

PRESENTABLE ∞ -CATEGORIES – II

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1. SATURATED COLLECTIONS OF MORPHISMS

Definition 1.1. Let \mathcal{C} be an ∞ -category and let S be a collection of morphisms in \mathcal{C} . We call S (*strongly*) *saturated* if

- (1) S is closed under small colimits in $\text{Fun}(\Delta^1, \mathcal{C})$.
- (2) – (saturated) S contains all equivalences and is closed under composition.
– (strongly saturated) S has the 2-out-of-3 property.
- (3) S is closed under pushouts in \mathcal{C} .

Clearly the intersection of (strongly) saturated collections of morphisms is again (strongly) saturated. Therefore for every collection S of morphisms in \mathcal{C} , there is a smallest (strongly) saturated collection $S \subseteq \overline{S}$, called the (*strongly*) *saturated closure* of S . If for a (strongly) saturated collection S there is a small set S_0 such that $\overline{S}_0 = S$, we say that S is *of small generation*.

Remark 1.2. If \mathcal{C} is cocomplete, then a strongly saturated collection S contains all equivalences, as these are pushouts of id_\emptyset in \mathcal{C} . In particular, S is saturated. Also, the collection of all equivalences in \mathcal{C} is (strongly) saturated.

Remark 1.3. Let \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D} be cocomplete ∞ -categories and let $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be a colimit-preserving functor. Then the preimage of a (strongly) saturated collection S in \mathcal{D} under the functor F is again (strongly) saturated.

Definition 1.4. Let \mathcal{C} be a cocomplete ∞ -category and S a collection of morphisms in \mathcal{C} . Then a morphism $f : x \rightarrow y$ in \mathcal{C} is called a *S -equivalence* if for every S -local object $z \in \mathcal{C}$, the induced map:

$$\text{map}(y, z) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{map}(x, z)$$

is an equivalence.

Lemma 1.5. *Let S be collection of morphisms in a cocomplete ∞ -category \mathcal{C} . Then the collection of S -equivalences is strongly saturated.*

PROOF. See [2, Lemma 5.5.4.11]. The collection of S -equivalences is the intersection of the preimages of equivalences under the functors $\text{map}(_, z)$ for every S -local object $z \in \mathcal{C}$. Note that these functors send colimits in \mathcal{C} to limits. \square

2. LOCALIZATIONS OF PRESENTABLE ∞ -CATEGORIES

Theorem 2.1. *Let \mathcal{C} be presentable ∞ -category, S a set of morphisms in \mathcal{C} , \overline{S} its strongly saturated closure, and let $\mathcal{C}' \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ denote the full subcategory of \overline{S} -local objects. Then:*

- (1) *For every $C \in \mathcal{C}$, there exists a morphism $s : C \rightarrow C'$ in \overline{S} where $C' \in \mathcal{C}'$.*
- (2) *The inclusion $i : \mathcal{C}' \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ has a left adjoint $L : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}'$.*

- (3) For every morphism f in \mathcal{C} the following are equivalent:
- (a) f is an S -equivalence.
 - (b) $f \in \overline{S}$.
 - (c) Lf is an equivalence.
- (4) \mathcal{C}' is presentable.

Lemma 2.2. *Let \mathcal{C} be a presentable ∞ -category, S a saturated collection of morphisms in \mathcal{C} , and let $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{Fun}(\Delta^1, \mathcal{C})$ denote the full subcategory generated by S . The following are equivalent:*

- (1) S is of small generation.
- (2) The full subcategory $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{Fun}(\Delta^1, \mathcal{C})$ is presentable.

PROOF. See [2, Lemma 5.5.5.9]. (2) \Rightarrow (1): \mathcal{D} is generated under small colimits by a (small) set of morphisms.

(1) \Rightarrow (2): The strategy of proof is different from the one in [2, Lemma 5.5.5.9] and is based on [1, Theorem 1(7)]. Let $S_0 \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ be a small collection of morphisms whose saturated closure is S . Let κ be a regular cardinal such that \mathcal{C} is κ -accessible. Then the full subcategory of κ -compact objects \mathcal{C}^κ is essentially small, and we may assume without loss of generality that S_0 contains the morphism id_x for every $x \in \mathcal{C}^\kappa$. Using one of the characterizations of presentable ∞ -categories [1, Theorem 1], it suffices to show that S_0 detects equivalences. (Note that every object of $\text{Fun}(\Delta^1, \mathcal{C})$ is λ -compact for some λ and $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{Fun}(\Delta^1, \mathcal{C})$ is closed under colimits.)

