

Products of families of types in the C-systems defined by a universe category¹

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Abstract

We introduce the notion of a (Π, λ) -structure on a C-system and show that C-systems with (Π, λ) -structures are constructively equivalent to contextual categories with products of families of types. We then show how to construct (Π, λ) -structures on C-systems of the form $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ defined by a universe p in a locally cartesian closed category \mathcal{C} from a simple pull-back square based on p . In the last section we prove a theorem that asserts that our construction is functorial.

1 Introduction

The concept of a C-system in its present form was introduced in [9]. The type of the C-systems is constructively equivalent to the type of contextual categories defined by Cartmell in [4] and [3] but the definition of a C-system is slightly different from the Cartmell's foundational definition.

In this paper we consider what might be the most important structure on C-systems - the structure that corresponds, for the syntactic C-systems, to the operations of dependent product, λ -abstraction and application. A C-system formulation of this structure was introduced by John Cartmell in [3, pp. 3.37 and 3.41] as a part of what he called a strong M.L. structure. It was studied further by Thomas Streicher in [6, p.71] who called a C-system (contextual category) together with such a structure a “contextual category with products of families of types”.

We first show that the structure that Cartmell defined is equivalent to another structure, which we call a (Π, λ) -structure. The proof of this equivalence consists of Constructions 2.5 and 2.6 (of mappings in both directions) and Lemmas 2.7 and 2.8 showing that these mappings are mutually inverse.

Then we consider the case of C-systems of the form $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ introduced in [8]. They are defined, in a functorial way, by a category \mathcal{C} with a final object and a morphism $p : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ in \mathcal{C} together with the choice of pull-backs of p along all morphisms in \mathcal{C} . A morphism with such choices is called a universe in \mathcal{C} . An important feature of this construction is that the C-systems $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ corresponding to different choices of pull-backs and different choices of final objects are canonically isomorphic. This fact makes it possible to say that $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ is defined by \mathcal{C} and p .

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We provide several intermediate results about $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ when \mathcal{C} is a locally cartesian closed category leading to the main result of this paper - Construction 4.3 that produces a (Π, λ) -structure on $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ from a simple pull-back square based on p . This construction was first announced in [7]. It and the ideas that it is based on are among the most important ingredients of the construction of the univalent model of the Martin-Lof type theory.

The methods of this paper are fully constructive. It is also written in the formalization-ready style that is in such a way that no long arguments are hidden even when they are required only to substantiate an assertion that may feel obvious to readers who are closely associated with a particular tradition of mathematical thought.

In this paper we continue to use the diagrammatic order of writing composition of morphisms, i.e., for $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ the composition of f and g is denoted by $f \circ g$.

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2 Products of families of types and (Π, λ) -structures

Let CC be a C-system. For $\Gamma \in Ob(CC)$, let $Ob_n(\Gamma)$ be the set of elements Δ in Ob such that $l(\Delta) \geq n + l(\Gamma)$ and $ft^n(\Delta) = \Gamma$ and $\widetilde{Ob}_n(\Gamma)$ the set of elements $s \in \widetilde{Ob}(CC)$ such that $s : ft(\Delta) \rightarrow \Delta$ where $\Delta \in Ob_n(\Gamma)$. For $n = 0$ we will abbreviate $\widetilde{Ob}_0(\Gamma)$ as $\widetilde{Ob}(\Gamma)$. Note that in view of the definition of \widetilde{Ob} we have $\widetilde{Ob}(X) = \emptyset$ if $l(X) = 0$.

For $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ the functions $\Delta \mapsto f^*(\Delta, n)$ and $s \mapsto f^*(s, n)$, defined in [9] as iterated canonical pull-backs of objects and sections respectively, give us functions:

$$\begin{aligned} Ob_n(\Gamma) &\rightarrow Ob_n(\Gamma') \\ \widetilde{Ob}_n(\Gamma) &\rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}_n(\Gamma') \end{aligned}$$

which we will write simply as f^* .

Let us note also that if $\Delta, \Delta' \in Ob(\Gamma)$, $u : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta'$ is a morphism over Γ and $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ is a morphism then, using the fact the the canonical squares are pull-back, we get a morphism $f^*(\Delta) \rightarrow f^*(\Delta')$ that we denote by $f^*(u)$.

The structure of “products of families of types” is defined in [3, pp.3.37 and 3.41] and also considered in [6, p.71]. Let us remind this definition here.

Definition 2.1 *The structure of products of families of types on a C-system CC is a collection of data of the form:*

1. for every $\Gamma \in Ob$ a function $\Pi_\Gamma : Ob_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow Ob_1(\Gamma)$, which we write simply as Π ,
2. for every Γ and $B \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ a morphism $Ap_B : p_A^*(\Pi(B)) \rightarrow B$ over A , where $A = ft(B)$,

such that:

1. for any Γ and $B \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ the map $\lambda_{inv_{Ap}} : \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(B)) \rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}(B)$ defined as:

$$s \mapsto p_A^*(s) \circ Ap_B$$

is a bijection,

2. for any $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Ob_2(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{\Pi_\Gamma} & Ob_1(\Gamma) \\ f^* \downarrow & & \downarrow f^* \\ Ob_2(\Gamma') & \xrightarrow{\Pi_{\Gamma'}} & Ob_1(\Gamma') \end{array}$$

commutes,

3. for any $\Gamma, B \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ and $f : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ one has $f^*(Ap_B) = Ap_{f^*(B)}$.

We will show in the next section how to construct products of families of types on C-systems of the form $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$. For this construction we first need to introduce another structure on C-systems and construct a bijection between the set of the products of families of types structures and this new structures.

Definition 2.2 Let CC be a C-system. A pre- (Π, λ) -structure on CC is a pair of families of functions

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_\Gamma &: Ob_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow Ob_1(\Gamma) \\ \lambda_\Gamma &: \widetilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma) \end{aligned}$$

such that $\partial(\lambda(s)) = \Pi(\partial(s))$ and one has:

1. for any $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Ob_2(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{\Pi_\Gamma} & Ob_1(\Gamma) \\ f^* \downarrow & & \downarrow f^* \\ Ob_2(\Gamma') & \xrightarrow{\Pi_{\Gamma'}} & Ob_1(\Gamma') \end{array} \tag{1}$$

commutes,

2. for any $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{\lambda_\Gamma} & \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma) \\ f^* \downarrow & & \downarrow f^* \\ \widetilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma') & \xrightarrow{\lambda_{\Gamma'}} & \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma') \end{array} \tag{2}$$

commutes.

The condition that $\partial(\lambda(s)) = \Pi(\partial(s))$ can also be seen as the assertion that the square:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{\lambda_\Gamma} & \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma) \\ \partial \downarrow & & \downarrow \partial \\ Ob_2(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{\Pi_\Gamma} & Ob_1(\Gamma) \end{array} \quad (3)$$

commutes.

Definition 2.3 A pre- (Π, λ) -structure is called a (Π, λ) -structure if for any $\Gamma \in Ob_{\geq 2}$ the square (3) is a pull-back square or, equivalently, if the functions

$$\lambda'_\Gamma : \widetilde{Ob}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(\Gamma))$$

defined by λ_Γ are bijections.

We are going to show that, for a given family of functions Π_Γ , the type of (Π, λ) -structures over Π_Γ is equivalent to the type of products of families of types over the same Π_Γ .

We first reformulate the structure of products of families slightly. Instead of considering $p_A^*(\Pi(B))$ we will consider an object that is isomorphic (but not equal!) to it, namely $p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)$. Our structure will then be a family of maps Π as before together with, for every Γ and $B \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$, a morphism $Ap'_B : p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A) \rightarrow B$ over A such that the map $\lambda \text{inv}'_{Ap'} : \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(B)) \rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}(B)$ defined as:

$$s \mapsto q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) \circ Ap'_B$$

is a bijection. This can be seen on the following diagram that also contains other elements that will be needed in the construction below.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} B & \xrightarrow{q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2), 2)} & p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2) & \xrightarrow{q(p_{\Pi(B)}, B, 2)} & B \\ p_B \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow p_B \\ A & \xrightarrow{q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A))} & p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A) & \xrightarrow{q(p_{\Pi(B)}, A)} & A \\ p_A \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow p_A \\ \Gamma & \xrightarrow{s} & \Pi(B) & \xrightarrow{p_{\Pi(B)}} & \Gamma \end{array} \quad (4)$$

We now state the problem which we will provide a construction for:

Problem 2.4 Let CC be a C -system and let Π be a family of functions

$$\Pi_\Gamma : Ob_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow Ob_1(\Gamma)$$

given for all $\Gamma \in Ob$ such that the corresponding squares of the form (1) commute.

To construct a bijection between the following two types of structure:

1. for every Γ and $B \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ a bijection

$$\lambda'_B : \widetilde{Ob}(B) \rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(B))$$

such that for every morphism $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{Ob}(B) & \xrightarrow{\lambda'_B} & \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(B)) \\ f^* \downarrow & & \downarrow f^* \\ \widetilde{Ob}(f^*(B)) & \xrightarrow{\lambda'_{f^*(B)}} & \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(f^*(B))) \end{array}$$

defined by f , commutes.

2. for every $\Gamma \in Ob$ and $B \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ a morphism $Ap'_B : p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A) \rightarrow B$ over A , where $A = ft(B)$, such that the map

$$\lambda inv'_{Ap'} : \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(B)) \rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}(B)$$

defined as:

$$s \mapsto q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) \circ Ap'_B$$

is a bijection and such that for every morphism $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ and $B \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ one has $f^*(Ap'_B) = Ap'_{f^*(B)}$.

We will construct the solution in four steps - first a function from structures of the first kind to structures of the second, then a function in the opposite direction and the two lemmas proving that the first function is a left and a right inverse to the second.

