

SYNTHETIC ∞ -CATEGORY THEORY

PROBLEM SET.

1) PROVE THAT THE COMPOSITE OF TWO ADJUNCTIONS IN A 2-CATEGORY \mathcal{K} IS AGAIN AN ADJUNCTION. IN OTHER WORDS, GIVEN

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{f} \\ \perp \\ \xrightarrow{u} \end{array} & B & \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{g} \\ \perp \\ \xrightarrow{v} \end{array} & C & \text{ IN } \mathcal{K} \\
 \eta: \text{id}_B \Rightarrow u f & & \mu: \text{id}_C \Rightarrow v g & & & \text{+ TRIANGLE IDENTITIES} \\
 \epsilon: f u \Rightarrow \text{id}_A & & \nu: g v \Rightarrow \text{id}_B & & &
 \end{array}$$

WRITE DOWN CANDIDATE UNIT + COUNIT FOR AN ADJUNCTION $f g \dashv v u$ AND SHOW THEY SATISFY THE TRIANGLE IDENTITIES.

HINT TRY USING STRING DIAGRAMS TO EXPRESS / PLAN YOUR ARGUMENT

2) GIVEN AN ADJUNCTION $E: A \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \perp \\ \xrightarrow{u} \end{array} B: \eta$ IN A 2-CATEGORY \mathcal{K} , SHOW THAT IT GIVES RISE TO ADJUNCTIONS OF HOM-CATEGORIES.

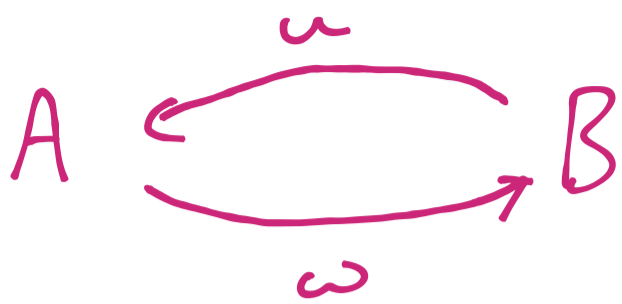
$$\mathcal{K}(X, f) \dashv \mathcal{K}(X, u) \quad + \quad \mathcal{K}(u, Y) \dashv \mathcal{K}(f, Y)$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 f a \Rightarrow b \\
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 a \Rightarrow u b
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 c u \Rightarrow d \\
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 c \Rightarrow d f
 \end{array}$$

HMMM
A LITTLE
WARD!

3) GIVEN AN EQUIVALENCE IN A 2-CATEGORY \mathcal{K}

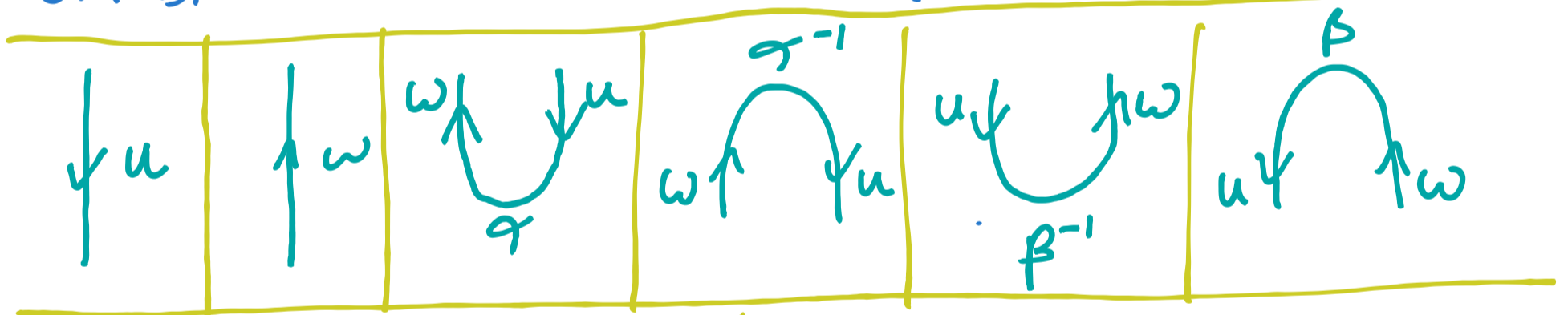


$$\eta: wu \cong \text{id}_B$$

$$\beta: \text{id}_A \cong uw$$

SHOW THAT WE MAY CONSTRUCT A 2-CELL $\beta': \text{id}_A \cong uw$ SUCH THAT η AND β' SATISFY THE TRIANGLE IDENTITIES.

