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Zeng on model categories

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Two approaches to the homotopy category $Ho M$ of a model category M .

1. Def Let \mathcal{C} be a category with a subcat \mathcal{W} weak equivalences with the 2 of 3 property. We can form the homotopy "category" $Ho \mathcal{C}$ by inverting all maps in \mathcal{W} . There is a potential set theoretic problem in that there may be a proper class of morphisms between 2 objects. We will see that this does not happen when \mathcal{C} is a model category. There is a functor $\gamma: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow Ho(\mathcal{C})$ which is the identity on objects.

Lemma (Universal property of $Ho \mathcal{C}$)

- (i) If $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ sending weak equivs to isos then $\exists!$ functor $\tilde{F}: Ho(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ with $\tilde{F}\gamma = F$.
- (ii) The above gives an iso of categories between $Fun(Ho \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ and the subcat of $Fun(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ of functors sending weak equivs to isos.

Prop Let \mathcal{C} be a model category. Let \mathcal{C}_c , \mathcal{C}_f and \mathcal{C}_{cf} be the full subcats of cofibrant, fibrant and cofibrant fibrant objects. Then

$$\text{Ho } C_{cf} \xrightarrow{\leftarrow R} \text{Ho } C_c \xrightarrow{\leftarrow Q} \text{Ho } C$$

and

$$\text{Ho } C_{cf} \xrightarrow{\leftarrow Q} \text{Ho } C_f \xrightarrow{\leftarrow R} \text{Ho } C$$

are equivalences of categories with inverse functors being replacement functors in red. Note the fibrant replacement of a cofibrant object is also cofibrant (proof omitted).

Approach 2. Homotopy as an equivalence relation.

Def Let C be a model category with maps $f, g: B \rightarrow X$

(1) A cylinder object is a factorization of the map $B \amalg B \xrightarrow{\text{fold}} B$ (e.g. the one given by MK5)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B \amalg B & \xrightarrow{\text{fold}} & B \\ \text{copib} \searrow & & \nearrow \text{trivial fib} \\ & B' & \end{array}$$

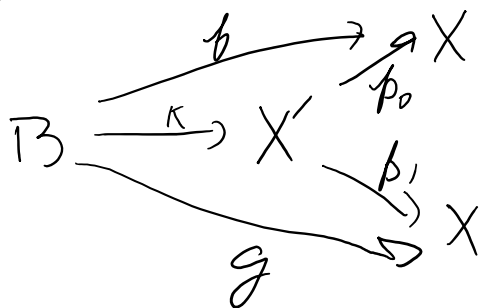
(2) The path object is a factorization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & X \times X \\ \text{trivial} \searrow & & \nearrow \text{fib} \\ \text{copib} & X' & \end{array}$$

(3) A left homotopy from f to g ($f \stackrel{L}{\sim} g$) is a map $H: B' \rightarrow X$ s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\ i_0 \downarrow & & \nearrow \\ B' & \xrightarrow{H} & X \\ i_1 \uparrow & & \searrow \\ B & \xrightarrow{g} & X \end{array}$$

④ A right homotopy from f to g ($f \rightsquigarrow g$) is
 a map $B \xrightarrow{\kappa} X'$ such that



⑤ f is homotopic to g ($f \sim g$) if $f \stackrel{L}{\sim} g$ and $f \stackrel{R}{\sim} g$.

⑥ f is a homotopy equivalence if $\exists h: X \rightarrow B$
 and $h \circ f \sim 1_B$

Thm Assume B is cofibrant and $f, g: B \rightarrow X$
 Then $f \stackrel{R}{\sim} g$ iff $f \stackrel{L}{\sim} g$, homotopy is
 an equivalence relation, and
 left/right hty can be realized by any
 cylinder/path object. In C_{cf} the
 homotopy relation is compatible with
 composition, so we define C_{cf} / \sim and
 a functor $\delta: C_{cf} \rightarrow C_{cf} / \sim$ which is
 the identity on objects.

