

$\text{Hom} \rightsquigarrow \underline{\text{Homomorphism}}$

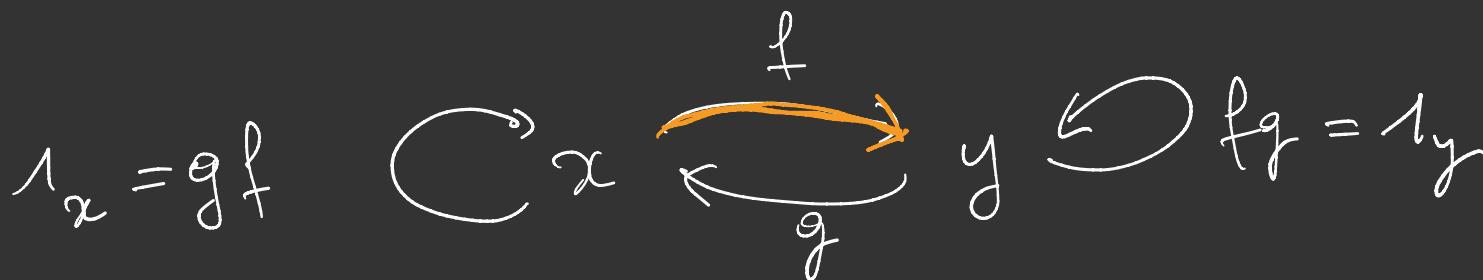
$\text{End} \rightsquigarrow \text{Endomorphism}$ .

## isomorphisms in a category $\mathcal{C}$

$f: x \rightarrow y$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  is an isomorphism if

there exists  $\underline{g}: y \rightarrow x$  such that

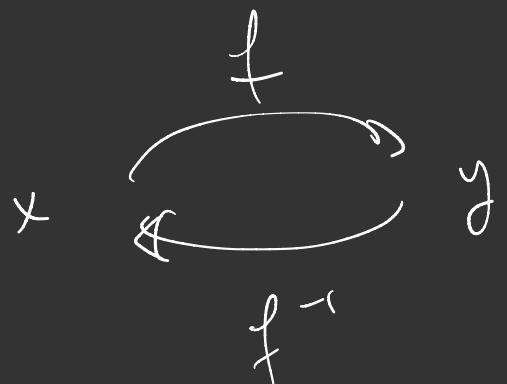
$$gf = 1_x \quad fg = 1_y$$



$$\{f: x \rightarrow y \mid f \text{ isomorphism}\} =: \text{Iso}(x, y) \subseteq \text{Hom}(x, y)$$

if it exist  $g$  can be proven to be unique

it is denoted  $f^{-1}$  ("f inverse")



The isomorphisms in  $\text{Hom}(x, x) = \text{End}(x)$

are called automorphism

$$\{ f \in \text{End}(x) \mid f \text{ isomorphism} \} =: \text{Aut}(x)$$

$\cap$

$\text{End}(x)$

examples in Set

$f$  is an isomorphism  $\iff f$  is a bijection

$$A \rightarrow B$$

$$A \xrightarrow{\sim} B$$

$\text{Set}^2$  cat of pairs of sets      isomorphism  $\Rightarrow$  pair of  
isomorphisms.

groupoid

a groupoid is a category where all morphisms are isomorphisms.

$$\text{Hom}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & (\text{no isomorphisms between } x \text{ and } y) \\ \text{Iso}(x, y) & \end{cases}$$

there exists bijection :  $\text{Hom}(x, y) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}(y, x)$

$$f \longmapsto f^{-1}$$

Remark

$\text{Hom}(x, y)$

in a cat  $C$

$\text{Hom}_C(x, y)$

$\text{Iso}_C(x, y)$

$C(x, y)$

## Second def of a category

- collection of objects  $C_o$
- for any pair of objects  $x, y$  a set  $\text{Hom}(x, y)$
- — triplet —  $x, y, z$

$$\text{Hom}(x, y) \times \text{Hom}(y, z) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(x, z)$$

