

MONOID M set (nonempty: $1_M \in M$)
 $M \times M \rightarrow M \quad (a,b) \mapsto a \cdot b$
 $\begin{cases} a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c \text{ (ASSOC)} \\ 1_M \cdot a = a \cdot 1_M = a \text{ (ID)} \end{cases}$
 POSET (partially ordered)
 $P + \text{binary relation} \leq \text{"less or equal"}$

(REFL) $\forall x \in P \quad x \leq x$
 (TRANS) $\forall x, y, z \in P \quad \text{if } x \leq y \text{ \& } y \leq z \text{ then } x \leq z.$

Category simultaneously generalizes monoid and ordered set.

$\mathcal{C} = (\mathcal{C}_0, \mathcal{C}_1)$ collections of elements (in general too big to be sets)
 $\begin{cases} \mathcal{C}_0 = \text{class of objects} \\ \mathcal{C}_1 = \text{class of arrows / morphisms} \end{cases}$

Each $f \in \mathcal{C}_1$ has a domain, codomain and be drawn as an arrow
 $\text{dom}(f) \xrightarrow{f} \text{cod}(f)$
 $\uparrow \mathcal{C}_0 \qquad \qquad \qquad \uparrow \mathcal{C}_0$

↳ Allows to represent a cat. as a certain (directed) graph with specified loops, identity arrows

Can compose $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C$
 $\searrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \nearrow$
 $g \circ f$
 $\begin{cases} \text{dom}(g) = \text{cod}(f) \\ \rightarrow \exists g \circ f \text{ composite arrow} \end{cases}$

Operation is not total (def'd only when) but it is still associative & unital

$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \Rightarrow f \circ 1_A = f = 1_B \circ f$

Remark Given any category $\mathcal{C} = (\mathcal{C}_0, \mathcal{C}_1, d, c, \text{comp})$
 Fix an object $A \in \mathcal{C}_0$.

Then the (class/set) $\mathcal{C}(A, A) = \{A \xrightarrow{f} A\}$ is a monoid

operation: composition of arrows $(g, f) \mapsto g \circ f$

$g \circ f \quad A \xrightarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{g} A$

Identity: $A \xrightarrow{1_A} A$ id arrow of A

2 axioms

$f \circ (g \circ h) = (f \circ g) \circ h$ because assoc axiom valid in the whole \mathcal{C}
 $1_A \circ f = f = f \circ 1_A$ again

A category can be thought as a monoid with many objects (each of which determines a monoid according to what we just proved)

A monoid also gives rise to a category, in the following way

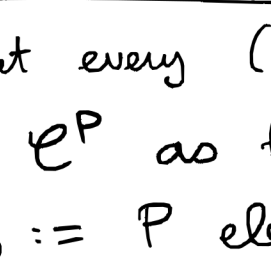
Define a category out of the monoid $(M, \cdot, 1_M)$ (assoc, unital)

The class of objects is very small: it is a single element

$\begin{cases} \mathcal{C}_0^M := \{\star\} \\ \mathcal{C}_1^M := \text{the set of elements of } M \end{cases}$

\mathcal{C}^M is a category: composition is the monoid operation which is associative, and has 1_M as an identity PRECISELY by virtue of the monoid axioms

Monoid: A monoid is PRECISELY a category of the form



specifies a way to compose loops
 - associative
 - unital 1_M

Now I will show that every (P, \leq) gives rise to a category.

Define a category \mathcal{C}^P as follows

1) Objects $\mathcal{C}_0^P := P$ elements of P

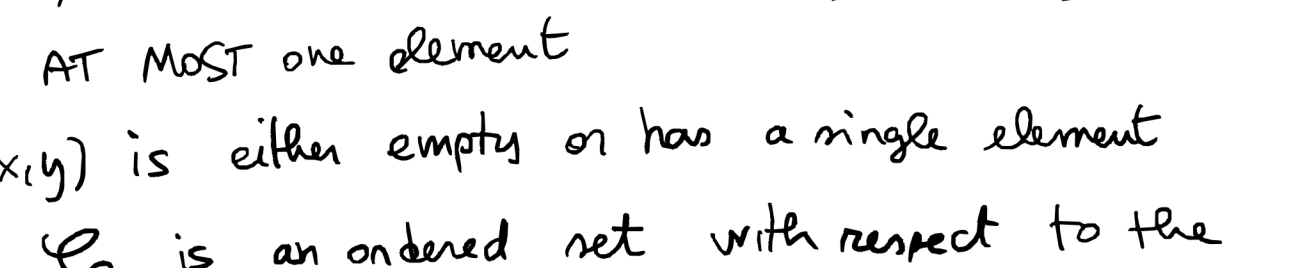
2) To define the arrows, we stipulate that

$\mathcal{C}^P(x, y) = \text{set of arrows with domain } x \text{ codomain } y$
 contains a single element if $x \leq y$ and it is \emptyset otherwise

(Imagine $\mathcal{C}^P(x, y) = \{ \boxed{x \leq y} \}$)

There has to be an identity $\mathcal{C}^P(x, x)$ has to contain an element $\{ \boxed{x \leq x} \}$ (comes from the REFL property)

