

# A higher structure identity principle

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## Theorem

Given two mere propositions  $P$  and  $Q$ ,

$$(P =_{\text{hProp}} Q) = (P \Leftrightarrow Q)$$

## Corollary

*If  $P$  and  $Q$  are equivalent mere propositions, then they share the same structural properties.*

*For any  $X : \text{hProp} \vdash S(X) : \mathcal{U}$ ,*

$$(P \Leftrightarrow Q) \rightarrow (S(P) = S(Q)).$$

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## Theorem (Coquand-Danielsson 2013)

Given two monoids  $M$  and  $N$ ,

$$(M =_{\text{Mon}} N) = (M \cong N).$$

## Corollary

*If  $M$  and  $N$  are isomorphic monoids, then they share the same structural properties.*

*For any  $X : \text{Mon} \vdash S(X) : \mathcal{U}$ ,*

$$(M \cong N) \rightarrow (S(M) = S(N)).$$

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## A structure identity principle for categories in UF

A **category**  $\mathcal{C}$  is given by

- a type  $\mathcal{C}_o : \mathcal{U}$  of **objects**
- for any  $a, b : \mathcal{C}_o$ , a set  $\mathcal{C}(a, b) : \mathcal{U}$  of **morphisms**
- operations: identity & composition

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A **univalent category** is a category  $\mathcal{C}$  such that

$$(a = b) \rightarrow (a \cong b)$$

is an equivalence for all  $a, b : \mathcal{C}_0$ .

# A structure identity principle for categories in UF

## Theorem (Ahrens-Kapulkin-Shulman 2015)

For categories  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$ , let  $\mathcal{C} \simeq \mathcal{D}$  denote the type of functors from  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\mathcal{D}$  that are equivalences.

If  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  are univalent, then

$$(\mathcal{C} =_{\text{UCat}} \mathcal{D}) = (\mathcal{C} \simeq \mathcal{D}).$$

## Corollary

*If  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  are equivalent univalent categories, then they share the same structural properties.*

*For any  $X : \text{UCat} \vdash P(X) : \mathcal{U}$ ,*

$$(\mathcal{C} \simeq \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow (P(\mathcal{C}) = P(\mathcal{D})).$$

# Goal

## Conjecture

Given a signature  $\mathcal{L}$ , and two  $\mathcal{L}$ -univalent  $\mathcal{L}$ -structures  $M$  and  $N$ , then

$$(M = N) = (M \simeq_{\mathcal{L}} N)$$

Need notions of

- signatures  $\mathcal{L}$
- $\mathcal{L}$ -structures
- $\mathcal{L}$ -equivalence of  $\mathcal{L}$ -structures
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## Two-level type theory

Working in the two-level type theory of Annenkov-Capriotti-Kraus.

- Universes  $\mathcal{U} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}^s$
- $\mathcal{U}$  implements univalent type theory.
- Every type  $T : \mathcal{U}^s$  is equipped with a strict equality type  $a \equiv_T b$  with the usual rules for the identity type, but which also satisfies UIP.

# First-order logic with dependent sorts

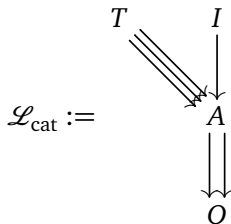
## Inverse category

An *inverse category* is a strict category  $\mathcal{I}$  and a function  $\rho : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \text{Nat}^{\text{op}}$  whose fibers are discrete.

The *height* of an inverse category  $(\mathcal{I}, \rho)$  is the maximum value of  $\rho$ .

## Signatures

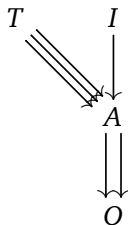
*Signatures* are inverse categories of finite height.



## $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat}}$ -structures

We can define the data of a category  $\mathcal{C}$  to be

- A type  $\mathcal{C}O : \mathcal{U}$
- A family  $\mathcal{C}A : \mathcal{C}O \times \mathcal{C}O \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$
- A family  $\mathcal{C}I : \prod_{(x:\mathcal{C}O)} \mathcal{C}A(x,x) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$
- A family  $\mathcal{C}T : \prod_{(x,y,z:\mathcal{C}O)} \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(y,z) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(x,z) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$



Here:

- Think of  $\mathcal{C}I$ ,  $\mathcal{C}T$  as the *predicates* ‘is an identity’, ‘is a composite’.
- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat}}$ -*univalence* will imply that  $\mathcal{C}I$ ,  $\mathcal{C}T$  are pointwise propositions.
- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat}}$ -*univalence* will imply that  $\mathcal{C}A$  is pointwise a set.
- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat}}$ -*univalence* will imply that  $\mathcal{C}O$  is a 1-type.

