

proof: Exercise. Hint: use the $\tau \dashv N$ adjunction and consider the maps $\tau(\Lambda_k^n) \rightarrow \tau(\Delta^n)$ for $0 < k < n$.



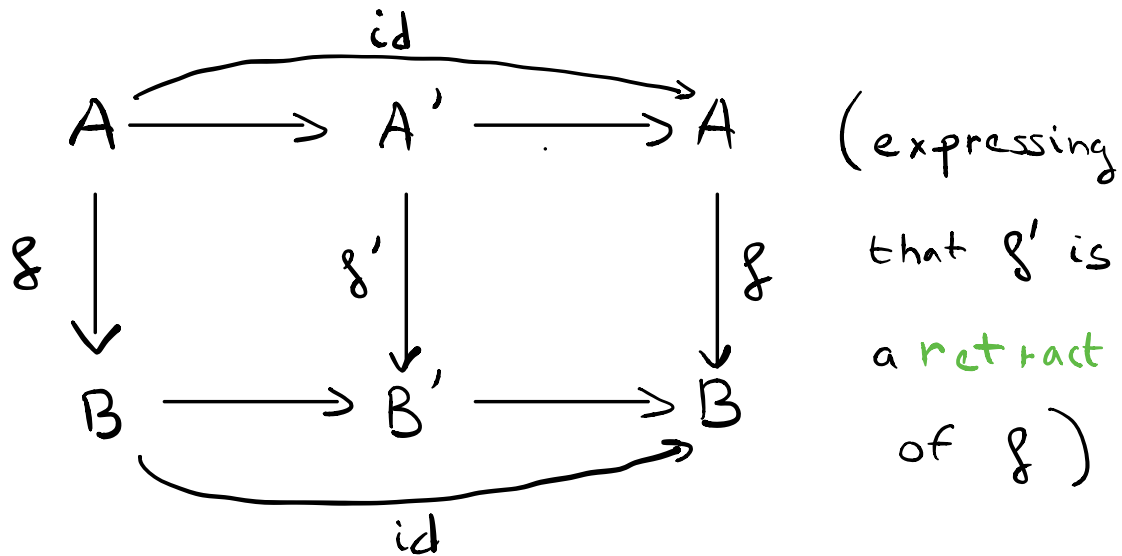
Collections of morphisms of the form $\square S$ (or $S \square$) have some remarkable "closure" properties.

def 5: Let $S \in \text{Mor}(C)$. We say that:

* S is **closed under pushouts** if for every

pushout diagram
$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\quad} & A' \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow f' \\ B & \xrightarrow{\quad} & B' \end{array}, \quad f \in S \Rightarrow f' \in S.$$

* S is closed under retracts if for every retract diagram in C :



we have $f \in S \Rightarrow f' \in S$.

* S is closed under transfinite compositions if for all ordinals α and a functor $F: [\alpha] \xrightarrow{\alpha \cup \{\alpha\}} C$ with

$\forall 0 < \lambda \leq \alpha$ with λ limit ordinal,

$$F(\lambda) \cong \operatorname{Colim}_{\gamma < \lambda} F(\gamma)$$

(for all $\beta < \alpha$, $F(\beta < \beta+1) \in S$) $\Rightarrow F(0 < \alpha) \in S$

[ex For $\alpha = \omega = (\mathbb{N}, \leq)$, then $[\omega] = \omega + 1 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{\omega\}$

and the condition says that if

$$F(\infty) \simeq \operatorname{colim}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left(F(0) \underset{S}{\rightarrow} F(1) \underset{S}{\rightarrow} F(2) \underset{S}{\rightarrow} \dots \right)$$

then $F(0) \rightarrow F(\infty)$ is in S .]

* S is (weakly) saturated if it is stable under pushouts, retracts and transfinite compositions.

Rmk.: • There is a related notion of "strongly saturated" class which plays a role in the theory of localizations of $(\infty-)$ categories, hence the terminology.

• The transfinite composition for $\alpha = 0$ (resp. $\alpha = 2$) means that S contains all

isos (resp. is stable by compositions).

Lemma 6: Let \mathcal{C} admit arbitrary coproducts.

Then any saturated collection in \mathcal{C} is stable under coproducts.

proof: Let S be a saturated collection,

and $(g_\alpha: A_\alpha \rightarrow B_\alpha)$ be a set of morphisms such that the coproduct

$$\coprod g_\alpha: \coprod A_\alpha \rightarrow \coprod B_\alpha \text{ exists.}$$

We can construct $\coprod g_\alpha$ as a transfinite composition of pushouts. Ex:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A_0 & \longrightarrow & B_0 & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & B_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 A_0 \amalg A_1 & \longrightarrow & A_1 \amalg B_0 & \longrightarrow & B_0 \amalg B_1 \\
 \vdots & & & & \vdots \\
 \coprod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n & \xrightarrow{\coprod f_\alpha} & & & \coprod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n
 \end{array}$$

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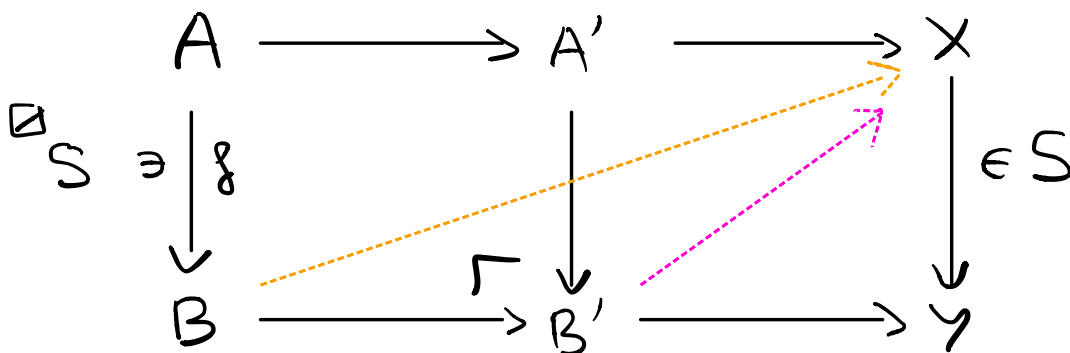
This notion seems very artificial at first, but as we will see, it is in fact quite natural in view of Quillen's "small object argument".

