# Categories for the Lazy Functional Programmer

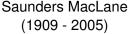
Thorsten Altenkirch

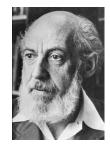
School of Computer Science University of Nottingham

March 31, 2011

# Intro



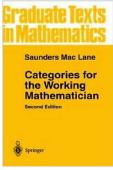




Samuel Eilenberg (1913 - 1998)

- Originally: tool for algebraic topology.
- Relevance for Computer Science (Lambek's obs)
   E.g. Cartesian Closed Cats ≈ Simply Typed λ-calculus
- Categorical concepts in Haskell: Functor, Monad, ...
- Is Category Theory Abstract Nonsense?
- Is Category Theory an alternative to Set Theory?

# **Books**







Pierce



Awodey

# Overview

- Intro
- 2 Categories
- Functors and natural transformations
- 4 Adjunctions
- 5 Products and coproducts
- 6 Exponentials
- Limits and Colimits
- Initial algebras and terminal coalgebras
- Monads and Comonads

# The category **Set**

$$|\mathbf{Set}| = \mathrm{Set}$$

Morphisms : Functions, given 
$$A, B \in |\mathbf{Set}|$$

$$\mathbf{Set}(A,B)=A\to B$$

Identity: Given 
$$A \in Set$$

$$id_A \in \mathbf{Set}(A, A)$$
  
 $id_A = \lambda a.a$ 

Composition: Given 
$$f \in \mathbf{Set}(B, C), g \in \mathbf{Set}(A, B)$$
:

$$f\circ g\in \mathsf{Set}(A,C).$$

$$f \circ g = \lambda a.f(ga)$$

$$f \circ id = f$$
  
 $id \circ f = f$   
 $(f \circ q) \circ h = f \circ (q \circ h)$ 

#### Exercise 1

Derive the laws for **Set** using only the equations of the simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus, i.e.

$$\beta (\lambda x.t)u = t[x := u]$$

$$\eta \lambda x.t x = t \text{ if } x \notin FV t$$

$$\xi \frac{t = u}{\lambda x.t = \lambda x.u}$$

# Definition: **C** is a category A (large) set of objects:

$$|\mathbf{C}| \in \operatorname{Set}_1$$

Morphisms: For every  $A, B \in |\mathbf{C}|$  a homset

$$\mathbf{C}(A,B) \in \mathrm{Set}$$

Identity: For any  $A \in |\mathbf{C}|$ :

$$\mathrm{id}_{A}\in \boldsymbol{C}(A,A)$$

Composition: For  $f \in \mathbf{C}(B, C), g \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$ :

Laws:

$$f \circ g \in \mathbf{C}(A, C)$$

$$f \circ id = f$$
  
 $id \circ f = f$   
 $(f \circ q) \circ h = f \circ (q \circ h)$ 

# Size matters

 I assume as given a predicative hierarchy of set-theoretic universes:

$$Set = Set_0 \in Set_1 \in Set_2 \in \dots$$

which is cummulative

$$Set_0 \subseteq Set_1 \subseteq Set_2 \subseteq \dots$$

- To accomodate categories like **Set** we allow that the objects are a large set ( $|\mathbf{C}| \in \operatorname{Set}_1$ ) but require the hom**sets** to be proper sets  $\mathbf{C}(A,B) \in \operatorname{Set} = \operatorname{Set}_0$ .
- A category is *small*, if the objects are a set  $|\mathbf{C}| \in \text{Set}$
- We can repeat this definition at higher levels, a category at level n has as objects  $|\mathbf{C}| \in \operatorname{Set}_{n+1}$  and homsets  $\mathbf{C}(A, B) \in \operatorname{Set}_n$

# **Dual category**

Given a category C there is a dual category Cop with

Objects 
$$|\mathbf{C}^{op}| = |\mathbf{C}|$$

Homsets 
$$\mathbf{C}^{\mathrm{op}}(A,B) = \mathbf{C}(B,A)$$

and composition defined backwards.

#### **Notation**

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we define

$$\bar{n} = \{i < n\}$$

#### Question

How many elements are in  $\mathbf{Set}(\bar{2},\bar{3})$  and in  $\mathbf{SET}^{\mathrm{op}}(\bar{2},\bar{3})$ ?

### Isomorphism

An isomorphism between  $A, B \in |\mathbf{C}|$  is given by two morphisms  $f \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$  and  $f^{-1} \in \mathbf{C}(B, A)$  such that  $f \circ f^{-1} = \mathrm{id}$ ,  $f^{-1} \circ f = \mathrm{id}$ :

$$id \bigcap A \underbrace{\bigcap_{f-1}^{f} B} \bigcirc id$$

We say that A and B are isomorphic  $A \simeq B$ .

- Isomorphic sets are the same upto a renaming of elements.
- Concepts in category theory are usually defined up to isomorphism.