Let $u : f_1 \rightarrow f_2$ be a morphism in \mathcal{D} such that for every $s \in S_0$, the morphism

$$\text{map}(s, u) : \text{map}(s, f_1) \rightarrow \text{map}(s, f_2)$$

is an equivalence. Then it suffices to show that this is also true for every $s \in S$. Consider the collection of morphisms

$$T := \{f \in S \mid \text{map}(f, u) \text{ is an equivalence}\}.$$

We know that $S_0 \subseteq T$, therefore it suffices to show:

Claim. T is saturated.

Before we prove this claim, we first recall some **general facts** and make some useful observations:

(i) We can describe the mapping spaces in \mathcal{C}^{Δ^1} as follows: given $f, g \in \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}$ we have a canonical equivalence

$$(*) \quad \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(f, g) \simeq \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\text{dom}(f), \text{dom}(g)) \times_{\text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\text{dom}(f), \text{cod}(g))} \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\text{cod}(f), \text{cod}(g))$$

where the right space is a pullback in the ∞ -category of spaces. This can be seen by using the definition of the mapping space as a pullback of the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, y) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow (\text{dom}, \text{cod}) \\ \Delta^0 & \xrightarrow{(x, y)} & \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \end{array}$$

together with the following (homotopy) pullback diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(h, \mathrm{id}_x) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^2} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\Delta^0 & \xrightarrow{(h, x)} & \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1} \times \mathcal{C}.
\end{array}$$

Then we obtain an equivalence:

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(f, g) \simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(f, \mathrm{id}_{\mathrm{cod}(g)}) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathrm{dom}(f), \mathrm{cod}(g))} \mathrm{map}(\mathrm{id}_{\mathrm{dom}(f)}, g)$$

by looking at the fibres of the following equivalent morphisms:

$$(\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1 \Delta^1} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1} \times \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}) \simeq (\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^2} \times_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}} \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^2} \longrightarrow (\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1} \times \mathcal{C}) \times_{\mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C}} (\mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1})).$$

(ii) Let $f, g \in \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}$ and assume that f is an equivalence. Then composition with f induces an equivalence between mapping spaces:

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathrm{cod}(f), \mathrm{cod}(g)) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathrm{dom}(f), \mathrm{cod}(g)).$$

So the equivalence (*) implies that restricting to the domain induces an equivalence

$$(**) \quad \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(f, g) \simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathrm{dom}(f), \mathrm{dom}(g)).$$

(iii) Applying (**) to the special case where $f = \mathrm{id}_x$ for $x \in \mathcal{C}$, we get

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(\mathrm{id}_x, g) \simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(g))$$

and this equivalence is natural in g . Thus, since $\mathrm{id}_x \in S_0$ for every $x \in \mathcal{C}^\kappa$, the morphism $u : f_1 \rightarrow f_2$ induces an equivalence

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(f_1)) \simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(f_2))$$

for every $x \in \mathcal{C}^\kappa$. As \mathcal{C}^κ detects equivalences in \mathcal{C} , it follows that u restricts to an equivalence between the domains:

$$(***) \quad \mathrm{dom}(f_1) \simeq \mathrm{dom}(f_2)$$

Proof of the Claim. We can now prove that T is saturated:

(1) T is stable under small colimits in \mathcal{C}^{Δ^1} : Let $F : K \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}$ be a diagram such that $F(k) \in T$ for every $k \in K$. We have an equivalence

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(\mathrm{colim}_{k \in K}(F(k)), u) \simeq \lim_{k \in K} (\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(F(k), u)).$$

Thus, $\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(\mathrm{colim}_{k \in K}(F(k)), u)$ is a limit of equivalences and hence again an equivalence, so $\mathrm{colim}_{k \in K}(F(k))$ lies again in T .

