

Preliminary title: B-presheaves¹

Vladimir Voevodsky²

Contents

1	Functor Sig and isomorphisms $SigOb_i$ and $Sig\widetilde{Ob}_i$	1
2	Functors D_p	5
3	Isomorphisms SD_p	6
4	Appendix: presheaves of relative C-systems	7

1 Functor Sig and isomorphisms $SigOb_i$ and $Sig\widetilde{Ob}_i$

Let \mathcal{G} be a presheaf on a C-system CC . For $\Gamma \in CC$ we set

$$[2016.08.30.eq7] Sig(\mathcal{G})(\Gamma) = \coprod_{T \in Ob_1(\Gamma)} \mathcal{G}(T) \quad (1.1)$$

and for $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$

$$[2016.08.30.eq8] Sig(\mathcal{G})(f)(T, g) = (f^*(T), \mathcal{G}(q(f, T))(T)) \quad (1.2)$$

Lemma 1.1 [2016.08.28.11] *The data described above defines a presheaf of sets, that is, one has:*

1. for $\Gamma \in CC$,

$$Sig(\mathcal{G})(Id_\Gamma) = Id_{Sig(\mathcal{G})(\Gamma)}$$

2. for $f' : \Gamma'' \rightarrow \Gamma'$, $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ one has

$$Sig(\mathcal{G})(f' \circ f) = Sig(\mathcal{G})(f) \circ Sig(\mathcal{G})(f')$$

Proof: For the identity we have

$$Sig(\mathcal{G})(Id_\Gamma)(T, g) = (Id_\Gamma^*(T), \mathcal{G}(q(Id_\Gamma, T))(g)) = (T, g)$$

where the second equality is by axioms of the C-system structure and for the composition we have

$$Sig(\mathcal{G})(f')(Sig(\mathcal{G})(f)(T, g)) = Sig(\mathcal{G})(f')(f^*(T), \mathcal{G}(q(f, T))(g)) =$$

¹2000 Mathematical Subject Classification: 03F50, 18C50 03B15, 18D15,

²School of Mathematics, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton NJ, USA. e-mail: vladimir@ias.edu

$$\begin{aligned} ((f')^*(f^*(T)), \mathcal{G}(q(f', f^*(T)))(\mathcal{G}(q(f, T))(g))) &= ((f')^*(f^*(T)), \mathcal{G}(q(f', f^*(T)) \circ q(f, T))(g)) = \\ &= ((f' \circ f)^*(T), \mathcal{G}(q(f' \circ f, T))(g)) = \text{Sig}(\mathcal{G})(f' \circ f)(T, g) \end{aligned}$$

where the first two equalities are by definition of $\text{Sig}(\mathcal{G})$, the third by the composition property of \mathcal{G} , the fourth by the axioms of a C-system and the fifth again by the definition of $\text{Sig}(\mathcal{G})$.

This completes the proof of Lemma 1.1.

One defines Sig on morphisms of presheaves $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$ by the family of morphisms

$$[\mathbf{2016.08.30.eq9}] \text{Sig}(r)_\Gamma(T, g) = (T, r_T(g)) \quad (1.3)$$

For $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$ and $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$, we have

$$\text{Sig}(\mathcal{G})(f) \circ \text{Sig}(r)_{\Gamma'} = \text{Sig}(r)_\Gamma \circ \text{Sig}(\mathcal{G}')(f)$$

that is, the families of functions $\text{Sig}(r)_\Gamma$ parametrized by $\Gamma \in CC$ form a morphism of presheaves.

For $\mathcal{G} \in \text{PreShv}(CC)$ we have

$$\text{Sig}(\text{Id}_{\mathcal{G}})_\Gamma(T, g) = (T, (\text{Id}_{\mathcal{G}})_T(g)) = (T, g)$$

and for $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$, $r' : \mathcal{G}' \rightarrow \mathcal{G}''$ we have

$$\text{Sig}(r \circ r')_\Gamma(T, g) = (T, (r \circ r')_T(g)) = (T, r'_T(r_T(g))) = \text{Sig}(r')(\text{Sig}(r)(T, g))$$

These two equalities show that the covariant functor data from PreShv to PreShv given by Sig on presheaves and Sig on morphisms of presheaves is a functor that we also denote by

$$\text{Sig} : \text{PreShv}(CC) \rightarrow \text{PreShv}(CC)$$

Problem 1.2 *[2016.08.30.prob1] For $i \geq 0$ to construct an isomorphism of presheaves*

$$\text{Sig}Ob_i : \text{Sig}(Ob_i) \rightarrow Ob_{i+1}$$

Before we provide a construction we prove a lemma that will be also used in Construction 1.4.