#### Exercise 2

Which of the following isomorphisms hold in **Set**:

 $A \times B$  is cartesian product

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$$

A + B is disjoint union

$$A + B = \{ \text{inl } a \mid a \in A \} \cup \{ \text{inr } b \mid b \in B \}$$

# Monomorphism

 $f \in \mathbf{C}(B,C)$  is a monomorphism (short *mono*), if for all  $g,h \in \mathbf{C}(A,B)$ 

$$\frac{f\circ g=f\circ h}{g=h}$$

- In **Set** monos are precisely the injective functions.
- We draw monos as A→→B

# **Epimorphism**

 $f \in \mathbf{C}(A,B)$  is a epimorphism (short *epi*), if for all  $g,h \in \mathbf{C}(B,C)$ 

$$\frac{g \circ f = h \circ f}{g = h}$$

- In **Set** epis are precisely the surjective functions.
- We draw epis as A—≫B

#### Exercise 3

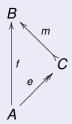
Show that every iso is both mono and epi.

#### Exercise 4

Show that the bijections (i.e. functions that are both mono and epi) in **Set** are precisely the isos.

#### Exercise 5

Show that in **Set** every morphism  $f \in A \rightarrow B$  can be written as a composition of an epi and a mono:



# Monoids

#### **Definition: Monoid**

A monoid (M, e, \*) is given by  $M \in Set$ ,  $e \in M$  and  $(*) \in M \to M \to M$  such that:

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
x * e &=& x \\
e * x &=& x \\
(x * y) * z &=& x * (y * z)
\end{array}$$

# Example

 $(\mathbb{N}, 0, +)$  is a (commutative) monoid.

#### Question

Give an example of a non-commutative monoid.

Monoids correspond to categories with one object.

# Monoid as a category

Every monoid (M, e, \*) gives rise to a category **M** 

Objects:  $|\mathbf{M}| = \{()\}$ 

Morphisms  $\mathbf{M}((),()) = M$ 

e is the identity, \* is composition.

#### Preorder

 $(A, \sqsubseteq)$  with  $A \in \operatorname{Set}$  and  $(\sqsubseteq) \in A \to A \to \operatorname{Prop}$  is a preorder if R is reflexive  $\forall a \in A.a \sqsubseteq a$  transitive  $\forall a, b, c \in A.a \sqsubseteq b \to b \sqsubseteq c \to a \sqsubseteq c$ 

# Example

 $(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$  is a preorder.

•  $(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$  is a partial order, because it also satisfies

$$\frac{m \le n \qquad n \le m}{m = n}$$

#### Question

Give an example of a preorder, which is not a partial order.

 Preorders correspond to categories where the homsets have at most one element.

# A preorder as a category

A preorder  $(A, \sqsubseteq)$  can be viewed as a category **A**:

Objects 
$$|\mathbf{A}| = A$$

Homsets 
$$\mathbf{A}(a,b) = \begin{cases} \{()\} & \text{if } a \sqsubseteq b \\ \{\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Monoids and preorders are degenerate categories.

# Categories of sets with structure

# The category of Monoids: Mon

Objects: Monoids (M, e, \*)

Morphisms Mon((M, e, \*), (M', e', \*')) is given by  $f \in M \rightarrow M'$  such

that f e = e' and f(x \* y) = (f x) \*' (f y).

# Example

The embedding  $i \in \mathbf{Mon}((\mathbb{N}, 0, +), (\mathbb{Z}, 0, +))$  with  $i \, n = n$ 

#### Exercise 6

Show that *i* is a mono and an epi but not an iso in **Mon**.

#### Exercise 7

Define the category Pre of preorders and monotone functions.

### Finite Sets

#### **FinSet**

Objects: Finite Sets Morphisms: Functions

• FinSet is a full subcategory of Set.

#### **FinSetSkel**

Objects: N

Morphisms: **FinSetSkel** $(m, n) = \bar{m} \rightarrow \bar{n}$ 

- FinSetSkel is skeletal, any isomorphic objects are equal.
- FinSet and FinSetSkel are equivalent (in the appropriate sense).

# Computational Effects

### **Error**

Given a set of Errors  $E \in Set$ 

Objects: Sets

Morphisms: **Error** $(A, B) = A \rightarrow B + E$ 

### State

Given a set of states:  $S \in Set$ 

Objects: Sets

Morphisms: State(A, B) =  $A \times S \rightarrow B \times S$ 

#### Exercise 8

Define identity and composition for both categories.

#### $\lambda$ -terms

#### Lam

Objects: Finite sets of variables

Morphisms: Lam $(X, Y) = Y \rightarrow \operatorname{Lam} X$  where Lam X is the set of

 $\lambda$ -terms whose free variables are in X.

#### Exercise 9

Define identity and composition.

