# The Composition of Functors and Transformations in Alternative Categories

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The articles [10], [5], [16], [2], [4], [3], [1], [9], [11], [12], [6], [13], [14], [7], [15], and [8] provide the notation and terminology for this paper.

### 1. Preliminaries

One can check that there exists a non empty category structure which is transitive, associative, and strict and has units.

Let *A* be a non empty transitive category structure and let *B* be a non empty category structure with units. Observe that there exists a functor structure from *A* to *B* which is strict, comp-preserving, comp-reversing, precovariant, precontravariant, and feasible.

Let *A* be a transitive non empty category structure with units and let *B* be a non empty category structure with units. One can check that there exists a functor structure from *A* to *B* which is strict, comp-preserving, comp-reversing, precovariant, precontravariant, feasible, and id-preserving.

Let *A* be a transitive non empty category structure with units and let *B* be a non empty category structure with units. Note that there exists a functor from *A* to *B* which is strict, feasible, covariant, and contravariant.

We now state several propositions:

- (1) Let C be a category,  $o_1$ ,  $o_2$ ,  $o_3$ ,  $o_4$  be objects of C, a be a morphism from  $o_1$  to  $o_2$ , b be a morphism from  $o_2$  to  $o_3$ , c be a morphism from  $o_1$  to  $o_4$ , and d be a morphism from  $o_4$  to  $o_3$ . Suppose  $b \cdot a = d \cdot c$  and  $a \cdot a^{-1} = \mathrm{id}_{(o_2)}$  and  $d^{-1} \cdot d = \mathrm{id}_{(o_4)}$  and  $\langle o_1, o_2 \rangle \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle o_2, o_1 \rangle \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle o_3, o_4 \rangle \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle o_4, o_3 \rangle \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $c \cdot a^{-1} = d^{-1} \cdot b$ .
- (2) Let A be a non empty transitive category structure, B, C be non empty category structures with units, F be a feasible precovariant functor structure from A to B, G be a functor structure from B to C, and o,  $o_1$  be objects of A. Then Morph-Map $_{G}(F(o),F(o_1))$  · Morph-Map $_{F}(o,o_1)$ .
- (3) Let A be a non empty transitive category structure, B, C be non empty category structures with units, F be a feasible precontravariant functor structure from A to B, G be a functor structure from B to C, and o,  $o_1$  be objects of A. Then Morph-Map $_{G}F(o,o_1) = \text{Morph-Map}_{G}(F(o_1),F(o)) \cdot \text{Morph-Map}_{F}(o,o_1)$ .

- (4) Let A be a non empty transitive category structure, B be a non empty category structure with units, and F be a feasible functor structure from A to B. Then  $id_B \cdot F = the$  functor structure of F.
- (5) Let A be a transitive non empty category structure with units, B be a non empty category structure with units, and F be a feasible functor structure from A to B. Then  $F \cdot id_A = the$  functor structure of F.

For simplicity, we adopt the following convention: A denotes a non empty category structure, B, C denote non empty reflexive category structures, F denotes a feasible precovariant functor structure from A to B, G denotes a feasible precovariant functor structure from G to G, G denotes a feasible precontravariant functor structure from G to G, G denotes a feasible precontravariant functor structure from G to G, G denote objects of G, and G denotes a morphism from G to G.

We now state four propositions:

- (6) If  $\langle o_1, o_2 \rangle \neq \emptyset$ , then  $(G \cdot F)(m) = G(F(m))$ .
- (7) If  $\langle o_1, o_2 \rangle \neq \emptyset$ , then  $(N \cdot M)(m) = N(M(m))$ .
- (8) If  $\langle o_1, o_2 \rangle \neq \emptyset$ , then  $(N \cdot F)(m) = N(F(m))$ .
- (9) If  $\langle o_1, o_2 \rangle \neq \emptyset$ , then  $(G \cdot M)(m) = G(M(m))$ .

Let A be a non empty transitive category structure, let B be a transitive non empty category structure with units, let C be a non empty category structure with units, let F be a feasible precovariant comp-preserving functor structure from A to B, and let G be a feasible precovariant comp-preserving functor structure from B to C. One can verify that  $G \cdot F$  is comp-preserving.

Let A be a non empty transitive category structure, let B be a transitive non empty category structure with units, let C be a non empty category structure with units, let C be a feasible precontravariant comp-reversing functor structure from C to C, and let C be a feasible precontravariant comp-reversing functor structure from C to C. Note that  $C \cdot C$  is comp-preserving.

Let A be a non empty transitive category structure, let B be a transitive non empty category structure with units, let C be a non empty category structure with units, let E be a feasible precovariant comp-preserving functor structure from E to E0. Observe that E1 is comp-reversing.

Let A be a non empty transitive category structure, let B be a transitive non empty category structure with units, let C be a non empty category structure with units, let F be a feasible precontravariant comp-reversing functor structure from A to B, and let G be a feasible precovariant comp-preserving functor structure from B to C. One can check that  $G \cdot F$  is comp-reversing.