Construction 2.5 Let us show how to construct a structure of the second kind from a structure of the first kind. To define Ap' consider the digram of Π 's defined by the diagram (4):

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Pi(B) & & \Pi(p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2)) & & \Pi(B) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Gamma & \xrightarrow{s} & \Pi(B) & \xrightarrow{p_{\Pi(B)}} & \Gamma \end{array} \quad (5)$$

Note that since Π is stable under pull-backs we have

$$\Pi(p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2)) = p_{\Pi(B)}^*(\Pi(B))$$

and therefore the diagonal $\delta_{\Pi(B)}$ gives us an element in $\widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2)))$. Applying to it the inverse of our λ' we get an element $ap : \widetilde{Ob}(p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2))$. Define:

$$Ap'_B = ap \circ q(p_{\Pi(B)}, B, 2)$$

Let us prove that these morphisms satisfy the conditions of bijectivity and the stability under pull-backs. We need to show that the mappings $\lambda inv'_{Ap'} : \widetilde{Ob}(\Pi(B)) \rightarrow \widetilde{Ob}(B)$ defined as:

$$s \mapsto q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) \circ Ap'_B$$

are bijective. It is sufficient to show that the mappings $\lambda inv'_{Ap'}$ are inverse to the ones given by λ' from at least one side as any inverse to a bijection is a bijection.

We do it in two steps. First let

$$\lambda inv''(s) = s^*(ap, 2) = q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A))^*(ap)$$

Let us show that $\lambda inv'' = \lambda inv'_{Ap'}$. Indeed:

$$\begin{aligned} q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A))^*(ap) &= q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A))^*(ap) \circ q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2), 2) \circ q(p_{\Pi(B)}, B, 2) = \\ &= q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) \circ ap \circ q(p_{\Pi(B)}, B, 2) = q(s, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) \circ Ap'_B \end{aligned}$$

Now we have:

$$\lambda'(\lambda inv''(s)) = \lambda'(s^*(ap, 2)) = s^*(\lambda'(ap), 1) = s^*(\delta_{\Pi(B)}, 1) = s.$$

It remains to check that the mappings Ap' are stable under the base change. Since the base change of morphisms commutes with compositions this follows if we know that ap is stable and $q(-, -, 2)$ is stable. The second fact is verified easily from the axioms of a C-system and the first follows from the stability of δ and the pull-back and the assumption that λ' is stable under pull-back.

Construction 2.6 Let us now construct a structure of the first kind from a structure of the second. This is straightforward since a construction of the second kind gives us bijections $\lambda inv'_{Ap'}$ and the inverse to these bijections are bijections required for the structure of the first kind. The fact that the bijections that we obtain in this way are stable under the pull-backs follows from the fact that the pull-backs commute with compositions, that they take morphisms of the form $q(-, -, 1)$ to morphisms of the same form and from our assumption that morphisms Ap' are stable under composition.

Let us denote the map of Construction 2.5 by $C1$ and the map of Construction 2.6 by $C2$.

Lemma 2.7 *For a structure of the first kind λ' one has $C2(C1(\lambda')) = \lambda'$.*

Proof: This is immediate since in Construction 2.5 we proved that the $\lambda inv'_{Ap'}$ that we have constructed are bijections by showing that they are inverses to the λ' 's that we started with and in Construction 2.6 we defined λ' 's as inverses to $\lambda inv'_{Ap'}$.

Lemma 2.8 *For a structure of the second kind Ap' one has $C1(C2(Ap')) = Ap'$.*

Proof: This amounts to checking that

$$\lambda inv'_{Ap'}(\Delta_{\Pi(B)}) \circ q(p_{\Pi(B)}, B, 2) = Ap'_B$$

Opening up the definition of $\lambda inv'$ we get the equation

$$q(\delta_{\Pi(B)}, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(\Pi(B))(p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A))) \circ Ap'_{p_{\Pi(B)}^*(B, 2)} q(p_{\Pi(B)}, B, 2) = Ap'_B$$

We have for any $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$:

$$Ap'_{f*(B,2)} \circ q(f, B, 2) = q(q(f, \Pi(B)), p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) \circ Ap'_B$$

and our equation becomes

$$q(\delta_{\Pi(B)}, p_{p_{\Pi(B)}^*(\Pi(B))}^*(p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A))) \circ q(q(p_{\Pi(B)}, \Pi(B)), p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) \circ Ap'_B = Ap'_B$$

Which follows from:

$$\begin{aligned} & q(\delta_{\Pi(B)}, p_{p_{\Pi(B)}^*(\Pi(B))}^*(p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A))) \circ q(q(p_{\Pi(B)}, \Pi(B)), p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) = \\ & q(\delta_{\Pi(B)} \circ q(p_{\Pi(B)}, \Pi(B)), p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) = q(Id, p_{\Pi(B)}^*(A)) = Id. \end{aligned}$$

This completes our construction for Problem 2.4.

3 More on the C-systems of the form $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$

Let us start by considering a general (pre-)category \mathcal{C} . Let $p : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ be a morphism in \mathcal{C} . Recall from [8] that a universe structure on p is a choice of pull-back squares of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (X; F) & \xrightarrow{Q(F)} & \tilde{U} \\ p_{X,F} \downarrow & & \downarrow p \\ X & \xrightarrow{F} & U \end{array}$$

for all X and all morphisms $F : X \rightarrow U$. A universe in \mathcal{C} is a morphism with a universe structure on it and a universe category is a category with a universe and a choice of a final object pt .

We may use the notation $(X; F_1, \dots, F_n)$ for $(\dots (X; F_1); \dots F_n)$.

For $f : W \rightarrow X$ and $g : W \rightarrow \tilde{U}$ we will denote by $f * g$ the unique morphism such that

$$(f * g) \circ p_{X,F} = f$$

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

For $X' \xrightarrow{f} X \xrightarrow{F} U$ we let $Q(f, F)$ denote the morphism

$$(p_{X',f \circ F} \circ f) * Q(f \circ F) : (X'; f \circ F) \rightarrow (X; F)$$

The construction of the C-system $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ presented in [8] can be described as follows. One defines first, by induction on n , pairs $(Ob_n, int_n : Ob_n \rightarrow \mathcal{C})$ where $Ob_n = Ob_n(\mathcal{C}, p)$ is a set and int_n is a function from Ob_n to objects of \mathcal{C} as follows:

1. Ob_0 is the standard one point set *unit* whose element we denote by tt . The function int_0 maps tt to the final object pt of the universe category structure on \mathcal{C} ,
2. $Ob_{n+1} = \coprod_{A \in Ob_n} Hom(int(A), U)$ and $int_{n+1}(A, F) = (int(A); F)$.

We then define $Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ as $\coprod_{n \geq 0} Ob_n$ such that elements of $Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ are pairs $\Gamma = (n, A)$ where $A \in Ob_n(\mathcal{C}, p)$. We define the function $int : Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p)) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ as the sum of functions int_n .

The morphisms in $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ are defined by

$$Mor_{CC(\mathcal{C}, p)} = \coprod_{\Gamma, \Gamma' \in Ob(CC)} Hom_{\mathcal{C}}(int(\Gamma), int(\Gamma'))$$

and the function int on morphisms maps a triple $(\Gamma, (\Gamma', a))$ to a . Note that the subset in Mor that consists of f such that $dom(f) = \Gamma$ and $codom(f) = \Gamma'$ is not equal to the set $Hom_{\mathcal{C}}(int(\Gamma), int(\Gamma'))$ but instead to the set of triples of the form $f = (\Gamma, (\Gamma', a))$ where $a \in Hom_{\mathcal{C}}(int(\Gamma), int(\Gamma'))$.

Problem 3.1 *To construct, for all $\Gamma \in Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ bijections*

$$\begin{aligned} u_{1, \Gamma} : Ob_1(\Gamma) &\rightarrow Hom_{\mathcal{C}}(int(\Gamma), U) \\ \tilde{u}_{1, \Gamma} : \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma) &\rightarrow Hom_{\mathcal{C}}(int(\Gamma), \tilde{U}) \end{aligned}$$

such that:

1. for $(n, A) \in Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ one has

$$u_1(n+1, (A, F)) = F \tag{6}$$

and if $l(\Gamma') = n > 0$ then

$$int(\Gamma') = (int(ft(\Gamma')); u_1(\Gamma')) \tag{7}$$

2. for $o \in \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma)$ one has

$$\tilde{u}_1(o) = int(o) \circ Q(u_1(\partial(o))) \tag{8}$$

and

$$int(o) = Id_{ft(\partial(o))} * \tilde{u}_1(o) \tag{9}$$

3. u_1 and \tilde{u}_1 are natural in Γ i.e. for any $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ one has:

$$u_1(f^*(T)) = f \circ u_1(T) \tag{10}$$

$$\tilde{u}_1(f^*(o)) = f \circ \tilde{u}_1(o) \tag{11}$$

4. one has

$$u_1(\partial(o)) = \tilde{u}_1(o) \circ p \tag{12}$$

Remark 3.2 The families of sets $Ob_1(\Gamma)$ and $\widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma)$ together with the families of functions f^* satisfy the axioms of presheaves. To construct families of functions $u_{1,\Gamma}$ and $\tilde{u}_{1,\Gamma}$ satisfying conditions (3) of the problem is the same as to construct presheaf isomorphisms $Ob_1 \rightarrow \text{int}_*(Yo(U))$ and $\widetilde{Ob}_1 \rightarrow \text{int}_*(Yo(\widetilde{U}))$ where Yo is the Yoneda embedding and

$$\text{int}_* : \text{PreShv}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \text{PreShv}(CC)$$

is the functor given by $\text{int}_*(F)(X) = F(\text{int}(X))$. The fourth condition asserts that the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{Ob}_1 & \xrightarrow{\tilde{u}_1} & \text{int}_*(Yo(\widetilde{U})) \\ \partial \downarrow & & \downarrow Yo(p) \\ Ob_1 & \xrightarrow{u_1} & \text{int}_*(Yo(U)) \end{array}$$

commutes.

