

ENRICHED LENSES

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MOTIVATION

Lifting couplings in Wasserstein spaces

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This paper makes mathematically precise the idea that conditional probabilities are analogous to *path liftings* in geometry.

The idea of lifting is modelled in terms of the category-theoretic concept of a *lens*, which can be interpreted as a consistent choice of arrow liftings. The category we study is the one of probability measures over a given standard Borel space, with morphisms given by the couplings, or transport plans.

The geometrical picture is even more apparent once we equip the arrows of the category with *weights*, which one can interpret as “lengths” or “costs”, forming a so-called *weighted category*, which unifies several concepts of category theory and metric geometry. Indeed, we show that the weighted version of a **lens** is tightly connected to the notion of *submetry* in geometry.

Every weighted category gives rise to a pseudo-quasimetric space via optimization over the arrows. In particular, Wasserstein spaces can be obtained from the weighted categories of probability measures and their couplings, with the weight of a coupling given by its cost. In this case, conditionals allow one to form **weighted lenses**, which one can interpret as “lifting transport plans, while preserving their cost”.

- Nov 2018 - Generalise lenses to the internal category setting.
- 2021 - Mathew di Meglio and I develop **enriched lenses**, but lack compelling examples.
- Earlier this month, Perrone posts a paper introducing lenses between weighted categories.

OVERVIEW OF THE TALK

1. Background

2. Defining enriched lenses

3. Weighted lenses

Warning: Notation may be globally inconsistent

DOUBLE CATEGORIES & COMPANIONS

A **double category** \mathbb{D} consists of:

- objects A, B, C, \dots
- horizontal (tight) morphisms
- vertical (loose) morphisms
- cells

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\
 u \downarrow & \xRightarrow{\alpha} & \downarrow v \\
 C & \xrightarrow{g} & D
 \end{array}$$

where vertical composition is associative up to isomorphism.

A horizontal arrow $f: A \rightarrow B$ has a **companion** $f_*: A \dashrightarrow B$ if there are binding cells,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \xlongequal{\quad} A & & A \xrightarrow{f} B \\
 \parallel & \xRightarrow{\alpha} & \downarrow f_* \\
 A \xrightarrow{f} B & & B \xlongequal{\quad} B \\
 & & \uparrow f_* \\
 & & \parallel
 \end{array}$$

such that

$$\alpha \mid \beta = 1_f \quad \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = 1_{f_*}$$

PARÉ'S RETROCELLS

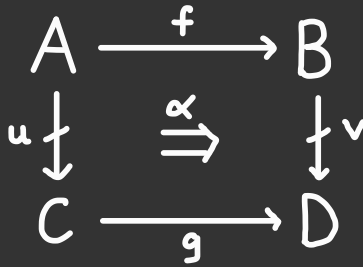
- A **retrocell** in ID is a cell of the form:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\
 u \downarrow & \xleftarrow{\alpha} & \downarrow v \\
 C & \xrightarrow{g} & D
 \end{array}
 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xlongequal{\quad} & A \\
 f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow u \\
 B & \xRightarrow{\alpha} & C \\
 v \downarrow & & \downarrow g_* \\
 D & \xlongequal{\quad} & D
 \end{array}$$

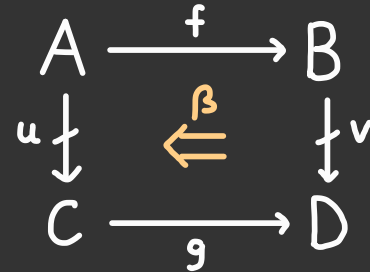
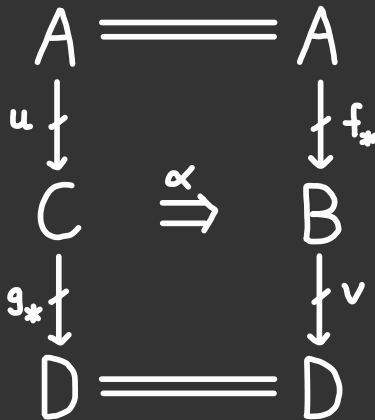
- Like ordinary cells, retrocells can be composed vertically and horizontally.
- If ID has all companions, we can construct a double category ID^{ret} .

CELLS VS. RETROCELLS

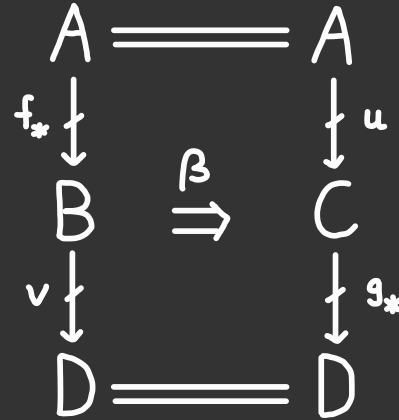
In a double category ID with companions:



cells



retrocells



DISTRIBUTIVE MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

- A **monoidal category** is a category \mathcal{C} equipped with functors,

$$\otimes : \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C} \quad \text{I} : * \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$$

tensor product **unit**

and natural isomorphisms with components,

$$(X \otimes Y) \otimes Z \xrightarrow{\alpha} X \otimes (Y \otimes Z) \quad \text{I} \otimes X \xrightarrow{\lambda} X \xleftarrow{\rho} X \otimes \text{I}$$

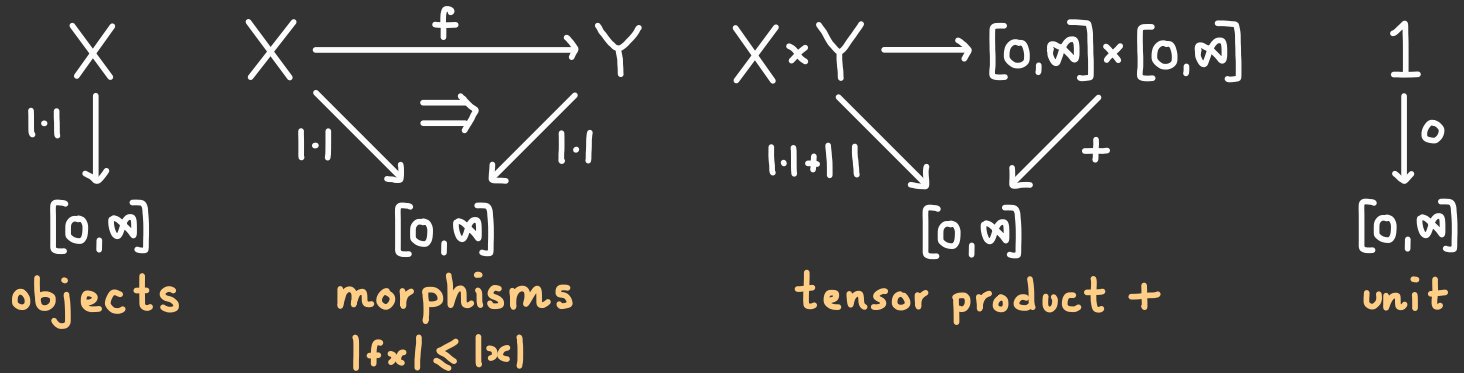
which satisfy the triangle and pentagon identities.

- A monoidal category is **distributive** if it has coproducts such that:

$$X \otimes \left(\sum_i Y_i \right) \cong \sum_i (X \otimes Y_i) \quad \left(\sum_i X_i \right) \otimes Y \cong \sum_i (X_i \otimes Y)$$

WEIGHTED SETS

- Consider the set $[0, \infty]$ as a category with morphisms $\lambda \geq \mu$.
- Has several monoidal structures, including $+: [0, \infty] \times [0, \infty] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$.
- The category of **weighted sets** is defined by $\omega\text{Set} := \text{Fam}([0, \infty])$.



- The category ωSet has coproducts $X \sqcup Y \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ by construction and is a distributive monoidal category with respect to addition.

THE DOUBLE CATEGORY OF MATRICES

Given a distributive monoidal category $(\mathcal{V}, \otimes, I)$, there is a double category

$\mathcal{V}\text{-Mat}$ whose:

- objects are sets and horizontal morphisms are functions;
- vertical morphisms $M: A \dashrightarrow B$ are functors $M: A \times B \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$;
- cells given by natural transformations:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\
 M \downarrow & \cong \Rightarrow & \downarrow N \\
 C & \xrightarrow{g} & D
 \end{array}
 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A \times C & \xrightarrow{M} & \mathcal{V} \\
 f \times g \downarrow & \Downarrow \alpha & \uparrow N \\
 B \times D & & \mathcal{V}
 \end{array}$$

THE DOUBLE CATEGORY OF MATRICES

- Vertical identity morphisms are:

$$A \times A \xrightarrow{\delta} \mathcal{V}$$

$$(x, y) \longmapsto \delta_{x,y} = \begin{cases} I & \text{if } x=y \\ 0 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

- Vertical composition of $M: A \rightarrow B$ with $N: B \rightarrow C$ is given by:

$$A \times C \longrightarrow \mathcal{V}$$

$$(a, c) \longmapsto \sum_{b \in B} M(a,b) \otimes N(b,c)$$

- A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ has companion:

$$A \times B \xrightarrow{f_*} \mathcal{V}$$

$$(x, y) \longmapsto \delta_{f x, y} = \begin{cases} I, & f x = y \\ 0, & f x \neq y \end{cases}$$

- Retrocells are given by:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ M \downarrow & \xleftarrow{\alpha} & \downarrow N \\ C & \xrightarrow{g} & D \end{array}$$

$$\alpha_{a,d}: N(f a, d) \longrightarrow \sum_{c \in g^{-1}(d)} M(a, c)$$

MONADS & ENRICHED CATEGORIES

A vertical monad (A, t, η, μ) in \mathcal{D} consists of a vertical endomorphism $t: A \rightrightarrows A$ and special cells,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \rightrightarrows & A \\
 \downarrow 1_A & \xRightarrow{\eta} & \downarrow t \\
 A & \rightrightarrows & A \\
 & & \downarrow t \\
 & & A & \xRightarrow{\mu} & A \\
 & & \downarrow t & & \downarrow t \\
 & & A & \rightrightarrows & A
 \end{array}$$

satisfying the usual axioms.

A vertical monad in $\mathcal{V}\text{-Mat}$ is a \mathcal{V} -category

- A set \mathcal{C}_0 of objects;
- A functor $\mathcal{C}: \mathcal{C}_0 \times \mathcal{C}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$ specifying hom-objects $\mathcal{C}(x, y)$;
- A unit map $\mathbb{I} \xrightarrow{\eta} \mathcal{C}(x, x)$ for each $x \in \mathcal{C}_0$.
- A multiplication map $\mathcal{C}(x, y) \otimes \mathcal{C}(y, z) \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{C}(x, z)$ for each $x, y, z \in \mathcal{C}_0$.

MONAD MAPS & ENRICHED FUNCTORS

A monad map $(f, \bar{f}): (A, t) \rightarrow (B, s)$

consists of a horizontal arrow

$f: A \rightarrow B$ and a cell,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ t \downarrow & \xRightarrow{\bar{f}} & \downarrow s \\ A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$

satisfying axioms which ensure compatibility with the unit and multiplication cells.

A monad map in $\mathcal{V}\text{-Mat}$ is an enriched functor $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$.

- A function $F: \mathcal{C}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$.

- A morphism

$$F_{x,y}: \mathcal{C}(x,y) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(F_x, F_y)$$

for each $x, y \in \mathcal{C}_0$.

- Satisfying the axioms:

$$F_{x,x} \circ \eta = \eta$$

$$F_{x,z} \circ \mu = \mu \circ (F_{x,y} \otimes F_{y,z})$$

MONAD RETRO MAPS

A monad retro map $(f, \varphi): (A, t) \rightarrow (B, s)$

consists of a horizontal arrow

$f: A \rightarrow B$ and a retrocell,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\
 t \downarrow & \xleftarrow{\varphi} & \downarrow s \\
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & B
 \end{array}$$

satisfying axioms which ensure compatibility with the unit and multiplication cells.

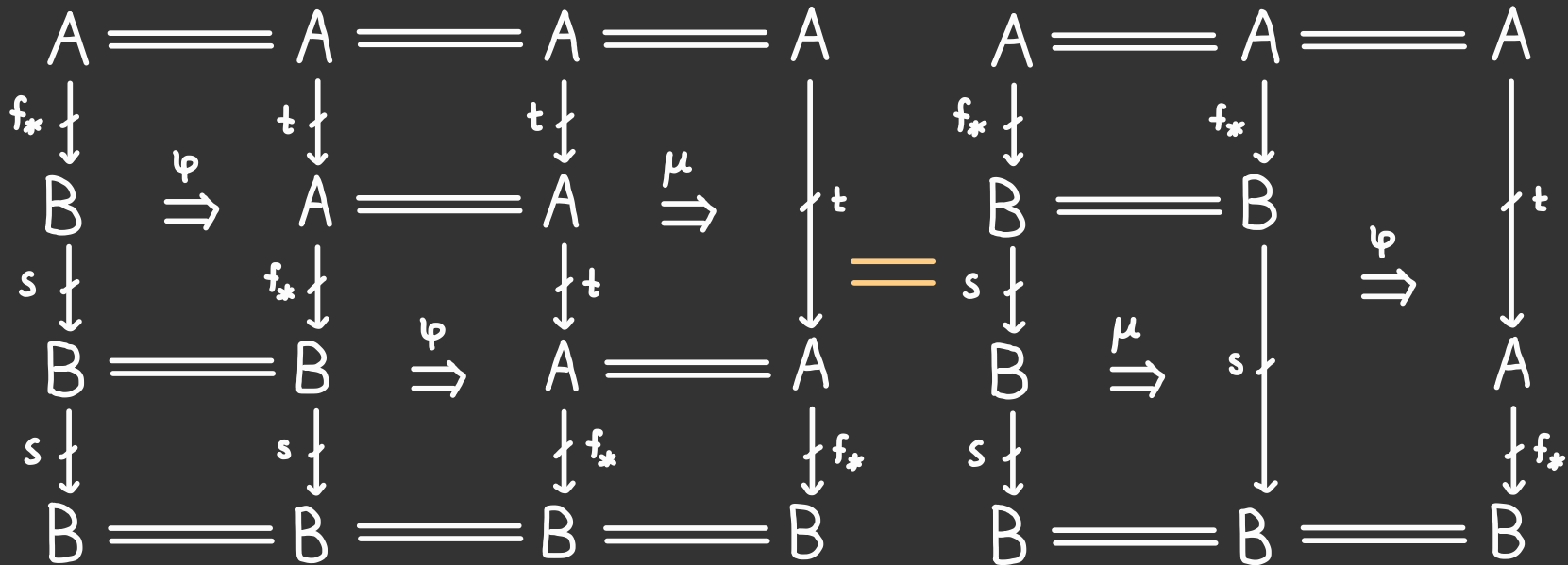
$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \xlongequal{\quad} & A & \xlongequal{\quad} & A \\
 f_* \downarrow & & f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow t \\
 B & \xlongequal{\quad} & B & \xRightarrow{\varphi} & A \\
 1_B \downarrow & \xRightarrow{\eta} & s \downarrow & & \downarrow f_* \\
 B & \xlongequal{\quad} & B & \xlongequal{\quad} & B
 \end{array}$$

unit law

$\xlongequal{\quad}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xlongequal{\quad} & A \\
 1_A \downarrow & \xRightarrow{\eta} & \downarrow t \\
 A & \xlongequal{\quad} & A \\
 f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow f_* \\
 B & \xlongequal{\quad} & B
 \end{array}$$

MONAD RETRO MAPS



multiplication law

ENRICHED COFUNCTORS

A monad retro map in $\mathcal{V}\text{-Mat}$ is an **enriched cofunctor** $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$.

- A function $F: \mathcal{C}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$.
- A morphism for each $c \in \mathcal{C}_0$ and $d \in \mathcal{D}_0$ called a **lifting operation**,

$$\mathcal{D}(F_c, d) \xrightarrow{\varphi_{c,d}} \sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{C}(c, x)$$

where $X = F^{-1}(d)$ is the fibre of F over d .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{I} & \xrightarrow{\eta} & \mathcal{C}(c, c) \\ \eta \downarrow & & \downarrow j_c \\ \mathcal{D}(F_c, F_c) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_{c, F_c}} & \sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{C}(c, x) \end{array}$$

The unit law states that applying η_{F_c} then the lifting operation is equal to applying η_c then the coproduct injection j_c .

ENRICHED COFUNCTORS

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{D}(F_c, d) \otimes \mathcal{D}(d, d') & \xrightarrow{\varphi_{c,d} \otimes \text{id}} & \left(\sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{C}(c, x) \right) \otimes \mathcal{D}(d, d') \\
 \downarrow \mu & & \downarrow \cong \\
 \mathcal{D}(F_c, d') & & \sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{C}(c, x) \otimes \mathcal{D}(F_x, d') \\
 \downarrow \varphi_{c,d'} & & \downarrow \sum(\text{id} \otimes \varphi_{x,d'}) \\
 \sum_{y \in Y} \mathcal{C}(c, y) & \xleftarrow{\sum(\sum \mu)} & \sum_{y \in Y} \left(\sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{C}(c, x) \otimes \left(\sum_{y \in Y} \mathcal{C}(x, y) \right) \right) \\
 & & \downarrow \cong \\
 & & \sum_{y \in Y} \left(\sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{C}(c, x) \otimes \mathcal{C}(x, y) \right)
 \end{array}$$

multiplication law
 $X = F^{-1}(d)$
 $Y = F^{-1}(d')$

COMPOSING ENRICHED COFUNCTORS

Given enriched cofunctors $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ and $(G, \gamma): \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$, their composite enriched cofunctor is given by:

- The function $GF: \mathcal{C}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_0$.
- The lifting operation:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{E}(GF_c, e) & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{F_c, e}} & \sum_{x \in G^{-1}(e)} \mathcal{D}(F_c, x) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \varphi_{c, x} \\
 \sum_{z \in (GF)^{-1}(e)} \mathcal{C}(c, z) & \xleftarrow{\cong} & \sum_{x \in G^{-1}(e)} \left(\sum_{y \in F^{-1}(x)} \mathcal{C}(c, y) \right)
 \end{array}$$

DOUBLE CATEGORY OF ENRICHED COFUNCTORS

There is a double category

$\mathcal{V}\text{-Cof} := \text{Mnd}_{\text{ret}}(\mathcal{V}\text{-Mat})$ whose:

- objects are \mathcal{V} -categories;
- horizontal morphisms are \mathcal{V} -functors;
- vertical morphisms are \mathcal{V} -cofunctors
- cells with boundary,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{H} & C \\ (F, \varphi) \downarrow & & \downarrow (G, \gamma) \\ B & \xrightarrow{K} & D \end{array}$$

satisfy the axioms:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_0 & \xrightarrow{H} & C_0 \\ F \downarrow & & \downarrow G \\ B_0 & \xrightarrow{K} & D_0 \end{array} \quad \text{in Set}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{B}(F_a, b) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_{a,b}} & \sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{A}(a, x) \\ K_{F_a, b} \downarrow & & \downarrow H_{a,x} \\ \mathcal{D}(GH_a, Kb) & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{GH_a, Kb}} & \sum_{y \in Y} \mathcal{C}(Ha, y) \end{array}$$

in \mathcal{V} , where $X = F^{-1}(b)$ and $Y = G^{-1}(Kb)$.

ENRICHED LENSES

An enriched lens $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is a cell in $\mathcal{V}\text{-Cof}$ of the form:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{F} & \mathcal{B} \\ (F, \varphi) \downarrow & & \parallel \\ \mathcal{B} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{B} \end{array}$$

That is, a \mathcal{V} -functor $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ and a \mathcal{V} -cofunctor $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ such that:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{B}(Fa, b) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_{a,b}} & \sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{A}(a, x) & \xrightarrow{F_{a,x}} & \mathcal{B}(Fa, b) \\ & \searrow & & \nearrow & \\ & & \text{id} & & \end{array}$$

We obtain a double category $\mathcal{V}\text{-Lens}$.

ENRICHED CATEGORY OF LIFTS

Let \mathcal{V} be an extensive category.
 Given a \mathcal{V} -cofunctor $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$,
 there is a \mathcal{V} -category Λ of lifts
 whose:

- set of objects $\Lambda_0 = \mathcal{A}_0$.
- hom-objects are given by:

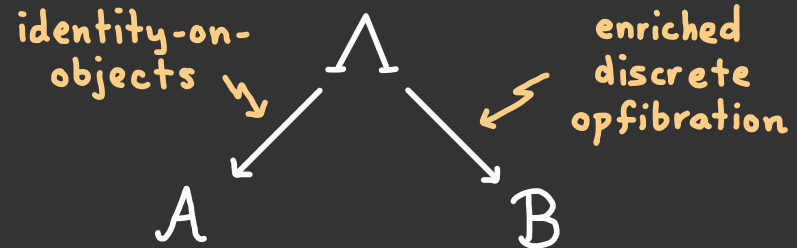
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Lambda(a, a') & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{A}(a, a') \\
 \downarrow \lrcorner & & \downarrow j_{a'} \\
 \mathcal{B}(F_a, F_{a'}) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_{a, F_{a'}}} & \sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{A}(a, x)
 \end{array}$$

Call $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ an **enriched discrete opfibration** if the morphism

$$\sum_{x \in X} \mathcal{A}(a, x) \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}(F_a, b)$$

is invertible for all $a \in \mathcal{A}_0, b \in \mathcal{B}_0$.

Thm: A \mathcal{V} -cofunctor $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$
 is equivalent to a span in $\mathcal{V}\text{-Cat}$:



ENRICHMENT IN WEIGHTED SETS

A **weighted category** is a category enriched in $w\text{Set}$. In detail:

- A category \mathcal{C} where each arrow $u: x \rightarrow y$ has a **weight** $|u| \in [0, \infty]$ such that:

- * identity morphisms have weight zero: $|1_x| = 0$.

- * for all composable morphisms $u: x \rightarrow y$ and $v: y \rightarrow z$ we have the **triangle inequality**: $|v \circ u| \leq |u| + |v|$

Example: A **Lawvere metric space** is a weighted category whose underlying category is codiscrete. Equivalently, it is a category enriched in $([0, \infty], +, 0)$.

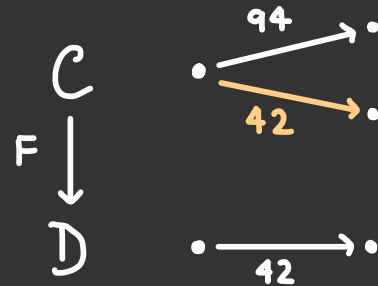
WEIGHTED COFUNCTORS & LENSES

- A **weighted functor** $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a functor (between the underlying categories) such that $|Fu| \leq |u|$ for all morphisms $u: c \rightarrow c'$ in \mathcal{C} .
- A **weighted cofunctor** $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a cofunctor with lifting operation $(c \in \mathcal{C}, u: Fc \rightarrow d \in \mathcal{D}) \mapsto \varphi(c, u)$ such that $|\varphi(c, u)| \leq |u|$.
- A **weighted lens** $(F, \varphi): \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a weighted functor and weighted cofunctor such that $F\varphi(a, u) = u$. We have that

$$|u| = |F\varphi(a, u)| \leq |\varphi(a, u)| \leq |u|$$

implies

$$|\varphi(a, u)| = |u|$$



FUTURE WORK & QUESTIONS

- Consider other bases of enrichment ($\mathcal{V} = \text{Cat}, \text{Lens}, \text{Vect}$) and possibility of arbitrary \mathcal{V} (or bicategories/double categories)?
- Enriched split opfibrations? Using décalage?
- How much of the theory of lenses transfers to the enriched context?
- For which double categories can monad retro maps be represented as spans of monad maps?