

FUNCTORS AND ADJUNCTIONS

ABSTRACT. Graphs, quivers, natural transformations, adjunctions, Galois connections, Galois theory.

1. FUNCTORS

1.1. Graph maps.

1.1.1. *Quivers.* Quivers generalize directed graphs, and may be viewed as categories without a composition structure.

Definition 1.1. A *quiver* $C = (C_0, C_1, \partial_0, \partial_1)$ (or “graph”) consists of two classes C_0, C_1 and two maps $\partial_0: C_1 \rightarrow C_0, \partial_1: C_1 \rightarrow C_0$.

- (a) Elements of C_0 are called *vertices, points, or objects*.
- (b) Elements of C_1 are called *edges, arrows, or morphisms*.
- (c) The map ∂_0 is variously called the *tail* or *domain map*.
- (d) The map ∂_1 is variously called the *head* or *codomain map*.

An edge f is often depicted in the form $f: x \rightarrow y$ or $x \xrightarrow{f} y$ to indicate that $f^{\partial_0} = x$ and $f^{\partial_1} = y$. For a given pair (x, y) of vertices, set

$$(1.1) \quad C(x, y) = \{f \in C_1 \mid f^{\partial_0} = x, f^{\partial_1} = y\}.$$

The quiver C is said to be *small* if the classes C_0 and C_1 are sets. The quiver is *locally small* if the class (1.1) is a set for each pair (x, y) of vertices. Usually, quivers are implicitly assumed to be locally small.

Example 1.2. Let (V, E) be a directed graph. Then the maps

$$\partial_i: E \rightarrow V; (v_0, v_1) \mapsto v_i$$

for $i = 0, 1$ yield a quiver $(V, E, \partial_0, \partial_1)$.

1.1.2. Graph maps.

Definition 1.3. A *graph map* $F: D \rightarrow C$ from a quiver D to a quiver C consists of two functions, a *vertex map* or *object part* $F_0: D_0 \rightarrow C_0$ and an *edge map* or *morphism part* $F_1: D_1 \rightarrow C_1$, such that for each pair x, y of vertices of D , the map F_1 restricts to

$$(1.2) \quad F_1: D(x, y) \rightarrow C(xF_0, yF_0).$$

The respective suffices 0 and 1 on the object and morphism parts are usually suppressed.

Example 1.4. Let (V_i, E_i) be directed graphs for $i = 1, 2$, having corresponding relational structures $(V_i, \{\eta\})$ of signature $\sigma: \{\eta\} \rightarrow \{2\}$ given by the set η of directed edges. Then a graph homomorphism f , a homomorphism

$$f: (V_1, \{\eta\}) \rightarrow (V_2, \{\eta\})$$

of relational structures, yields a graph map F with

$$F_0: V_1 \rightarrow V_2; v \mapsto vf$$

and $F_1: E_1 \rightarrow E_2; (v, v') \mapsto (vf, v'f)$. Note that the domains of the restrictions (1.2) are either singletons or empty in this case.

Example 1.5. Let D be a quiver.

- (a) The *identity map* $1_D: D \rightarrow D$ on D comprises the respective identity maps 1_{D_0} and 1_{D_1} on the vertex and edge classes.
- (b) If C is a category, and c is an object of C , then the *constant map* $[c]: D \rightarrow C$ takes each vertex of the quiver D to c and each arrow of the quiver D to 1_c .

1.2. Natural transformations.

1.2.1. Commuting diagrams.

Definition 1.6. Let D be a quiver.

- (a) A pair (f, g) of edges in D is said to be *composable* if $f^{\partial_1} = g^{\partial_0}$, i.e., if the head of f is the tail of g :

$$f^{\partial_0} \xrightarrow{f} (f^{\partial_1} = g^{\partial_0}) \xrightarrow{g} g^{\partial_1}.$$

- (b) A (*non-trivial*) *path* in D is a non-empty sequence e_1, \dots, e_l of edges such that each pair $(e_1, e_2), \dots, (e_{l-1}, e_l)$ is composable.

