

SPANS FOR 2-CATEGORIES AND COMMA OBJECTS



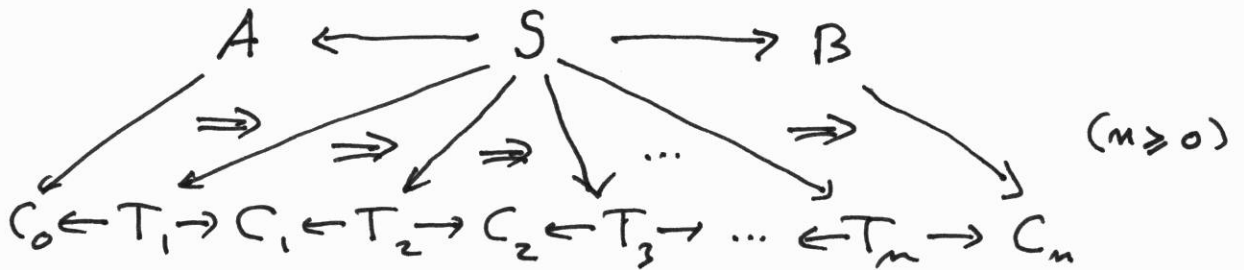
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SPANS FOR A 2-CATEGORY A

CONSTRUCT AN OPLAX DOUBLE CATEGORY
(C.F. LEINSTER'S FC-CATEGORIES) SA

- SAME OBJECTS AS A
- HORIZONTAL ARROWS - SPANS OF A
- VERTICAL ARROWS - THE ARROWS OF A
- THE CELLS

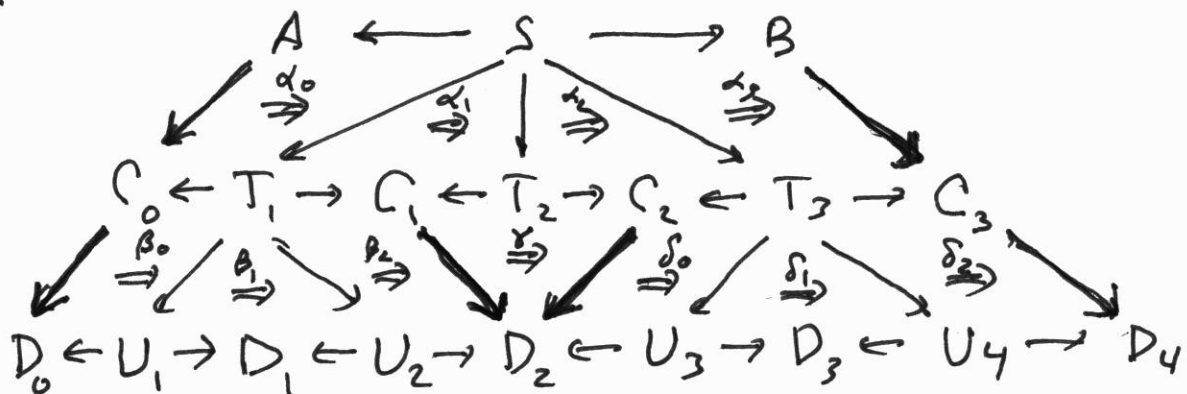


- IDENTITIES

$$\begin{array}{c}
 A \leftarrow S \rightarrow B \\
 \parallel \quad \cong \quad \parallel \quad \cong \quad | \\
 A \leftarrow S \rightarrow B
 \end{array}$$

COMPOSITION (VERTICAL)