**2** Extend the definition to typed  $\lambda$ -calculus.

# Product categories

Given categories  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$  we define  $\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{D}$ :

Objects: C × D

Morphisms:  $\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{D}((A, B), (C, D)) = \mathbf{C}(A, C) \times \mathbf{D}(B, D)$ 

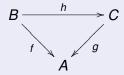
We abbreviate  $\mathbf{C}^2 = \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}$ 

# Slice categories

Given a category  $\mathbf{C}$  and an object  $A \in |\mathbf{C}|$  we define  $\mathbf{C}/A$  as:

Objects:  $|\mathbf{C}/\mathbf{A}| = \Sigma B \in |\mathbf{C}|.\mathbf{C}(B,A)$ 

Morphisms:  $\mathbf{C}/\mathbf{A}((B, f), (C, g))$ :



# Computable sets

#### $\omega$ -Set

Objects: A Set A and a relation  $\Vdash_A \subseteq \mathbb{N} \times A$  such that

 $\forall a \in A. \exists i \in \mathbb{N}. i \Vdash_A a.$ 

#### Morphisms:

$$\omega - \mathbf{Set}((A, \Vdash_A), (B, \Vdash_B))$$

$$= \{ f \in A \to B \mid \exists i \in \mathbb{N}. \forall j, a.j \Vdash_A a \}$$

$$\to \exists k. \{i\} j \downarrow k \land k \Vdash_B f a \}$$

where  $\{i\}j \downarrow k$  means the *i*th Turing machine applied to input *j* terminates and returns *k*.

# Partial computations

#### $\omega$ -CPO

Objects:  $(A, \sqsubseteq_A, \bigsqcup_A)$  such that  $(A, \sqsubseteq_A)$  is a partial order, and

$$\bigsqcup_{A} \in \{ f \in \mathbb{N} \to A \mid \forall i.fi \sqsubseteq_{A} f(i+1) \} \to A$$

is the least upper bound of a chain, i.e.  $\forall i.f \ i \sqsubseteq \bigsqcup_A f$  and  $(\forall i.f \ i \sqsubseteq a) \rightarrow |\ |_A f \sqsubseteq a$ .

Morphisms:  $\omega$ -**CPO**( $(A, \sqsubseteq_A, \bigsqcup_A), (B, \sqsubseteq_B, \bigsqcup_B)$ ) is given by functions  $f \in A \to B$  which are:

monotone 
$$\frac{a \sqsubseteq_A b}{f a \sqsubseteq_f b}$$

continuous  $f(\bigsqcup_A h) = \bigsqcup_B (f \circ h)$ 

#### **Definition: Functor**

Given categories C, D a functor  $F \in C \rightarrow D$  is given by

a map on objects  $F \in |\mathbf{C}| \to |\mathbf{D}|$ 

maps on morphisms Given  $f \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$ ,  $F f \in \mathbf{D}(F A, F B)$ 

such that

$$F \operatorname{id}_A = \operatorname{id}_{FA}$$

$$F (f \circ g) = (F f) \circ (F g)$$

• A functor  $F \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}$  is called an *endofunctor*.

# Example

List : **Set**  $\rightarrow$  **Set**, the list functor on morphisms is given by map

$$map f [] = []$$

$$map f (a : as) = f a : map f as$$

We just write List f = map f.

#### Exercise 10

Show that List satisfies the functor laws.

### Question

We consider endofunctors on **Set**, given maps on objects:

- Is  $F_1 X = X \to \mathbb{N}$  a functor?
- 2 Is  $F_2 X = X \rightarrow X$  a functor?
- **3** Is  $F_3 X = (X \to \mathbb{N}) \to \mathbb{N}$  a functor?
  - All type expressions with only positive occurences of a set variable give rise to (covariant) functors in Set → Set.
  - All type expressions with only negative occurences of a set variable give rise to (contravariant) functors in Set<sup>op</sup> → Set.

#### Exercise 11

Is there a type-expression which is not positive but still gives rise to a covariant endofunctor on **Set**?

#### Definition: natural transformation

Given functors  $F, G \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{D}$  a natural transformation  $\alpha : F \to G$  is given by a family of maps

$$\alpha \in \Pi_{A \in |\mathbf{C}|} \mathbf{D}(FA, GA)$$

such that for any 
$$f \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$$
  $F A \xrightarrow{\alpha_A} G A$ 

$$F f \downarrow \qquad G f \downarrow \qquad F B \xrightarrow{\alpha_B} G B$$

#### Exercise 12

- **1** Show that reverse  $\in \Pi X \in \text{Set.List } X \to \text{List } X$  is a natural transformation.
- ② Give a family of maps with the same type, which is not natural.

### Functor categories

Given categories C, D the functor category  $C \rightarrow D$  is given by:

Objects: Functors  $F \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{D}$ 

Morphisms Given  $F, G \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{D}$ , a morphism is a natural transformation  $\alpha \in F \to G$ 

If C is small, the functor category

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{PSh}}\nolimits \mathsf{C} = \mathsf{C}^{op} \to \operatorname{\mathsf{Set}}\nolimits$$

is called the category of presheaves over C.

