COMBINATORICS OF PAST-SIMILARITY IN HIGHER DIMENSIONAL TRANSITION SYSTEMS

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Abstract. The key notion to understand the left determined Olschok model category of star-shaped Cattani-Sassone transition systems is past-similarity. Two states are past-similar if they have homotopic pasts. An object is fibrant if and only if the set of transitions is closed under past-similarity. A map is a weak equivalence if and only if it induces an isomorphism after the identification of all past-similar states. The last part of this paper is a discussion about the link between causality and homotopy.

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1. Introduction

1.1. Presentation. This work belongs to our series of papers devoted to higher dimensional transition systems [10] [11] [12] [13] [14] [15]. One of the goal of this series of papers is to explore the link between causality and homotopy in the setting of higher dimensional transition systems.

The notion of higher dimensional transition system is a higher dimensional analogue of the computer-scientific notion of labelled transition system. The purpose is to model the concurrent execution of n actions by a multiset of actions, i.e. a set with a possible

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Figure 1. $u \parallel v$: Concurrent execution of $u$ and $v$

repetition of some elements (e.g. $\{u, u, v, w, w, w\}$). In the language of Cattani and Sasson [3], the higher dimensional transition system $u \parallel v$ modeling the concurrent execution of the two actions $u$ and $v$, depicted by Figure 1, consists of the transitions $(\alpha, \{u\}, \beta)$, $(\beta, \{v\}, \delta)$, $(\alpha, \{v\}, \gamma)$, $(\gamma, \{u\}, \delta)$ and $(\alpha, \{u, v\}, \delta)$, where the middle term is a multiset, not a set. The labelling map is in this case the identity map.

This notion is reformulated in [10] to make easier a categorical and homotopical treatment. A higher dimensional system consists of a set of states $S$, a set of actions $L$ together with a labelling map $\mu : L \to \Sigma$ where $\Sigma$ is a set of labels, and a set of tuples of $\bigcup_{n \geq 1} S \times L^n \times S$ satisfying at least the following two axioms, to obtain the “minimal” notion of weak transition system:

- **Multiset axiom.** For every permutation $\sigma$ of $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ with $n \geq 2$, if the tuple $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ is a transition, then the tuple $(\alpha, u_{\sigma(1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(n)}, \beta)$ is a transition as well.
- **Patching axiom.** For every $(n+2)$-tuple $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ with $n \geq 3$, for every $p, q \geq 1$ with $p + q < n$, if the five tuples $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$, $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \nu_1)$, $(\nu_1, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$, $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu_2)$ and $(\nu_2, u_{p+q+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ are transitions, then the $(q+2)$-tuple $(\nu_1, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu_2)$ is a transition as well.

The multiset axiom avoids the use of multisets. The patching axiom enables us to see, amongst other things, the $n$-cube as a free object generated by a $n$-transition. The patching axiom looks like a 5-ary composition because it generates a new transition (the patch) from five transitions satisfying a particular condition. These two axioms are mathematically designed so that the forgetful functor forgetting the set of transitions is topological [10]. This topological structure turns out to be a very powerful tool to deal with these objects. Figure 1 has in this new formulation the transitions $(\alpha, u, \beta)$, $(\beta, v, \delta)$, $(\alpha, v, \gamma)$, $(\gamma, u, \delta)$, $(\alpha, u, v, \delta)$ and $(\alpha, v, u, \delta)$.

This paper is the direct continuation of [14]. However, its reading is not required to read this one. In [14], we prove the existence of a left determined Olschok model structure of weak transition systems which restricts to left determined Olschok model structures on various full subcategories without using the map $R : \{0, 1\} \to \{0\}$ in the set of generating cofibrations (unlike what is done in [11] and [15]). Then we prove that the behavior of these homotopy theories break the causal structure and that the solution to overcome this problem is to work with star-shaped transition systems. A star-shaped transition systems is by definition a pointed transition system $(X, *)$, that means a transition system $X$ together with a distinguished state $*$ called the base state, such that all other states of
X are reachable from ∗ by a path, i.e. a finite sequence of 1-transitions. This path may also be called a past of the state.

In this paper, we want to make precise the above observations which are only sketched in [14]. We work in a reflective subcategory of all subcategories of higher dimensional transition systems introduced in [14]. It is called the subcategory CSTS of Cattani-Sassone transition systems. The new axiom we add is CSA1: if \( \alpha \xrightarrow{\mu} \beta \) and \( \alpha \xrightarrow{\mu} \beta \) are two 1-transitions with \( \mu(u) = \mu(v) \), then \( u = v \). This axiom is originally introduced in [3] in a more general formulation: we only use its 1-dimensional version. It is used in [11] for a different purpose. The main feature of this axiom is to simplify the calculations of the cylinder and path functors (cf. Table 2, Table 3 and Table 4) while keeping all examples coming from process algebras [7] [9] [10]. The structure of the left determined model category CSTS obtained by restricting the construction of [14] is unravelled in the following theorem:

\[ \text{Theorem.} \] The left determined Olschok model category CSTS is Quillen equivalent to the full subcategory of Cattani-Sassone transition systems having at most one state equipped with the discrete model structure.

This theorem means that the homotopy category of Cattani-Sassone transition systems destroys the causal structure in a very spectacular way. Thus, localizing or colocalizing this model category will never give anything interesting from a computer-scientific point of view because it already contains too many weak equivalences.

The formalism of Cattani-Sassone transition systems is interesting because, unlike any formalism of labelled precubical sets [7] [9] [13], it only contains objects satisfying the higher dimensional automata paradigm [10, Definition 7.1]. The drawback of the formalism of higher dimensional transition systems is that colimits are difficult to compute because of the patching axiom which freely adds new transitions in the colimits (cf. [15, Proposition A.1]). Thanks to the axiom CSA2, the category of Cattani-Sassone transition systems is better behaved with respect to colimits and the following fact can be considered as an important result of the paper:

\[ \text{Theorem.} \] The set of transitions of a colimit of Cattani-Sassone transition systems is the union of the sets of transitions of the components.

The calculations made to prove Theorem [7.5] enable us to study the model category CSTS∗ of star-shaped (Cattani-Sassone) transition systems. The notion of past-similarity plays a key role in this study. Two states \( \alpha \) and \( \beta \) of a star-shaped (Cattani-Sassone) transition system \( (X, \ast) \) are past-similar if there exist two paths from the base state \( \ast \) to \( \alpha \) and \( \beta \) respectively which are homotopic. A star-shaped transition system is reduced if two states are past-similar if and only if they are equal: Figure 3 gives an example of non-reduced transition system. Using these two new notions (past-similarity and reduced transition system), the structure of the model category of star-shaped transition systems is unravelled:

\[ \text{Theorem.} \] The fibrant objects of CSTS∗ are the Cattani-Sassone transition systems such that the set of transitions is closed under past-similarity. In particular, all reduced transition systems are fibrant.
Theorem. The left determined Olschok model category $\mathbf{CSTS}_*$ is Quillen equivalent to the full subcategory of reduced objects equipped with the discrete model structure. In particular, a map of star-shaped Cattani-Sassone transition system is a weak equivalence if and only if it is an isomorphism after the identification of all past-similar states.

The interpretation of Theorem 11.9 is postponed to the discussion of Section 12 which speculates about the link between causality and homotopy in this setting.

1.2. Outline of the paper. The paper is structured as follows. Section 2 is a reminder about weak, cubical, regular and Cattani-Sassone transition systems. It avoids the reader to have to read the previous papers of this series. All these notions are necessary because calculations of limits and colimits often require to start from the topological structure of weak transition systems, and then to restrict to the coreflective subcategory of cubical transition systems, and then to restrict twice to the reflective subcategories of regular and Cattani-Sassone transition systems. It also happens that some proofs can be written only by working with cubical transition systems (e.g. the proof of Proposition 11.7). Section 3 is a technical section about the calculation of colimits in the category of regular transition systems. Theorem 3.1 must be considered as a vast generalization of [10, Theorem 4.7] and [15, Proposition A.3]. Roughly speaking, it says that the set of transitions of a colimit of regular transition systems is the union of the set of transitions. Section 4 expounds some basic properties of Cattani-Sassone transition systems. It also extends Theorem 3.1 to this new setting: in the category of Cattani-Sassone transition systems as well, the set of transitions of a colimit is also the union of the set of transitions. Section 5 uses the toolbox and the results of 14 to construct the left determined Olschok model structure of Cattani-Sassone transition systems. The cylinder functor is calculated in detail. Section 6 gives a very explicit formulation of the path functor of the model category constructed in Section 5. Section 7 proves the first main result of the paper (Theorem 7.5). The formulation is chosen to highlight the destruction of the causal structure. The notions of pointed and star-shaped transition systems are recalled in Section 8. Then the toolbox is used to prove the existence of the left determined model structures on pointed and star-shaped Cattani-Sassone transition systems. Meanwhile, we give precise formulations of the cylinder and path functors of a star-shaped transition systems. The notion of past-similar states is introduced and succinctly studied in Section 9. Section 10 characterizes the fibrant object of the left determined model structure of star-shaped transition systems (Theorem 10.12). Section 11 introduces a particular case of fibrant objects: the reduced star-shaped transition systems. By definition, a star-shaped transition system is reduced if past-similarity and equality coincide. Then the last part of the second main result of the paper (Theorem 11.9) is established. Section 12 is a discussion about an interpretation of Theorem 11.9 and about possible future works. In particular, Theorem 12.4 rules out a lot of candidates of model categories. The appendix is an erratum of the paper 14.

1.3. Prerequisites and notations. All categories are locally small. The set of maps in a category $\mathbf{K}$ from $X$ to $Y$ is denoted by $\mathbf{K}(X,Y)$. The cardinal of a set $S$ is denoted by $\#S$. The class of morphisms of a category $\mathbf{K}$ is denoted by $\text{Mor}(\mathbf{K})$. The composite of two maps is denoted by $fg$ instead of $f \circ g$. The initial (final resp.) object, if it exists, is always denoted by $\emptyset$ (1 resp.). The identity of an object $X$ is denoted by $\text{Id}_X$. A subcategory
is always isomorphism-closed (i.e. replete). A reflective or coreflective subcategory is always full. By convention, $A \times B \sqcup C \times D$ means $(A \times B) \sqcup (C \times D)$ where $\times$ denotes the binary product and $\sqcup$ the binary coproduct. Let $f$ and $g$ be two maps of a locally presentable category $\mathcal{K}$. Denote by $f \square g$ when $f$ satisfies the left lifting property (LLP) with respect to $g$, or equivalently when $g$ satisfies the right lifting property (RLP) with respect to $f$. Let us introduce the notations $\text{inj}_\mathcal{K}(C) = \{ g \in \mathcal{K}, \forall f \in C, f \square g \}$ called the class of $\mathcal{C}$-injective maps and $\text{cof}_\mathcal{K}(C) = \{ f \in \mathcal{K}, \forall g \in \text{inj}_\mathcal{K}(C), f \square g \}$ where $C$ is a class of maps of $\mathcal{K}$. The class of morphisms of $\mathcal{K}$ that are transfinite compositions of pushouts of elements of $C$ is denoted by $\text{cell}_\mathcal{K}(C)$. There is the inclusion $\text{cell}_\mathcal{K}(K) \subset \text{cof}_\mathcal{K}(K)$. Moreover, every morphism of $\text{cof}_\mathcal{K}(K)$ is a retract of a morphism of $\text{cell}_\mathcal{K}(K)$ as soon as the domains of $K$ are small relative to $\text{cell}_\mathcal{K}(K)$ [19, Corollary 2.1.15], e.g. when $\mathcal{K}$ is locally presentable. For every map $f : X \to Y$ and every natural transformation $\alpha : F \to F'$ between two endofunctors of $\mathcal{K}$, the map $f \star \alpha$ is defined by the diagram:

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\begin{array}{ccc}
FX & \xrightarrow{f} & FY \\
\downarrow{\alpha_X} & & \downarrow{\alpha_Y} \\
F'X & \xrightarrow{f'\ast \alpha} & F'Y.
\end{array}
\]
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For a set of morphisms $A$, let $A \star \alpha = \{ f \star \alpha, f \in A \}$. A cylinder functor $C : \mathcal{K} \to \mathcal{K}$ is equipped with two natural transformations $\gamma = \gamma^0 \sqcup \gamma^1 : \text{Id} \sqcup \text{Id} \to C$ and $\sigma : C \to \text{Id}$ such that $\sigma \gamma : \text{Id} \sqcup \text{Id} \to \text{Id}$ is the codiagonal. A path functor $P : \mathcal{K} \to \mathcal{K}$ is equipped with two natural transformations $\tau : \text{Id} \to P$ and $\pi = (\pi^0, \pi^1) : P \to \text{Id} \times \text{Id}$ such that $\pi \tau : \text{Id} \to \text{Id} \times \text{Id}$ is the diagonal. Sometimes, a Greek letter denotes a state: the context always enables the reader to avoid any confusion. Let $I$ and $S$ be two sets of maps of a locally presentable category $\mathcal{K}$. Let $\text{Cyl} : \mathcal{K} \to \mathcal{K}$ be a cylinder with respect to $I$. Denote by $\Lambda_\mathcal{K}(\text{Cyl}, S, I)$ the set of maps defined as follows: 1) $\Lambda^K_\mathcal{K}(\text{Cyl}, S, I) = S \cup (I \star \gamma^0) \cup (I \star \gamma^1)$, 2) $\Lambda^{n+1}_\mathcal{K}(\text{Cyl}, S, I) = \Lambda^*_\mathcal{K}(\text{Cyl}, S, I) \times I \star I$ for $n \geq 0$, 3) $\Lambda_\mathcal{K}(\text{Cyl}, S, I) = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \Lambda^n_\mathcal{K}(\text{Cyl}, S, I)$.

In a model category $\mathcal{M}$, the homotopy class (left homotopy class, right homotopy class) of maps from $X$ to $Y$ is denoted by $\pi_\mathcal{M}(X, Y) (\pi^1_\mathcal{M}(X, Y), \pi^r_\mathcal{M}(X, Y)$ resp.). A cofibrant replacement functor will be denoted by $(-)^{cof}$ and a fibrant replacement functor by $(-)^{fib}$. The discrete model structure is the model structure such that all maps are cofibrations and fibrations and such that the weak equivalences are the isomorphisms [27]. A map of model categories $L : \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{N}$ is homotopically surjective [4, Definition 3.1] if for every fibrant object $Y$ of $\mathcal{N}$ and every cofibrant replacement $(RY)^{cof} \sim \to RY$, the induced map $L((RY)^{cof}) : Y \to \mathcal{N}$ is a weak equivalence of $\mathcal{N}$. A homotopically surjective map of model categories $L : \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{N}$ is a Quillen equivalence if and only if for every cofibrant object $X$ of $\mathcal{M}$ and every fibrant replacement $LX \sim \to (LX)^{fib}$, the map $X \to R((LX)^{fib})$ is a weak equivalence of $\mathcal{M}$.

We refer to [2] for locally presentable categories, to [25] for combinatorial model categories, and to [11] for topological categories, i.e. categories equipped with a topological functor towards a power of the category of sets. We refer to [19] and to [18] for model categories. For general facts about weak factorization systems, see also [21]. The reading of the first part of [23], published in [22], is recommended for any reference about good,
cartesian, and very good cylinders. We use the paper [10] as a toolbox for constructing the model structures. To keep this paper short, we refer to [10] for all notions related to Olschok model categories.

2. Higher dimensional transition system

This section is a reminder about weak, cubical, regular and Cattani-Sassone transition systems.

An infinite set of labels Σ is fixed. A transition presystem consists of a triple $X = (\overline{S}(X), \mu : \overline{L}(X) \to \Sigma, \overline{\tau}(X) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \overline{T}_n(X))$ where $\overline{S}(X)$ is a set of states, where $\overline{L}(X)$ is a set of actions, where $\mu : \overline{L}(X) \to \Sigma$ is a set map called the labelling map, and finally where $\overline{T}_n(X) \subset \overline{S}(X) \times \overline{L}(X)^n \times \overline{S}(X)$ for $n \geq 1$ is a set of $n$-transitions or $n$-dimensional transitions. A $n$-transition $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ is also called a transition from $\alpha$ to $\beta$: $\alpha$ is the initial state and $\beta$ the final state of the transition. It can be denoted by $\alpha \xrightarrow{u_1, \ldots, u_n} \beta$.

This set of data satisfies one or several of the following axioms (note that the Intermediate state axiom is a consequence of CSA2):

- **Multiset axiom.** For every permutation $\sigma$ of $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ with $n \geq 2$, if the tuple $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ is a transition, then the tuple $(\alpha, u_{\sigma(1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(n)}, \beta)$ is a transition as well.
- **Patching axiom.** For every $(n+2)$-tuple $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ with $n \geq 3$, for every $p, q \geq 1$ with $p + q < n$, if the five tuples $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$, $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, v_1)$, $(\alpha, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$, $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, v_2)$ and $(\alpha, u_{p+q+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ are transitions, then the $(q+2)$-tuple $(v_1, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_{p+q}, v_2)$ is a transition as well.
- **All actions are used.** For every $u \in L$, there is a 1-transition $(\alpha, u, \beta)$.
- **Intermediate state axiom.** For every $n \geq 2$, every $p$ with $1 \leq p < n$ and every transition $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ of $X$, there exists a state $\nu$ (not necessarily unique) such that both $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \nu)$ and $(\nu, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ are transitions.
- **CSA2 or Unique intermediate state axiom.** For every $n \geq 2$, every $p$ with $1 \leq p < n$ and every transition $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ of $X$, there exists a unique state $\nu$ such that both $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \nu)$ and $(\nu, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ are transitions.
- **CSA1.** If $(\alpha, u, \beta)$ and $(\alpha, v, \beta)$ are two transitions such that $\mu(u) = \mu(v)$, then $u = v$.

A map of transition presystems consists of two set maps, one between the sets of states, the other one between the set of actions preserving the labelling map, such that any transition of the domain is mapped to a transition of the codomain. For a map $f : X \to Y$ of transition presystems, the image by $f$ of a transition $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ should be noted $f((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta))$. The notation $f((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta))$ will be used instead to not overload the calculations. This convention is already implicitly used in our previous papers. The mapping $X \to \overline{S}(X)$ ( $X \to \overline{L}(X)$ resp.) induces a functor from the category of transition presystems to the category of sets Set.

Table 1 lists the definitions of the categories WTS of weak transition systems [10], Definition 3.2, CTS of cubical transition systems [11], Proposition 6.7, RTS of regular transition systems [15], Definition 2.2 and CSTS of Cattani-Sassone transition systems [15] Table 1. All examples coming from process algebras belong to CSTS [7, 9, 10].
The category $CSTS$ is a reflective subcategory of $CTS$ by [11, Proposition 7.2], but also of $RTS$ by Proposition 4.1. We will come back on the category $CSTS$ in Section 4. The category $CTS$ is a reflective subcategory of $WTS$. The latter is locally finitely presentable by [11, Proposition 4.5]. It is a reflective subcategory of $CT$ by [15, Proposition 4.4]. The reflection is the functor $CSA_2 : CT \to CTS$ which forces $CSA2$ to hold. This functor is extensively studied in [15, Section 4]. The category $CT$ is locally finitely presentable by [11, Corollary 3.15]. By [11, Corollary 3.15], the category $CTS$ is a coreflective subcategory of $WTS$. The latter is locally finitely presentable by [10, Theorem 3.4]. The forgetful functor $\omega : WTS \to \mathbf{Set}^{(s) \cup \Sigma}$ taking the weak higher dimensional transition system $X$ to the $(\{s\} \cup \Sigma)$-tuple of sets $(\Sigma(X), (\mu^{-1}(x))_{x \in \Sigma}) \in \mathbf{Set}^{(s) \cup \Sigma}$ is topological by [10, Theorem 3.4]. There is the chain of functors

\[
\text{CSTS} \subset \text{reflective} \text{RTS} \subset \text{reflective} \text{CTS} \subset \text{coreflective} \text{WTS} \overset{\omega}{\longrightarrow} \text{topological} \mathbf{Set}^{(s) \cup \Sigma}.
\]

We give now some important examples of regular transition systems.

1. Every set $X$ may be identified with the cubical transition system having the set of states $X$, with no actions and no transitions.

2. For every $x \in \Sigma$, let us denote by $\uparrow x \uparrow$ the cubical transition system with four states $\{1,2,3,4\}$, one action $x$ and two transitions $(1,x,2)$ and $(3,x,4)$. The cubical transition system $\uparrow x \uparrow$ is called the double transition (labelled by $x$) where $x \in \Sigma$.

### 2.1. Notation

For $n \geq 1$, let $0_n = (0, \ldots, 0)$ ($n$-times) and $1_n = (1, \ldots, 1)$ ($n$-times). By convention, let $0_0 = 1_0 = ()$.

Let us introduce the weak transition system corresponding to the labelled $n$-cube.

