

MEETING NOTES

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1.1. Chandrika's notes.

1.1.1. *Rushed Introduction and summary.* Consider the following diagram, where A, B, C are sets, and D is the homotopy pushout of B and C along A .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow \\ C & \longrightarrow & D \end{array}$$

We would like to show that D is a homotopy set as well using the encode-decode method. Therefore, we defined $\text{code} : D \rightarrow D \rightarrow \text{Type}$ so that $\text{code}(x, y)$ is a proposition.

Amelia spoke of a picture to think of for D . This is my understanding of the picture. D is the following topological space (“the double mapping cylinder”). $(B \cup A \times [0, 1] \cup C) / \sim$, where \sim is defined by:

- $(a, 1) \sim b \iff f(a) = b, \forall a \in A, b \in B$
- $(a, 0) \sim c \iff g(a) = c, \forall a \in A, c \in C$

We have attempted to define $\text{code}(x, y)$ to be the homotopy structure of the paths from x to y in this double mapping cylinder.

In Utah, we successfully defined encode and began to define $\text{decode} : \text{code} \rightarrow \text{Id}_D$. We defined $\text{decode}(\text{code}(x, y))$ for all $x, y \in (B \cup C) \subset D$.

1.1.2. *What's next?* It remains to define $\text{ap}_{\text{decode}}$. I think that these are the types of the various parts of $\text{ap}_{\text{decode}}$.

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