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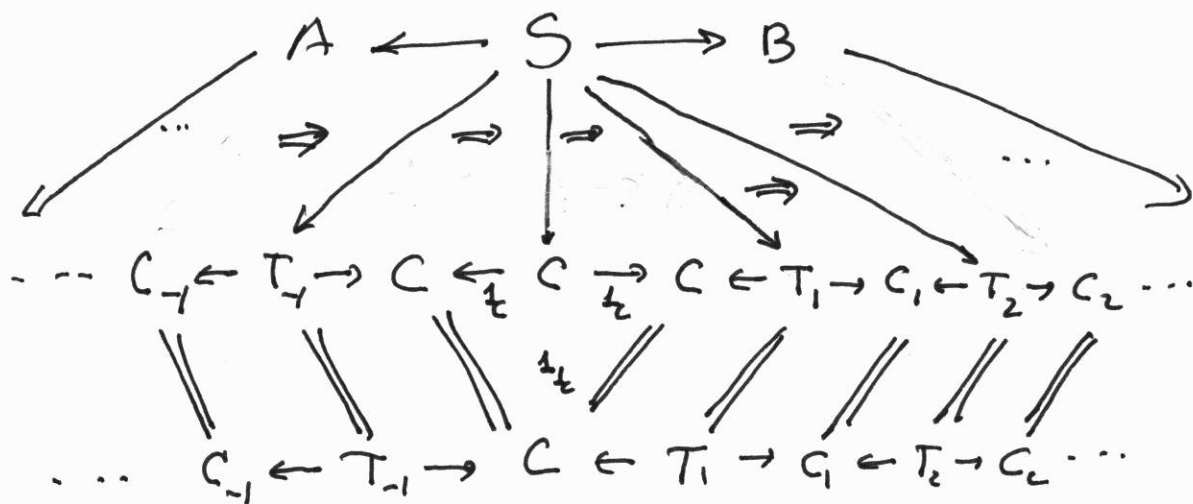


(THE COMPOSITE $(\delta, \gamma, \beta) \cdot \alpha$)

PROP: $\mathcal{S}\underline{A}$ IS AN OPLAX DOUBLE CATEGORY.

$\mathcal{S}\underline{A}$ IS NOT NORMAL - IDENTITIES NOT REP.

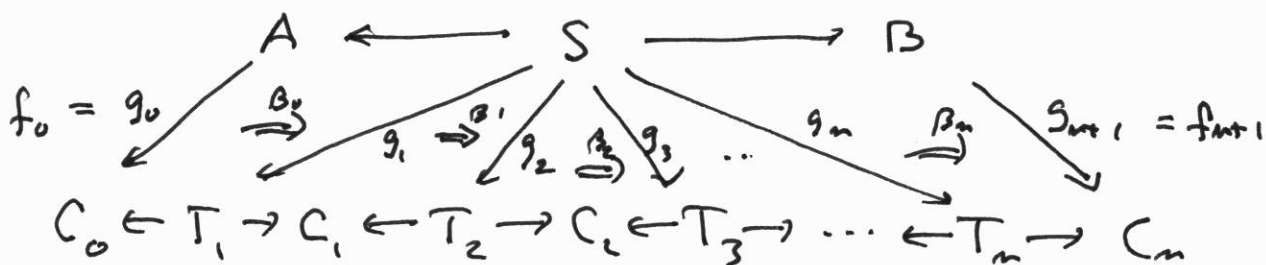
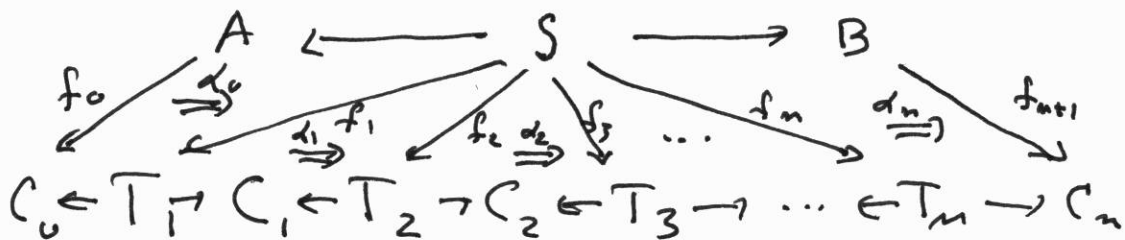
I.E. COMPOSING



IS NOT A BIJECTION.

