

# Type-theoretic modalities for synthetic $(\infty, 1)$ -categories

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# Foundations: Synthetic $(\infty, 1)$ -categories à la Riehl–Shulman I

In order to develop *synthetic higher category theory*, Riehl and Shulman introduced a *Simplicial Type Theory* (STT) in [RS17]: MLTT with additional layers of shapes, allowing for defining *synthetic  $(\infty, 1)$ -categories* as *complete Segal/Rezk types*.

As a main feature, STT postulates *extension types* (after Lumsdaine–Shulman), i.e. for shape inclusions  $\Phi \hookrightarrow \Psi$ , families  $A : \Psi \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ , and partial sections  $a : \prod_{t:\Phi} A(t)$  there exists the type of sections

$$\left\langle \prod_{t:\Psi} A(t) \middle| \begin{array}{c} \Phi \\ \downarrow \\ \Psi \end{array} \right\rangle_a \triangleq \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} \Phi & \xrightarrow{a} & A \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ \Psi & \xrightarrow{\bar{a}} & \end{array} \right\}$$

*judgmentally* extending  $a$ .

**Example & Definition:** For a type  $A$  and terms  $x, y : A$ , define the *hom-type*

$$\mathrm{hom}_A(x, y) := \left\langle \Delta^1 \rightarrow A \middle|_{[x,y]}^{\partial\Delta^1} \right\rangle.$$

# Foundations: Synthetic $(\infty, 1)$ -categories à la Riehl–Shulman II

Definitions from [RS17]:

- A type  $A$  is a *Segal type* if  $(\Delta^2 \rightarrow A) \xrightarrow{\simeq} (\Lambda_1^2 \rightarrow A)$  (Joyal).
- A Segal type  $A$  is a *Rezk type* if  $\text{idtoiso}_A : \prod_{x,y:A} \text{Id}_A(x,y) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \text{iso}_A(x,y)$ .
- A type  $A$  is a *discrete type* if  $\text{idtorarr}_A : \prod_{x,y:A} \text{Id}_A(x,y) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \text{hom}_A(x,y)$ .

These notions coincide with their classical analogues in the intended semantics in (a model structure representing) the  $\infty$ -topos of simplicial spaces,  $\text{PSh}_\infty(\Delta)$ .

**Goal:** Extend the  $\infty$ -category theory developed in [RS17]. Namely, add universes, other notions of fibrations, and the traditional Yoneda embedding  $\mathbf{y}_A : A \rightarrow (A^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Space})$ .

Besides Riehl–Shulman’s work, we heavily rely on Licata–Shulman–Riley’s modal framework, cf. Dan’s recent talk! For related work in bicubical sets, cf. Matt’s upcoming talk!

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# Simplicial spaces inside cubical space

The category  $s\text{Set}$  of *simplicial sets* is the category of presheaves on the category  $\Delta$  of finite ordinals with monotone maps as morphisms.

The category  $c\text{Set}$  of *cubical sets* is the category of presheaves on the category of powers of the ordinal 2 with monotone maps as morphisms.

We want to define universes internally which, due to [LOPS18] becomes possible using tiny-ness of the *cubical interval*  $\square^1$ .

Simplicial sets form an essential subtopos of cubical sets.

This has been discussed by Sattler [Sat18], Kapulkin–Voevodsky [KV18], and Streicher-W [SW18].

One can show that this lifts to the level of  $\infty$ -toposes. Since this constitutes a topological modality sheafification becomes an internal operation ([RSS17]) which by the theory of compact types treated in [Rij18] can be expressed in rather elementary terms.

# Universes of simplicial types

Start with a *strict* universe in cubical spaces [Shu19]. From this we derive:

- *Simp*: universe of simplicial types since we have a topological modality [RSS17]
- *Cat*: universe of (complete) Segal types due to our new notion of *cocartesian family*
- *Space*: universe of discrete types due to Riehl–Shulman’s notion of covariant family



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## Modalities: $\flat$ and ${}^{\text{op}}$

However, the universes constructed this way are classifying only for the *cohesively discrete* (*crisp*) types.

We also want to have *opposite categories*  $A^{\text{op}}$ .

Hence, we introduce the modalities  $\flat$  and  ${}^{\text{op}}$  as in the framework of Licata–Shulman–Riley to this theory.

We have a mode theory with  $c$  (cohesive/cubical) and  $x : c \vdash f(x) : c$  (flat) as well as  $x : c \vdash o(x) : c$  (representing the opposite cubical type/category) with equations

$$f(f(x)) = f(x), \quad o(f(x)) = f(x), \quad o(o(x)) = x, \quad f(o(x)) = f(x),$$

and

$$f(x \times y) = f(x) \times f(y), \quad o(x \times y) = o(x) \times o(y).$$

# Operations on topes and shapes I

**Problem:** In order to get the Yoneda embedding, we need to get  $\text{hom}_A(a, b)$  for  $a : A^{\text{op}}$  and  $b : A$  (for  $A :: \text{Cat}$ ).

