

A DOUBLE-CATEGORICAL APPROACH
TO LENSES
VIA ALGEBRAIC WEAK FACTORISATION SYSTEMS

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MOTIVATION

Double categories

- horizontal
- vertical



Lenses

- forwards
- backwards



Bourke &
Garner ('16)

AWFS

- left coalgebras
- right algebras



Johnson,
Rosebrugh,
& Wood
('10, '12, '13)

OVERVIEW OF THE TALK

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1. Examples of lenses (with laws)

4. Basics of double categories

2. Basics of AWFS

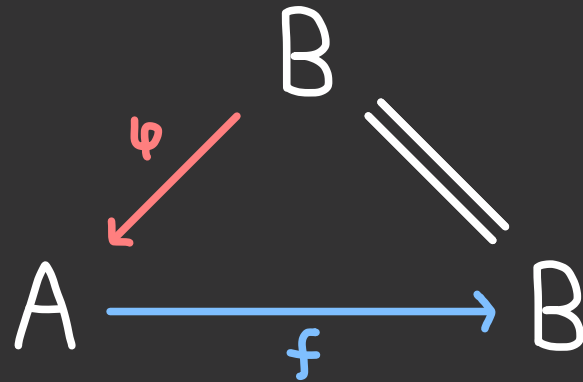
5. The R-algebras of an AWFS are vertical morphisms of a double cat.

3. Lenses are the R-algebras, or right class, of an AWFS

6. Lenses are vert. morphisms in the right-connected completion of a double cat.

SPLIT EPIMORPHISMS

- A **split epimorphism** is a morphism with a chosen **section**.

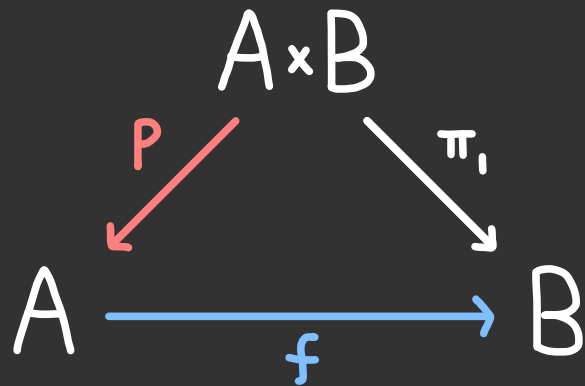


- The **free split epimorphism** is constructed using coproducts.

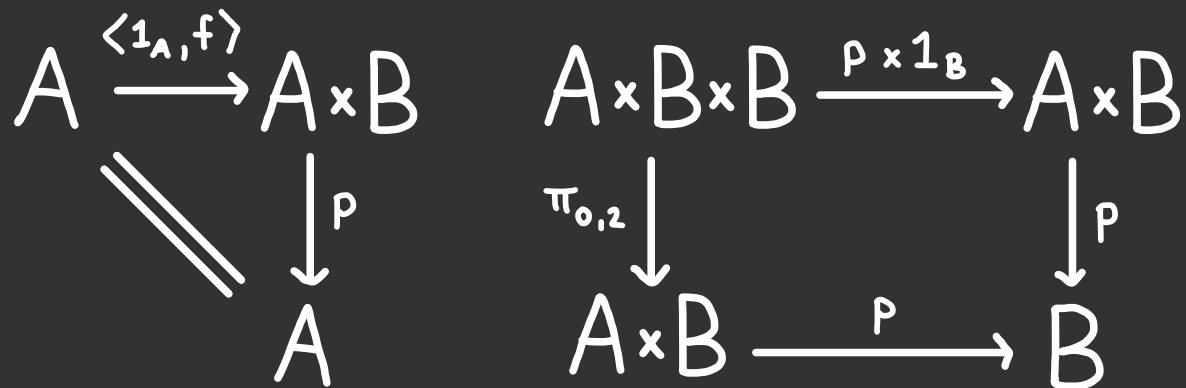


CLASSICAL LENSES

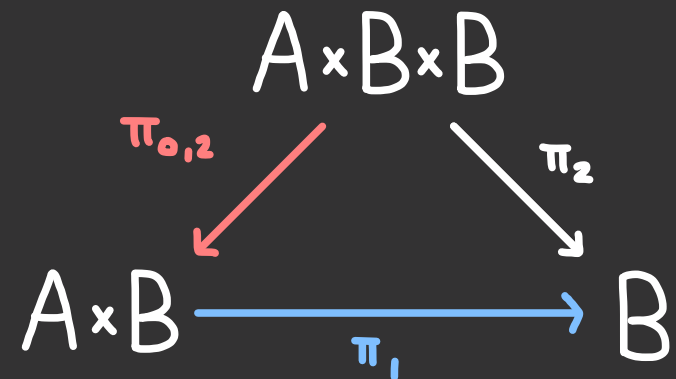
- A **classical lens** is a **GET morphism** together with a **PUT morphism**



such that the following commute.



- The **free classical lens** is given by the product projection.



SPLIT OPFIBRATIONS

- A **split opfibration** is a functor with a **splitting**, i.e. a choice of lifts

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & a & \xrightarrow{\varphi(a,u)} a' \\
 f \downarrow & \vdots & \vdots \\
 B & fa & \xrightarrow{u} b
 \end{array}$$

such that the following axioms hold.

- $\varphi(a, 1_{fa}) = 1_a$
- $\varphi(a, v \circ u) = \varphi(a', v) \circ \varphi(a, u)$
- $\varphi(a, u)$ is **opcartesian**.

- The **free split opfibration** on a functor $f: A \rightarrow B$ is given by the comma category projection.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 fa & \xrightarrow{f(1_a)} & fa \\
 w \downarrow & & \downarrow u \circ w \\
 b & \xrightarrow{u} & b'
 \end{array}$$

$f/1_B$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \pi_B \downarrow & \\
 B & & \\
 & & \boxed{b \xrightarrow{u} b'}
 \end{array}$$

DELTA LENSES

- A **delta lens** is a functor equipped with a **lifting operation**

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & a & \xrightarrow{\varphi(a,u)} & a' & \\ f \downarrow & \vdots & & \vdots & \\ B & f_a & \xrightarrow{u} & b & \end{array}$$

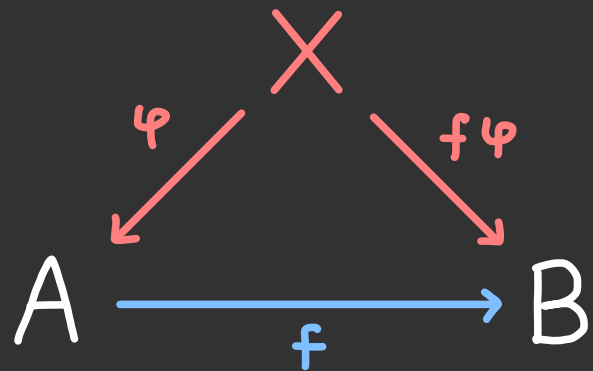
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- ~~3. $\varphi(a, u)$ is **opcartesian**.~~

- The **free delta lens** on a functor $f: A \rightarrow B$ is given by ... ???

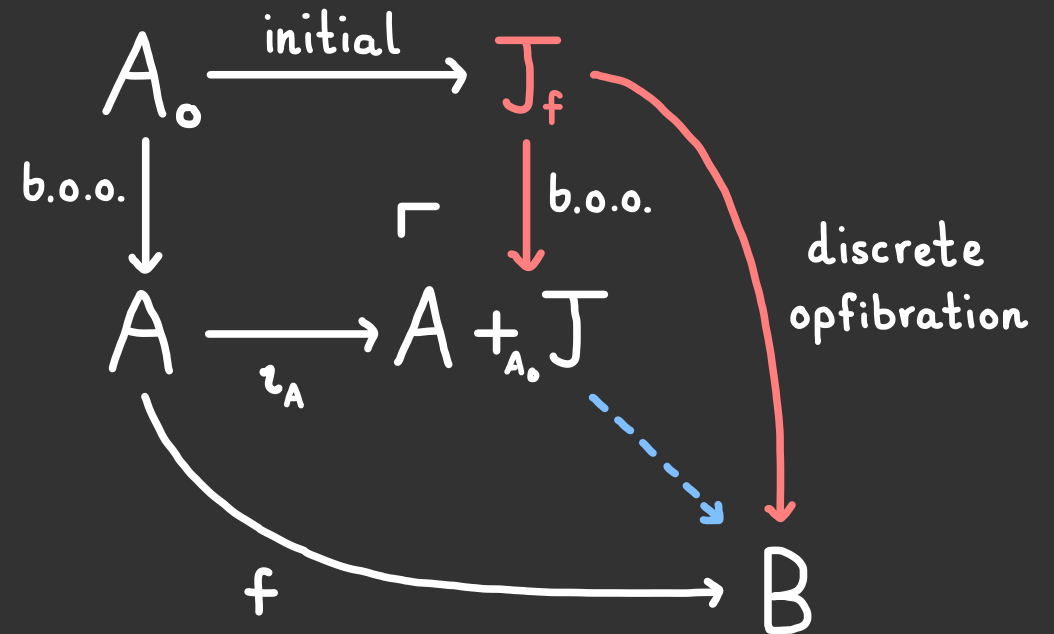
DELTA LENSES (2ND ATTEMPT)

- A **delta lens** is a compatible functor and **cofunctor**, i.e. a diagram



such that ψ is **bijective-on-objects** and $f\psi$ is a **discrete opfibration**.

- The **free delta lens** on a functor $f:A \rightarrow B$ is constructed using the comprehensive factorisation and pushouts along b.o.o. functors



LENSES SUMMARY

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- A "lens" has a forwards component and a backwards component.
- Several examples including:
 - split epimorphisms;
 - classical lenses;
 - split opfibrations;
 - delta lenses.
- Lenses are morphisms equipped with algebraic structure.

- Each kind of lens is an algebra of a monad R on $S_q(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{C}^2$ over the codomain functor $\text{cod}: S_q(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$.
- Each morphism factors through a ^{free} lens.

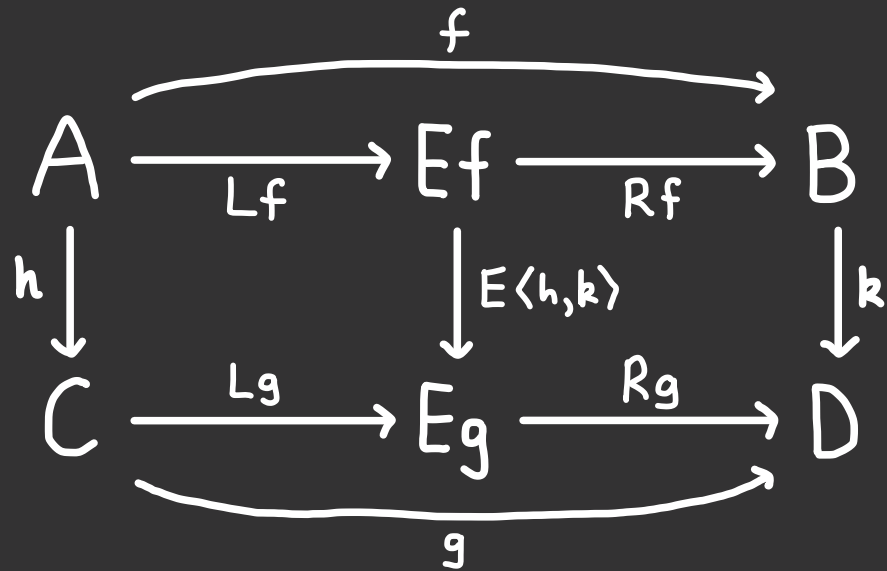
$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\eta_f} & \bullet \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow Rf \\ B & \xlongequal{\quad} & B \end{array}$$

- How do we compose lenses?

A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO AWFS

- An algebraic weak factorisation system on \mathcal{C} consists of:

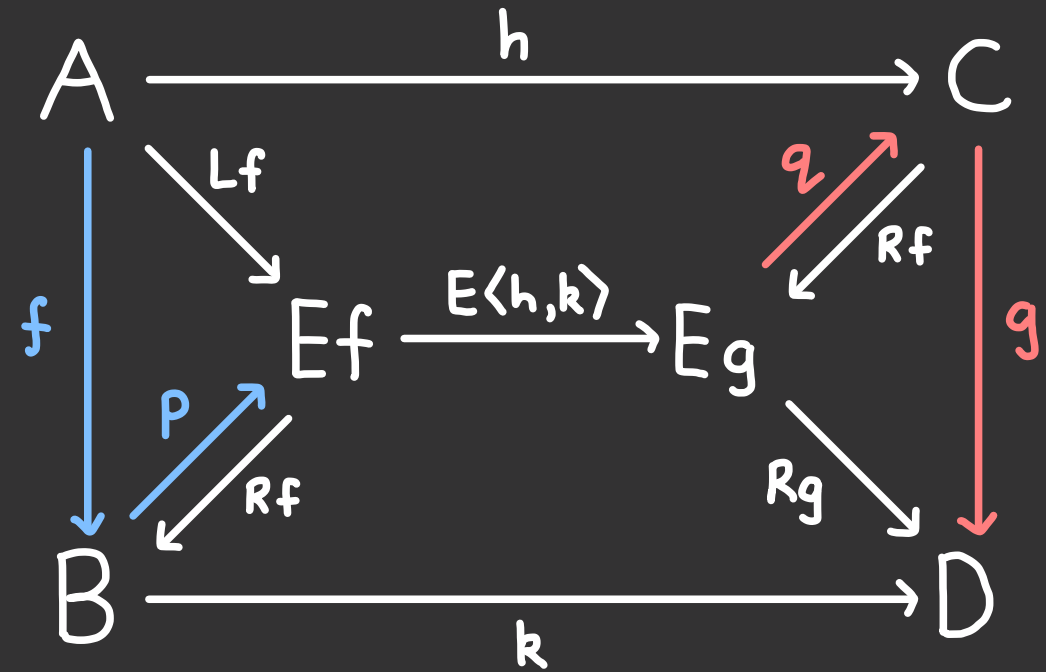
- A functorial factorisation (L, E, R) :



- Comonad (L, ϵ, Δ) & monad (R, η, μ)

- Distributive law $\delta: LR \Rightarrow RL$.

- Given an L-coalgebra (f, p) and an R-algebra (g, q) and a square

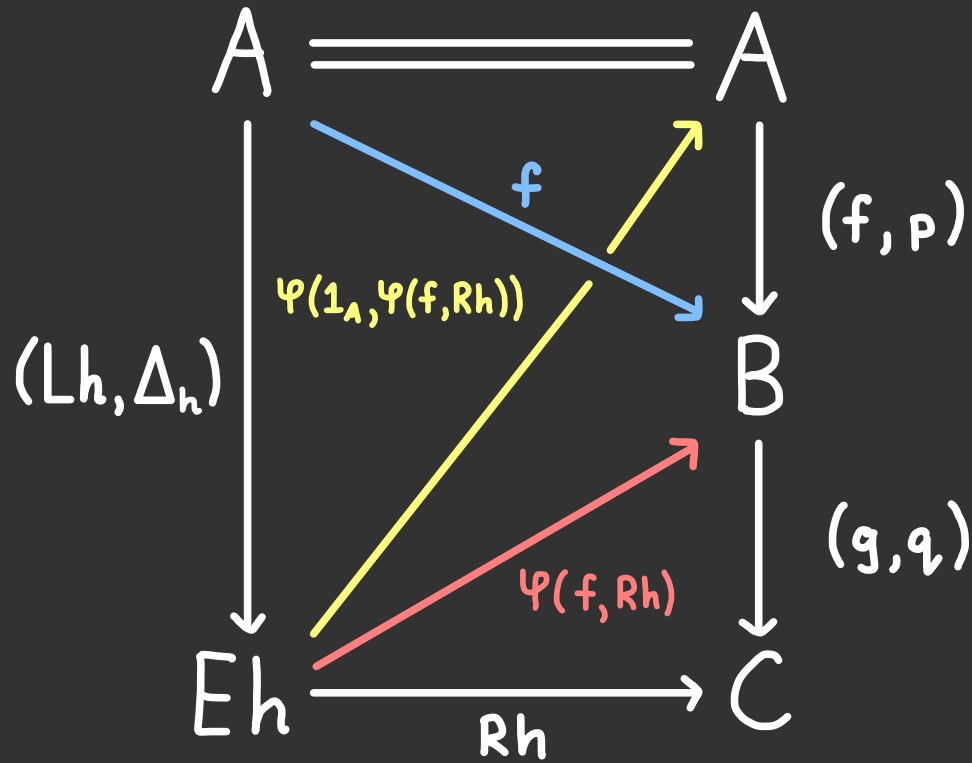


there is a canonical diagonal filler.

$$\Psi_{f,g}(h, k) = q \circ E\langle h, k \rangle \circ p : B \rightarrow C$$

COMPOSING R-ALGEBRAS VIA LIFTING

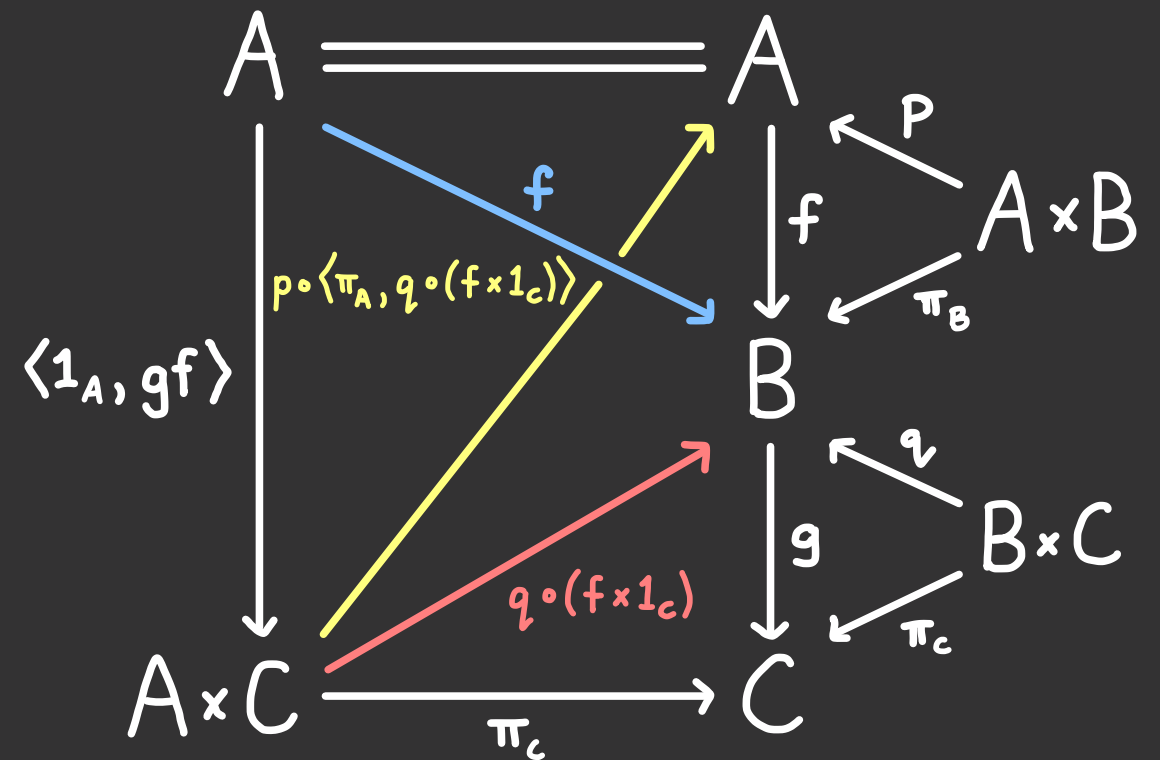
- We may compose R-algebras:



- The **composite** R-algebra on $h=gf$ is:

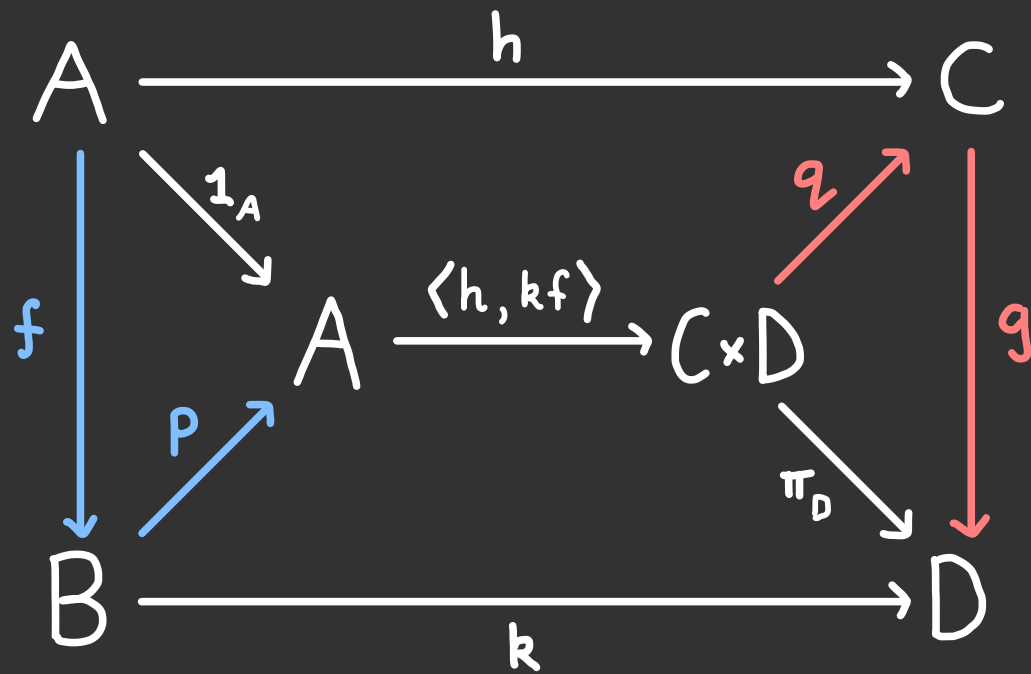
$$\Psi(1_A, \Psi(f, Rh)): Eh \longrightarrow A$$

- Example: composition of classical lenses as R-algebras.

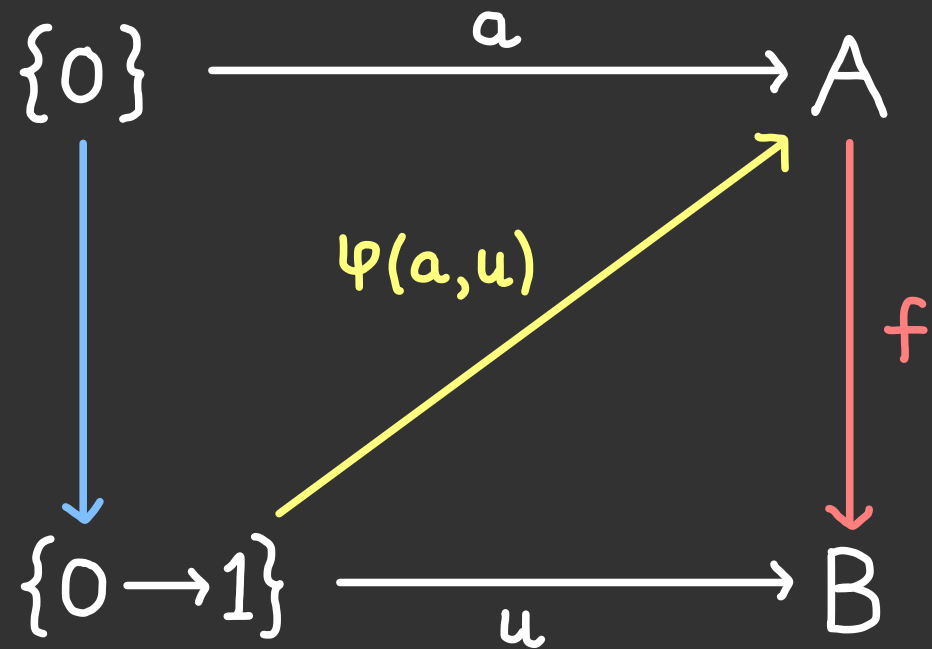


LENSES & LIFTING

- Classical lenses admit lifts against split monomorphisms:



- Split opfibrations admit lifts against LARI functors. For example:

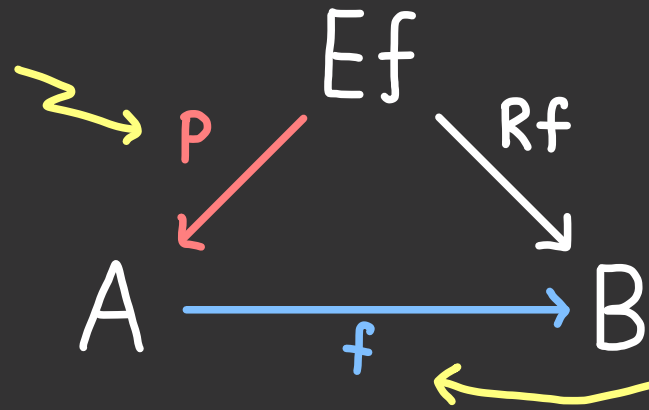


LENSES & AWFS

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backwards component =
algebra structure



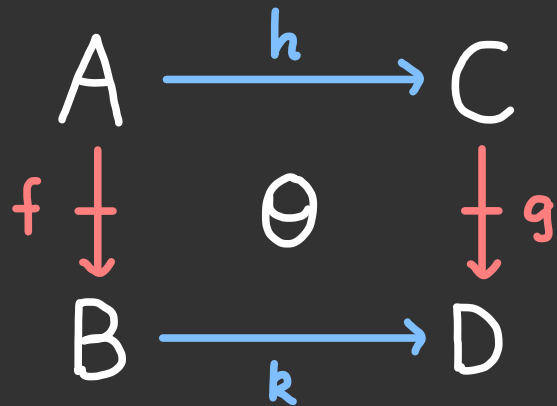
forwards component =
underlying morphism

- BIG IDEA: Lenses are R-algebras for an AWFS.
- We have morphisms of lenses, sequential composition of lenses, and chosen lifts against L-coalgebras.

DOUBLE CATEGORIES

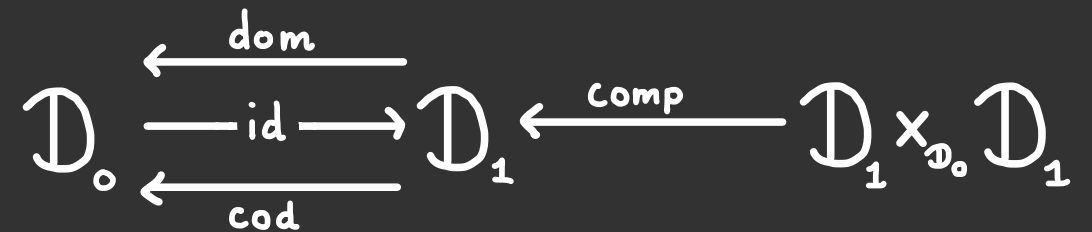
A **double category** \mathbb{D} consists of:

- objects A, B, C, \dots
- **horizontal** morphisms $\bullet \longrightarrow \bullet$
- **vertical** morphisms $\bullet \downarrow \bullet$
- cells

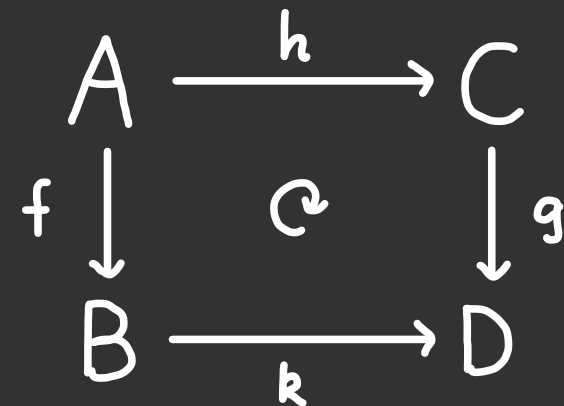


which compose horizontally & vertically.

- A **double category** is a category object in \mathcal{CAT} :



- For a category \mathcal{C} , there is a double category $\mathbb{S}q(\mathcal{C})$ with cells:



TWO IMPORTANT PROPERTIES

- ID is **right-connected** if $\text{cod} \dashv \text{id}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{h} & C & \xrightarrow{\bar{g}} & D \\
 f \downarrow & \Theta & g \downarrow & \rho_g & \downarrow 1_D \\
 B & \xrightarrow{k} & D & \xrightarrow{1_D} & D
 \end{array}$$

=

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}} & B & \xrightarrow{k} & D \\
 f \downarrow & \rho_f & \downarrow 1_B & 1_k & \downarrow 1_D \\
 B & \xrightarrow{1_B} & B & \xrightarrow{k} & D
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 ID & \xrightarrow{u} & Sq(\mathcal{D}_0) \\
 A \xrightarrow{h} C & & A \xrightarrow{h} C \\
 f \downarrow \quad \Theta \quad g \downarrow & \dashv & \bar{f} \downarrow \quad \Theta \quad \bar{g} \downarrow \\
 B \xrightarrow{k} D & & B \xrightarrow{k} D
 \end{array}$$

- A right-connected double cat.

ID is **monadic** if

$$\mathcal{D}_1 \xrightarrow{u_1} Sq(\mathcal{D}_0)$$

is strictly monadic.

AWFS & DOUBLE CATEGORIES

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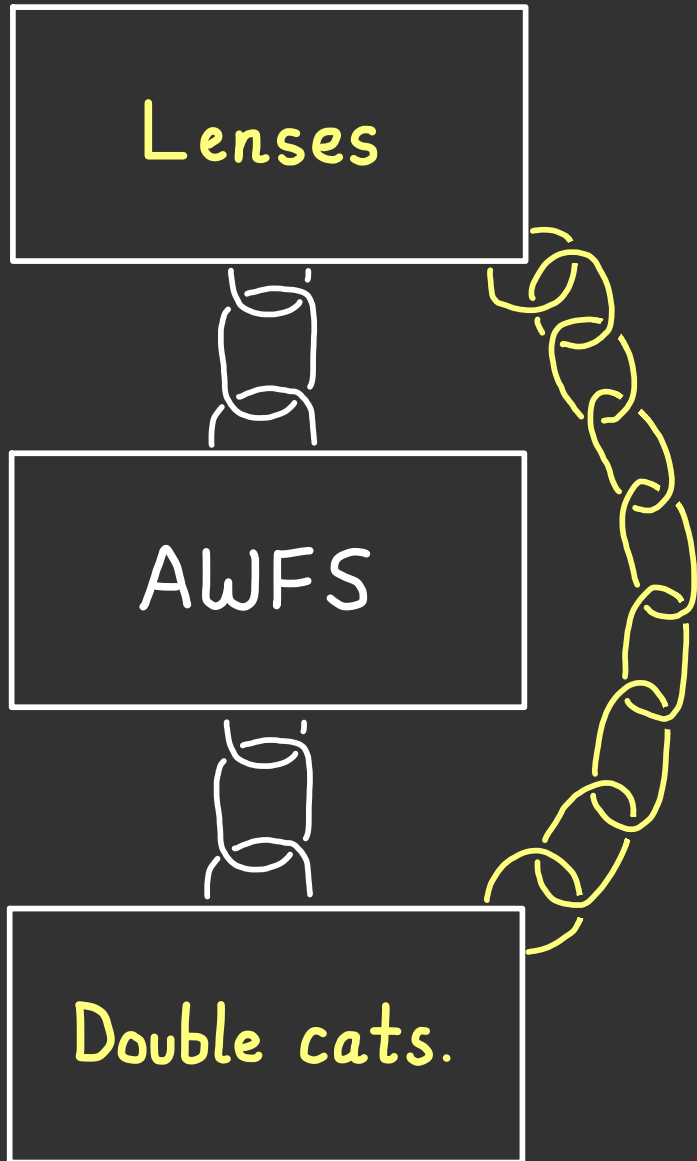
horizontal arrows =
all morphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{h} & C \\ (f,p) \downarrow & & \downarrow (g,q) \\ B & \xrightarrow{k} & D \end{array}$$

vertical arrows =
R-algebras

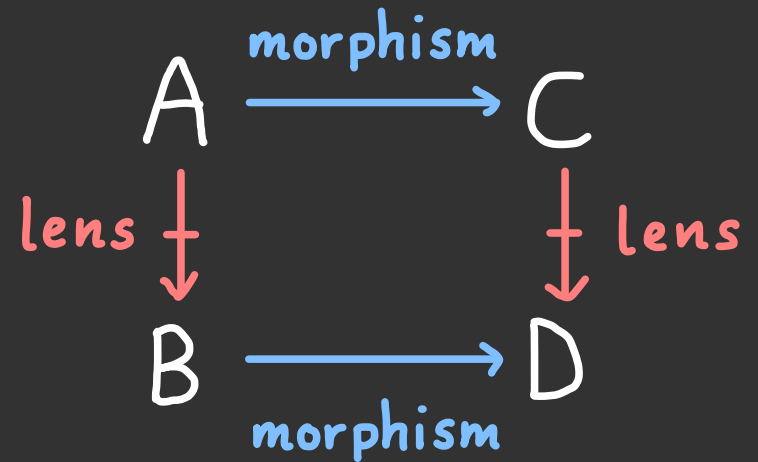
- BIG IDEA: Each AWFS yields a double category of algebras $R\text{-Alg}$.
- Each monadic right-connected double category yields an AWFS.

ANOTHER APPROACH TO LENSES?



Is there a direct link?

- For each kind of lens, there is a double category with cells:



- What if the backwards component was an independent morphism rather than algebraic structure?

THE RIGHT-CONNECTED COMPLETION

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The right-connected completion $\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{D})$ of a double category \mathbb{D} has:

- the same objects and horizontal morphisms as \mathbb{D} ;
- vertical morphisms $(f, \alpha, f'): A \twoheadrightarrow B$ given by cells in \mathbb{D} of the form:

"lens" \rightsquigarrow

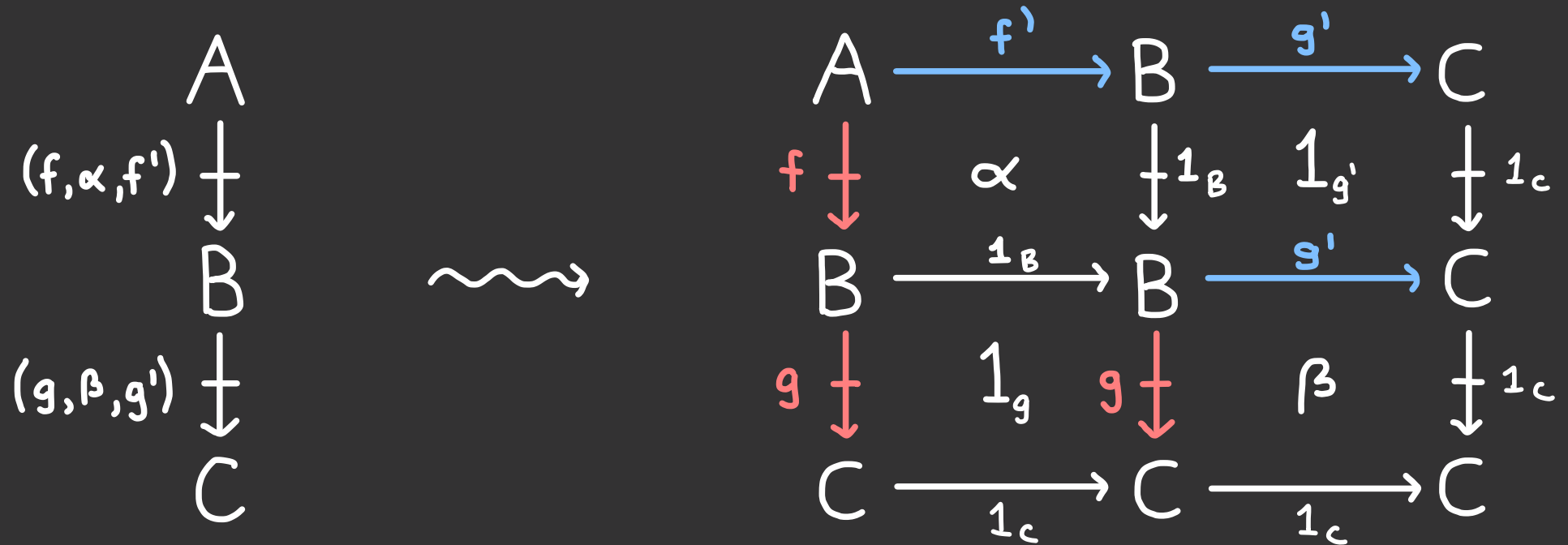
$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f'} & B \\ f \downarrow & \alpha & \downarrow 1_B \\ B & \xrightarrow{1_B} & B \end{array}$$

- cells given by cells Θ in \mathbb{D} satisfying the condition:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{h} & C & \xrightarrow{g'} & D \\ f \downarrow & \Theta & g \downarrow & \beta & \downarrow 1_D \\ B & \xrightarrow{k} & D & \xrightarrow{1_D} & D \end{array} = \begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{f'} & B & \xrightarrow{k} & D \\ f \downarrow & \alpha & \downarrow 1_B & 1_k & \downarrow 1_D \\ B & \xrightarrow{1_B} & B & \xrightarrow{k} & D \end{array}$$

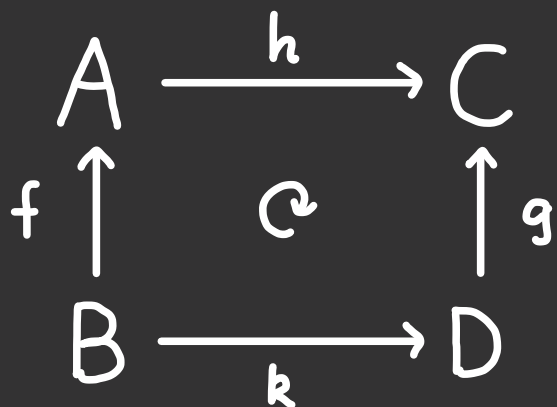
THE RIGHT-CONNECTED COMPLETION

- **Composition** of vertical morphisms in $\mathbb{1}\Gamma(\mathbb{1}\mathbb{D})$ is defined using the composition of cells in $\mathbb{1}\mathbb{D}$:

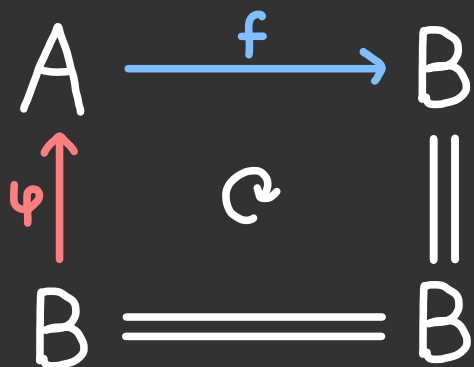


EXAMPLES

- Let $\mathcal{S}_q(\mathcal{C})^\vee$ be the vertical opposite of the double category of squares.

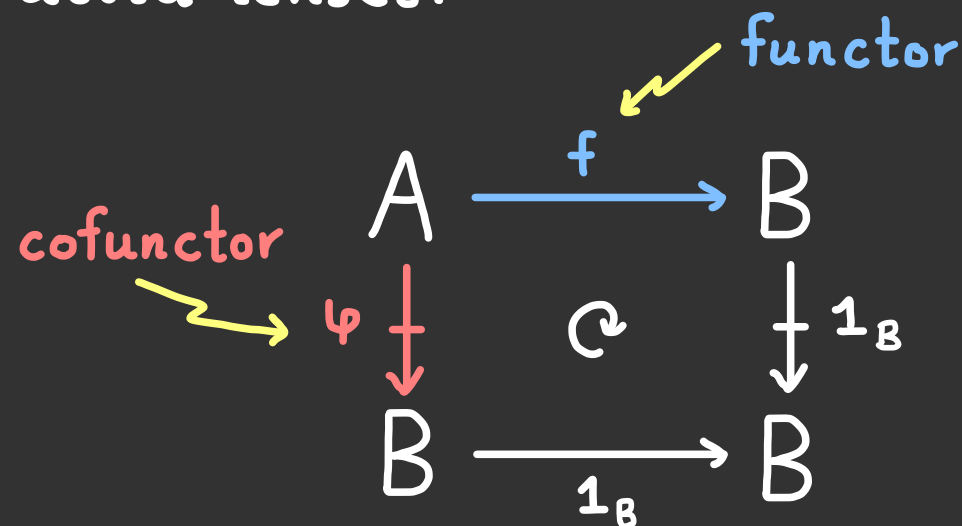


Then $\Gamma(\mathcal{S}_q(\mathcal{C})^\vee)$ is $\mathcal{S}_p\text{Epi}(\mathcal{C})$.



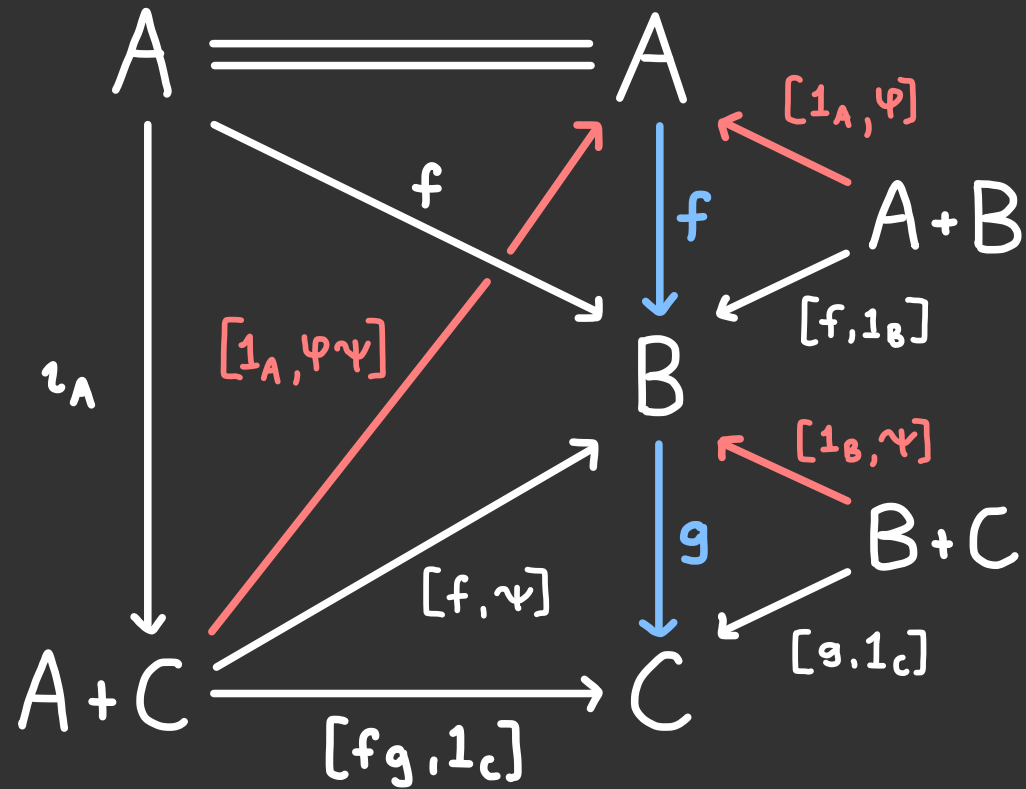
- Let \mathcal{Cof} be the double category of categories, functors, cofunctors, and compatible squares.

Vertical morphisms in $\Gamma(\mathcal{Cof})$ are delta lenses.

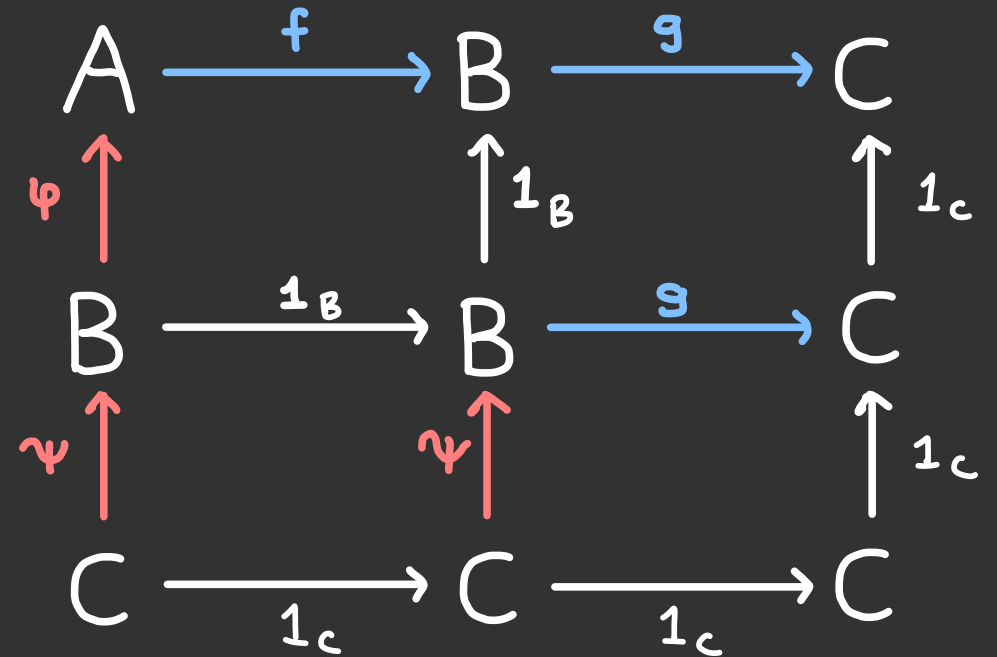


COMPARING COMPOSITION

- Split epimorphisms as R-algebras for an AWFS:



- Split epimorphisms as vertical morphisms in $\Gamma(\mathcal{S}_q(C)^V)$:



COMONADICITY

- There is a double functor

$$\Gamma(\mathbb{ID}) \xrightarrow{V} \mathbb{ID}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \xrightarrow{h} C & & A \xrightarrow{h} C \\
 \downarrow (f, \alpha, f') \quad \Theta \quad \downarrow (g, \beta, g') & \longmapsto & f \downarrow \quad \Theta \quad \downarrow g \\
 B \xrightarrow{k} D & & B \xrightarrow{k} D
 \end{array}$$

with underlying functor:

$$\Gamma(\mathbb{ID})_1 \xrightarrow{V_1} \mathbb{D}_1$$

When is it **comonadic**?

- V_1 is **comonadic** \iff each fibre $\text{cod}^{-1}\{B\}$ admits products with the vertical identity $1_B \cdot B \dashrightarrow B$.

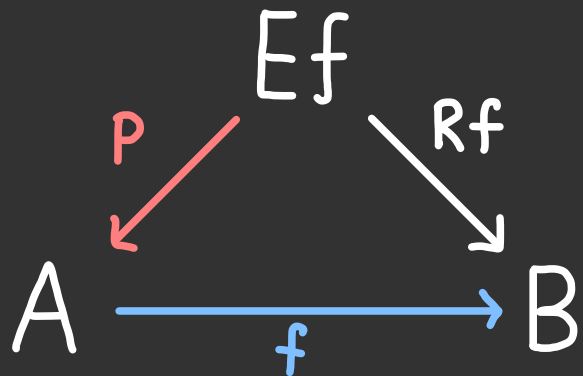
- The functor $V_1: \text{SpEpi}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \text{Sq}(\mathcal{C})^v$ is comonadic if \mathcal{C} has products.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & & A \times B \\
 f \uparrow & \rightsquigarrow & \langle f, 1_B \rangle \uparrow \downarrow \pi_B \\
 B & & B
 \end{array}$$

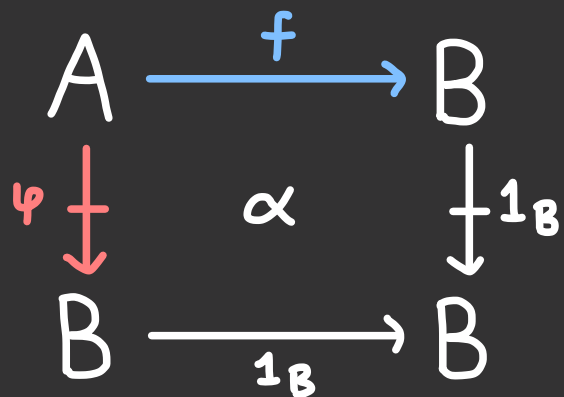
WHEN DO THESE APPROACHES AGREE?

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INFORMALLY



morphisms
equipped with
algebraic structure



horizontal
morphisms
equipped with
vertical morphisms
(coalgebraically)

FORMALLY

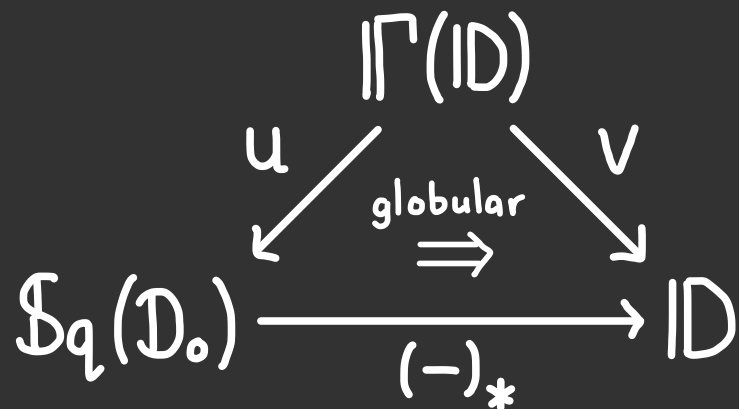
$$\Gamma(\text{ID})_1 \xrightarrow{\text{monadic?}} \text{Sq}(\mathcal{D}_0)$$

- What conditions to ask of ID ?
- SUFFICIENT (for left adjoint):
 - $\text{dom}: \mathcal{D}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$ has a lari.
 - $\text{cod}: \mathcal{D}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$ is an opfibration
- Examples include split epimorphisms and delta lenses. Are there others?

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

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- Are all lenses satisfying "laws" the right class of an AWFS?
- What are further interesting examples of $\mathbb{I}\Gamma(\text{ID})$?
- Interaction with companions in ID:



- How can we expand this picture to include other double categories of "lawless" lenses and optics?

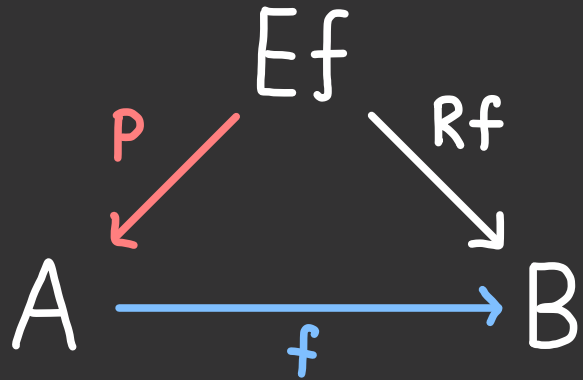
$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^- & \xleftarrow{f^\#} & A^+ \times B^- \\ & & \\ A^+ & \xrightarrow{f} & B^+ \end{array}$$

- For which \mathbb{C} does a monadic right-connected ID embed fully faithfully into $\mathbb{I}\Gamma(\mathbb{C})$? e.g. $\text{\$pOpf} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{I}\Gamma(\text{Cof})$.

SUMMARY OF THE TALK

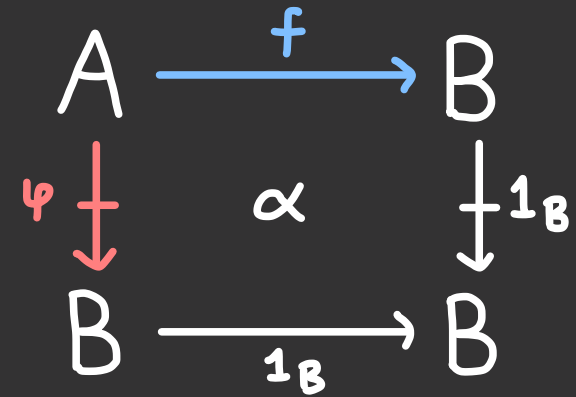
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INDIRECT APPROACH



- **Lenses** are morphisms equipped with an **R -algebra structure** from an **AWFS**.
- **PROS**: Nice properties, captures lifting.

DIRECT APPROACH



- **Lenses** are **horizontal morphisms** equipped with a **vertical morphism** via a cell in a **double category**.
- **PROS**: Easy composition, very general.

VIRTUAL DOUBLE CATEGORIES WORKSHOP

28 November to 2 December 2022

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