## Solutions Manual for Lawvere and Schanuel $Conceptual\ Mathematics$

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# Part I Preview

## Session 1 — Galileo and Multiplication of Objects

**Exercise 1** Many examples — every instance of a product in a category gives an example. I will not list them.

Exercise 2 I am not entirely sure what solution the authors had in mind. Here are some that come to my mind:

Place a spirit level between the two points and see if it reads as level.

Place a smooth plank between the two points and see if a ball placed at one point rolls to the other, or *vice versa*.

Hang a plumbline at each point and see if they form a right angle with the line joining the two points.

Of these, the third is my favourite.

## Part II

Part I — The category of sets

# Article I — Sets, maps, composition

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Exercise 1 Easy.
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**Exercise 2** There are 8 maps from A to B.

**Exercise 3** There are 27 maps from A to A.

**Exercise 4** There are 9 maps from B to A.

**Exercise 5** There are 4 maps from B to B.

**Exercise 6** There are 10 such maps from A to A.

**Exercise 7** There are 3 such maps from B to B.

Exercise 8 There is no such pair of maps.

Exercise 9 There are 12 such pairs of maps.

# Session 3 — Composing maps and counting maps

**Exercise 1** (a) and (c) make sense.

Exercise 2 (a) and (c) still make sense.

## Part III

# Part II — The algebra of composition

## Article II — Isomorphisms

### 4.1 1. Isomorphisms

#### Exercise 1

- (R) We have  $1_A \circ 1_A = 1_A$  by the Identity Laws, so  $1_A$  is an isomorphism with inverse  $1_A$ .
- (S) We have  $g \circ f = 1_A$  and  $f \circ g = 1_B$  (this is what it means for g to be an inverse for f). This says exactly that f is an inverse for g.
- (T) Let  $f^{-1}: B \to A$  be an inverse for f and  $k^{-1}: C \to B$  be an inverse for k. We prove  $f^{-1} \circ k^{-1}$  is an inverse for  $k \circ f$ . We have

$$f^{-1} \circ k^{-1} \circ k \circ f = f^{-1} \circ 1_B \circ f$$
 (definition of inverse)  
=  $f^{-1} \circ f$  (Identity Law)  
=  $1_A$  (definition of inverse)

and  $k \circ f \circ f^{-1} \circ k^{-1} = 1_C$  similarly.

#### Exercise 2 We have

$$g = g \circ 1_B$$
 (Identity Law)  
 $= g \circ f \circ k$  ( $k$  is an inverse of  $f$ )  
 $= 1_A \circ k$  ( $g$  is an inverse of  $f$ )  
 $= k$  (Identity Law)

#### Exercise 3

(a) Let  $f: A \to B$ . Let  $h, k: C \to A$ . Suppose  $f \circ h = f \circ k$ . Then

$$f^{-1} \circ f \circ h = f^{-1} \circ f \circ k$$
  
 $\therefore 1_A \circ h = 1_A \circ k$  (Definition of inverse)  
 $\therefore h = k$  (Identity Law)

(b) Let  $f: A \to B$ . Let  $h, k: B \to C$ . Suppose  $h \circ f = k \circ f$ . Then

$$h \circ f \circ f^{-1} = k \circ f \circ f^{-1}$$
  
 $\therefore h \circ 1_B = k \circ 1_B$  (Definition of inverse)  
 $\therefore h = k$  (Identity Law)

(c) Let  $A = \{0, 1\}$ . Define  $f: A \to A$  by f(0) = 1 and f(1) = 0. Define  $h: A \to A$  by h(x) = 0 for all x. Define  $k: A \to A$  by k(x) = 1 for all x. f is invertible, and is its own inverse.

We have  $h \circ f = f \circ k = h$ .

We do not have h = k.

#### Exercise 4

- (1) This function is invertible with inverse  $f^{-1}(x) = (x-7)/3$ .
- (2) This function is invertible with inverse  $g^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x}$ .
- (3) This function is not invertible because h(1) = h(-1) = 1.
- (4) This function is not invertible because k(1) = k(-1) = 1.
- (5) This function is not invertible because there is no x such that l(x) = 2.