Definition 1.7. Let C be a category.

- (a) A *diagram* in C is a graph map $F: D \rightarrow C$ with codomain C .
- (d) The diagram is said to *commute* if for each pair

$$(e_1, \dots, e_l), \quad (f_1, \dots, f_m)$$

of paths in D with common starting point $e_1^{\partial_0} = f_1^{\partial_0}$ and end point $e_l^{\partial_1} = f_m^{\partial_1}$, the composite morphisms

$$e_1^F \dots e_l^F \quad \text{and} \quad f_1^F \dots f_m^F$$

in C agree.

1.2.2. *Natural transformations.* Given two diagrams $F : D \rightarrow C$ and $G : D \rightarrow C$ with common domain quiver D and codomain category C , a *natural transformation* $\tau : F \rightarrow G$ is a vector having a component $\tau_x : xF \rightarrow xG$ in $C(xF, xG)$ for each vertex x of D , such that the *naturality property* $f^F \tau_y = \tau_x f^G$ is satisfied for each edge $f : x \rightarrow y$ of D . The naturality corresponds to the commuting of the diagram in C on the right-hand side of the picture

$$(1.3) \quad \boxed{\text{In } D} \quad \begin{array}{c} x \\ f \downarrow \\ y \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{ccc} xF & \xrightarrow{\tau_x} & xG \\ f^F \downarrow & & \downarrow f^G \\ yF & \xrightarrow{\tau_y} & yG \end{array} \quad \boxed{\text{In } C}$$

for every arrow $f : x \rightarrow y$ in D displayed on the left-hand side of the picture.

Example 1.8. Let D be a quiver. If $h : a \rightarrow b$ is a morphism of a category C , then the *constant* natural transformation $[h] : [a] \rightarrow [b]$ has the morphism $h : a \rightarrow b$ as its component at each vertex x of D .

1.3. Functors.

Definition 1.9. Let D and C be categories.

- (a) A (*covariant*) *functor* $F : D \rightarrow C$ is a graph map satisfying the *functoriality properties* $1_x F = 1_{xF}$ for all objects x of D and

$$(1.4) \quad (fg)^F = f^F g^F$$

for all composable pairs (f, g) of D .

- (b) A *contravariant functor* $F : D \rightarrow C$ is a covariant functor from D to C^{op} .

Example 1.10. Let (X, V) and (X', V') be poset categories.

- (a) The object part of a functor $F : (X, V) \rightarrow (X', V')$ is an *order-preserving* map, i.e. $(x, y) \in V$ implies $(xF, yF) \in V'$.
- (b) The object part of a contravariant functor $F : (X, V) \rightarrow (X', V')$ is an *order-reversing* map, i.e. $(x, y) \in V$ implies $(yF, xF) \in V'$.

Example 1.11 (Forgetful functors). Let \mathbf{C} be a category of algebras and homomorphisms. Then the *forgetful functor* $G : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ assigns the underlying set to each algebra, and the underlying function to each homomorphism.

Let C be a category. Then the *identity functor* 1_C on C has object part 1_{C_0} and morphism part 1_{C_1} . If $F : D \rightarrow C$ and $F' : C \rightarrow B$ are functors, then so is the composite $FF' : D \rightarrow B$.

2. ADJUNCTIONS

If $F: D \rightarrow C$ and $G: C \rightarrow D$ are mutually inverse functions, then $1_D = FG$ and $GF = 1_C$. The concept of an adjunction provides an analogous relationship for functors.

2.1. Left and right adjoints. Let C and D be categories. Then an *adjunction* $(F, G, \eta, \varepsilon)$ consists of the following data:

- a *left adjoint* functor $F: D \rightarrow C$,
- a *right adjoint* functor $G: C \rightarrow D$,
- a *unit* natural transformation $\eta: 1_D \rightarrow FG$, and
- a *counit* natural transformation $\varepsilon: GF \rightarrow 1_C$,

such that

$$(2.1) \quad \eta_x^F \varepsilon_{xF} = 1_{xF} \quad \text{and} \quad \eta_{yG}^G \varepsilon_y = 1_{yG}$$

for all objects x of D and for all objects y of C .