Construction 3.3 For $\Gamma = (n, A)$ where $A \in Ob_n(\mathcal{C}, p)$, an element Γ' in $Ob_1(\Gamma)$ is a triple $(n+1, (A, F))$ where $F : \text{int}(A) \rightarrow U$. Mapping such a triple to F we obtain a bijection

$$u_{1,\Gamma} : Ob_1(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\text{int}(\Gamma), U)$$

For Γ' such that $l(\Gamma') = n+1 > 0$ we have $\Gamma' = (n+1, (A, F))$ where $ft(\Gamma') = (n, A)$ and

$$\text{int}(\Gamma') = \text{int}(A, F) = (\text{int}(A); F) = (\text{int}(ft(\Gamma')), u_1(\Gamma'))$$

An element o in $\widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma)$ is a triple $(\Gamma, (\Gamma', s))$ where

$$s = \text{int}(o) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\text{int}(\Gamma), \text{int}(\Gamma')),$$

$\Gamma' = \partial(o)$ is an object such that $ft(\Gamma') = \Gamma$, $s \circ \text{int}(p_{\Gamma'}) = Id_{\text{int}(\Gamma)}$ and $l(\Gamma') = n+1 > 0$.

Define the function $\tilde{u}_{1,\Gamma}$ by the formula

$$\tilde{u}_{1,\Gamma}(o) = \text{int}(o) \circ Q(u_{1,\Gamma}(\partial(o)))$$

If $\Gamma = (n, A)$ then

$$\partial(o) = (n+1, (A, F))$$

where $F = u_{1,\Gamma}(\partial(o)) : \text{int}(A) \rightarrow U$ and we have a canonical square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{int}(\partial(o)) & \xrightarrow{Q(u_{1,\Gamma}(\partial(o)))} & \widetilde{U} \\ \text{int}(p_{\partial(o)}) \downarrow & & \downarrow p \\ \text{int}(\Gamma) & \xrightarrow{u_{1,\Gamma}(\partial(o))} & U \end{array} \quad (13)$$

which shows that the composition $s \circ Q(u_{1,\Gamma}(\Gamma'))$ is defined and is a morphism $\text{int}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \widetilde{U}$.

For the formula (9) we have

$$\text{int}(o) = \text{Id}_{f_t(\partial(o))} * (\text{int}(o) \circ Q(u_1(\partial(o))))$$

because a morphism to a fiber product equals to the product of its composition with the projections and therefore

$$\text{int}(o) = \text{Id}_{f_t(\partial(o))} * \tilde{u}_1(o)$$

by definition of $\tilde{u}_1(o)$.

To show $\tilde{u}_{1,\Gamma}$ it is a bijection let us construct an inverse. For $f : \text{int}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \tilde{U}$ let

$$\tilde{u}_{1,\Gamma}^\dagger(f) = (\Gamma, ((n+1, (A, f \circ p)), s_f))$$

where $s_f : \text{int}(\Gamma) \rightarrow (A; f \circ p)$ is the unique section of $p_{A, f \circ p}$ such that $s_f \circ Q(f \circ p) = f$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{u}^\dagger(\tilde{u}(\Gamma, (\Gamma', s))) &= \tilde{u}^\dagger(s \circ Q(u(\Gamma'))) = \\ &(\Gamma, ((n+1, (A, s \circ Q(u(\Gamma'))) \circ p)), s') = (\Gamma, ((n+1, (A, u(\Gamma')), s'))) \end{aligned}$$

where $s' = s_{s \circ Q(u(\Gamma'))} = s$ which proves that \tilde{u}^\dagger is inverse to \tilde{u} from one side. In the opposite direction we have

$$\tilde{u}(\tilde{u}^\dagger(f)) = \tilde{u}(\Gamma, ((n+1, (A, f \circ p)), s_f)) = s_f \circ Q(u((n+1, (A, f \circ p)))) = s_f \circ Q(f \circ p) = f$$

The proofs of the naturality of u_1 and \tilde{u}_1 with respect to morphisms in Γ follow easily from the definition of the canonical squares in $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$.

Formula (12) is a corollary of the commutativity of the square (13).

We will now construct bijections $u_{2,\Gamma}$ and $\tilde{u}_{2,\Gamma}$ similar to the bijections $u_{1,\Gamma}$ and $\tilde{u}_{1,\Gamma}$ but having as sources $Ob_2(\Gamma)$ and $\tilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma)$.

For any $V \in \mathcal{C}$ we define functor data $D_p(-, V)$ given on objects by

$$D_p(X, V) := \Pi_{F: X \rightarrow U} \text{Hom}((X; F), V)$$

and on morphisms by

$$D_p(f, V) : (F_1, F_2) \mapsto (f \circ F_1, Q(f, F_1) \circ F_2)$$

The sets $D_p(X, V)$ are also functorial in V according to the formula

$$D_p(X, g)(F_1, F_2) = (F_1, F_2 \circ g)$$

and for $f : X \rightarrow X'$, $g : V \rightarrow V'$ we have

$$D_p(f, V) \circ D_p(X, g) = D_p(X', g) \circ D_p(f, V')$$

Problem 3.4 To construct for all $\Gamma \in \text{Ob}(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ bijections

$$u_{2,\Gamma} : \text{Ob}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow D_p(\text{int}(\Gamma), U)$$

$$\tilde{u}_{2,\Gamma} : \widetilde{\text{Ob}}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow D_p(\text{int}(\Gamma), \tilde{U})$$

such that:

1. $u_{2,\Gamma}(T) = (u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(T)), u_{1,ft(T)}(T))$

2. $\tilde{u}_{2,\Gamma}(o) = (u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(\partial(o))), \tilde{u}_{1,ft(\partial(o))}(o))$

3. for $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ one has

$$u_2(f^*(T)) = D_p(f, U)(u_2(T))$$

$$\tilde{u}_2(f^*(o)) = D_p(f, \tilde{U})(\tilde{u}_2(o))$$

4. $u_2(\partial(o)) = D_p(\text{int}(\Gamma), p)(\tilde{u}_2(o))$

Construction 3.5 By (7) we have

$$\text{int}(ft(T)) = (\text{int}(\Gamma); u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(T)))$$

and therefore $(u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(T)), u_{1,ft(T)}(T))$ is a well defined element of $D_p(\text{int}(\Gamma), U)$ for all $T \in \text{Ob}_2(\Gamma)$. Let us define the function $u_{2,\Gamma}$ by the formula

$$u_{2,\Gamma}(T) = (u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(T)), u_{1,ft(T)}(T))$$

We can write this function as a composition of the bijection

$$\text{Ob}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow \amalg_{\Gamma' \in \text{Ob}_1(\Gamma)} \text{Ob}_1(\Gamma')$$

that sends T to $(ft(T), T)$ with the function

$$\amalg_{\Gamma' \in \text{Ob}_1(\Gamma)} \text{Ob}_1(\Gamma') \rightarrow \amalg_{F \in \text{Hom}(\text{int}(\Gamma), U)} \text{Hom}((\text{int}(\Gamma); F), U)$$

that is the total function of the function $u_{1,\Gamma}$ and the family of functions $u_{1,\Gamma'}$ given for all $\Gamma' \in \text{Ob}_1(\Gamma)$. Since $u_{1,\Gamma}$ is a bijection and for each Γ' , $u_{1,\Gamma'}$ is a bijection, the total function is a bijection.

Similarly, $(u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(\partial(o))), \tilde{u}_{1,ft(\partial(o))}(o))$ is a well defined element of $D_p(\text{int}(\Gamma), \tilde{U})$ since

$$\text{int}(ft(\partial(o))) = (\text{int}(\Gamma); u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(\partial(o)))).$$

Define the function $\tilde{u}_{2,\Gamma}$ be the formula

$$\tilde{u}_{2,\Gamma}(o) = (u_{1,\Gamma}(ft(\partial(o))), \tilde{u}_{1,ft(\partial(o))}(o))$$

We can write this function as the composition of the bijection

$$\widetilde{\text{Ob}}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow \amalg_{\Gamma' \in \text{Ob}_1(\Gamma)} \widetilde{\text{Ob}}_1(\Gamma')$$

that sends o to $(ft(\partial(o)), o)$ with the function

$$\coprod_{\Gamma' \in Ob_1(\Gamma)} \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma') \rightarrow \coprod_{F \in Hom(int(\Gamma), U)} Hom((int(\Gamma); F), \widetilde{U})$$

that is the total function of the function $u_{1,\Gamma}$ and the family of functions $\widetilde{u}_{1,\Gamma'}$ given for all $\Gamma' \in Ob_1(\Gamma)$. Since $u_{1,\Gamma}$ is a bijection and for each Γ' , $\widetilde{u}_{1,\Gamma'}$ is a bijection, the total function is a bijection.

The verification of the third and the fourth conditions of the problem are easy from the definition of u_2 and \widetilde{u}_2 .

Remark 3.6 The families of sets $D_p(X, V)$ together with the families of functions $D_p(f, V)$ and $D_p(X, g)$ define, as one can easily prove from definitions, a functor from $\mathcal{C}^{op} \times \mathcal{C}$ to *Sets* or, if viewed as families $V \mapsto D_p(-, V)$, a functor

$$Yo_2 : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow PreShv(\mathcal{C})$$

If $Yo_1 = Yo$ is the Yoneda embedding then we can see u_i for $i = 1, 2$ as isomorphisms

$$Ob_i \rightarrow int_*(Yo_i(U))$$

and \widetilde{u}_i as isomorphisms

$$\widetilde{Ob}_i \rightarrow int_*(Yo_i(\widetilde{U}))$$

These isomorphisms generalize easily to all $i > 0$ if one defines, inductively,

$$Yo_{n+1}(V)(X) = \coprod_{F: X \rightarrow U} Yo_n(V)((X; F))$$

Moreover, if we define $Hom_n(X, Y)$ as $Yo_n(Y)(X)$ then there are composition functions

$$Hom_n(X, Y) \times Hom_m(Y, Z) \rightarrow Hom_{n+m}(X, Z)$$

that are likely to satisfy the unity and associativity axioms such that one obtains, from any universe category (\mathcal{C}, p) , a new category $(\mathcal{C}, p)_*$ with the same collection of objects and morphisms between two objects given by

$$Hom_{(\mathcal{C}, p)_*}(X, Y) = \coprod_{n \geq 1} Hom_n(X, Y)$$

In this paper we will not need Yo_n for $n > 2$ and we defer the study of this structure until the future papers.