First, we have:

prop 7: Let $S \subseteq \text{Mon}(C)$ be any collection of morphisms. Then \square_S is saturated.

proof:

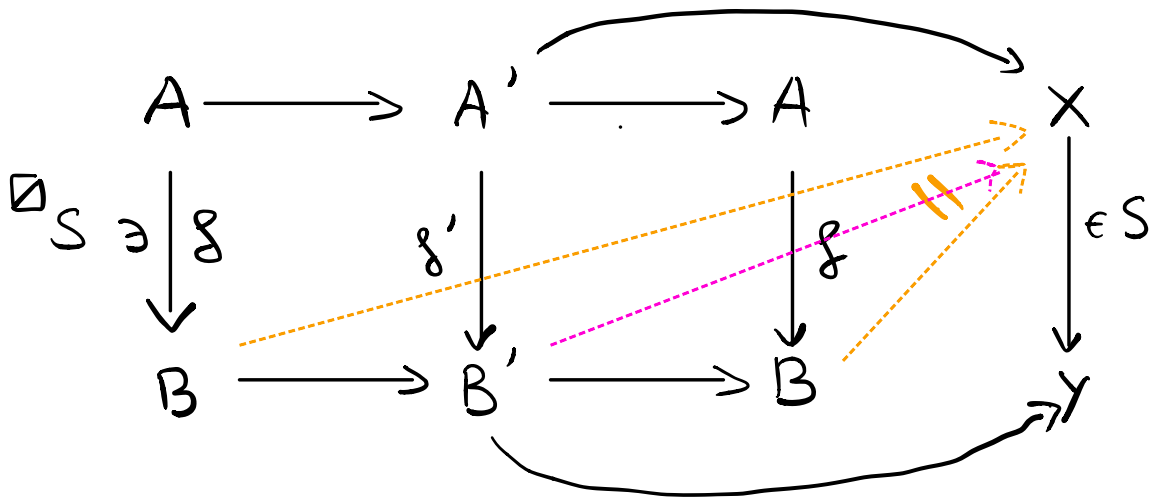
Stable under pushouts:



where \rightarrow exists because $f \in \square_S$

→ exists because of universal property of the pushout.


Stable under retracts:



where the two (equal) → exist because of $g \in S$, the → is just defined as

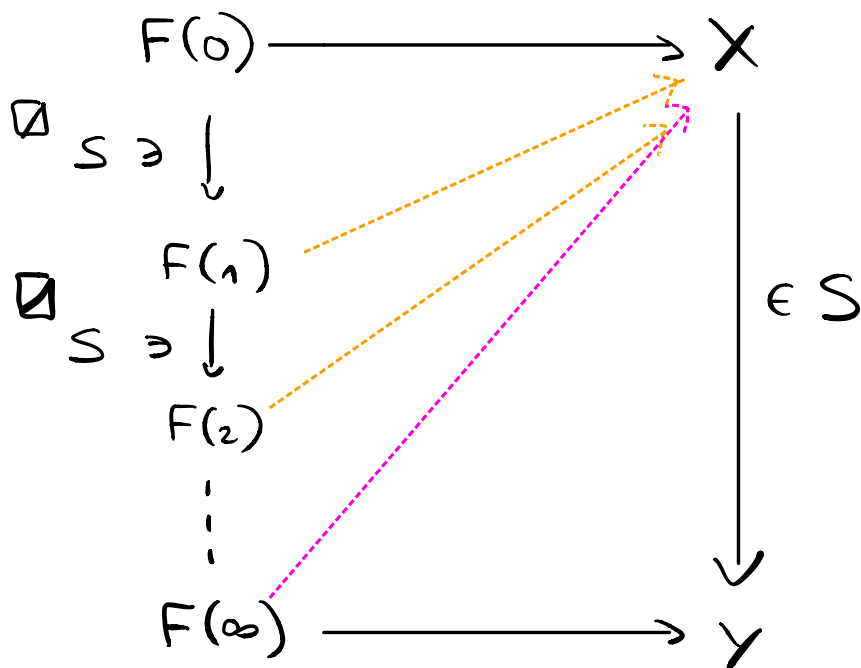
composition , and everything

commutes because of the retract

property .

Stable under transfinite compositions:

For notational simplicity I explain the case $\omega = (\mathbb{N}, \leq)$, the general argument is the same:



where $\dots \rightarrow$'s are constructed by induction using that $F(i < i+1) \in \square S$.

$\dots \rightarrow$ is constructed from the universal property of colimits.



An intersection of saturated collections is saturated. This implies the following is well-defined:

def 8: Let C be a category and S_0 be a collection of morphisms in C . There is a smallest saturated collection $\overline{S_0}$ which contains S_0 . We call it the **saturated collection generated by S_0** .