## 4.2 2 — General division problems: Determination and choice

**Exercise 5** There are 6 maps f such that  $g \circ f = 1_{\{0,1\}}$ ; we can map 0 to any of b, p or q, and 1 to either of r or s.

Given any one of these maps f, there are 8 maps g such that  $g \circ f = 1_{\{0,1\}}$ . We must map f(0) to 0, f(1) to 1, and the other three elements to any of 0 or 1.

**Exercise 6** If  $r: B \to A$  is a section for f, then we take  $t = g \circ r$ . We have  $t \circ f = g \circ r \circ f = g \circ 1_A = g$ .

**Exercise 7** Let  $s: B \to A$  be a section for f. Let T be any set and  $t_1, t_2: T \to B$ . Suppose  $t_1 \circ f = t_2 \circ f$ . Then

$$t_1 \circ f \circ s = t_2 \circ f \circ s$$
$$\therefore t_1 \circ 1_B = t_2 \circ 1_B$$
$$\therefore t_1 = t_2$$

**Exercise 8** If  $s_1: B \to A$  is a section for  $r_1: A \to B$  and  $s_2: C \to B$  is a section for  $r_2: B \to C$ , then  $s_1 \circ s_2$  is a section for  $r_2 \circ r_1$  since

$$r_2 \circ r_1 \circ s_1 \circ s_2 = r_2 \circ 1_B \circ s_2$$
$$= r_2 \circ s_2$$
$$= 1_C$$

Exercise 9 We have

$$e \circ e = f \circ r \circ f \circ r$$
  
=  $f \circ 1 \circ r$  (r is a retraction of f)  
=  $f \circ r$   
=  $e$ 

**Exercise 10** From the proof of Proposition 3,  $f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$  is both a section and a retraction for  $g \circ f$ .

**Exercise 11** Set f(Fatima) = coffee, f(Omer) = tea and f(Alysia) = cocoa. Then f is an isomorphism.

There is no isomorphism  $g:A\to C$ . For if g(Fatima)=true then g(Omer) must be false, and then it is impossible to choose a value for g(Alysia) without having g(Alysia)=g(Fatima) or g(Alysia)=g(Omer). Similarly if g(Fatima)=false then g(Omer) must be true, and then again we cannot choose a value for g(Alysia).

# Session 4 — Division of Maps: Isomorphisms

## 5.1 4. A small zoo of isomorphisms in other categories

**Exercise 1** We have h(d(x)) = h(2x) = x and d(h(x)) = d(x/2) = x for any x.

Exercise 2 f(odd) = negative and f(even) = positive

#### Exercise 3

- (a) This is not an isomorphism because p(0+0)=1 but p(0)+p(0)=2
- (b) This is not an isomorphism because it is not surjective; there is no x such that sq(x) = -1.
- (c) This is not an isomorphism because it is not injective. We have sq(1) = sq(-1) = 1.
  - (d) This is an isomorphism; it is bijective and -(x+y) = (-x) + (-y).
  - (e) This is not an isomorphism because  $m(1 \times 1) = -1$  but  $m(1) \times m(1) = 1$ .
  - (f) This is not a well-defined map because  $c(-1) = -1 \notin \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ .

# Session 5 — Division of Maps: Sections and Retractions

### 6.1 1. Determination Problems

#### Exercise 1

- (a) Suppose  $h = g \circ f$  and  $fa_1 = fa_2$ . Then  $ha_1 = g(fa_1) = g(fa_2) = ha_2$ .
- (b) No. Take  $A = C = \emptyset$  and  $B = \{*\}$ . Let  $f: A \to B$  and  $h: A \to C$  be the unique such maps. Vacuously, if  $fa_1 = fa_2$  then  $ha_1 = ha_2$ . But there is no map  $g: B \to C$ .

### 6.2 3. Choice Problems

#### Exercise 2

- (a) Suppose  $g \circ f = h$ . Let  $a \in A$ . Let b = f(a). Then h(a) = g(f(a)) = g(b).
  - (b) This is equivalent to the Axiom of Choice.

### 6.3 5. Stacking or Sorting

Exercise 3 I'm not going to draw all of them, but there are 8 of them.

