

The Eilenberg-Moore bicategory over a relative pseudomonad

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Definition 1. Let \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{D} be bicategories and $J : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a pseudofunctor. A *relative pseudomonad* $(T, i, *, \eta, \mu, \theta)$ along J comprises:

- for every object $X \in \mathbb{D}$ an object $TX \in \mathbb{C}$ and map $i_X : JX \rightarrow TX$ in \mathbb{C} , and
- a family of functors $(-)^*_{X,Y} : \mathbb{C}(JX, TY) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(TX, TY)$ for $X, Y \in \mathbb{D}$,

along with three families of invertible 2-cells:

- $\eta_f : f \rightarrow f^*i$ for $f : JX \rightarrow TY$,
- $\mu_{f,g} : (f^*g)^* \rightarrow f^*g^*$ for $f : JX \rightarrow TY, g : JW \rightarrow TX$, and
- $\theta_X : i_X^* \rightarrow 1_{TX}$ for $X \in \mathbb{D}$,

such that the following two coherence diagrams commute:

(i) for $f : JX \rightarrow TY, g : JW \rightarrow TX, h : JV \rightarrow TW$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 ((f^*g)^*h)^* & \xrightarrow{\mu_{f^*g,h}} & (f^*g)^*h^* \\
 (\mu_{f,g}h)^* \downarrow & & \downarrow \mu_{f,g}h^* \\
 ((f^*g^*)h)^* & & (f^*g^*)h^* \\
 \sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\
 (f^*(g^*h))^* & \xrightarrow{\mu_{f,g^*h}} f^*(g^*h)^* & \xrightarrow{f^*\mu_{g,h}} f^*(g^*h^*)
 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

(ii) for $f : JX \rightarrow TY$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 f^* & \xrightarrow{(\eta_f)^*} (f^*i)^* & \xrightarrow{\mu_{f,i}} f^*i^* \\
 & \searrow \sim & \downarrow f^*\theta \\
 & & f^*1
 \end{array} \tag{2}$$

We construct the Eilenberg-Moore bicategory over T , comprising *pseudoalgebras* as objects, *algebra morphisms* and *algebra 2-cells*.

Definition 2. Let T be a relative pseudomonad along $J : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. A *pseudoalgebra* $(A, a; \tilde{a}, \hat{a})$ comprises:

- an object $A \in \mathbb{C}$,
- a family of functors $(-)_X^a : \mathbb{C}(JX, A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(TX, A)$ for $X \in \mathbb{D}$,

along with two families of invertible 2-cells

- $\tilde{a}_f : f \rightarrow f^a i$ for $f : JX \rightarrow A$,
- $\hat{a}_{f,g} : (f^a g)^a \rightarrow f^a g^*$ for $f : JX \rightarrow A, g : JW \rightarrow TX$,

such that the following two coherence diagrams commute:

- (i) for $f : JX \rightarrow A, g : JW \rightarrow TX, h : JV \rightarrow TW$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
((f^a g)^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{\hat{a}_{f^a g, h}} & (f^a g)^a h^* \\
(\hat{a}_{f, g} h)^a \downarrow & & \downarrow \hat{a}_{f, g} h^* \\
((f^a g^*) h)^a & & (f^a g^*) h^* \\
\sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\
(f^a (g^* h))^a & \xrightarrow{\hat{a}_{f, g^* h}} f^a (g^* h)^* \xrightarrow{f^a \mu_{g, h}} & f^a (g^* h^*)
\end{array} \tag{3}$$

- (ii) for $f : JX \rightarrow A$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
f^a & \xrightarrow{(\tilde{a}_f)^a} (f^a i)^a \xrightarrow{\hat{a}_{f, i}} & f^a i^* \\
& \searrow \sim & \downarrow f^a \theta \\
& & f^a 1
\end{array} \tag{4}$$

Definition 3. Let T be a relative pseudomonad along $J : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, and let $(A, {}^a)$, $(B, {}^b)$ be pseudoalgebras over T . A *lax morphism of algebras* (f, \bar{f}) between $(A, {}^a)$ and $(B, {}^b)$ comprises:

- a map $f : A \rightarrow B$ in \mathbb{C} , and
- a family of 2-cells $\bar{f}_g : (fg)^b \rightarrow fg^a$ for $g : JX \rightarrow A$,

such that the following two coherence diagrams commute:

- for $g : JX \rightarrow A$ and $h : JW \rightarrow TX$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
((fg)^b h)^b & \xrightarrow{\hat{b}_{fg, h}} & (fg)^b h^* \\
(\bar{f}_g h)^b \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_g h^* \\
((fg^a) h)^b & & (fg^a) h^* \\
\sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\
(f(g^a h))^b & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_{g^a h}} f(g^a h)^a \xrightarrow{f \bar{a}_{g, h}} & f(g^a h^*)
\end{array} \tag{5}$$

- for $g : JX \rightarrow A$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
fg & \xrightarrow{\bar{b}_{fg}} (fg)^b i \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_g i} & (fg^a) i \\
& \searrow f \tilde{a}_g & \downarrow \sim \\
& & f(g^a i)
\end{array} \tag{6}$$

If all the \bar{f}_g are invertible, we say (f, \bar{f}) is a *pseudomorphism*, and if they are all identities, we say (f, \bar{f}) is a *strict morphism*.

Definition 4. Let T be a relative pseudomonad along $J : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow C$, let (A, a) and (B, b) be pseudoalgebras over T , and let (f, \bar{f}) and (f', \bar{f}') be morphisms of algebras between (A, a) and (B, b) . An *algebra 2-cell* $\alpha : (f, \bar{f}) \Rightarrow (f', \bar{f}')$ is a 2-cell $\alpha : f \Rightarrow f'$ such that the following diagram commutes:

- for $g : JX \rightarrow A$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (fg)^b & \xrightarrow{(\alpha g)^b} & (f'g)^b \\ \bar{f}_g \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}'_g \\ fg^a & \xrightarrow{\alpha g^a} & f'g^a \end{array} \quad (7)$$

Proposition 1. *There is a bicategory $\text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l$ whose objects are pseudoalgebras, whose 1-cells are lax morphisms of algebras, and whose 2-cells are algebra 2-cells.*

Proof. We first show that for any pseudoalgebras (A, a) and (B, b) , we have a hom-category of lax morphisms $\text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l((A, a), (B, b))$. Since algebra 2-cells are just 2-cells in the underlying bicategory satisfying a property, it suffices to show that 1_f is an algebra 2-cell:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (fg)^b & \xrightarrow{(1_f g)^b} & (fg)^b \\ \bar{f}_g \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_g \\ fg^a & \xrightarrow{1_{fg^a}} & fg^a \end{array}$$

and that if α and β are algebra 2-cells, then so is $\beta\alpha$:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (fg)^b & \xrightarrow{(\alpha g)^b} & (f'g)^b & \xrightarrow{(\beta g)^b} & (f''g)^b \\ \bar{f}_g \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}'_g & & \downarrow \bar{f}''_g \\ fg^a & \xrightarrow{\alpha g^a} & f'g^a & \xrightarrow{\beta g^a} & f''g^a \end{array}$$

Hence indeed we have the required hom-categories.

Next, we want identity functors $1_{(A, a)} : \mathbb{1} \rightarrow \text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l((A, a), (A, a))$. We need to show that 1_A can be given the structure of a lax morphism of algebras. We equip it with the 2-cell $(\bar{1}_A)_g : (1_A g)^a \xrightarrow{\sim} g^a \xleftarrow{\sim} 1_A g^a$. The first coherence condition becomes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} ((1g)^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{\hat{a}_{1g, h}} & (1g)^a h^* \\ \sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\ (g^a h)^a & & g^a h^* \\ \sim \uparrow & & \uparrow \sim \\ ((1g^a) h)^a & & (1g^a) h^* \\ \sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\ (1(g^a h))^a & \xrightarrow{\sim} (g^a h)^a \xleftarrow{\sim} 1(g^a h)^a \xrightarrow{1\hat{a}_{g, h}} & 1(g^a h^*) \end{array}$$

which we fill in as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
& & ((1g)^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{\hat{a}_{1g,h}} & (1g)^a h^* \\
& & \downarrow \sim & & \downarrow \sim \\
(1g^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (g^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{\hat{a}_{g,h}} & g^a h^* \\
\downarrow \sim & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
(1(g^a h))^a & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (g^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{\hat{a}_{g,h}} & g^a h^* & \xleftarrow{\sim} & (1g^a) h^* \\
& & \uparrow \sim & & \uparrow \sim & \swarrow \sim & \\
& & 1(g^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{1\hat{a}_{g,h}} & 1(g^a h^*) & &
\end{array}$$