As a first example, we have:

prop 9: The collection of all monomorphisms in \mathbf{sSet} is the saturated collection generated by $(\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)_{n \geq 0}$.

proof: The fact that (monos) is saturated is easy and left as an exercise.

$$\Rightarrow \overline{(\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)} \subseteq (\text{monos}).$$

• The fact that $(\text{monos}) \subseteq \overline{(\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)}$

Follows from the existence of the skeletal filtration (Prop I.24) for any monomorphism. □

Cor 10: 1) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ in $s\text{Set}$. TFAE

a) f is a trivial fibration $\left(\begin{array}{ccc} \text{c.e. } \partial \Delta^n & \rightarrow & X \\ \downarrow & \dashrightarrow & \downarrow \\ \Delta^n & \rightarrow & Y \end{array} \right)$

b) f has the right lifting property wrt monos.

2) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a trivial Kan fibration.

Then f admits a section $s: Y \rightarrow X$.

Moreover, the composition $s \circ f: X \rightarrow X$ is

homotopic to id_X over Y ; there exists

$$X \times \Delta^n \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{h} \\ \searrow \cong \swarrow \\ Y \end{array} X \quad \text{with } \begin{cases} h|_{X \times 0} = s \circ f \\ h|_{X \times 1} = \text{id}_X \end{cases}$$

proof: 1): b) \Rightarrow a) is clear.

a) \Rightarrow b): Let $S = \square \text{ } f$. We know that $(\partial\Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n) \in S$ by a) and we want to prove that $(\text{monos}) \in S$.

We know by Prop 5 that S is saturated.

Prop 9 that $(\text{monos}) = \overline{(\partial\Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)}$.

and we are done.

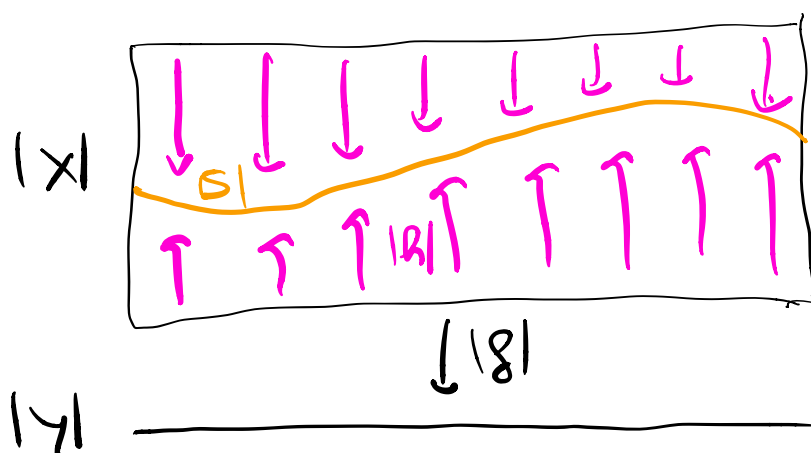
2) s (resp. R) is solution of:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \emptyset & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X \\
 \text{mono} \downarrow & \nearrow s & \downarrow f \\
 Y & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & Y
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{resp.} \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \partial\Delta^n \times X & \xrightarrow{(s \circ f, \text{id})} & X \\
 \downarrow & \nearrow R & \downarrow f \\
 \Delta^n \times X & \xrightarrow{\quad} & Y
 \end{array}$$

which exist by part 1). □

Rmk: Part 2) means that, not only are

the fibers of a trivial fibration contractible Kan complexes, but they can be contracted "simultaneously"; after geometric realisation:



Our next objective is to get similar description of inner/left/right anodyne maps as saturated classes.

Prop 11: (Small object argument)

Let S be a set of morphisms in $sSet$.
 Then every morphism f in $sSet$ admits a factorisation $f = pj$ with $j \in \bar{S}$ and $p \in S$. \square

Moreover this factorisation can be made functorial in f .

proof: • I give the proof under a stronger

assumption: $S = \{A_i \xrightarrow{m_i} B_i\}_{i \in I}$ with

A_i has finitely non-degenerate simplices.

This assumption is satisfied in our applications and means that we can replace transfinite compositions with ω -indexed ones.

• We produce a first factorisation of $f: X \rightarrow Y$,

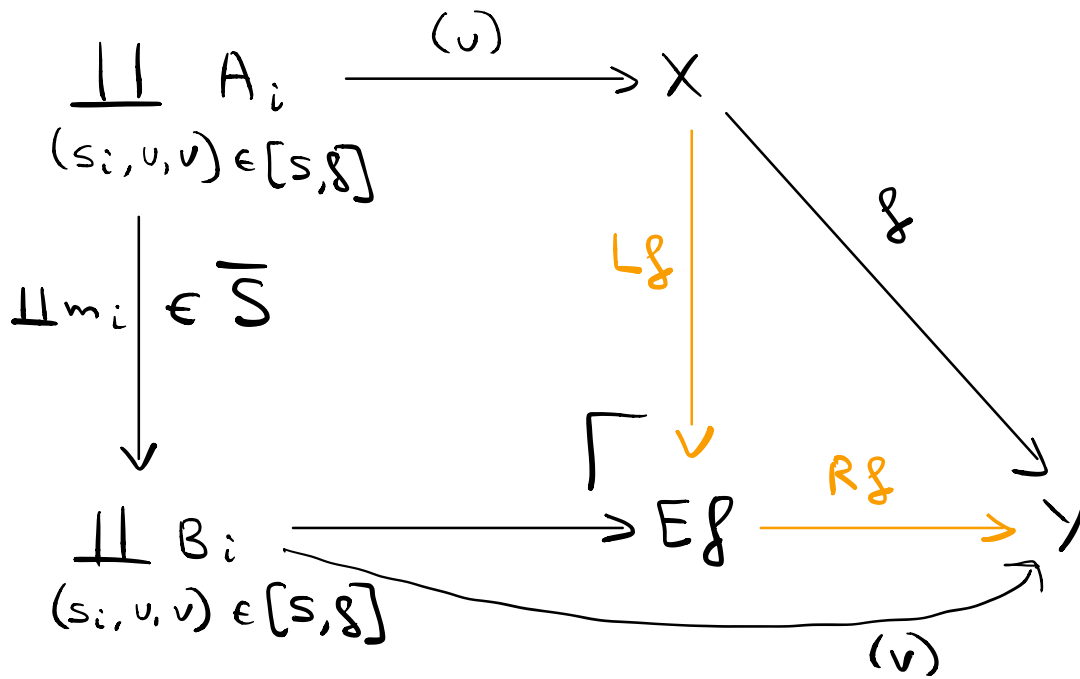
$$X \xrightarrow{L_f} E_f \xrightarrow{R_f} Y \quad \text{with } L_f \in \bar{S}$$