When \mathcal{C} is a locally cartesian closed category (see appendix), the functors $D_p(-, V)$ become representable providing us with a way to describe operations such as Π and λ on $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ in terms of morphisms between objects in \mathcal{C} .

For a morphism $p : \widetilde{U} \rightarrow U$ in a locally cartesian closed category and an object V of this category let

$$I_p(V) := \underline{Hom}_U((\widetilde{U}, p), (U \times V, pr_1))$$

and let

$$prI_p(V) = p\Delta pr_1 : I_p(V) \rightarrow U$$

be the morphism that defines $I_p(V)$ as an object over U .

Note that I_p depends on the choice of a locally cartesian closed structure on \mathcal{C} . On the other hand, the construction of the functors $D_p(X, V)$ requires a universe structure on p but do not require a locally cartesian closed structure on \mathcal{C} .

The computations below are required in order to establish the connections between the constructions that use the locally cartesian closed structure and the constructions that use universe structures.

Let $p : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ be a universe and V an object of \mathcal{C} . We assume that \mathcal{C} is equipped with a locally cartesian closed structure. For $F : X \rightarrow U$ there is a unique morphism

$$\iota_F : (X; F) \rightarrow (X, f) \times_U (\tilde{U}, p)$$

such that $\iota_F \circ pr_1 = p_{X, F}$ and $\iota_F \circ pr_2 = Q(F)$ which is a particular case of the morphisms ι, ι' of Lemma 8.1.

The evaluation morphism in the case of $I_p(V)$ is of the form

$$evI_p : (I_p(V), prI_p(V)) \times_U (U \times V, pr_1) \rightarrow U \times V$$

Define a morphism

$$st_p(V) : (I_p(V); prI_p(V)) \rightarrow V$$

as the composition:

$$st_p(V) := \iota_{prI_p(V)} \circ evI_p(V) \circ pr_2$$

We will need to use some properties of these morphisms.

Lemma 3.7 *Let $f : V \rightarrow V'$ be a morphism, then one has*

$$Q(I_p(f), prI_p(V')) \circ st_p(V') = st_p(V) \circ f$$

Proof: Let $pr = prI_p(V)$, $pr' = prI_p(V')$, $\iota = \iota_{pr}$, $\iota' = \iota_{pr'}$, $ev = evI_p(V)$ and $ev' = evI_p(V')$. Then we have to verify that the outer square of the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} (I_p(V); pr) & \xrightarrow{\iota} & (I_p(V), pr) \times_U (\tilde{U}, p) & \xrightarrow{ev} & U \times V & \xrightarrow{pr_2} & V \\ Q(I_p(f), pr') \downarrow & & I_p(f) \times Id_{\tilde{U}} \downarrow & & Id_U \times f \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ (I_p(V'); pr') & \xrightarrow{\iota'} & (I_p(V'), pr') \times_U (\tilde{U}, p) & \xrightarrow{ev'} & U \times V' & \xrightarrow{pr_2} & V' \end{array}$$

The commutativity of the left square is a particular case of Lemma 8.1. The commutativity of the right square is an immediate corollary of the definition of $Id_U \times f$. The commutativity of the middle square is a particular case of the axiom of locally cartesian closed structure that says that morphisms ev_Y^X are natural in Y .

Problem 3.8 Let (\mathcal{C}, p, pt) be a locally cartesian closed universe category. To construct, for all $X, V \in \mathcal{C}$, bijections

$$\eta_{X,V} : D_p(X, V) \rightarrow Hom(X, I_p(V))$$

that are natural in X and V , i.e., such that for any $d \in D_p(X, V)$ one has

1. for all $f : V \rightarrow V'$ one has $\eta(d) \circ I_p(f) = \eta(D_p(X, f)(d))$,
2. for all $f : X' \rightarrow X$ one has $f \circ \eta(d) = \eta(D_p(f, V)(d))$.

Construction 3.9 We will construct bijections

$$\eta'_{X,V} : Hom(X, I_p(V)) \rightarrow D_p(X, V)$$

such that for any $g : X \rightarrow I_p(V)$ one has:

1. for all $f : V \rightarrow V'$ one has $D_p(X, f)(\eta'(g)) = \eta'(g \circ I_p(f))$,
2. for all $f : X' \rightarrow X$ one has $D_p(f, V)(\eta'(g)) = \eta'(f \circ g)$.

and then define $\eta_{X,V}$ as the inverse to $\eta'_{X,V}$.

For $g : X \rightarrow I_p(V)$ we set

$$\eta'_{X,V}(g) := (g \circ pr I_p(V), Q(g, pr I_p(V)) \circ st_p(V))$$

To see that this is a bijection observe first that it equals to the composition

$$Hom(X, I_p(V)) \rightarrow \amalg_{F:X \rightarrow U} Hom_U((X, F), (I_p(V), pr I_p(V))) \rightarrow \amalg_{F:X \rightarrow U} Hom((X; F), V)$$

where the first map is of the form $g \mapsto (g \circ pr I_p(V), g)$ and the second is the sum over all $F : X \rightarrow U$ of maps $g \mapsto Q(g, pr I_p(V)) \circ st_p(V)$. The first of these two maps is a bijection. It remains to show that the second one is a bijection for every F .

By definition of the Hom structure we know that for each F the map

$$Hom_U((X, F), (I_p(V), pr I_p(V))) \rightarrow Hom_U(((X, F) \times_U (\tilde{U}, p), -), (U \times V, pr_1))$$

given by $g \mapsto (g \times Id_{\tilde{U}}) \circ ev I_p(V)$ is a bijection. We also know that the map

$$Hom_U(((X, F) \times_U (\tilde{U}, p), F \diamond p), (U \times V, pr_1)) \rightarrow Hom((X, F) \times_U (\tilde{U}, p), V)$$

is a bijection. Since ι_F is an isomorphism the composition with it is a bijection. Now we have two maps

$$Hom_U((X, F), (I_p(V), pr I_p(V))) \rightarrow Hom((X; F), V)$$

given by $g \mapsto \iota_F \circ (g \times Id_{\tilde{U}}) \circ ev I_p(V) \circ p_V$ and $g \mapsto Q(g, pr I_p(V)) \circ st_p(V)$ of which the first one is the bijection. It remains to show that these maps are equal. For this it is sufficient to show that

$$Q(g, pr I_p(V)) \circ \iota_{pr I_p(V)} = \iota_F \circ (g \times Id_{\tilde{U}})$$

which follows easily from computing compositions with the projections pr_1 to $I_p(V)$ and pr_2 to \tilde{U} .

We now have to check the behavior of $\eta^!$ with respect to morphisms in X and V .

Let $pr = pr I_p(V)$ and $pr' = pr I_p(V')$. For $f : V' \rightarrow V$ and $f : X \rightarrow I_p(V)$ we have

$$D_p(X, f)(\eta^!(g)) = D_p(X, f)(g \circ pr, Q(g, pr) \circ st_p(V)) = (g \circ pr, Q(g, pr) \circ st_p(V) \circ f)$$

and

$$\eta^!(g \circ I_p(f)) = (g \circ I_p(f) \circ pr', Q(g \circ I_p(f), pr') \circ st_p(V'))$$

We have $pr = I_p(f) \circ pr'$ because $I_p(f)$ is a morphism over U . It remains to check that

$$Q(g, pr) \circ st_p(V) \circ f = Q(g \circ I_p(f), pr') \circ st_p(V')$$

By [8, Lemma 2.5] we have

$$Q(g \circ I_p(f), pr') = Q(g, pr) \circ Q(I_p(f), pr')$$

and the remaining equality

$$Q(g, pr) \circ st_p(V) \circ f = Q(g, pr) \circ Q(I_p(f), pr') \circ st_p(V')$$

follows from Lemma 3.7.

Consider now $f : X' \rightarrow X$. Then

$$D_p(f, V)(\eta^!(g)) = D_p(f, V)(g \circ pr, Q(g, pr) \circ st_p(V)) = (f \circ g \circ pr, Q(f, g \circ pr) \circ Q(g, pr) \circ st_p(V))$$

$$\eta^!(f \circ g) = (f \circ g \circ pr, Q(f \circ g, pr) \circ st_p(V))$$

and the required equality follows from [8, Lemma 2.5].

Problem 3.10 For a locally cartesian closed category \mathcal{C} and a universe $p : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ in \mathcal{C} to construct for any $\Gamma \in \text{Ob}(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ bijections

$$\mu_{2,\Gamma} : \text{Ob}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\text{int}(\Gamma), I_p(U))$$

and

$$\tilde{\mu}_{2,\Gamma} : \widetilde{\text{Ob}}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\text{int}(\Gamma), I_p(\tilde{U}))$$

that are natural in Γ and such that with respect to these bijections ∂ corresponds to composition with $I_p(p)$.

Construction 3.11 Compose bijections u_2 and \tilde{u}_2 with the bijection η of Construction 3.9 in the case $V = U$ and $V = \tilde{U}$ respectively.

Remark 3.12 The previous constructions related to Ob_2 and $\widetilde{\text{Ob}}_2$ can be easily generalized to Ob_n and $\widetilde{\text{Ob}}_n$ for all $n > 0$. For example there are natural bijections

$$\mu_{n+1} : \text{Ob}_{n+1}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\text{int}(\Gamma), I_p^n(U))$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_{n+1} : \widetilde{\text{Ob}}_{n+1}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\text{int}(\Gamma), I_p^n(\tilde{U}))$$

where I_p^n is the n -th iteration of the functor I_p and $\mu_1 = u_1$ and $\tilde{\mu}_1 = \tilde{u}_1$. More generally, the functors $Y_{o_n}(V)$ of Remark 3.6 in the case of a locally cartesian closed universe category (\mathcal{C}, p) are representable by objects $I_p^n(V)$.