Lemma 1.3 *[2016.09.01.11] Let $\Gamma \in CC$. Then one has:*

1. *if $T \in Ob_1(\Gamma)$ and $X \in Ob_i(T)$ then $X \in Ob_{i+1}(\Gamma)$,*
2. *if $X \in Ob_{i+1}(\Gamma)$ then $ft^i(X) \in Ob_1(\Gamma)$ and $X \in Ob_i(ft^i(X))$.*

Proof: The first assertion follows from the equalities $l(X) = l(T) + i = l(\Gamma) + 1 + i$ and $ft^{i+1}(X) = ft(ft^i(X)) = ft(T) = \Gamma$.

To prove the second assertion let $X \in \mathcal{O}b_{i+1}(\Gamma)$. Since $l(X) \geq i$ we have $l(ft^i(X)) = l(X) - i = l(\Gamma) + (i + 1) - i = l(\Gamma) + 1$. The equality $ft^1(ft^i(X)) = ft^{i+1}(X) = \Gamma$ is obvious and we conclude that $ft^i(X) \in \mathcal{O}b_1(\Gamma)$. Next, again because $l(X) \geq i$, we have $l(X) = l(ft^i(X)) + i$ and since $ft^i(X) = ft^i(X)$ we have that $X \in \mathcal{O}b_i(ft^i(X))$.

Construction 1.4 [2016.08.30.constr1] Let $\Gamma \in CC$. Then $Sig(\mathcal{O}b_i)(\Gamma)$ is the set of pairs (T, X) where $T \in \mathcal{O}b_1(\Gamma)$ and $X \in \mathcal{O}b_i(T)$. By Lemma 1.3(1), the formula

$$[2016.09.01.eq4] Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}(T, X) = X \quad (1.4)$$

defines a function $Sig(\mathcal{O}b)_i(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}b_{i+1}(\Gamma)$.

Conversely, by Lemma 1.3(2), the formula

$$[2016.09.01.eq5] Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}^{-1}(X) = (ft^i(X), X) \quad (1.5)$$

defines a function $\mathcal{O}b_{i+1}(\Gamma) \rightarrow Sig(\mathcal{O}b_i)(\Gamma)$.

If $\Phi = Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}$ and $\Psi = Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}^{-1}$ then

$$\Phi(\Psi(X)) = \Phi((ft^i(X), X)) = X$$

and

$$\Psi(\Phi(T, X)) = \Psi(X) = (ft^i(X), X) = (T, X)$$

where the last equality follows from the equality $T = ft^i(X)$. We conclude that $Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}$ and $Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}^{-1}$ are mutually inverse bijections.

It remains to verify that the family of bijections $Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}$ parametrized by $\Gamma \in CC$ is a morphism of presheaves, that is, that for any $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ and $(T, X) \in Sig(\mathcal{O}b_i)(\Gamma)$ we have

$$[2016.08.30.eq10] \mathcal{O}b_{i+1}(f)(Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}((T, X))) = Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma'}(Sig(\mathcal{O}b_i)(f)((T, X))) \quad (1.6)$$

We compute

$$\mathcal{O}b_{i+1}(f)(Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}((T, X))) = f^*(X)$$

$$Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma'}(Sig(\mathcal{O}b_i)(f)((T, X))) = Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma'}(f^*(T), q(f, T)^*(X)) = q(f, T)^*(X)$$

and (1.6) follows from [?, Lemma 2.7]. This completes Construction 1.4.

As an immediate corollary of Construction 1.4 we obtain the fact that the family of functions (1.5) parametrized by $\Gamma \in CC$ is an isomorphism of presheaves that is the inverse isomorphism to $Sig\mathcal{O}b_i$.

Problem 1.5 [2016.08.30.prob2] For $i \geq 1$ to construct an isomorphism of presheaves

$$Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i : Sig(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i) \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}$$

Construction 1.6 [2016.09.01.constr2] For $\Gamma \in CC$ we have

$$Sig(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i)(\Gamma) = \{(T, o) \mid T \in \mathcal{O}b_1(\Gamma), o \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i(T)\}$$

For $(T, o) \in Sig(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i)(\Gamma)$ we have $o \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}(\Gamma)$. Indeed, $\partial(o) \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i(T)$ and, by Lemma 1.3(1), $\partial(o) \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}(\Gamma)$. Since $i + 1 > 0$ we have $\partial(o) > \Gamma$ and therefore $o \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}(\Gamma)$ and the formula

$$[2016.09.01.eq6] Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma}(T, o) = o \quad (1.7)$$

defines a function $Sig(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i)(\Gamma) \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i(\Gamma)$.