but not yet R_f in S . \square

Consider the set:

$$[S, f] = \left\{ (s_i, u, v) \mid s_i \in S, f u = v s_i \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} A_i & \xrightarrow{u} & X \\ s_i \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ B_i & \xrightarrow{v} & Y \end{array} \right\}$$

We define E_f, L_f, R_f via the diagram:



By construction, $L_f \in \bar{S}$.
 Lemma 6

We iterate the construction, applying it to R_f ..

$$X \xrightarrow{\in \bar{S}} E_f \xrightarrow{\in \bar{S}} E^2_f \xrightarrow{\in \bar{S}} \dots \rightarrow Y$$

Define $E^\infty_f := \operatorname{Colim}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E^n_f$ to get a

factorisation $X \xrightarrow{j} E^\infty_f \xrightarrow{P} Y$ of f .

Again by construction, we have $j \in \bar{S}$,

so all that remains is to show $P \in S$. \square

Consider a map $A_j \rightarrow B_j$ in S and a lifting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_j & \longrightarrow & E^\infty f \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B_j & \longrightarrow & Y \end{array}$$

- By the assumption on A_j , as we have seen in the proof of Prop II.7, A_j is compact in $s\text{Set}$: the functor

$$s\text{Set}(A_j, -) : s\text{Set} \longrightarrow \text{Set}$$

commutes with filtered colimits:

In particular,

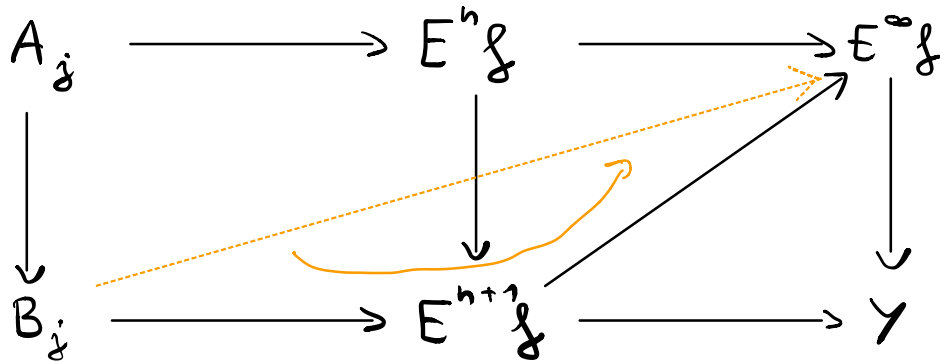
$$\text{colim}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} s\text{Set}(A_j, E^n f) \xrightarrow{\sim} s\text{Set}(A_j, E^\infty f)$$

is a bijection. So we get $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A_j & \longrightarrow & E^n f & \longrightarrow & E^\infty f \\ \downarrow & & & \searrow & \downarrow \\ B_j & \longrightarrow & & \longrightarrow & Y \end{array}$$

(*)

So $(*) \in [S, E^n \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}]$ and by definition of $E^{n+1} \mathcal{F}$, there is a factorisation



and we are done. □

Rmk: As you can see, this argument is quite formal and does not use much about $s\text{Set}$. It is very useful in the context of constructing model categories, which is what we are doing piece by piece (working towards the so-called Joyal model structure on $s\text{Set}$).

- The small object argument relies on compactness. and ultimately the behaviour of Set w.r.t filtered colimits. This is why saturated are much

more manageable than "co saturated" ones.

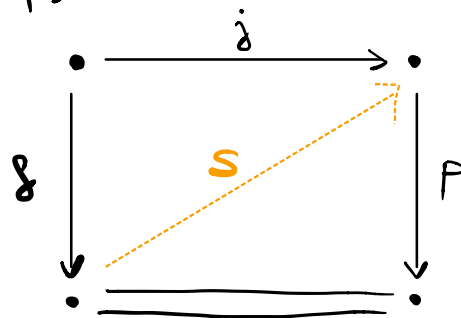
Cor 12: Let S be any set of maps in $sSet$.

Then $\bar{S} = \square(S^\square)$.

proof: We know by Lemma 2 and Proposition 7 that $\begin{cases} S \subseteq \square(S^\square) \\ \square(S^\square) \text{ is saturated} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \bar{S} \subseteq \square(S^\square)$.

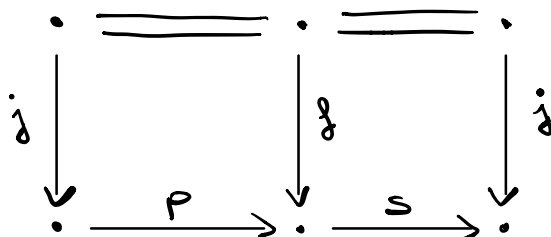
Conversely, let $f \in S^\square$ and apply Prop 11 to get $f = p \circ j$ with $j \in \bar{S}$ and $p \in S^\square$.