#### 2.2. Proposition

[10, Proposition 5.2] Let $n \geq 0$ and $x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \Sigma$. Let $T_d \subset \{0,1\}^n \times \{(x_1,1), \ldots, (x_n,n)\}^d \times \{0,1\}^n$ (with $d \geq 1$) be the subset of $(d+2)$-tuples

\[
((\epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_n), (x_{i_1}, i_1), \ldots, (x_{i_d}, i_d), (\epsilon'_1, \ldots, \epsilon'_n))
\]

such that

- $i_m = i_n$ implies $m = n$, i.e. there are no repetitions in the list $(x_{i_1}, i_1), \ldots, (x_{i_d}, i_d)$
- for all $i$, $\epsilon_i \leq \epsilon'_i$
- $\epsilon_i \neq \epsilon'_i$ if and only if $i \in \{i_1, \ldots, i_d\}$.

Let $\mu : \{(x_1,1), \ldots, (x_n,n)\} \to \Sigma$ be the set map defined by $\mu(x_i, i) = x_i$. Then

\[
C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] = (\{0,1\}^n, \mu : \{(x_1,1), \ldots, (x_n,n)\} \to \Sigma, (T_d)_{d \geq 1})
\]

is a well-defined weak transition system called the $n$-cube.
The \( n \)-cubes \( C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \) for all \( n \geq 0 \) and all \( x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \Sigma \) are regular by [10, Proposition 4.6] and [10, Proposition 5.2]. For \( n = 0 \), \( C_0[] \), also denoted by \( C_0 \), is nothing else but the set \( \{ () \} \).

Here are two important families of weak transition systems which are not cubical, and therefore not regular:

1. The weak transition system \( x = (\emptyset, \{ x \} \subset \Sigma, \emptyset) \) for \( x \in \Sigma \) is not cubical because the action \( x \) is not used.
2. Let \( n \geq 0 \). Let \( x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \Sigma \). The pure \( n \)-transition \( C_{ext}^n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \) is the weak transition system with the set of states \( \{ 0_n, 1_n \} \), with the set of actions
   \[
   \{(x_1, 1), \ldots, (x_n, n)\}
   \]
   and with the transitions all \((n+2)\)-tuples \((0_n, (x_{\sigma(1)}, \sigma(1)), \ldots, (x_{\sigma(n)}, \sigma(n)), 1_n)\) for \( \sigma \) running over the set of permutations of the set \( \{1, \ldots, n\} \). It is not cubical for \( n > 1 \) because it does not contain any 1-transition. Intuitively, the pure transition is a cube without faces of lower dimension.

The main use of the families of pure transitions is summarized in the following two facts:

1. For all weak transition system \( X \), the set \( WTS(C_{ext}^n[x_1, \ldots, x_n], X) \) is the set of transitions \( (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) \) of \( X \) such that for all \( 1 \leq i \leq n \), \( \mu(u_i) = x_i \) and
   \[
   \bigcup_{x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \Sigma} WTS(C_{ext}^n[x_1, \ldots, x_n], X)
   \]
   is the set of transitions of \( X \).
2. Every map of weak transition systems \( f : C_{ext}^n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \rightarrow X \) where \( X \) satisfies CSA2 factors uniquely as a composite \( f : C_{ext}^n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \rightarrow C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \rightarrow X \) by [10, Theorem 5.6].

We conclude this section by recalling some important facts:

2.3. **Proposition.** Let \( f : A \rightarrow B \) be a map of weak transition systems which is one-to-one on states and on actions. Then it is one-to-one on transitions.

**Proof.** It is mutatis mutandis the proof of [13, Proposition 4.4]. \( \square \)

2.4. **Theorem.** [15, Theorem 3.3] Let \( (f_i : \omega(A_i) \rightarrow W)_{i \in I} \) be a cocone of \( \text{Set}^{\{s\} \cup \Sigma} \) such that the weak transition systems \( A_i \) are cubical for all \( i \in I \) and such that every action \( u \) of \( W \) is the image of an action of \( A_{i_u} \) for some \( i_u \in I \). Then the \( \omega \)-final lift \( \tilde{W} \) is cubical.

2.5. **Proposition.** [15, Proposition 4.1] Let \( X \) be a cubical transition system. Let \( Y \) be a weak transition system satisfying CSA2. Let \( f : X \rightarrow Y \) be a map of weak transition systems which is one-to-one on states. Then \( X \) is regular, and in particular satisfies CSA2.

### 3. Colimit of regular transition systems

Theorem [5.1] states that the set of transitions of a colimit of regular transition systems is the union of the set of transitions. Its proof is similar to the proofs of [10, Theorem 4.7] and [15, Proposition A.3].
3.1. **Theorem.** Let \((i \mapsto X_i)\) be a small diagram of \(\mathcal{RTS}\). The set of states \(\lim_{\to} \mathbb{S}(X_i)\) is a quotient of the set \(\lim_{\to} \mathbb{S}(X_i)\), the set of actions \(\mathbb{L}(\lim_{\to} X_i)\) is equal to \(\lim_{\to} \mathbb{L}(X_i)\) and the set of transitions of \(\lim_{\to} X_i\) is equal to \(\bigcup \phi_i(T(X_i))\) where \(\phi_i : X_i \to \lim_{\to} X_i\) is the canonical map. In particular, the regular transition system \(\lim_{\to} X_i\) is equipped with the \(\omega\)-final structure.

**Proof.** The proof is divided in two parts. The first one is easy. The second one requires to be more careful and shows how the patching axiom can be used.

**The case of states and actions.** The colimit \(\lim_{\to} X_i\) in \(\mathcal{RTS}\) is equal to \(\text{CSA}_2(\lim_{\to} \mathcal{CTS} X_i)\) where \(\lim_{\to} \mathcal{CTS} X_i\) is the colimit calculated in \(\mathcal{CTS}\). Since the functors \(\mathbb{S} : \mathcal{CTS} \to \mathbb{Set}\) and \(\mathbb{L} : \mathcal{CTS} \to \mathbb{Set}\) are colimit-preserving by [14, Lemma 3.5], we have the bijection of sets \(\lim_{\to} \mathbb{S}(X_i) \cong \mathbb{S}(\lim_{\to} \mathcal{CTS} X_i)\) and \(\lim_{\to} \mathbb{L}(X_i) \cong \mathbb{L}(\lim_{\to} \mathcal{CTS} X_i)\). The unit map \(\lim_{\to} \mathcal{CTS} X_i \to \text{CSA}_2(\lim_{\to} \mathcal{CTS} X_i)\) is onto on states and bijective on actions by [15, Proposition 4.2]: the functor \(\text{CSA}_2 : \mathcal{CTS} \to \mathcal{RTS}\) forces CSA2 to hold by making identifications of states. We deduce that the set of states of \(\lim_{\to} X_i\) is a quotient of \(\lim_{\to} \mathbb{S}(X_i)\) and that the set of actions of \(\lim_{\to} X_i\) is exactly \(\lim_{\to} \mathbb{L}(X_i)\).

**The case of transitions.** Let \(T = \bigcup \phi_i(T(X_i))\). Let \((f_i(\alpha), f_i(u_1), \ldots, f_i(u_n), f_i(\beta))\) be a tuple of \(T\). Then the tuple \((\alpha, u_{\sigma(1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(n)}, \beta)\) is a transition of \(X_i\) for all permutations \(\sigma\) of \(\{1, \ldots, n\}\). So the tuple \((f(\alpha), f(u_{\sigma(1)}), \ldots, f(u_{\sigma(n)}), f(\beta))\) belongs to \(T\). This means that the set of tuples \(T\) satisfies the multiset axiom. Let \(n \geq 3\) and \(p, q \geq 1\) with \(p + q < n\). Let

\[
(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta), (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \mu), (
\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu), (\nu, u_{p+q+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)
\]

be five tuples of \(T\). Let \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) = (f(\gamma), f(v_1), \ldots, f(v_n), f(\delta))\) where the tuple \((\gamma, v_1, \ldots, v_n, \delta)\) is a transition of \(X_i\). There exist two states \(\epsilon\) and \(\eta\) of \(X_i\) such that the five tuples

\[
(\gamma, v_1, \ldots, v_p, \epsilon), (\gamma, v_1, \ldots, v_{p+q}, \eta), \]
\[
(\epsilon, v_{p+1}, \ldots, v_n, \delta), (\eta, v_{p+q+1}, \ldots, v_n, \delta), (\epsilon, v_{p+1}, \ldots, v_{p+q}, \eta)
\]

are transitions of \(X_i\) since \(X_i\) is cubical and by using the patching axiom in \(X_i\). Therefore, the five tuples

\[
(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, f(\epsilon)), (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, f(\eta)), \]
\[
(f(\epsilon), u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta), (f(\eta), u_{p+q+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta), \]
\[
(f(\epsilon), u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_{p+q}, f(\eta))
\]

are transitions of \(\lim_{\to} X_i\). The point is that \(\lim_{\to} X_i\) satisfies CSA2. We deduce that \(f_i(\epsilon) = \mu\) and \(f_i(\eta) = \nu\). We obtain that

\[
(\mu, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu) = (f(\epsilon), f(v_{p+1}), \ldots, f(v_{p+q}), f(\eta)) \in T.
\]

This means that the set of tuples \(T\) satisfies the patching axiom. Write \(Z\) for the weak transition system having the set of transitions \(T\). We have obtained a morphism of
cocones of weak transition systems

\[
\begin{array}{c}
(X_i) \\
\downarrow \ \\
Z \\
\downarrow \ \\
\lim X_i.
\end{array}
\]

The map \( Z \to \lim X_i \) is bijective on states and on actions, and therefore one-to-one on transitions by Proposition 2.3. We have also proved that the weak transition system \( Z \) is the \( \omega \)-final lift of the cocone \( (\omega(X_i) \to \omega(Z)) \) of \( \text{Set}^{(s)} \). By Theorem 2.4, the weak transition system \( Z \) is cubical. Since the map \( Z \to \lim X_i \) is one-to-one on states, the cubical transition system \( Z \) satisfies CSA2 by Proposition 2.5. We have proved that \( Z = \lim X_i \). \( \square \)

3.2. Corollary. Consider a pushout diagram of \( \text{RTS} \)

\[
\begin{array}{c}
A \\
\downarrow p \\
B \\
\downarrow \psi \\
X \\
\downarrow f \\
Y
\end{array}
\]

such that the left vertical map \( A \to B \) is onto on states, on actions and on transitions. Then the right vertical map is onto on states, on actions and on transitions.

Proof. Since the map \( A \to B \) is onto on states and on actions, the map \( X \to Y \) is onto on states and on actions as well by Theorem 3.1. By Theorem 3.1, we have the equality \( T(Y) = f(T(X)) \cup \psi(T(B)) \). Since \( A \to B \) is onto on transitions, we also have the equalities \( \psi(T(B)) = \psi(p(T(A)) = f(\phi(T(A))) \). We deduce the inclusion \( \psi(T(B)) \subset f(T(X)) \). We obtain \( T(Y) = f(T(X)) \). \( \square \)

In Corollary 3.2, \( \text{RTS} \) cannot be replaced by \( \text{CTS} \) (cf. [15 Proposition A.1]). This “good” behavior of colimits in \( \text{RTS} \) is due to CSA2.

4. CATTANI-SASSONE TRANSITION SYSTEM

All set, all double transitions and all cubes are Cattani-Sassone transition systems. All weak transition systems coming from a process algebra are Cattani-Sassone transition systems [7] [9].

4.1. Notation. Let \( \mathcal{U} = \{C_1[x] \sqcup_{(0,1)} C_1[x] \to C_1[x] \mid x \in \Sigma\} \).

4.2. Proposition. Let \( X \) be a weak transition system. The following conditions are equivalent:

1. \( X \) is \( \mathcal{U} \)-injective.
2. \( X \) is \( \mathcal{U} \)-orthogonal.
3. \( X \) satisfies CSA1.

Proof. Every map of \( \mathcal{U} \) is bijective on states and onto on actions. Thus, every map of \( \mathcal{U} \) is epic. We deduce the equivalence (1) \( \iff \) (2). The equivalence (1) \( \iff \) (3) is clear. \( \square \)
4.3. **Proposition.** Every map of \( \text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \) onto on states, on actions and on transitions. In particular, every map of \( \text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \) is epic.

**Proof.** Every pushout in \( \text{RTS} \) of a map of \( U \) is onto on states, on actions and on transitions by Corollary 3.2. Every transfinite composition in \( \text{RTS} \) of maps onto on states, on actions and on transitions is onto on states, on actions and on transitions by Theorem 3.1. Therefore, every map of \( \text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \) is onto on states, on actions and on transitions. In particular, every map of \( \text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \) is epic. \( \square \)

By [14, Proposition A.1] and by Proposition 4.3, for all objects \( X \) of \( \text{RTS} \), the unique map \( X \to 1 \) from \( X \) to the terminal object of \( \text{RTS} \) factors functorially and uniquely, up to isomorphism, as a composite

\[
X \xrightarrow{\epsilon_{\text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U)}} \text{CSA}_1(X) \xrightarrow{\epsilon_{\text{inj}_{\text{RTS}}(U)}} 1
\]

in \( \text{RTS} \) where the left-hand map belongs to \( \text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \) and the right-hand map belongs to \( \text{inj}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \). By Proposition 4.2, the regular transition system \( \text{CSA}_1(X) \) satisfies CSA1. We have obtained a well-defined functor \( \text{CSA}_1: \text{RTS} \to \text{RTS} \).

4.4. **Proposition.** The category \( \mathcal{CSTS} \) is a reflective locally finitely presentable subcategory of \( \text{RTS} \). The left adjoint of the inclusion \( \mathcal{CSTS} \subset \text{RTS} \) is precisely the functor \( \text{CSA}_1: \text{RTS} \to \text{RTS} \).

**Proof.** By Proposition 4.2, \( \mathcal{CSTS} \) is a small-orthogonality class of \( \text{RTS} \). Hence it is a reflective subcategory. Thus, \( \mathcal{CSTS} \) is complete and cocomplete. The set of cubes and double transitions is a dense and hence strong generator of \( \text{RTS} \) by [11, Theorem 3.11], and therefore of \( \mathcal{CSTS} \). Consequently, the category \( \mathcal{CSTS} \) is locally finitely presentable by [2, Theorem 1.20]. Let \( f: X \to Z \) be a map of regular transition systems such that \( Z \) satisfies CSA1. Then we have the commutative diagram of \( \text{RTS} \)

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
X & \xrightarrow{\epsilon} & \text{CSA}_1(X) & \xrightarrow{\epsilon_{\text{inj}_{\text{RTS}}(U)}} & 1 \\
& & & & \\
& & & & \\
& & & & \\
\end{array}
\]

By construction, the left vertical map belongs to \( \text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \). Since \( Z \) satisfies CSA1, the right vertical map belongs to \( \text{inj}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \) by Proposition 4.2. Therefore the lift \( \ell \) exists and it is unique since the left vertical map is epic by Proposition 4.3. Thus, the map \( X \to Z \) factors uniquely as a composite \( X \to \text{CSA}_1(X) \to Z \). \( \square \)

4.5. **Theorem.** Let \( (i \mapsto X_i) \) be a small diagram of \( \mathcal{CSTS} \). The set of states \( \varprojlim X_i \) is a quotient of the set \( \lim S(X_i) \), the set of actions \( \varprojlim L(X_i) \) is a quotient of the set \( \lim L(X_i) \) and the set of transitions of \( \varprojlim X_i \) is equal to \( \bigcup_i \phi_i(\varprojlim X_i) \) where \( \phi_i: X_i \to \varprojlim X_i \) is the canonical map. In particular, the Cattani-Sassone transition system \( \varprojlim X_i \) is equipped with the \( \omega \)-final structure.

**Proof.** We have \( \varprojlim X_i \cong \text{CSA}_1(\varprojlim_{\text{RTS}} X_i) \) where \( \varprojlim_{\text{RTS}} X_i \) is the colimit calculated in \( \text{RTS} \). The unit map \( \varprojlim_{\text{RTS}} X_i \to \text{CSA}_1(\varprojlim_{\text{RTS}} X_i) \) belongs to \( \text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(U) \). Therefore it is onto on states, on actions and on transitions by Proposition 4.3. The proof is complete thanks to Theorem 3.1. \( \square \)
4.6. Corollary. Consider a pushout diagram of CSTS

\[
\begin{array}{c}
A \xrightarrow{\phi} X \\
p \downarrow \quad \downarrow f \\
B \xrightarrow{\psi} Y
\end{array}
\]

such that the left vertical map \(A \to B\) is onto on states, on actions and on transitions. Then the right vertical map is onto on states, on actions and on transitions.

Proof. The proof is mutatis mutandis the proof of Corollary 3.2. \(\square\)

5. Homotopy theory of non star-shaped objects

Let \(X\) be a weak transition system. By \cite[Proposition 2.10]{14}, there exists a weak transition system \(\text{Cyl}(X)\) with the set of states \(\mathbb{S}(X) \times \{0, 1\}\), the set of actions \(\mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\}\), the labelling map the composite map \(\mu : \mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\} \to \mathbb{L}(X) \to \Sigma\), and such that a tuple \(((\alpha, \epsilon_0), (u_1, \epsilon_1), \ldots, (u_n, \epsilon_n), (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1}))\) is a transition of \(\text{Cyl}(X)\) if and only if the tuple \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) is a transition of \(X\).

5.1. Notation. Let \(Z \subset \mathbb{S}(X)\). The \(\omega\)-final lift of the map

\[\omega(\text{Cyl}(X)) \to (Z \times \{0\} \sqcup (\mathbb{S}(X) \setminus Z) \times \{0, 1\}, \mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\})\]

of \(\text{Set}^{(s)\cup \Sigma}\) taking \((s, \epsilon) \in Z \times \{0, 1\}\) to \((s, 0)\) and which is the identity on \((\mathbb{S}(X) \setminus Z) \times \{0, 1\}\) and on \(\mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\}\) is denoted by \(\text{Cyl}(X)\)//\(Z\).

By (the proof of) \cite[Lemma 3.12]{14}, the set of transitions of \(\text{Cyl}(X)\)//\(Z\) is the set of tuples \(((\alpha, \epsilon_0), (u_1, \epsilon_1), \ldots, (u_n, \epsilon_n), (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1}))\) such that \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) is a transition of \(X\). Indeed, the \(\omega\)-final structure contains this set of tuples and this set of tuples obviously satisfies the multiset axiom and the patching axiom; consequently, it is the \(\omega\)-final structure.

By \cite[Theorem 3.3]{14}, if the weak transition system \(X\) is cubical, then the weak transition system \(\text{Cyl}(X)\) is cubical as well. The map \(\omega(\text{Cyl}(X)) \to (Z \times \{0\} \sqcup (\mathbb{S}(X) \setminus Z) \times \{0, 1\}, \mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\})\) of \(\text{Set}^{(s)\cup \Sigma}\) induces the identity of \(\mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\}\) on actions, and thus, is onto on actions. By Theorem 2.3, we deduce that if the weak transition system \(X\) is cubical, then the weak transition system \(\text{Cyl}(X)\)//\(Z\) is cubical as well.

5.2. Notation. Let \(Z \subset \mathbb{S}(X)\). The \(\omega\)-final lift of the map of \(\text{Set}^{(s)\cup \Sigma}\)

\[\omega(\text{Cyl}(X)) \to (Z \times \{0\} \sqcup (\mathbb{S}(X) \setminus Z) \times \{0, 1\}, \mathbb{L}(X))\]

taking \((s, \epsilon) \in Z \times \{0, 1\}\) to \((s, 0)\) and taking the action \((u, \epsilon) \in \mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\}\) to \(u\) is denoted by \(\text{Cyl}(X)\)//\(Z\).

5.3. Proposition. Let \(X\) be a cubical transition system. Let \(Z \subset \mathbb{S}(X)\) be a subset of the set of states of \(X\). The weak transition system \(\text{Cyl}(X)\)//\(Z\) is cubical. A tuple \(((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1}))\) is a transition of \(\text{Cyl}(X)\)//\(Z\) if and only if the tuple \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) is a transition of \(X\). Moreover, if \(X\) satisfies CSA1, then \(\text{Cyl}(X)\)//\(Z\) satisfies CSA1 as well.
Proof. By Theorem 2.4 the weak transition system $Cyl(X)///Z$ is cubical since the projection map $L(X) \times \{0, 1\} \rightarrow L(X)$ is onto. The set of transitions of $Cyl(X)///Z$ is the $\omega$-final structure generated by the set of tuples

$$T = \{((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1})) | (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) \in T(X)\}.$$

The set $T$ of transitions satisfies the multiset axiom and the patching axiom. Therefore it is the $\omega$-final structure: $T = T(Cyl(X)///Z)$. Assume that $X$ satisfies CSA1. Let $((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u, (\beta, \epsilon_1))$ and $((\alpha, \epsilon_0), v, (\beta, \epsilon_1))$ be two transitions of the cubical transition system $Cyl(X)///Z$ with $\mu(u) = \mu(v)$. Then the tuples $(\alpha, u, \beta)$ and $(\alpha, v, \beta)$ are two transitions of $X$. Since $X$ satisfies CSA1 by hypothesis, we obtain $u = v$. Consequently, $Cyl(X)///Z$ satisfies CSA1 if $X$ does. \hfill \Box

5.4. Definition. [13] Let $X$ be a weak transition system. A state $\alpha$ of $X$ is internal if there exists three transitions $(\gamma, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \delta), (\gamma, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \alpha)$ and $(\alpha, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \delta)$ with $n \geq 2$ and $p \geq 1$. A state $\alpha$ is external if it is not internal.