Such an adjunction is often summarized by the isomorphism

$$(2.2) \quad F \text{ on left} \longrightarrow \boxed{C(xF, y) \cong D(x, yG)} \longleftarrow G \text{ on right}$$

for objects x of D and y of C , under which a morphism $g: xF \rightarrow y$ maps to $\eta_x g^G$, while a morphism $f: x \rightarrow yG$ maps to $f^F \varepsilon_y$. In particular, η_x corresponds to 1_{xF} and ε_y corresponds to 1_{yG} .

2.1.1. Free algebras.

Example 2.1. For a characteristic example of an adjunction, take C to be the category **Mon** of monoids and monoid homomorphisms, with D as the category **Set** of sets. The right adjoint is the underlying set functor $G: \mathbf{Mon} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$, while the left adjoint $F: \mathbf{Set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mon}$ takes a set X , considered as an alphabet, to the free monoid X^* of words in the alphabet X (with the empty word as the identity element). Words are multiplied by concatenation. The general adjunction (2.2) takes the form

$$(2.3) \quad \mathbf{Mon}(XF, M) \cong \mathbf{Set}(X, MG)$$

for a monoid M . The component $\eta_X: X \rightarrow X^*$ at a set X embeds letters (elements) from X into X^* as one-letter words. For a monoid M , the counit $\varepsilon_M: M^* \rightarrow M$ takes a word in the alphabet M to the product of its letters computed in the monoid M . Under the isomorphism (2.3), a monoid homomorphism $g: XF \rightarrow M$ or $g: X^* \rightarrow M$ is mapped to its restriction to the set X of one-letter words. Conversely, a function $f: X \rightarrow M$ from a set X to (the underlying set of) a monoid M is mapped to its canonical extension to a monoid homomorphism from X^* to M .

Example 2.2. The constructions of Example 2.1 carry over when the category **Mon** of monoids is replaced by a more general category \mathbf{C} of algebras and homomorphisms. Suppose that for each set X , a free algebra XF has been constructed. Then for each algebra A from \mathbf{C} , and for each function $f: X \rightarrow A$, there is a unique homomorphism $\bar{f}: XF \rightarrow A$ such that $\eta_X \bar{f} = f$. Up to now, this situation has been illustrated by diagrams of the following form:

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & XF & \\ \eta_X \uparrow & \searrow \bar{f} & \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & A \end{array}$$

Now while the arrow \bar{f} is a morphism in \mathbf{C} , the arrows η_X and f are morphisms in **Set**, although their respective codomains are indicated in (2.4) by objects from the category \mathbf{C} . For added precision, diagrams like (2.4) are replaced by the adjunction isomorphism

$$(2.5) \quad \mathbf{C}(XF, A) \cong \mathbf{Set}(X, AG)$$

featuring the forgetful functor $G: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ of Example 1.11. The function η_X is written as the morphism $\eta_X: X \rightarrow XFG$ in **Set**, the component at X of the natural transformation η . The extension from f to \bar{f} in diagram (2.4) becomes an extension from $f: X \rightarrow AG$ to $\bar{f}: XF \rightarrow A$, the application

$$\bar{f} \longleftarrow f$$

or $f \mapsto f^F \varepsilon_A$ of the isomorphism (2.5). The image $f^F: XF \rightarrow YF$ of a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ under the *free algebra functor* F is given from (2.4) as the unique homomorphism $\bar{f\eta_Y}$ of the function $f\eta_Y: X \rightarrow YFG$:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & XF & & & \\ \eta_X \uparrow & \searrow f^F & & & \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{\eta_Y} & YF \end{array}$$

The counit component $\varepsilon_A: AGF \rightarrow A$ at an algebra A is given by:

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & AGF & \\ \eta_{AG} \uparrow & \searrow \varepsilon_A & \\ AG & \xrightarrow{1_{AG}} & A \end{array}$$

— compare the left hand side of (2.1), and see Exercise 9.