By $f \in S^\square$, there is a lift in



"retract trick"

Hence:



shows that f is a retract of j , hence in \bar{S} .



def 13: A weak factorisation system in a category C is a pair (L, R) of classes of maps

such that :

- every morphism f factors as

$$f = r \ell \text{ with } r \in R \text{ and } \ell \in L.$$

$$\bullet L = \square R \text{ and } R = L \square.$$

A weak factorisation where the factorisation is unique is an orthogonal factorisation system.

• The small object argument tells you that

$(\bar{S}, S \square)$ is a weak factorisation system:

- small object argument \Rightarrow factorisation

- $\bar{S} = \square (S \square)$ by cor.

- $(\bar{S}) \square \subseteq S \square$ because $S \subseteq \bar{S}$

$S \square \subseteq \bar{S} \square$ because left complements are saturated.

Let's apply this to our anodyne classes.

Cor 14: We have

$$\text{(inner anodyne)} = \overline{\left(\bigwedge_R^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n, 0 < k < n \right)}$$

$$\text{(left anodyne)} = \overline{\left(\bigwedge_R^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n, 0 \leq k < n \right)}$$

$$\text{(right anodyne)} = \overline{\left(\bigwedge_R^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n, 0 < k \leq n \right)}$$

$$\text{(anodyne)} = \overline{\left(\bigwedge_R^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n, 0 \leq k \leq n \right)}$$

Furthermore, we get weak factorisation systems:

(inner anodyne, inner fibration)

(left —, left —)

(right —, right —)

(anodyne, Kan fibrations)

(monos, trivial Kan fibrations)

proof: Apply corollary 12 to each class of
horn inclusions. □

Let us discuss some concrete examples of
inner anodyne morphisms.

• For $I \subseteq [n]$, we have the I -horn:

$$\Lambda_I^n = \bigcup_{i \notin I} \Delta^{[n] \setminus i} \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$$

Lemma 15: a) Let $\emptyset \neq I \subseteq [n]$. Then

$$\Lambda_I^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n \text{ is:}$$

- anodyne if $I \neq [n]$
- left anodyne if $n \notin I$
- right anodyne if $0 \notin I$
- inner anodyne, if I is not the complement of an interval. $\left[\begin{array}{c} \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \cdots \left[\begin{array}{c} \\ a < b < n \end{array} \right]$

b) The map $\Lambda_I^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$ (spine inclusion)

is inner anodyne.

proof: a) Let $\emptyset \neq I \ni i$ and $I' := I \setminus \{i\}$.

There is a pushout diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \Delta^{[n]-i} & \cap & \bigwedge_{\mathbf{I}}^n & \longrightarrow & \Delta^{[n]-i} \\
 \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \\
 \bigwedge_{\mathbf{I}}^n & \longrightarrow & \bigwedge_{\mathbf{I}'}^n & \longrightarrow & \Delta^n
 \end{array}$$

(□)

The top horizontal map is \cong to the map $\bigwedge_{\mathbf{I}'}^{[n]-i} \hookrightarrow \Delta^{[n]-i}$.

Using this, it is easy to show a) by induction on $|\mathbf{I}|$ (choosing i carefully in the inner anodyne case).

b) $\mathbf{I}^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$ can be factored as

$$\mathbf{I}^n \xrightarrow{f_n} \Delta^{[n]-0} \cup \mathbf{I}^n \xrightarrow{g_n} \Delta^n.$$

We show by induction on n that both f_n and g_n are inner anodyne.

It is easy to check for $n \leq 2$.

For $n \geq 3$, we have a pushout diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 I^{[n]-0} & \longrightarrow & \Delta^{[n]-0} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 I^n & \xrightarrow{g_n} & \Delta^{[n]-0} \cup I^n
 \end{array}$$

So g_n is a pushout of a smaller spine inclusion.

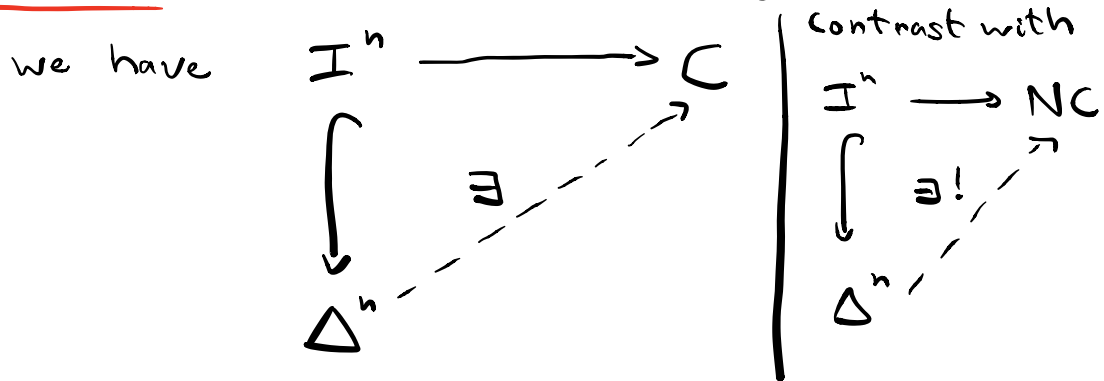
$\Rightarrow g_n$ inn. anodyne. Consider the pushout diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Delta^{[n]-\{0,n\}} \cup I^{[n]-n} & \xrightarrow{g_{n-1}} & \Delta^{[n]-n} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \Delta^{[n]-0} \cup I^n & \xrightarrow{g_n} & \Delta^{[n]-0} \cup \Delta^{[n]-n} \xrightarrow{\textcircled{*}} \Delta^n
 \end{array}$$

$\textcircled{*}$ is $\bigwedge_{[n]-\{0,n\}}^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$ which is inner anodyne

by part a). By induction, g_n is inner anodyne. \square

cor 16: Let C be an ∞ -category. Then



“Infinity-categories admit compositions.”