5.5. Notation. The set of internal states of a weak transition system $X$ is denoted by $I(X)$. The complement is denoted by $E(X) = S(X) \setminus I(X)$.

For any map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ of weak transition systems, we have $f(I(X)) \subset I(Y)$: any internal state of $X$ is mapped to an internal state of $Y$. In general, we have $f(E(X)) \not\subset E(Y)$. In the example the inclusion $00 \xrightarrow{u} 01 \xrightarrow{v} 11 \subset C_2[\mu(u), \mu(v)]$, all states of the domains are external, and the middle state $01$ is mapped to an internal state of $C_2[\mu(u), \mu(v)]$. We actually have the following characterization:

5.6. Proposition. A state $\alpha$ of a cubical transition systems $X$ is internal if and only if there exist three transitions $(\gamma, u_1, u_2, \delta), (\gamma, u_1, \alpha)$ and $(\alpha, u_2, \delta)$.

Proof. The “if” part is a consequence of the definition. The “only if” part is a consequence of the fact that $X$ is cubical. \hfill \Box

5.7. Proposition. Let $X$ be a Cattani-Sassone transition system. Then the cubical transition system $Cyl(X)///I(X)$ is a Cattani-Sassone transition system.

Proof. Consider the five transitions

$$(\alpha, \epsilon_0, u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1}))$$

$$((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u_1, \ldots, u_p, (\gamma, \epsilon)), ((\gamma, \epsilon), u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1}))$$

$$((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u_1, \ldots, u_p, (\gamma', \epsilon')), ((\gamma', \epsilon'), u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1}))$$

of $Cyl(X)///I(X)$. Then the five tuples

$$(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$$

$$(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \gamma), (\gamma, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$$

$$(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \gamma'), (\gamma', u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$$

are transitions of $X$. Since $X$ is regular, we have $\gamma = \gamma'$. And since $\gamma = \gamma'$ is an internal state of $X$, we have $(\gamma, \epsilon) = (\gamma, 0)$ and $(\gamma', \epsilon) = (\gamma', 0)$ in $Cyl(X)///I(X)$. We deduce that $Cyl(X)///I(X)$ is regular. The proof is complete using Proposition 5.3. \hfill \Box
5.8. **Theorem.** Let $X$ be a Cattani-Sassone transition system. Then there is the natural isomorphism $\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2 \text{Cyl}(X) \cong \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$.

**Proof.** By [[14], Lemma 3.14], we have the isomorphism of weak transition systems

$$\text{CSA}_2 \text{Cyl}(X) \cong \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X).$$

In particular, this means that $\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$ is regular. Let $u \in \mathbb{L}(X)$. Since $X$ is cubical, there exists a transition $(\alpha_u, 0, (u, 0), (\beta_u, 0))$ of $X$. We deduce that $((\alpha_u, 0), (u, 0), (\beta_u, 0))$ and $((\alpha_u, 0), (u, 1), (\beta_u, 0))$ are two transitions of $\text{Cyl}(X)$, and therefore two transitions of $\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$. Consider the map $\phi_u : \mu_1 \subseteq_0 \mu_1 \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$ which sends the two transitions of the domain to the transitions $((\alpha_u, 0), (u, 0), (\beta_u, 0))$ and $((\alpha_u, 0), (u, 1), (\beta_u, 0))$ respectively. Consider the pushout diagram of $\text{RTS}$

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}
\bigsqcup_{u \in \mathbb{L}(X)} C_1[\mu(u)] \subseteq_0 C_1[\mu(u)] & \xrightarrow{\bigsqcup_{u \in \mathbb{L}(X)} \phi_u} & \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\bigsqcup_{u \in \mathbb{L}(X)} C_1[\mu(u)] & \xrightarrow{Z} & Z.
\end{array}
$$

By Theorem 3.1, the set of states $\mathbb{S}(Z)$ is a quotient of the set of states $\mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X))$, the set of actions $\mathbb{L}(Z)$ of $Z$ is equal to $\mathbb{L}(X)$ and the set of transitions of $Z$ is given by the $\omega$-final structure. The map of $\text{Set}^{(s) \cup \Sigma}$

$$\omega(\text{Cyl}(X)) \rightarrow (I(X) \times \{0\} \sqcup E(X) \times \{0, 1\}, \mathbb{L}(X))$$

factors as a composite

$$\omega(\text{Cyl}(X)) \rightarrow (I(X) \times \{0\} \sqcup E(X) \times \{0, 1\}, \mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\})$$

where the left hand map is the identity on $\mathbb{L}(X) \times \{0, 1\}$. Consequently, the map $\text{Cyl}(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$ factors uniquely as a composite

$$\text{Cyl}(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X).$$

The right-hand map

$$\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$$

is bijective on states and $\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$ is obtained from $\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$ by making the identifications $(u, 0) = (u, 1)$ for all actions $u$ of $X$. Consequently, by the universal property of the pushout, the map $\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$ factors uniquely as a composite

$$\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow Z \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X).$$

The latter composite set map yields the factorization of $\text{Id}_{\mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X))}$ as the composite

$$\mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}(Z) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)).$$

We deduce that the left-hand map is one-to-one, and then bijective. We have obtained the isomorphism $Z \cong \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$ because the two Cattani-Sassone transition systems are the $\omega$-final lift of the same map of $\text{Set}^{(s) \cup \Sigma}$. We obtain a factorization of the canonical map $\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow 1$ as a composite $\text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X)$.
where the left-hand map belongs to \textbf{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(\mathcal{U}) and where, by Proposition \ref{prop:RTS} and Proposition \ref{prop:RTS2}, the right-hand map belongs to \textbf{inj}_{\text{RTS}}(\mathcal{U}). We deduce the isomorphism 
\text{CSA}_1(\text{Cyl}(X) / \overline{\text{I}}(X)) \cong \text{Cyl}(X) / \overline{\text{I}}(X). \tag*{\Box}

5.9. \textbf{Notation.} For every \(X \in \text{GSTS}\), let \(\text{Cyl}^{\text{GSTS}}(X) := \text{CSA}_1\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X)\).

Let \(X\) be an object of \(\text{GSTS}\). The cylinder \(\text{Cyl}^{\text{GSTS}}(X)\) of \(X\) in \(\text{GSTS}\) is then the Cattani-Sassone transition systems with the set of states \(\overline{\text{I}}(X) \times \{0\} \cup \overline{\text{E}}(X) \times \{0, 1\}\), the set of actions \(\text{I}(X)\) with the same labelling map as \(X\), and such that a tuple
\[
((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1}))
\]
is a transition of \(\text{Cyl}^{\text{GSTS}}(X)\) if and only if the tuple \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) is a transition of \(X\). The canonical map \(\gamma^\epsilon : X \rightarrow \text{Cyl}^{\text{GSTS}}(X)\) with \(\epsilon \in \{0, 1\}\) is induced by the mapping \(\alpha \mapsto (\alpha, \epsilon)\) for \(\alpha \in \underline{\text{S}}(X) \setminus \overline{\text{I}}(X)\) or \(\epsilon = 0\), by the mapping \(\alpha \mapsto (\alpha, 0)\) for \(\alpha \in \overline{\text{I}}(X)\) and \(\epsilon = 1\) and by the identity of \(\overline{\text{I}}(X)\) on actions. The canonical map \(\text{Cyl}^{\text{GSTS}}(X) \rightarrow X\) is induced by the mapping \((\alpha, \epsilon) \mapsto \alpha\) on states and by the identity of \(\overline{\text{I}}(X)\) on actions.  

5.10. \textbf{Proposition.} For every Cattani-Sassone transition system \(X\), the unit map 
\[
\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X) \rightarrow \text{CSA}_1\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X)
\]
is split epic.

\textbf{Proof.} For every Cattani-Sassone transition system \(X\), the map 
\[
\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X) \rightarrow \text{CSA}_1\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X)
\]
is the identity on states and takes the action \((u, \epsilon)\) of \(\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X)\) to the action \(u\) of \(\text{CSA}_1\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X)\). The inclusion map 
\[
\text{CSA}_1\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X) \subset \text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X)
\]
induced by the identity on states and the mapping \(u \mapsto (u, 0)\) on actions yields a section of the map \(\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X) \rightarrow \text{CSA}_1\text{CSA}_2\text{Cyl}(X)\). \tag*{\Box}

5.11. \textbf{Definition.} Let \(n \geq 1\) and \(x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \Sigma\). Let \(\partial C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n]\) be the regular transition system defined by removing from the \(n\)-cube \(C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n]\) all its \(n\)-transitions. It is called the boundary of \(C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n]\).

5.12. \textbf{Notation.} Let
\[
\mathcal{T}_{\text{CTS}} = \{C : \emptyset \rightarrow \{0\}\} \cup \{\partial C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \subset C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \mid n \geq 1\text{ and }x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \Sigma\}
\cup \{C_0 \cup C_0 \cup C_1[x] \rightarrow \uparrow x \uparrow \mid x \in \Sigma\}
\]
where the maps \(C_0 \cup C_0 \cup C_1[x] \rightarrow \uparrow x \uparrow\) for \(x\) running over \(\Sigma\) are defined to be bijective on states.

The definition of \(\mathcal{T}_{\text{CTS}}\) is not the same as the one of \[14\]. The maps \(C_1[x] \rightarrow \uparrow x \uparrow\) for \(x\) running over \(\Sigma\) are replaced by the maps \(C_0 \cup C_0 \cup C_1[x] \rightarrow \uparrow x \uparrow\) for \(x\) running over \(\Sigma\) which are defined to be bijective on states. The class of maps \(\text{cell}_{\text{RTS}}(\mathcal{T}_{\text{CTS}})\) with \(\mathcal{T}_{\text{CTS}}\) defined as above is exactly the class of monomorphisms of weak transition systems (i.e. one-to-one on states and actions) between cubical transition systems by the proof of \[13\] Theorem 4.6]. This choice is more convenient because the maps \(C_0 \cup C_0 \cup C_1[x] \rightarrow \uparrow x \uparrow\) for \(x \in \Sigma\) are bijective on states and on actions.
Let $X$ be a weak transition system. By [14, Proposition 2.14], there exists a well-defined weak transition system $\text{Path}(X)$ with the set of states $S(X) \times S(X)$, the set of actions is the set $\mathcal{L}(X) \times \mathcal{S}(X)$ and the labelling map is the composite map $\mathcal{L}(X) \times \mathcal{S}(X) \to \mathcal{L}(X) \to \Sigma$ and such that a tuple $((\alpha^0, \alpha^1), (u_0^0, u_1^0), \ldots, (u_n^0, u_1^n), (\beta^0, \beta^1))$ is a transition if and only if for any $\epsilon_0, \ldots, \epsilon_{n+1} \in \{0, 1\}$, the tuple $(\alpha^{\epsilon_0}, u_1^{\epsilon_1}, \ldots, u_n^{\epsilon_n}, \beta^{\epsilon_{n+1}})$ is a transition of $X$. The functor $\text{Path} : \text{WTS} \to \text{WTS}$ is a right adjoint of the functor $\text{Cyl} : \text{WTS} \to \text{WTS}$ by [14, Proposition 2.15]. The right adjoint $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}} : \text{CTS} \to \text{CTS}$ of the restriction of $\text{Cyl}$ to the full subcategory of cubical transition systems is the composite map

$$\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}} : \text{CTS} \subset \text{WTS} \xrightarrow{\text{Path}} \text{WTS} \to \text{CTS}$$

where the right-hand map is the coreflection.

5.13. Proposition. Let $X$ be a cubical transition system. The cubical transition system $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ can be identified to a subobject of $\text{Path}(X)$ having the same set of states.

Proof. By [14, Proposition 3.4], the counit map $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X) \to \text{Path}(X)$ is bijective on states and one-to-one on actions and transitions.

5.14. Proposition. For every Cattani-Sassone transition system $X$, the cubical transition system $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ is a Cattani-Sassone regular transition system.

Proof. By [14, Proposition 3.10], we already know that $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ is regular. Let

$$((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), (u^-, u^+), (\beta^-, \beta^+)), ((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), (v^-, v^+), (\beta^-, \beta^+))$$

be two transitions of $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X)$. By definition of $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X)$, the tuples $(\alpha^-, u^\pm, \beta^-)$ and $(\alpha^-, v^\pm, \beta^-)$ are transitions of $X$. Since $X$ satisfies CSA1, we deduce that $u^-=u^+=v^+=v^-$. We obtain $(u^-, u^+) = (v^-, v^+)$, which means that $\text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ satisfies CSA1.

5.15. Theorem. There exists a left determined model structure on $\text{CSTS}$ with the set of generating cofibrations $\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}}$. This model category is an Olschok model category with the very good cartesian cylinder $\text{Cyl}^{\text{CTS}} : \text{CSTS} \to \text{CSTS}$.

Proof. We have $\text{CSA}_1(\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}}) = \mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}}$. By Proposition 5.10, Proposition 5.14, Theorem 3.16] and [16, Theorem 3.1], there exists a left determined model structure on $\text{CSTS}$ with the set of generating cofibrations $\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}}$. This model category is an Olschok model category with the very good cartesian cylinder $\text{Cyl}^{\text{CTS}} : \text{CSTS} \to \text{CSTS}$.

The following proposition will be used later:

5.16. Proposition. Let $f : X \to Y$ be a map of $\text{CSTS}$. If $f$ is one-to-one on states and on actions, then it belongs to $\text{cell}^{\text{CSTS}}(\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}})$. The converse is false: there exist maps of $\text{cell}^{\text{CSTS}}(\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}})$ which are not one-to-one on states and on actions.

Proof. The map $f$ is a cofibration of $\text{CTS}$ (the model category constructed in [14]) between objects of $\text{CSTS}$. Therefore, it belongs to $\text{cell}^{\text{CTS}}(\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}})$. The inclusion functor $\text{CSTS} \subset \text{CTS}$ has a left adjoint $\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2 : \text{CTS} \to \text{CSTS}$. Thus, the functor $\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2$ is colimit-preserving and $\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2(f) : \text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2(X) \to \text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2(Y)$ belongs to $\text{cell}^{\text{CSTS}}(\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2(\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}}))$. Since $\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2(f) = f$ and $\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2(\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}}) = \mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}}$, we deduce that $f$ belongs to $\text{cell}^{\text{CSTS}}(\mathcal{I}^{\text{CTS}})$. Let $x \in \Sigma$. The map $\gamma_{\mathcal{C}_2[x,x]} : \mathcal{C}_2[x,x] \sqcup$
This implies that T Let \( P \) be a regular transition system. Consider the family of sets \((T_n)_{n \geq 1}\) constructed by induction on \( n \) as follows:

- \( T_1 \) is the set of triples \(((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, (\beta^-, \beta^+))\) such that the triples \((\alpha^-, u_1, \beta^+)\) are transitions of \( X \).
- For \( n \geq 2 \), \( T_n \) is the set of tuples \(((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta^-, \beta^+))\) such that the tuples \((\alpha^-, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta^+)\) are transitions of \( X \) and such that for all permutations \( \sigma \) of \([1, \ldots, n]\) and all \( 1 \leq p < n \), there exists a pair of states \((\gamma_-, \gamma^+)\) of \( X \) such that the tuple \(((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_{\sigma(1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(p)}, (\gamma_-, \gamma^+))\) belongs to \( T_p \) and such that the tuple \(((\gamma_-, \gamma^+), u_{\sigma(p+1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(n)}, (\beta^-, \beta^+))\) belongs to \( T_{n-p} \).

Let \( T = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} T_n \). Then we have:

a) For every transition \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) of \( X \), the tuple \(((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \beta))\) belongs to \( T \).

b) The set of states \( S(X) \times S(X) \), the labelling map \( \mu : L(X) \rightarrow \Sigma \) and the set of tuples \( T \) assemble to a regular transition system denoted by \( \text{PseudoPath}(X) \).

**Proof.**

a) Consider the statement \( \mathcal{P}_n \) defined for \( n \geq 1 \) by:

for every transition \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_m, \beta)\) of \( X \) with \( m \leq n \), the tuple \(((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_m, (\beta, \beta))\) belongs to \( T \).

Let \((\alpha, u_1, \beta)\) be a transition of \( X \). The tuple \(((\alpha, u_1, (\beta, \beta))\) belongs to \( T_1 \) by definition of \( T_1 \). We have proved \( \mathcal{P}_1 \). Let \( n \geq 2 \). Assume \( \mathcal{P}_{n-1} \). We want to prove \( \mathcal{P}_n \). Let \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) be a transition of \( X \). Let \( 1 \leq p < n \). Let \( \sigma \) be a permutation of \([1, \ldots, n]\). Since \( X \) is cubical, there exists a state \( \gamma \) of \( X \) such that the tuples \(((\alpha, u_{\sigma(1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(p)}, \gamma))\) and \(((\gamma, u_{\sigma(p+1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(n)}, \beta))\) belong to \( T \) since \( p \leq n - 1 \) and \( n - p \leq n - 1 \). Hence we have proved \( \mathcal{P}_n \) from \( \mathcal{P}_{n-1} \).

b) The set of tuples \( T \) satisfies the multiset axiom because of the internal symmetry of its definition. Let \(((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta^-, \beta^+))\) be an element of \( T \) with \( n \geq 3 \). Let \( p, q \geq 1 \) with \( p + q < n \) such that the tuples

\[
((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, (\beta^-, \beta^+))
\]

\[
((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, \ldots, u_p, (\nu_1^-, \nu_1^+), (\nu_1^-, \nu_1^+), u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, (\beta^-, \beta^+))
\]

\[
((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, (\nu_2^-, \nu_2^+), (\nu_2^-, \nu_2^+), u_{p+q+1}, \ldots, u_n, (\beta^-, \beta^+))
\]
belong to $T$. Then by definition of $T$, the tuples

\[(\alpha^\pm, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta^\pm),\]
\[(\alpha^\pm, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \nu_1^\pm), (\nu_1^\pm, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta^\pm),\]
\[(\alpha^\pm, u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu_2^\pm), (\nu_2^\pm, u_{p+q+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta^\pm)\]

are transitions of $X$. Since $X$ satisfies CSA2, we obtain $\nu_1^- = \nu_1^+ = \nu_1$ and $\nu_2^- = \nu_2^+ = \nu_2$. By the patching axiom, the tuple $(\nu_1, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu_2)$ is a transition of $X$. By a), we deduce that the $((\nu_1^-, \nu_1^+), u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_{p+q}, (\nu_2^-, \nu_2^+))$ belongs to $T$. We have proved that $T$ satisfies the patching axiom and that the set of states $S(X) \times S(X)$, the labelling map $\mu : L(X) \to \Sigma$ and the set of tuples $T$ assemble to a weak transition system PseudoPath($X$). Let $u$ be an action of $X$. Since $X$ is cubical, there exists a transition $(\alpha, u, \beta)$ of $X$. Thus, the triple $((\alpha, \alpha), u, (\beta, \beta))$ is a transition of PseudoPath($X$). Hence, all actions of PseudoPath($X$) are used. By definition of $T$, PseudoPath($X$) satisfies the Intermediate state axiom. This means that PseudoPath($X$) is a cubical transition system. Since $X$ is regular, it satisfies CSA2. This means that in the definition of $T$, the equality $\gamma^- = \gamma^+$ always holds and that this state is unique. Hence the cubical transition system PseudoPath($X$) satisfies CSA2 as well. \qed

The natural mapping $X \mapsto \text{PseudoPath}(X)$ yields a well-defined functor

$$\text{PseudoPath} : \mathcal{RTS} \to \mathcal{RTS}.$$  

6.2. Theorem. Let $X$ be a Cattani-Sassone transition system. There exists a natural isomorphism $\text{PseudoPath}(X) \cong \text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X)$.

