Worksheet 1 - Homotopy II

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# Exercise 1 Two-out-of-three/six

Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a collection of arrow of  $\mathcal{C}$ , we say  $\mathcal{W}$  satisfies 2-out-of-3 if for every couple of composable arrows f, g, any two out of the three  $f, g, g \circ f$  being in  $\mathcal{W}$  implies the third is. We say  $\mathcal{W}$  satisfies 2-out-of-6 if for every triple of composable arrows f, g, h such that  $g \circ f \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $h \circ g \in \mathcal{W}$ , then the four other maps  $f, g, h, h \circ g \circ f \in \mathcal{W}$ .

- 1. Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a collection of arrow of  $\mathcal{C}$  satisfying 2-out-of-6. Show  $\mathcal{W}$  satisfies 2-out-of-3.
- 2. a) Show the collection of isomorphisms of a category always satisfies 2-out-of-3. Does it also satisfies 2-out-of-6?
  - b) Let  $F : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$  be a functor and let  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{C}}$  be the collection of isomorphisms of  $\mathcal{C}$ . Show  $F(\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{C}})$  satisfies 2-out-of-6.
  - c) Find a collection of arrows satisfying 2-out-of-3 but not 2-out-of-6.
- 3. Let  $F : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$  be a functor and let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a collection of arrows of  $\mathcal{D}$  satisfying 2-out-of-3 (resp. 2-out-of-6). Show  $F^{-1}(\mathcal{W})$  satisfies 2-out-of-3 (resp. 2-out-of-6).
- 4. Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a collection of arrows in  $\mathcal{C}$ , and denote  $L : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}[\mathcal{W}^{-1}]$  the localisation functor. Show that  $\mathcal{C}[\mathcal{W}^{-1}] \simeq \mathcal{C}[L^{-1}(\mathrm{Iso})^{-1}].$
- 5. Let  $F : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$  be a functor and let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a collection of arrows of  $\mathcal{C}$  satisfying 2-out-of-3. Is it true that  $F(\mathcal{W})$  satisfies 2-out-of-3?

#### Exercise 2 Lifting Properties

In the following, C is a category with small limits and colimits. Let  $i : A \to B$  and  $p : X \to Y$  be two morphisms, we write  $i \perp p$  ("*i* has the LLP against *p*" or equivalently, "*p* has the RLP against *i*") if for every square as follows, there exists a dotted arrow making the diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{c} A \longrightarrow X \\ \downarrow^{f} & \downarrow^{g} \\ B \longrightarrow Y \end{array}$$

If  $\mathcal{W}$  is a collection of morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$ , we let  $^{\perp}\mathcal{W}$  (or  $LLP(\mathcal{W})$ ) be the collection of arrows i such that for every  $p \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $i \perp p$ . Conversely,  $\mathcal{W}^{\perp}$  (or  $RLP(\mathcal{W})$ ) is the collection of p such that for every  $i \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $i \perp p$ .

- 1. Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a collection of morphisms of  $\mathcal{C}$ .
  - a) Show that  $LLP(\mathcal{W})$  and  $RLP(\mathcal{W})$  contain every isomorphism and are stable under composition.
  - b) Show that  $LLP(\mathcal{W})$  is stable under cobase change (i.e. if  $i : A \to B \in LLP(\mathcal{W})$  and  $f : A \to A'$  is any map, then  $A' \to A' \coprod_A B \in LLP(\mathcal{W})$ ).
  - c) Show that RLP(W) is stable under base change.
- 2. Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a map of  $\mathcal{C}$ . Show that  $LLP(\{f\})$  is the collection of every arrow in  $\mathcal{C}$  if and only if f has a left inverse (resp.  $RLP(\{f\})$  and right invertible).

(Cisinski) A class of arrows  $\mathcal{W}$  is said to be stable under *transfinite composition* if, for every well-ordered set I with initial object  $\emptyset$  and every functor  $F: I \to \mathcal{C}$  such that every partial colimit  $F_{\langle i} := \operatorname{colim}_{j \langle i} F(j)$  exists and every map  $F_{\langle i} \to F(i)$  is in  $\mathcal{W}$ , then colim F exists and the map  $F(0) \to F_{\leq i}$  is in  $\mathcal{W}$ .

3. Show that  $LLP(\mathcal{W})$  and  $RLP(\mathcal{W})$  are stable under transfinite composition.

#### Exercise 3 Retracts and models

Let  $f: A \to B$  and  $g: X \to Y$ . We say that f is a retract of g if there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \stackrel{i}{\longrightarrow} X & \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} A \\ & \downarrow^{f} & \downarrow^{g} & \downarrow^{f} \\ B & \stackrel{j}{\longrightarrow} Y & \stackrel{q}{\longrightarrow} B \end{array}$$

such that the composites pi and qj are the respective identities  $id_A$  and  $id_B$ .