2) Pushout-products and pullback-homs

Our goal is to prove that $\text{Fun}(K, C)$ is an ∞ -category whenever C is, and also to prove a beautiful alternative characterisation of ∞ -categories.

def 17: Let C be a cartesian closed category

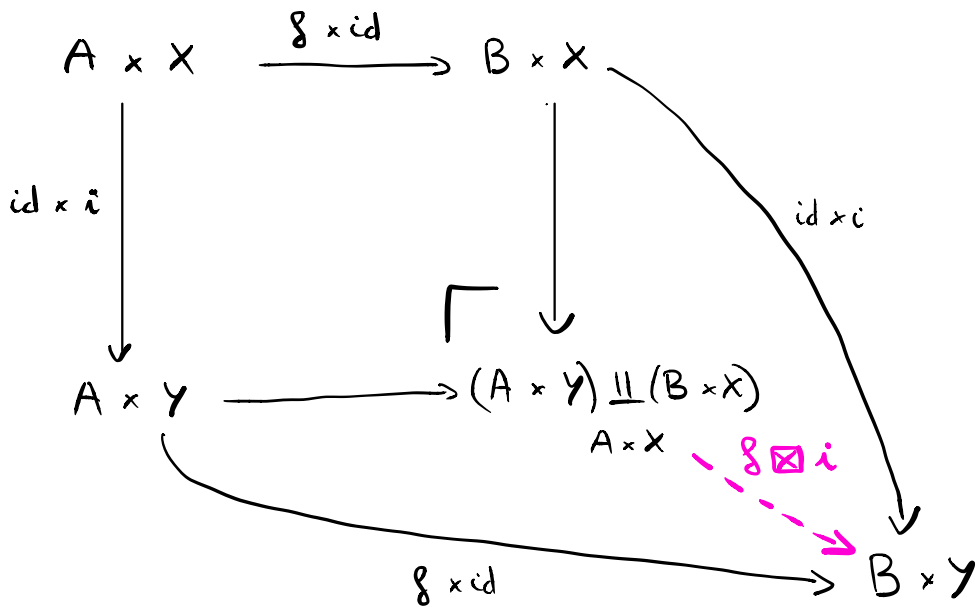
which admits $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{pushouts} \\ \text{pullbacks} \end{array} \right.$ (eg $C = \text{sSet}$).

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $i: A \rightarrow B$ two morphisms.

We define the **pushout-product** of f and i by

$$g \boxtimes i : (A \times Y) \amalg_{A \times X} (B \times X) \longrightarrow B \times Y$$

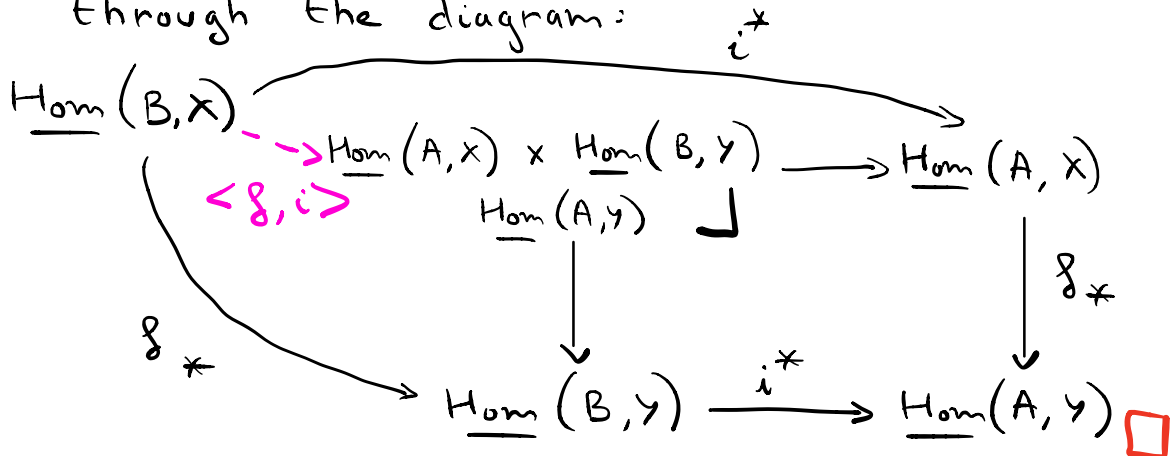
through the diagram:



• Dually, we define the **pullback-hom**

$$\langle g, i \rangle : \underline{\text{Hom}}(B, X) \longrightarrow \underline{\text{Hom}}(A, X) \times_{\underline{\text{Hom}}(A, Y)} \underline{\text{Hom}}(B, Y)$$

through the diagram:



Rmk: \boxtimes is symmetric, unlike \langle, \rangle .

The pullback-hom can be thought of as an "enriched" version of a lifting problem; for instance in \mathbf{sSet} , we have

$i \boxtimes f \iff \langle f, i \rangle$ is surjective on vertices.

« The target of $\langle f, i \rangle$ parametrizes families

of commutative squares $i \downarrow \begin{array}{ccc} \cdot & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \cdot \\ \cdot & & \cdot \end{array} \downarrow f$ while the

source parametrizes families of

liftings $i \downarrow \begin{array}{ccc} \cdot & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \cdot \\ \cdot & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \cdot \end{array} \downarrow f$ »

Lemma 18:

a) Let $F : C \rightleftarrows D : G$ be an adjunction.