4 (Π, λ) -structures on the C-systems $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$

We will show now how to construct (Π, λ) -structures on C-systems of the form $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$ for locally cartesian closed (pre-)categories⁴ \mathcal{C} .

Definition 4.1 *Let \mathcal{C} be a locally cartesian closed category, pt be a final object in \mathcal{C} and $p : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ a universe. A Π -structure on p is a pair of morphisms*

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{P} &: I_p(\tilde{U}) \rightarrow \tilde{U} \\ P &: I_p(U) \rightarrow U\end{aligned}$$

such that the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I_p(\tilde{U}) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{P}} & \tilde{U} \\ \downarrow I_p(p) & & \downarrow p \\ I_p(U) & \xrightarrow{P} & U \end{array} \quad (14)$$

is a pull-back square.

Problem 4.2 *Let \mathcal{C} be a locally cartesian closed category, pt be a final object in \mathcal{C} and $p : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ a universe. Let (\tilde{P}, P) be a Π -structure on p . To construct a (Π, λ) -structure on $CC(\mathcal{C}, p)$.*

Construction 4.3 Let $\Gamma \in Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$. For $T \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ set

$$\Pi_\Gamma(T) = u_1^{-1}(u(T) \circ P)$$

and for $s \in \tilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma)$ set

$$\lambda_\Gamma(s) = \tilde{u}_1^{-1}(\tilde{u}_2(s) \circ \tilde{P})$$

These gives us maps

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_\Gamma &: Ob_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow Ob_1(\Gamma) \\ \lambda_\Gamma &: \tilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow \tilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma)\end{aligned}$$

The naturality of u and \tilde{u}_2 relative to morphisms $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ implies that these maps are natural with respect to such morphisms i.e. the squares (1) and (2) of Definition 2.2 commute. One also verifies easily that $\partial(\lambda_\Gamma(s)) = \Pi_\Gamma(\partial(s))$.

To verify that this pre- (Π, λ) -structure satisfies the Definition 2.3 of (Π, λ) -structure one verifies that the bijections $\tilde{u}_2, u_2, \tilde{u}_1$ and u_1 define an isomorphism from the square (3) to the square obtained from (14) by taking Hom-sets $Hom(int(\Gamma), -)$. Since the later square is pull-back and a square isomorphic to a pull-back square is a pull-back square the square (3) is a pull-back square and (Π, λ) is a (Π, λ) -structure.

⁴For the discussion of the difference between a category and a pre-category see the introduction to [9] and [1].

5 More on universe category functors I

Let (\mathcal{C}, p, pt) and (\mathcal{C}, p', pt') be two universe (pre-)categories. Recall from [8] that a functor of universe categories from (\mathcal{C}, p, pt) to (\mathcal{C}, p', pt') is a triple $\Phi = (\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi})$ where Φ is a functor $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}'$ and $\phi : \Phi(U) \rightarrow U'$, $\tilde{\phi} : \Phi(\tilde{U}) \rightarrow \tilde{U}'$ are two morphisms such that Φ takes the final object to a final object, pull-back squares based on p to pull-back squares and such that the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Phi(\tilde{U}) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\phi}} & \tilde{U}' \\ \Phi(p) \downarrow & & \downarrow p' \\ \Phi(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & U' \end{array} \quad (15)$$

is a pull-back square.

For X, V in \mathcal{C} we have the functoriality map

$$\Phi : Hom(X, V) \rightarrow Hom(\Phi(X), \Phi(V))$$

Problem 5.1 For a universe category functor $\Phi = (\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi})$, to define, for all $X, V \in \mathcal{C}$, functions

$$\Phi^2 : D_p(X, V) \rightarrow D_{p'}(\Phi(X), \Phi(V))$$

Construction 5.2 Let $(F_1 : X \rightarrow U, F_2 : (X; F_1) \rightarrow V)$ be an element in $D_p(X, V)$. Consider $(\Phi(X); \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi)$. Since the square (15) is a pull-back square there is a unique morphism q such that $q \circ \tilde{\phi} = Q(\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi)$ and $q \circ \Phi(p) = p_{\Phi(X), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi} \circ \Phi(F_1)$ and then the left hand side square in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (\Phi(X); \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) & \xrightarrow{q} & \Phi(\tilde{U}) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\phi}} & \tilde{U}' \\ \downarrow p_{\Phi(X), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi} & & \Phi(p) \downarrow & & \downarrow p' \\ \Phi(X) & \xrightarrow{\Phi(F_1)} & \Phi(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & U' \end{array}$$

is a pull-back square. Together with the fact that Φ takes pull-back squares based on p to pull-back squares we obtain a unique morphism, which is an isomorphism,

$$\iota : (\Phi(X); \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \rightarrow \Phi(X; F_1)$$

such that

$$\iota \circ \Phi(p_{X, F_1}) = p_{\Phi(X), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi} \quad (16)$$

$$\iota \circ \Phi(Q(F_1)) \circ \tilde{\phi} = Q(\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \quad (17)$$

and we define:

$$\Phi^2(F_1, F_2) := (\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \iota \circ \Phi(F_2))$$

We will need the following properties of the maps below.

Lemma 5.3 *Let Φ be as above, $f : X' \rightarrow X$ be a morphism and V be an object of \mathcal{C} . Then the square*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D_p(X, V) & \xrightarrow{D_p(f, V)} & D_p(X', V) \\ \Phi^2 \downarrow & & \Phi^2 \downarrow \\ D_{p'}(\Phi(X), \Phi(V)) & \xrightarrow{D_{p'}(\Phi(f), \Phi(V))} & D_{p'}(\Phi(X'), \Phi(V)) \end{array}$$

commutes.

Proof: We have to show that for any $d \in D_p(X, V)$ one has

$$D_{p'}(\Phi(f), \Phi(V))(\Phi^2(d)) = \Phi^2(D_p(f, V)(d))$$

Let $d = (F_1, F_2)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} D_{p'}(\Phi(f), \Phi(V))(\Phi^2(d)) &= D_{p'}(\Phi(f), \Phi(V))(\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \iota \circ \Phi(F_2)) = \\ &(\Phi(f) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, q' \circ \iota \circ \Phi(F_2)) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^2(D_p(f, V)(F_1, F_2)) &= \Phi^2(f \circ F_1, q \circ F_2) = \\ &(\Phi(f \circ F_1) \circ \phi, \iota' \circ \Phi(q \circ F_2)) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\iota : (\Phi(X); \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \rightarrow \Phi(X; F_1) \quad \iota' : (\Phi(X'); \Phi(f \circ F_1) \circ \phi) \rightarrow \Phi(X'; f \circ F_1)$$

$$q : (X'; f \circ F_1) \rightarrow (X; F_1) \quad q' : (\Phi(X'); \Phi(f) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \rightarrow (\Phi(X); \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi)$$

are the morphisms defined in Construction 5.2. We have

$$\Phi(f) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi = \Phi(f \circ F_1) \circ \phi$$

and it remains to check that

$$q' \circ \iota \circ \Phi(F_2) = \iota' \circ \Phi(q \circ F_2)$$

or that $q' \circ \iota = \iota' \circ \Phi(q)$. The codomain of both morphisms is $\Phi(X; F_1)$ that by our assumption on Φ is a pull-back of p' and $\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi$. Therefore it is sufficient to verify that the compositions of these two morphisms with the projections to \tilde{U}' and $\Phi(X)$ coincide.

This is done by a direct computation from definitions.

Lemma 5.4 *Let Φ be as above, X an object of \mathcal{C} and $f : V \rightarrow V'$ a morphism. Then the square*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D_p(X, V) & \xrightarrow{D_p(X, f)} & D_p(X, V') \\ \Phi^2 \downarrow & & \downarrow \Phi^2 \\ D_{p'}(\Phi(X), \Phi(V)) & \xrightarrow{D_{p'}(\Phi(X), \Phi(f))} & D_{p'}(\Phi(X), \Phi(V')) \end{array}$$

commutes.

Proof: Let $d = (F_1, F_2) \in D_p(X, V)$. We have to show that

$$\Phi^2(D_p(X, f)(F_1, F_2)) = D_p(\Phi(X), \Phi(f))(\Phi^2(F_1, F_2))$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^2(D_p(X, f)(F_1, F_2)) &= \Phi^2((F_1, F_2 \circ f)) = (\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \iota \circ \Phi(F_2 \circ f)) = \\ &(\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \iota \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \Phi(f)) = D_p(\Phi(X), \Phi(f))(\Phi^2(F_1, F_2)) \end{aligned}$$

Note that in the problem below no assumption is made about the compatibility of Φ with the locally cartesian closed structures on \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{C}' .

Problem 5.5 *Assume that \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{C}' are locally cartesian closed universe categories. For Φ as above and $V \in \mathcal{C}$ to construct a morphism*

$$\chi_\Phi(V) : \Phi(I_p(V)) \rightarrow I_{p'}(\Phi(V))$$

Construction 5.6 Let

$$\begin{aligned} \eta &: D_p(X, V) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X, I_p(V)) \\ \eta' &: D_{p'}(X', V') \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X', I_{p'}(V')) \end{aligned}$$

be bijections from Construction 3.9. We define:

$$\chi_\Phi(V) := \eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{I_p(V)})))$$

for $X = I_p(V)$ and $X' = \Phi(I_p(V))$.

Let us show that χ_Φ are natural in V .

Lemma 5.7 *For Φ as above let $f : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ be a morphism. Then the square*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Phi(I_p(V_1)) & \xrightarrow{\chi(V_1)} & I_{p'}(\Phi(V_1)) \\ \Phi(I_p(f)) \downarrow & & \downarrow I_{p'}(\Phi(f)) \\ \Phi(I_p(V_2)) & \xrightarrow{\chi(V_2)} & I_{p'}(\Phi(V_2)) \end{array}$$

commutes.