(2) T contains the equivalences: For an equivalence f , the map $\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(f, u)$ is by (**) equivalent to $\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathrm{dom}(f), \mathrm{dom}(u))$, which is an equivalence by (***) .

(3) T is stable under pushouts: Consider a pushout in \mathcal{C}

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
a & \xrightarrow{f} & b \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
x & \xrightarrow{f'} & y
\end{array}$$

where f lies in T . For any $h \in \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}$, we have a natural pullback

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(y, \mathrm{cod}(h)) \simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{cod}(h)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{cod}(h))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(b, \mathrm{cod}(h)).$$

Combining this with the equivalence (*), we obtain natural equivalences:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(f', h) &\stackrel{(*)}{\simeq} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(h)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{cod}(h))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(y, \mathrm{cod}(h)) \\ &\simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(h)) \times \left(\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{cod}(h)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{cod}(h))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(b, \mathrm{cod}(h)) \right) \\ &\simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(h)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{cod}(h))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(b, \mathrm{cod}(h)) \\ &\simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(h)) \times \left(\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{dom}(h)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{cod}(h))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(b, \mathrm{cod}(h)) \right) \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{\simeq} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(h)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{dom}(h))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(f, h). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(f', u)$ is an equivalence because it can be identified with the equivalence (this uses (***)):

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(f_1)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{dom}(f_1))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(f, f_1) \simeq \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(x, \mathrm{dom}(f_2)) \times_{\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, \mathrm{dom}(f_2))} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}}(f, f_2).$$

□

Lemma 2.3. *Left fibrations preserve colimits indexed by weakly contractible simplicial sets.*

PROOF. See [2, Proposition 4.4.2.9].

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Lemma 2.4. *Let \mathcal{C} and S be as in Lemma 2.2 and let $X \in \mathcal{C}$ be an object. Then the full subcategory $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{C}^{X/}$ spanned by the elements in S is closed under small colimits. (Here $\mathcal{C}^{X/} \simeq \mathcal{C}_{X/}$ denotes the alternative slice construction of [2, 4.2.1].)*

PROOF. See [2, Lemma 5.5.5.11]. \mathcal{D} admits κ -small colimits if and only if \mathcal{D} admits finite colimits and κ -small filtered colimits by [2, Corollary 4.2.3.11]. It admits finite colimits if and only if it admits pushouts and has an initial object by [2, Corollary 4.4.2.4]. Hence it suffices to show that \mathcal{D} contains an initial object of $\mathcal{C}^{X/}$ and is closed under colimits indexed by a small weakly contractible simplicial set K (take $K = \Lambda_0^2$ or K filtered).

- (i) The initial objects in $\mathcal{C}^{X/}$ are the equivalences. These are contained in S by definition.
- (ii) Consider a diagram $\bar{p} : K^{\triangleright} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{X/}$, which is a colimit of $p := \bar{p}|_K$, and p is a diagram in \mathcal{D} . By the construction of the alternative slice $\mathcal{C}^{X/}$, this corresponds to a map

$$P : K^{\triangleright} \times \Delta^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$$

such that $P|_{K^{\triangleright} \times \{0\}} = \mathrm{const}_X$ and $P|_{K^{\triangleright} \times \{1\}} = (\mathcal{C}^{X/} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}) \circ \bar{p}$. Both of these two restrictions are colimit diagrams: The first one because $K \subseteq K^{\triangleright}$ is left anodyne, and thus cofinal, and the second one by Lemma 2.3. It follows that P is a colimit diagram in $\mathrm{Fun}(\Delta^1, \mathcal{C})$. Since S is closed under colimits, we conclude that \bar{p} is also a diagram in \mathcal{D} . □

Lemma 2.5. *Let \mathcal{C} and S be as in Lemma 2.2 and assume that S is of small generation. Then for every object $X \in \mathcal{C}$, there exists a morphism $t : X \rightarrow Y$ in S such that Y is S -local.*

PROOF. See [2, Lemma 5.5.5.14]. Let $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{Fun}(\Delta^1, \mathcal{C})$ be the full subcategory spanned by S . Consider the pullback defined by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{D}_X & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{D} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Delta^0 & \xrightarrow{X} & \text{Fun}(\{0\}, \mathcal{C}) \end{array} \quad \text{or equivalently by} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{D}_X & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{D} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{C}_{X/} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1} \end{array}$$

The ∞ -category $\mathcal{D}_X \subseteq \mathcal{C}_{X/}$ is cocomplete (similarly to the proof of Lemma 2.4).