THE 3-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE OF SPANS

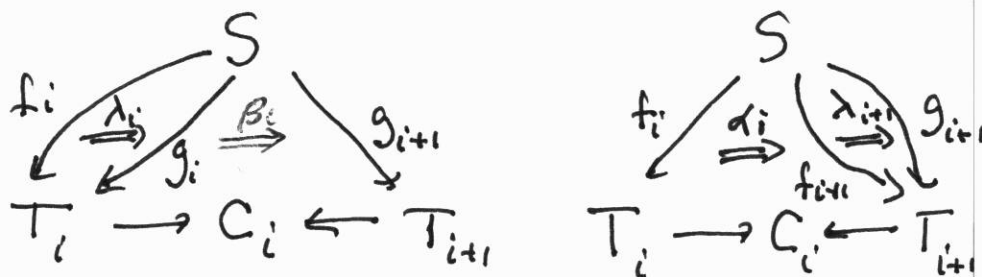
AUGMENT $\mathcal{S}A$ to $\mathcal{S}PAN A$ BY ADDING 3-CELLS :



(SAME BOUNDARY)

A 3-CELL IS $\langle \lambda_i : f_i \rightarrow g_i \rangle_{i=1, \dots, n}$

SUCH THAT



I.E. A CELL

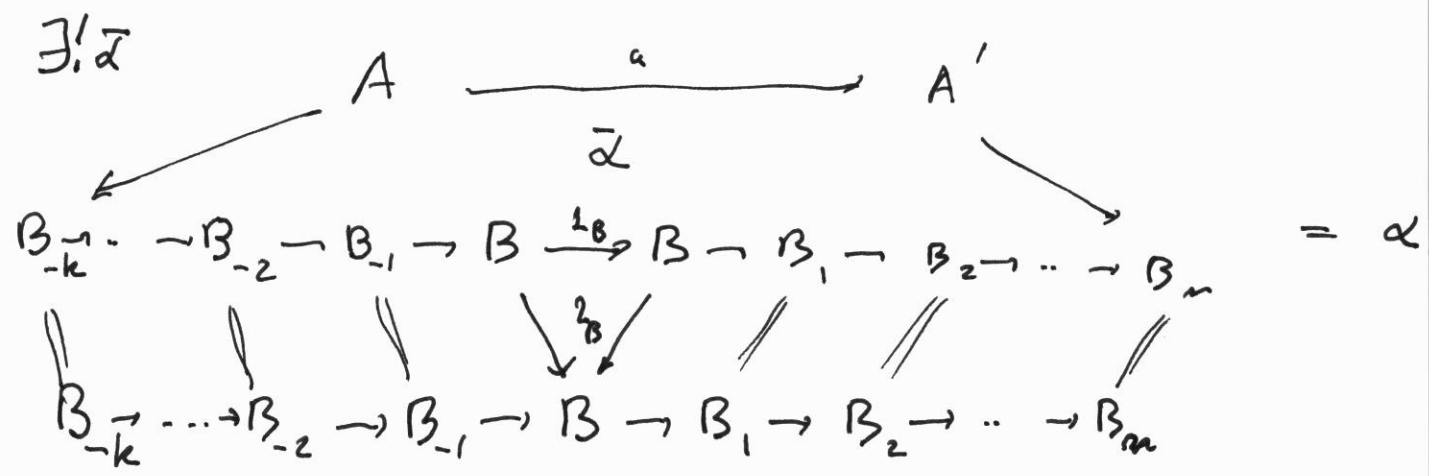
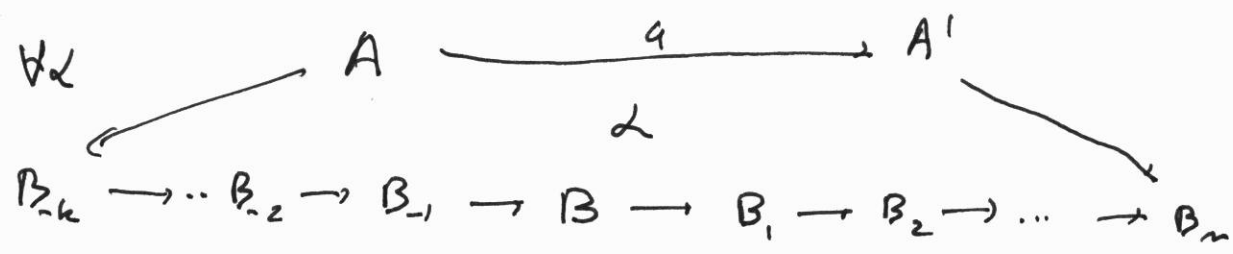


