

## 2.1 Factorization systems

Definition 2.1.1:  $i: U \rightarrow V$ ,  $p: X \rightarrow Y$  morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

- $i$  has the *left lifting property* wrt  $p$ , or  
 $p$  has the *right lifting property* wrt  $i$ , if

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\ i \downarrow & \nearrow h & \downarrow p \\ V & \xrightarrow{g} & Y \end{array} \quad \forall f, g \exists h \text{ commutative.}$$

Notation:  $i \perp p$ ,  $i \in L(p)$ ,  $p \in r(i)$ .

Let  $A$  be a class of morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Then  $L(A) := \{i : i \perp p \ \forall p \in A\}$ ,

$r(A) := \{p : i \perp p \ \forall i \in A\}$ .

Example:  $\mathcal{C} = \text{Top}$ .

Homotopy lifting property:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_0} & Y \\ \downarrow \text{id}_X \times \{0\} & \nearrow \tilde{H} & \downarrow f \\ X \times [0,1] & \xrightarrow{H} & Z \end{array}$$

i.e.  $(X, f)$  has the HLP  
iff  $\forall$  homotopies  
 $H: X \times [0,1] \rightarrow Z$   
and  $\forall$  maps  $\tilde{H}_0$  'lifting'  
 $H_0$ ,  $\exists$  a homotopy  
 $\tilde{H}: X \times [0,1] \rightarrow Y$  'lifting'  $f$ .

Definition 2.1.2:  $X, U \in \mathcal{C}$ .

$X$  is a retract of  $U$  if  $\exists$  diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xrightarrow{i} & U & \xrightarrow{p} & X \\ & & \searrow 1_X & & \end{array}$$

When  $\mathcal{C} = \text{Top}$  :  $X$  is a retract of  $U$ .

When  $\mathcal{C} = \text{Ar}(\mathcal{D})$ , category of morphisms in  $\mathcal{D}$ :

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  retract of  $g: U \rightarrow V$  iff  $\exists$

diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & 1_X & & \\
 & \swarrow & & \searrow & \\
 X & \longrightarrow & U & \longrightarrow & X \\
 f \downarrow & & g \downarrow & & f \downarrow \\
 Y & \longrightarrow & V & \longrightarrow & Y \\
 & \searrow & & \swarrow & \\
 & & 1_Y & &
 \end{array}$$

Class of morphisms  $F$  is saturated if it is stable under:

i) retractions;

ii) push-outs;

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & X' \\
 f \downarrow & & \downarrow f' \\
 Y & \xrightarrow{\alpha'} & Y'
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{push-out square.}$$

$f \in F \Rightarrow f' \in F.$

iii) transfinite composition:  $(j < i \Leftrightarrow \exists! j \rightarrow i)$

$I$  a well-ordered set  $\rightsquigarrow I$  a filtered category.

$X: I \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  a functor.

- $\forall i \in I: \varinjlim_{j \leq i} X(j)$  is representable;

- induced map  $\varinjlim_{j \leq i} X(j) \rightarrow X(i)$  is in  $F$ ;

- canonical map  $X(0) \rightarrow \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ i \in I}} X(i)$  is in  $F$ .

### Proposition 2.1.4

- $f \perp f'$
- $F \subset r(F') \Leftrightarrow F' \subset l(F)$ ;
  - $F \subset F' \Rightarrow l(F') \subset l(F)$ ;
  - $F \subset F' \Rightarrow r(F') \subset r(F)$ ;
  - $r(F) = r(l(r(F)))$ ;
  - $l(F) = l(r(l(F)))$ ;
  - $l(F)$  saturated;
  - $r(F)$  cosaturated (saturated in  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}$ ).

Follow from definitions.

### Proposition 2.1.5 : Retract lemma.

Assume  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

- If  $f \in r(i)$ , then  $f$  is a retract of  $p$ .
- If  $f \in l(p)$ , then  $f$  is a retract of  $i$ .

Proof ii):

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{i} & T \\ f \downarrow & \nearrow h & \downarrow p \\ Y & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_Y} & Y \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \text{id}_X & & \\ & X & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_X} & X & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_X} X \\ & f \downarrow & & i \downarrow & f \downarrow \\ & Y & \xrightarrow{h} & T & \xrightarrow{p} Y \\ & & & \searrow & \\ & & & & \square \end{array}$$

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Definition 2.1.7:  $(A, B)$  couple of morphism classes of  $\mathcal{C}$ . Then  $(A, B)$  is a weak factorization system if

- $A \& B$  stable under retracts;
- $A \subset L(B)$  (i.e.  $B \subset r(A)$ );
- Any  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  admits a factorization

$$X \xrightarrow{f} Y \quad \text{with } i \in A, p \in B.$$

Note: Not just  $A \subset L(B)$ , but actually  $A = L(B)$ :

$$f \in L(B) \Rightarrow f \in L(p) \xrightarrow{\text{retract lemma}} f \text{ retract of } i \xrightarrow{\text{stability of } A} f \in A.$$

Similarly  $B = r(A)$ .

example:  $\mathcal{C} = \text{CRing}$

$A = \{ \text{projective morphisms} \}$ ,

$B = \{ \text{epimorphisms} \}$ .