# Session 9 — Retracts and Idempotents

### 7.1 1. Retracts and Comparisons

**Exercise 1** If A is empty, then the nowhere-defined function is a map  $A \to B$ . If B has a point, say b, then the constant map with value b is a map  $A \to B$ .

### 7.2 2. Idempotents as records of retracts

**Exercise 3** Suppose  $s:A\to B,\ r:B\to A$  and  $s':A'\to B,\ r':B\to A'$  are splittings of  $e:B\to B$ . Let

$$f = r' \circ s$$
 :  $A \to A'$   
 $f^{-1} = r \circ s'$  :  $A' \to A$ 

Then we have

$$f \circ f^{-1} = r' \circ s \circ r \circ s'$$

$$= r' \circ e \circ s'$$

$$= r' \circ s' \circ r' \circ s'$$

$$= 1$$

$$f^{-1} \circ f = r \circ s' \circ r' \circ s$$

$$= r \circ e \circ s$$

$$= r \circ s \circ r \circ s$$

$$= 1$$

## Quiz

**Question 1** Let  $A = \{*\}$  and  $B = \{0,1\}$ . Define  $f: A \to B$  by f(\*) = 0. Then the unique function  $r: B \to A$  is a retraction for f (since r(f(\*)) = \*) but not a section for f (since f(s(1)) = 0). Therefore there is no section for f, since there is only one map  $B \to A$ .

#### Question 2

- (a) Yes: if pqp = p then pqpq = pq
- **(b)** Yes: if pqp = p then qpqp = qp

**Question 2\*** Let q' = qpq Then we have

$$pq'p = pqpqp$$

$$= pqp$$

$$= p$$

$$q'pq' = qpqpqpq$$

$$= qpqpq$$

$$= qpq$$

$$= qpq$$

$$= q'$$

**Question 1\*** Take  $A = B = \mathbb{N}$  and define  $f: A \to B$  by f(x) = 2x. Then f has a retraction f given by

$$r(y) = \begin{cases} y/2 & \text{if } y \text{ is even} \\ 0 & \text{if } y \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

It has no section since it is not surjective (Article II Proposition 1).

# Summary / quiz on pairs of 'opposed' maps

**Question 1** Given two maps f, g with domains and codomains as above, we can always form the composites  $g \circ f$  and  $f \circ g$ . All we can say about  $g \circ f$  and  $f \circ g$  as maps in themselves is that they are endomaps.

**Question 2** If we know that g is a retraction for f, that means  $g \circ f$  is actually the identity map  $1_A$ ; then we can prove that  $f \circ g$  is not only an endomap, but actually an idempotent. The latter means that the equation  $f \circ g \circ f \circ g = f \circ g$  is true.

**Question 3** If we even know that f is an isomorphism and that  $g \circ f = 1_A$ , then  $f \circ g$  is not only an idempotent, but is the identity map  $1_B$ . If, moreover, s is a map for which  $f \circ s = 1_B$ , we can conclude that s = g.

**Question 4** Going back to 0, i.e. assuming no equations, but only the domain and codomain statements about f and g, the composite  $f \circ g \circ f$  could be different from f. Likewise  $f \circ g \circ f \circ g$  could be different from  $f \circ g$ .

## Test 1

#### Question 1

- (a) Let f(Mara) = Aurelio, f(Aurelio) = Mara and f(Andrea) = Andrea.
- **(b)** Let e(Mara) = Aurelio, e(Aurelio) = Aurelio and e(Andrea) = Andrea.
- (c) Let  $B = \{0, 1\}$ . Define  $s: B \to A$  by s(0) = Aurelio and s(1) = Andrea. Define  $r: A \to B$  by r(Mara) = 0, r(Aurelio) = 0 and r(Andrea) = 1.

**Question 2** Define  $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  by g(y) = (y+7)/4.

(a) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(4x - 7) = (4x - 7 + 7)/4 = 4x/4 = x$$

**(b)** 
$$f(g(x)) = f((x+7)/4) = 4((x+7)/4) - 7 = x + 7 - 7 = x$$

## Session 10 — Brouwer's Theorems

## 11.1 4. Relation between fixed point and retraction theorems

**Exercise 1** Suppose for a contradiction there is no point x such that f(x) = g(x). Define  $r: D \to C$  as follows: for  $x \in D$ , r(x) is the point on C that is pointed at by the arrow with tail at f(x) and head at g(x). For  $x \in C$ , we have g(j(x)) = j(x), so the point that is pointed at by any arrow with head at g(j(x)) is x. Hence

$$r(j(x)) = x$$

and so r is a retraction for j, contradicting the retraction theorem.