THE OPLAX DOUBLE CATEGORY $\text{SPAN } \underline{A}$

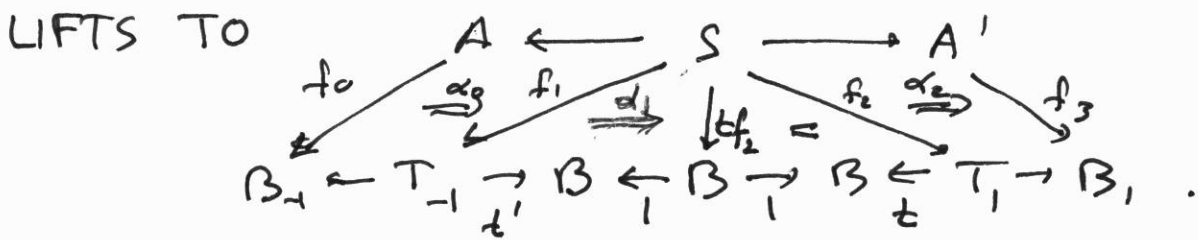
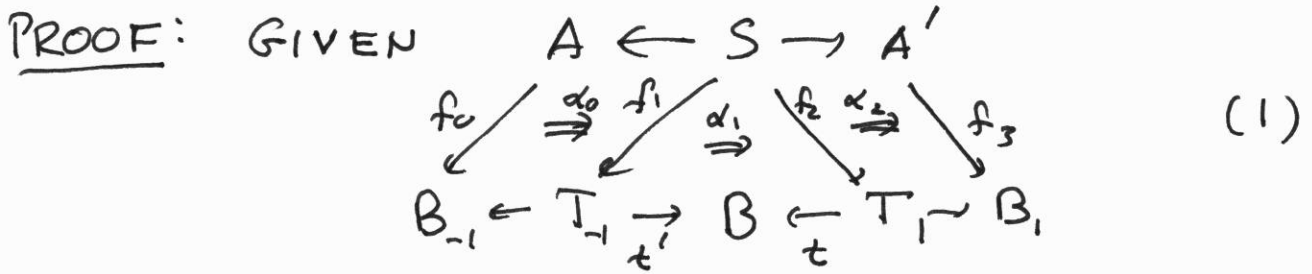
COLLAPSE THE 3-CELLS BY TAKING π_0 ,
 CONNECTED COMPONENTS. THIS GIVES
 THE OPLAX DOUBLE CATEGORY $\text{SPAN } \underline{A}$
 WITH THE RIGHT PROPERTIES.

AN OPLAX DOUBLE CATEGORY IS NORMAL

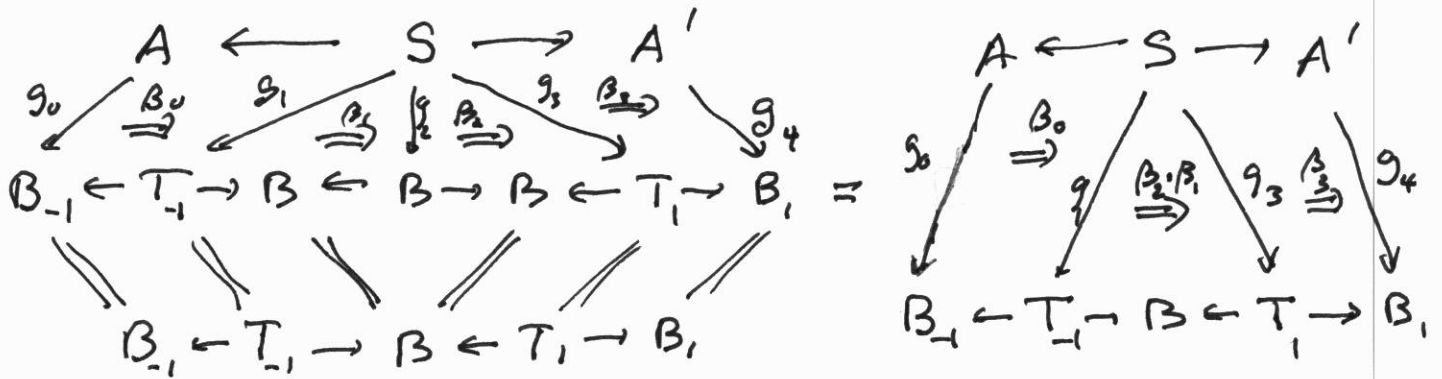
IF FOR EVERY OBJECT B THERE IS AN
 ARROW $1_B: B \rightarrow B$ AND A CELL 2_B S.T.