Claim. The ∞ -category \mathcal{D}_X is accessible.

Proof of the Claim. The functor $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \text{Fun}(\{0\}, \mathcal{C})$ is a categorical fibration. To see this, consider a lifting problem:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{0\} & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathcal{D} \\ \downarrow & \dashrightarrow & \downarrow \\ \Delta^1 & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathcal{C} \end{array} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \bullet & \xrightarrow{f} & \bullet \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow \\ \bullet & \dashrightarrow & \bullet \end{array} \in \mathcal{D}^{\Delta^1}$$

Then we get a diagram as in the right square by taking the pushout in \mathcal{C} . If g is an equivalence, then the resulting square defines an equivalence in \mathcal{C}^{Δ^1} . Note that Δ^0, \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} are accessible by assumption and Lemma 2.2. Moreover, the functor $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is accessible, as S is closed under colimits in \mathcal{C}^{Δ^1} . The functor $X: \Delta^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is also accessible, as κ -filtered colimits are weakly contractible (and using the same argument as in the proof of Lemma 2.4). Then we conclude that \mathcal{D}_X is accessible using the left pullback square above and [2, Proposition 5.4.6.6]. \square

Therefore \mathcal{D}_X is presentable, and hence has a terminal object $X \xrightarrow{t} Y$. Then it remains to show that Y is S -local. Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a morphism in S . For any $g: A \rightarrow Y$, we form the pushout

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow g' \\ Y & \xrightarrow{f'} & Z \end{array}$$

and obtain pullback squares:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{A/}}(f, g) & \longrightarrow & \Delta^0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_Y \\ \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(Z, Y) & \xrightarrow{f'^*} & \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(Y, Y) \\ \downarrow g'^* & & \downarrow g^* \\ \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(B, Y) & \xrightarrow{f^*} & \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(A, Y) \end{array} \quad (*)$$

Hence $\text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{A'}}(f, g) \simeq \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{Y'}}(f', \text{id}_Y)$. It suffices to show that this mapping space is contractible. Consider a 2-simplex σ in \mathcal{C} witnessing that a morphism $t' : X \rightarrow Z$ is the composition of t and f' . Then we have a pullback:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{Y'}}(f', \text{id}_Y) \simeq \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{t'}}(\sigma, \text{id}_t) & \longrightarrow & \Delta^0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_t \\ \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{X'}}(t', t) & \xrightarrow{\sigma^*} & \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{X'}}(t, t). \end{array}$$

The morphism t' is in S because it is a composition of an element in S with the pushout of an element in S . Therefore the lower mapping spaces are mapping spaces in \mathcal{D}_X , where t is terminal. Hence σ^* is an equivalence and thus $\text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{A'}}(f, g) \simeq \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{Y'}}(f', \text{id}_Y)$ is contractible. So, the lowest horizontal map in diagram (*) is an equivalence as required. \square

PROOF. (of Theorem 2.1) See [2, Proposition 5.5.4.15]. (1) follows from Lemma 2.5. (2): For $C \in \mathcal{C}$, we set $LC := C' \in \mathcal{C}'$ and $t_C : C \rightarrow iLC$ in \bar{S} (Lemma 2.5). Then for every $D \in \mathcal{D}$:

$$\text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(LC, D) \simeq \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(iLC, iD) \simeq \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}}(C, iD)$$

where the last equivalence comes from the fact that D is \bar{S} -local. This property suffices to construct a left adjoint $L : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}'$ sending C to LC .

(3) “(b) \Rightarrow (a)”: By Lemma 1.5 it suffices to see that $S \subseteq \{S\text{-equivalences}\}$, which is clear. (3) “(c) \Rightarrow (b)”: Consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ LX & \xrightarrow{Lf} & LY \end{array}$$

The vertical maps lie in \bar{S} by the construction of L in (2). By the 2-out-of-3 property, f lies in \bar{S} . (3) “(a) \Rightarrow (c)”: We consider the same diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ LX & \xrightarrow{Lf} & LY \end{array}$$

The vertical maps are in \bar{S} and therefore they are S -equivalences by (b) \Rightarrow (a). By the 2-out-of-3 property, Lf is also an S -equivalence. But then the natural transformation between the corepresentable functors:

$$Lf^* : \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}'}(LY, _) \rightarrow \text{map}_{\mathcal{C}'}(LX, _)$$

is an equivalence, and therefore $Lf : LX \rightarrow LY$ is an equivalence by the Yoneda Lemma.