Thm A map in C_{cf} is a weak equivalence
 iff it is a homotopy equivalence.

Cor Let $\gamma: C_{cf} \rightarrow \text{Ho}(C_{cf})$ and $\delta: C_{cf} \rightarrow C_{cf} / \sim$

Ex 4 Let $\gamma: \mathcal{C}_{cf} \rightarrow \text{Ho}(\mathcal{C}_{cf})$ and $\delta: \mathcal{C}_{cf} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{cf}^{\text{tr}}$
be as above. Then $\exists!$ equiv of categories $\mathcal{J}: \mathcal{C}_{cf} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ho}(\mathcal{C}_{cf})$

such that $j \circ \gamma = S$ and S is the identity on objects.

It follows that $\text{Ho } \mathcal{C}$ is locally small.

Thm (Fundamental Thm of model categories)

Let \mathcal{C} be a model cat, $\gamma: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Ho } \mathcal{C}$, Q be cofibrant replacement, R be fibrant replacement.

(i) $\mathcal{C}_{\text{cf}} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ gives equivalences
 $\mathcal{C}_{\text{cf}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ho } \mathcal{C}_{\text{cf}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ho } \mathcal{C}$

(ii) There are natural isomorphisms
 $\mathcal{C}(QRX, QRY) / \sim \cong \text{Ho } \mathcal{C}(\gamma X, \gamma Y)$
 $\cong \mathcal{C}(RQX, RQY)$

(iii) $\gamma: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Ho } \mathcal{C}$ identifies both left+right homotopies

(iv) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be in \mathcal{C} . $\gamma(f)$ is an iso iff f is a weak equivalence.

Proof of (iv) $\gamma(f)$ iso $\Rightarrow QR(f)$ is weak equiv

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Let \mathcal{M} be a cofibrantly generated model category with generating cofibrations I and generating trivial cofibrations J .

Let J be a small category. Then

M^J is the category of functors $J \rightarrow M$, i.e. J -shaped diagrams in M .

There are 2 ways to make M^J a model category:

Def. A map $F: X \rightarrow Y$ in M^J is a strict weak equivalence if for each object j in J , the map $F_j: X_j \rightarrow Y_j$ in M is a weak equivalence.

Def. In the projective model category structure on M^J , weak equivalences and fibrations are strict weak equivalences and strict fibrations. A map in M^J is a cofibration if it has the left lifting property with respect to all trivial fibrations.

In the injective MC on M^J ,

cofibrations and weak equivalences
are strict and fibrations

are defined in terms of lifting properties.

Thm These are both MC structures on \mathcal{M}^J and they are Quillen equivalent.

Recall that the category of G -spectra $\mathcal{S}p_G$ is the category of functors from the small category \mathcal{J}_G to \mathcal{T}_G , the category of pointed G -spaces. i.e. $\mathcal{S}p_G = \mathcal{T}_G^{\mathcal{J}_G}$. We have a CGMC structure in \mathcal{T}_G defined as follows

i) Weak equivalences are equivariant maps $X \rightarrow Y$ that induce weak equivalences (of ordinary pointed spaces) $X^H \rightarrow Y^H$ for each $H \leq G$. There is a theorem of Bredon that says a map

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ of G -CW complexes

is an equivariant homotopy equivalence iff b^H is a weak equiv for each $H \leq G$.

ii) The set \mathcal{J} of generating cofibrations is

$$\{G_H \xrightarrow{\lambda_H} (S_+^{n-1} \rightarrow D_+^n) : n \geq 0, H \leq G\}$$

iii) The set \mathcal{I} of generated trivial cofibrations is

$$\{G_H \xrightarrow{\lambda_H} (I_+^n \rightarrow I_+^{n+1}) : n \geq 0, H \leq G\}$$

Hence we get a projective MC structure on Sp^G , the category of G -spectra and equivariant maps. This is NOT the one we want. We want our weak equivalences to induce isos of stable homotopy groups, not of $\pi_* X_V$ for each V .