#### Exercise 13

Spell out the details of the objects and morphisms of **PSh**  $(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$ .

We define a functor *Y*, the Yoneda embedding:

$$Y \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{PSh}\,\mathbf{C}$$

$$YA = \lambda X.C(X, A)$$

#### Exercise 14

Show that Y is a functor.

#### The Yoneda Lemma

Given  $F \in \mathbf{PSh} \, \mathbf{C}$  the following are naturally isomorphic in  $A \in |\mathbf{C}|$ 

$$\mathsf{PSh}\,\mathsf{C}(\mathit{Y}\,\mathit{A},\mathit{F})\simeq\mathit{F}\,\mathit{A}$$

#### Exercise 15

Prove the Yoneda Lemma.

# The category of categories

#### CAT

The category of categories is given by:

Objects: Categories

Morphisms: Functors

- This is a category on level 1, |CAT| ∈ Set<sub>2</sub>.
- CAT is a 2-category because its homsets are categories themselves and there is a horizontal composition of natural transformations.

# Horizontal composition of natural transformations

If  $\alpha \in \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{F}', \beta \in \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G}'$  then

$$\alpha \cdot \beta \in F \circ G \to F' \circ G'$$
$$(\alpha \cdot \beta)_{A} = \beta_{GA} \circ F(\alpha_{A})$$

#### Question

What is the difference between rev o rev and rev · rev?

#### Question

We could have defined  $\alpha \cdot \beta$  as

$$(\alpha \cdot \beta)_{A} = G'(\alpha_{A}) \circ \beta_{FA}$$

Why is this definition equivalent?

# Free Monoids

• The forgetful functor:

$$U \in \mathbf{Mon} \to \mathbf{Set}$$
  
 $U(M, e, *) = M$ 

- Can we go the other way?
- The free functor:

$$F \in \mathbf{Set} \to \mathbf{Mon}$$
  
 $FA = (\operatorname{List} A, [], (++))$ 

• How to specify that F is free?

We construct two natural families of maps:

$$\mathsf{Mon}(FA,(M,e,*)) \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathsf{Set}(A,U(M,e,*))$$

$$\phi \in (\operatorname{List} A \to M) \to A \to M$$
 $\phi f a = f [a]$ 
 $\phi^{-1} \in (A \to M) \to (\operatorname{List} A \to M)$ 
 $\phi^{-1} g [] = e$ 
 $\phi^{-1} g (a :: as) = (g a) * (\phi^{-1} g as)$ 

### Exercise 16

#### Show:

# Definition: Adjunction

Given functors:

$$\mathbf{C} \overset{U}{\longleftrightarrow} \mathbf{D}$$

we say that F is left adjoint to U ( $F \dashv U$ ) or U is right adjoint to F if there is a natural isomorphism (in  $A \in |\mathbf{D}|, B \in |\mathbf{C}|$ )

$$\mathbf{D}(FA,B) \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathbf{C}(A,UB)$$

A semilattice (with zero) is a monoid (M, e, \*) such that: commutative , if for all  $x, y \in M$ :

$$x * y = y * x$$

idempotent, if for all  $x \in M$ :

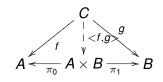
$$X * X = X$$

- We define **SLat** as the category of semilattices with zero.
- Morphisms and forgetful functors are defined as for Mon

#### Exercise 17

Construct the free functor  $F \in \mathbf{Set} \to \mathbf{SLat}$  and show that F is left adjoint to  $U \in \mathbf{SLat} \to \mathbf{Set}$ .

## Products in Set



$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$$
  
 $\pi_0(a, b) = a$   
 $\pi_1(a, b) = b$   
 $< f, g > c = (f c, f c)$ 

Laws:

$$\pi_{0} \circ \langle f, g \rangle = f$$

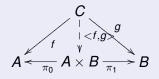
$$\pi_{1} \circ \langle f, g \rangle = g$$

$$\pi_{0} \circ h = f \quad \pi_{1} \circ h = g$$

$$h = \langle f, g \rangle$$

#### **Products**

Given objects  $A, B \in |\mathbf{C}|$  we say that  $A \times B$  is their product if the morphisms  $\pi_0, \pi_1$  exists and for every f, g there is a morphism < f, g > so that the following diagram commutes:



Moreover, the morphism < f, g > is the unique morphism which makes this diagram commute, i.e.

$$\frac{\pi_0 \circ h = f \quad \pi_1 \circ h = g}{h = \langle f, g \rangle}$$

#### Exercise 18

Show that products in **C** give rise to a functor  $(\times) \in \mathbf{C}^2 \to \mathbf{C}$ .

### Exercise 19

Show that the following equation holds

$$\langle f, g \rangle \circ h = \langle f \circ h, g \circ h \rangle$$

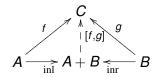
#### Exercise 20

Show that the following isomorphism exist in all categories with products:

$$A \times B \simeq B \times A$$

and that the assignment is natural in A, B.