PROP: $\text{SPAN } \underline{A}$ IS NORMAL.



GIVEN ANOTHER LIFTING

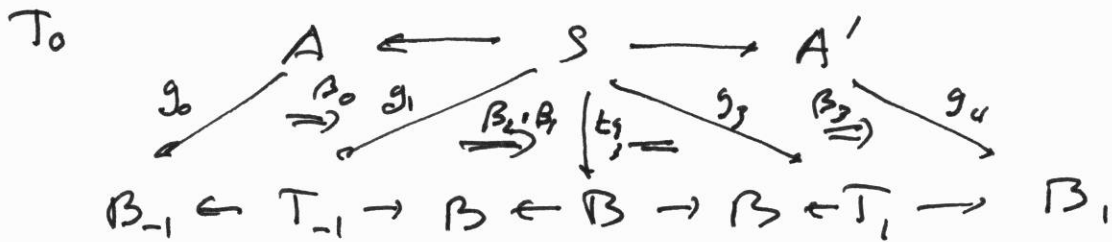
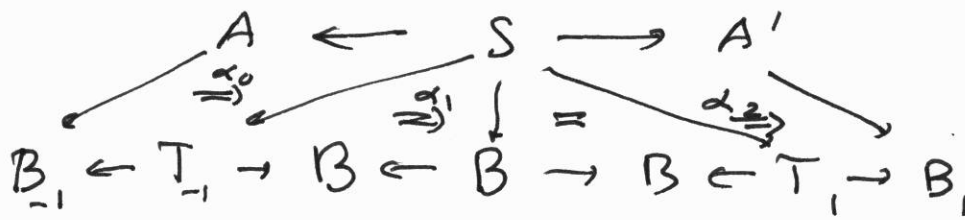


IF THIS IS EQUAL TO (1) THEN $f_0 = g_0, f_3 = g_4$

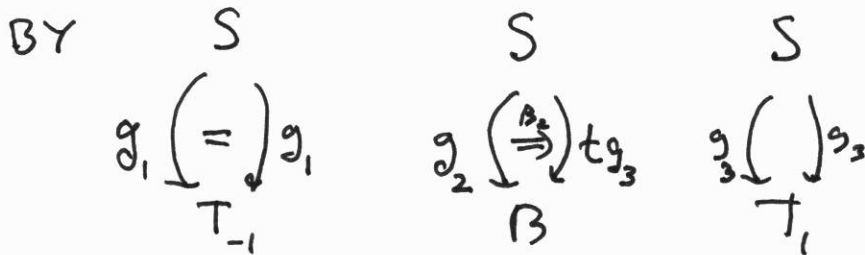
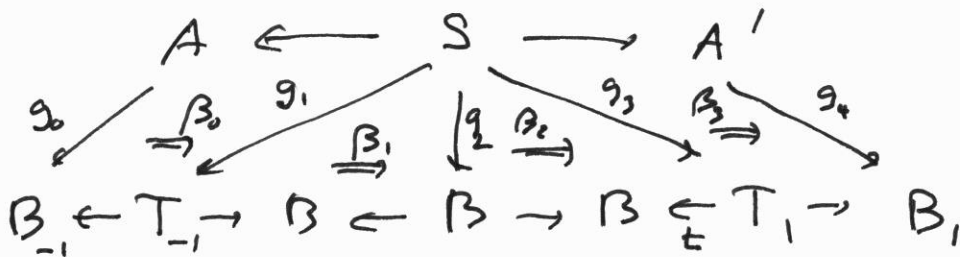
AND THERE IS A ZIG-ZAG SEQUENCE