Proof. By definition of $\text{Path} : \mathcal{WTS} \to \mathcal{WTS}$, the identity of $S(X) \times S(X)$ and the diagonal map $L(X) \to L(X) \times_\Sigma L(X)$ induces a map of weak transition systems

$$\text{PseudoPath}(X) \to \text{Path}(X).$$

This map is one-to-one on states and on actions, and therefore one-to-one on transitions by Proposition 2.3. By Proposition 6.1, the weak transition system PseudoPath($X$) is cubical. Since CTS is a coreflective subcategory of WTS, the map PseudoPath($X$) \to Path($X$) then factors uniquely as a composite

$$\text{PseudoPath}(X) \to \text{Path}^{\text{CTS}}(X) \to \text{Path}(X).$$

By Proposition 5.13, the cubical transition system Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ has the set of states $S(X) \times S(X)$ and the set of actions (of transitions resp.) of Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ is a subset of the set of actions (of transitions resp.) of Path($X$), i.e. $L(X) \times_\Sigma L(X)$. We deduce that the map PseudoPath($X$) \to Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ induces the identity of $S(X) \times S(X)$ on states and the diagonal of $L(X)$ on actions. Therefore, the set of actions of Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ contains the diagonal of $L(X)$. Let $(u^-, u^+) \in L(X) \times_\Sigma L(X)$ be an action of Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$. Since Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ is cubical, there exists a transition $((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), (u^-, u^+), (\beta^-, \beta^+))$ of Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$. Since the latter tuple is also a transition of Path($X$) by Proposition 5.13, the triples $(\alpha^\pm, u^\pm, \beta^\pm)$ are transitions of $X$ by definition of Path : WTS \to WTS. Since $X$ satisfies CSA1 by hypothesis, we deduce that $u^- = u^+$. Thus, the set of actions of Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ is a subset of the diagonal of $L(X)$. This implies that the set of actions of Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ is exactly the diagonal of $L(X)$. We deduce that the map PseudoPath($X$) \to Path$^{\text{CTS}}(X)$ induces the
Table 2. Cylinder functor and path functor of \( \mathcal{CSTS} \)

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bije\( \mathbb{L}(X) \cong \{(u, u) \mid u \in \mathbb{L}(X)\} \) on actions. For the sequel, the diagonal of \( \mathbb{L}(X) \) can be identified with the set \( \mathbb{L}(X) \).

We have proved so far that the map \( \text{PseudoPath}(X) \to \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \) is bijective on states (it is the identity of \( \Sigma(X) \times \Sigma(X) \)) and bijective on actions (it is the bijection \( \mathbb{L}(X) \cong \{(u, u) \mid u \in \mathbb{L}(X)\} \)). It is then one-to-one on transitions by Proposition 2.3. Let \(((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), (u_1, u_1), \ldots, (u_n, u_n), (\beta^-, \beta^+))\) be a transition of \( \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \). It is a transition of \( \text{Path}(X) \) by Proposition 5.13. By definition of \( \text{Path} : \mathcal{WTS} \to \mathcal{WTS} \), the tuples \((\alpha^-, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta^+)\) are transitions of \( X \). If \( n = 1 \), then the tuple \(((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, (\beta^-, \beta^+))\) is a transition of \( \text{PseudoPath}(X) \) by definition of \( \text{PseudoPath}(X) \). Assume that \( n \geq 2 \). Let \( \sigma \) be a permutation of \( \{1, \ldots, n\} \). Let \( 1 \leq p < n \). Since \( \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \) is cubical, there exists a pair of states \((\gamma_{\sigma^-}, \gamma_{\sigma^+})\) of \( X \) such that the tuples

\[
((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), (u_{\sigma(1)}, u_{\sigma(1)}), \ldots, (u_{\sigma(p)}, u_{\sigma(p)}), (\gamma_{\sigma^-}, \gamma_{\sigma^+}))
\]

and

\[
((\gamma_{\sigma^-}, \gamma_{\sigma^+}), (u_{\sigma(p+1)}, u_{\sigma(p+1)}), \ldots, (u_{\sigma(n)}, u_{\sigma(n)}), (\beta^-, \beta^+))
\]

are transitions of \( \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \). By definition of \( \text{Path} : \mathcal{WTS} \to \mathcal{WTS} \), this implies that the tuples \((\alpha^-, u_{\sigma(1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(p)}, \gamma_{\sigma^+})\) and \((\gamma_{\sigma^-}, u_{\sigma(p+1)}, \ldots, u_{\sigma(n)}, \beta^+)\) are transitions of \( X \). Therefore the tuple \(((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), (u_1, u_1), \ldots, (u_n, u_n), (\beta^-, \beta^+))\) is a transition of \( \text{PseudoPath}(X) \) by Proposition 6.1. We have proved that the map \( \text{PseudoPath}(X) \to \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \) is onto on transitions.

The path object of \( X \) of \( \mathcal{CSTS} \) is then the Cattani-Sassone transition system denoted by \( \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \) with the set of states \( \Sigma(X) \times \Sigma(X) \), the set of actions \( \mathbb{L}(X) \) and such that a tuple

\[
((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta^-, \beta^+))
\]

is a transition of \( \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \) if and only if the tuples \((\alpha^-, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta^+)\) are transitions of \( X \). The canonical map \( \tau_X : X \to \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \) is induced by the diagonal of \( \Sigma(X) \) on states and the identity on actions. The canonical map \( \pi_X : \text{Path}^{\mathcal{CSTS}}(X) \to X \) with \( \epsilon \in \{0,1\} \) is induced by the projection on the \( (\epsilon + 1) \)-th component \( \Sigma(X) \times \Sigma(X) \to \Sigma(X) \) on states and by the identity on actions.

Table 2 summarizes the computation of the cylinder functor and of the path functor of \( \mathcal{CSTS} \).

7. Characterization in the non star-shaped case

7.1. Proposition. Let \( X \) be a fibrant object of \( \mathcal{CSTS} \). Then the labelling map \( \mu : \mathbb{L}(X) \to \Sigma \) is one-to-one.
Thus, we deduce that Proposition 7.3. exists. Therefore the triple \( \ell \) of \( X \). Since Proof. Let \( u \) and \( v \) be two actions of \( X \) with \( \mu(u) = \mu(v) \). Since \( X \) is cubical, there exist two transitions \((\alpha_u, u, \beta_u)\) and \((\alpha_v, v, \beta_v)\) of \( X \). Consider the commutative diagram of \( \text{CSTS} \)

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\{0_1, 1_1\} = \partial C_1[\mu(u)] & \xrightarrow{0_1 \mapsto (\alpha_u, \alpha_v)} & \text{Path}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) \\
\downarrow \rotatebox{90}{$\ell$} & & \downarrow \rotatebox{90}{$\pi_0$} \\
C_1[\mu(u)] & \xrightarrow{1_1 \mapsto (\beta_u, \beta_v)} & \{\mu(u), 1\} \mapsto u \\
\end{array}
\]

Since \( X \) is fibrant by hypothesis, it is injective with respect to the anodyne cofibration \((\partial C_1[\mu(u)] \subset C_1[\mu(u)]) \star \gamma\). By adjunction, we deduce that the lift \( \ell \) in the diagram above exists. Therefore the triple \((\ell(0_1, (\mu(u), 1), 1_1)) = ((\alpha_u, \alpha_v), u, (\beta_u, \beta_v))\) is a transition of \( \text{Path}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) \). This implies that the triple \((\alpha_v, u, \beta_v)\) is a transition of \( X \). Since \( X \) satisfies CSA1, we deduce that \( u = v \).

\[\square\]

7.2. Proposition. Let \( X \) and \( Y \) be two objects of \( \text{CSTS} \) with \( Y \) fibrant. Then the set \( \pi_{\text{CSTS}}(X, Y) \) has at most one element: all maps from \( X \) to \( Y \) are homotopy equivalent.

Proof. Let \( f, g : X \to Y \) be two maps of \( \text{CSTS} \). We have \( \mu(f(u)) = \mu(g(u)) = \mu(u) \) since maps of \( \text{CSTS} \) preserve labels. Since \( Y \) is fibrant, \( \mu \) is one-to-one by Proposition 7.1. Thus, we deduce that \( f \) and \( g \) coincide on actions. Since \( X \) is cofibrant and \( Y \) fibrant, it suffices to prove that \( f \) and \( g \) are right homotopic to conclude the proof. The only possible definition of this right homotopy is \( H(\alpha) = (f(\alpha), g(\alpha)) \) for all states \( \alpha \) of \( X \) and \( H(u) = f(u) = g(u) = \mu(u) \) for all actions \( u \) of \( X \). We have to prove that \( H \) yields a well-defined map of transition systems, i.e. that for all transitions \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) of \( X \), the tuple \(((f(\alpha), g(\alpha)), H(u_1), \ldots, H(u_n), (f(\beta), g(\beta)))\) is a transition of \( \text{Path}^{\text{CSTS}}(Y) \).

By Table 2, it remains to prove that the tuples

\[(f(\alpha), f(u_1), \ldots, f(u_n), g(\beta)), (g(\alpha), f(u_1), \ldots, f(u_n), f(\beta))\]

are transitions of \( Y \). This latter fact is a consequence of the fibrancy of \( Y \) by using the same argument as the one proving \[14, \text{Theorem 4.2} \].

\[\square\]

7.3. Proposition. Let \( w : X \to Y \) be a map of \( \text{CSTS} \) which is onto states, on actions and on transitions. Then \( w \) is a weak equivalence.

Proof. Let \( Z \) be a fibrant object. We have to prove that the set map \( \pi_{\text{CSTS}}(Y, Z) \to \pi_{\text{CSTS}}(X, Z) \) induced by the precomposition by \( w \) is bijective. By Proposition 7.2, it suffices to prove that it is onto. Suppose first that \( Z = \emptyset \). Let \( f : X \to Z \). Then \( X = \emptyset \). Since \( w : X \to Y \) is onto on states, \( Y \) does not contain any state. Consequently, \( Y = \emptyset \) because all actions of \( Y \) are used. We deduce that \( w = \text{Id}_\emptyset \), and that \( \pi_{\text{CSTS}}(Y, Z) = \pi_{\text{CSTS}}(X, Z) = \pi_{\text{CSTS}}(\emptyset, \emptyset) = \{\text{Id}_\emptyset\} \). Suppose now that \( Z \neq \emptyset \). By Proposition 7.1 we have the inclusion \( \mathcal{L}(Z) \subset \Sigma \). Let \( f : X \to Z \) be a map of \( \text{CSTS} \). Let \( \xi \) be a state of \( Z \). Let \( g : Y \to Z \) defined on states by \( g(\alpha) = \xi \) and on actions by \( g(u) = \mu(u) \). It suffices to prove that \( g \) yields a well-defined map of \( \text{CSTS} \) from \( Y \) to \( Z \) to complete the proof. Let \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) be a transition of \( Y \). By hypothesis, there exists a
transition \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) of \(X\) with \(w(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) = (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\). We obtain the transition \((f(\bar{\alpha}), \mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_n), f(\bar{\beta}))\) of \(Z\) which yields a map of cubical transition systems \(C_n[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_n)] \to Z\). Since \(Z\) is fibrant, it is injective with respect to the anodyne cofibration \(\{0_n, 1_n\} \subset C_n[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_n)] \to Z\). By adjunction, we deduce that the lift \(\ell\) exists in the commutative diagram of solid arrows of CSTS

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\{0_n, 1_n\} & \xrightarrow{0_n \mapsto f(\bar{\alpha})} & \text{Path}^{CSTS}(Z) \\
1_n \mapsto f(\bar{\beta}) & \downarrow \rotatebox{90}{$\pi^0$} & \downarrow \\
C_n[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_n)] & \xrightarrow{\ell} & Z.
\end{array}
\]

Therefore the tuple \(((f(\bar{\alpha}), \xi, \mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_n), f(\bar{\beta}), \xi))\) is a transition of \(\text{Path}^{CSTS}(Z)\). We deduce that the tuple \((\xi, \mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_n), \xi)\) is a transition of \(Z\). We have proved that \(g(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) = (\xi, \mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_n), \xi)\) is a transition of \(Z\) and that \(g\) is a well-defined map of Cattani-Sassone transition systems.

7.4. **Theorem.** With \(R : \{0, 1\} \to \{0\}\). Every map of \(\text{cell}_{CSTS}(\{R\})\) is a weak equivalence of \(\text{CSTS}\).

**Proof.** Every pushout of \(R : \{0, 1\} \to \{0\}\) is a weak equivalence of \(\text{CSTS}\) by Corollary 4.6 and Proposition 7.3. Every map of \(\text{CSA}_1(\text{CSA}_2(\mathcal{T}^{CSTS})) = \mathcal{T}^{CSTS}\) is a map between finitely presentable objects. Thus, by [24, Proposition 4.1], the class of weak equivalences of \(\text{CSTS}\) is closed under transfinite composition.

Let \(X\) be a Cattani-Sassone transition system. By [14, Proposition A.1] and since \(R : \{0, 1\} \to \{0\}\) is epic, for all objects \(X\) of \(\text{CSTS}\), the unique map \(X \to 1\) from \(X\) to the terminal object of \(\text{CSTS}\) factors functorially and uniquely, up to isomorphism, as a composite

\[
X \xrightarrow{\text{cell}_{CSTS}(\{R\})} R^+(X) \xrightarrow{\text{inj}_{CSTS}(\{R\})} 1
\]

in \(\text{CSTS}\) where the left-hand map belongs to \(\text{cell}_{CSTS}(\{R\})\) and the right-hand map belongs to \(\text{inj}_{CSTS}(\{R\})\). Since \(R : \{0, 1\} \to \{0\}\) is epic, an object is \(R\)-injective if and only if it is \(R\)-orthogonal, i.e. if and only if \(X\) has at most one state. Let us denote by \(\text{CSTS}\) this small-orthogonality class. The functor \(R^+ : \text{CSTS} \to \text{CSTS}\) is a left adjoint of the inclusion \(\text{CSTS} \subset \text{CSTS}\). By [2, Theorem 1.39], the category \(\text{CSTS}\) is locally presentable.

7.5. **Theorem.** The left adjoint \(R^+ : \text{CSTS} \to \text{inj}_{CSTS}(\{R\})\) induces a Quillen equivalence between the model category \(\text{CSTS}\) and the category \(\text{CSTS}\) equipped with the discrete model category structure.

**Proof.** For any \(R\)-orthogonal Cattani-Sassone transition system \(X\), we have by Table 2 the equalities \(\text{Path}^{CSTS}(X) = X\) and \(R^+(\text{Cyl}^{CSTS}(X)) = X\). Using [16, Theorem 3.1], we obtain a left determined Olschok model structure on \(\text{CSTS}\) such that the cylinder and the path functors are the identity functor. Therefore, we have the equalities \(\pi^0_{\text{CSTS}}(X, Y) = \pi^1_{\text{CSTS}}(X, Y) = \pi^r_{\text{CSTS}}(X, Y) = \text{CSTS}(X, Y)\) for all \(R\)-orthogonal Cattani-Sassone transition systems.
systems $X$ and $Y$. This means that the weak equivalences of $\text{CSTS}$ are the isomorphisms. Thus, the left adjoint $R^\perp : \text{CSTS} \to \text{CSTS}$ induces a homotopically surjective left Quillen adjoint from $\text{CSTS}$ to $\text{CSTS}$ equipped with the discrete model structure. By Theorem 7.4, this left Quillen adjoint is a left Quillen equivalence.

7.6. Corollary. A map $f$ of $\text{CSTS}$ is a weak equivalence if and only if $R^\perp(f)$ is an isomorphism.

Proof. Since all objects of $\text{CSTS}$ are cofibrant, a weak equivalence $f$ is mapped to a weak equivalence $R^\perp(f)$ of $\text{CSTS}$, i.e. an isomorphism. Conversely, if $R^\perp(f)$ is an isomorphism, then by Theorem 7.4 and the two-out-of-three property, $f$ is a weak equivalence of $\text{CSTS}$. □

8. Homotopy theory of star-shaped objects

A pointed (Cattani-Sassone) transition system is a pair $(X, \ast)$ where $X$ is a Cattani-Sassone transition system and where $\ast$ is a state of $X$ called the base state. A map of pointed transition system is a map of $\text{CSTS}$ preserving the base state. The category of pointed (Cattani-Sassone) transition systems is denoted by $\text{CSTS}_\ast$. Let $\omega : \text{CSTS}_\ast \to \text{CSTS}$ be the forgetful functor. It is a right adjoint which preserves connected colimits. The left adjoint $\rho : \text{CSTS} \to \text{CSTS}_\ast$ is defined on objects by $\rho(X) = \{\ast\} \sqcup X, \ast\}$ and on morphisms by $\rho(f) = \text{Id}_{\{\ast\}} \sqcup f$. By [2] Proposition 1.57 and [17] Theorem 2.7, there exists a structure of combinatorial model category on $\text{CSTS}_\ast$ such that the cofibrations (the fibrations, the weak equivalences resp.) belong to the inverse image by the forgetful functor of the class of cofibrations (fibrations, weak equivalences resp.) of $\text{CSTS}$. The set of generating cofibrations of the category $\text{CSTS}_\ast$ is the set $\rho^*(I_{\text{CSTS}})$.

Note that pointed weak, cubical or regular transition systems are defined exactly as pointed Cattani-Sassone transition systems. Without further precision, a pointed transition system is supposed to be a pointed Cattani-Sassone transition system.

8.1. Remark. It is important to keep in mind that the functors $\omega : \text{WTS} \to \text{Set}^{\{\ast\} \cup \Sigma}$ and $\omega^* : \text{CSTS}_\ast \to \text{CSTS}$ are two different functors.

8.2. Notation. Let $\underline{S}(X, \ast) = S(X), \underline{L}(X, \ast) = L(X)$ and $\underline{T}(X, \ast) = T(X)$.

Let $\text{Cyl}_\ast : \text{CSTS}_\ast \to \text{CSTS}_\ast$ be the functor defined by the following natural pushout diagram of $\text{CSTS}$ ($(X, \ast)$ being an object of $\text{CSTS}_\ast$):

\[\begin{array}{ccc}
\{\ast\} \sqcup \{\ast\} & \rightarrow & \{\ast\} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
X \sqcup X & \rightarrow & \text{Cyl}_\ast(X) \\
\gamma_X & \downarrow & \downarrow \omega^*(\text{Cyl}_\ast(X, \ast)) \\
\text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) & \rightarrow & \\
\end{array}\]

where the pushout is taken in $\text{CSTS}$.

8.3. Theorem. The model category $\text{CSTS}_\ast$ is a left determined Olshok model category with the very good cylinder $\text{Cyl}_\ast : \text{CSTS}_\ast \to \text{CSTS}_\ast$. 


Proof. By Proposition 5.16, every map with domain a singleton is a cofibration of \( \text{CSTS} \). The map \( \{\ast\} \sqcup \{\ast\} \to \text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(\{\ast\}) \) is an isomorphism. By [16, Theorem 5.8], we deduce that the model category \( \text{CSTS}_\ast \) is an Olschok model category. Let \( (X, \ast) \) be an object of \( \text{CSTS}_\ast \). We know that the set of states of \( \text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) \) is \( I(X) \times \{0\} \sqcup E(X) \times \{0, 1\} \), that the set of actions of \( \text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) \) is \( L(X) \), and that a tuple \( ((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1})) \) is a transition of \( \text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) \) if and only if the tuple \( (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) \) is a transition of \( X \).

Consider now the pushout diagram of cubical transition systems

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\{\ast\} \sqcup \{\ast\} & \rightarrow & \{\ast\} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
X \sqcup X & \gamma_X & \text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) & \rightarrow & U.
\end{array}
\]

By [14, Lemma 3.5], the forgetful functor mapping a cubical transition system to its set of states (to its set of actions resp.) is colimit-preserving. We deduce that the set of states of \( U \) is \( (I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \times \{0\} \sqcup (S(X) \setminus (I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\})) \times \{0, 1\} \) and that the set of actions of \( U \) is \( L(X) \). Therefore, the cubical transition system \( U \) is the \( \omega \)-final lift of the cocone of \( \text{Set}^{\{\ast\}} \) consisting of the unique map \( \omega(C\text{yl}(X)) \rightarrow ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \times \{0\} \sqcup (S(X) \setminus (I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\})) \times \{0, 1\}, L(X)) \).

By Proposition 5.8, we obtain \( U = \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \). There is an inclusion \( \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \subset \text{Cyl}(X) // I(X) \).

By Theorem 5.8, we obtain the inclusion \( \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \subset \text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2 \text{Cyl}(X) \).

By Proposition 2.5, the cubical transition system \( \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \) is regular. And it satisfies CSA1 by Proposition 5.3. Thus, the cubical transition system \( \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \) is a Cattani-Sassone transition system and we obtain the pushout diagram of \( \text{CSTS} \)

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\{\ast\} \sqcup \{\ast\} & \rightarrow & \{\ast\} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
X \sqcup X & \gamma_X & \text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\text{Cyl}^{\text{CSTS}}(X) & \rightarrow & \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}).
\end{array}
\]

We deduce the isomorphism \( \omega^*(\text{Cyl}_\ast(X, \ast)) \cong \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \).

The inclusion \( \text{Cyl}(X) // ((I(X) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \sqcup \{\ast\}) \subset \text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2 \text{Cyl}(X) \) yields a section of the bottom horizontal map. Thus, by [16, Corollary 5.9], the Olschok model category \( \text{CSTS}_\ast \) is left determined and the functor \( \text{Cyl}_\ast : \text{CSTS}_\ast \to \text{CSTS}_\ast \) yields a very good cylinder. \( \square \)

After the previous calculations, the following definition makes sense:
8.4. Definition. A state of a pointed transition system \((X, \star)\) is internal if it is equal to the base state \(\star\) or it is internal in \(X\). Let \(\mathbb{I}(X, \star) = \mathbb{I}(X) \cup \{\star\}\), and \(\mathbb{E}(X, \star) = \mathbb{A}(X) \setminus \mathbb{I}(X, \star)\). A state which is not internal is external. Note that for any Cattani-Sassone transition system \(X\), there are the equalities \(\mathbb{I}(\rho^*(X), \star) = \mathbb{I}(X) \cup \{\star\}\) and \(\mathbb{E}(\rho^*(X), \star) = \mathbb{E}(X)\).