**Exercise 2** Let  $f:A\to A$  be any endomap. Then  $s\circ f\circ r:X\to X$  is an endomap on X. Hence there exists  $x:T\to X$  such that sfrx=x. But then we have

$$rsfrx = rx$$
$$\therefore frx = rx$$

and so  $r \circ x : T \to A$  is a fixed point of f.

**Exercise 3** Let A be either E, C or S, and X be I, D or B respectively. Assume that every endomap  $X \to X$  has a fixed point.

Assume for a contradiction that X is a retract of A. By Exercise 2, every endomap on A has a fixed point. This is a contradiction, as the antipodal map on A has no fixed point.

### 11.2 7. Using maps to formulate guesses

#### Exercise 1

- (a) We can express 'I start in Buffalo and end in Rochester' as  $m \circ j = i \circ j$ . We can express 'You start and finish anywhere between Buffalo and Rochester' as: there exists  $f: I \to E$  such that  $y \circ j = i \circ f$ .
  - (b) There exists  $t: 1 \to I$  such that mt = yt.
- (c) Let C be the circle, D the disk and P the plane. Let  $j: C \to D$  and  $i: D \to P$  be the inclusions.

For any maps  $m, y : D \to P$  such that:

- mj = ij
- there exists  $f:C\to D$  such that yj=if

then there exists  $t: 1 \to D$  such that mt = yt.

(d) I have not been able to find any smooth maps for which it is not true.

## Part IV

## Part III — Categories of Structured Sets

# Article III — Examples of Categories

### 12.1 1. The category $S^{\circ}$ of endomaps of sets

**Exercise 1** Let  $f:(X,\alpha)\to (Y,\beta)$  and  $g:(Y,\beta)\to (Z,\gamma)$ . Then

$$g\circ f\circ \alpha=g\circ \beta\circ f=\gamma\circ g\circ f$$

and so  $g \circ f : (X, \alpha) \to (Z, \gamma)$ .

### 12.2 4. Categories of endomaps

**Exercise 2** Suppose  $e:A\to A$  is idempotent and has a retraction  $r:A\to A$ . Then

$$1_A = r \circ e = r \circ e \circ e = 1_A \circ e = e$$

so  $e = 1_A$ . Thus, the identities are the only idempotents that have retractions.

**Exercise 3** Suppose A has an even number of elements, say  $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_{2n}\}$ . Define  $\theta: A \to A$  by  $\theta(a_{2k+1}) = a_{2k+2}$  and  $\theta(a_{2k+2}) = a_{2k+1}$   $(0 \le k < n)$ . Then  $\theta$  is an involution with no fixed point.

Conversely, suppose  $\theta: A \to A$  is an involution with no fixed point. Enumerate the elements of A as follows: Pick any element  $a_1 \in A$ . Let  $a_2 = \theta(a_1)$ ; then  $a_1 = \theta(a_2)$ .

Assuming we have picked  $a_1,\ldots,a_{2m}$  such that  $\{a_1,\ldots,a_{2m}\}$  is closed under  $\theta$  and  $A\neq\{a_1,\ldots,a_{2m}\}$ , pick  $a_{2m+1}\in A-\{a_1,\ldots,a_{2m}\}$ . Then  $\theta(a_{2m+1})\notin\{a_1,\ldots,a_{2m}\}$  (since  $\theta(\theta(a_{2m+1}))=a_{2m+1}$ ) and  $\theta(a_{2m+1})\neq a_{2m+1}$  (since  $\theta$  has no fixed point). So let  $a_{2m+2}=\theta(a_{2m+1})$ .

This process must end because A is finite. So  $A = \{a_1, \ldots, a_{2n}\}$  for some n.