Let A, B be transitive non empty category structures with units, let C be a non empty category structure with units, let F be a covariant functor from A to B, and let G be a covariant functor from B to C. Then  $G \cdot F$  is a strict covariant functor from A to C.

Let A, B be transitive non empty category structures with units, let C be a non empty category structure with units, let F be a contravariant functor from A to B, and let G be a contravariant functor from B to C. Then  $G \cdot F$  is a strict covariant functor from A to C.

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For simplicity, we adopt the following convention: A, B, C, D are transitive non empty category structures with units,  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ ,  $F_3$  are covariant functors from A to B,  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ ,  $G_3$  are covariant functors from B to C,  $H_1$ ,  $H_2$  are covariant functors from C to D, p is a transformation from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$ ,  $p_1$  is a transformation from  $F_2$  to  $F_3$ , q is a transformation from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$ ,  $G_3$  and  $G_4$  is a transformation from  $G_4$  to  $G_5$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$ , and  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  to  $G_7$  is a transformation from  $G_7$  is a trans

We now state the proposition

(10) If  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$  and  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$ , then  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  is transformable to  $G_2 \cdot F_2$ .

### 2. THE COMPOSITION OF FUNCTORS WITH TRANSFORMATIONS

Let A, B, C be transitive non empty category structures with units, let  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  be covariant functors from A to B, let t be a transformation from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$ , and let G be a covariant functor from B to C. Let us assume that  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$ . The functor  $G \cdot t$  yielding a transformation from  $G \cdot F_1$  to  $G \cdot F_2$  is defined by:

(Def. 1) For every object o of A holds  $(G \cdot t)(o) = G(t[o])$ .

We now state the proposition

- (11) For every object o of A such that  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$  holds  $(G_1 \cdot p)[o] = G_1(p[o])$ .
- Let A, B, C be transitive non empty category structures with units, let  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$  be covariant functors from B to C, let F be a covariant functor from A to B, and let S be a transformation from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$ . Let us assume that  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$ . The functor  $S \cdot F$  yields a transformation from  $G_1 \cdot F$  to  $G_2 \cdot F$  and is defined by:
- (Def. 2) For every object o of A holds  $(s \cdot F)(o) = s[F(o)]$ .

We now state a number of propositions:

- (12) For every object o of A such that  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$  holds  $(q \cdot F_1)[o] = q[F_1(o)]$ .
- (13) If  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$  and  $F_2$  is transformable to  $F_3$ , then  $G_1 \cdot (p_1 \circ p) = G_1 \cdot p_1 \circ G_1 \cdot p$ .
- (14) If  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$  and  $G_2$  is transformable to  $G_3$ , then  $(q_1 \circ q) \cdot F_1 = q_1 \cdot F_1 \circ q \cdot F_1$ .
- (15) If  $H_1$  is transformable to  $H_2$ , then  $(r \cdot G_1) \cdot F_1 = r \cdot (G_1 \cdot F_1)$ .
- (16) If  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$ , then  $(H_1 \cdot q) \cdot F_1 = H_1 \cdot (q \cdot F_1)$ .
- (17) If  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$ , then  $(H_1 \cdot G_1) \cdot p = H_1 \cdot (G_1 \cdot p)$ .
- (18)  $id_{(G_1)} \cdot F_1 = id_{G_1 \cdot F_1}$ .
- (19)  $G_1 \cdot id_{(F_1)} = id_{G_1 \cdot F_1}$ .
- (20) If  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$ , then  $id_B \cdot p = p$ .
- (21) If  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$ , then  $q \cdot id_B = q$ .

# 3. THE COMPOSITION OF TRANSFORMATIONS

Let A, B, C be transitive non empty category structures with units, let  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  be covariant functors from A to B, let  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$  be covariant functors from B to C, let t be a transformation from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$ , and let s be a transformation from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$ . The functor s t yields a transformation from  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  to  $G_2 \cdot F_2$  and is defined by:

(Def. 3) 
$$st = s \cdot F_2 \circ G_1 \cdot t$$
.

Next we state several propositions:

- (22) Let q be a natural transformation from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$ . Suppose  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$  and  $G_1$  is naturally transformable to  $G_2$ . Then  $q p = G_2 \cdot p \circ q \cdot F_1$ .
- (23) If  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$ , then  $id_{id_B} p = p$ .
- (24) If  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$ , then q id<sub>id<sub>B</sub></sub> = q.
- (25) If  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$ , then  $G_1 \cdot p = id_{(G_1)} p$ .
- (26) If  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$ , then  $q \cdot F_1 = q \operatorname{id}_{(F_1)}$ .

We adopt the following convention: A, B, C, D are categories,  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ ,  $F_3$  are covariant functors from A to B, and  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ ,  $G_3$  are covariant functors from B to C.

Next we state the proposition

(27) Let  $H_1$ ,  $H_2$  be covariant functors from C to D, t be a transformation from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$ , s be a transformation from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$ , and u be a transformation from  $H_1$  to  $H_2$ . Suppose  $F_1$  is transformable to  $F_2$  and  $G_1$  is transformable to  $G_2$  and  $G_3$  is transformable to  $G_3$  and  $G_4$  is transformable to  $G_4$ .