Corollary 2.1.10:

$\mathcal{A}$  a small category,  $I$  a small set of presheaves in  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$ . Then  $(L(r(I)), r(I))$  is a weak factorization system in  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$ .

Proof (idea):

- Follows from small object argument (2.1.9):  
 $\exists$  cardinal  $K$  s.t.  $\forall$  presheaves  $X \in I$ , the functor

$\text{Hom}_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}}(X, -) : \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$  commutes with colimits indexed by  $K$ -filtered well ordered sets.

- If  $X \cong h_a$  (representable), then Yoneda lemma gives  $\text{Hom}_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}}(X, Y) \cong Y_a$ , so  $\text{Hom}_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}}(X, -) \cong \text{ev}_a$  commutes with colimits.
- If  $X \cong \coprod_{j \in J} h_{a_j}$  with  $|J| < K$ , then  $\text{Hom}_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}}(X, -) \cong \prod_{j \in J} \text{ev}_{a_j}$  commutes with  $K$ -colimits (?).
- Proposition 1.1.8:  $X = \varinjlim_{(a,s) \in A/X} h_a$  (small colimit), so  $X$  = coequaliser of maps btwn sums of  $h_{a_j}$ . Then take  $K$  large enough.  
Proposition 2.1.12:

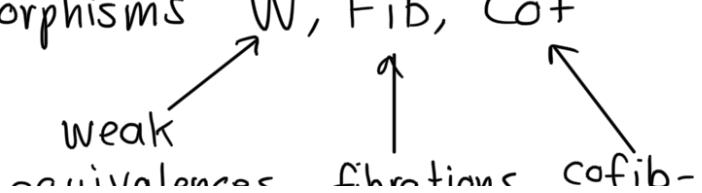
$F : e \rightleftarrows e' : G$  an adjunction,  $(A, B)$  and  $(A', B')$  w.f.s. in  $e$  and  $e'$ . Then  $F(A) \subset A' \iff G(B') \subset B$ .  
Proof: given  $i \in A = L(B)$ , want to show  $F(i) \in A' = L(B')$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{a} & G(X') \\
 i \downarrow & \nearrow h & \downarrow G(p) \\
 Y & \xrightarrow{b} & G(Y')
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{adjunction} \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 F(X) & \xrightarrow{F(a)} & X' \\
 F(i) \downarrow & \nearrow F(h) & \downarrow p \\
 F(Y) & \xrightarrow{F(b)} & Y'
 \end{array}$$

## 2.2 Model categories

Definition 2.2.1:

A locally small category  $\mathcal{C}$  is a model category if it has three classes of morphisms  $W, \text{Fib}, \text{Cof}$



such that:

i)  $\mathcal{C}$  has finite limits & colimits.

ii) W has 2-out-of-3 property:

$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ & \searrow g & \nearrow h \\ & Z & \end{array}$  if 2 morphisms are in  $W$ , then  $3^{\text{rd}}$   
 is too.

iii) Both  $(\text{Cof}, \text{Fib} \cap W)$  and  $(\text{Cof} \cap W, \text{Fib})$  are weak factorization systems.

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    \begin{array}{ccc}
    & \uparrow & \\
    \text{systems.} & & \text{trivial} \\
    \downarrow & & \uparrow \\
    \text{trivial} & & \text{cofibrations} \\
    \text{fibrations} & &
    \end{array}
  
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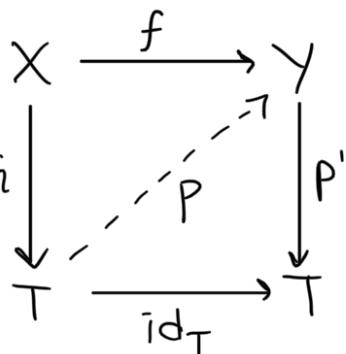
Terminology:  $\emptyset$ ,  $e$  are initial, final objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

The object  $xee$  is:

- fibrant if  $X \rightarrow e$  is a fibration;
  - cofibrant if  $\emptyset \rightarrow X$  is a cofibration.