Thus, we have for any pointed transition system \((X, \star)\) the equalities \(\text{Cyl}^\text{CSTS}(X) = \text{Cyl}(X) \setminus \mathbb{I}(X)\) and \(\omega^*(\text{Cyl}_*(X, \star)) = \text{Cyl}(X) \setminus \mathbb{I}(X, \star)\). For any map \(f : (X, \star) \to (Y, \star)\) of pointed transition systems, we have \(f(\mathbb{I}(X, \star)) \subseteq \mathbb{I}(Y, \star)\): any internal state of \((X, \star)\) is mapped to an internal state of \((Y, \star)\). In general, we have \(f(\mathbb{E}(X, \star)) \not\subseteq \mathbb{E}(Y, \star)\).

8.5. Definition. The path \((P(w), 0)\) indexed by \(w\) with \(n \geq 0\), \(w = x_1 \ldots x_n \in \Sigma^n\) for \(n \geq 0\) is by definition the pointed transition system
\[
P(w) = 0 \xrightarrow{(x_1, 1)} 1 \xrightarrow{(x_2, 2)} 2 \ldots n - 1 \xrightarrow{(x_n, n)} n,
\]
which means that the set of actions is \(\{(x_i, i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}\) with the labelling map \(\mu(x_i, i) = x_i\) for \(1 \leq i \leq n\). Let \(p^n : \rho^*(\{n\}) \subseteq (P(w), 0)\) with \(n \geq 0\) and \(w \in \Sigma^n\) be the inclusion. The state 0 is also called the initial state of \((P(w), 0)\) and the state \(n\) the final state of \((P(w), 0)\). We have the equality \((P(\emptyset), 0) = \{0\}\).

8.6. Definition. Let \((X, \star)\) be a pointed Cattani-Sassone transition system. A state \(\alpha\) of \(X\) is reachable if there exists \(w \in \Sigma^n\) with \(n \geq 0\) and a map \((P(w), 0) \to (X, \star)\) taking \(n\) to \(\alpha\). A transition \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) of \((X, \star)\) is reachable if its initial state \(\alpha\) is reachable.

8.7. Definition. A star-shaped (Cattani-Sassone) transition system is a pointed Cattani-Sassone transition system \((X, \star)\) such that every state of \(X\) is reachable. The full subcategory of \(\text{CSTS}_*\) of star-shaped transition systems is denoted by \(\text{CSTS}_*\).

Note that star-shaped weak, cubical or regular transition systems are defined exactly as star-shaped Cattani-Sassone transition systems. Without further precision, a star-shaped transition system is supposed to be a star-shaped Cattani-Sassone transition system.

The category \(\text{CSTS}_*\) is a coreflective subcategory of \(\text{CSTS}_\star\). By [14, Proposition 5.5], the coreflection \(\text{CSTS}_* \to \text{CSTS}_\star\) removes all states which are not reachable, all actions which are not used by a reachable transition, and all transitions which are not reachable.

8.8. Notation. Let \((X, \star)\) be a star-shaped transition system. Let \(\alpha\) be a state of \((X, \star)\). Let \(\ell(\alpha) = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid \exists w \in \Sigma^n, \exists f : (P(w), 0) \to (X, \star), f(n) = \alpha\}\). The integer \(\ell(\alpha)\) is well-defined since \((X, \star)\) is star-shaped. We have \(\ell(\star) = 0\).

8.9. Theorem. Consider a map \(f \to g\) of \(\text{Mor}(\text{CSTS}_\star)\) (i.e. a commutative square) where \(f\) is a map of \(\text{CSTS}_\star\), which is one-to-one on states and on actions and where \(g\) is a map of \(\text{CSTS}_\star\). Then \(f \to g\) factors as a composite \(f \to f \otimes g \to g\) where \(f \otimes g\) is a map of \(\text{CSTS}_\star\), which is one-to-one on states and on actions. In particular, \(f \otimes g\) is a cofibration of \(\text{CSTS}_\star\). Finally, the class of maps \(\{f \otimes g \mid g \in \text{Mor}(\text{CSTS}\_\star)\}\) is a set.

Note that the factorization \(f \to f \otimes g \to g\) is not unique.

Proof. The proof of this theorem is similar to the proof of [13, Theorem 5.9]. This one is more explicit because we need an explicit calculation of \(f \otimes g\) for the sequel. Consider
the commutative diagram of CSTS, 

\[ (A, *) \xrightarrow{\phi} (X, *) \]
\[ \Downarrow f \quad \Downarrow g \]
\[ (B, *) \xrightarrow{\psi} (Y, *) \]

with \((X, *)\) and \((Y, *)\) star-shaped and \(f\) one-to-one on states and on actions. Since \((X, *)\) is star-shaped, for any state \(\alpha\) of \((A, *)\), the state \(\phi(\alpha)\) is reachable from * in \((X, *)\) using a path of length \(\ell(\phi(\alpha))\) labelled with a finite sequence \(w_\alpha\) of length \(\ell(\phi(\alpha))\) of \(\Sigma\). Thus, the composite map

\[ \rho^*\{\ell(\phi(\alpha))\} \xrightarrow{\ell(\phi(\alpha)) \to \alpha} (A, *) \xrightarrow{\phi} (X, *) \]

factors as a composite

\[ \rho^*\{\ell(\phi(\alpha))\} \xrightarrow{p_{w_\alpha}} P(w_\alpha) \longrightarrow (X, *) . \]

We obtain the commutative diagram of CSTS,

\[ (M, *) = \rho^* \left( \bigsqcup_{\alpha \in S(A)} \{\ell(\phi(\alpha))\} \right) \longrightarrow (A, *) \]
\[ \Downarrow \]
\[ (N, *) = \bigsqcup_{\alpha \in S(A)} P(w_\alpha) \longrightarrow (X, *) . \]

For any state \(\alpha\) of \(S(A)\), the state \(g(\phi(\alpha))\) is reachable from * in \((Y, *)\) using a path of length \(\ell(\phi(\alpha))\) labelled with a finite sequence \(w_\beta\) of length \(\ell(\psi(\beta))\) of \(\Sigma\). Since \((Y, *)\) is star-shaped, for any state \(\beta\) of \(S(B) \setminus S(A)\), the state \(\psi(\beta)\) is reachable from * in \((Y, *)\) using a path of length \(\ell(\psi(\beta))\) labelled with a finite sequence \(w_\beta\) of length \(\ell(\psi(\beta))\) of \(\Sigma\). We obtain the commutative diagram of CSTS,

\[ (P, *) = \rho^* \left( \bigsqcup_{\alpha \in S(A)} \{\ell(\phi(\alpha))\} \sqcup \bigsqcup_{\beta \in S(B) \setminus S(A)} \{\ell(\psi(\beta))\} \right) \longrightarrow (B, *) \]
\[ \Downarrow \]
\[ (Q, *) = \bigsqcup_{\alpha \in S(A)} P(w_\alpha) \sqcup \bigsqcup_{\beta \in S(B) \setminus S(A)} P(w_\beta) \longrightarrow (Y, *). \]
We obtain the commutative diagram of $\mathcal{CSTS}_*$:

$$
\begin{array}{cccc}
(M, \ast) & \to & (A, \ast) & \to X \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \phi & \\
(N, \ast) & \to & (A, \ast) & \\
\end{array}
$$

The map $(\hat{A}, \ast) \to (\hat{B}, \ast)$ making the diagram commutative exists by the universal property of the pushout and it is one-to-one on states and on actions. By Proposition $\text{Proposition 5.16}$, the underlying map is then a cofibration between Cattani-Sassone transition system. Thus, since $(\hat{A}, \ast)$ and $(\hat{B}, \ast)$ are star-shaped by construction, it is a cofibration of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$. We obtain the factorization

$$
\begin{array}{cccc}
(A, \ast) & \to & \hat{A} & \to X \\
\downarrow f & & \downarrow \phi & \\
(B, \ast) & \to & \hat{B} & \\
\end{array}
$$

Finally, the class of maps $\{f \circ g \mid g \in \text{Mor}(\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast)\}$ has at most $(\#\Sigma)(\#\Sigma(B))^{\aleph_0}$ elements. Thus, it is a set. $\Box$

8.10. Corollary. The set of generating cofibrations $\rho^*(\mathcal{I}CTS)$ of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ has a solution set of cofibrations with respect to $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$, i.e. there exists a set $\mathcal{I}_\ast$ of cofibrations of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ between star-shaped objects such that every map $i \to g$ from a generating cofibration $i$ of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ to a map $g$ of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ factors as a composite $i \to j \to g$ with $j \in \mathcal{I}_\ast$.

Proof. The set $\mathcal{I}_\ast = \{\rho^*(i) \circ g \mid i \in \rho^*(\mathcal{I}CTS) \text{ and } g \in \text{Mor}(\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast)\}$ is a solution. $\Box$

8.11. Theorem. There exists a left determined Olschok model structure on the category $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ of star-shaped transition systems with respect to the class of maps such that the underlying map is a cofibration of $\mathcal{CSTS}$. A very good cylinder is given by the restriction of the functor $\text{Cyl}_{\ast} : \mathcal{CSTS}_\ast \to \mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ to the coreflective subcategory $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$.

Proof. The proof is mutatis mutandis the proof of $\text{[14, Theorem 5.10]}$. $\Box$

We have $\text{Path}^{\ast \ast}(\{\ast\}) \cong \{(\ast, \ast)\}$. By $\text{[16, Lemma 5.2]}$, the cylinder functor $\text{Cyl}_{\ast} : \mathcal{CSTS}_\ast \to \mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ has a right adjoint $\text{Path}_{\ast} : \mathcal{CSTS}_\ast \to \mathcal{CSTS}_\ast$ defined on objects by
\[(X, \ast) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}_*(X) \quad \text{Path}_*(X)\]

\[
\begin{array}{|c|c|}
\hline
\text{I}(X, \ast) &= \text{I}(X) \cup \{\ast\} \\
\text{E}(X, \ast) &= \text{E}(X) \setminus \{\ast\} \\
\text{S}(X) &= (X, \ast) \times \{0\} \sqcup (X, \ast) \times \{0, 1\} \\
\text{L}(X) &= (X, \ast) \\
\text{T}(X) &= ((\alpha, \epsilon_0), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta, \epsilon_{n+1})) \quad ((\alpha^-, \alpha^+), u_1, \ldots, u_n, (\beta^-, \beta^+)) \\
\hline
\end{array}
\]

\textbf{Table 3. Cylinder functor and path functor of CSTS*}

\[\alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ are not past-similar}\]

\[\text{mapping } (X, \ast) \text{ to the composite } \{\ast\} \rightarrow \text{Path}^{\text{CST}_{\ast}}(\{\ast\}) \rightarrow \text{Path}^{\text{CST}_*}(X) \text{ and on maps by mapping the commutative triangle } \{\ast\} \rightarrow f \rightarrow \text{Path}^{\text{CST}_{\ast}}(f). \text{ By Theorem 8.11, the restriction of Cyl}_* : \text{CSTS}_* \rightarrow \text{CSTS*} \text{ to } \text{CSTS}_* \text{ gives rise to a very good cylinder } \text{Cyl}_* : \text{CSTS}_* \rightarrow \text{CSTS*}. \text{ A right adjoint is given by the composite functor}\]

\[
\text{Path}_* : \text{CSTS}_* \subset \text{CSTS*} \xrightarrow{\text{Path}_*} \text{CSTS*} \rightarrow \text{CSTS*}
\]

\[
\text{where the right-hand map is the coreflection, i.e. the right adjoint of the inclusion functor } \text{CSTS}_* \subset \text{CSTS*}. \text{ In particular, this means that the underlying Cattani-Sassone transition system of Path}_*(X, \ast) \text{ is a subobject of the underlying Cattani-Sassone transition system of Path}_*(X, \ast), \text{ i.e. of Path}^{\text{CST}_*}(X) \text{ calculated in Table 2.}\]

\text{Table 3 summarizes the computation of the cylinder functor and of the path functor of CSTS*}.

\section{9. Past-similarity of states}

\textbf{9.1. Definition.} \textit{Let } (X, \ast) \text{ be a star-shaped transition system. Two states } \alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ of } X \text{ are past-similar (denoted by } \alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \beta \text{) if there exists } w \in \Sigma^n \text{ with } n \geq 0 \text{ and two right homotopic maps } (P(w), 0) \rightarrow (X, \ast) \text{ sending } n \text{ to } \alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ respectively.}\]

\text{In Figure 3 the states } \alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ are past-similar because there is a homotopy between any path from } \ast \text{ to } \alpha \text{ and any path from } \ast \text{ to } \beta. \text{ In Figure 2 the states } \alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ are not past-similar. However, they are past-similar in any fibrant replacement. In fact, the star-shaped transition system of Figure 3 is a fibrant replacement of the star-shaped transition system of Figure 2 because: 1) it is fibrant by Theorem 10.12, 2) the image by } R_\ast \text{ of these two star-shaped transition systems is } \ast \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \text{ (see Section 11).}\]

\textbf{9.2. Proposition.} \textit{Let } (X, \ast) \text{ be a star-shaped transition system. Let } \alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ be two states of } X. \text{ We have } \alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \beta \text{ if and only if } (\alpha, \beta) \text{ is a state of Path}_*(X, \ast).\]
The following conditions are equivalent:

In particular, this means that \( \alpha \) and \( \beta \) are left homotopic, right homotopic or homotopic.

Proof. If \( \alpha \simeq_{past} \beta \), then there exists \( w \in \Sigma^n \) for \( n \geq 0 \) and a map \( (P(w),0) \rightarrow \text{Path}_*(X,*) \) taking \( n \) to \( (\alpha, \beta) \). Thus, the pair \( (\alpha, \beta) \) is a state of \( \text{Path}_*(X,*) \). Conversely, if \( (\alpha, \beta) \) is a state of \( \text{Path}_*(X,*) \), then it is reachable. Consequently, there exists a map \( (P(w),0) \rightarrow \text{Path}_*(X,*) \) with \( n \geq 0 \) and \( w \in \Sigma^n \) taking \( n \) to \( (\alpha, \beta) \).

For all actions \( u \) of a Cattani-Sassone transition system \( X \), there exists a transition \( (\alpha, u, \beta) \) of \( X \) because \( X \) is cubical. Since \( \alpha \simeq_{past} \alpha \) and \( \beta \simeq_{past} \beta \), the triple \( ((\alpha, \alpha), u, (\beta, \beta)) \) is a transition of \( \text{Path}_*(X,*) \). Thus, all actions of \( \text{L}(X) \) are used in \( \text{Path}_*(X,*) \). Table 4 summarizes the computation of the cylinder functor and of the path functor of \( CSTS_* \).

**9.3. Proposition.** Let \( f, g : (X,*) \rightarrow (Y,*) \) be two maps of star-shaped transition systems. The following conditions are equivalent:

1. \( f \) and \( g \) are left homotopic
2. \( f \) and \( g \) are right homotopic
3. \( f \) and \( g \) are homotopic.

In particular, this means that

\[
\pi_{CSTS_*}^*((X,*),(Y,*)) = \pi_{CSTS_*}^*((X,*),(Y,*)) = \pi_{CSTS_*}^*((X,*),(Y,*))
\]

Note that this proposition also holds in \( CSTS \) and in \( CSTS_* \).

Proof. We have \( (3) \Rightarrow (1) \) and \( (3) \Rightarrow (2) \) by definition. It suffices to prove the equivalence \( (1) \Leftrightarrow (2) \). By adjunction, the existence of a left homotopy \( H_l : \text{Cyl}_*(X,*) \rightarrow (Y,*) \) is equivalent to the existence of a right homotopy \( H_r : (X,*) \rightarrow \text{Path}_*(Y,*) \). The maps \( f \) and \( g \) are left homotopic if and only if \( H_l(\alpha,0) = f(\alpha) \), \( H_l(\alpha,1) = g(\alpha) \) for any state \( \alpha \) of \( X \) and \( H(u) = f(u) = g(u) \) for any action \( u \) of \( X \). The maps \( f \) and \( g \) are right homotopic if and only if \( H_r(\alpha) = (f(\alpha),g(\alpha)) \) for any state \( \alpha \) of \( X \) and \( H_r(u) = u \) for any action \( u \) of \( X \).

By Proposition 9.3, it is equivalent to saying that two maps \( (P(w),0) \Rightarrow (X,*) \) are left homotopic, right homotopic or homotopic.
9.4. Definition. The set of transitions of a star-shaped transition system \((X, \ast)\) is closed under past-similarity if for all \(n \geq 1\), for all transitions \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) of \(X\), and for all states \(\gamma\) and \(\delta\) of \(X\), if \(\alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma\) and \(\beta \simeq_{\text{past}} \delta\) then the tuple \((\gamma, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \delta)\) is a transition of \(X\).

9.5. Proposition. Let \((X, \ast)\) be a star-shaped transition system. If \((X, \ast)\) is fibrant, then the set of transitions of \(X\) is closed under past-similarity.

The converse is proved in Theorem 10.12.

Proof. The proof is by induction on \(n\).

Suppose that \(n = 1\). Let \((\alpha, u_1, \beta)\) be a transition of \(X\). Let \(\gamma\) and \(\delta\) be two states of \(X\) such that \(\alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma\) and \(\beta \simeq_{\text{past}} \delta\). Consider the diagram of \(\mathcal{CSTS}\)

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\{0_1, 1_1\} & \xrightarrow{\ell} & \omega^*\text{(Path}_*\text{(X, \ast)}) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
C_1[\mu(u_1)] & \xrightarrow{0_1 \mapsto \alpha, 1_1 \mapsto \beta} & \omega^*((X, \ast)).
\end{array}
\]

By hypothesis, we have \(\alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma\) and \(\beta \simeq_{\text{past}} \delta\). By Proposition 9.2, \((\alpha, \gamma)\) and \((\beta, \delta)\) are two states of \(\text{Path}_*\text{(X, \ast)}\). We obtain the commutative diagram of solid arrows of \(\mathcal{CSTS}\)

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\{0_1, 1_1\} & \xrightarrow{\ell} & \omega^*\text{(Path}_*\text{(X, \ast)}) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
C_1[\mu(u_1)] & \xrightarrow{0_1 \mapsto (\alpha, \gamma), 1_1 \mapsto (\beta, \delta)} & \omega^*((X, \ast)).
\end{array}
\]

The map \(\rho^*\{\{0_1, 1_1\} \subset C_1[\mu(u_1)]\} \otimes \pi^0\) is a cofibration by Theorem 8.3. Since \((X, \ast)\) is fibrant, it is injective with respect to the trivial cofibration

\[(\rho^*\{\{0_1, 1_1\} \subset C_1[\mu(u_1)]\} \otimes \pi^0) \ast \gamma^0.\]

Thus, the right vertical map satisfies the RLP with respect to \((\{0_1, 1_1\} \subset C_1[\mu(u_1)]\) \otimes \pi^0, and then with respect to the left vertical map \(\{0_1, 1_1\} \subset C_1[\mu(u_1)]\). Since \(\pi^0\) is the identity on actions, we obtain that the triple \(((\alpha, \gamma), u_1, (\beta, \delta))\) is a transition of \(\omega^*\text{(Path}_*\text{(X, \ast)})\).

By Table 4, we deduce that \((\gamma, u_1, \delta)\) is a transition of \(X\).

Suppose the induction hypothesis proved for all \(p \leq n\) with \(n \geq 1\). Choose a transition \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_{n+1}, \beta)\) of \(X\), which gives rise to a map \(f : C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] \rightarrow \omega^*(X, \ast)\). Let \(\gamma\) and \(\delta\) be two states of \(X\) such that \(\alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma\) and \(\beta \simeq_{\text{past}} \delta\). By induction
hypothesis, there is a commutative diagram of CSTS

\[
\begin{align*}
\partial C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] & \xrightarrow{\partial C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})]} \omega^*(\text{Path}_\ast(X, *)) \\
C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] & \xrightarrow{\omega(\pi^0)} \omega^*(X, *)
\end{align*}
\]

The map \( \rho^*(\partial C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})]) \subset C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] \) \( \trianglerighteq \pi^0 \) is a cofibration by Theorem 8.9. Thus, \((X, \ast)\) is injective with respect to the trivial cofibration

\[
(\rho^*(\partial C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})]) \subset C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] \trianglerighteq \pi^0) \ast \gamma^0.
\]

Hence, the lift \( \ell \) exists. Since \( \pi^0 \) is the identity on actions, we obtain that the tuple \(((\alpha, \gamma), u_1, \ldots, u_{n+1}, (\beta, \delta))\) is a transition of \( \omega^*(\text{Path}_\ast(X, *)) \). By Table 4, we deduce that \((\gamma, u_1, \ldots, u_{n+1}, \delta)\) is a transition of \( X \).