Suppose now A has an odd number of elements, say  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2n+1}\}$ . Define  $\theta : A \to A$  by

$$\theta(a_{2k+1}) = a_{2k+2}$$
  $(0 \le k < n)$   
 $\theta(a_{2k+2}) = a_{2k+1}$   $(0 \le k < n)$   
 $\theta(a_{2n+1}) = a_{2n+1}$ 

Then  $\theta$  is an involution whose only fixed point is  $a_{2n+1}$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\theta: A \to A$  is an involution with one fixed point f. Then  $\theta \upharpoonright (A - \{f\})$  is an involution on  $A - \{f\}$  with no fixed point. So  $A - \{f\}$  has an even number of elements, and so A has an odd number of elements.

**Exercise 4** The map  $\alpha$  is an involution because -(-x) = x. It is not idempotent because  $-(-1) \neq -1$ . Its only fixed point is 0.

**Exercise 5** The map  $\alpha$  is not an involution because  $||-1|| = 1 \neq -1$ . It is idempotent because ||x|| = |x|. Its fixed points are the non-negative integers.

**Exercise 6** The map  $\alpha$  is an automorphism with inverse  $\alpha^{-1}(x) = x - 3$ .

**Exercise 7** The map  $\alpha$  is not an automorphism because there is no integer x with  $\alpha(x) = 1$ .

**Exercise 8** If  $\alpha$  is idempotent then  $\alpha \circ \alpha \circ \alpha = \alpha \circ \alpha = \alpha$ . If  $\alpha$  is an involution then  $\alpha \circ \alpha \circ \alpha = 1 \circ \alpha = \alpha$ .

Exercise 9 Label the elements in the diagram 0, 1, 2 from top to bottom.

$$\alpha^{3}(0) = \alpha^{2}(1) = \alpha(2) = 1$$

$$= \alpha(0)$$

$$\alpha^{3}(1) = \alpha^{2}(2) = \alpha(1) = 2$$

$$= \alpha(1)$$

$$\alpha^{3}(2) = \alpha^{2}(1) = \alpha(2) = 1$$

$$= \alpha(2)$$

Thus,  $\alpha^3 = \alpha$ .

Then

However,  $\alpha$  is not idempotent because  $\alpha^2(0) = 2 \neq \alpha(0)$ . And  $\alpha$  is not an involution because  $\alpha^2(0) = 2 \neq 0$ .

### 12.3 5. Irreflexive graphs

Exercise 10

$$s(a) = k, s(b) = m, s(c) = k, s(d) = p, s(e) = m$$
  
 $t(a) = m, t(b) = m, t(c) = m, t(d) = q, t(e) = r$ 

The arrow b has s(b) = t(b). There is no arrow x with t(x) = k.

Exercise 11 We have

$$s'' \circ g \circ f = g \circ s' \circ f = g \circ f \circ s$$
$$t'' \circ g \circ f = g \circ t' \circ f = g \circ f \circ t$$

and so  $g \circ f : (X, P, s, t) \to (Z, R, s'', t'')$ .

### 12.4 6. Endomaps as special graphs

Exericse 12

$$I(g\circ f)=(g\circ f,g\circ f)=(g,g)\circ (f,f)=I(g)\circ I(f)$$

**Exercise 13** For any  $x \in X$  we have  $f_A(x) = 1_Y(f_A(x)) = f_D(1_X(x)) = f_D(x)$ , and so  $f_A = f_D$ . Thus  $(f_A, f_D) = I(f_A)$ .

## 12.5 7. The simpler category $S^{\downarrow}$ : Objects are just maps of sets

**Exercise 14** Let  $X = \{*\}$  and  $Y = \{0,1\}$ . Let  $\alpha$  be the only map  $X \to X$ , and  $\beta: Y \to Y$  be the map with  $\beta(0) = 1$  and  $\beta(1) = 0$ . Let  $f_A(*) = 0$  and  $f_D(*) = 1$ . Then  $f_D \circ \alpha = \beta \circ f_A$  but  $f_A \neq f_D$ .

### 12.6 8. Reflexive graphs

**Exercise 15** Let  $x_1 = s$  and  $x_2 = t$ , so  $e_i = ix_i$  for each i. Then

$$e_k e_j = ix_k ix_j$$

$$= i1_P x_j$$

$$= ix_j$$

$$= e_j$$

In particular,  $e_j e_j = e_j$ , so each  $e_j$  is idempotent.