using two naturality squares and two associativity coherences from the underlying bicategory. The second coherence condition becomes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
1g & \xrightarrow{\tilde{a}_{1g}} & (1g)^a i \xrightarrow{\sim} g^a i \\
& \searrow & \uparrow \sim \\
& & (1g^a) i \\
& & \downarrow \sim \\
& & 1(g^a i)
\end{array}$$

which we fill in as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
1g & \xrightarrow{\tilde{a}_{1g}} & (1g)^a i \\
\downarrow 1\tilde{a}_g & \searrow \sim & \downarrow \sim \\
1(g^a i) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & g^a i \\
& \swarrow \sim & \uparrow \sim \\
& & (1g^a) i
\end{array}$$

using two naturality squares and one associativity coherence from the underlying bicategory. Thus we can define our identity functor $1_{(A,a)} : \mathbb{1} \rightarrow \text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l((A,a), (A,a))$ as picking out the lax (in fact pseudo-) morphism $(1_A, \bar{1}_A)$.

We also need to define horizontal composition: for every triple of objects (A, a) , (B, b) and (C, c) a functor

$$\circ : \text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l((B, b), (C, c)) \times \text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l((A, a), (B, b)) \rightarrow \text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l((A, a), (C, c)).$$

Given (f, \bar{f}) and (f', \bar{f}') we define the horizontal composite $(f, \bar{f}) \circ (f', \bar{f}')$ to be $(ff', \overline{ff'})$, where $\overline{ff'}_g$ for $g : JX \rightarrow A$ is defined as the composite

$$\overline{ff'}_g : ((ff')g)^c \xrightarrow{\sim} (f(f'g))^c \xrightarrow{\bar{f}'_g} f(f'g)^b \xrightarrow{ff'_g} f(f'g^a) \xleftarrow{\sim} (ff')g^a.$$

We must check that this composite actually gives ff' the structure of a lax morphism. Let $g : JX \rightarrow A$ and $h : JW \rightarrow TX$. The first coherence condition becomes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
((ff')g)^c h^c & \xrightarrow{\hat{c}_{(ff')g,h}} & ((ff')g)^c h^* \\
\sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\
((f(f'g))^c h)^c & & (f(f'g))^c h^* \\
(\bar{f}_{f'g} h)^c \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_{f'g} h^* \\
((f(f'g)^b)h)^c & & (f(f'g)^b)h^* \\
((\bar{f}\bar{f}'_g)h)^c \downarrow & & \downarrow (f\bar{f}'_g)h^* \\
((f(f'g^a))h)^c & & (f(f'g^a))h^* \\
\sim \uparrow & & \uparrow \sim \\
(((ff')g^a)h)^c & & ((ff')g^a)h^* \\
\sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\
((ff')(g^a h))^c & & \\
\sim \downarrow & & \\
(f(f'(g^a h)))^c & & \\
\bar{f}_{f'(g^a h)} \downarrow & & \\
f(f'(g^a h))^b & & \\
f\bar{f}_{g^a h} \downarrow & & \\
f(f'(g^a h))^a & \xleftarrow{\sim} (ff')(g^a h)^a \xrightarrow{(ff')\hat{a}_{g,h}} (ff')(g^a h)^* &
\end{array}$$

which we fill in as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
((ff')g)^c h^c & \xrightarrow{\hat{c}_{(ff')g,h}} & & & ((ff')g)^c h^* \\
\sim \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \sim \\
((f(f'g))^c h)^c & \xrightarrow{\hat{c}_{f(f'g),h}} & & & (f(f'g))^c h^* \\
(\bar{f}_{f'g} h)^c \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \bar{f}_{f'g} h^* \\
((f(f'g)^b)h)^c & & & & (f(f'g)^b)h^* \\
\swarrow (\bar{f}\bar{f}'_g)h^c & \downarrow \sim & \bar{f}_{f'g} h^c \downarrow & \xrightarrow{\hat{f}b_{f'g,h}} & \downarrow \sim & \searrow (f\bar{f}'_g)h^* \\
((f(f'g^a))h)^c & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (f((f'g)^b)h)^c & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_{f'g} h^c} & f((f'g)^b)h^* & \xrightarrow{\sim} & f((f'g^a)h^*) \\
& & \downarrow (f\bar{f}'_g)h^c & \downarrow f\bar{f}'_g h^c & \downarrow (f\bar{f}'_g)h^* & & \downarrow (f\bar{f}'_g)h^* \\
& & (f((f'g^a)h))^c & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_{f'(g^a)h}} & f((f'g^a)h)^b & \xrightarrow{\sim} & f((f'g^a)h^*) \\
& & \downarrow \sim & \downarrow \sim & \downarrow \sim & & \downarrow \sim \\
& & (f(f'(g^a h)))^c & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_{f'(g^a h)}} & f(f'(g^a h))^b & \xrightarrow{f\bar{f}_{g^a h}} & f(f'(g^a h))^a & \xrightarrow{f(f')\hat{a}_{g,h}} & f(f'(g^a h))^* \\
& & \uparrow \sim & \uparrow \sim & \uparrow \sim & \uparrow \sim & \uparrow \sim & \uparrow \sim & \uparrow \sim \\
((ff')g^a)h^c & \xrightarrow{\sim} & ((ff')(g^a h))^c & & (ff')(g^a h)^a & \xrightarrow{(ff')\hat{a}_{g,h}} & (ff')(g^a h)^* & \xleftarrow{\sim} & ((ff')g^a)h^*
\end{array}$$