2.2. Currying and tensor products.

2.2.1. Currying revisited.

Proposition 2.3. *Let Y be a set. Consider the functors*

$$F_Y: \mathbf{Set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}; Z \mapsto Z \times Y$$

(object part) and

$$G_Y: \mathbf{Set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}; (f: X \rightarrow X') \mapsto (X^Y \rightarrow X'^Y; g \mapsto gf)$$

(morphism part). Then the currying isomorphism

$$(2.7) \quad \mathbf{Set}(Z \times Y, X) \cong \mathbf{Set}(Z, \mathbf{Set}(Y, X))$$

becomes the adjoint relationship

$$\mathbf{Set}(ZF_Y, X) \cong \mathbf{Set}(Z, XG_Y)$$

between F_X and G_Y .

2.2.2. *Bilinear functions and tensor products.* Let S be a commutative, unital ring, with the corresponding category \underline{S} of S -modules.

Definition 2.4. Consider S -modules X, Y, Z .

- (a) A function $f \in \mathbf{Set}(Z \times Y, X)$ is *bilinear* if its curried version in $\mathbf{Set}(Z, \mathbf{Set}(Y, X))$ actually lies in $\underline{S}(Z, \underline{S}(Y, X))$. In other words, the curried functions

$$f_y: Z \rightarrow X; z \mapsto (y, z)f$$

for $y \in Y$ and

$$f_z: Y \rightarrow X; y \mapsto (y, z)f$$

for $z \in Z$ are both linear (i.e., S -module homomorphisms).

- (b) The set of bilinear functions from $Z \times Y$ to X is written as $\underline{S}(Z, Y; X)$.

For the general proof of the following proposition, see Section III.3.6 in Post-Modern Algebra. For the case where X, Y, Z are vector spaces over a field S , compare Exercise 14 in the Categories notes.

Proposition 2.5. *Let Y be an S -module. Then the functor*

$$G_Y: \underline{S} \rightarrow \underline{S}; (f: X \rightarrow X') \mapsto (\underline{S}(Y, X) \rightarrow \underline{S}(Y, X'); g \mapsto gf)$$

(morphism part) has a left adjoint $F_Y: \underline{S} \rightarrow \underline{S}; Z \mapsto Z \otimes Y$.

Definition 2.6. The module $Z \otimes Y$ is called the (S -module) *tensor product* of Z and Y .

Corollary 2.7. *Let X, Y, Z be S -modules. Then each bilinear function $f: Z \times Y \rightarrow X$ determines a unique linear function $f: Z \otimes Y \rightarrow X$.*

2.3. Galois connections. A *Galois connection* is an adjunction

$$(2.8) \quad (F: D \rightarrow C, G: C \rightarrow D, \eta, \varepsilon)$$

where the categories C and D are poset categories (C, \leq) , (D, \leq) . The isomorphism relationship (2.2) reduces to

$$\forall x \in D, \forall y \in C, \quad x^F \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \leq y^G.$$

The existence of the unit and counit reduces to

$$\begin{cases} \text{(a)} & \forall x \in D, x \leq x^{FG}; \\ \text{(b)} & \forall y \in C, y^{GF} \leq y. \end{cases}$$

The identities (2.1) reduce to

$$(2.9) \quad \begin{cases} \text{(a)} & \forall x \in D, x^F = x^{FGF}; \\ \text{(b)} & \forall y \in C, y^{GFG} = y^G. \end{cases}$$

Example 2.8. Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function. Define

$$F: (2^A, \subseteq) \rightarrow (2^B, \subseteq); X \mapsto Xf$$

and

$$G: (2^B, \subseteq) \rightarrow (2^A, \subseteq); Y \mapsto f^{-1}Y$$

with the *inverse image* $f^{-1}Y = \{x \in A \mid xf \in Y\}$. Since

$$Xf \subseteq Y \Leftrightarrow X \subseteq f^{-1}Y,$$

the functors F and G yield a Galois connection.