**Exercise 16** Let  $(f_A, f_D): (X, P, s, t, i) \rightarrow (Y, Q, s', t', j)$ . Then

$$f_D s = s' f_A$$

$$\therefore f_D = f_D s i$$

$$= s' f_A i$$

**Exercise 17** A map between  $(M, F, \phi, \phi', \mu, \mu')$  and  $(N, G, \psi, \psi', \nu, \nu')$  is a pair of functions  $f: M \to N$  and  $g: F \to G$  such that

$$\psi f = f\phi$$

$$\psi' g = f\phi'$$

$$\nu g = g\mu$$

$$\nu' f = g\nu$$

### 12.7 10. Retractions and Injectivity

**Exercise 18** Let  $a: X \to Y$  have a retraction  $r: Y \to X$ . Let  $x_1, x_2: T \to X$  satisfy  $ax_1 = ax_2$ . Then

$$x_1 = rax_1 = rax_2 = x_2 .$$

Exercise 19 We have

$$\beta ax = 0$$

$$\beta a0 = 0$$

$$a\alpha x = 0$$

$$a\alpha 0 = 0$$

So  $\beta a = a\alpha$  as required.

**Exercise 20** Let  $x_1, x_2 : (T, \gamma) \to (X, \alpha)$  satisfy  $ax_1 = ax_2$ . Then, for any  $t \in T$ , we have  $ax_1t = ax_2t$ , hence  $x_1t = x_2t$  (since a is injective as a function). Thus  $x_1 = x_2$ .

**Exercise 21** The retractions are the maps that send y to x, 0 to 0, and  $\overline{y}$  to either x or 0.

**Exercise 22** Let  $r: Y \to X$  be either of the retractions of a in S. Then, no matter what  $r\overline{y}$  is, we have  $\alpha r\overline{y} = 0$ . But  $r\beta\overline{y} = ry = x$ . Thus r is not a map  $(Y,\beta) \to (X,\alpha)$  in  $S^{\circ}$ .

**Exercise 23** The following are maps in  $S^{\circ}$ :

$$\overline{y} \mapsto xy \mapsto 0 \qquad 0 \mapsto 0$$

$$\overline{y} \mapsto 0y \mapsto 0 \qquad 0 \mapsto 0$$

**Exericse 24** Suppose  $(r, s): (Y, \beta) \to (X, \alpha)$  is a retraction of (a, a) in  $\mathcal{S}^{\downarrow}$ . Then  $ra = sa = 1_X$  and  $\alpha r = s\beta$ . Now, whatever  $r\overline{y}$  is, we have  $\alpha r\overline{y} = 0$ . But  $s\beta\overline{y} = sy = x$ . This is a contradiction.

**Exercise 25** Suppose  $f_D s = f_D t$ . For  $x \in X$ , we have

$$s'f_A x = f_D s x = f_D t x = t'f_A x$$

and so  $f_A x$  is a loop in Y.

**Exercise 26** Let  $f: \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Q}$  be the inclusion (i.e. f(n) = n for every integer n). Then

- 1 f is a map in  $S^{\circ}$  because 5f(n) = f(5n) = 5n
- **2** The map  $5 \times ()$  is an automorphism with inverse ()/5
- **3** If f(m) = f(n) then immediately m = n.

**Exercise 27** Let  $f:(X,\alpha)\to (Y,\beta)$ . Let the two elements of X be 0 and 1, where  $\alpha 0=\alpha 1=1$ . Then

$$f\alpha 0 = f\alpha 1$$
$$\therefore \beta f 0 = \beta f 1$$
$$\therefore f 0 = f 1$$

since  $\beta$  is injective. Thus f is not injective.

**Exercise 28** Let  $x, y \in X$  and assume  $\alpha x = \alpha y$ . Then

$$f\alpha x = f\alpha y$$

$$\therefore \beta f x = \beta f y$$

$$\therefore f x = f y \qquad (\beta \text{ is injective})$$

$$\therefore x = y \qquad (f \text{ is injective})$$