using six naturality squares, two pentagon axioms for the bicategory associator, and Equation 5

once each for f and f' . The second coherence condition becomes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (ff')g & \xrightarrow{\tilde{c}_{(ff')g}} & ((ff')g)^ci \xrightarrow{\sim} (f(f'g))^ci \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}'_g i} (f(f'g)^b)i \\
 & \searrow & \downarrow (f\tilde{f}'_g)i \\
 & & (f(f'g^a))i \\
 & & \uparrow \sim \\
 & & ((ff')g^a)i \\
 & & \downarrow \sim \\
 & & (ff')(g^a)i
 \end{array}$$

which we can fill in as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & & ((ff')g)^ci \\
 & & & & \downarrow \sim \\
 & & & & (f(f'g))^ci \\
 & & \tilde{c}_{(ff')g} & \nearrow & \downarrow \tilde{f}'_g i \\
 (ff')g & & & & (f(f'g)^b)i \\
 \downarrow \sim & \nearrow \tilde{c}_{f(f'g)} & & & \downarrow \sim \\
 f(f'g) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}b_{f'g}} & f((f'g)^b)i & & \downarrow (f\tilde{f}'_g)i \\
 \uparrow \sim & \searrow f(f'\tilde{a}_g) & \downarrow f(\tilde{f}'_g i) & & (f(f'g^a))i \\
 (ff')g & & f((f'g^a))i & \xleftarrow{\sim} & (f(f'g^a))i \\
 & \searrow (ff')\tilde{a}_g & \downarrow \sim & & \uparrow \sim \\
 & & f(f'(g^a))i & & (ff')(g^a)i \\
 & & \uparrow \sim & & \downarrow \sim \\
 & & (ff')(g^a)i & \xleftarrow{\sim} & ((ff')g^a)i
 \end{array}$$

using three naturality squares, one pentagon axioms for the bicategory associator, and Equation 6 once each for f and f' . Hence $(ff', \tilde{f}f')$ is a lax morphism and our horizontal composition functor is defined on 1-cells.

On 2-cells, since algebra 2-cells are just 2-cells satisfying a property, it suffices to check that the horizontal composite of algebra 2-cells is again an algebra 2-cell. So let $\alpha : (d, \bar{d}) \Rightarrow (f, \bar{f})$ and $\alpha' : (d', \bar{d}') \Rightarrow (f', \bar{f}')$ be algebra 2-cells. We need to verify the commutativity of

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 ((dd')g)^c & \xrightarrow{((\alpha \cdot \alpha')g)^c} & ((ff')g)^c \\
 \bar{d}d'_g \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}f'_g \\
 (dd')g^a & \xrightarrow{(\alpha \cdot \alpha')g^a} & (ff')g^a
 \end{array}$$