If $o \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}(\Gamma)$ then $\partial(o) \in \mathcal{O}b_{i+1}(\Gamma)$ and, by Lemma 1.3(2), $ft^i(\partial(o)) \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_1(\Gamma)$ and $\partial(o) \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i(ft^i(\partial(o)))$. If $i > 0$ we also have $\partial(o) > ft^i(\partial(o))$ and therefore the formula

$$[2016.09.01.eq7] Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma}^{-1}(o) = (ft^i(\partial(o)), o) \quad (1.8)$$

defines a function $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i(\Gamma) \rightarrow Sig(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i)(\Gamma)$.

One verifies in the same way as in Construction 1.4 that $Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma}$ and $Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma}^{-1}$ are mutually inverse bijections.

It remains to verify that the family of functions $Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma}$ parametrized by $\Gamma \in CC$ is a morphism of functors, that is, that for $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ and $(T, o) \in Sig\mathcal{O}b_{i,\Gamma}$ one has

$$[2016.09.01.eq2b] \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}(f)(Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma}(T, o)) = Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma'}(Sig(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i)(f)(T, o)) \quad (1.9)$$

Computing we get

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}(f)(Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma}(T, o)) = \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}(f)(o) = f^*(o)$$

$$Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma'}(Sig(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i)(f)(T, o)) = Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i,\Gamma'}(f^*(T), q(f, T)^*(o)) = q(f, T)^*(o)$$

and we conclude that (1.9) holds by (??).

This completes Construction 1.6.

As an immediate corollary of Construction 1.6 we obtain the fact that the family of functions (1.8) parametrized by $\Gamma \in CC$ is an isomorphism of presheaves that is the inverse isomorphism to $Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_i$.

Define Sig^i by induction setting $Sig^0 = Id_{PreShv(CC)}$ and $Sig^{i+1} = Sig^i \circ Sig$. Then, by induction, we obtain an isomorphism

$$Sig\mathcal{O}b^i : Sig^i(\mathcal{O}b_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}b_{i+1}$$

where $Sig\mathcal{O}b^0 = Id_{\mathcal{O}b_1}$ and $Sig\mathcal{O}b^{i+1}$ is the composition

$$Sig^{i+1}(\mathcal{O}b_1) = Sig^1(Sig^i(\mathcal{O}b_1)) \xrightarrow{Sig^1(Sig\mathcal{O}b^i)} Sig^1(\mathcal{O}b_{i+1}) = Sig(\mathcal{O}b_{i+1}) \xrightarrow{Sig\mathcal{O}b^{i+1}} \mathcal{O}b_{i+2}$$

In exactly the same way we construct isomorphisms

$$Sig\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}^i : Sig^i(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_1) \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{i+1}$$

2 Functors D_p

Let \mathcal{C} be a category with a universe p . For any $\mathcal{G} \in \text{PreShv}(\mathcal{C})$ we define contravariant functor data $D_p(\mathcal{G})$ from \mathcal{C} to *Sets* on objects by

$$[\text{2016.08.30.eq4}] D_p(\mathcal{G})(X) := \amalg_{F: X \rightarrow U} \mathcal{G}((X; F)) \quad (2.1)$$

and on morphisms, for $f : X' \rightarrow X$, by

$$[\text{2016.08.30.eq5}] D_p(\mathcal{G})(f) : (F, g) \mapsto (f \circ F, \mathcal{G}(Q(f, F))(g)) \quad (2.2)$$

Lemma 2.1 *[2016.08.26.12] The data described above defines a presheaf of sets, that is, one has:*

1. for $X \in \mathcal{C}$,

$$D_p(\mathcal{G})(Id_X) = Id_{D_p(\mathcal{G})(X)}$$

2. for $f' : X'' \rightarrow X'$, $f : X' \rightarrow X$ one has

$$D_p(\mathcal{G})(f' \circ f) = D_p(\mathcal{G})(f) \circ D_p(\mathcal{G})(f')$$

Proof: For the identity we have

$$D_p(\mathcal{G})(Id_X)(F, g) = (Id_X \circ F, \mathcal{G}(Q(Id_X, F))(g)) = (F, g)$$

where the second equality is by (??) and for the composition we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_p(\mathcal{G})(f')(D_p(\mathcal{G})(f)(F, g)) &= D_p(\mathcal{G})(f')(f \circ F, \mathcal{G}(Q(f, F))(g)) = \\ (f' \circ f \circ F, \mathcal{G}(Q(f', f \circ F))(\mathcal{G}(Q(f, F))(g))) &= (f' \circ f \circ F, \mathcal{G}(Q(f', f \circ F) \circ Q(f, F))(g)) = \\ (f' \circ f \circ F, \mathcal{G}(Q(f' \circ f, F))(g)) &= D_p(\mathcal{G})(f' \circ f)(F, g) \end{aligned}$$

where the first two equalities are by definition of $D_p(\mathcal{G})$, the third by the composition property of \mathcal{G} , the fourth by (??) and the fifth again by the definition of $D_p(\mathcal{G})$.

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.1.

The sets $D_p(-)(X)$ are also covariantly functorial in $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$ according to the formula

$$[\text{2016.08.30.eq6}] D_p(r)_X(F, g) = (F, r_{(X; F)}(g)) \quad (2.3)$$

For $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$ and $f : X \rightarrow X'$, we have

$$D_p(\mathcal{G})(f) \circ D_p(r)_X = D_p(r)_{X'} \circ D_p(\mathcal{G}')(f)$$

that is, the families of functions $D_p(r)_X$ parametrized by $X \in \mathcal{C}$ form a morphism of presheaves.

For $\mathcal{G} \in PreShv(\mathcal{C})$ we have

$$D_p(Id_{\mathcal{G}})_X(F, g) = (F, (Id_{\mathcal{G}})_{(X;F)}(g)) = (F, g)$$

and for $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$, $r' : \mathcal{G}' \rightarrow \mathcal{G}''$ we have

$$D_p(r \circ r')_X(F, g) = (F, (r \circ r')_{(X;F)}(g)) = (F, r'_{(X;F)}(r_{(X;F)}(g))) = D_p(r')(D_p(r)(F, g))$$

These two equalities show that the covariant functor data from $PreShv$ to $PreShv$ given by D_p on presheaves and D_p on morphisms of presheaves is a functor that we also denote by

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

This functor is defined on any category \mathcal{C} with a universe morphism p .

3 Isomorphisms SD_p

Problem 3.1 [2016.08.28.prob1] *For a universe category (\mathcal{C}, p) to construct an isomorphism of functors $PreShv(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow PreShv(CC)$ of the form*

$$SD_p : int^\circ \circ Sig \rightarrow D_p \circ int^\circ$$

Construction 3.2 [2016.08.28.constr1] We have to construct, for any $\mathcal{G} \in PreShv(\mathcal{C})$, an isomorphism of presheaves on CC of the form

$$SD_{p,\mathcal{G}} : Sig(int \circ \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow int \circ D_p(\mathcal{G})$$

and to show that these isomorphisms are natural in \mathcal{G} , that is, that for a morphism of presheaves $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$ one has

$$SD_{p,\mathcal{G}} \circ int^\circ(D_p(r)) = Sig(int^\circ(r)) \circ SD_{p,\mathcal{G}'}$$

That means that for any \mathcal{G} and any $\Gamma \in CC$ we need to construct a bijection $SD_{p,\mathcal{G},\Gamma}$, which we will denote $\phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma}$ for the duration of the proof, of the form

$$\phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma} : Sig(int \circ \mathcal{G})(\Gamma) \rightarrow (int \circ D_p(\mathcal{G}))(\Gamma) = D_p(\mathcal{G})(int(\Gamma))$$

and to show that two conditions hold:

1. for any $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ we have

$$[2016.08.30.eq1] \phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma} \circ D_p(\mathcal{G})(int(f)) = Sig(int \circ \mathcal{G})(f) \circ \phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma'} \quad (3.1)$$

2. for any $r : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$ and $\Gamma \in CC$ we have

$$[2016.08.30.eq2] \phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma} \circ D_p(r)_{int(\Gamma)} = Sig(int^\circ(r))_\Gamma \circ \phi_{\mathcal{G}',\Gamma} \quad (3.2)$$

Both equations are easier to see as the commutativity of the corresponding squares. To construct $\phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma}$ we first compute using (2.1) and (1.1)

$$D_p(\mathcal{G})(int(\Gamma)) = \coprod_{F:int(\Gamma) \rightarrow U} \mathcal{G}((int(\Gamma); F))$$

and

$$Sig(int \circ \mathcal{G})(\Gamma) = \coprod_{T \in \mathcal{O}b_1(\Gamma)} \mathcal{G}(int(T))$$

We define the function $\phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma}$ by the formula

$$[\mathbf{2016.09.01.eq3}] \phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma}((T, g)) = (u_{1,\Gamma}(T), g) \quad (3.3)$$

the right hand side is defined because of (??) and the function $\phi_{\mathcal{G},\Gamma}$ is a bijection as the total function of the bijection $u_{1,\Gamma}$ and the family of bijections, namely the identity functions.

To prove equality (3.1) we again first compute using (2.2) and (1.2)

$$D_p(\mathcal{G})(int(f))(F, g) = (int(f) \circ F, \mathcal{G}(Q(int(f), F))(g))$$

$$Sig(int \circ \mathcal{G})(f)(T, g) = (f^*(T), \mathcal{G}(int(q(f, T)))(int(T)))$$

Equality (3.1) follows now from (??) and (??).

To prove equality (3.2) we compute using (2.3) and (1.3)

$$D_p(r)_{int(\Gamma)}(F, g) = (F, r_{(int(\Gamma); F)}(g))$$

$$Sig(int^\circ(r))_\Gamma(T, g) = (T, r_{int(T)}(g))$$

and (3.2) follows from (??).

This completes Construction 3.2.

4 Appendix: presheaves of relative C-systems

Let $\mathcal{O}b(\Gamma)$ denote the set of $X \in CC$ such that $X \geq \Gamma$.

We equip the set $\mathcal{O}b(\Gamma)$ with the length function given by $l_\Gamma(X) = l(X) - l(\Gamma)$ and let

$$\mathcal{O}b_n(\Gamma) = \{X \in \mathcal{O}b(\Gamma) \mid l_\Gamma(X) = n\}$$

We let $\mathcal{M}or(\Gamma)$ denote the set of morphisms over Γ in the sense of Definition ??.

We equip the set $\mathcal{O}b(\Gamma)$ with the ft-function given by

$$ft_\Gamma(X) = \begin{cases} ft(X) & \text{if } l(X) > l(\Gamma) \\ X & \text{if } l(X) = l(\Gamma) \end{cases}$$

One defines domain, codomain, identity and composition functions on the pair of sets $\mathcal{O}b(\Gamma)$, $\mathcal{M}or(\Gamma)$ as the restrictions of the corresponding functions for CC . That these restrictions are defined for the identity and composition follows from Lemma ??.

For $X \in \mathcal{Ob}(\Gamma)$ define $p_X^\Gamma : X \rightarrow ft_\Gamma(X)$ as follows

$$p_X^\Gamma = \begin{cases} p_X & \text{if } l(X) > l(\Gamma) \\ Id_X & \text{if } l(X) = l(\Gamma) \end{cases}$$

As was mentioned above, p_X is a morphism over Γ if $X > \Gamma$. Therefore, $p_X^\Gamma \in \mathcal{Mor}(\Gamma)$.

For $f : X \rightarrow ft(Y)$ over Γ and Y such that $l(Y) > 0$, $q(f, Y)$ is a morphism over Γ by Lemma ??(3) and one defines $q_\Gamma(f, Y)$ as $q(f, Y)$. Finally, for $a : X \rightarrow Y$ over Γ such that $Y > \Gamma$, s_a is a morphism over Γ by Lemma ?? and one defines s_a^Γ as s_a .

Some of the previous results can be combined into the following theorem that was stated without a proof in [?, pp. 240-241] and with a proof in [?, Theorem 1.4, p.52].

Theorem 4.1 (cf. [?, Theorem 1.4, p.52])[**2016.04.07.th1**] *The structures specified above define a C-system structure on the pair of sets $\mathcal{Ob}(\Gamma)$, $\mathcal{Mor}(\Gamma)$.*

Proof: Since $\mathcal{Ob}(\Gamma)$ and $\mathcal{Mor}(\Gamma)$ are subsets in $Ob(CC)$ and $Mor(CC)$ respectively the associativity and the identity axioms for the identities and compositions over Γ follow from the corresponding axioms for CC .

Verification of the conditions of [?, Definitions 2.1, 2.3] is completely straightforward.

We denote the C-system of Theorem 4.1 by $CC(\Gamma)$ such that we have

$$Ob(CC(\Gamma)) = \mathcal{Ob}(\Gamma)$$

$$Mor(CC(\Gamma)) = \mathcal{Mor}(\Gamma)$$

A detailed definition of a homomorphism of C-systems is given in [?, Definition 3.1].

Theorem 4.2 (cf. [?, Theorem 1.6, p.55]) [**2015.06.15.th1**] *The functions*

$$f^* : \mathcal{Ob}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{Ob}(\Gamma')$$

$$f^* : \mathcal{Mor}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{Mor}(\Gamma')$$

corresponding to a morphism $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ and defined above Lemma ?? and in Lemma ?? respectively, form a homomorphism of C-systems.

Proof: The commutation with the length function is (?). The commutation with the ft follows from (?) and the fact that $f^*(\Gamma) = \Gamma$.

The commutation with the domain and codomain functions are automatic. The commutation with the identities is (?) and the commutation with compositions is (?). The commutation with p -morphisms follows from (?). The the commutation with q -morphisms is shown in Lemma ?. The commutation with s -morphisms is (?).

To emphasize the difference between f^* on objects and on morphisms and to keep in sync with the notations that we use for the object and morphism components of a functor we may sometimes write f_{Ob}^* and f_{Mor}^* .

The content of the following theorem is very close to the content of [?, Theorem 1.7, p. 60]. For a universe U that is an element of our ambient universe UU let $Csys(U)$ be the category of C-systems in U , that is, the category whose set of objects is the set of C-systems CC such that $Ob(CC)$ and $Mor(CC)$ are elements of U and whose morphisms are homomorphisms of C-systems.

Theorem 4.3 [2016.05.06.th1] *Let U be a universe such that for $X \in U$ and $Y \subset X$ one has $Y \in U$ and let CC be a C-system in U . Then the family of C-systems $CC(\Gamma)$ and homomorphisms of C-systems f^* defined by Theorems 4.1 and 4.2 form a presheaf (a contravariant functor) on the category underlying CC with values in $Csys(U)$.*

Proof: Since two homomorphisms of C-systems are equal when the underlying functions on the sets of objects and morphisms are equal we need to show that:

1. for $\Gamma \in Ob(CC)$ and $X \in Ob(\Gamma)$ one has $Id_{\Gamma}^*(X) = X$ and for $a \in Mor(\Gamma)$ one has $Id_{\Gamma}^*(a) = a$,
2. for $g : \Gamma'' \rightarrow \Gamma'$, $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ and $X \in Ob(\Gamma)$ one has $g^*(f^*(X)) = (g \circ f)^*(X)$ and for $a \in Mor(\Gamma)$ one has $g^*(f^*(a)) = (g \circ f)^*(a)$.

It follows from Lemmas ?? and ??.

We do not introduce a special notation for the presheaf defined by Theorem 4.3. We will be mostly concerned with its objects part that we denote by

$$Ob_{CC} : CC \rightarrow Sets(U)$$

and often write as Ob when CC is clear from the context.

Note that in the context of a given C-system CC the notation Ob refers to a presheaf of sets on CC while the notation Ob refers to the set of objects of CC .

Let CC be a C-system. Recall that $\widetilde{Ob}(CC)$ is the subset in $Mor(CC)$ of elements o such that

$$[2016.05.16.eq3] l(codom(o)) > 0 \tag{4.1}$$

$$[2016.05.16.eq4] ft(codom(o)) = dom(o) \tag{4.2}$$

$$[2016.05.16.eq5] o \circ p_{codom(o)} = Id_{dom(o)} \tag{4.3}$$

and that for $o \in \widetilde{Ob}(CC)$ we let $\partial(o)$ denote $codom(o)$.

Lemma 4.4 [2016.05.12.11] *Let $F : CC_1 \rightarrow CC_2$ be a homomorphism of C-systems. Then for $o \in \widetilde{Ob}(CC_1)$ one has $F(o) \in \widetilde{Ob}(CC_2)$.*

Proof: We need to verify the conditions $l(\text{codom}(F(o))) > 0$, $\text{dom}(F(o)) = \text{ft}(\text{codom}(F(o)))$ and $F(o) \circ p_{\text{codom}(F(o))} = \text{Id}_{\text{dom}(F(o))}$. All three follow immediately from the definition of a homomorphism of C-systems and the conditions (4.1)-(4.3) satisfied by o .

Lemma 4.4 shows that the restriction of the morphism component of a homomorphism of C-systems F defines a function $F_{\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}} : \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC_1) \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC_2)$ that we will often write simply as F .

Theorem 4.5 [2016.05.12.th1] *Let U be a universe as above. Then the family³ of sets $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC)$ parametrized by $CC \in \text{Csys}(U)$ together with functions $F_{\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}}$ defined by Lemma 4.4 form a covariant functor from $\text{Csys}(U)$ to $\text{Sets}(U)$.*

Proof: It follows from the fact that $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}$ is a subset of Mor and the definition of the identity homomorphisms and the composition of homomorphisms of C-systems.

For Γ in CC we will abbreviate the notation $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC(\Gamma))$ to $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma)$.

Lemma 4.6 [2016.05.16.l1] *Let $\Gamma \in CC$. Then one has*

$$\text{[2016.05.16.eq1]} \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma) = \text{Mor}(\Gamma) \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC) \quad (4.4)$$

Proof: Note first that all three sets appearing in (4.4) are subsets of $\text{Mor}(CC)$.

We need to prove three inclusions

$$\text{[2016.05.16.eq6]} \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma) \subset \text{Mor}(\Gamma) \quad (4.5)$$

$$\text{[2016.05.16.eq7]} \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma) \subset \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC) \quad (4.6)$$

$$\text{[2016.05.16.eq8]} \text{Mor}(\Gamma) \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC) \subset \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma) \quad (4.7)$$

The inclusion (4.5) is by definition.

For $o \in \text{Mor}(CC)$ to be an element of $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC)$ we need it to satisfy the conditions (4.1)-(4.3). Since $o \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma)$ we have

$$\text{[2016.05.16.eq9]} l_{\Gamma}(\text{codom}(o)) > 0 \quad \text{ft}_{\Gamma}(\text{codom}(o)) = \text{dom}(o) \quad o \circ p_{\text{codom}(o)}^{\Gamma} = \text{Id}_{\text{dom}(o)} \quad (4.8)$$

Since $l(X) \geq l_{\Gamma}(X)$ for any X over Γ , the inequality implies (4.1). The two equalities imply (4.2) and (4.3) since for X over Γ such that $l_{\Gamma}(X) > 0$ we have $\text{ft}_{\Gamma}(X) = \text{ft}(X)$ and $p_X^{\Gamma} = p_X$. It proves (4.6).

³By a family of sets parametrized by X we mean a function from X to the universe. Given a family of sets $F : X \rightarrow U$, a family of elements of sets $F(x)$ parametrized by X is a function G from X to $\cup_{x \in X} F(x)$ such that for all $x \in X$ one has $G(x) \in F(x)$.

Let $o \in \mathcal{M}or(\Gamma) \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC)$. Now we need to prove (4.8). Since $l(\text{codom}(o)) > 0$ we have $l(\text{dom}(o)) = l(\text{ft}(\text{codom}(o))) = l(\text{codom}(o)) - 1$. Since o is over Γ , $\text{dom}(o) \geq \Gamma$ and in particular $l(\text{dom}(o)) \geq l(\Gamma)$. Therefore,

$$l_{\Gamma}(\text{codom}(o)) = l(\text{codom}(o)) - l(\Gamma) = 1 + (l(\text{dom}(o)) - l(\Gamma)) \geq 1 > 0$$

The two equalities in (4.8) follow from (4.2) and (4.3) since for X over Γ such that $l_{\Gamma}(X) > 0$ we have $\text{ft}_{\Gamma}(X) = \text{ft}(X)$ and $p_X^{\Gamma} = p_X$. It proves (4.7) and completes the proof of the lemma.

Lemma 4.7 [2016.05.16.12] *An element o of $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC)$ is a morphism over Γ if and only if $\text{dom}(o) \geq \Gamma$.*

The set $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma)$ is the subset of elements $o \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC)$ such that $\text{dom}(o) \geq \Gamma$.

Proof: The “only” if part of the first assertion follows from the fact that the domain of a morphism over Γ is an object over Γ .