Then we have an equivalence of lifting problems:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 FA & \longrightarrow & A' \\
 \downarrow & \nearrow ? & \downarrow \\
 FB & \longrightarrow & B'
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{and} \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \longrightarrow & GA' \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 B & \longrightarrow & GB'
 \end{array}$$

b) With the notations of def 17, if we have

$$\text{morphisms } \begin{cases} f : X \rightarrow Y \\ i : A \rightarrow B \\ g : S \rightarrow T \end{cases} \quad \text{in } C$$

we have an equivalence of lifting problems

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 S & \longrightarrow & \underline{\text{Hom}}(B, X) \\
 g \downarrow & \nearrow ? & \downarrow \langle f, i \rangle \\
 T & \longrightarrow & \underline{\text{Hom}}(A, X) \times \underline{\text{Hom}}(B, Y) \\
 & & \underline{\text{Hom}}(A, Y)
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{and} \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 (A \times T) \amalg_{A \times S} (B \times S) & \longrightarrow & X \\
 \downarrow i \boxtimes g & & \downarrow f \\
 B \times T & \longrightarrow & Y
 \end{array}$$

In other words, $g \boxtimes \langle f, i \rangle \iff (i \boxtimes g) \boxtimes f$.

proof: • a) is a direct application of the natural

isomorphism $D(F(-), -) \cong C(-, G(-))$.

b) follows from a) applied to the adjunction

$B \times - \dashv \underline{\text{Hom}}(B, -)$ and the definition of the maps $\langle f, i \rangle$ and $i \boxtimes g$.



Here is the technical heart of this section:

Prop 19: Let i, g be monomorphisms in $s\text{Set}$. Assume that one of i or g is inner anodyne (resp. left anodyne, right anodyne, anodyne).

Then so is $i \boxtimes g$.



The proof is quite involved. We start with:

Lemma 20: Let S, T be two sets of maps in $s\text{Set}$. Then

$$\overline{S} \otimes \overline{T} \subseteq \overline{S \otimes T}$$

proof: Let $F = (S \otimes T)^\square$.

By the small object argument, we have

$$\overline{S \otimes T} = \square F, \text{ so we have to prove}$$

$(\overline{S} \otimes \overline{T}) \square F$. We first show

$(\overline{S} \otimes T) \square F$. Consider

$$\mathcal{A} = \{ a \mid (a \otimes T) \square F \}$$

By Lemma 18.b), we have

$$\mathcal{A} = \{ a \mid a \square \langle F, T \rangle \}$$

So \mathcal{A} is a left-complement, and in particular is saturated. by Prop 7.
 $S \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, hence $\bar{S} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ and we have

$$(\bar{S} \boxtimes T) \boxtimes F.$$

A similar argument with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B} &= \{ b \mid (\bar{S} \boxtimes b) \boxtimes F \} \\ &= \{ b \mid b \boxtimes \langle F, \bar{S} \rangle \} \end{aligned}$$

shows that $(\bar{S} \boxtimes \bar{T}) \boxtimes F$. □

Lemma 21: We have

$$(\Lambda_R^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n \mid 0 < k < n) \boxtimes (\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)$$

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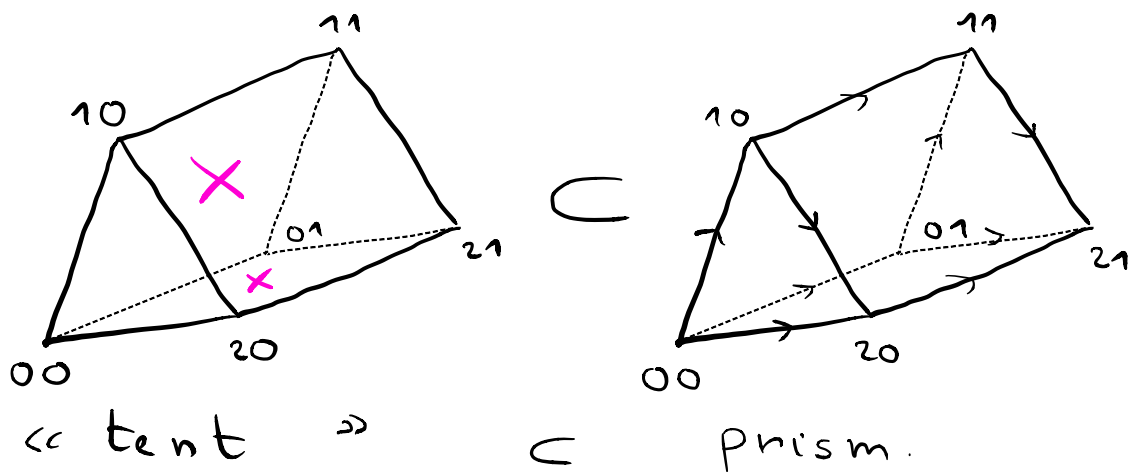
(inner anodyne maps)

proof: This is difficult combinatorics!