9.6. **Proposition.** Let \((X, \ast)\) be a star-shaped transition system. Past-similarity is a reflexive and symmetric relation. There exists a star-shaped transition system \((X, \ast)\) such that the binary relation \( \simeq_{\text{past}} \) is not transitive. Let \( f : (X, \ast) \rightarrow (Y, \ast) \) be a map of star-shaped transition systems. If \( \alpha \) and \( \beta \) are two past-similar states of \( X \), then \( f(\alpha) \) and \( f(\beta) \) are two past-similar states of \( Y \).

**Proof.** Reflexivity and symmetry are obvious. Consider the following example of Figure 4 (with \( \mu(u) \neq \mu(v) \)). We have \( \alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \beta \) and \( \beta \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma \). But \( \alpha \) is not past-similar to \( \gamma \). If \( \alpha \) and \( \beta \) are two past-similar states of \( X \), then there exists a right homotopy \( H : (P(w), 0) \rightarrow \text{Path}_\ast(X, \ast) \) for \( w \in \Sigma^n \) sending \( n \) to \((\alpha, \beta)\). The map \( f \) induces a map \( \text{Path}_\ast(X, \ast) \rightarrow \text{Path}_\ast(Y, \ast) \) by functoriality, and therefore a right homotopy \( (P(w), 0) \rightarrow \text{Path}_\ast(X, \ast) \rightarrow \text{Path}_\ast(Y, \ast) \) sending \( n \) to \((f(\alpha), f(\beta))\). Thus, \( f(\alpha) \) and \( f(\beta) \) are past-similar.

9.7. **Proposition.** Let \((X, \ast)\) be a star-shaped transition system such that the set of transitions is closed under past-similarity. Then \( \simeq_{\text{past}} \) is transitive. In particular, if \((X, \ast)\) is fibrant, then \( \simeq_{\text{past}} \) is transitive.

**Proof.** Let \( \alpha, \beta, \gamma \) be three states of \( X \) with \( \alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \beta \) and \( \beta \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma \). Then there exists a map \( f : \text{Cyl}_\ast(P(w), 0) \rightarrow (X, \ast) \) with \( w \in \Sigma^n \) and \( n \geq 0 \) such that \( f(n, 0) = \alpha \) and \( f(n, 1) = \beta \). If \( n = 0 \), then \( \alpha = \beta \) and therefore \( \alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma \). Let us suppose \( n \geq 1 \).
Since $\beta \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma$, and since the set of transitions of $(X, \ast)$ is closed under past-similarity, we obtain a new well-defined map $g : \text{Cyl}_1(P(w), 0) \to (X, \ast)$ by setting $g(n, 1) = \gamma$ and $g = f$ for the other states and all actions. Thus, $\alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \gamma$. The last sentence is a consequence of Proposition 9.5.

9.8. Theorem. Let $(X, \ast)$ and $(Y, \ast)$ be two objects of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\bullet$ with $(Y, \ast)$ fibrant. Two maps from $(X, \ast)$ to $(Y, \ast)$ are homotopy equivalent if and only if they coincide on actions and send any state of $(X, \ast)$ to past-similar states of $(Y, \ast)$.

Proof. Let $f$ and $g$ be two homotopy equivalent maps from $(X, \ast)$ to $(Y, \ast)$. There exists a right homotopy $H : (X, \ast) \to \text{Path}_\bullet(Y, \ast)$ from $f$ to $g$. Let $u$ be an action of $X$. Since $X$ is cubical, there exists a transition $(\alpha, u, \beta)$. We deduce that

$$H(\alpha, u, \beta) = ((f(\alpha), g(\alpha)), u, (f(\beta), g(\beta)))$$

with $(f(\alpha), u', f(\beta)) = f(\alpha, u, \beta)$ and $(g(\alpha), u', g(\beta)) = g(\alpha, u, \beta)$. We obtain $u' = f(u) = g(u)$. Let $\alpha$ be a state of $X$. Then $H(\alpha) = (f(\alpha), g(\alpha))$. We deduce that $f(\alpha) \simeq_{\text{past}} g(\alpha)$ by Proposition 9.2.

Conversely, let $f$ and $g$ be two maps from $(X, \ast)$ to $(Y, \ast)$ which coincide on actions and such that for any state $\alpha$ of $X$, $f(\alpha)$ and $g(\alpha)$ are past-similar. We have to construct a right homotopy $H : (X, \ast) \to \text{Path}_\bullet(Y, \ast)$ from $f$ to $g$. The only possible definition is $H(\alpha) = (f(\alpha), g(\alpha))$ for all states $\alpha$ of $(X, \ast)$ and $H(u) = f(u) = g(u)$ for all actions $u$ of $(X, \ast)$. We have to prove that $H$ yields a well-defined map of transition systems, i.e. that for all transitions $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_m, \beta)$ of $(X, \ast)$, the tuple $((f(\alpha), g(\alpha)), H(u_1), \ldots, H(u_m), (f(\beta), g(\beta)))$ is a transition of $\text{Path}_\bullet(Y, \ast)$. We are going to prove by induction on $n \geq 1$ that for all states $\alpha$ and $\beta$ of $(X, \ast)$ and all actions $u_1, \ldots, u_p$ of $X$ with $1 \leq p \leq n$, the tuple $((f(\alpha), g(\alpha)), H(u_1), \ldots, H(u_p), (f(\beta), g(\beta)))$ is a transition of $\text{Path}_\bullet(Y, \ast)$ if $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \beta)$ is a transition of $(X, \ast)$.

The case $n = 1$. Consider the commutative diagram of solid arrows of $\mathcal{CSTS}$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\{0, 1\} \\
\downarrow 0_1 \to (f(\alpha), g(\alpha)) \\
C_{\mu(u_1)} \\
\downarrow 0_1 \to f(\alpha) \\
\{0, 1\} \\
\downarrow 1_1 \to (f(\beta), g(\beta)) \\
\downarrow 1_1 \to g(\alpha) \\
\omega^*(\text{Path}_\bullet(Y, \ast)) \\
\downarrow \omega^*(\pi^0) \\
\omega^*((Y, \ast))
\end{array}$$

Since $(Y, \ast)$ is fibrant, the canonical map $(Y, \ast) \to 1$ satisfies the RLP with respect to the trivial cofibration $(\rho^*(\partial C_{\mu(u_1)} \subset C_{\mu(u_1)}) \otimes \pi^0) \ast \gamma^0$. By adjunction, this implies that the lift $\ell$ in the diagram above exists. Thus, we have proved that the triple

$$\ell(0_1, \mu(u_1), 1_1) = ((f(\alpha), g(\alpha)), f(u_1), (f(\beta), g(\beta)))$$

is a transition of $\text{Path}_\bullet(Y, \ast)$.
From $n$ to $n+1$ with $n \geq 1$. By induction hypothesis, we have the commutative diagram of solid arrows of $\text{CSTS}$:

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}
\partial C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] & \xrightarrow{\ell} & \omega^*(\text{Path}_\bullet(Y, *)) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \omega^*(\gamma^0) \\
C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] & \xrightarrow{(f, g)} & \omega^*(Y, *) \\
\end{array}
$$

Since $(Y, *)$ is fibrant, the canonical map $(Y, *) \to 1$ satisfies the RLP with respect to the trivial cofibration

$$(\rho^*(\partial C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})] \subset C_{n+1}[\mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1})]) \odot \gamma^0) \star \gamma^0.$$ 

By adjunction, this implies that the lift $\ell$ in the diagram above exists. Thus, we have proved that the triple

$$\ell(0_{n+1}, \mu(u_1), \ldots, \mu(u_{n+1}), 1_{n+1}) = ((f(\alpha), g(\alpha)), f(u_1), \ldots, f(u_{n+1}), (f(\beta), g(\beta)))$$

is a transition of $\text{Path}_\bullet(Y, *)$. \hfill $\square$

9.9. **Corollary.** Every weak equivalence between two fibrant star-shaped transition systems is bijective on actions.

## 10. Fibrant star-shaped transition systems

10.1. **Lemma.** Consider a commutative square of $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$:

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}
(A, *) & \xrightarrow{f} & (C, *) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
(B, *) & \xrightarrow{g} & (D, *). \\
\end{array}
$$

Then the set map $S(B, *) \sqcup S(A, *) S(C, *) \to S(D, *)$ factors as a composite

$$S(B, *) \sqcup S(A, *) S(C, *) \to S((B, *) \sqcup (A, *) (C, *)) \to S(D, *)$$

where the left-hand map is onto and the set map $L(B, *) \sqcup L(A, *) L(C, *) \to L(D, *)$ factors as a composite

$$L(B, *) \sqcup L(A, *) L(C, *) \to L((B, *) \sqcup (A, *) (C, *)) \to L(D, *)$$

where the left-hand map is onto.

**Proof.** A pushout $(B, *) \sqcup (A, *) (C, *)$ in $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$ can be calculated in $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$ since the category $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$ is a coreflective subcategory of $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$. Since a pushout is a connected colimit, we have the isomorphism

$$(B, *) \sqcup (A, *) (C, *) \cong (B \sqcup A C, *)$$.

A pushout $B \sqcup_A C$ in $\text{CSTS}$ is calculated by taking the pushout $B \sqcup^{\text{CSTS}}_A C$ in $\text{CTS}$, and then by applying the reflection $\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2 : \text{CTS} \to \text{CSTS}$ which identifies states and actions.
We deduce the set inclusion
\( (B \sqcup_A C, *) \cong (\text{CSA}_1 \text{CSA}_2 (B \sqcup_A C), *) \).

By adjunction, the map of cubical transition systems
\( B \sqcup_A \mathcal{C}TS C \rightarrow D \)

factors uniquely as a composite
\( B \sqcup_A \mathcal{C}TS C \rightarrow B \sqcup_A C \rightarrow D. \)

By Lemma 3.5, we have the bijections of sets
\[ L(B \sqcup_A \mathcal{C}TS C) \cong L(B) \sqcup L(A) \sqcup L(C) \text{ and } L(B \sqcup_A \mathcal{C}TS C) \cong L(B) \sqcup L(A) \sqcup L(C). \]

We obtain the composite set map
\[ L(B) \sqcup L(A) \sqcup L(C) \rightarrow L((B, *) \sqcup (A, *)) \rightarrow L(D) \]

where the left-hand map is onto and the composite set map
\[ L(B) \sqcup L(A) \sqcup L(C) \rightarrow L((B, *) \sqcup (A, *)) \rightarrow L(D) \]

where the left-hand map is onto.

\[ \square \]

10.2. Notation. Let \( \Lambda_n(Z) := \Lambda_n(Cyl_{\bullet}, \emptyset, Z) \) for \( n \geq 0 \) and \( \Lambda(Z) := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \Lambda_n(Z). \)

10.3. Proposition. Every map of \( \Lambda(I_{\bullet}) \) is bijective on actions.

Proof. Let \( f : (A, *) \rightarrow (B, *) \) be a map of star-shaped transition systems. Using Lemma 10.1, the map \( f \ast \gamma^f \) gives rise to the composite set map
\[ L(A, *) \sqcup L(A, *) \sqcup L(B, *) \rightarrow L(Cyl_{\bullet}(A, *) \sqcup (A, *)) \rightarrow L(B, *) \]

which is bijective. Thus, the left-hand map is injective and then bijective. This implies that the right-hand map is bijective and that \( f \ast \gamma^f \) is bijective on actions. Suppose now that \( f \) is bijective on actions. By Lemma 10.1, the map \( f \ast \gamma \) gives rise to the composite set map
\[ L(Cyl_{\bullet}(A, *)) \sqcup L(Cyl_{\bullet}(A, *)) \sqcup L((B, *) \sqcup (B, *)) \]

\[ \rightarrow L(Cyl_{\bullet}(A, *) \sqcup (B, *)) \rightarrow L(Cyl_{\bullet}(B, *)) \]

which is bijective. Thus, the left-hand map is injective and then bijective. This implies that the right-hand map is bijective and that \( f \ast \gamma \) is bijective on actions.

\[ \square \]

10.4. Proposition. Let \( (X, *) \) be a star-shaped transition system. Then we have the equalities
\[ L(Cyl_{\bullet}(X, *)) = I(X, *) \times \{0\} \text{ and } E(Cyl_{\bullet}(X, *)) = E(X, *) \times \{0, 1\}. \]

Proof. The natural map \( \gamma_X^0 : (X, *) \rightarrow Cyl_{\bullet}(X, *) \) induces a one-to-one set map
\[ S(\gamma_X^0) : I(X, *) \sqcup E(X, *) \rightarrow I(X, *) \times \{0\} \sqcup E(X, *) \times \{0, 1\}. \]

We deduce the set inclusion
\[ L(\gamma_X^0) : I(X, *) \sqcup E(X, *) \rightarrow I(X, *) \times \{0\} \sqcup E(Cyl_{\bullet}(X, *)). \]

Let \( (\alpha, \epsilon) \in L(Cyl_{\bullet}(X, *)) \). By Proposition 5.6, there exists a 2-transition
\[ ((\mu_0, \epsilon_0), u_1, u_2, (\mu_1, \epsilon_1)) \]
of $\text{Cyl}_\bullet(X,\ast)$ such that the tuples $((\mu_0, \epsilon_0), u_1, (\alpha, \epsilon))$ and $((\alpha, \epsilon), u_2, (\mu_1, \epsilon_1))$ are two transitions of $\text{Cyl}_\bullet(X,\ast)$. Using Table 1, we deduce that the tuples $(\mu_0, u_1, u_2, \mu_1)$ and $(\alpha, u_2, \mu_1)$ are transitions of $(X,\ast)$. This implies that $\alpha$ is an internal state of $(X,\ast)$ and that $\epsilon = 0$. We deduce the set inclusion
\[
\mathbb{I}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(X,\ast)) \subset \mathbb{I}(X,\ast) \times \{0\}.
\]
We obtain the equality
\[
\mathbb{I}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(X,\ast)) = \mathbb{I}(X,\ast) \times \{0\}
\]
and, by taking the complement, the equality
\[
\mathbb{E}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(X,\ast)) = \mathbb{E}(X,\ast) \times \{0,1\}.
\]

10.5. **Definition.** A map $f : (A,\ast) \to (B,\ast)$ of pointed transition systems is proper if the set map $\mathbb{I}(f) : \mathbb{I}(A,\ast) \to \mathbb{I}(B,\ast)$ is bijective and if $f$ induces a one-to-one set map $f(\mathbb{E}(A,\ast)) \subset \mathbb{E}(B,\ast)$ on external states. In particular, a proper map is one-to-one on states. A map $f : (A,\ast) \to (B,\ast)$ of pointed transition systems is strongly proper if it is proper and bijective on states (which means that not only it is bijective on internal states, but also on external states).

10.6. **Proposition.** Let $f : (A,\ast) \to (B,\ast)$ be a (strongly resp.) proper map of pointed transition systems. Then for any $g \in \text{Mor}(\text{CSTS}_\bullet)$, the map $f \circ g$ is (strongly resp.) proper.

**Proof.** Let $f \circ g : (\hat{A},\ast) \to (\hat{B},\ast)$. The star-shaped transition system $(\hat{A},\ast)$ is obtained from $(A,\ast)$ by doing for each state $\alpha$ of $(A,\ast)$ different from the base state one of the following operations (cf. the proof of Theorem 8.9): 1) either identifying $\alpha$ with $\ast$, 2) or attaching a finite sequence of 1-transitions with initial state $\ast$ and final state $\alpha$. When $\alpha$ is internal in $(A,\ast)$, it remains internal in $(\hat{A},\ast)$. When it is external in $(A,\ast)$, it becomes internal (case 1) and actually equal to $\ast$, or it remains external (case 2). In case 2, all intermediate states of the finite sequence of 1-transitions are external. The star-shaped transition system $(\hat{B},\ast)$ is obtained from $(B,\ast)$ by doing for each state $\alpha$ of $(B,\ast)$ different from the base state one of the following operations (cf. the proof of Theorem 8.9): 1) nothing for a state of $f(\mathbb{S}(A))$, 2) one of the two operations above on the states of $\mathbb{S}(B) \setminus f(\mathbb{S}(A))$. Thus, $f \circ g$ is proper.

10.7. **Notation.** Let $\Sigma^+ = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \Sigma^n$ denote the set of nonempty words over $\Sigma$.

10.8. **Corollary.** Every map of $\overline{I}_\bullet$ is proper. Every map of $\overline{I}_\bullet \setminus \{(\varnothing \to (P(w),0)) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\}$ is strongly proper (where $\varnothing = \{\ast\}$, $\ast$ is the initial object of $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$).

**Proof.** For any set $S$, we have $\mathbb{I}(S) = \varnothing$, $\mathbb{E}(S) = S$. For any $n$-cube $C_n[x_1,\ldots,x_n]$ with $n \geq 1$ and $x_1,\ldots,x_n \in \Sigma$, we have $\mathbb{E}(C_n[x_1,\ldots,x_n]) = \{0_n,1_n\}$ and $\mathbb{I}(C_n[x_1,\ldots,x_n]) = \{0,1\}^n \setminus \{0_n,1_n\}$. Thus, every map of $\mathbb{E}(\overline{I}_{\text{CSTS}})$ is proper and every map of $\mathbb{I}(\overline{I}_{\text{CSTS}} \setminus \{\varnothing \subset \{0\}\})$ is strongly proper. The proof of the first statement is complete using Proposition 10.6. We have
\[
\{\mathbb{E}(\varnothing \subset \{0\}) \circ \varnothing \mid \varnothing \in \text{Mor}(\text{CSTS}_\bullet)\} = \{(\varnothing \to (P(w),0)) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\}.
\]
Then the proof of the last part is complete using Proposition 10.6.
10.9. **Proposition.** Let $f : (A, *) \to (B, *)$ be a (strongly resp.) proper map of star-shaped transition systems. Then the map $f \star \gamma$ for $\epsilon = 0, 1$ is (strongly resp.) proper.

**Proof.** We write the proof for $\epsilon = 0$. We have

$$\mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *)) \subseteq_{\mathbb{S}(A, *)} \mathbb{S}(B, *)$$

$$\cong (I(A, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(A, *) \times \{0, 1\}) \sqcup (I(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(B, *) \times \{0\})$$

We deduce the bijection of sets

$$\mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) \cong I(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(A, *) \times \{1\}.$$  

The map $f \star \gamma^0$ gives rise by Lemma 10.1 to the composite set map

$$I(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(A, *) \times \{1\} \to \mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) \to I(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(A, *) \times \{1\}$$

which is one-to-one. Thus, the left-hand map is one-to-one, and then bijective. We deduce the bijection of sets

$$\mathbb{S}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) \cong I(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(B, *) \times \{0\} \cup E(A, *) \times \{1\}$$

and therefore, that $f \star \gamma^0$ is one-to-one on states. The map of star-shaped transition systems

$$\iota_2 : (B, *) \to \text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)$$

induces on internal states the set map

$$I(\iota_2) : I(B, *) \to I(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) .$$

The latter yields the inclusion of sets

$$I(B, *) \times \{0\} \subseteq I(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) .$$

The map $f \star \gamma^0 : \text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *) \to \text{Cyl}_\bullet(B, *)$ induces a set inclusion between the set of internal states

$$I(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) \subseteq I(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(B, *)) .$$

By Proposition 10.4, we have $I(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(B, *)) = I(B, *) \times \{0\}$. We obtain the set inclusion

$$I(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) \subseteq I(B, *) \times \{0\} .$$

Thus, we obtain the equality

$$I(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) = I(B, *) \times \{0\}$$

and, by taking the complement, the equality

$$\overline{E}(\text{Cyl}_\bullet(A, *) \sqcup_{(A, *)} (B, *)) = \overline{E}(A, *) \times \{1\} \cup \overline{E}(B, *) \times \{0\} .$$

The proof is complete thanks to Proposition 10.4.

10.10. **Proposition.** Let $f : (A, *) \to (B, *)$ be a proper map. The map $f \star \gamma$ is strongly proper.
Theorem. 10.12. Let \((X, \ast)\) be a star-shaped transition system. Then \((X, \ast)\) is fibrant if and only if its set of transitions is closed under past-similarity.

Proof. The “only if” part is Proposition 9.5. Let \((X, \ast)\) be a star-shaped transition system such that the set of transition is closed under past-similarity. We have to prove that \((X, \ast)\) is injective with respect to any map of \(\Lambda(\mathcal{I}_\ast)\).