$\langle \lambda_{1i}, \lambda_{2i} \rangle$ RELATING f_1 TO g_1, f_2 TO g_3
 α_0 TO β_0, α_1 TO $\beta_2 \cdot \beta_1, \alpha_2$ TO β_3 .

THEN $\langle \lambda_{1i}, t\lambda_{2i}, \lambda_{2i} \rangle$ RELATES



WHICH IS RELATED TO



NORMALITY IS IMPORTANT !

PROP: EVERY VERTICAL ARROW $f: A \rightarrow B$ IN $\mathbb{SPAN} \underline{A}$

HAS A COMPANION $f_* = (A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{f} B)$

AND A CONJOINT $f^* = (B \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{1} A)$.

"PROOF": THE BINDING CELLS FOR f_*

ARE $A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{f} B$ AND $A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{1} A$

$$f \downarrow = f \downarrow = \parallel \quad \parallel = \parallel = \downarrow f$$

$$B \xleftarrow{1} B \xrightarrow{1} B \quad A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{f} B \quad \square$$

PROP: IN $\mathbb{SPAN} \underline{A}$ COMPOSITES $f_* s$

$$A \xleftarrow{s} S \xrightarrow{s'} B \xleftarrow{1} B \xrightarrow{f} C$$

EXIST (STRONGLY REPRESENTABLE)

AND ARE EQUAL TO $A \xleftarrow{s} S \xrightarrow{fs'} C$.

"PROOF": THE UNIVERSAL CELL IS

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & A & \xleftarrow{s} & S & \xrightarrow{fs'} & C \\
 & // & & // & & // \\
 & A & \xleftarrow{s} & S & \xrightarrow{s'} & B & \xleftarrow{1} & B & \xrightarrow{f} & C \\
 & & & & & & & & & \square
 \end{array}$$

DUALITY $\text{SPAN}(A^{co}) \cong (\text{SPAN } A)^{op}$

COR: IN $\text{SPAN } A$ COMPOSITES S_g^* EXIST.

PROP: IN $\text{SPAN } A$, $f_* \dashv f^*$.

UNIT $A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{1} A$ (USES NORMAL)

$$\begin{array}{c} \parallel = \parallel = \parallel = \parallel \\ A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{1} B \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{1} A \end{array}$$

COUNIT $B \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{f} B$ (USES $B \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{f} B$)

$$\begin{array}{c} \parallel = \downarrow f = \parallel \\ B \xleftarrow{1} B \xrightarrow{1} B \end{array} = B \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{1} A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{f} B = f_* f^*$$

PROP: If $f \dashv u$ in A , THEN

$$A \xleftarrow{u} S \xrightarrow{v} B \cong A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{vf} B$$

"PROOF":

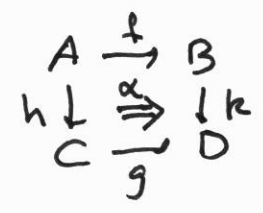
$$\begin{array}{c} A \xleftarrow{u} S \xrightarrow{v} B \\ \parallel = u \downarrow \Rightarrow \parallel \\ A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{vf} B \end{array} \quad \& \quad \begin{array}{c} A \xleftarrow{1} A \xrightarrow{vf} B \\ \parallel \Rightarrow \downarrow f = \parallel \\ A \xleftarrow{u} S \xrightarrow{v} B \end{array}$$