Following Rezk, I will just explain a special case: $(\Lambda_1^2 \subset \Delta^2) \boxtimes (\partial \Delta^1 \subset \Delta^1)$.

$$(\Lambda_1^2 \times \Delta^1) \perp\!\!\!\perp (\Delta^2 \times \partial \Delta^1) \subset \Delta^2 \times \Delta^1$$

$$\Lambda_1^2 \times \partial \Delta^1$$

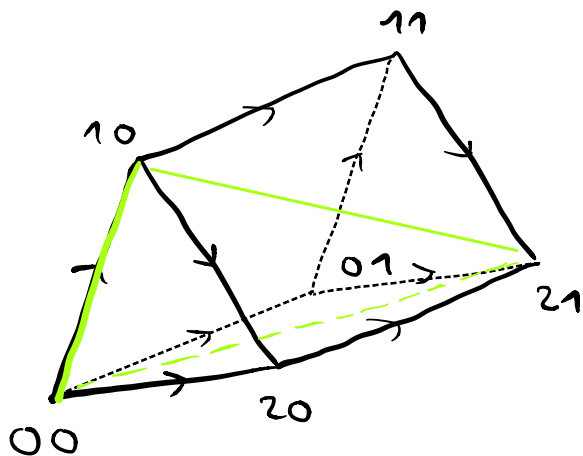


We attach the following simplices in order:

- ① $\langle 00, 10, 21 \rangle$
- ② $\langle 00, 10, 20, 21 \rangle$
- ③ $\langle 00, 10, 11, 21 \rangle$
- ④ $\langle 00, 01, 11, 21 \rangle$

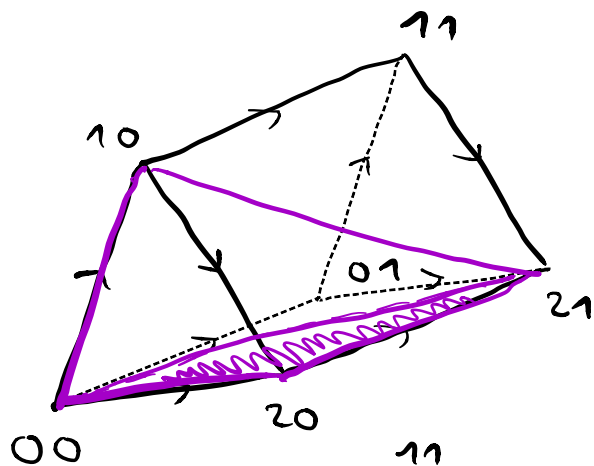
In each case, this is a pushout along an inner horn. This can be seen geometrically with a little patience!

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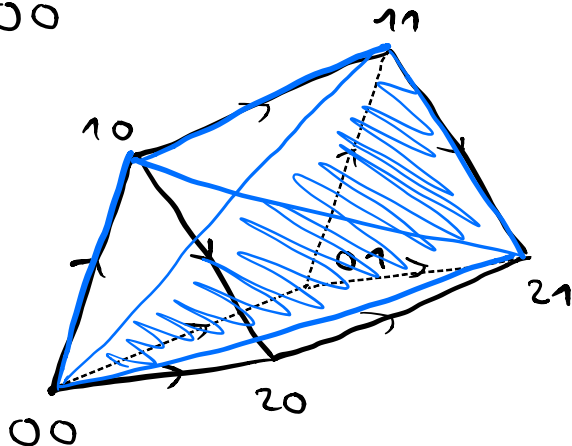
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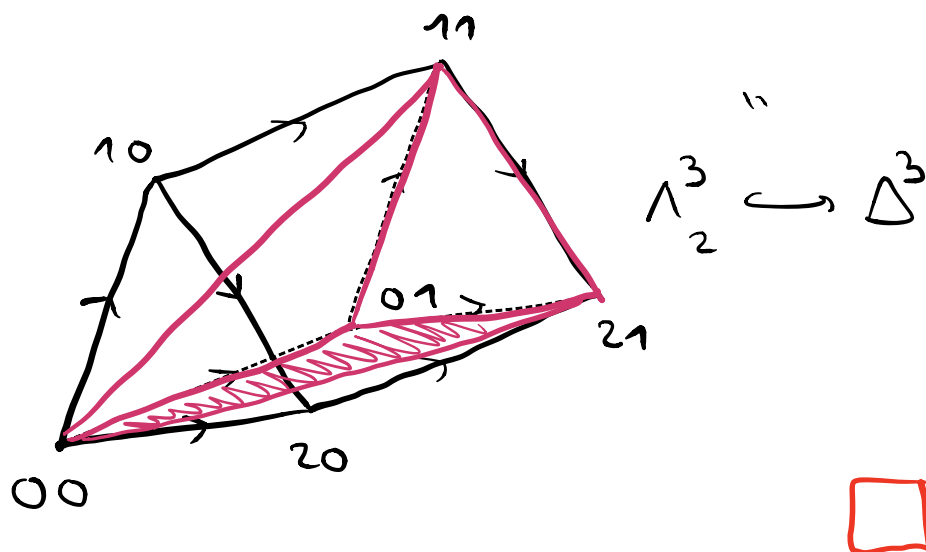
"
 $\Delta^3_1 \hookrightarrow \Delta^3$

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 $\Delta^3_1 \hookrightarrow \Delta^3$

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proof of 19:

I only explain the case of inner anodyne maps. The others use variants of lemma 20 which I don't want to get into; moreover for the application in this section, this is the case we need.

We know that

$$\text{(monos)} = \overline{(\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)}$$

by Prop 9.

We see that

(inner anodyne) \boxtimes (monos)

$$= \overline{(\Lambda_h^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n \mid 0 < h < n)} \boxtimes \overline{(\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)}$$

Lemma 20

$$\subseteq \overline{(\Lambda_h^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n \mid 0 < h < n)} \boxtimes \overline{(\partial \Delta^n \hookrightarrow \Delta^n)}$$

Lemma 21

$$\subseteq \text{(inner anodyne)}$$



Now the hard work is done, and we get:

Prop 22: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an

(inner, left, right) fibration and $i: A \rightarrow B$

a mono morphism. Then

1) $\langle f, i \rangle$ is an (inner, left, right) fibration.

2) If i is moreover (inner, left, right) anodyne,

then $\langle f, i \rangle$ is a trivial fibration.