In the sequel t denotes a natural transformation from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$ , s denotes a natural transformation from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$ , and  $S_1$  denotes a natural transformation from  $G_2$  to  $G_3$ .

We now state four propositions:

- (28) If  $F_1$  is naturally transformable to  $F_2$ , then  $G_1 \cdot t$  is a natural transformation from  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  to  $G_1 \cdot F_2$ .
- (29) If  $G_1$  is naturally transformable to  $G_2$ , then  $s \cdot F_1$  is a natural transformation from  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  to  $G_2 \cdot F_1$ .
- (30) Suppose  $F_1$  is naturally transformable to  $F_2$  and  $G_1$  is naturally transformable to  $G_2$ . Then  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  is naturally transformable to  $G_2 \cdot F_2$  and st is a natural transformation from  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  to  $G_2 \cdot F_2$ .
- (31) Let t be a transformation from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$  and  $t_1$  be a transformation from  $F_2$  to  $F_3$ . Suppose that
  - (i)  $F_1$  is naturally transformable to  $F_2$ ,
- (ii)  $F_2$  is naturally transformable to  $F_3$ ,
- (iii)  $G_1$  is naturally transformable to  $G_2$ , and
- (iv)  $G_2$  is naturally transformable to  $G_3$ .

Then  $(s_1 \circ s) (t_1 \circ t) = s_1 t_1 \circ s t$ .

# 4. NATURAL EQUIVALENCES

We now state the proposition

- (32) Suppose  $F_1$  is naturally transformable to  $F_2$  and  $F_2$  is transformable to  $F_1$  and for every object a of A holds t[a] is iso. Then
  - (i)  $F_2$  is naturally transformable to  $F_1$ , and
- (ii) there exists a natural transformation f from  $F_2$  to  $F_1$  such that for every object a of A holds  $f(a) = t[a]^{-1}$  and f[a] is iso.

Let A, B be categories and let  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  be covariant functors from A to B. We say that  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent if and only if the conditions (Def. 4) are satisfied.

- (Def. 4)(i)  $F_1$  is naturally transformable to  $F_2$ ,
  - (ii)  $F_2$  is transformable to  $F_1$ , and
  - (iii) there exists a natural transformation t from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$  such that for every object a of A holds t[a] is iso.

Let us notice that the predicate  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent is reflexive and symmetric.

Let A, B be categories and let  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  be covariant functors from A to B. Let us assume that  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent. A natural transformation from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$  is said to be a natural equivalence of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  if:

(Def. 5) For every object a of A holds it [a] is iso.

In the sequel e is a natural equivalence of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ ,  $e_1$  is a natural equivalence of  $F_2$  and  $F_3$ , and f is a natural equivalence of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ .

Next we state several propositions:

- (33) Suppose  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent and  $F_2$  and  $F_3$  are naturally equivalent. Then  $F_1$  and  $F_3$  are naturally equivalent.
- (34) Suppose  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent and  $F_2$  and  $F_3$  are naturally equivalent. Then  $e_1 \circ e$  is a natural equivalence of  $F_1$  and  $F_3$ .
- (35) Suppose  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent. Then  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  and  $G_1 \cdot F_2$  are naturally equivalent and  $G_1 \cdot e$  is a natural equivalence of  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  and  $G_1 \cdot F_2$ .
- (36) Suppose  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are naturally equivalent. Then  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  and  $G_2 \cdot F_1$  are naturally equivalent and  $f \cdot F_1$  is a natural equivalence of  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  and  $G_2 \cdot F_1$ .
- (37) Suppose  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent and  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are naturally equivalent. Then  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  and  $G_2 \cdot F_2$  are naturally equivalent and f e is a natural equivalence of  $G_1 \cdot F_1$  and  $G_2 \cdot F_2$ .
- Let A, B be categories, let  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  be covariant functors from A to B, and let e be a natural equivalence of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . Let us assume that  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent. The functor  $e^{-1}$  yields a natural equivalence of  $F_2$  and  $F_1$  and is defined as follows:
- (Def. 6) For every object a of A holds  $e^{-1}(a) = e[a]^{-1}$ .

The following three propositions are true:

- (38) For every object o of A such that  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent holds  $e^{-1}[o] = e[o]^{-1}$ .
- (39) If  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent, then  $e \circ e^{-1} = \mathrm{id}_{(F_2)}$ .
- (40) If  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent, then  $e^{-1} \circ e = \mathrm{id}_{(F_1)}$ .

Let A, B be categories and let F be a covariant functor from A to B. Then  $\mathrm{id}_F$  is a natural equivalence of F and F.

The following propositions are true:

- (41) If  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent, then  $(e^{-1})^{-1} = e$ .
- (42) Let k be a natural equivalence of  $F_1$  and  $F_3$ . Suppose  $k = e_1 \circ e$  and  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are naturally equivalent and  $F_2$  and  $F_3$  are naturally equivalent. Then  $k^{-1} = e^{-1} \circ e_1^{-1}$ .
- (43)  $(id_{(F_1)})^{-1} = id_{(F_1)}$ .

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