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Proof. We have
\[
\mathcal{S}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} \mathcal{S}(B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))
\]
\[
\cong (\mathcal{I}(A, \ast) \times \{0\} \sqcup \mathcal{E}(A, \ast) \times \{0, 1\})
\]
\[
\mathcal{I}((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))
\]
\[
\mathcal{E}(B, \ast) \times \{0, 1\}
\]
\[
\mathcal{E}(B, \ast) \times \{0, 1\}.
\]

Thus the map \(f \ast \gamma\) gives rise by Lemma 10.1 to the composite set map
\[
\mathcal{I}(A, \ast) \times \{0\} \sqcup \mathcal{E}(B, \ast) \times \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} ((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast)))
\]
\[
\rightarrow \mathcal{I}(B, \ast) \times \{0\} \sqcup \mathcal{E}(B, \ast) \times \{0, 1\}.
\]

Since this composite is bijective, the left-hand map is injective and then bijective. We obtain
\[
\mathcal{S}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} ((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))) = \mathcal{I}(A, \ast) \times \{0\} \sqcup \mathcal{E}(B, \ast) \times \{0, 1\}
\]
and \(f \ast \gamma\) is bijective on states. The states of \(\mathcal{E}(B, \ast) \times \{0, 1\}\) are external in \(\text{Cyl}_\ast(B, \ast)\) by Proposition 10.3. Thus, the states \(\mathcal{E}(B, \ast) \times \{0, 1\}\) cannot be internal states of \(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} ((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))\). We have proved the inclusion
\[
\mathcal{I}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} ((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))) \subset \mathcal{I}(B, \ast) \times \{0\}.
\]

The map \(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} ((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))\) induces a set map
\[
\mathcal{I}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast)) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} ((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))).
\]

By Proposition 10.3, we have \(\mathcal{I}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast)) = \mathcal{I}(A, \ast) \times \{0\} \cong \mathcal{I}(B, \ast) \times \{0\}.\) We deduce the inclusion of sets
\[
\mathcal{I}(B, \ast) \times \{0\} \subset \mathcal{I}(\text{Cyl}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup_{\mathcal{I}_\ast(A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast)} ((B, \ast) \cup (B, \ast))).
\]

The proof is complete thanks to Proposition 10.3. □

10.11. Corollary. Every map of \(\Lambda(\mathcal{I}_\ast)\) \(\Lambda_0(\{\emptyset \rightarrow (P(w), 0) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\})\) is strongly proper, and in particular, bijective on states.

Proof. Table 5 summarizes the situation. □

10.12. Theorem. Let \((X, \ast)\) be a star-shaped transition system. Then \((X, \ast)\) is fibrant if and only if its set of transitions is closed under past-similarity.
Let us prove first that \((X, \ast)\) is injective with respect to the maps of \(\Lambda_0(\emptyset \to (P(w), 0) \mid w \in \Sigma^+)\). Let \(i : \emptyset \to (P(w), 0)\) with \(w \in \Sigma^+\). By symmetry, it suffices to prove the injectivity with respect to \(i \ast \gamma^0\). Consider the diagram of solid arrows of \(\mathcal{CSTS}_\bullet\).

\[
\begin{array}{c}
(P(w), 0) \xrightarrow{\phi} (X, \ast) \\
\downarrow \quad \downarrow \\
Cyl_\bullet (P(w), 0) \xrightarrow{\ell} (X, \ast)
\end{array}
\]

The map \(i \ast \gamma^0 : (P(w), 0) \to Cyl_\bullet (P(w), 0)\) has the retraction \(\sigma : Cyl_\bullet (P(w), 0) \to (P(w), 0)\). Thus, \(\ell = \phi \sigma\) is a solution. So far, we have not used the fact that the set of transitions of \((X, \ast)\) is closed under past-similarity.

Let us prove now that \((X, \ast)\) is injective with respect to any map of \(\Lambda_0(\mathcal{I}_\bullet \{\emptyset \subset (P(w), 0) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\})\). By symmetry, it suffices to prove the injectivity with respect to \(\{i \ast \gamma^0 \mid i \in \mathcal{I}_\bullet \{\emptyset \subset (P(w), 0) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\}\}\).

The map \(i \ast \gamma^0\) is of the form \(Cyl_\bullet (A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast) (B, \ast) \to Cyl_\bullet (B, \ast)\) with \(i : (A, \ast) \to (B, \ast) \in \mathcal{I}_\bullet \{\emptyset \subset (P(w), 0) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\}\) where the map from \((A, \ast)\) to \(Cyl_\bullet (A, \ast)\) is \(\gamma^0_{(A, \ast)}\). Consider the diagram of solid arrows of \(\mathcal{CSTS}_\bullet\).

\[
\begin{array}{c}
Cyl_\bullet (A, \ast) \sqcup (A, \ast) (B, \ast) \xrightarrow{i \ast \gamma^0} (X, \ast) \\
\downarrow \quad \downarrow \\
Cyl_\bullet (B, \ast).
\end{array}
\]

By adjunction, the lift \(\ell\) in the diagram above exists if and only the lift \(\ell'\) in the commutative diagram of solid arrows of \(\mathcal{CSTS}_\bullet\).

\[
\begin{array}{c}
(A, \ast) \xrightarrow{\phi'} \text{Path}_\bullet (X, \ast) \\
\downarrow \quad \downarrow \\
(B, \ast) \xrightarrow{\psi'} (X, \ast)
\end{array}
\]

exists. By Table 5, the map \(i\) is bijective on states. By Table 4, the map \(\pi^0\) is bijective on actions. There is therefore one and exactly one way to define \(\ell'\) on states and on actions. Let \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\) be a transition of \(B\). Then the tuple \((\psi'(\alpha), \psi'(u_1), \ldots, \psi'(u_n), \psi'(\beta))\) is a transition of \((X, \ast)\). By Table 4 we obtain the equality of tuples

\[
\ell'(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) = ((\psi'(\alpha), \alpha'), \psi'(u_1), \ldots, \psi'(u_n), (\psi'(\beta), \beta'))
\]
with $\alpha' \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi'(\alpha)$ and $\beta' \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi'(\beta)$. Since the set of transitions of $(X, \ast)$ is closed under past-similarity, the three tuples

$$(\psi'(\alpha), \psi'(u_1), \ldots, \psi'(u_n), \beta'), (\alpha', \psi'(u_1), \ldots, \psi'(u_n), \psi'(\beta)), (\alpha', \psi'(u_1), \ldots, \psi'(u_n), \beta')$$

are transitions of $X$. Thus, by Table 3, the tuple $\ell'(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ is a transition of $\text{Path}_{\bullet}(X, \ast)$ and $\ell'$ is a well-defined map of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\bullet$.

Let us prove now that $(X, \ast)$ is injective with respect to the maps $f \star \gamma$ of $\Lambda_1(\mathcal{I}_\bullet \setminus \{(\emptyset \rightarrow (P(w), 0)) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\})$ and of $\Lambda_n(\mathcal{I}_\bullet)$ for $n \geq 2$. Then we have

$$f \in \Lambda_0(\mathcal{I}_\bullet \setminus \{(\emptyset \rightarrow (P(w), 0)) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\}) \cup \Lambda_{n-1}(\mathcal{I}_\bullet).$$

By Table 3, the map $f : (A, \ast) \rightarrow (B, \ast)$ is bijective on states. And by Proposition 10.3 it is bijective on actions. By adjunction, we then have to prove that for any commutative diagram of solid arrows of $\mathcal{CSTS}_\bullet$

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}
(A, \ast) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \text{Path}_{\bullet}(X, \ast) \\
\downarrow f & & \downarrow \pi \\
(B, \ast) & \xrightarrow{\psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2)} & (X, \ast) \times (X, \ast),
\end{array}
$$

the lift $\ell$ exists. Since $f$ is bijective on actions, we have $\psi_1(u) = \psi_2(u)$ for any action $u$ of $(B, \ast)$ because $\pi$ is the diagonal on actions. Since $f$ is bijective on states, $\psi'(\alpha)$ is a state of $\text{Path}_{\bullet}(X, \ast)$ for any state $\alpha$ of $(B, \ast)$. Let $\ell(\alpha) = \psi'(\alpha)$ for a state $\alpha$ of $(B, \ast)$ and $\ell(u) = \psi_1(u) = \psi_2(u)$. We have to prove that $\ell$ takes a transition of $(B, \ast)$ to a transition of $\text{Path}_{\bullet}(X, \ast)$. Let $(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)$ be a transition of $(B, \ast)$. Since the map $\psi_1 : (B, \ast) \rightarrow (X, \ast) \times (X, \ast) \rightarrow (X, \ast)$ is a map of star-shaped transition systems, the tuple $(\psi_1(\alpha), \psi_1(u_1), \ldots, \psi_1(u_n), \psi_1(\beta))$ is a transition of $X$. Since the map $\psi_2 : (B, \ast) \rightarrow (X, \ast) \times (X, \ast) \rightarrow (X, \ast)$ is a map of star-shaped transition systems, the tuple $(\psi_2(\alpha), \psi_2(u_1), \ldots, \psi_2(u_n), \psi_2(\beta))$ is a transition of $X$ as well. Since $\psi(\alpha)$ is a state of $\text{Path}_{\bullet}(X, \ast)$, we have $\psi_1(\alpha) \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi_2(\alpha)$ by Table 3. For the same reason, we have $\psi_1(\beta) \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi_2(\beta)$. Since the set of transitions of $(X, \ast)$ is closed under past-similarity, we deduce that the tuples $(\psi_2(\alpha), \psi_1(u_1), \ldots, \psi_1(u_n), \psi_1(\beta))$ and $(\psi_1(\alpha), \psi_1(u_1), \ldots, \psi_1(u_n), \psi_2(\beta))$ are transitions of $(X, \ast)$. Therefore, the tuple

$$(\ell(\alpha), \ell(u_1), \ldots, \ell(u_n), \ell(\beta)) = (\psi(\alpha), \psi_1(u_1), \ldots, \psi_1(u_n), \psi(\beta))$$

is a transition of $\text{Path}_{\bullet}(X, \ast)$ by Table 3.

It remains to prove that $(X, \ast)$ is injective with respect to the maps of $\Lambda_1(\{(\emptyset \rightarrow (P(w), 0)) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\})$ to complete the proof. A map of $\Lambda_1(\{(\emptyset \rightarrow (P(w), 0)) \mid w \in \Sigma^+\})$ is of the form $f \star \gamma$ where $f : (P(w), 0) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}_{\bullet}(P(w), 0)$ is the map $f = \gamma_{(P(w), 0)}$ for $w \in \Sigma^n$ and $n \geq 1$. Assume that $\epsilon = 0$ without lack of generality. By adjunction, we
have then to prove that for any commutative diagram of solid arrows of \( \text{CSTS}_* \):

\[
\begin{array}{c}
(P(w), 0) \xrightarrow{\phi} \text{Path}_*(X, *) \\
\downarrow f = \gamma_0^{(P(w), 0)} \;
\Downarrow \ell \\
\text{Cyl}_*(P(w), 0) \xrightarrow{\psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2)} (X, *) \times (X, *) 
\end{array}
\]

the lift \( \ell \) exists. Since \( f \) is bijective on actions, and since \( \pi \) is the diagonal map on actions, we have \( \psi_1(u) = \psi_2(u) \) for any action \( u \) of \((B, *)\). The only possible definition on actions is \( \ell(u) = \psi_1(u) = \psi_2(u) \). Let \( \ell(\alpha) = \psi(\alpha) \). For any \( 0 \leq j \leq n \), we have \( (j, 0) \simeq_{\text{past}} (j, 1) \) in \( \text{Cyl}_*(P(w), 0) \). Consequently, we have \( \psi_1(j, 0) \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi_1(j, 1) \) and \( \psi_2(j, 0) \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi_2(j, 1) \) in \((X, *)\). Since the diagram is commutative, the pair \((\psi_1(j, 0), \psi_2(j, 0))\) is a state of \( \text{Path}_*(X, *) \). By Table 4 we deduce that \( \psi_1(j, 0) \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi_2(j, 0) \). By Proposition 9.7, past-similarity is transitive on \((X, *)\). We deduce that \( \psi_1(j, 1) \simeq_{\text{past}} \psi_2(j, 1) \). We have proved that for any state \( \alpha \) of \( \text{Cyl}_*(P(w), 0) \), \( \psi(\alpha) \) is a state of \( \text{Path}_*(X, *) \) (remember that \( \pi \) is one-to-one on states). It remains to prove that \( \ell \) takes a transition of \( \text{Cyl}_*(P(w), 0) \) to a transition of \( \text{Path}_*(X, *) \) to complete the proof. Let \( (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) \) be a transition of \( \text{Cyl}_*(P(w), 0) \). Then both \((\psi_1(\alpha), \psi_1(u_1), \ldots, \psi_1(u_n), \psi_1(\beta))\) and \((\psi_2(\alpha), \psi_2(u_2), \ldots, \psi_2(u_n), \psi_2(\beta))\) are transitions of \( X \). Since the set of transitions of \((X, *)\) is closed under past-similarity, the tuples \((\psi_1(\alpha), \psi_1(u_1), \ldots, \psi_1(u_n), \psi_1(\beta))\) and \((\psi_2(\alpha), \psi_2(u_2), \ldots, \psi_2(u_n), \psi_2(\beta))\) are also transitions of \( X \). The proof is complete using Table 4. \( \square \)

11. Characterization in the star-shaped case

11.1. Definition. A star-shaped transition system is reduced when two states are past-similar if and only if they are equal.

All reduced star-shaped transition systems are fibrant by Theorem 10.12.

11.2. Proposition. The full subcategory \( \text{CSTS}_* \) of reduced star-shaped transition systems is a small-orthogonality class of \( \text{CSTS}_* \).

Proof. Let \( w = x_1 \ldots x_n \in \Sigma^n \) with \( n \geq 1 \). Let \((C(w), *)\) be the \( \omega \)-final lift of the map

\[ \omega(\text{Cyl}_*(P(w), 0)) \to (\Sigma^w(\text{Cyl}_*(P(w), 0))/((n, 1) = (n, 2)), \{(x_1, 1), \ldots, (x_n, n)\}). \]

It can be depicted as follows:

\[
\begin{array}{c}
(1, 0) \xrightarrow{(x_2, 2)} (2, 0) \xrightarrow{(x_3, 3)} \cdots \\
(1, 1) \xrightarrow{(x_2, 2)} (2, 1) \xrightarrow{(x_3, 3)} \cdots \\
(1, 1) \xrightarrow{(x_2, 2)} (2, 1) \xrightarrow{(x_3, 3)} \cdots \\
(1, 1) \xrightarrow{(x_2, 2)} (2, 1) \xrightarrow{(x_3, 3)} \cdots \\
\end{array}
\]

\* = (0, 0) = (0, 1)

\( (x_1, 1) \xrightarrow{(x_2, 2)} (x_2, 2) \xrightarrow{(x_3, 3)} (x_3, 3) \xrightarrow{(x_n, n)} (n, 0) = (n, 1) \)
A star-shaped transition system is reduced if and only if it is injective with respect to the maps $\text{Cyl}_\bullet(P(w),0) \to (C(w),\ast)$ with $w \in \Sigma^+$. Since these maps are onto on states and on actions, they are epic. Thus, injectivity is equivalent to orthogonality in this case. □

Let $\mathcal{R} = \{ \text{Cyl}_\bullet(P(w),0) \to (C(w),\ast) \mid w \in \Sigma^+ \}$. For any star-shaped transition system $(X,\ast)$, the canonical map $(X,\ast) \to 1$ factors as a composite $(X,\ast) \to R^\perp_\bullet(X,\ast) \to 1$ with the left-hand map belonging to $\text{cell}_{\text{STS}}(\mathcal{R})$ and the right-hand map belonging to $\text{ini}_{\text{STS}}(\mathcal{R})$. By Theorem 11.5 and Corollary 11.6, every map of $\text{cell}_{\text{STS}}(\mathcal{R})$ is onto on states, on actions and on transitions. Thus, by [14, Proposition A.1], this factorization is unique up to isomorphism. And for the same reason as for CSA1, this construction provides the left adjoint to the inclusion functor $\text{CTS}_* \subset \text{CTS}_\bullet$. By [2, Theorem 1.39], the category $\text{CTS}_\bullet$ is locally presentable.

11.3. Notation. Let us denote by $\Psi_{(X,\ast)} : (X,\ast) \to R^\perp_\bullet(X,\ast)$ the unit map.

11.4. Notation. Let $X$ be a weak transition system. Let $u$ and $v$ be two actions of $X$. Denote by $u \simeq_{\text{CSA}_1} v$ if $\mu(u) = \mu(v)$ and if there exist two states $\alpha$ and $\beta$ of $X$ such that the triples $(\alpha, u, \beta)$ and $(\alpha, v, \beta)$ are transitions of $X$.

11.5. Proposition. Let $(X,\ast)$ be a star-shaped cubical transition system. Let $\tau(X)$ be the $\omega$-final lift of the map $\omega(X) \longrightarrow (\Sigma(X)/\simeq_{\text{past}},\Lambda(X)/\simeq_{\text{CSA}_1})$ of $\text{Set}^{[\ast],\Sigma}$. Let $\ast$ be the image by $X \to \tau(X)$ of $\ast \in X$. Then the pointed weak transition system $(\tau(X),\ast)$ is a star-shaped cubical transition system.

Proof. The weak transition system $X$ is cubical by hypothesis. Since the set map $\Lambda(X) \to \Lambda(X)/\simeq_{\text{CSA}_1}$ is onto, the weak transition system $\tau(X)$ is cubical by Theorem 2.4. The map $X \to \tau(X)$ is onto on states. Thus, every state of $\tau(X)$ is reachable. □

11.6. Proposition. Let $(X,\ast)$ be a star-shaped transition system. Let $X_0 = X$. Suppose the weak transition system $X_\xi$ constructed for an ordinal $\xi \geq 0$. Let $X_{\xi+1} = \tau(X_\xi)$. For a limit ordinal $\xi$, let $X_\xi = \varprojlim_{\beta<\xi} X_\beta$, the colimit being taken in $\mathcal{WTS}$. Then

1) For all ordinals $\xi$, the weak transition system $X_\xi$ is cubical and the pointed cubical transition system $(X_\xi,\ast)$ is star-shaped.

2) There exists an ordinal $\eta$ such that $X_\xi = X_\eta$ for all $\xi \geq \eta$.

3) There is the isomorphism $R^\perp_\bullet(X,\ast) = (X_\eta,\ast)$.

Proof. The proof is in five steps.

1) For a limit ordinal $\xi$, the weak transition system $\varprojlim_{\zeta<\xi} X_\zeta$ is cubical if all $X_\zeta$ for $\zeta < \xi$ are cubical since $\text{CTS}$ is a coreflective subcategory of $\mathcal{WTS}$. We have proved the first assertion using Proposition 11.5.

2) The second assertion holds for cardinality reason.

3) For any action $u$ and $v$ of $(X_\eta,\ast)$, we have $u \simeq_{\text{CSA}_1} v \Rightarrow u = v$ since $X_\eta = X_{\eta+1}$. This means that $(X_\eta,\ast)$ satisfies CSA1.

4) Let $(\alpha, u_1, u_2, \beta)$, $(\alpha, u_1, v_1)$, $(\alpha, u_1, v_2)$, $(\nu_1, u_2, \beta)$ and $(\nu_2, u_2, \beta)$ be five transitions of $(X_\eta,\ast)$. Thus, the triple $((\alpha, \alpha), u_1, (\nu_1, \nu_2))$ is a transition of $\text{Path}_\ast(X_\eta,\ast)$ by Table 2. Since $\alpha \simeq_{\text{past}} \alpha$, we deduce that $(\alpha, \alpha)$ is a reachable state of $\text{Path}_\ast(X_\eta,\ast)$, and then that $(\nu_1, \nu_2)$ is a reachable state of $\text{Path}_\ast(X_\eta,\ast)$, and therefore that $\nu_1 \simeq_{\text{past}} \nu_2$. Thus, we
obtain \( \nu_1 = \nu_2 \) since \( X_\eta = \Gamma(X_\eta) \). Let

\[
(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta), (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \nu_1), (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \nu_2), (\nu_1, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta),
\]

be five transitions of \( (X_\eta, *) \) with \( n \geq p + 1 \) and \( p \geq 2 \). Since \( (X_\eta, *) \) is cubical, there exists a state \( \nu_3 \) such that the tuples \( (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_{p-1}, \nu_3) \) and \( (\nu_3, u_p, \ldots, u_n, \beta) \) are two transitions of \( (X_\eta, *) \). By the patching axiom, the triples \( (\nu_3, u_p, \nu_1) \) and \( (\nu_3, u_p, \nu_2) \) are two transitions of \( (X_\eta, *) \). Since \( \nu_3 \simeq_{past} \nu_3 \), we deduce that \( (\nu_3, \nu_3) \) is a reachable state of \( \text{Path}_*(X_\eta, *) \), and then that \( (\nu_1, \nu_2) \) is a reachable state of \( \text{Path}_e(X_\eta, *) \), and therefore that \( \nu_1 \simeq_{past} \nu_2 \). Thus, we obtain \( \nu_1 = \nu_2 \) since \( X_\eta = \Gamma(X_\eta) \). Therefore, \( (X_\eta, *) \) satisfies CSA2.