ARE INVERSE. \square

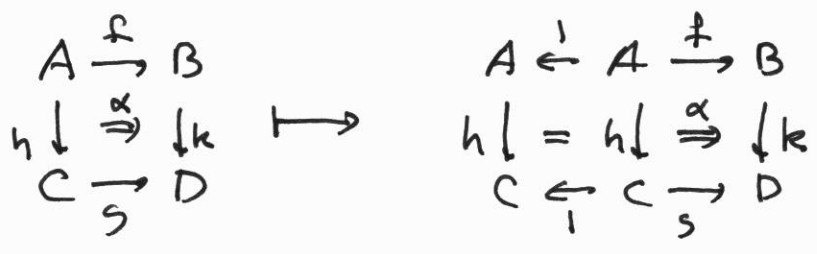
QUINTETS

QA

CELLS



PROP:

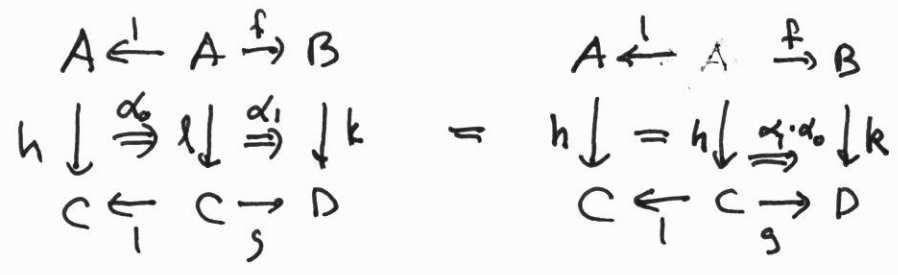


DEFINES A PSEUDO MORPHISM

$$\underline{\underline{Q}}A \xrightarrow{C} \underline{\underline{SPAN}} A$$

WHICH IS LOCALLY FULL & FAITHFUL.

"PROOF":



□

CONSIDER A CELL

$$\begin{array}{c}
 A \xleftarrow{s} S \xrightarrow{s'} A' \\
 \begin{array}{c}
 \swarrow f_0 \quad \searrow f_1 \quad \downarrow f_2 \quad \dots \quad \swarrow f_n \quad \searrow f_{n+1} \\
 \Rightarrow \alpha_0 \quad \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \quad \dots \quad \Rightarrow \alpha_n
 \end{array} \\
 B_0 \xleftarrow{t_1} T_1 \xrightarrow{t_1'} B_1 \xleftarrow{t_2} T_2 \xrightarrow{t_2'} \dots \xleftarrow{t_n} T_n \xrightarrow{t_n'} B_n
 \end{array}$$

IN WHICH $t_i : T_i \rightarrow B_{i-1}$ IS A FIBRATION.

THEN WE CAN MAKE α_{i-1} INTO AN IDENTITY BY CHANGING f_i AND α_i BUT NOTHING ELSE.

- IF ALL t_i ARE FIBRATIONS WE CAN MAKE ALL THE α_i IDENTITIES EXCEPT α_n .
- IF FURTHERMORE $B_{n-1} \xleftarrow{t_n} T_n \xrightarrow{t_n'} B_n$ IS A BIFIBRATION WE CAN MAKE α_n AN IDENTITY TOO.
- EQUIVALENCE OF CELLS CAN BE REALIZED BY THIS KIND OF CELL.

COMMA OBJECTS

PROP: IF THE COMMA OBJECT (s', t) EXISTS,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (s', t) & \xrightarrow{p_1} & T \\ p_0 \downarrow & \Rightarrow & \downarrow t \\ S & \xrightarrow{s'} & B \end{array}$$

THEN THE COMPOSITE OF

$$A \xleftarrow{s} S \xrightarrow{s'} B \xleftarrow{t} T \xrightarrow{t'} C$$

IS STRONGLY REPRESENTED BY

$$A \xleftarrow{s p_0} (s', t) \xrightarrow{t' p_1} C.$$

COR: (BECK CONDITION)

IF $\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ h \downarrow & \Rightarrow & \downarrow k \\ C & \xrightarrow{g} & D \end{array}$ IS A COMMA OBJECT,

