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Formalizing Typing Rules for Natural Languages using Effects

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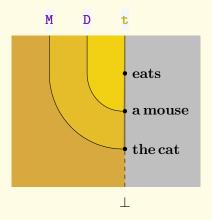
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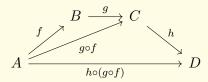
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It simply states that:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \left(2x^2\right) = 4x^2$$

Of wolf, and man.

Definition 2.7 Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be two categories. A functor $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{B}$ is:

- 0 An object $F(A) \in \mathcal{B}$ for each object A of \mathcal{A} .
- 1 For each pair $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}$, a function:

$$F_{A_1,A_2}: \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(A_1,A_2) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(FA_1,FA_2)$$

 $f \mapsto F(f)$

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We ask the following equations to be satisfied:

$$F(g\circ f)=F(g)\circ F(f),$$
 that is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{g} & B & \xrightarrow{f} & C \\ \downarrow_F & & \downarrow_F & & \downarrow_F \\ FA & \xrightarrow{Fg} & FB & \xrightarrow{Ff} & FC \end{array}$$

and
$$F(\mathrm{id}_A) = \mathrm{id}_{F(A)}$$

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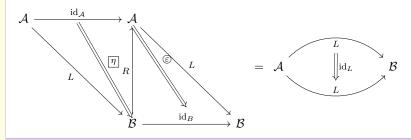
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Definition 2.8 A natural transformation is a functor in the category of small categories and functors. If $F,G:\mathcal{A}\Rightarrow\mathcal{B}$ are functors, a natural transformation θ from F to G is, for each object of \mathcal{A} a function θ_A such that the following diagram commutes for all $f:A\to B$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
FA & \xrightarrow{Ff} & FB \\
\theta_A \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta_B \\
GA & \xrightarrow{Gf} & GB
\end{array}$$

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Definition 2.9 An adjunction $L\dashv R$ between two functors $L:\mathcal{A}\to\mathcal{B}$ and $R:\mathcal{B}\to\mathcal{A}$ is a pair of natural transformations $\eta:\mathrm{Id}_{\mathcal{A}}\Rightarrow R\circ L$ and $\varepsilon:L\circ R\Rightarrow\mathrm{Id}_{\mathcal{B}}$ verifying the zigzag equations:



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Definition 2.10 A product of two objects A and B in a category φ is a triplet

$$(A \times B, \pi_1 : A \times B \to A, \pi_2 : A \times B \to B)$$

$$A \xrightarrow{\pi_1} B$$

such that for all pair of arrows $X \xrightarrow{f} A$ et $X \xrightarrow{g} B$, there is a unique $h: X \to A \times B$ such that $f = \pi_1 \circ h, g = \pi_2 \circ h$.

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Definition 2.11 A terminal object $\mathbb{1}$ in a category $\Gamma \vdash$ is an object such that for all A in $\Gamma \vdash$ there is one and only one arrow $A \to \mathbb{1}$.

An initial object is the same thing with the arrows reversed.

Definition 2.12 A category is cartesian if all products exist and it has a terminal object 1.

Cartesian products and terminal objects are unique, up to isomorphism.

Go Fish

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Set is a cartesian closed category, where currification is defined by the partial application of high arity functions to a subset of their arguments.

Type Theory

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Definition 2.16 We give ourselves a set of type variables TyVar and define types by:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} A,B & ::= & \alpha \in TyVar \\ & \mid & A \times B \\ & \mid & \mathbb{1} \\ & \mid & A \Rightarrow B \end{array}$$

A context $M = x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n$ is a list of pairs $x_i : A_i$ with a variable x_i and a type A_i , all the variables being different.

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Fudge Supreme

Definition 2.17 A typing $\Gamma \vdash M: A$ is a triplet composed of a context Γ , a λ -term M and a type A, such that all free variables of M are in Γ . A proof tree for a typing judgement is constructed inductively from a set of rules of the form:

$$\frac{}{x:A \vdash x:A}$$
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$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : A \Rightarrow B \qquad \Delta \vdash N : A}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash App(M,N) : B} \quad \mathsf{App}$$

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A way to model effects when in a typing category is by using functors [?].

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Let $\bar{\mathcal{C}}$ the free categorical closure of $\mathcal{F}\left(\mathcal{L}\right)\left(\mathcal{O}\left(\mathcal{L}\right)\right)$.

Then our types are defined as: $\star = \mathrm{Obj}\left(\bar{\mathcal{C}}\right)/\mathcal{F}\left(\mathcal{L}\right)$.

Let
$$\star_0 = \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{C})$$
.

We get a subtyping relationship based on the procedure used to construct $\bar{\mathcal{C}}$.