Proof: We have:

$$\chi(V_1) \circ I_{p'}(\Phi(V_1)) = \eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{X_1}))) \circ I_{p'}(\Phi(f)) = \eta'(D_p(X_1, \Phi(f))(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{X_1}))))$$

where $X = I_p(V_1)$, by naturality of η' . Then

$$\eta'(D_p(X_1, \Phi(f))(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{X_1})))) = \eta'(\Phi^2(D_p(X_1, f)(\eta'(Id_{X_1})))) =$$

$$\eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{X_1} \circ I_p(f)))) = \eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(I_p(f))))$$

where the first equality holds by Lemma 5.4 and the second by Problem 3.8(1).

On the other hand:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(I_p(f)) \circ \chi(V_2) &= \Phi(I_p(f)) \circ \eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{X_2}))) = \\ &\eta'(D_{p'}(\Phi(I_p(f)), \Phi(X_2))(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{X_2})))) \end{aligned}$$

by naturality of η' . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \eta'(D_{p'}(\Phi(I_p(f)), \Phi(X_2))(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{X_2})))) &= \eta'(\Phi^2(D_p(I_p(f), X_2)(\eta'(Id_{X_2})))) = \\ &\eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(I_p(f) \circ Id_{X_2}))) = \eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(I_p(f)))) \end{aligned}$$

where the first equality holds by Lemma 5.4 and the second by Problem 3.8(2). This finishes the proof of Lemma 5.7.

Lemma 5.8 *For all $X, V \in \mathcal{C}$ and $a \in D_p(X, V)$ one has*

$$\Phi(\eta(a)) \circ \chi_{\Phi}(V) = \eta'(\Phi^2(a))$$

Proof: By definition of χ_{Φ} and contravariant functoriality of η' we have

$$\Phi(\eta(a)) \circ \chi_{\Phi}(V) = \Phi(\eta(a)) \circ \eta'(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id))) = \eta'(D_{p'}(\Phi(\eta(a)), \Phi(V))(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id_{I_p(V)}))))$$

By Lemma 5.3 we further have:

$$\eta'(D_{p'}(\Phi(\eta(a)), \Phi(V))(\Phi^2(\eta'(Id)))) = \eta'(\Phi^2(D_p(\eta(a), V)(\eta'(Id))))$$

It remains to show that $D_p(\eta(a), V)(\eta'(Id)) = f$. Since η is a bijection we may apply it on both sides and by functoriality of η we get

$$\eta(D_p(\eta(a), V)(\eta'(Id))) = \eta(f) \circ \eta(\eta'(Id)) = \eta(f) \circ Id = \eta(f).$$

6 More on universe category functors II

By [8, Construction 4.7] any universe category functor $\Phi = (\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi})$ defines a homomorphism of \mathbb{C} -systems

$$H : CC(\mathcal{C}, p) \rightarrow CC(\mathcal{C}', p')$$

Let $\psi : pt' \rightarrow \Phi(pt)$ be the unique morphism. To define H on objects, one uses the fact that

$$Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p)) = \coprod_{n \geq 0} Ob_n(\mathcal{C}, p)$$

and defines $H(n, A)$ as $(n, H_n(A))$ where

$$H_n : Ob_n(\mathcal{C}, p) \rightarrow Ob_n(\mathcal{C}', p')$$

To obtain H_n one defines by induction on n , pairs (H_n, ψ_n) where H_n is as above and ψ_n is a family of isomorphisms

$$\psi_n(A) : int'(H_n(A)) \rightarrow \Phi(int(A))$$

as follows:

1. for $n = 0$, H_0 is the unique map from one point set to one point set and $\psi_0(A) = \psi$,
2. for the successor of n one has

$$H_{n+1}(A, F) = (H_n(A), \psi_n(A) \circ \Phi(F) \circ \phi)$$

and $\psi_{n+1}A, F$ is the unique morphism $int'(H(A, F)) \rightarrow \Phi(int(A, F))$ such that

$$\psi(A, F) \circ \Phi(Q(F)) \circ \tilde{\phi} = Q'(\psi(A) \circ \Phi(F) \circ \phi)$$

and

$$\psi(A, F) \circ \Phi(p(A, F)) = p_{H(A, F)} \circ \psi(A)$$

The action of H on morphisms is given, for $f : (m, A) \rightarrow (n, B)$, by

$$H(f) = \psi(A) \circ \Phi(int(f)) \circ \psi(B)^{-1}$$

We will often write H also for the functions H_n and ψ for the functions ψ_n .

Let $\Gamma \in Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ and consider the bijections of Constructions 3.3 and 3.5.

In order to prove our main functoriality Theorem 7.1 we need describe in more detail the maps

$$Ob_1(\Gamma) \rightarrow Ob_1(H(\Gamma))$$

$$Ob_2(\Gamma) \rightarrow Ob_2(H(\Gamma))$$

and the similar maps on \widetilde{Ob}_1 and \widetilde{Ob}_2 that are defined by H .

Lemma 6.1 *Let $(\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi})$ be universe category functor. Then:*

1. for $T \in Ob_1(\Gamma)$ one has

$$u_{1, H(\Gamma)}(H(T)) = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(u_{1, \Gamma}(T)) \circ \phi$$

2. for $o \in \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma)$ one has

$$\tilde{u}_{1, H(\Gamma)}(H(o)) = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(\tilde{u}_{1, \Gamma}(o)) \circ \tilde{\phi}$$

3. for $T \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ one has

$$u_{2, H(\Gamma)}(H(T)) = D_{p'}(\psi(\Gamma), U')(D_{p'}(int'(H(\Gamma)), \phi)(\Phi^2(u_{2, \Gamma}(T))))$$

4. for $o \in \widetilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma)$ one has

$$\tilde{u}_{2, H(\Gamma)}(H(o)) = D_{p'}(\psi(\Gamma), \tilde{U}')(D_{p'}(int'(H(\Gamma)), \tilde{\phi})(\Phi^2(\tilde{u}_{2, \Gamma}(o))))$$

Proof: Let $\Gamma = (n, A)$.

In the case of $T \in Ob_1(\Gamma)$, if $T = (n + 1, (A, F))$ then

$$u_1(H(T)) = u_1(n + 1, H(A, F)) = u_1(n + 1, (H(A), \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(F) \circ \phi)) = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(F) \circ \phi$$

In the case of $s \in \widetilde{Ob}_1(\Gamma)$, if $F = u_1(\partial(s))$ then

$$\tilde{u}_1(H(s)) = H(s) \circ Q'(u_1(n + 1, H(A, F))) = \psi(A) \circ \Phi(s) \circ \psi(A, F)^{-1} \circ Q'(\psi(A) \circ \Phi(F) \circ \phi) =$$

$$\psi(A) \circ \Phi(s) \circ \Phi(Q(F)) \circ \tilde{\phi} = \psi(A) \circ \Phi(s \circ Q(F)) \circ \tilde{\phi} = \psi(A) \circ \Phi(\tilde{u}_1(s)) \circ \tilde{\phi}$$

In the case $T \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$, if $T = (n + 2, ((A, F_1), F_2))$ then

$$u_2(H(T)) = u_2(n + 2, H(((A, F_1), F_2))) = u_2(n + 2, (H(A, F_1), \psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \phi)) =$$

$$u_2(n + 2, (H(A), \psi(A) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \phi)) =$$

$$(\psi(A) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \phi)$$

On the other hand

$$D_{p'}(\psi(A), -)D_{p'}(-, \phi)(\Phi^2(u_2(T))) = D_{p'}(\psi(A), -)D_{p'}(-, \phi)(\Phi^2(u_2(n + 2, ((A, F_1), F_2)))) =$$

$$D_{p'}(\psi(A), -)D_{p'}(-, \phi)(\Phi^2(F_1, F_2)) = D_{p'}(\psi(A), -)D_{p'}(-, \phi)(\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \iota \circ \Phi(F_2)) =$$

$$D_{p'}(\psi(A), -)(\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, \iota \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \phi) = (\psi(A) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi, Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ \iota \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \phi)$$

therefore we need to show that

$$\psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \phi = Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ \iota \circ \Phi(F_2) \circ \phi \quad (18)$$

Using the fact that the external square of the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Phi(\text{int}(A, F_1)) & \xrightarrow{\Phi(Q(F_1))} & \Phi(\tilde{U}) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\phi}} & \tilde{U}' \\ \Phi(p_{(A, F_1)}) \downarrow & & \downarrow \Phi(p) & & \downarrow p' \\ \Phi(\text{int}(A)) & \xrightarrow{\Phi(F_1)} & \Phi(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & U' \end{array}$$

is a pull-back square we see that equality (18) would follow from the following two equalities:

$$\psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(Q(F_1)) \circ \tilde{\phi} = Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ \iota \circ \Phi(Q(F_1)) \circ \tilde{\phi}$$

and

$$\psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(p_{(A, F_1)}) = Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ \iota \circ \Phi(p_{(A, F_1)})$$

For the first equality we have

$$\psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(Q(F_1)) \circ \tilde{\phi} = Q'(\psi(A) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi)$$

by definition of $\psi(\Gamma, F_1)$ and

$$Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ \iota \circ \Phi(Q(F_1)) \circ \tilde{\phi} = Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ Q'(\Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) = Q'(\psi(A) \circ \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi)$$

where the first equality holds by definition of ι and second by the definition of $Q(-, -)$.
For the second equality we have

$$\psi(A, F_1) \circ \Phi(p_{(A, F_1)}) = p_{H(A, F_1)} \circ \psi(A)$$

by definition of $\psi(A, F_1)$ and

$$Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ \iota \circ \Phi(p_{(A, F_1)}) = Q'(\psi(A), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi) \circ p_{\Phi(int(A)), \Phi(F_1) \circ \phi} = p_{H(A, F_1)} \circ \psi_\Gamma$$

by definitions of Q' and ι .