- 1. (The Retract Argument) Let  $i : A \to B$  and  $p : B \to C$  and denote f := pi. Suppose  $f \in LLP(\{p\})$ , then show that f is a retract of i
- 2. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a (co)complete category and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W})$  three collections of arrows such that:
  - 1.  $\mathcal{W}$  is closed under 2-out-of-6.
  - 2.  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W}$  are closed under retracts.
  - 3.  $\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{W} \subset LLP(\mathcal{F})$  and  $\mathcal{C} \subset LLP(\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{W})$
  - 4. Every arrow of  $\mathcal{A}$  factors as an arrow of  $\mathcal{C}$  followed by an arrow of  $\mathcal{F}$ , and both can be taken acyclic (i.e. also in  $\mathcal{W}$ ) but not necessarily simultaneously.
  - a) Using the first question, show that  $\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{W} = LLP(\mathcal{F})$  and  $\mathcal{C} = LLP(\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{W})$
  - b) Deduce that  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{W} = RLP(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\mathcal{F} = RLP(\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{W})$ .
  - c) Show that  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W})$  describes a model structure on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

## Exercise 4 Miscellaneous about colimits

For simplicity, all rings are commutative.

- 1. Let R be a commutative ring. Show that  $A \otimes_C B \simeq A \coprod_C B$  in the category of R-algebras.
- 2. Let  $f, g: A \to B$  be two morphisms of a category C. The coequalizer of f, g is the map  $h: B \to X$  given by the following universal property: for every  $\alpha: B \to C$  such that  $\alpha \circ f \simeq \alpha \circ g$ ,  $\alpha$  factors through h:

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{h} \operatorname{CoEq}(f,g) \xrightarrow{f} C$$

- a) Compute the coequalizer of two morphisms in Set. Is it different from the pushout  $B \coprod_A B$  of f and g?
- b) Suppose C admits a zero object. Show the coequalizer of f and 0 is the kernel of f.
- c) Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an abelian category. Show that  $\operatorname{CoEq}(f,g) \simeq \ker(f-g)$ .
- 3. Let R be a ring, and  $t \in R$ . We denote  $\phi_t : R \to R$  the morphism  $a \mapsto at$ . Compute the colimit of the following diagram in the category of rings:

$$R \xrightarrow{\phi_t} R \xrightarrow{\phi_t} R \xrightarrow{\phi_t} R \xrightarrow{\phi_t} \dots$$

Is the colimit different in the category of *R*-algebras?

4. Show that a functor L admitting a left adjoint preserves colimits.

# Exercise 5 Finitely presented and compact modules

Let R be a commutative ring. A R-module M is said to be finitely presented if there exists a surjection  $R^k \rightarrow M$  with finitely generated kernel.

- 1. What are the finitely presented k-vector spaces, when k is a field?
- 2. Let  $F, G : \operatorname{Mod}_R \to \mathcal{C}$  be two left-exact functors equipped with a natural transformation  $\eta : F \implies G$ . Suppose  $\eta(R^k)$  is an isomorphism for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Deduce that  $\eta$  is an isomorphism on every finitely presented module.
- 3. a) Show any *R*-module can be written as the filtered colimit of finitely presented modules.
  - b) Show any direct summand of a finitely-presented module is itself finitely-presented.

- c) Deduce that any compact *R*-module is finitely presented.
- d) Using the previous question, show that in fact, M is compact in the category of R-modules if and only if it is finitely presented.

# Exercise 6 Ken Brown's Lemma

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a model category and  $\mathcal{D}$  a category with weak equivalences satisfying 2-out-of-3. Suppose  $F: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$  takes trivial cofibrations between cofibrant objects to weak equivalences. Show that F takes in fact all weak equivalences between cofibrant objects to weak equivalences.

# **Exercise 7** Unique Lifts and Orthogonal Factorizations (*Zhen Lin on MSE*)

Let *i* and *p* be two arrows such that  $i \perp p$ . We say that *i* and *p* are *orthogonal* if the solution to every lifting problem is unique (i.e. the dotted arrow making a given square commute is always unique). We let  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W})$  be a model category.

- 1. Suppose  $\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  are orthogonal to one another. Show that trivial cofibrations between fibrant objects are isomorphisms and every morphism between fibrant objects is a fibration.
- 2. Deduce that if both  $\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  as well as  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  are orthogonal to one another, then every weak equivalence between cofibrant-fibrant objects is an isomorphism. In particular,  $\mathcal{A}[\mathcal{W}^{-1}] \simeq \mathcal{A}_{cf}$  where  $\mathcal{A}_{cf}$  is the full subcategory of cofibrant-fibrant objects.