# Coproducts in Set



$$A + B = \{ \inf a \mid a \in A \} \cup \{ \inf b \mid b \in B \}$$
$$[f, g] (\inf a) = f a$$
$$[f, g] (\inf b) = g b$$

Laws:

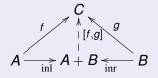
$$[f, g] \circ \text{inl} = f$$

$$[f, g] \circ \text{inr} = g$$

$$\frac{h \circ \text{inl} = f \quad h \circ \text{inr} = g}{h = [f, g]}$$

# Coproducts

Given objects  $A, B \in |\mathbf{C}|$  we say that A + B is their coproduct if the morphisms  $\mathrm{inl}, \mathrm{inr}$  exists and for every f, g there is a morphism [f, g] so that the following diagram commutes:

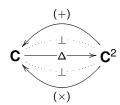


Moreover, the morphism [f, g] is the unique morphism which makes this diagram commute, i.e.

$$\frac{h \circ \text{inl} = f \quad h \circ \text{inr} = g}{h = [f, g]}$$

- Products and coproducts are dual concepts:
   Products in |C| are coproducts in |C<sup>op</sup>| and vice versa.
- Products and coproducts are left and right adjoints of the diagonal functor:

$$\Delta \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}^2$$
 $\Delta A = (A, A)$ 



# Terminal objects

 $1 \in |\mathbf{C}|$  is a terminal object, if for any object  $A \in \mathbf{C}$  there is exactly one arrow  $!_A$ :

$$A-\frac{1}{|A|} > 1$$

### Initial objects

 $0 \in |\mathbf{C}|$  is an initial object, if for any object  $A \in \mathbf{C}$  there is exactly one arrow  $?_A$ :

$$0-\frac{1}{2} > A$$

#### Question

What are initial and terminal objects in Set?

#### Exercise 21

Show that any two terminal objects are isomorphic.

### Global elements

In Set we have that

$$\mathbf{Set}(1,A)\simeq A$$

- Hence the elements of C(1, A) are called the global elements of A.
- A category **C** is *well pointed*, if for  $f, g \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$  we have

$$\frac{\forall a \in \mathbf{C}(1, A).f \circ a = g \circ a}{f = g}$$

Set is well pointed.

#### Exercise 22

Consider **PSh**  $(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$  again. What is the terminal object and what are global elements? Show that **PSh**  $(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$  is not well pointed.

#### Exercise 23

Construct the following isomorphism in **Set**:

$$A \times (B + C) \simeq A \times B + A \times C$$

#### Exercise 24

Show that **CMon** (the category of commutative monoids) has products and coproducts.

#### Exercise 25

Give a counterexample for the isomorphism:

$$A \times (B+C) \simeq A \times B + A \times C$$

in **CMon**.

# Exponentials in Set

• In Set we have the curry/uncurry isomorphism:

$$A \times B \rightarrow C \simeq A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$$

• Indeed this is an adjunction  $F \dashv G$  for

$$F, G \in \mathbf{Set} \to \mathbf{Set}$$
 $F X = X \times B$ 
 $G X = B \to X$ 

$$\mathbf{Set}(FA,C)\simeq\mathbf{Set}(A,GC)$$

# Exponentials

Given a category **C** with products. We say that the object  $B \in |\mathbf{C}|$  is exponentiable, if the functor  $F X = X \times B$  has a right adjoint  $F \dashv G$ , which we write as  $GX = B \rightarrow X$ .

A category with products where all objects are exponentiable is called **cartesian closed**.

•  $B \rightarrow C$  is often written as  $C^B$ .

#### Question

What are the exponentials in FinSetSkel?

#### Exercise 26

Show that the category of typed  $\lambda$ -terms is cartesian closed.

 Indeed, this is the initial cartesian closed category (or the classifying category).

#### Exercise 27

Show that in a cartesian closed category with coproducts we have that

$$A \times (B + C) \simeq (A \times B) + (A \times C)$$

# Corollary

CMon is not cartesian closed.

#### Exercise 28

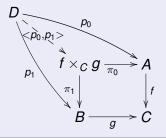
Show that the presheaf categories (**PSh C**) are cartesian closed.

### Exercise 29

Is there a cartesian closed category whose dual is also cartesian closed?

#### **Pullbacks**

Given arrows  $f \in \mathbf{C}(A,C)$  and  $g \in \mathbf{C}(B,C)$ ,  $(f \times_C g, \pi_0, \pi_1)$  is their pullback, if the diagram below commutes and for every  $(D,p_0,p_1)$  there is a unique arrow  $< p_0, p_1 >$  such that the diagram commutes:

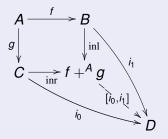


Pullbacks in Set:

$$f \times_C g = \{(a,b) \in A \times B \mid f a = g b\}$$

#### **Pushouts**

Given arrows  $f \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$  and  $g \in \mathbf{C}(A, C)$ ,  $(f +^A g, \mathrm{inl}, \mathrm{inr})$  is their pushout, if the diagram below commutes and for every  $(D, i_0, i_1)$  there is a unique arrow  $[p_0, p_1]$  such that the diagram commutes:



#### Exercise 30

What are pushouts in Set?