The case of $s \in \widetilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma)$ is strictly parallel to the case of $T \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ with $\Phi(F_2) \circ \phi$ at the end of the formulas replaced by $\Phi(F'_2) \circ \tilde{\phi}$ where instead of $F_2 : int(A, F_1) \rightarrow U$ one has $F'_2 : int(A, F_1) \rightarrow \tilde{U}$.

For $(\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi})$ as above let us denote by

$$\xi_\Phi : \Phi(I_p(U)) \rightarrow I_{p'}(U')$$

the composition $\chi_\Phi(U) \circ I_{p'}(\phi)$ and by

$$\tilde{\xi}_\Phi : \Phi(I_p(\tilde{U})) \rightarrow I_{p'}(\tilde{U}')$$

the composition $\chi_\Phi(\tilde{U}) \circ I_{p'}(\tilde{\phi})$.

Lemma 6.2 *Let $(\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi})$ be a universe category functor and $\Gamma \in Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$. Then one has:*

1. for $T \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$

$$\eta_{p'}(u'_2(H(T))) = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(\eta_p(u_2(T))) \circ \xi_\Phi$$

2. for $s \in \widetilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma)$

$$\eta_{p'}(\tilde{u}'_2(H(s))) = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(\eta_p(\tilde{u}_2(s))) \circ \tilde{\xi}_\Phi$$

Proof: We have

$$\eta_{p'}(u'_2(H(T))) = \eta_{p'}(D_{p'}(\psi(\Gamma), -)(D_{p'}(-, \phi)(\Phi^2(u_2(T)))))) = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \eta_{p'}(\Phi^2(u_2(T))) \circ I_{p'}(\phi)$$

where the first equality holds by Lemma 6.1(3) and the second by the naturality of $\eta_{p'}$. Next

$$\eta_{p'}(\Phi^2(u_2(T))) \circ I_{p'}(\phi) = \Phi(\eta(u_2(T))) \circ \chi_\Phi(U) \circ I_{p'}(\phi) = \Phi(\eta(u_2(T))) \circ \xi_\Phi$$

where the first equality holds by Lemma 5.8 and the second one by the definition of ξ_Φ .

The proof of the second part of the lemma is strictly parallel to the proof of the first part.

7 Functoriality properties of the (Π, λ) -structures arising from universes

Let us prove the functoriality properties of the (Π, λ) structures of Construction 4.3.

The notion of a homomorphism of C-systems with (Π, λ) -structures used in the theorem below is defined in the obvious way.

Theorem 7.1 *Let $(\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi})$ be as above and let $(P, \tilde{P}), (P', \tilde{P}')$ be as in Problem 4.2 for \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{C}' respectively.*

Assume that the squares

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Phi(I_p(U)) & \xrightarrow{\xi_\Phi} & I_{p'}(U') \\ \Phi(P) \downarrow & & \downarrow P' \\ \Phi(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & U \end{array} \quad (19)$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Phi(I_p(\tilde{U})) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\xi}_\Phi} & I_{p'}(\tilde{U}') \\ \Phi(\tilde{P}) \downarrow & & \downarrow \tilde{P}' \\ \Phi(\tilde{U}) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\phi}} & \tilde{U} \end{array} \quad (20)$$

commute. Then the homomorphism

$$H(\Phi, \phi, \tilde{\phi}) : CC(\mathcal{C}, p) \rightarrow CC(\mathcal{C}', p')$$

is a homomorphism of C-systems with (Π, λ) -structures.

Proof: We have to show that for all $\Gamma \in Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ and $T \in Ob_2(\Gamma)$ we have

$$\Pi'(H(T)) = H(\Pi(T))$$

and for all $\Gamma \in Ob(CC(\mathcal{C}, p))$ and $s \in \tilde{Ob}_2(\Gamma)$ we have

$$\lambda'(H(s)) = H(\lambda(s))$$

We will prove the first equality. The proof of the second is strictly parallel to the proof of the first.

By definition we have:

$$\Pi'(H(T)) = (u'_1)^{-1}(u'_2(H(T)) \circ P') = (u'_1)^{-1}(\eta'(u'_2(H(T))) \circ P')$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} H(\Pi(T)) &= H(u_1^{-1}(\eta(u_2(T)) \circ P)) = (u'_1)^{-1}(\psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(\eta(u_2(T)) \circ P) \circ \phi) = \\ &= (u'_1)^{-1}(\psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(\eta(u_2(T))) \circ \Phi(P) \circ \phi) \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality holds by Lemma 6.1(1). Let us show that

$$\eta'(u'_2(H(T))) \circ P' = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(\eta(u_2(T))) \circ \Phi(P) \circ \phi$$

By Lemma 6.2(1) we have

$$\eta'(u'_2(H(T))) \circ P' = \psi(\Gamma) \circ \Phi(\eta(u_2(T))) \circ \xi_\Phi \circ P'$$

It remains to show that

$$\xi_\Phi \circ P' = \Phi(P) \circ \phi$$

which is our assumption about the commutativity of the square (19).

8 Appendix: some constructions and theorems about categories

Lemma 8.1 *Let \mathcal{C} be a category. Consider four fiber squares*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} pb_i & \xrightarrow{pr_{Y,i}} & Y & & pb'_i & \xrightarrow{pr_{Y',i}} & Y' \\ pr_{X,i} \downarrow & & \downarrow g & pr_{X,i} \downarrow & & & \downarrow g' \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Z & & X' & \xrightarrow{f'} & Z \end{array}$$

where $i = 1, 2$. Let $a : X' \rightarrow X$ and $b : Y' \rightarrow Y$ be such that $a \circ f = f'$ and $b \circ g = g'$. Let $\iota : pb_1 \rightarrow pb_2$ be the unique morphism such that $\iota \circ pr_{X,2} = pr_{X,1}$ and $\iota \circ pr_{Y,1} = pr_{Y,2}$ and similarly for $\iota' : pb'_1 \rightarrow pb'_2$. Let $pb_i(a, b) : pb'_i \rightarrow pb_i$ be the unique morphisms such that $pb_i(a, b) \circ pr_{X,i} = pr_{X',i} \circ a$ and $pb_i(a, b) \circ pr_{Y,i} = b \circ pr_{Y',i}$. Then the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} pb'_1 & \xrightarrow{pb_1(a,b)} & pb_1 \\ \iota' \downarrow & & \downarrow \iota \\ pb'_2 & \xrightarrow{pb_2(a,b)} & pb_2 \end{array}$$

commutes, i.e., $pb_1(a, b) \circ \iota = \iota' \circ pb_2(a, b)$.

Proof: Since pb_2 is a fiber product it is sufficient to prove that

$$pb_1(a, b) \circ \iota \circ pr_{X,2} = \iota' \circ pb_2(a, b) \circ pr_{X,2}$$

and

$$pb_1(a, b) \circ \iota \circ pr_{Y,2} = \iota' \circ pb_2(a, b) \circ pr_{Y,2}$$

For the first one we have:

$$pb_1(a, b) \circ \iota \circ pr_{X,2} = pb_1(a, b) \circ pr_{X,1} = pr_{X',1} \circ a$$

and

$$\iota' \circ pb_2(a, b) \circ pr_{X,2} = \iota' \circ pr_{X',2} \circ a = pr_{X',1} \circ a$$

The verification of the second equality is similar.

Definition 8.2 A category with fiber products is a category together with, for all pairs of morphisms of the form $f : X \rightarrow Z$, $g : Y \rightarrow Z$, fiber squares

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (X, f) \times_Z (Y, g) & \xrightarrow{pr_2^{(X,f),(Y,g)}} & Y \\ pr_1^{(X,f),(Y,g)} \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Z \end{array}$$

We will often abbreviate these main notations in various ways. The morphism $pr_2 \circ g = pr_1 \circ f$ from $(X, f) \times (Y, g)$ to Z is denoted by $f \diamond g$.

Given a category with fiber products, morphisms $g_i : Y_i \rightarrow Z$, $i = 1, 2$ and morphisms $a : X_1 \rightarrow Y_1$, $b : X_2 \rightarrow Y_2$ denote by

$$(a \times b)^{g_1, g_2} : ((X_1, a \circ g_1) \times_Z (X_2, b \circ g_2), (a \circ g_1) \diamond (b \circ g_2)) \rightarrow ((Y_1, g_1) \times_Z (Y_2, g_2), g_1 \diamond g_2)$$

the unique morphism over Z such that

$$(a \times b)^{g_1, g_2} \circ pr_1 = pr_1 \circ a$$

and

$$(a \times b)^{g_1, g_2} \circ pr_2 = pr_2 \circ b$$

To show that $(a \times b)^{g_1, g_2}$ exists we need to check that

$$pr_1 \circ a \circ g_1 = pr_2 \circ b \circ g_2$$

which is immediate from the definition of the fiber product.

Lemma 8.3 In the setting introduced above suppose that we have in addition $a' : X'_1 \rightarrow X_1$ and $b' : X'_2 \rightarrow X_2$. Then one has

$$((a' \circ a) \times (b' \circ b))^{g_1, g_2} = (a' \times b')^{a \circ g_1, b \circ g_2} \circ (a \times b)^{g_1, g_2}$$

Proof: Straightforward rewriting to compute the compositions of both sides with $pr_1^{g_1, g_2}$ and $pr_2^{g_1, g_2}$.

Definition 8.4 A locally cartesian closed structure on a (pre-)category \mathcal{C} is a collection of data of the form:

1. A structure of a category with fiber products on \mathcal{C} .
2. For all f, g of the form $f : X \rightarrow Z$, $g : Y \rightarrow Z$, an object $\underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y, g))$ and a morphism

$$f \triangle g : \underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y, g)) \rightarrow Z$$

together with morphisms of the form

$$\underline{Hom}((X, f), a) : \underline{Hom}((X, f), (Y, g)) \rightarrow \underline{Hom}((X, f), (Y', g'))$$

for all $a : (Y, g) \rightarrow (Y', g')$ over Z , that make $\underline{Hom}((X, f), -)$ into a functor from \mathcal{C}/Z to \mathcal{C} .