2.3.1. Galois correspondence. In a Galois connection (2.8), elements of the subsets DF of C and CG of D are described as *closed*. One obtains induced posets (DF, \leq) and (CG, \leq) . By (2.9), the restricted functors $F: CG \rightarrow DF$ and $G: DF \rightarrow CG$ yield mutually inverse isomorphisms. The isomorphism

$$(DF, \leq) \cong (CG, \leq)$$

is known as a *Galois correspondence*.

2.3.2. Polarities.

Definition 2.9. Let I and J be sets. A subset α of $I \times J$ is known as a *relation between* the sets I and J . One often writes $x \alpha y$ for $(x, y) \in \alpha$.

Example 2.10. Let n be a positive integer. The *orthogonality relation*

$$\mathbf{x} \perp \mathbf{u} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}\mathbf{u} = 0$$

is a relation between the space \mathbb{R}_1^n of n -dimensional row vectors \mathbf{x} and the space \mathbb{R}_n^1 of n -dimensional column vectors \mathbf{u} .

Suppose that α is a relation between I and J . Consider the poset categories $(2^I, \subseteq)$ and $(2^J, \supseteq)$. Define

$$F: (2^I, \subseteq) \rightarrow (2^J, \supseteq); X \mapsto \{y \in J \mid \forall x \in X, x \alpha y\}$$

and

$$G: (2^J, \supseteq) \rightarrow (2^I, \subseteq); Y \mapsto \{x \in I \mid \forall y \in Y, x \alpha y\}$$

Since

$$X^F \supseteq Y \Leftrightarrow [\forall x \in X, \forall y \in Y, x \alpha y] \Leftrightarrow X \subseteq Y^G,$$

the functors F and G form a Galois connection, known as the *polarity* determined by the relation α .

In the context of the following definition, it is convenient to use a different notation for the adjoint functors.

Definition 2.11. Let G be a group, and let X be a G -set. Consider the subset

$$(2.10) \quad \{(x, g) \in X \times G \mid xg = x\}$$

of $X \times G$ used in the proof of Burnside's Lemma as a relation between X and G . Write $X_g = \{x \in X \mid xg = x\}$ for $g \in G$.

(a) The right adjoint

$$F: (2^G, \supseteq) \rightarrow (2^X, \subseteq); H \mapsto \bigcap_{h \in H} X_h$$

in the polarity determined by (2.10) is known as the *fixed-point functor*.

(a) The left adjoint

$$S: (2^X, \subseteq) \rightarrow (2^G, \supseteq); Y \mapsto \bigcap_{y \in Y} G_y$$

in the polarity determined by (2.10) is known as the *stabilizer functor*.

There is an interesting correspondence between G -subsets of X and normal subgroups of G in the context of Definition 2.11.

Proposition 2.12. Let G be a group, and let X be a G -set.

- (a) If Y is a G -subset of X , then Y^S is a normal subgroup of G .
- (b) If N is a normal subgroup of G , then N^F is a G -subset of X .

Proof. (a) For $g \in G$, $n \in Y^S$, and $y \in Y$, one has

$$yg^{-1}ng = yg^{-1} = y,$$

so $g^{-1}ng \in Y^S$.

(b) For $g \in G$, $y \in N^F$, and $n \in N$, one has

$$ygn = ygn g^{-1} g = yg,$$

so $yg \in N^F$. □

2.4. Galois theory. The classical application of the polarity that was introduced in Definition 2.11 is to the action of a so-called ‘‘Galois group’’ on a field.

Definition 2.13. Let A be a field that contains a field K as a unital subring.

- (a) Let $G = \text{Aut}_K A$ denote the group of all ring automorphisms of A that leave each element of K fixed. Then $G = \text{Aut}_K A$ is known as the *Galois group* of A over K .
- (b) A field C that contains K , and is a subring of A , is known as an *intermediate field*.

Consider the polarity

$$F : (2^G, \supseteq) \rightleftharpoons (2^A, \subseteq) : S$$

introduced in Definition 2.11 for the G -set A . Note that $K \subseteq G^F$, by the definition of the Galois group G . For each subgroup H of G , the fixed point set H^F is an intermediate field. As usual, for each subset X of A , the stabilizer X^S is a subgroup of G .

Lemma 2.14. *The base field K is a closed subset of A if and only if $K = G^F$.*

Proof. If $K = G^F$, its closure is immediate. Conversely, suppose that $K = Y^F$ for $G \supseteq Y$. Then $K \subseteq G^F \subseteq Y^F = K$. □

Identification of further closed elements relies on a dual pair of inequalities.

Proposition 2.15. *Suppose that $B \leq C$ for intermediate fields B and C with $\dim_B C$ finite. Then $|C^S \setminus B^S| \leq \dim_B C$.*

Proof. Use induction on $\dim_B C$.

- If $B = C$, the result is trivial.
- If there is an intermediate field D with $B < D < C$, then

$$|C^S \setminus B^S| = |C^S \setminus D^S| \cdot |D^S \setminus B^S| \leq (\dim_D C)(\dim_B D) = \dim_B C$$

by induction.

- One may thus assume that $C = B(t)$ for an element t of C . Let $p(X) \in B[X]$ be the minimal polynomial of t . Now

$$C^S \setminus B^S \rightarrow \{x \in C \mid p(x) = 0\}; C^S U \mapsto t^U$$

is a well-defined injection. Then

$$|C^S \setminus B^S| \leq \deg p(X) = \dim_B C$$

as required. □

Proposition 2.16. *Suppose that $H \geq J$ for subgroups H and J of G with $|J \setminus H|$ finite. Then $\dim_{HF} J^F \leq |J \setminus H|$.*

Proof. Let $\{1 = U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n\}$ be a set of representatives for the right cosets of J in H . Suppose that there were an independent subset $\{a_1, \dots, a_{n+1}\}$ of the HF -space JF . Take the $(n+1) \times n$ matrix $[a_i U_j]$ over A as the coefficient matrix of a homogeneous system of n equations in $n+1$ unknowns. Choose a non-trivial solution with a minimal number $r+1$ of non-zero components. Without loss of generality (re-ordering the elements a_1, \dots, a_{n+1} as required), the solution may be taken as

$$(2.11) \quad (x_1, \dots, x_r, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

in A^{n+1} .

If the statement

$$\forall 1 \leq i \leq r, x_i \in HF$$

were true, the first equation of the homogeneous system would yield the contradiction

$$x_1 a_1 + \dots + x_r a_r + a_{r+1} = 0$$

to the supposed linear independence of $\{a_1, \dots, a_{n+1}\}$. Thus

$$\exists 1 \leq i \leq r. x_i \notin HF$$

or

$$\exists V \in H. \exists 1 \leq i \leq r. x_i - x_i^V \neq 0.$$

Again without loss of generality, one may assume that

$$(2.12) \quad x_1 - x_1^V \neq 0$$

for some element V of H .

Applying the field automorphism V to the original homogeneous system, one obtains a new homogeneous system with solution

$$(2.13) \quad (x_1^V, \dots, x_r^V, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

in A^{n+1} . Consider $\pi \in \{1, \dots, n\}!$ with $U_j V^{-1} \in JU_{j\pi}$ or $U_{j\pi} V \in JU_j$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$. Then the j -th equation of the old system becomes the $j\pi$ -th equation of the new system. In other words, the coefficient matrix of the new system is obtained from the old coefficient matrix, postmultiplying by the permutation matrix of the permutation π . Thus both (2.11) and (2.13) are solutions to the original system. Since the system is homogeneous, their difference

$$(2.14) \quad (x_1 - x_1^V, \dots, x_r - x_r^V, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$$

is also a solution. By (2.12), the solution (2.14) is non-trivial, but with fewer than $r + 1$ non-zero components. This contradicts the minimality of $r + 1$. \square

The following result is the *Fundamental Theorem of Galois Theory*.

Theorem 2.17. *Let K be a field. Let A be a field containing K , such that the dimension $\dim_K A$ of A as a vector space over K is finite. Let G be the Galois group of A over K . Suppose that K is a closed subset of A .*

- (a) *The group G is finite, with $|G| = \dim_K A$.*
- (b) *Each subgroup of G is a closed subset of G .*
- (c) *Each intermediate field C is a closed subset of A .*
- (d) *The Galois correspondence yields a bijection between the set of subgroups of G and the set of intermediate fields.*
- (e) *If C is an intermediate field, then $\dim_K C = |G|/|C^S|$.*
- (f) *If H is a subgroup of G , then $|H| = \dim_{HF} A$.*

Proof. For each intermediate field C , one has

$$\dim_K C^{SF} = \dim_{K^{SF}}^{SF} C^{SF} \leq |C^S \setminus K^S| \leq \dim_K C \leq \dim_K C^{SF},$$

and $C \leq C^{SF}$, so $C = C^{SF}$ is closed and

$$\dim_K C = |C^S \setminus K^S| = |C^S \setminus G|.$$

In particular, $|G| = |A^S \setminus K^S| = \dim_K A$. Then for each subgroup H of G , one has

$$|H^{FS}| = |1^{FS} \setminus H^{FS}| \leq \dim_{HF} 1^F \leq |1 \setminus H| = |H| \leq |H^{FS}|$$

and also $H^{FS} \geq H$, so $H = H^{FS}$ is closed and $|H| = \dim_{HF} A$. \square

Example 2.18. Let n be a positive integer. Let $\mathbb{Q}[\zeta_n]$ be the smallest subfield of \mathbb{C} that contains the n -th root of unity $\zeta_n = \exp(2\pi i/n)$. Then the Galois group of $\mathbb{Q}[\zeta_n]$ over \mathbb{Q} is the group $(\mathbb{Z}/n, +, 0)^*$ of units. If n is an odd prime, the intermediate fields correspond to the divisors r of $n - 1$.

3. EXERCISES

- (1) Let C be a poset category. Show that each diagram $F: D \rightarrow C$ commutes.
- (2) Let D be a quiver. Define $D\Pi_1$ to be the disjoint union of the class D_0 and the class $D\Pi_1^+$ of paths in D . Define $d_0: D\Pi_1 \rightarrow D$ to be the disjoint union of the identity $D_0 \rightarrow D_0$ and the map

$$D\Pi_1^+ \rightarrow D_0; (e_1, \dots, e_l) \mapsto e_1^{\partial_0}.$$

Define $d_1: D\Pi_1 \rightarrow D$ to be the disjoint union of the identity $D_0 \rightarrow D_0$ and the map

$$D\Pi_1^+ \rightarrow D_0; (e_1, \dots, e_l) \mapsto e_l^{\partial_1}.$$

Define a composition of non-trivial paths by

$$((e_1, \dots, e_l), (f_1, \dots, f_m)) \mapsto (e_1, \dots, f_m)$$

when $e_m^{\partial_1} = f_1^{\partial_0}$ in D . Show that there is a unique way to extend these partial data to yield a category $D\Pi = (D, D\Pi_1)$. This category is known as the *path category* of the quiver D .

- (3) A quiver D is said to be *discrete* if D_1 is empty. Determine the path category $D\Pi$ of a discrete quiver D .
- (4) Let (X, V) be a poset. An element (x, y) of V is a *covering pair* if $|\{z \in X \mid x \leq z \leq y\}| = 2$. Let $C(X, V)$ be the set of covering pairs of (X, V) , equipped with the projections

$$\pi_i: C(X, V) \rightarrow X; (x_0, x_1) \mapsto x_i.$$

The *Hasse diagram* of (X, V) is the quiver $(X, C(X, V), \pi_0, \pi_1)$. Show that (X, V) is the path category of its Hasse diagram.