## Equality

To the data, we add axioms such as

- “There is a composite of every composable pair of arrows.”

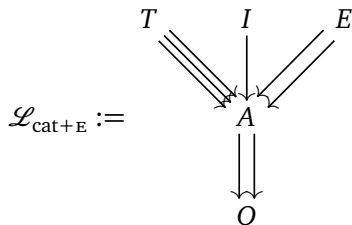
$$\forall(x, y, z : O). \forall(f : A(x, y)). \forall(g : A(y, z)). \exists(h : A(x, z)). T(x, y, z, f, g, h)$$

- “Composites are unique.”

$$\forall(x, y, z : O). \forall(f : A(x, y)). \forall(g : A(y, z)). \forall(h, h' : A(x, z)).$$

$$T(x, y, z, f, g, h) \rightarrow T(x, y, z, f, g, h') \rightarrow (h = h')$$

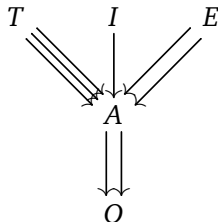
So we need to add an equality ‘predicate’:



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- A family  $\mathcal{C}T : \prod_{(x,y,z:\mathcal{C}O)} \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(y,z) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(x,z) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$
- A family  $\mathcal{C}E : \prod_{(x,y:\mathcal{C}O)} \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$



Here:

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat+E}}$ -univalence will imply that  $\mathcal{C}E$  is a proposition.
- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat+E}}$ -univalence + axioms making  $E$  into an equivalence relation and congruence will imply that  $(f = g) = \mathcal{C}E(f, g)$ .

# 1-univalent FOLDS-categories

A 1-univalent FOLDS-category consists of an  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat}+\mathbf{E}}$ -structure

- $\mathcal{C}O : \mathcal{U}$
- $\mathcal{C}A : \mathcal{C}O \times \mathcal{C}O \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$
- $\mathcal{C}I : \prod_{(x:\mathcal{C}O)} \mathcal{C}A(x,x) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$
- $\mathcal{C}T : \prod_{(x,y,z:\mathcal{C}O)} \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(y,z) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(x,z) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$
- $\mathcal{C}E : \prod_{(x,y:\mathcal{C}O)} \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$

such that

- $\mathcal{C}I_x(f)$ ,  $\mathcal{C}T_{x,y,z}(f,g,h)$ , and  $\mathcal{C}E_{x,y}(f,g)$  are propositions
- $\mathcal{C}A(x,y)$  is a set,
- $\mathcal{C}E_{x,y}(f,g) = (f = g)$ ,

and the axioms of a category are satisfied.

## Lemma

*The type of 1-univalent FOLDS-cats is equivalent to the type of (pre)categories.*

# Univalent FOLDS-categories

## Goal

To state the univalence condition

$$(a = b) = (a \cong b)$$

for categories in terms of the the FOLDS structure.

Given  $a, b : \mathcal{C}O$ , we can define an isomorphism  $a \cong b$  using the Yoneda Lemma:

- For each  $x : \mathcal{C}O$ , an equality  $\phi_{x\bullet} : \mathcal{C}A(x, a) = \mathcal{C}A(x, b)$ .
- For each  $x, y : \mathcal{C}O, f : \mathcal{C}A(x, y), g : \mathcal{C}A(y, a)$ , and  $h : \mathcal{C}A(x, a)$ , we have

$$\mathcal{C}T_{x,y,a}(f, g, h) = \mathcal{C}T_{x,y,b}(f, \phi_{y\bullet}(g), \phi_{x\bullet}(h))$$

$$(\phi_{y\bullet}(g) \circ f = \phi_{x\bullet}(g \circ f))$$

This is a bit ad hoc and not symmetric.

## FOLDS isomorphism for categories

Instead, can define  $a \cong b$  to consist of the following equalities between all the types of our signature with  $a$  and  $b$  substituted in *all* possible ways:

- For each  $x : \mathcal{C}O$ , an equality  $\phi_{x\bullet} : \mathcal{C}A(x, a) = \mathcal{C}A(x, b)$ .
- For each  $z : \mathcal{C}O$ , an equality  $\phi_{\bullet z} : \mathcal{C}A(a, z) = \mathcal{C}A(b, z)$ .
- An equality  $\phi_{\bullet\bullet} : \mathcal{C}A(a, a) = \mathcal{C}A(b, b)$ .
- The following equalities for all appropriate  $w, x, y, z, f, g, h$ :

$$T_{x,y,a}(f, g, h) = T_{x,y,b}(f, \phi_{y\bullet}(g), \phi_{x\bullet}(h))$$

$$T_{x,a,z}(f, g, h) = T_{x,b,z}(\phi_{x\bullet}(f), \phi_{\bullet z}(g), h)$$

$$T_{a,z,w}(f, g, h) = T_{b,z,w}(\phi_{\bullet z}(f), g, \phi_{\bullet w}(h))$$

$$T_{x,a,a}(f, g, h) = T_{x,b,b}(\phi_{x\bullet}(f), \phi_{\bullet\bullet}(g), \phi_{x\bullet}(h))$$