Remark: Axiom iii)  $\Rightarrow$  every  $f$  has factorization  $f = p \circ i$  ( $i$  cofibration,  $p$  trivial fibration), since

$$\text{Cof} = l(\text{Fib} \cap W) \Rightarrow$$



Similarly,  $f = g \circ j$  ( $j$  trivial cofibration,  $g$  fibration).

### Important example (2.1.11) :

The category  $\hat{A}$  or presheaves over a small category  $A$  has a model category structure:

$W = \{\text{all morphisms in } \hat{A}\}$ ,

$Cof = \{\text{monomorphisms in } \hat{A}\}$ ,

$Fib = r(Cof)$ .

i) finite limits & colimits;

ii)  $W$  has 2-out-of-3;

iii) show that  $(Cof, Fib)$  is a weak factorization system:

- Show  $Cof = L(r(I))$ , where

$I = \left\{ f: X \rightarrow Y \mid \begin{array}{l} f \text{ monomorphism} \\ Y \text{ quotient of representable presheaf} \end{array} \right\} \subset \hat{A}$ .

- Then  $(Cof, Fib) = (L(r(I)), r(I))$ .

- Apply small object argument.

Proposition 2.2.6 (stability):

$\mathcal{C}$  a model category.

i)  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}$  a model category.

ii)  $\forall X \in \mathcal{C}$ , slice category  $\mathcal{C}/X$  a model category.

Proposition 2.2.7 (Ken Brown):

$\mathcal{C}$  a model category,  $\mathcal{D}$  a category with weak equivalences,  $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  a functor.

If  $F$  sends  $f': X' \xrightarrow{\sim} Y' \in \underline{Cof} \cap \underline{W}$  to  $F(f') \in W$ ,

cofibrant  
objects

then  $F$  sends  $f: X \rightarrow Y \in W$  to  $F(f) \in W$ .

Proof: Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y \in W$ ,  $X, Y$  cofibrant.

$\emptyset \longrightarrow Y$  Want to show  $F(f) \in W$ .

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow j$   $i$  and  $j$  are cofibrations, since  
Cof is stable under retracts (?).

$$X \xrightarrow{i} X \amalg Y$$

Factor  $(f, 1_Y): X \amalg Y \rightarrow Y$  into cofibration

$K: X \amalg Y \rightarrow T$  and trivial fibration

$p: T \rightarrow Y$ . Then

$$(1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{K_i} & T \\ & \searrow f & \swarrow p \\ & Y & \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad (2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} Y & \xrightarrow{K_j} & T \\ & \searrow 1_Y & \swarrow p \\ & Y & \end{array}$$

- Diagram (2):  $K_j \in \text{Cof} \cap W$ ,  $Y$  and  $T$  cofibrant  
 $\Rightarrow F(K_j) \in W \Rightarrow F(p) \in W$ .

- Diagram (1):  $K_i \in \text{Cof} \cap W$ ,  $X$  and  $T$  cofibrant  
 $\Rightarrow F(K_i) \in W \Rightarrow F(f) \in W$ .  $\square$

Definition 2.2.8:

Category  $\mathcal{C}$  endowed with class of morphisms  $W$ .  
A localization of  $\mathcal{C}$  by  $W$  is a functor:

$$\gamma: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{ho}(\mathcal{C}) \quad (R \rightarrow S^{-1}R)$$

such that  $\mathcal{D}$  the functor of composition with  $\gamma$

$$\gamma^*: \text{Hom}(\text{ho}(\mathcal{C}), \mathcal{D}) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$$

is an equivalence.

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functors sending  
 $\mathcal{W}$  to isomorphisms

Same as saying that  $\gamma$  is universal among functors sending  $\mathcal{W}$  to isomorphisms.

Terminology:  $\text{ho}(\mathcal{C})$  is the localization of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

### Proposition 2.2.9

Always  $\exists$  localization  $\text{ho}(\mathcal{C})$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $\gamma^*$  is an isomorphism of categories.

Definition of  $\text{ho}(\mathcal{C})$ :

i)  $\text{ob}(\text{ho}(\mathcal{C})) = \text{ob}(\mathcal{C})$

ii)  $\text{Hom}_{\text{ho}(\mathcal{C})}(X, Y)$  is equivalence classes of diagrams

$$X = X_0 \leftarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_2 \leftarrow \cdots \rightarrow X_{n-1} \leftarrow X_n \rightarrow X_{n+1} = Y \quad (n \geq 0)$$

where each  $\leftarrow$  is in  $\mathcal{W}$  or is the identity.

Equivalence relation:

