

Homotopy Type Theory MPIM-Bonn 2016

Dependent Type Theories

**Lecture 3.**

**Presheaf extensions of C-systems.**

**B-sets of C-systems and C-subsystems theorem.**

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In the last lecture we have outlined, for each category  $T$ , the construction of functions

$$LwCs : Lw(T) \rightarrow Cs_{\mathbf{N}}(T^{op})$$

$$CsLw : Cs_{\mathbf{N}}(T^{op}) \rightarrow Lw(T)$$

and stated the lemma that they are mutually inverse bijections. From these functions we derived the functors

$$LC : LW(U) \rightarrow CS_{\mathbf{N}}(U)$$

$$CL : CS_{\mathbf{N}}(U) \rightarrow LW(U)$$

and, using the lemma, proves the theorem stating that these functors are mutually inverse isomorphisms of categories for any universe  $U$ .

This provides a description, in terms familiar to categorical logic, of the simplest class of C-systems - the l-bijective C-systems, i.e., the C-systems for which the length function  $l : CC \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$  is a bijection.

There is a larger class of C-systems that can be described in similar terms.

**Definition 1** *A C-system is called 1-generated if it coincides with its smallest subsystem that contains all objects of length 1.*

I expect to be able to construct, for any set  $S$ , an isomorphism between the category of  $S$ -sorted Lawvere theories and pairs of the form  $(CC, \Phi)$  where  $CC$  is 1-generated C-system and  $\Phi : Ob_1(CC) \rightarrow S$  a bijection between the set of objects of  $CC$  of length 1 and  $S$ .

This will provide a classical description for the class of 1-generated C-systems.

Intuitively, 1-generated C-systems correspond to type theories without dependent types. So their connection with more classical objects of categorical logic is not entirely unexpected.

We now proceed to the description of a construction that generates C-systems that are not 1-generated and takes us out of the realm of classical categorical logic. It is called *the presheaf extension of a C-system*.

Let  $CC$  be a C-system and  $F : CC^{op} \rightarrow Sets$  a presheaf on the category underlying  $CC$ . We will construct a new C-system  $CC[F]$  which we call the  $F$ -extension of  $CC$ .

We will first construct a C0-system  $CC[F]$  and then show that it is a C-system.

**Problem 2** *Given a C-system  $CC$  and a presheaf*

$$F : CC^{op} \rightarrow Sets$$

*to construct a C0-system that will be denoted  $CC[F]$  and called the  $F$ -extension of  $CC$ .*

### Construction 3

We set

$$Ob(CC[F]) = \coprod_{X \in CC} F(ft^{l(X)}(X)) \times \dots \times F(ft^2(X)) \times F(ft(X)) \quad (1)$$

where the product of the empty sequence of factors is the one element set.

We will write elements of  $Ob(CC[F])$  as  $(X, \Gamma)$  where  $X \in CC$  and  $\Gamma = (T_0, \dots, T_{l(X)-1})$ .

Note that  $ft^{l(X)}(X) = pt$  for any  $X$  and therefore all the products in (1) start with  $F(pt)$ .

We set

$$Mor(CC[F]) = \coprod_{(X,\Gamma),(Y,\Gamma')} Mor_{CC}(X, Y)$$

We will write elements of  $Mor(CC[F])$  as  $((X, \Gamma), (Y, \Gamma'), f)$ . When the domain and the codomain of a morphism are clear from the context we may write  $f$  instead of  $((X, \Gamma), (Y, \Gamma'), f)$ .

We define the composition function by the rule

$$((X, \Gamma), (Y, \Gamma'), f) \circ ((Y, \Gamma'), (Z, \Gamma''), g) = ((X, \Gamma), (Z, \Gamma''), f \circ g)$$

and the identity morphisms by the rule

$$Id_{CC[F],(X,\Gamma)} = ((X, \Gamma), (X, \Gamma), Id_{CC,X})$$

The associativity and the identity conditions of a category follow easily from the corresponding properties of  $CC$ . This completes the construction of a category  $CC[F]$ .

We define the length function as

$$l((X, \Gamma)) = l(X)$$

If  $l((X, \Gamma)) = 0$  then  $X = pt_{CC}$  and  $\Gamma = ()$  where  $()$  is the unique element of the one point set that is the product of the empty sequence, i.e.,  $pt_{CC[F]} = ((pt_{CC}, ()))$ .

We define the ft-function on  $(X, \Gamma)$  such that  $l(X) > 0$  as

$$ft((X, (T_0, \dots, T_{l(X)-1}))) = (ft(X), (T_0, \dots, T_{l(X)-2}))$$

which is well defined because  $l(ft(X)) = l(X) - 1$ . We will write  $ft(\Gamma)$  for  $(T_0, \dots, T_{l(X)-2})$  so that  $ft((X, \Gamma)) = (ft(X), ft(\Gamma))$ .

We define the p-morphisms as

$$p_{(X, \Gamma)} = ((X, \Gamma), ft(X, \Gamma), p_X)$$



For  $(Y, \Gamma')$  such that  $l((Y, \Gamma')) > 0$  and  $f : (X, \Gamma) \rightarrow ft(Y, \Gamma')$  where  $\Gamma = (T_0, \dots, T_{l(X)-1})$  and  $\Gamma' = (T'_0, \dots, T'_{l(Y)-1})$  we set

$$f^*((Y, \Gamma')) = (f^*(Y), (T_0, \dots, T_{l(X)-1}, F(f)(T'_{l(Y)-1}))). \quad (2)$$

In the same context as above we define the q-morphism as

$$q(f, (Y, \Gamma')) = (f^*((Y, \Gamma')), (Y, \Gamma'), q(f, Y))$$

This completes the construction of the elements of the structure of a C0-system.

For the proof that they satisfy the axioms of a C0-structure see “C-system of a module over a  $Jf$ -relative monad.”

**Lemma 4** *The functions*

$$Ob(CC[F]) \rightarrow Ob(F)$$

$$Mor(CC(F)) \rightarrow Mor(CC)$$

*given by*

$$(X, \Gamma) \mapsto X$$

*and*

$$((X, \Gamma), (Y, \Gamma'), f) \mapsto f$$

*form a functor  $tr_F : CC[F] \rightarrow CC$  and this functor is fully faithful.*

**Proof:** Straightforward from the construction.

**Lemma 5** *The C0-system of Construction 3 is a C-system.*

**Proof:** By Proposition 3 from the first lecture it is sufficient to prove that the canonical squares of  $CC[F]$ , i.e., the squares

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f^*((Y, \Gamma)) & \xrightarrow{q(f, (Y, \Gamma'))} & (Y, \Gamma) \\ p_{f^*((Y, \Gamma'))} \downarrow & & p_{(Y, \Gamma)} \downarrow \\ (X, \Gamma) & \xrightarrow{f} & ft((Y, \Gamma)) \end{array}$$

are pull-back squares. The functor of Lemma 4 map these square to canonical squares of the C-system  $CC$  that are pull-back squares. Since this functor is fully faithful we conclude that the canonical squares in  $CC[F]$  are pull-back squares. The lemma is proved.

This completes the construction of the presheaf extension of a C-system.

For any two objects of  $CC[F]$  of the form  $(X, \Gamma), (X, \Gamma')$  the formula

$$can_{X, \Gamma, \Gamma'} = ((X, \Gamma), (X, \Gamma'), Id_X)$$

defines a morphism which is clearly an isomorphism with  $can_{X, \Gamma, \Gamma'}$  being a canonical inverse. Therefore, all objects of  $CC[F]$  with the same image in  $CC$  are “canonically isomorphic”.

If  $F(pt_{CC}) = \emptyset$  then  $CC[F] = \{pt_{CC[F]}\}$ . On the other hand, the choice of an element  $y$  in  $F(pt_{CC})$  defines distinguished elements

$$y_X = F(\pi_X)(y)$$

in all sets  $F(X)$  and therefore distinguished objects

$$(X, \Gamma_{X, y}) = (X, (y, \dots, y_{ft^2(X)}, y_{ft(X)}))$$

in the fibers of the object component of  $tr_F$  over all  $X$ .

Mapping  $X$  to  $(X, \Gamma_{X,y})$  and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  to  $((X, \Gamma_{X,y}), (Y, \Gamma_{Y,y}), f)$  defines, as one can immediately prove from the definitions, a functor  $tr_{F,y}^! : CC \rightarrow CC[F]$ .

This functor clearly satisfies the conditions  $tr_{F,y}^! \circ tr_F = Id_{CC}$ .

One verifies easily that the morphisms

$$can_{X,\Gamma,\Gamma_{(X,y)}} : (X, \Gamma) \rightarrow tr_{F,y}^!(X, \Gamma)$$

form a natural transformation. We conclude that  $tr_F$  and  $tr_{F,y}^!$  is a pair of mutually inverse equivalences of categories.

However these equivalences are not isomorphisms unless  $F(X)$  is a one element set for all  $X$  and as a C-system  $CC[F]$  is often very different from  $CC$ , for example, it may have many more C-subsystems.

The proofs of the following two lemmas are straightforward:

**Lemma 6** *The functor  $tr : CC[F] \rightarrow CC$  is a homomorphism of  $C$ -systems.*

**Lemma 7** *For any  $y \in F(pt)$ , the functor  $tr_{F,y} : CC[F] \rightarrow CC$  is a homomorphism of  $C$ -systems.*

Next we will explain a method for constructing subsystems of C-systems that leads us to a very important area of exploration - the theory of B-systems. A similar method exists for constructing sub-quotients but we will restrict our attention to the case to subsystems and refer to “Subsystems and regular quotients of C-systems” for the sub-quotients.

Let  $CC$  be a C-system. Define  $B(CC)$  as  $Ob(CC)$  and  $\tilde{B}(CC)$  as the subset in  $Mor(CC)$  of the form:

$$\tilde{B}(CC) =$$

$$\{s \in Mor(CC) \mid dom(s) = ft(codom(s)) \text{ and } s \circ p_{codom(s)} = Id_{dom(s)}\}$$

that is, elements of  $\tilde{B}(CC)$  are sections of the p-morphisms of  $CC$ .

**The sets  $B(CC)$  and  $\tilde{B}(CC)$  are called the B-sets of  $CC$ .**

Note that  $B(CC)$  is another notation for  $Ob(CC)$  that we also abbreviate sometimes to  $CC$ . In some of my papers I write  $\tilde{Ob}(CC)$  instead of  $\tilde{B}(CC)$ .

We let  $\partial : \tilde{B}(CC) \rightarrow B(CC)$  denote the function  $s \mapsto codom(s)$  such that

$$s : ft(\partial(s)) \rightarrow \partial(s)$$



Define the relation  $\geq$  on  $CC$  by the condition that  $Y \geq X$  if and only if  $l(Y) \geq l(X)$  and

$$ft^{l(Y)-l(X)}(Y) = X.$$

Define the relation  $>$  on  $CC$  by the condition that  $Y > X$  if and only if  $Y \geq X$  and  $l(Y) > l(X)$ .

**Lemma 8** *For any  $C$ -system  $CC$  one has*

1. *the relation  $\geq$  is a partial order relation, i.e., it is reflexive, transitive and antisymmetric,*
2. *the relation  $>$  is a strict partial order relation, i.e., it is transitive and asymmetric.*

An object  $Y$  is said to be an object over  $X$  if  $Y \geq X$ . In this case the composition of the canonical projections  $Y \xrightarrow{p_Y} ft(Y) \xrightarrow{p_{ft(Y)}} \dots \rightarrow X$  is denoted by  $p_{Y,X}$ .