$$(x \xrightarrow{f} y, y \xrightarrow{g} z) \mapsto x \xrightarrow{gf} z$$

- for any object  $x$  identity arrow

$$1_x \in \text{Hom}(x, x)$$

- associativity for each quadruplet of objects  
 $x, y, z, t$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Hom}(x, y) \times \text{Hom}(y, z) \times \text{Hom}(z, t) \xrightarrow{\alpha'} \text{Hom}(x, y) \times \text{Hom}(y, t) \\
 \underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\substack{\text{Compo} \\ \text{on } 1, 2 \\ \text{factor}}} \qquad \downarrow \alpha \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \downarrow \beta' \\
 \text{Hom}(x, z) \times \text{Hom}(z, t) \xrightarrow{\beta} \text{Hom}(x, t)
 \end{array}$$

composition  
 on factor 2, 3

$$\text{associativity : } \beta' \alpha' = \beta \alpha$$

- identity relations ..

How to "see" a category

- 1) graph representation (last time)
- 2) Matrix representation

"splitting" of  
the set  $\text{ker}(C)$   
of all morphisms  
domaining

|     | $x$             | $y$               | $z$               | $t$             |
|-----|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| $x$ | $\text{End}(x)$ | $\text{Hom}(x,y)$ | $\text{Hom}(x,z)$ |                 |
| $y$ |                 | $\text{End}(y)$   | $\text{Hom}(y,z)$ |                 |
| $z$ |                 |                   | $\text{End}(z)$   |                 |
| $t$ |                 |                   |                   | $\text{End}(t)$ |

rows and columns are indexed by object of the cat.

diagonal

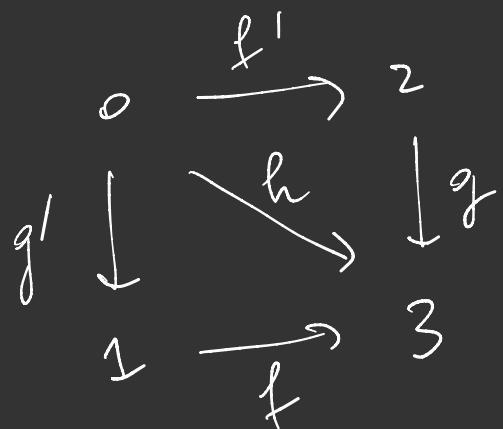
The matrix of a groupoid is symmetric

(because of the bijection  $\text{Hom}(xy) \cong \text{Hom}(y,x)$ )

# More examples of categories

- "one arrow category"  
 $0 \xrightarrow{u} 1$   
objects =  $\{0, 1\}$   
arrow =  $\{1_0, 1_1, u\}$   
composition = identity relation.
- "commutative triangle"  
 $0 \begin{matrix} \nearrow f \\ \searrow g \end{matrix} 1 \xrightarrow{h} 2$   
objects =  $\{0, 1, 2\}$   
arrow =  $\{1_0, 1_1, 1_2, f, g, h\}$   
composition:  $h = g f$   
+ id. rel.

"commutative square"



$$ob = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

$$ar = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \iota_0, \iota_1, \iota_2, \iota_3, \\ f, f', g, g', h \end{array} \right\}$$

composition :

$$gf' = h = fg'$$

Matrix representation

$\circ \xrightarrow{u} 1$

|   | 0                               | 1           |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 0 | $\begin{cases} 1_0 \end{cases}$ | $\{ u \}$   |
| 1 | $\emptyset$                     | $\{ 1_1 \}$ |

$\circ \xrightarrow{f} 1$   
 $\downarrow g$   
2

|   | 0           | 1           | 2           |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0 | $\{ 1_0 \}$ | $\{ f \}$   | $\{ fg \}$  |
| 1 | $\emptyset$ | $\{ 1_1 \}$ | $\{ g \}$   |
| 2 | $\emptyset$ | $\emptyset$ | $\{ 1_2 \}$ |

- Set is a cat. with only identity morph.

$$\text{Hom}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } x \neq y \\ \{h_1 x\} & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$$

- cat. with 0 or 1 arrow at most between two objects

$$\text{Hom}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & x \leq y \text{ false} \\ \{\perp^*\} & x \leq y \text{ true} \end{cases}$$