Using the definition of the lax morphism structures on dd' and ff' , we can fill this diagram in

as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
((dd')g)^c & \xrightarrow{((\alpha d')g)^c} & ((fd')g)^c & \xrightarrow{((f\alpha')g)^c} & ((ff')g)^c \\
\sim \downarrow & & \sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\
(d(d'g))^c & \xrightarrow{(\alpha(d'g))^c} & (f(d'g))^c & \xrightarrow{(f(\alpha'g))^c} & (f(f'g))^c \\
\bar{d}_{d'g} \downarrow & & \bar{f}_{d'g} \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_{f'g} \\
d(d'g)^b & \xrightarrow{\alpha(d'g)^b} & f(d'g)^b & \xrightarrow{f(\alpha'g)^b} & f(f'g)^b \\
d\bar{d}'_g \downarrow & & f\bar{d}'_g \downarrow & & \downarrow f\bar{f}'_g \\
d(d'g^a) & \xrightarrow{\alpha(d'g^a)} & f(d'g^a) & \xrightarrow{f(\alpha'g^a)} & f(f'g^a) \\
\sim \uparrow & & \sim \uparrow & & \uparrow \sim \\
(dd')g^a & \xrightarrow{(\alpha d')g^a} & (fd')g^a & \xrightarrow{(f\alpha')g^a} & (ff')g^a
\end{array}$$

with six naturality squares and an instance of Equation 7 for each of α and α' . Thus horizontal composition is also defined on 2-cells. Furthermore, horizontal composition inherits functoriality from the underlying bicategory, since being an algebra 2-cell is a property.

We now define associator and unitor 2-cells by the same 2-cells in the underlying bicategory. We must check that these are algebra 2-cells. For the left unitor, we need

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
((1f)g)^b & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (fg)^b \\
\bar{1}\bar{f}_g \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_g \\
(1f)g^a & \xrightarrow{\sim} & fg^a
\end{array}$$

and we can fill this in as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
((1f)g)^b & & \\
\sim \downarrow & \searrow & \\
(1(fg))^b & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (fg)^b \\
\sim \downarrow & & \\
(fg)^b & \xlongequal{\quad} & (fg)^b \\
\sim \uparrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_g \\
1(fg)^b & & \\
\bar{1}\bar{f}_g \downarrow & & \\
1(fg^a) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & fg^a \\
\sim \uparrow & \nearrow & \\
(1f)g^a & &
\end{array}$$

using a naturality square and two triangle identities for the underlying bicategory. Likewise, for

the right unitor we need

$$\begin{array}{ccc} ((f1)g)^b & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (fg)^b \\ \bar{f}1_g \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_g \\ (f1)g^a & \xrightarrow{\sim} & fg^a \end{array}$$

and we can fill this in as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} ((f1)g)^b & & \\ \sim \downarrow & \searrow \sim & \\ (f(1g))^b & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (fg)^b \\ \bar{f}1_g \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_g \\ f(1g)^a & & fg^a \\ \sim \downarrow & & \\ fg^a & \xlongequal{\quad} & fg^a \\ \sim \uparrow & & \nearrow \\ f(1g^a) & & \\ \sim \uparrow & \nearrow \sim & \\ (f1)g^a & & \end{array}$$

using a naturality square and two triangle identities for the underlying bicategory. Finally, for the associator we need

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (((fg)h)k)^d & \xrightarrow{\sim} & ((f(gh))k)^d \\ \overline{(fg)h}_k \downarrow & & \downarrow \overline{f(gh)}_k \\ ((fg)h)k^a & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (f(gh))k^a \end{array}$$

and we can fill this in as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
((fg)h)k^d & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (f(gh))k^d \\
\sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \\
((fg)(hk))^d & & \\
\sim \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
(f(g(hk)))^d & \xleftarrow{\sim} & (f((gh)k))^d \\
\bar{f}_{g(hk)} \downarrow & & \downarrow \bar{f}_{(gh)k} \\
f(g(hk))^c & \xleftarrow{\sim} & f((gh)k)^c \\
\bar{f}_{g(hk)} \downarrow & \searrow & \downarrow \sim \\
f(g(hk))^b & & f(g(hk))^c \\
\sim \uparrow & \swarrow & \downarrow \bar{f}_{ghk} \\
(fg)(hk)^b & \xrightarrow{\sim} & f(g(hk))^b \\
(fg)\bar{h}_k \downarrow & & \downarrow f(g\bar{h}_k) \\
(fg)(hk^a) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & f(g(hk^a)) \\
\sim \uparrow & & \uparrow \sim \\
& & f((gh)k^a) \\
& & \uparrow \sim \\
((fg)h)k^a & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (f(gh))k^a
\end{array}$$

using two naturality squares and two pentagon axioms for the underlying bicategory. Hence the associator and unitors are algebra 2-cells; their pentagon and triangle axioms follow from them holding in the underlying bicategory.

Hence $\text{Ps-}T\text{-Alg}_l$ as defined is indeed a bicategory. \square