- (5) For the natural transformation $[h]$ of Example 1.8, draw the naturality diagram (1.3).
- (6) Let M and N be monoids, with corresponding single-object categories \underline{M} and \underline{N} .
- (a) Show that a monoid homomorphism $f: M \rightarrow N$ yields a functor $F: \underline{M} \rightarrow \underline{N}$ with $mF = mf$ for each morphism m of \underline{M} .
- (b) Show that a functor $F: \underline{M} \rightarrow \underline{N}$ yields a monoid homomorphism $f: M \rightarrow N$ with $mf = mF$ for each element m of M .
- (7) Give an example of lattices L, L' and an order-preserving map $F: (L, \leq) \rightarrow (L', \leq)$ such that $F: (L, \vee, \wedge) \rightarrow (L', \vee, \wedge)$ is not a lattice homomorphism.
- (8) Consider the context of Example 2.1.
- (a) For each monoid M , verify that $\eta_M \varepsilon_M^G = 1_M$.

- (b) For each set X , verify that $\eta_X^F \varepsilon_{X^*} = 1_{X^*}$.
- (9) In Example 2.2, draw the precise, categorical diagram that implements the left hand side of (2.1) for $y = A$, and note how it differs from the more informal diagram (2.6).
- (10) In the context of Example 2.2, take \mathbf{C} to be the category **Lin** of real vector spaces and linear transformations. What is the component ε_V of the counit ε at a vector space V ?
- (11) Consider the categories **Mon** of monoids and **Gp** of groups. Let $U: \mathbf{Gp} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mon}$ be the functor that forgets the inversion in a group. Recalling the notation M^* for the group of units in a monoid M , verify the adjunction relationship

$$\mathbf{Mon}(GU, M) \cong \mathbf{Gp}(G, M^*)$$

for a group G and monoid M .

- (12) An adjunction $(F: C \rightarrow D, G: D \rightarrow C, \eta, \varepsilon)$ is said to provide an *equivalence* between the categories C and D if the components η_x and ε_y of the unit and counit are always isomorphisms. Let $\underline{\mathbb{N}}$ be the category with object set $\{\underline{n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, taking all functions between the various sets \underline{n} as morphisms. Let **FinSet** denote the category of finite sets and functions between them. Show that there is an equivalence between $\underline{\mathbb{N}}$ and **FinSet**.
- (13) Let M be a submonoid of a monoid N , with corresponding categories \underline{M} and \underline{N} of actions. Show that there is an adjunction between induction $\uparrow_M^N: \underline{M} \rightarrow \underline{N}$ and restriction $\downarrow_M^N: \underline{N} \rightarrow \underline{M}$.
- (14) Consider the context of Proposition 2.3.
 - (a) Identify the morphism part of F_Y .
 - (b) Determine the unit and counit for the adjunction between F_Y and G_Y .
- (15) Prove Corollary 2.7. [Hint: Apply the composition

$$\underline{\underline{S}}(Z, Y; X) \cong \underline{\underline{S}}(Z, \underline{\underline{S}}(Y, X)) \cong \underline{\underline{S}}(Z \otimes Y, X)$$

of the Currying isomorphism with the adjointness relation from Proposition 2.5.]

- (16) Let $(H, \vee, \wedge, \setminus, 0, 1)$ be a Heyting algebra, also considered as a poset category (H, \leq) . Then for each element y of H , show that the functors

$$S(y): H \rightarrow H; x \mapsto x \wedge y$$

and

$$R(y): H \rightarrow H; z \mapsto y \setminus z$$

form a Galois connection.

- (17) Consider the polarity determined by the orthogonality relation of Example 2.10. Show that the closed subsets are subspaces.
- (18) Let G be a group. Consider the polarity determined by the *commutation* relation $\{(x, y) \in G^2 \mid xy = yx\}$ on G .
 - (a) Show that the closed elements are subgroups of G .
 - (b) For the case $G = S_4$, determine which subgroups are closed.
- (19) Show that \mathbb{Q} is not a closed subfield of \mathbb{R} .
- (20) Determine the Galois group of $\mathbb{Z}/5[\sqrt{2}]$ over $\mathbb{Z}/5$.
- (21) Determine the fields intermediate between \mathbb{Q} and $\mathbb{Q}[\zeta_5]$.

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