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$$T_{a,a,x}(f, g, h) = T_{b,b,x}(\phi_{\bullet\bullet}(f), \phi_{\bullet x}(g), \phi_{\bullet x}(h))$$

$$T_{a,a,a}(f, g, h) = T_{b,b,b}(\phi_{\bullet\bullet}(f), \phi_{\bullet\bullet}(g), \phi_{\bullet\bullet}(h))$$

$$I_{a,a}(f) = I_{b,b}(\phi_{\bullet\bullet}(f))$$

$$E_{x,a}(f, g) = E_{x,b}(\phi_{x\bullet}(f), \phi_{x\bullet}(g))$$

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“Everything above  $a, b$  thinks that  $a$  and  $b$  are the same.”



# Univalent FOLDS categories

## Theorem

*In any 1-univalent FOLDS category, the type of isomorphisms  $a \cong b$  just defined is equivalent to the type of ordinary isomorphisms  $a \cong b$ .*

## Definition

A univalent FOLDS category is a 1-univalent FOLDS category such that for all  $a, b : \mathcal{C}O$ , the canonical map

$$(a = b) \rightarrow (a \cong b)$$

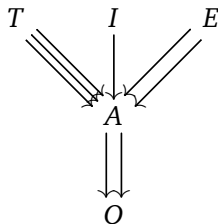
is an equivalence.

## Theorem

*A 1-univalent FOLDS category is univalent if and only if its corresponding precategory is a univalent category.*

# Univalence

- 1-univalence can be defined in the same way.
- For example, we required  $\mathcal{C}T_{x,y,a}(f,g,h)$  to be a proposition.
- For any  $c, d : \mathcal{C}T_{x,y,a}(f,g,h)$ , everything above  $c, d$  ‘thinks’  $c$  and  $d$  are the same, trivially.
- So  $c \cong d$ , and  $\mathcal{C}T$  being univalent means that  $(c = d) = (c \cong d)$ .
- $\mathcal{C}T$  being univalent means that each  $\mathcal{C}T_{x,y,a}(f,g,h)$  is a proposition.
- ...



# Categorical equivalences

For univalent FOLDS categories  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}$ , we had an equivalence.

$$(\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{D}) \simeq (\mathcal{C} \simeq \mathcal{D})$$

We can also generalize categorical equivalences:

- A very surjective morphism  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  of  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat}+\mathbf{E}}$ -structures consists of surjections
  - $F_O : \mathcal{C}O \rightarrow \mathcal{D}O$
  - $F_A : \prod_{x,y:\mathcal{C}O} \mathcal{C}A(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}A(F_Ox, F_Oy)$
  - $F_T : \prod_{x,y,z:\mathcal{C}O, f:\mathcal{C}A(x,y), g:\mathcal{C}A(y,z), h:\mathcal{C}A(x,z)} \mathcal{C}T(f, g, h) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}T(F_Af, F_Ag, F_Ah)$
  - ...

## Theorem

If  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  are univalent,

$$(\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}) \simeq (\mathcal{C} \simeq \mathcal{D})$$

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# The framework

We can generalize this to any inverse category.

We generalize it further.

## Signatures

We define signatures inductively to be a sequence of strict categories  $\text{Sig} : \text{Nat}^s \rightarrow \text{sCat}$ .

- $\text{Sig}(0) := \mathcal{U}$
- $\text{Sig}(n+1)$  consists of a signature  $Z$  of level 0, and for every  $Z$ -structure  $S : Z \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ , a *derivative*  $DS : \text{Sig}(n)$ .
- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cat+E}} : \text{Sig}(2)$
- The 0-part is  $*$ .
- The derivative gives us a 1-signature for every type  $O$ . The 0-part of this 1-signature is  $O \times O$ .

We can also define structures, isomorphism, univalence, and very surjective morphisms following the example of categories.

# Envisioned results

## Almost-theorem

Consider  $\mathcal{L}$ -structures  $M, N$  for some signature  $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $M$  is univalent. Then

$$(M \twoheadrightarrow N) = (M = N)$$

## Conjecture

For a signature  $L : \text{Sig}(n)$ , the type of univalent  $L$ -structures is of  $h$ -level  $n + 1$ .

Thank you!