= pre order

## Category with a single object

$$\text{ob} = \{\ast\}$$

$$\text{arrow} = \text{Hom}(\ast, \ast) = \boxed{\text{End}(\ast) = : M}$$

composition :  $M \times M \longrightarrow M$

$$(\ast \xrightarrow{f} \ast, \ast \xrightarrow{g} \ast) \mapsto \ast \xrightarrow{gf} \ast$$

identity  $1_\ast \in M$

$M$  is a monoid

cat with one object  $\hookrightarrow$  data of the monoid  $\text{End}(\ast)$

in a category  $C$

the set of endomorphism of any object

$\text{End}(x)$  is always a monoid

example of cat with one object

•  $(\mathbb{N}, +)$

$$\star \curvearrowleft \mathbb{N} = \text{End}(\star)$$

name " $B\mathbb{N}$ "

" $\mathbb{N}$  viewed as a category"

- $(R, \times)$   $\hookrightarrow R = \text{End}(\ast)$

- idempotent monoid  $\{1, e\} = M$

| monoid product | 1 | e |
|----------------|---|---|
| 1              | 1 | e |
| e              | e | e |

$$e^2 = ee = e$$

idempotent

→ category with  
one object  
+ two arrows

$$\text{for } n \in \mathbb{N} \quad e^n = e$$

"  
 $e \cdot e \cdot e \dots e$   
 $n$  times.

involution monoid  $\{1, \sigma\}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \wedge \quad \sigma \\ \hline 1 & 1 \quad \sigma \\ \sigma & \sigma \quad 1 \end{array}$$

$$\sigma^2 = 1$$

involution relation.

$\{1, \sigma\}$  = permutation group of two elements

$$\begin{array}{c} a \quad b \\ \hline a \quad b \end{array}$$

1

$$\begin{array}{c} a \quad b \\ \hline b \quad a \end{array}$$

$\sigma$

$$\sigma^2 = 1$$

$$\begin{array}{c} a \quad b \\ \hline b \quad a \end{array} \sigma$$

• group are monoids where all elements  
are invertible

cat with one elt  $\Leftrightarrow$  monoid

groupoid with elt  $\Leftrightarrow$  groups.

example of monoid

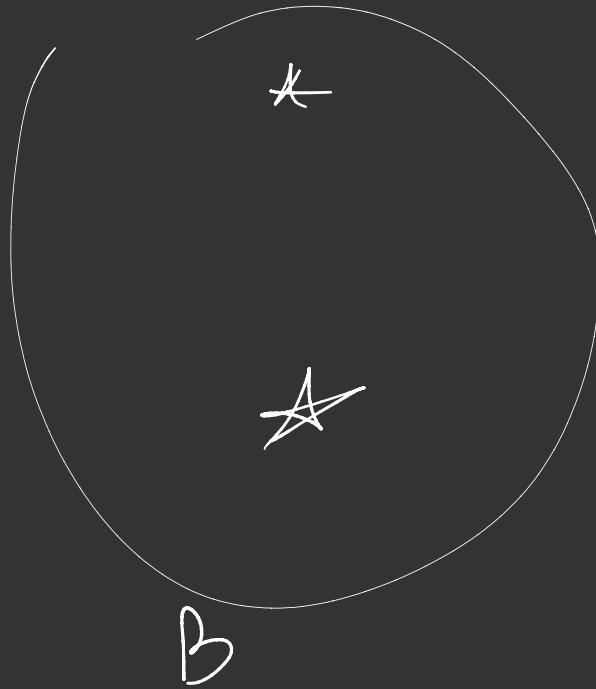
-  $(\mathbb{N}, +)$  = free monoid on one generator

$$0 \quad 1 \quad 1+1 \quad 1+1+1 \quad \dots$$

- A set  $\text{List}(A)$  = free monoid on the set A

product = concatenation of lists.

$$\underbrace{\text{list 1}}_{\text{list 1}} \quad \underbrace{\text{list 2}}_{\text{list 2}}$$



$\text{Bij}(A, B)$

no canonical elt  
distinguished

$\text{Bij}(A, A)$

canonical elt : identity  
distinguished.