HINT USE SEQUENCES OF MANIPULATIONS OF STRING DIAGRAMS TO PLAN YOUR ARGUMENT (**NOMADIC MATH**) THEN CONVERT THOSE INTO ALGEBRAIC EQUIVALENTS IN WHICH EACH STEP IS JUSTIFIED BY EITHER BY MIDDLE 4 INTERCHANGES OR BY AN ISOMORPHISM IDENTITY. (**ROYAL MATH**).



$$w \uparrow \eta^{-1} \downarrow u = \text{id}_w$$

$\eta \cdot \eta^{-1} = \text{id}_w \cdot \text{id}_B$

$$u \downarrow \beta^{-1} \uparrow w = \text{id}_u$$

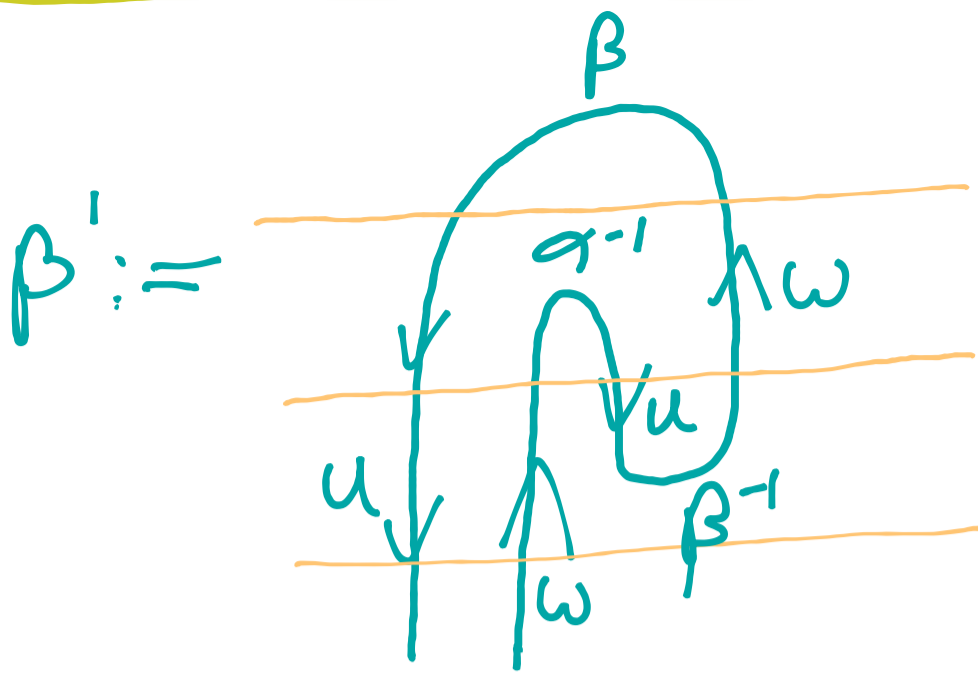
$\beta^{-1} \cdot \beta = \text{id}_u \cdot \text{id}_A$

$$w \uparrow \eta \downarrow u = w \uparrow \eta^{-1} \downarrow u$$

$\eta^{-1} \cdot \eta = \text{id}_w$

$$u \downarrow \beta^{-1} \uparrow w = u \downarrow \beta \uparrow w$$

$\beta \cdot \beta^{-1} = \text{id}_u$



$$= \underset{A}{\text{id}} \xrightarrow{\beta} u\omega \xrightarrow{u\alpha^{-1}\omega} u\omega u\omega \xrightarrow{u\omega\beta^{-1}} u\omega$$

4) ADAPT THE PROOF GIVEN IN (3) TO PROVE THE FOLLOWING SLIGHTLY MORE GENERAL RESULT.