(4): We outline a proof which is different from the proof in [2, Proposition 5.5.4.15(2)]. Let X be an S -local object. Then for any S -equivalence s , the map $\text{map}(s, X)$ is an equivalence. By (3), X is also \overline{S} -local. This proves that \mathcal{C}' is the full subcategory of S -local objects. It is thus the following pullback:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{S}^{\simeq} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi \\ \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \mathcal{S}^{\Delta^1} \end{array}$$

where \mathcal{S} denotes the ∞ -category of spaces, ψ is the inclusion of the equivalences in \mathcal{S} , and ϕ is defined by

$$\phi(X) = \coprod_{(A \rightarrow B) \in S} (\text{map}(B, X) \rightarrow \text{map}(A, X))$$

which is well-defined because S is a set of morphisms. Note that the map $\mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^{\simeq}$ sending x to id_x is an equivalence. To summarize, we have:

- (i) $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S}^{\Delta^1}$ and \mathcal{S}^{\simeq} are presentable ∞ -categories.
- (ii) As S is a set of morphisms, can choose a cardinal κ , such that the domain and the codomain of every morphism in S is κ -compact in \mathcal{C} . Then ϕ is κ -accessible.
- (iii) ψ preserves colimits as these are computed pointwise in \mathcal{S}^{Δ^1} .

Then it follows that \mathcal{C}' is accessible [2, Proposition 5.4.6.6]. In particular, it is an accessible localization of a presentable ∞ -category and therefore it is again presentable. \square

Proposition 2.6. *Let \mathcal{C} be a presentable ∞ -category, S a set of morphisms, and $L : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow S^{-1}\mathcal{C}$ the localization functor of Theorem 2.1. Let \mathcal{D} be an ∞ -category. Then $L^* : \text{Fun}^L(S^{-1}\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \text{Fun}^L(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is fully faithful and its essential image consists of those $f : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ sending S to equivalences in \mathcal{D} . (Here $\text{Fun}^L(-, -)$ denotes the ∞ -category of functors which preserve small colimits.)*

PROOF. See [2, Proposition 5.5.4.20]. The functor is the restriction of the functor $L^* : \text{Fun}(S^{-1}\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \text{Fun}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, which is fully faithful, as $S^{-1}\mathcal{C}$ is a localization. Hence it is again fully faithful and we are left to show the part about the essential image, i.e., $\text{im}(L^*) = \{F \in \text{Fun}^L(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \mid \forall s \in S, f(s) \text{ is an equivalence}\}$.

“ \subseteq ”: This is clear, as the functor L carries S to equivalences in $S^{-1}\mathcal{C}$.

“ \supseteq ”: Let $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be a colimit-preserving functor which carries S to equivalences in \mathcal{D} . The unit of the adjunction $\alpha : \text{id} \rightarrow iL$ induces a natural transformation $F \rightarrow F \circ (iL)$. We will be done if we show that this natural transformation is an equivalence.

Let $S' := \{\phi \mid F(\phi) \text{ is an equivalence}\}$. This is strongly saturated by Remark 2 and also contains S . Therefore $\overline{S} \subseteq S'$. Since $\alpha_X \in \overline{S}$ for every object X in \mathcal{C} , it follows that $F(\alpha_X)$ is an equivalence as required. \square

3. FACTORIZATION SYSTEMS

Definition 3.1. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : X \rightarrow Y$ be two morphisms in an ∞ -category \mathcal{C} . We say that f is *orthogonal* to g (and write $f \perp g$) if for every diagram

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

The space of lifting solutions $\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{A/Y}}(B, X)$ is contractible.