#### Exercise 8 Slice model categories

Let  $X \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W})$  be a model structure on  $\mathcal{A}$ . We denote  $\mathcal{A}_{/X}$  the category whose objects are maps  $\alpha : Y \to X$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  and whose morphisms are commutative triangles

$$\begin{array}{c} Y \xrightarrow{\alpha} X \\ f \downarrow & \swarrow \\ Y' & & \\ \end{array}$$

Similarly, we denote  $\mathcal{C}_{/X}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{F}_{/X}, \mathcal{W}_{/X}$ ) the morphisms of  $\mathcal{A}_{/X}$  as above where  $f \in \mathcal{C}$  (resp.).

- 1. Show that  $(\mathcal{C}_{/X}, \mathcal{F}_{/X}, \mathcal{W}_{/X})$  determines a model structure on  $\mathcal{A}_{/X}$ . We call it the *slice model structure*.
  - 2. What are the fibrant objects on the above described model structure ? The cofibrant objects ?

#### **Exercise 9** A model structure on Cat (*Charles Rezk*)

Denote Cat the category of small categories. We assume that it is complete and cocomplete. We let  $\mathcal{W}$  denote equivalences of categories and  $\mathcal{C}$  denote functors that are injective on objects. We let  $\mathcal{F}$  denote functors  $F : \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{B}$  such that for every isomorphism  $g : F(a) \to b$  of  $\mathcal{B}$ , there is a map  $f : a \to a'$  with g = F(f); such functors are called *isofibrations*.

- 1. Denote \* the category with one object and no non-trivial arrows, and I the category with two objects 0, 1 and exactly one isomorphism in each direction. Let  $i : * \to I$  be the inclusion at 0. Show that  $\mathcal{F} = RLP(\{i\})$ .
- 2. Show that  $\mathcal{W}$  verifies 2-out-of-3, and that  $\mathcal{W}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  are stable under retracts.
- a) Show that every functor F of C ∩ W has a left inverse G which is also a quasi-inverse and such that the natural transformation FG ≃ id is equal to the identity on the image of F.
  b) Deduce that F ⊂ RLP(C ∩ W).
- 4. Show that  $\mathcal{C} \subset LLP(\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{W})$ .
- 5. Let  $F : \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{B}$  be a functor. Denote  $\operatorname{Path}(F) := \mathcal{A} \times_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{B}^{I}$  where the map  $\mathcal{B}^{I} \to \mathcal{B}$  is the source map, and  $\operatorname{Cyl}(F) := \mathcal{A} \times (I \coprod_{\mathcal{A}} \mathcal{B})$ . Show that F factors through  $\operatorname{Path}(F)$  and  $\operatorname{Cyl}(F)$ ; deduce that  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W})$  is a model structure on Cat.
- 6. What are the fibrant objects, the cofibrant objects ?

## **Exercise 10** Model structures on vector spaces (Adapted from Najib Idrissi)

Let k be a field and denote Vect(k) the category of vector space on k. We will use that every vector space, even the infinite-dimensional ones, has a basis (aka the axiom of choice).

1. Let there be a commutative square (without a dotted arrow for now)



- a) Show that u factors through i if and only if ker  $i \subset \ker u$ .
- b) Show that v factors through p if and only if  $\operatorname{im} v \subset \operatorname{im} p$ .
- c) Show that there exists a dotted arrow as above if and only if both conditions are met.
- 2. a) Show that  $i \perp p$  if and only at least one of i, p is surjective and at least one is injective. b) Deduce what are the possibilities for  $LLP(\mathcal{W})$ , when  $\mathcal{W}$  is any class of arrows.
- 3. Suppose  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W})$  is a model structure on Vect(k).
  - a) Show that  $\mathcal{W} = RLP(\mathcal{F}) \circ LLP(\mathcal{C})$ . Using the above, what are the possibilities for  $\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{W}$ ?
  - b) Using that a model structure is fully determined by the data of  $\mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ , make a list of all the model structures on Vect(k) (be careful that you are writing model structures).

# Exercise 11 Properness

A model structure  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{W})$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be *left proper* if weak equivalences are stable under cobase change of cofibrations, and *right proper* if weak equivalences are stable under base change of fibrations.

- 1. In the classical model structures you know, which ones are right proper? left proper?
- 2. Show that if every object is fibrant, then  $\mathcal{A}$  is right proper (resp. cofibrant, left proper).
- 3. Suppose that weak equivalences in  $\mathcal{A}$  are stable under base change of fibrations with target (and thus source) a fibrant object. Show that  $\mathcal{A}$  is right proper.