**Solution:** Instead of ordinary  $\text{hom}$ -types construct a covariant fibration  $\text{Tw}(A) \rightarrow A^{\text{op}} \times A$  and obtain the “hom type” as the fiber. Here,  $\text{Tw}(A)$  is the *twisted arrow type* (traditionally, the category of elements of the uncurried Yoneda embedding) with 0-simplices

$$a \xrightarrow{f} b$$

and 1-simplices:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} a & \xrightarrow{f} & b \\ \varphi_0 \uparrow & & \downarrow \varphi_1 \\ c & \xrightarrow{g} & d \end{array}$$

Classically, the twisted arrow space is defined by reindexing along the functor  $\varepsilon := \text{op} * \text{id} : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$ . This does not yield an extension type in Riehl–Shulman’s sense.

## Operations on toposes and shapes II

We get the twisted arrow type using *right adjoint types* (*U-types*) in the sense of [LRS19].

First, we axiomatize operations on toposes and shapes according to

$$\frac{f : \Xi \rightarrow \Xi' \quad \Xi|\Phi \vdash \Phi' f}{\Xi|\Phi \xrightarrow{f} \Xi'|\Phi'} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{F \text{ oper} \quad \{\Xi \mid \varphi\} \text{ shape}}{F\{\Xi \mid \varphi\} \text{ shape}}.$$

Defining opposites and join for toposes, we can then lift these to the level of shapes as

$$\{I \mid \varphi\} * \{J \mid \psi\} := \{I + 1 + J \mid \varphi * \psi\}, \quad \{I \mid \varphi\}^{\text{op}} = \{I \mid \varphi^{\text{op}}\}.$$

From this, we can define  $\varepsilon := \text{op} * \text{id}$  for shapes. Unary operations induce modalities on the base category, hence we can define the twisted arrow types as *U-types* w.r.t. to  $\varepsilon$ .

# Fibrational framework à Licata–Shulman–Riley

After the work of Licata–Shulman–Riley consider a type theory fibered over a type theory of modes:

Given a shape  $\Phi$  and an arbitrary mode context  $\gamma$ , we get a universe  $\gamma \vdash c_\Phi$  of small types over  $\Phi$ .

For any small type  $\gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi$  there is a small type  $\gamma \vdash T(\Phi)(n)$  of contexts over  $n$ , a *comprehension object* in the sense of [LRS19].

Endomorphisms  $f : \square \rightarrow \square$  give rise to mode morphisms  $n : c_\Phi \vdash f n : c_{f\Phi}$ .

# Some rules of the type theory of modes I

$$\boxed{\gamma \vdash}$$

$$\overline{\cdot \vdash}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\gamma, x : T(\Phi)(n) \vdash}$$

$$\boxed{\gamma \vdash a}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash}{\gamma \vdash c_\Phi} \quad (\Phi \text{ shape})$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\gamma \vdash T(\Phi)(n)}$$

$$\boxed{\gamma \vdash n : a}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash}{\gamma \vdash \emptyset : c_\Phi}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi \quad \gamma \vdash m : T(\Phi)(n)}{\gamma \vdash n.m : c_\Phi}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\gamma \vdash 1 : T(\Phi)(n)}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi \quad f \text{ op}_1}{\gamma \vdash f(n) : c_{f\Phi}}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash \cdot \quad f \text{ op}_0}{\gamma \vdash f_0 : c_\Phi}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi \quad \gamma \vdash m : T(\Phi)(n)}{\gamma \vdash f(m) : T(f\Phi)(fn)}$$

$$f(n.m) \equiv f(n).f(m)$$

## Some rules of the type theory of modes II

$$\boxed{\gamma \vdash n \Rightarrow m : a}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash n : c_{\Phi}}{\gamma \vdash 1 \Rightarrow f(1) : T(f\Phi)(fn)}$$

## Some rules of the type theory–on–top

$$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma}}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{\cdot \vdash} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash T(\Phi)(n)} A \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_{\Phi}}{\Gamma, x : A \vdash_{\gamma, x : T(\Phi)(n)}}$$

$$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A_1 + A_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A_1 \times A_2}$$

$$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash n : a} N : A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash T(\Phi)(n)} A \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_{\Phi}}{\Gamma, x : A \vdash_{\gamma, x : T(\Phi)(n) \vdash x : T(\Phi)(n)} x : A}$$