For a morphism  $f : X' \rightarrow X$  one defines  $f^*(Y)$  by induction using the  $f^*$  structure of the C-system. One also defines by induction a morphism  $q(f, Y) : f^*(Y) \rightarrow Y$ .

For  $Y, Y' \geq X$  a morphism  $g : Y \rightarrow Y'$  is said to be a morphism over  $X$  if  $p_{Y,X} = g \circ p_{Y',X}$ . For such a morphism  $g$  and a morphism  $f : X' \rightarrow X$  there is a unique morphism  $f^*(g) : f^*(Y) \rightarrow f^*(Y')$  over  $X'$  such that the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f^*(Y) & \xrightarrow{q(f,Y)} & Y \\ f^*(g) \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ f^*(Y') & \xrightarrow{q(f,Y')} & Y' \end{array}$$

commutes.

Consider the following sets where we write  $B$  and  $\tilde{B}$  instead of  $B(CC)$  and  $\tilde{B}(CC)$ :

$$T_{dom} \subset B \times B \quad T_{dom} = \{X, Y \in B, l(X) > 0, Y > ft(X)\}$$

$$\tilde{T}_{dom} \subset B \times \tilde{B} \quad \tilde{T}_{dom} = \{X \in B, s \in \tilde{B}, (X, \partial(s)) \in T_{dom}\}$$

$$S_{dom} \subset \tilde{B} \times B \quad S_{dom} = \{r \in \tilde{B}, Y \in B, Y > \partial(r)\}$$

$$\tilde{S}_{dom} \subset \tilde{B} \times \tilde{B} \quad \tilde{S}_{dom} = \{r, s \in \tilde{B}, (r, \partial(s)) \in S_{dom}\}$$

$$\delta_{dom} \subset B \quad \delta_{dom} = \{X \in B, l(X) > 0\}$$

Consider now the following operations defined on these sets

$$T : T_{dom} \rightarrow B \quad T(X, Y) = p_X^*(Y)$$

$$\tilde{T} : \tilde{T}_{dom} \rightarrow \tilde{B} \quad \tilde{T}(X, s) = p_X^*(s)$$

$$S : S_{dom} \rightarrow B \quad S(r, Y) = r^*(Y)$$

$$\tilde{S} : \tilde{S}_{dom} \rightarrow \tilde{B} \quad \tilde{S}(r, s) = r^*(s)$$

$$\delta : \delta_{dom} \rightarrow \tilde{B} \quad \delta(X) = s_{Id_X}$$

Operation  $T$  is well defined because for  $(X, Y) \in T_{dom}$  we have  $Y > ft(X)$  and therefore  $Y$  is over  $ft(X)$ .

Operation  $\tilde{T}$  is well defined because

$$s : ft(\partial(s)) \rightarrow \partial(s)$$

is a section of  $p_{\partial(s)}$  and therefore a morphism over  $ft(\partial(s))$ . On the other hand for  $(s, X) \in \tilde{T}_{dom}$ , one has  $\partial(s) > ft(X)$  which implies that  $ft(\partial(s)) \geq ft(X)$  and therefore  $ft(\partial(s))$  is an object over  $ft(X)$  and so the morphism  $s$  is a morphism over  $ft(X)$ .

Similar arguments show that  $S$ ,  $\tilde{S}$  and  $\delta$  are well defined. For more detail see the upcoming updated version of “B-systems”.

Given a C-subsystem  $CC'$  of  $CC$  let

$$B(CC') = Ob(CC')$$

and

$$\tilde{B}(CC') = Mor(CC') \cap \tilde{B}(CC).$$

**Theorem 9** *The mapping  $CC' \mapsto (B(CC'), \tilde{B}(CC'))$  defines a bijection between C-subsystems of  $CC$  and pairs of subsets  $(B', \tilde{B}')$  in the B-sets of  $CC$  that are closed under operations  $ft, \partial, T, \tilde{T}, S, \tilde{S}, \delta$  and such that  $B'$  contains  $pt_{CC}$ .*

For the proof see “Subsystems and regular quotients of C-systems”.