Lemma 3.2. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : X \rightarrow Y$ be two morphisms in an ∞ -category \mathcal{C} . Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) $f \perp g$.
- (2) For every morphism $\bar{f} : \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ in \mathcal{C}_Y whose underlying morphism in \mathcal{C} is f , the induced map

$$\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}_Y(\beta, g)} \xrightarrow{\bar{f}^*} \mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}_Y(\alpha, g)}$$

is an equivalence.

PROOF. See [2, Remark 5.2.8.3]. Given a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{j} & X \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow g \\ B & \xrightarrow{\beta} & Y \end{array}$$

we can restrict to the triangle \bar{f} :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & & \\ \downarrow f & \searrow \alpha & \\ B & \xrightarrow{\beta} & Y \end{array}$$

and then observe that $\mathrm{map}_{\mathcal{C}_{A/Y}}(B, X)$ is the homotopy fibre of the map in (2). \square

Definition 3.3. Let \mathcal{C} be an ∞ -category and let S_L, S_R be collections of morphisms in \mathcal{C} . We say that (S_L, S_R) is a *factorization system* if the following are satisfied:

- (1) S_L and S_R are closed under retracts.
- (2) $S_L \perp S_R$.
- (3) For every $h : X \rightarrow Z$ in \mathcal{C} , there is a factorization $h : X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$ with $f \in S_L$ and $g \in S_R$.

Exercise 3.4. Let (S_L, S_R) be a factorization system in \mathcal{C} . Show that S_L is saturated. (Hint: Use Lemma 3.2.)

Given a collection S of morphisms in \mathcal{C} , we denote by S^\perp the collection of the morphisms in \mathcal{C} which are orthogonal to every morphism in S ,

$$S^\perp := \{g : X \rightarrow Y \mid \forall s \in S : s \perp g\}.$$

Theorem 3.5. *Let \mathcal{C} be a presentable ∞ -category and S a saturated collection of small generation in \mathcal{C} . Then (S, S^\perp) is a factorization system in \mathcal{C} .*

Lemma 3.6. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 3.5, we have that for every $X \in \mathcal{C}$, the collection of morphisms in $\mathcal{C}_{/X}$*

$$S_X := (\mathcal{C}_{/X} \rightarrow \mathcal{C})^{-1}(S)$$

is also a saturated collection of small generation.

PROOF. See [2, Lemma 5.5.5.10]. S_X is again saturated by Remark 1.3. Consider the pullback

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{D}' & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}_{/X}^{\Delta^1} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{D} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1} \end{array}$$

where \mathcal{D} denotes the full subcategory of \mathcal{C}^{Δ^1} spanned by S . Then \mathcal{D}' is the full subcategory of $\mathcal{C}_{/X}^{\Delta^1}$ spanned by S_X . Applying Lemma 2.2, we only need to show that \mathcal{D}' is presentable. Using the properties of pullbacks with respect to cocompleteness and accessibility (see [2, Proposition 5.5.3.12]), this is then a consequence of the following observations:

- (i) \mathcal{D} is presentable by Lemma 2.2. \mathcal{C}^{Δ^1} and $\mathcal{C}_{/X}^{\Delta^1}$ are presentable because \mathcal{C} is (see [2, Proposition 5.5.3.6] and [2, Proposition 5.5.3.10]).
- (ii) $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}$ preserves small colimits, as S is saturated. $\mathcal{C}_{/X}^{\Delta^1} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\Delta^1}$ preserves small colimits. \square

PROOF. (of Theorem 3.5) See [2, Proposition 5.5.5.7]. Both collections of morphisms are closed under retracts, so (1) \checkmark . Clearly $S \perp S^\perp$, so (2) \checkmark . For (3), let $h : X \rightarrow Z$ be a morphism in \mathcal{C} . Then finding a factorization $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$ with $f \in S$ and $g \in S^\perp$ is the same as finding a morphism $\bar{f} : h \rightarrow g$ in $\mathcal{C}_{/Z}$ such that $\bar{f} \in S_Z$ and $g \in S^\perp$. Furthermore, using Lemma 3.2, we deduce that $g \in S^\perp$ if and only if g is S_Z -local. So we get the desired factorization by applying Lemma 2.5 to $(\mathcal{C}_{/Z}, S_Z)$, which we can do by Lemma 3.6, so also (3) \checkmark . \square

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