#### Limits and colimits

Given a small category of diagrams  $\mathbf{D}$ , a  $\mathbf{D}$ -diagram in  $\mathbf{C}$  is given by a functor  $F \in \mathbf{D} \to \mathbf{C}$ . A cone of a diagram is given by an object  $D \in \mathbf{C}$  and a natural transformation  $\alpha \in \mathrm{K}_D \to F$  where  $\mathrm{K}_D X = D$  is a constant functor.

Morphisms between cones  $(D, \alpha)$  and  $(E, \beta)$  are given by  $f \in D \to E$  such that  $\alpha \circ f = \beta$ .

The limit of F is the terminal object in the category of cones.

Dually, a cocone is given by a natural transformation  $\alpha \in F \to K_D$ , and a morphism of cocones  $(D, \alpha)$  and  $(E, \beta)$  are given by  $f \in D \to E$  such that  $f \circ \alpha = \beta$ .

The colimit of F is the initial object in the category of cocones.

# Examples

Products are given by limits of

•

Note that we are leaving out identity arrows.

- Dually, coproducts are given by colimits of the same diagram.
- Pullbacks are limits of



• Pushouts are colimits of the dual diagram:



Equalizers are limits of



Dually, coequalizers are colimits of the same diagram.

#### Exercise 31

What are equalizers and coequalizers in Set?

#### Exercise 32

Show that pullbacks can be constructed from equalizers and products.

 Actually, all finite limits can be constructed from equalizers and finite products (i.e. binary products and terminal objects). • Diagrams of  $(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$  are called  $\omega$ -chains:

$$A0 \xrightarrow{a0} A1 \xrightarrow{a1} A2 \xrightarrow{a2} \dots$$

Note that we are leaving out the composites of arrows.

• An  $\omega$ -chain in **Set** is given by

$$A \in \mathbb{N} \to \operatorname{Set}$$
 $a \in \Pi n \in \mathbb{N}.A \, n \to A(n+1)$ 

• We write  $\operatorname{colim}(A, a)$  for the colimit of an  $\omega$ -chain.

#### Exercise 33

What is the colimit of the following chain?

$$An = \bar{n}$$
 $ani = i$ 

• Dually, Diagrams of  $(\mathbb{N}, \geq)$  are called  $\omega$ -cochains:

$$A0 \stackrel{a0}{\leftarrow} A1 \stackrel{a1}{\leftarrow} A2 \stackrel{a2}{\leftarrow} \dots$$

• An  $\omega$ -cochain in **Set** is given by

$$A \in \mathbb{N} \to \operatorname{Set}$$
  
 $a \in \Pi n \in \mathbb{N}.A(n+1) \to An$ 

• We write  $\lim (A, a)$  for the limit of an  $\omega$ -cochain.

#### Exercise 34

Given a set  $X \in Set$ . What is the limit of the following chain?

$$An = \bar{n} \rightarrow X$$
  
 $anf = \lambda i.fi$ 

• Natural numbers  $\mathbb{N} \in \operatorname{Set}$  are given by:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{0} & \in & \mathbb{N} \\ & \simeq & \mathbf{1} \to \mathbb{N} \\ \mathbf{S} & \in & \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N} \end{array}$$

• We can combine the two constructors in one morphism:

$$[0,S]\in 1+\mathbb{N}\to \mathbb{N}$$

- The functor TX = 1 + X is called the signature functor.
- A pair  $(A \in \text{Set}, f \in 1 + A \rightarrow A)$  is a 1+-algebra.

• For any 1+-algebra (A, f) there is a unique morphism fold (A, f) such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{c}
1 + \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{[0,S]} \mathbb{N} \\
1 + (\operatorname{fold}(A,f)) \downarrow & \int \operatorname{fold}(A,f) \\
1 + A \xrightarrow{f} A
\end{array}$$

with

$$fold(A, f) 0 = f(inl())$$
  
$$fold(A, f)(S n) = f(inr(fold(A, f) n))$$

### Exercise 35

Define addition  $(+) \in \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$  using fold.

# T-algebras

Given an endofunctor  $T \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}$  the category of T-algebras is given by

Objects T-algebras (A, f) with

$$TA \xrightarrow{f} A$$

Morphisms Given T-algebras (A, f), (B, g) a T-algebra morphism is a morphism  $h \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$  such that

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
T A \xrightarrow{f} A \\
T h \downarrow & h \downarrow \\
T B \xrightarrow{g} B
\end{array}$$

commutes.