3. For all f, g as above a morphism

$$ev_{(Y,g)}^{(X,f)} : (\underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y, g)), f \Delta g) \times (X, f) \rightarrow (Y, g)$$

over Z such that for all $h : W \rightarrow Z$ the map

$$adj_{(Y,g)}^{(W,h),(X,f)} : Hom_Z((W, h), (\underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y, g)), f \Delta g)) \rightarrow Hom_Z(((W, h) \times (X, f), h \diamond f), (Y, g))$$

given by

$$u \mapsto (u \times Id_X)^{f \Delta g, f} \circ ev_{(Y,g)}^{(X,f)}$$

is a bijection and such that the morphisms $ev_{(Y,g)}^{(X,f)}$ are natural in Y .

A locally cartesian closed (pre-)category is a (pre-)category together with a locally cartesian closed structure on it.

If a locally cartesian closed category is given with a final object pt we will write $X \times Y$ for $(X, \pi_X) \times_{pt} (Y, \pi_Y)$ where π_X and π_Y are the unique morphisms from X and Y respectively to pt .

By definition the objects $(\underline{Hom}((X, f), (Y, g)), f \Delta g)$ of \mathcal{C}/Z are functorial only in (Y, g) . Their functoriality in (X, f) is a consequence of a lemma. For $f : X \rightarrow Z$, $f' : X' \rightarrow Z$, $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ and $h : X' \rightarrow X$ such that $h \circ f = f'$ let

$$\underline{Hom}_Z(h, (Y, g)) : \underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y, g)) \rightarrow \underline{Hom}_Z((X', f'), (Y, g))$$

be the unique map whose adjoint

$$adj(\underline{Hom}_Z(h, (Y, g))) : (\underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y, g)), f \Delta g) \times_Z (X', f') \rightarrow (Y, g)$$

equals $(Id_{\underline{Hom}_Z((X,f),(Y,g))} \times h)^{f \Delta g, f} \circ ev_{Y'}^X$. Then one has:

Lemma 8.5 *The morphisms $\underline{Hom}_Z(h, (Y, g))$ satisfy the equations*

$$\underline{Hom}_Z(h, (Y, g)) \circ (f' \Delta g) = f \Delta g$$

and the equations

$$\underline{Hom}_Z(h_1 \circ h_2, (Y, g)) = \underline{Hom}(h_2, (Y, g)) \circ \underline{Hom}(h_1, (Y, g))$$

$$\underline{Hom}_Z(Id, (Y, g)) = Id$$

making $\underline{Hom}_Z(-, (Y, g))$ into a contravariant functor from \mathcal{C}/Z to itself. In addition, for each $h' : (Y, g) \rightarrow (Y, g')$ the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \underline{Hom}_Z((X', f'), (Y, g)) & \xrightarrow{\underline{Hom}_Z((X', f'), h')} & \underline{Hom}_Z((X', f'), (Y', g')) \\ \underline{Hom}_Z(h, (Y, g)) \downarrow & & \downarrow \underline{Hom}_Z(h, (Y', g')) \\ \underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y, g)) & \xrightarrow{\underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), h')} & \underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), (Y', g')) \end{array}$$

commutes.

Proof: It is a particular case of [5, Theorem 3, p.100]. The commutativity of the square is a part of the "bifunctor" claim of the theorem.

Lemma 8.6 *In a locally cartesian closed category let $f : X \rightarrow Z$, $f' : X' \rightarrow Z$, $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be objects over Z and let $a : X' \rightarrow X$ be a morphism over Z . Then the square*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\underline{Hom}((X, f), (Y, g)), f \triangle g) \times_Z (X', f') & \xrightarrow{1} & (\underline{Hom}((X, f), (Y, g)), f \triangle g) \times_Z (X, f) \\ \downarrow 2 & & \downarrow ev \\ (\underline{Hom}_Z((X', f'), (Y, g)), f' \triangle g) \times_Z (X', f') & \xrightarrow{ev'} & Y \end{array}$$

where 1 is $(Id_{\underline{Hom}((X, f), (Y, g))} \times a)^{f \triangle g, f}$ and 2 is $(\underline{Hom}(a, (Y, g)) \times Id_{X'})^{f' \triangle g, f'}$, commutes.

Proof: Let us show that both paths in the square are adjoints to $\underline{Hom}(a, (Y, g))$. For the path that goes through the upper right corner it follows from the definition of $\underline{Hom}(a, (Y, g))$ as the morphism whose adjoint is $(Id \times a) \circ ev$. For the path that goes through the lower left corner it follows from the definition of adjoint applied to $\underline{Hom}(a, (Y, g))$. Indeed, the adjoint to this morphism is

$$adj(\underline{Hom}(a, (Y, g))) = (\underline{Hom}(a, (Y, g)) \times Id_{X'}) \circ ev'$$

Lemma 8.7 *Let \mathcal{C} be a locally cartesian closed category. Let $Z, (X, f), (Y, g), (W, h)$ be as above.*

1. *Let (Y', g') be an object over Z and $a : (Y, g) \rightarrow (Y', g')$ a morphism over Z . Then for any $b \in Hom_Z((W, h), \underline{Hom}_U((X, f), (Y, g)))$ one has*

$$adj(b \circ \underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), a)) = adj(b) \circ a$$

2. *Let (X', f') be an object over Z and $a : (X', f') \rightarrow (X, f)$ a morphism over Z . Then for any $b \in Hom_Z((W, h), \underline{Hom}_U((X, f), (Y, g)))$ one has*

$$adj(b \circ \underline{Hom}_Z(a, (Y, g))) = (Id_W \times a)^{h, f} \circ adj(b)$$

3. *Let (W', h') be an object over Z and $a : (W', h') \rightarrow (W, h)$ a morphism over Z . Then for any $b \in Hom_Z((W, h), \underline{Hom}_U((X, f), (Y, g)))$ one has*

$$adj(a \circ b) = (a \times Id_X)^{h, f} \circ adj(b)$$

Proof: The proof of the first case is given by

$$\begin{aligned} adj(b \circ \underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), a)) &= ((b \circ \underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), a)) \times Id_X)^{f \triangle g', f} \circ ev_{(Y', g')}^{(X, f)} = \\ &= (b \times Id_X)^{f \triangle g, f} \circ (\underline{Hom}_Z((X, f), a) \times Id_X)^{f \triangle g', f} \circ ev_{(Y', g')}^{(X, f)} = \end{aligned}$$

$$(b \times Id_X)^{f \Delta g, f} \circ ev_{(Y, g)}^{(X, f)} \circ a = adj(b) \circ a$$

where the second equality holds by Lemma 8.3 and the third equality by the naturality axiom for morphisms $ev_{(Y, g)}^{(X, f)}$ in (Y, g) .

The proof of the second case is given by the following sequence of equalities where we use the notation Hm for $\underline{Hom}_Z(a, (Y, g))$ as well as a number of other abbreviations:

$$\begin{aligned} adj(b \circ Hm) &= ((b \circ Hm) \times Id) \circ ev = (b \times Id) \circ (Hm \times Id) \circ ev = (b \times Id) \circ adj(Hm) = \\ &= (b \times Id) \circ (Id \times a) \circ ev = (b \times a) \circ ev = (Id \times a) \circ (b \times Id) \circ ev = (Id \times a) \circ adj(b) \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the third case is given by

$$\begin{aligned} adj(a \circ b) &= ((a \circ b) \times Id_X) \circ ev_{(Y, g)}^{(X, f)} = (a \times Id_X) \circ (b \times Id_X) \circ ev_{(Y, g)}^{(X, f)} = \\ &= (a \times Id_X) \circ adj(b) \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality holds by Lemma 8.3.

Lemma is proved.

Example 8.8 The following example shows that there can be many different structures of a category with fiber products on a (pre-)category and also many locally cartesian closed structures.

Let us take as our (pre-)category the (pre-)category $preStn$ whose objects are natural numbers and $Hom(n, m) = Hom(\{1, \dots, n\}, \{1, \dots, m\})$.

Since every isomorphism class contains exactly one object every auto-equivalence of this category is an automorphism. Let F be such an automorphism. It is easy to see that it must be identity on the set of objects. Let $X = \{1, 2\}$. Consider F on $End(X)$. Since F must respect unity and compositions, F must take $Aut(X)$ to itself and must act on it by identity. If 1 and σ are the two elements of $Aut(X)$ we conclude that $F(1) = 1$ and $F(\sigma) = \sigma$.

Let us choose now any structure str_0 of a category with fiber products on $preStn$ and let us consider two structures str_1 and str_σ that are obtained by choosing all the fiber squares as in str_0 and the square for the pair (Id_X, Id_X) to be, correspondingly, as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{Id_X} & X & & X & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & X \\ Id_X \downarrow & & \downarrow Id_X & \text{for } str_1 \text{ and} & \sigma \downarrow & & \downarrow Id_X & \text{for } str_\sigma. \\ X & \xrightarrow{Id_X} & X & & X & \xrightarrow{Id_X} & X \end{array} \quad (21)$$

The preceding discussion of the auto-equivalences of $preStn$ shows that there is no auto-equivalence which would transform str_1 into str_σ .

The (pre-)category $preStn$ also has a locally cartesian closed structure that can be modified so that its underlying fiber product structures are str_1 and str_σ . This shows that $preStn$ has at least two locally cartesian closed structures that are not interchanged by auto-equivalences of $preStn$.

Remark 8.9 The previous example has a continuation in the univalent foundations where there is a notion of a category and pre-category. There one expects it to be true that the type of fiber square structures and the type of locally cartesian closed structures on a category (as opposed to those on a general pre-category) are of h-level 1, i.e., classically speaking are either empty or contain only one element.

In addition any such structure on a pre-category should define a structure of the same kind on the Rezk completion of this pre-category with all the different structures on the pre-category becoming equal on the Rezk completion. In the case of the previous example the Rezk completion of *preStn* is the category *FSets* of finite sets and in view of the univalence axiom for finite sets the two pull-back squares of 21 will become equal in *FSets*.

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