THEN $f_* h^* \cong k^* g_*$, $\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f_*} & B \\ h^* \uparrow & \cong & \uparrow k^* \\ C & \xrightarrow{g_*} & D \end{array}$

PROOF:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C \xrightarrow{h'} C & \xrightarrow{g} D & \xleftarrow{k} B \xrightarrow{j} B \\ \cong & & \\ C \xrightarrow{h} A & \xrightarrow{f} B & \\ \cong & & \\ C \xrightarrow{h} A & \xrightarrow{j} A & \xleftarrow{A} A \xrightarrow{f} B \quad \square \end{array}$$

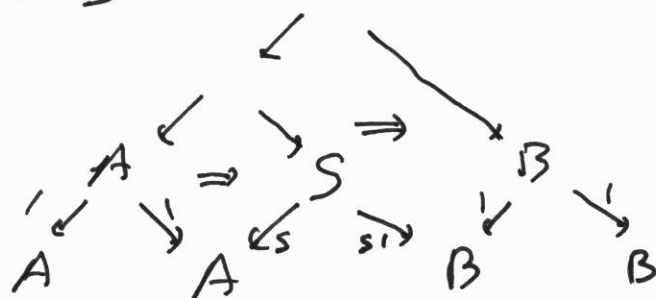
ASSUME \underline{A} HAS COMMA OBJECTS.

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^2 \xrightarrow{d_1} A & \text{COMMA} & \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} A^2 \\ \swarrow d_0 \quad \searrow d_1 \\ A \quad A \end{array} \cong \begin{array}{c} A \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ A \quad A \end{array} \\ d_0 \downarrow \Rightarrow \downarrow' & \text{OBJECT} & \\ A \xrightarrow{1} A & & \end{array}$$

• $\text{SPAN } \underline{A}$ "IS" A (PSEUDO) DOUBLE CATEGORY.

• EVERY SPAN S HAS AN ASSOCIATED BIFIB

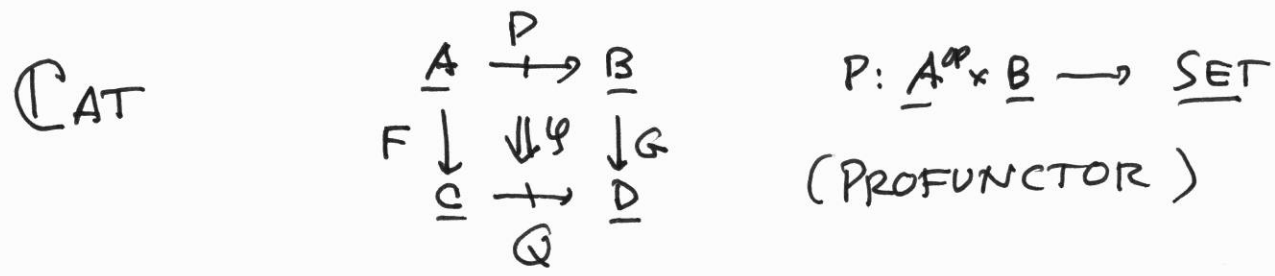
$$I_B S I_A \cong S$$



SO WE CAN TAKE $\text{SPAN } \underline{A}$ TO HAVE BIFIBRATIONS AS HORIZONTAL ARROWS AND AS CELLS EQUIVALENCE CLASSES OF DIAGRAMS

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \leftarrow & S & \rightarrow & B \\ \downarrow & = & \downarrow & = & \downarrow \\ C & \leftarrow & T & \rightarrow & D \end{array}$$

SPANS IN CAT VS PROFUNCTORS



$\varphi: P \rightarrow Q (F-, G-)$ NAT. TRANSF.

$\mathbb{E}L: \text{CAT} \rightarrow \text{SPAN CAT}$



$\text{I}P\text{O}: \text{SPAN CAT} \rightarrow \text{CAT}$



- PROP:
- $\mathbb{E}L$ LAX NORMAL,
 - $\text{I}P\text{O}$ PSEUDO,
 - $\text{I}P\text{O}$ IS LEFT (UPPER?) ADJOINT TO $\mathbb{E}L$.