### Initial *T*-algebras

The initial object (if it exists) in the category of T-algebras is denoted as  $(\mu T, \text{in}_T)$ . For every T-algebra (A, f) there is a unique morphism fold  $_T(A, f)$  such that

$$T (\mu T) \xrightarrow{\text{in}_{T}} \mathbb{N}$$

$$T (\text{fold } (A, f)) \Big|_{f} \text{fold } (A, f)$$

$$T A \xrightarrow{f} A$$

commutes.

• Given  $A \in \text{Set}$  the set of streams over A:  $A^{\omega}$  comes with two destructors

$$hd \in A^{\omega} \to A 
tl \in A^{\omega} \to A^{\omega}$$

• We can combine the two destructors in one morphism:

$$<$$
 hd, tl  $>\in A^{\omega} \rightarrow A \times A^{\omega}$ 

• A pair  $(X \in \text{Set}, f \in X \to A \times X)$  is a  $A \times$ -coalgebra.

• For any  $A \times$ -algebra (X, f) there is a unique morphism unfold (X, f) such that the following diagram commutes:

$$X \xrightarrow{f} A \times X$$

$$\downarrow A \times \text{unfold } (X, f) \downarrow \qquad \downarrow A \times \text{unfold } (X, f)$$

$$A^{\omega} \xrightarrow{\langle \text{hd}, \text{tl} \rangle} A \times A^{\omega}$$

with

$$\text{hd}(\text{unfold}(X, f) x) = \pi_0(f x)$$

$$\text{tl}(\text{unfold}(X, f) x) = \text{unfold}(X, f) (\pi_1(f x))$$

#### Exercise 36

Define the function from  $\in \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}^{\omega}$ , which produces the stream of natural numbers starting with a given number, using unfold.

# T-coalgebras

Dually, given an endofunctor  $T \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}$  the category of T-coalgebras is given by

Objects T-coalgebras (A, f) with

$$A \xrightarrow{f} T A$$

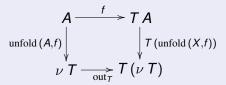
Morphisms Given *T*-coalgebras (A, f), (B, g) a T-coalgebra morphism is a morphism  $h \in \mathbf{C}(A, B)$  such that

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
A & \xrightarrow{f} & TA \\
h \downarrow & & \downarrow Th \\
B & \xrightarrow{g} & TB
\end{array}$$

commutes.

## Terminal *T*-coalgebras

The terminal object (if it exists) in the category of T-coalgebras is denoted as  $(\nu T, \text{out}_T)$ . For every T-coalgebra (A, f) there is a unique morphism  $\text{unfold}_T(A, f)$  such that



### Lambek's lemma

- Initial algebras and terminal coalgebras are always isomorphisms.
- We construct the inverse of  $\operatorname{in}_T \in \mathbf{C}(T(\mu T), \mu T)$  as

$$in_{T}^{-1} \in \mathbf{C}(\mu T, T (\mu T)) 
in_{T}^{-1} = fold_{T} (T (\mu T), T in_{T})$$

Dually, we construct an inverse to out<sub>T</sub>.

#### Exercise 37

Construct explicitely the inverses to [0, S] (for natural numbers) and < hd, tl > (for streams).

#### Exercise 38

Prove Lambek's lemma, i.e. show that  $in_{\tau}^{-1}$  is inverse to  $in_{\tau}$ .

• A functor T is called  $\omega$ -cocontinous if it preserves colimits of  $\omega$ -chains, that is

$$T(\operatorname{colim}(A, a)) \simeq \operatorname{colim}(\lambda n. T(A n), \lambda n. T(a n))$$

• We can construct the initial T-algebra of an  $\omega$ -cocontinous functor T by constructing the colimit of the following chain:

$$0 \xrightarrow{?} T 0 \xrightarrow{T?} T^2 0 \xrightarrow{T^2?} \dots$$

#### Exercise 39

Complete the construction, and show that the colimit is indeed an initial T-algebra.

#### Exercise 40

Dualize the previous slide. What is an  $\omega$ -continous functor? How can we construct its terminal coalgebra?

#### Exercise 41

Which of the following endofunctors on Set are  $\omega$ -cocontinous, and which are  $\omega$ -continous:

$$T_1 X = X \times X$$
 $T_2 X = \mathbb{N} \to X$ 
 $T_3 X = (X \to \mathbb{N}) \to \mathbb{N}$ 

We define the functor of binary trees with labelled leafs:

$$BT \in \mathbf{Set} \to \mathbf{Set}$$
  
 $BTX = \mu Y.X + Y \times Y$ 

We write  $L = \text{in} \circ \text{inl}$  and  $N = \text{in} \circ \text{inr}$  for the constructors.

• The natural transformation  $\eta$  constructs a leaf:

$$\eta_{\mathsf{A}} \in \mathsf{A} \to \mathsf{BT}\,\mathsf{A}$$
 $\eta_{\mathsf{A}} = \lambda \mathsf{a}.\mathsf{L}\,\mathsf{a}$ 

 We define a natural transformation bind, which replaces each leaf by a tree.

$$\operatorname{bind}_{A,B} \in (A \to BT B) \to BT A \to BT B$$
  
 $\operatorname{bind}_{A,B} f(L a) = f a$   
 $\operatorname{bind}_{A,B} f(N(I, r)) = N(\operatorname{bind}_{A,B} f I, \operatorname{bind}_{A,B} f r)$ 

• Haskell's (>>=) can be defined as a >>= f = bind f a.

