higher types:

$$\infty\text{-}\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T}_1) = \{\text{Segal spaces}\}$$

$$\infty\text{-}\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T}_2) = \{\text{Segal categories}\}$$

$$\infty\text{-}\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T}_3) = \{\text{pre-categories}\}$$

$$\infty\text{-}\mathbf{Mod}(\mathcal{T}_4) = \{\text{discrete 1-categories}\}$$

Thanks for your attention!