$\mathcal{C}^P(x, y) \times \mathcal{C}^P(y, z) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^P(x, z)$



In analogy with monoids (= categories w single object but possibly very many arrows)

a ordered set is a category with possibly very many objects, but where every $\mathcal{C}(x, y)$ ($x, y \in \mathcal{C}_0$) has AT MOST one element

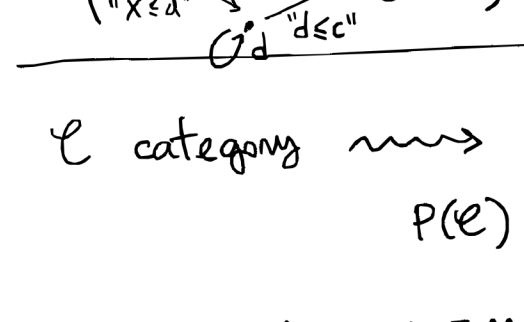
$\mathcal{C}(x, y)$ is either empty or has a single element

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_0$ is an ordered set with respect to the relation " \leq " defined as

$\text{dom } x \leq \text{cod } y := \mathcal{C}(x, y) \neq \emptyset$ proposition

(REFL) $x \leq x$ \checkmark $\mathcal{C}(x, x)$ (in the category) $\neq \emptyset$ by the identity axiom $\mathcal{C}(x, x) = \{ \text{id}_x \}$

(TRANS) $x \leq y$ & $y \leq z \rightarrow x \leq z$
 $\mathcal{C}(x, y) \times \mathcal{C}(y, z) \mapsto \mathcal{C}(x, z)$
 $\{ \alpha: x \rightarrow y \} \& \{ \beta: y \rightarrow z \} \mapsto \{ \beta \circ \alpha: x \rightarrow z \}$



CONSTRAINT: $\mathcal{C}(x, y)$ is either \emptyset or has 1 element

\mathcal{C} category \rightsquigarrow posetal reflection of \mathcal{C}

$P(\mathcal{C}) = (\mathcal{C}_0, \leq)$ objects $\hookrightarrow x \leq y \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C}(x, y) \neq \emptyset$

TRANSITION SYSTEM



CATEGORIES AS SHAPES	CATEGORIES AS UNIVERSES	CATEGORIES AS STRUCTURES
A category generalizes directed graphs (but also specializes it to having comp, id + axioms...)	A category is a generalized universe to do mathematics (Sets, all functions) is a category (sh(x))	A category is a simultaneous gen. of - Monoid - Ordered set The course so far

EXAMPLES of CATEGORIES AS SHAPES

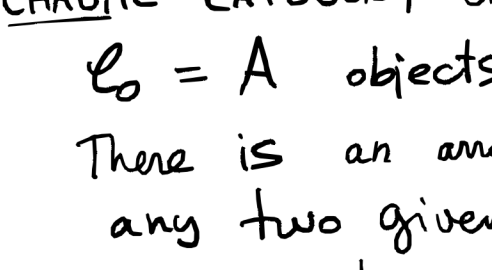
Simplest example

• EMPTY CATEGORY no objects $\mathcal{C}_0 = \emptyset$
 no morphisms $\mathcal{C}_1 = \emptyset$

• UNIT CATEGORY has a single object $\{\bullet\} = \mathcal{C}_0$
 $\{\bullet \xrightarrow{1} \bullet\} = \mathcal{C}_1; 1 \circ 1 = 1$

• DISCRETE CATEGORY (ON THE SET A)

$\mathcal{C}_0 = A$
 $\mathcal{C}_1 = \{1_a \text{ identity on the object } a \in A\}$



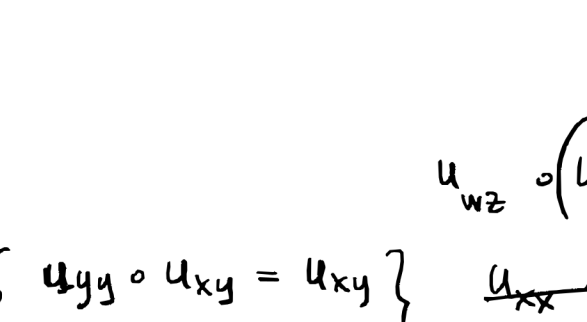
composition can only happen btwn two identities
 This fixes the structure
 $1_a \circ 1_b$ iff $a = b$
 and must be $1_a = 1_b$

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• CHAOTIC CATEGORY ON A SET A:

$\mathcal{C}_0 = A$ objects

There is an arrow (precisely one) connecting any two given objects:



$\mathcal{C}^A(x, y) = \{u_{xy}\}$
 $x \xrightarrow{u_{xy}} y \xrightarrow{u_{yz}} z$
 u_{xz} must be the composition $u_{yz} \circ u_{xy}$

with this def

$u_{wz} \circ (u_{yz} \circ u_{xy}) = (u_{wz} \circ u_{yz}) \circ u_{xy}$

$\begin{cases} u_{yy} \circ u_{xy} = u_{xy} \\ u_{xy} \circ u_{xx} = u_{xy} \end{cases}$