# Semantics of the fibrational framework I

- Mode contexts  $\gamma$  are (modeled as) toposes (with sufficient homotopical/logical structure).
- Modes-in-context  $\gamma \vdash a$  are geometric morphisms  $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \llbracket \gamma \vdash \rrbracket$ .
- Types-over-modes  $\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash}$  are objects of  $\llbracket \gamma \vdash \rrbracket$ .
- Terms-over-mode terms  $\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A$  are objects of the fibers  $\mathcal{E}_{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{E} & & \llbracket \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A \rrbracket \in \mathcal{E}_{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket} \\
 \downarrow \llbracket \gamma \vdash a \rrbracket & \nearrow s = \llbracket \gamma \vdash n : a \rrbracket & s(\llbracket \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash} \rrbracket) \xrightarrow{\llbracket \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash n : a} N : A \rrbracket} \llbracket \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash a} A \rrbracket \\
 \llbracket \gamma \vdash \rrbracket & & \llbracket \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash} \rrbracket \in \llbracket \gamma \vdash \rrbracket
 \end{array}$$

- The empty mode context  $\cdot \vdash$  is the terminal topos.

## Semantics of the fibrational framework II

- Universes  $\gamma \vdash c$  are projections

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \llbracket \gamma \rrbracket \times \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{\llbracket \gamma \vdash c \rrbracket} & \llbracket \gamma \rrbracket \\ & \xleftarrow{\llbracket \gamma \vdash \emptyset : c \rrbracket} & \end{array}$$

with canonical section  $\llbracket \gamma \vdash \emptyset : c \rrbracket = \lambda X. \langle X, 1 \rangle$ .

- Comprehension objects  $\gamma \vdash T(n)$  are interpreted by *Artin glueing* of  $\llbracket \gamma \vdash n : a \rrbracket$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \llbracket \gamma, x : T(n) \vdash \rrbracket & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \\ \llbracket \gamma \vdash T(n) \rrbracket \downarrow \lrcorner & & \downarrow \text{cod} \\ \llbracket \gamma \vdash \rrbracket & \xrightarrow{\llbracket \gamma \vdash n : a \rrbracket} & \mathcal{E} \end{array}$$

In particular, in our intended model of cubical spaces mode contexts will be of the form  $\mathbf{cSp}/\Phi$  for a shape  $\Phi$ .

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# Right adjoint types I

- Endomorphisms  $f : \square \rightarrow \square$  give rise to adjoint pairs  $f^* : \mathbf{cSP}/f\Phi \rightleftarrows \mathbf{cSP}/\Phi : f_!$ ,  $f_! \dashv f^*$ .
- The functor  $f_!$  (on the level of modes) corresponds to mode morphisms.
- $f^*$  gives rise to *right adjoint types*, aka *U-types*.
- We get a bijection

$$\left\{ \Gamma \mid \frac{}{\gamma \vdash f(k) : T(f\Phi)(f n)} a : A \right\} \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \left\{ \Gamma \mid \frac{}{\gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n)} b : U_f A \right\}.$$

## Right adjoint types II

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \overline{\gamma \vdash T(f\Phi)(fn)} A \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\Gamma \vdash \overline{\gamma \vdash T(\Phi)(n)} U_f A} \text{U-Form}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \overline{\gamma \vdash f(k):T(f\Phi)(fn)} A \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi \quad \gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n)}{\Gamma \vdash \overline{\gamma \vdash k:T(\Phi)(n)} \lambda^f M : U_f A} \text{U-Intro}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \overline{\gamma \vdash k:T(\Phi)(n)} N : U_f A \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\Gamma \vdash \overline{\gamma \vdash f(k):T(f\Phi)(n)} N()_f : A} \text{U-Elim} \quad \lambda^f N()_f \equiv N \quad \lambda^f M()_f \equiv M$$

## Right adjoint types III

One can show that the action of the mode morphism when forming a  $U$ -type builds upon the structure of a dependent right adjoint, cf. [BCM18] *et al.*, 2018:

Assume an operation  $f : \Phi \rightarrow \Psi$ , inducing  $f_! \dashv f^* : \mathcal{E}_\Phi \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_\Psi$ .