If $\text{dom}(o) \geq \Gamma$ then

$$\text{codom}(o) \geq \text{ft}(\text{codom}(o)) = \text{dom}(o) \geq \Gamma$$

that is, $\text{codom}(o)$ is an object over Γ . Next we have

$$\begin{aligned} o \circ p(\text{codom}(o), \Gamma) &= o \circ p_{\text{codom}(o)} \circ p(\text{ft}(\text{codom}(o)), \Gamma) = o \circ p_{\text{codom}(o)} \circ p(\text{dom}(o), \Gamma) = \\ &Id_{\text{dom}(o)} \circ p(\text{dom}(o), \Gamma) = p(\text{dom}(o), \Gamma) \end{aligned}$$

that is, o is a morphism over Γ . It proves the “if” part of the first assertion.

The second assertion follows from the first and Lemma 4.6.

Lemma 4.8 [2016.05.16.13] *Let $o \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma)$. Then o is a morphism over Γ and for $f : \Gamma' \rightarrow \Gamma$ one has $f^*(o) \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma')$.*

Proof: That o is a morphism over Γ follows from the definition $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma) = \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC(\Gamma))$. By Theorem 4.2, $(f_{\mathcal{O}b}^*, f_{\mathcal{M}or}^*)$ form a homomorphism of C-systems. By Lemma 4.4 a homomorphism of C-systems takes $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}$ to $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}$.

To keep in sync with the notations $f_{\mathcal{O}b}^*$ and $f_{\mathcal{M}or}^*$ for the functions f^* on objects and morphisms we will sometimes use the notation $f_{\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}}^*$ for the function $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma')$ that is defined in view of Lemma 4.8.

Theorem 4.9 [2016.05.06.11] *Let U be universe as above and CC be a C-system in U . Then the family of sets $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma)$ parametrized by $\Gamma \in CC$ together with the family of functions $f_{\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}}^*$ is a presheaf (contravariant functor) on the category underlying CC with values in $\text{Sets}(U)$.*

Proof: Since $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC)$ is a subset in $Mor(CC)$ it follows from Lemma ??.

We denote the presheaf defined by Theorem 4.9 by $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{CC}$ or, when CC is clear from the context, by $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}$.

As in the case of $\mathcal{O}b$ and Ob , in the context of a given C-system CC , we have a presheaf of sets $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}$ and a set $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}$.

The function $\partial : \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC) \rightarrow Ob(CC)$ takes elements of $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma)$ to elements of $Ob(\Gamma)$. We will sometimes denote the resulting functions $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma) \rightarrow Ob(\Gamma)$ by ∂_Γ . Since ∂ is simply the restriction of *codom* to $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}$ it commutes with the functions $F_{\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}}, F_{Ob}$ for homomorphisms of C-systems. In particular, the functions ∂_Γ commute with the functions $f_{\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}}^*, f_{Ob}^*$ and form a homomorphism of presheaves $\partial : \widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_{CC} \rightarrow Ob_{CC}$.

We will also consider the sets $Ob_n(CC)$ of objects of length n in $Ob(CC)$, the sets $\mathcal{O}b_n(\Gamma)$ of objects of length n in $\mathcal{O}b(\Gamma)$, the sets $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n(CC)$ of elements o in $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(CC)$ such that $l(\partial(o)) = n$ and the sets $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n(\Gamma)$ of elements o in $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}(\Gamma)$ such that $l_\Gamma(\partial(o)) = n$.

The sets $Ob_n(CC)$ and $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n(CC)$ are mapped to the corresponding sets for CC' by homomorphisms $CC \rightarrow CC'$ of C-systems forming covariant functors from $Csys(U)$ to $Sets(U)$ for appropriate universes U .

In particular, the sets $\mathcal{O}b_n(\Gamma)$ and $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n(\Gamma)$ are mapped to the sets $\mathcal{O}b_n(\Gamma')$ and $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n(\Gamma')$ by the functions $f_{\mathcal{O}b}^*$ and $f_{\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}}^*$ forming presheaves (contravariant functors) on CC with values in $Sets(U)$ for appropriate universes U .

The function ∂ maps elements of $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n$ to elements of Ob_n defining functions $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n \rightarrow Ob_n$ that we will sometimes denote by ∂_n . Similarly, the functions ∂_Γ map elements of $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n(\Gamma)$ to elements of $\mathcal{O}b_n(\Gamma)$ defining functions $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}b}_n(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}b_n(\Gamma)$ that we will sometimes denote $\partial_{\Gamma,n}$. More often we will write ∂_n and $\partial_{\Gamma,n}$ simply as ∂ .

The proofs of all these facts are straightforward. Finally, we want to make a comment that will be important for the proper interpretation of some of our constructions.