SUPPOSE WE ARE GIVEN 1-CELLS $A \overset{f}{\rightleftarrows} B$ IN A 2-CATEGORY \mathcal{K} ALONG WITH 2-CELLS $\eta: \text{id}_B \Rightarrow uf$ + $\epsilon: fu \cong \text{id}_A$ SUCH THAT fu AND ηu ARE BOTH ISOMORPHISMS. THEN WE MAY CONSTRUCT A 2-CELL $\eta': \text{id}_B \Rightarrow uf$ SUCH THAT THE PAIR ϵ, η' SATISFY THE TRIANGLE IDENTITIES AND THUS DISPLAY AN ADJUNCTION $f \dashv u$.

LEFT ADJOINT RIGHT INVERSE (LARI)

THIS CLASS OF ADJUNCTIONS IS SURPRISINGLY HANDY

5) PROVE THAT IN ORDER TO SHOW THAT A PAIR OF 1-CELLS $A \overset{f}{\rightleftarrows} B$ ARE ADJOINT IT SUFFICES TO GIVE 2-CELLS $\eta: id_B \Rightarrow uf$ + $\epsilon: fu \Rightarrow id_A$ SUCH THAT THE TRIANGLE COMMUTES

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 f & \xrightarrow{f\eta} & fuf & \xrightarrow{\epsilon f} & f & \text{AND} \\
 u & \xrightarrow{\eta u} & ufu & \xrightarrow{u\epsilon} & u
 \end{array}$$

ARE BOTH ISOMORPHISMS.

6) PROVE THE FOLLOWING RESULT STATED IN PART II:

RIGHT ADJOINTS PRESERVE LIMITS OF FAMILIES

$$A \overset{f}{\rightleftarrows} B$$

GIVEN AN ADJUNCTION

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{IF} & & \\
 & \curvearrowright & A \\
 & \Downarrow \lambda & \downarrow \Delta \\
 I & \xrightarrow{d} & A^x
 \end{array}$$

IS AN ABSOLUTE RIGHT LIFTING

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & \curvearrowright & A & \xrightarrow{u} & B \\
 & \Downarrow \lambda & \downarrow \Delta & & \downarrow \Delta \\
 I & \xrightarrow{d} & A^x & \xrightarrow{u^x} & B^x
 \end{array}$$

IS ALSO AN ABSOLUTE RIGHT LIFTING.

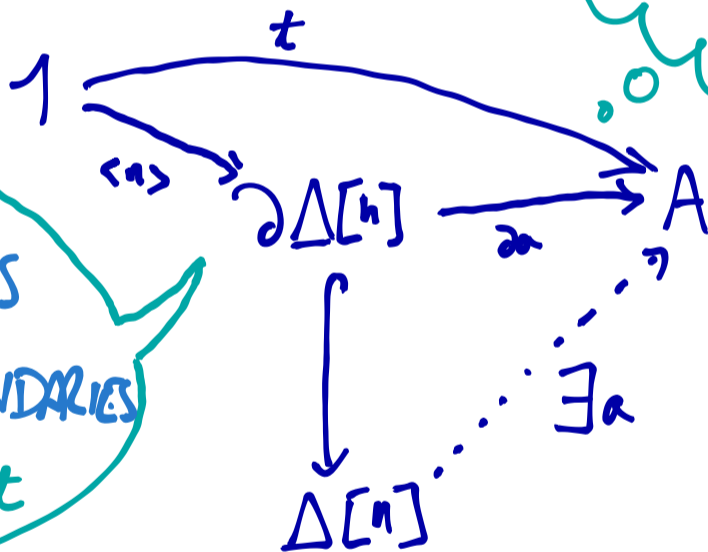
7) USE THE HOM-WISE CHARACTERISATION OF ADJUNCTIONS AND THE WELL KNOWN EQUIVALENCE BETWEEN THE THIN AND FAT SLICES OF A QUASI-CATEGORY TO COMPLETE THE EXERCISE ON SLIDE 25, VIZ:

SUPPOSE THAT A IS A QUASI-CATEGORY;
 AN OBJECT IN THE ∞ -COSMOS $\mathcal{Q}\text{Cat}$.
 LET t BE A VERTEX OF A , THEN

$t : 1 \rightarrow A$ IS A TERMINAL ELEMENT



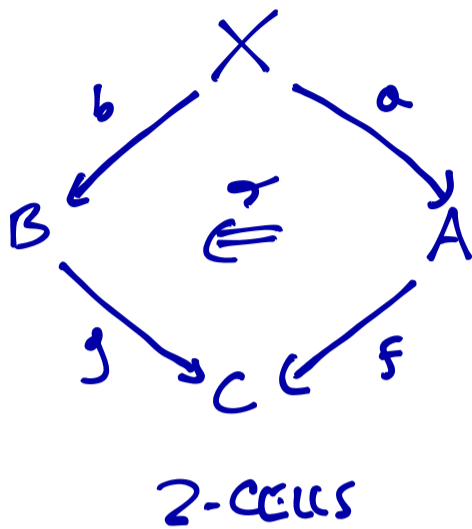
THIS IS JOYAL'S TERMINAL OBJECT NOTION



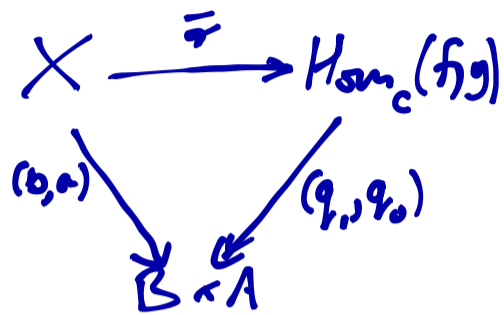
A ADMITS FILLERS FOR SIMPLEX BOUNDARIES WITH LAST VERTEX t

7) USE THE RESULT CITED ON SLIDE 36, V17:

KEY OBSERVATION IT IS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE WEAK 2-UNIVERSAL PROPERTY OF $\text{Hom}_C(f, g)$ THAT THERE EXISTS A BIJECTION

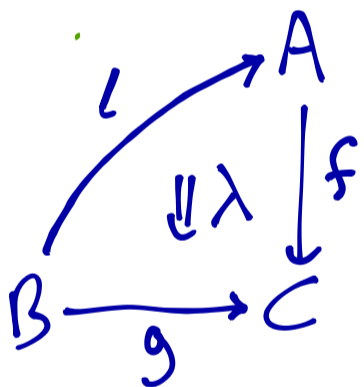


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BIJECTION

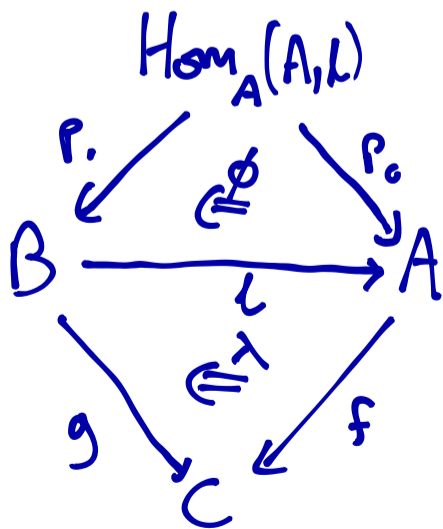


ISO-CLASSES OF
1-CELLS OVER $B \times A$

TO PROVE THE HOM-WISE CHARACTER OF ABSOLUTE RIGHT LIFTINGS:



LEMMA THE TRIANGLE ON THE LEFT IS AN ABSOLUTE RIGHT LIFTING IFF THE INDUCED FUNCTOR $\text{Hom}_A(A, L) \xrightarrow{\omega} \text{Hom}_C(f, g)$ IS AN EQUIVALENCE



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