

3. Assume that $\mathcal{U} : \mathfrak{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is a right Quillen functor that preserves and reflects the weak equivalences. Then the adjunction

$$|-|^c : \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{U}}[\mathfrak{A}]_e^c \rightleftarrows \mathfrak{A} : \iota,$$

is a Quillen equivalence.

4. In particular we have a diagram of equivalences between the homotopy categories.

$$\mathbf{ho}[\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{U}}[\mathfrak{A}]_{e+}^c] \xleftarrow{\sim} \mathbf{ho}[\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{U}}[\mathfrak{A}]_e^c] \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{ho}[\mathfrak{A}].$$

Note. As outline before, in [1, Theorem 8.2], we stated this theorem under the hypothesis that \mathcal{U} is faithful but this is not necessary and is too restrictive. This hypothesis was suggested by the case of algebras and categories. We can also show that if \mathcal{U} is just part of a Quillen equivalence then we still have a Quillen equivalence between $|-|^c : \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{U}}[\mathfrak{A}]_e^c \rightleftarrows \mathfrak{A} : \iota$, and by closure, the other functor $\mathcal{M} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{U}}[\mathfrak{A}]_e^c$ is also part of a Quillen equivalence. We should warn the reader that if \mathcal{U} is not faithful then the left adjoint $|-|^c$ is not the target functor anymore.

We remind the reader that both model categories $\mathbf{sSet}_{\mathbf{Q}}$ and $\mathbf{sSet}_{\mathbf{J}}$ are combinatorial and left proper.

2 Applications and Interpretations

2.1 Understanding the Univalence axiom

The discussion that follows is an attempt to understand the univalence axiom, by a non-expert.

Let us consider the identity functor $\mathcal{U} = \text{Id} : \mathbf{sSet}_{\mathbf{Q}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{sSet}_{\mathbf{Q}}$ with the Quillen model structure. Then the category $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{U}}[\mathfrak{A}]$ is just the category of morphisms in \mathbf{sSet} :

$$\text{Arr}(\mathbf{sSet}) = \mathbf{sSet}^{\mathbb{I}} = \text{Hom}([0 \longrightarrow 1], \mathbf{sSet}) = \text{Path}(\mathbf{sSet}).$$

The left adjoint $|-|^c : \mathbf{sSet}^{\mathbb{I}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{sSet}$ is the target-functor whose right adjoint is the embedding $\iota : \mathbf{sSet} \longrightarrow \mathbf{sSet}^{\mathbb{I}}$ that takes X to the identity (type) morphism Id_X . As far as we understand, the Quillen-Segal type in this context is precisely the equivalence type.

By the second assertion of Theorem 1.2, there exists a model structure on $\mathbf{sSet}_{\mathbf{Q}}^{\mathbb{I}} = \text{Path}(\mathbf{sSet}_{\mathbf{Q}})$ such that:

1. Every fibrant \mathcal{F} object is a trivial fibration $\mathcal{F} : s(\mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{\sim} t(\mathcal{F})$, with $s(\mathcal{F})$ fibrant in $\mathbf{sSet}_{\mathbf{Q}}$, which means that $s(\mathcal{F})$ is Kan.