For  $[\Gamma] \in [\gamma]$  and  $[n] : [\gamma] \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_\Phi$ , consider  $[A]$  and  $[k]$  as in:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \llbracket T(n) \rrbracket & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}_\Phi^{\rightarrow} \\
 \uparrow \text{dotted } [k] & \lrcorner & \downarrow \text{cod} \\
 \llbracket \gamma \rrbracket & \xrightarrow{[n]} & \mathcal{E}_\Phi
 \end{array} & & 
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \llbracket T(fn) \rrbracket & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}_\Psi^{\rightarrow} \\
 \uparrow \text{dotted } [fk] & \lrcorner & \downarrow \text{cod} \\
 \llbracket \gamma \rrbracket & \xrightarrow{[fn]} & \mathcal{E}_\Psi
 \end{array} & & 
 [A] \in \mathcal{E}_\Psi / \llbracket fn \rrbracket [\Gamma]
 \end{array}$$

Then we get a correspondence:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 f_!(\llbracket k \rrbracket [\Gamma]) \dashrightarrow [A] & \longleftrightarrow & \llbracket k \rrbracket [\Gamma] \dashrightarrow U_f [A] \longrightarrow f^*([A]) \\
 \searrow & & \downarrow \lrcorner \\
 & & \llbracket n \rrbracket [\Gamma] \xrightarrow{\eta_{\llbracket n \rrbracket [\Gamma]}} f^* f_!(\llbracket n \rrbracket [\Gamma])
 \end{array}$$

$\mathcal{E}_\Psi$

$\mathcal{E}_\Phi$

# Twisted arrow types I

Externally, the twisted arrow simplicial space is constructed by reindexing along the functor  $\varepsilon := \text{op} * \text{id}$ . Thus, we internalize it by considering the  $U$ -type w.r.t. the endofunctor  $\varepsilon$ . Note that there are two natural transformations  $\eta_0 : \text{op} \Rightarrow \varepsilon \leftarrow \text{id} : \eta_1$  in particular, for any shape  $\Phi$  giving rise to a diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \square / \Phi & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_!} & \square / \varepsilon \Phi \\ & \searrow \text{op}_! & \nearrow \eta_0 \Phi \\ & \square / \text{op} \Phi & \end{array}$$

# Twisted arrow types II

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash T(\varepsilon\Phi)(\varepsilon n)} A \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n)} a_0 : (U_{\eta_0\Phi}A)^{\text{op}} \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n)} a_1 : U_{\eta_1\Phi}A \quad \gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n) \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash T(\Phi)(n)} \text{tw}_A^k(a_0, a_1)} \text{tw-Form}$$

$$\frac{(\lambda^{\eta_0\Phi} a)^{\text{op}} \equiv a_0 \quad \lambda^{\eta_1\Phi} a \equiv a_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash T(\varepsilon\Phi)(\varepsilon n)} A \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash \varepsilon(k) : T(\varepsilon\Phi)(\varepsilon n)} a : A \quad \gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n) \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n)} \lambda^{\text{tw}} a : \text{tw}_A^k(a_0, a_1)} \text{tw-Intro}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n)} b : \text{tw}_A^k(a_0, a_1) \quad \gamma \vdash k : T(\Phi)(n) \quad \gamma \vdash n : c_\Phi}{\Gamma \vdash_{\gamma \vdash \varepsilon(k) : T(\varepsilon\Phi)(\varepsilon n)} b()_{\text{tw}} : A} \text{tw-Elim}$$

$$(\lambda^{\eta_0\Phi} b()_{\text{tw}})^{\text{op}} \equiv a_0 \quad \lambda^{\eta_1\Phi} b()_{\text{tw}} \equiv a_1 \quad \lambda^{\text{tw}} a()_{\text{tw}} \equiv a \quad \lambda^{\text{tw}} b()_{\text{tw}} \equiv b$$



## Twisted arrow types III

Using that the flat modality can be defined as the  $U$ -type w.r.t. the terminal projection functor  $! : \square \rightarrow \square$  one can show for crisp Segal types  $A$  that e.g.  $\flat \text{hom}_A(a_0, a_1) \simeq \flat \text{tw}_A(a_0, a_1)$  using the ensuing computation rules for  $U$ -types.

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# Perspectives

Work in progress:

- Give a full proof of an analog of the “classical Yoneda Lemma” using twisted arrow types.
- Define fibrancy structures internally on the universes `Simp`, `Cat`, and `Space`, possibly à la Orton (PhD thesis).
- Do we get (enough of) the expected 2-dimensional structure for the theory of Segal/Rezk types, cf. Riehl–Shulman, Riehl–Verity’s  $\infty$ -cosmos theory?







Based on the same frameworks:

- Cavallo–Riehl–Sattler: Directed univalence for simplicial type theory [CRS18]
- Licata–Weaver: Directed univalence for bicubical directed type theory [LW18]








Selection of further work on directed type theory:

- Altenkirch–Sestini: “Naturality for free”, 2019)
- Cavallo–Harper: parametric CTT, 2019)
- North: directed HoTT & wfs, 2018/19
- Nuyts: directed HoTT, 2015+; w/ Devriese: Menkar, ultimode presheaf proof assistant  
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