## Monads (Kleisli triple)

A monad on **C** is a triple  $(T, \eta, bind)$  with

$$T \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}$$
 $\eta \in \mathbf{C}(A, TA)$ 
bind  $\in \mathbf{C}(A, TB) \to \mathbf{C}(TA, TB)$ 

such that

$$\begin{array}{rcl} (\operatorname{bind} \textit{eta}) & = & \operatorname{id} \\ \operatorname{bind} (f) \circ \eta & = & f \\ (\operatorname{bind} f) \circ (\operatorname{bind} g) & = & \operatorname{bind} ((\operatorname{bind} f) \circ g) \end{array}$$

#### Exercise 42

Show that the operations on binary trees satisfy the laws of a monad.

#### Exercise 43

Show that the following functors over **Set** give rise to monads (assuming  $E, S \in Set$ ):

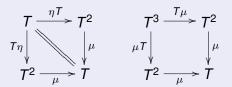
$$T_{\text{Error}} X = E + X$$
  
 $T_{\text{State}} X = S \rightarrow (X \times S)$ 

#### Monad

A monad on **C** is a triple  $(T, \eta, \mu)$  with

$$T \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}$$
 $\eta \in I \to T$ 
 $\mu \in T^2 \to T$ 

(where  $T^2 = T \circ T$ ) such that the following diagrams commute.



### Exercise 44

Show that the two definitions are equivalent.

• We define infinite, labelled binary trees:

$$BT^{\infty} \in \mathbf{Set} \to \mathbf{Set}$$
  
 $BT^{\infty} X = \nu Y.X \times (Y \times Y)$ 

• The operation  $\epsilon$  extracts the top label:

$$\epsilon \in BT^{\infty} A \to A$$
 $\epsilon (a, (l, r)) = a$ 

cobind relabels a tree recursively:

cobind 
$$\in (BT^{\infty} A \to B) \to (BT^{\infty} A \to BT^{\infty} B)$$
  
cobind  $f t = (f t, \text{cobind } f(\pi_2 t), \text{cobind } f(\pi_3 t))$ 

### Exercise 45

Show that  $(BT^{\infty}, \epsilon, \text{cobind})$  is a comonad, i.e. a monad in **Set**<sup>op</sup>.

# Kleisli category

Given a monad (T,  $\eta$ , bind) on  ${\bf C}$  we define the Kleisli category  ${\bf C}_T$  as:

Objects: |C

Morphisms:  $\mathbf{C}_T A B = \mathbf{C}(A, T B)$ 

Identity:  $\eta \in \mathbf{C}_T A A$ 

Composition: Given  $f \in \mathbf{C}_T B C$ ,  $g \in \mathbf{C}_T A B$  we define

$$f \circ_T g = (\text{bind } f) \circ g$$

#### Exercise 46

Verify that that  $\mathbf{C}_T$  is indeed a category.

#### Exercise 47

Explicitely construct the Kleisli-categories of  $T_{\rm Error}$  and  $T_{\rm State}$ 

### Given an adjunction $F \dashv U$

$$\mathbf{D}(FA,B) \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathbf{C}(A,UB)$$

we define:

$$\eta \in \mathbf{C}(A, U(FA))$$
 $\eta = \phi(\mathrm{id}_{FA})$ 
 $\epsilon \in \mathbf{D}(F, UB)B$ 
 $\epsilon = \phi^{-1}(\mathrm{id}_{UB})$ 

this gives rise to a monad  $(T, \epsilon, \mu)$  on **C** 

$$T = UF$$
  
 $\mu = U\epsilon F$ 

#### Exercise 48

Spell out the constructed monad in the case where  $F \in \mathbf{Set} \to \mathbf{Mon}$  is the free monad functor and  $U \in \mathbf{Mon} \to \mathbf{Set}$  the forgetful functor

#### Exercise 49

Verify the monad laws of the construction of a monad from an adjunction.

• Using  $C_T$  we can also go the other way:  $C_T$  gives rise to an adjunction  $F_T \dashv U_T$  such that  $T = U_T \circ F_T$ :

$$F_T \in \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}_T$$
  
 $F_T A = A$   
 $F_T f = \eta \circ f$   
 $U_T \in \mathbf{C}_T \to \mathbf{C}$   
 $U_T A = T A$   
 $U_T f = \mu \circ T f$ 

### Exercise 50

Verify that  $F_T \dashv U_T$ .

This is not the only way to factor a monad into an adjunction.
 Another construction is the Eilenberg-Moore category C<sup>T</sup>, indeed the two are initial and terminal objects in the category of factorisations.