5) We deduce that \( (X_\eta, *) \) is a star-shaped Cattani-Sassone transition system. By construction, the star-shaped transition system \( (X_\eta, *) \) is reduced. Let us prove by induction on the ordinal \( \xi \) that the map \( (X, *) \to R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \) factors as a composite \( (X, *) \to (X_\xi, *) \to R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \). The case \( \xi = 0 \) is trivial. If the map \( (X, *) \to R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \) factors as a composite \( (X, *) \to (X_\xi, *) \to R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \), then for any pair of past-similar states \( (\alpha, \beta) \) of \( X_\xi \), we have \( \phi_*(\alpha) \simeq_{past} \phi_*(\beta) \) in \( R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \). Thus, we obtain \( \phi_*(\alpha) = \phi_*(\beta) \) since \( R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \) is reduced. And for any pair of actions \( (u, v) \) of \( X_\xi \) with \( u \simeq_{CSA_1} v \), we have \( \phi_*(u) \simeq_{CSA_1} \phi_*(v) \) in \( R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \). Thus, we obtain \( \phi_*(u) = \phi_*(v) \) since \( R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \) satisfies CSA1. We deduce that the map \( \omega_*(\phi_*) : \omega(X_\xi) \to \omega(\omega^w(R^+_{\xi}(X, *))) \) of \( \text{Set}^{(s_1, \ldots, s_n)} \) factors uniquely as a composite \( \omega(X_\xi) \to \omega(X_{\xi+1}) \to \omega(\omega^w(R^+_{\xi}(X, *))) \). We obtain the factorization \( \phi_*(X_\xi) \to (X_{\xi+1}, *) \to R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \). By passing to the colimit, we then obtain the factorization \( X \to X_\eta \to R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \). By the universal property of the adjunction, we deduce the isomorphism \( X_\eta \simeq R^+_{\xi}(X, *) \).

\[\square\]

11.7. Proposition. Let \( f : (X, *) \to (Z, *) \) be a map of star-shaped cubical transition system with \( (Z, *) \) fibrant in \( \text{CSTS}_* \). Let \( Y = \Gamma(X) \). Then \( (Y, *) \) is a star-shaped cubical transition system. There exists a map \( g : (Y, *) \to (Z, *) \) of star-shaped cubical transition system such that for any state \( \overline{\alpha} \) of \( X \), we have \( gw(\overline{\alpha}) \simeq_{past} f(\overline{\alpha}) \) and for any action \( \overline{\alpha} \) of \( X \), we have \( gw(\overline{\alpha}) = f(\overline{\alpha}) \) where \( w : (X, *) \to (Y, *) \) is the canonical map.

Proof. Let \( w : (X, *) \to (Y, *) \) be the canonical map. By Proposition 11.5 \( (Y, *) \) is a star-shaped cubical transition system. By construction, the map \( \omega(w) \) has a section \( s \). Let \( g(\alpha) = fs(\alpha) \) for a state \( \alpha \) of \( Y \) and \( g(u) = fs(u) \) for an action \( u \) of \( Y \). Let \( \overline{\alpha} \in \Sigma(X) \). Since \( wsw(\overline{\alpha}) = w(\overline{\alpha}) \) in \( \Sigma(X) \simeq_{past} \), the pair of states \( (sw(\overline{\alpha}), \overline{\alpha}) \) is in the transitive closure of the binary relation \( \simeq_{past} \) of \( (X, *) \). Thus, the pair of states \( (fs\overline{\alpha}, \overline{\alpha}) \) is in the transitive closure of the binary relation \( \simeq_{past} \) of \( (Z, *) \). But \( (Z, *) \) is fibrant by hypothesis. By Proposition 9.7 we deduce that \( fs\overline{\alpha} \simeq_{past} f(\overline{\alpha}) \). We have \( gw(\overline{\alpha}) = fs\overline{\alpha} \) by definition of \( g \). We obtain \( gw(\overline{\alpha}) \simeq_{past} f(\overline{\alpha}) \) for any state \( \overline{\alpha} \) of \( X \). Let \( \overline{\alpha} \) be an action of \( X \). By a similar argument, we prove that the pair of actions \( (gw(\overline{\alpha}), f(\overline{\alpha})) \) is in the transitive closure of the binary relation \( \simeq_{CSA_1} \) of \( (Z, *) \). Since \( Z \) satisfies CSA1, we deduce that \( gw(\overline{\alpha}) = f(\overline{\alpha}) \) for any action \( \overline{\alpha} \) of \( X \). It remains to prove that \( g \) maps a transition of \( (Y, *) \) to a transition of \( (Z, *) \). The weak transition system \( Y \) is defined as the \( \omega \)-final lift of the map \( \omega(X) \to (\Sigma(X) / \simeq_{past}, L(\Sigma(X) / \simeq_{CSA_1})) \). That is to say, it is equipped with the final structure. By [10] Proposition 3.5, this final structure
is obtained by considering the set \( G_0 \) of transitions which are in the image of the map \((X, *) \to (Y, *)\), then by applying the patching axiom on the transitions of \( G_0 \) to obtain a set \( G_1 \supseteq G_0 \), and by transfinite iterating the process. The set of transitions \( \bigcup_{\xi \geq 0} G_\xi \) is the final structure. We are going to prove by transfinite induction on \( \xi \geq 0 \) that for any transition \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) \in G_\xi\), the tuple \((g(\alpha), g(u_1), \ldots, g(u_n), g(\beta))\) is a transition of \((Z, \ast)\). First of all, let \((\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta) \in G_0\). By definition of \( G_0 \), there exists a transition \((\overline{u}, \overline{u_1}, \ldots, \overline{u_n}, \overline{\beta})\) of \((X, \ast)\) such that \((w(\overline{u}), w(\overline{u_1}), \ldots, w(\overline{u_n}), w(\overline{\beta})) = (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta)\). We have \( w(\overline{u}) = \alpha = ws(\alpha) \) since \( s \) is a section of \( w \) on states. Thus, the pair of states \((\overline{u}, s(\alpha))\) is in the transitive closure of the binary relation \( \simeq_{\text{past}} \) in \((X, \ast)\). We obtain \( f(\overline{u}) \simeq_{\text{past}} fs(\alpha) = g(\alpha) \) since \( \simeq_{\text{past}} \) is transitive in \((Z, \ast)\) by Proposition 9.7. For the same reason, we obtain \( f(\overline{\beta}) \simeq_{\text{past}} fs(\beta) = g(\beta) \). The tuple \((f(\overline{u}), f(\overline{u_1}), \ldots, f(\overline{u_n}), f(\overline{\beta}))\) is a transition of \((Z, \ast)\) since \( f \) is a map of transition systems. By Theorem 10.12 and since \((Z, \ast)\) is fibrant by hypothesis, the tuple \((g(\alpha), f(\overline{u_1}), \ldots, f(\overline{u_n}), g(\beta))\) is then a transition of \((Z, \ast)\). We have \( w(\overline{u_i}) = u_i = ws(u_i) \) for all \( 1 \leq i \leq n \). Thus, the pair of actions \((\overline{u_i}, s(u_i))\) for any \( 1 \leq i \leq n \) is in the transitive closure of the binary relation \( \simeq_{\text{CSA}_\lambda} \) in \((X, \ast)\). We obtain \( f(\overline{u_i}) = fs(u_i) = g(u_i) \) for all \( 1 \leq i \leq n \) since \( Z \) satisfies CSA1. Therefore, the tuple \((g(\alpha), g(u_1), \ldots, g(u_n), g(\beta))\) is a transition of \((Z, \ast)\). The step \( \xi = 0 \) of the transfinite induction is proved. The case \( \xi \) limit ordinal is trivial. It remains to prove that if all transitions of \( G_\xi \) are mapped by \( g \) to transitions of \((Z, \ast)\), then the same fact holds for \( G_{\xi+1} \). Consider the five tuples

\[
(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_n, \beta), (\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_p, \nu_1), (\nu_1, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta), \]

\[
(\alpha, u_1, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu_2), (\nu_2, u_{p+q+1}, \ldots, u_n, \beta)
\]

of \( G_\xi \) with \( n \geq 3, p, q \geq 1 \) and \( p + q < n \). By definition, the tuple \((\nu_1, u_{p+1}, \ldots, u_{p+q}, \nu_2)\) belongs to \( G_{\xi+1} \). By induction hypothesis, the five tuples

\[
(g(\alpha), g(u_1), \ldots, g(u_n), g(\beta)), (g(\alpha), g(u_1), \ldots, g(u_p), g(\nu_1)), (g(\nu_1),
\]

\[
g(u_{p+1}), \ldots, g(u_n), g(\beta)), (g(\alpha), g(u_1), \ldots, g(u_{p+q}), g(\nu_2)),
\]

\[
(g(\nu_2), g(u_{p+q+1}), \ldots, g(u_n), g(\beta))
\]

are transitions of \((Z, \ast)\). By applying the patching axiom in \((Z, \ast)\), we obtain that the tuple \((g(\nu_1), g(u_{p+1}), \ldots, g(u_{p+q}), g(\nu_2))\) is a transition of \((Z, \ast)\). The proof is complete.

\[\square\]

11.8. **Theorem.** For any star-shaped transition system \((X, *, \ast)\), the map \( \Psi_{(X, \ast)} : (X, *) \to R_\ast^\perp(X, \ast) \) is a weak equivalence of \( \mathbf{CSTS}_\ast \).

**Proof.** Let \( f : (X, \ast) \to (Y, \ast) \) be a map of star-shaped transition systems. By Proposition 11.6 and Proposition 11.7, there exists a map of star-shaped transition system \( g : R_\ast^\perp(X, \ast) \to (Y, \ast) \) such that for any state \( \alpha \) of \((X, \ast)\), we have \( g\Psi_{(X, \ast)}(\alpha) \simeq_{\text{past}} f(\alpha) \) and for any action \( u \) of \((X, \ast)\), we have \( g\Psi_{(X, \ast)}(u) = f(u) \). By Theorem 9.8, we deduce that \( g\Psi_{(X, \ast)} \) and \( f \) are homotopy equivalent maps. Thus, the set map

\[
\pi_{\text{CSTS}}(R_\ast^\perp(X, \ast), (Y, \ast)) \to \pi_{\text{CSTS}}((X, \ast), (Y, \ast))
\]

[10] Proposition 3.5 also claims that the multiset axiom is automatically satisfied. This is due to the internal symmetry of the patching axiom and to the fact that \( G_0 \) satisfies the multiset axiom.
induced by the precomposition by $\Psi_{(X,\ast)} : (X,\ast) \rightarrow R^\perp_0(X,\ast)$ is onto. Let $f, g : R^\perp_0(X,\ast) \rightarrow (Z,\ast)$ be two maps of $\mathcal{CSTS}$ such that $f\Psi_{(X,\ast)}$ is homotopy equivalent to $g\Psi_{(X,\ast)}$. Then $f\Psi_{(X,\ast)}$ and $g\Psi_{(X,\ast)}$ coincide on actions by Theorem 9.8 and for any state $\alpha$ of $X$, the states $f(\Psi_{(X,\ast)}(\alpha))$ and $g(\Psi_{(X,\ast)}(\alpha))$ are past-similar. For any state $\beta$ of $Y$, there exists a state $\gamma$ of $X$ such that $\Psi_{(X,\ast)}(\alpha) = \beta$. Thus, for any state $\beta$ of $Y$, the states $f(\beta)$ and $g(\beta)$ are past-similar. Since $\Psi_{(X,\ast)}$ is onto on actions as well, $f$ and $g$ coincide on actions. We deduce that $f$ and $g$ are homotopy equivalent by Theorem 9.8.

We deduce that the set map

$$
\pi_{\mathcal{CSTS}_*}(R^\perp_0(X,\ast), (Z,\ast)) \rightarrow \pi_{\mathcal{CSTS}_*}((X,\ast), (Z,\ast))
$$

induced by the precomposition by $\Psi_{(X,\ast)}$ is one-to-one. \qed

11.9. Theorem. The left adjoint $R^\perp_0 : \mathcal{CSTS}_* \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{CSTS}}_*$ induces a Quillen equivalence between the model category $\mathcal{CSTS}_*$ and the category $\overline{\mathcal{CSTS}}_*$ equipped with the discrete model category structure.

Proof. For any reduced star-shaped transition system $(X,\ast)$, we have by Proposition 9.2 and by Table 2 the equality $\text{Path}_n(X,\ast) = (X,\ast)$. Let $\alpha$ be a state of $X$. Since $(X,\ast)$ is star-shaped, there exists $w \in \Sigma^n$ with $n \geq 0$ and a map $f : (P(w),0) \rightarrow (X,\ast)$ such that $f(n) = \alpha$. By functoriality, we obtain a map $\text{Cyl}_n(f) : \text{Cyl}_n(P(w),0) \rightarrow \text{Cyl}_n(X,\ast)$.

Thus, we have $(\alpha,0) \sim_{\text{past}} (\alpha,1)$ in $\text{Cyl}_n(X,\ast)$. This implies that $R^\perp_0(\text{Cyl}(X,\ast)) = (X,\ast)$ for any reduced star-shaped transition system $(X,\ast)$. Using [16, Theorem 3.1], we obtain a left determined Olschok model structure on $\overline{\mathcal{CSTS}}_*$ such that the cylinder and path functors are the identity functor. Therefore, we have the equalities

$$
\pi_{\mathcal{CSTS}_*}((X,\ast), (Y,\ast)) = \pi_{\mathcal{CSTS}_*}^f((X,\ast), (Y,\ast))
$$

$$
= \pi_{\overline{\mathcal{CSTS}}_*}((X,\ast), (Y,\ast))
$$

for any reduced Cattani-Sassone transition system $(X,\ast)$ and $(Y,\ast)$. This means that the weak equivalences of $\mathcal{CSTS}_*$ are the isomorphisms. Thus, the left adjoint $R^\perp_0 : \mathcal{CSTS}_* \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{CSTS}}_*$ induces a homotopically surjective left Quillen adjoint from $\mathcal{CSTS}_*$ to $\overline{\mathcal{CSTS}}_*$ equipped with the discrete model category structure. By Theorem 11.8, this left Quillen adjoint is a left Quillen equivalence. \qed

The following corollary proves that a map of star-shaped transition systems is a weak equivalence after the identification of all past-similar states.

11.10. Corollary. A map $f$ of $\mathcal{CSTS}_*$ is a weak equivalence if and only if $R^\perp_0(f)$ is an isomorphism.

Proof. Since all objects of $\mathcal{CSTS}_*$ are cofibrant, a weak equivalence $f$ is mapped to a weak equivalence $R^\perp_0(f)$ of $\overline{\mathcal{CSTS}}_*$, i.e. an isomorphism. Conversely, if $R^\perp_0(f)$ is an isomorphism, then by Theorem 11.8 and the two-out-of-three property, $f$ is a weak equivalence. \qed

12. Causality and homotopy

This concluding section is written to interpret Theorem 11.9. All left determined model categories constructed so far on higher dimensional transition systems, including the ones of [11] and [15] where $R : \{0,1\} \rightarrow \{0\}$ is a generating cofibration, are Quillen

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equivalent to discrete model categories. Similar left determined model categories on flows \[6\] and multipointed \(d\)-spaces \[8\] do not have such a behavior. This phenomenon could be related to the absence of degeneracy maps in higher dimension in the formalism of higher dimensional transition systems which categorically behave like labelled symmetric precubical sets \[10, \text{Theorem } 11.6\].

To be more specific in the sequel, we will be using the 1-dimensional paths \((P(w), 0)\) with \(w \in \Sigma^*\) (where \(\Sigma^* = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \Sigma^n\) is the set of words over \(\Sigma\)). The arguments developed here could be adapted to more complicated notions of paths, in particular higher dimensional ones like in \[5\]. Let\[\mathcal{P} = \{(P(w), 0) \to (P(ww'), 0) \mid w, w' \in \Sigma^*\}\]be the set of extensions of paths. The semantics of \[10\] is used in this section. The reader does not actually need to read the latter paper to understand the sequel. Indeed, except for Proposition \[12.2\] whose proof is just sketched, the only facts to know are that:

1. All \(\mathcal{P}\)-cell complexes are realizations of process algebras.
2. All realizations of process algebras are colimits of cubes.

12.1. Definition. After \[20\], two star-shaped transition systems \((X, *)\) and \((Y, *)\) are \(\mathcal{P}\)-bisimilar if they are related by a span of \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective maps \((X, *) \leftarrow (Z, *) \to (Y, *)\).

Since the class of \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective maps is closed under pullback and composition, two star-shaped transition systems \((X, *)\) and \((Y, *)\) are \(\mathcal{P}\)-bisimilar if and only if they are related by a zig-zag of \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective maps. Note that a \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective map between star-shaped transition systems is always onto on states, on actions and on 1-dimensional transitions.

12.2. Proposition. Any two weakly equivalent star-shaped transition systems of the left determined Olschok model category \(\text{CSTS}_\bullet\) realizing process algebras are isomorphic, and hence \(\mathcal{P}\)-bisimilar. There exist two \(\mathcal{P}\)-bisimilar \(\mathcal{P}\)-cell complexes which are not weakly equivalent.

Sketch of proof. A star-shaped transition systems realizing a process algebra is reduced: the proof is by induction on the syntactic description of the process algebra. Thus, if two of them are weakly equivalent, they are isomorphic by Corollary \[11.10\]. The two \(\mathcal{P}\)-cell complexes \((P(u), 0) \sqcup (P(u), 0)\) and \((P(u), 0)\) are \(\mathcal{P}\)-bisimilar since the unique map \((P(u), 0) \sqcup (P(u), 0) \to (P(u), 0)\) is \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective. They can be depicted as follows with \(\mu(u_1) = \mu(u_2) = u:\)

\[\begin{array}{c}
\bullet \\
\downarrow u_1 \\
(P(u), 0) \sqcup (P(u), 0) = 0 \\
\uparrow u_2 \\
\bullet \\
\end{array}\]

However, they are reduced and not isomorphic. Thus, they are not weakly equivalent by Corollary \[11.10\].

12.3. Definition. A model structure on \(\text{CSTS}_\bullet\) is \(\mathcal{P}\)-causal (with respect to the semantics of \[10\]) if any two star-shaped transition systems realizing process algebras are weakly equivalent if and only if they are \(\mathcal{P}\)-bisimilar.
12.4. Theorem. Consider a model structure of $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$ such that all $\mathcal{P}$-cell complexes are cofibrant and such that all $\mathcal{P}$-injective maps are weak equivalences. Then there exist two homotopy equivalent $\mathcal{P}$-cell complexes which are not $\mathcal{P}$-bisimilar. In particular, this model structure is not $\mathcal{P}$-causal.

Proof. Consider the two $\mathcal{P}$-cell complexes $(M_0, 0) = (P(uv), 0) \sqcup (P(u), 0)$ and $(M_1, 0) = (P(ww), 0)$. The star-shaped transition systems $(M_0, 0)$ and $(M_1, 0)$ look as follows (with $\mu(u_1) = \mu(u_2) = u$ and $\mu(v_1) = v$):

They are not $\mathcal{P}$-bisimilar since the path $0 \xrightarrow{w} \bullet$ of $(M_0, 0)$ cannot be extended. Let $f : (M_0, 0) \to (M_1, 0)$ be the unique map defined on actions by the mappings $u_1, u_2 \mapsto u_1$ and $v_1 \mapsto v_1$. Let $g : (M_1, 0) \to (M_0, 0)$ be the unique map defined on actions by the mappings $u_1 \mapsto u_1$ and $v_1 \mapsto v_1$. Consider a commutative diagram of solid arrows of $\text{CSTS}_\bullet$:

$$(P(w), 0) \xrightarrow{\phi} (M_0, 0) \sqcup (M_0, 0) \xrightarrow{\ell} (P(ww), 0) \xrightarrow{\mu} (M_0, 0)$$

where $w, w' \in \Sigma^*$. The only possibilities for $w, ww' \in \Sigma^*$ are $w, ww' \in \{\emptyset, u, uv\}$. Consequently, the map $\phi$ factors as a composite

$$(P(w), 0) \to (M_0, 0) \to (M_0, 0) \sqcup (M_0, 0).$$

Thus, the lift $\ell$ exists. We deduce that the codiagonal map $(M_0, 0) \sqcup (M_0, 0) \to (M_0, 0)$ factors as a composite

$$(M_0, 0) \sqcup (M_0, 0) \xrightarrow{\cong} (M_0, 0) \sqcup (M_0, 0) \xrightarrow{\text{inj}_{\text{CSTS}_\bullet}(\mathcal{P})} (M_0, 0)$$

where the left-hand map is a cofibration and the right-hand map is $\mathcal{P}$-injective, i.e. by hypothesis a weak equivalence. Consequently, $(M_0, 0) \sqcup (M_0, 0)$ is a good cylinder of $(M_0, 0)$ for this model structure. We deduce that the maps $\text{Id}_{(M_0, 0)}, gf : (M_0, 0) \to (M_0, 0)$ are left homotopic maps. By [18] Proposition 7.4.8, and since $(M_0, 0)$ is cofibrant by hypothesis, $\text{Id}_{(M_0, 0)}$ and $gf$ are right homotopic, and then homotopic. For the same reason, the maps $\text{Id}_{(M_1, 0)}$ and $fg$ are homotopic. Therefore, the star-shaped transition systems $(M_0, 0)$ and $(M_1, 0)$ are homotopy equivalent in this model structure.

Theorem 12.4 and its proof tell us that localizing with respect to the whole class of $\mathcal{P}$-injective maps is a very bad idea. Theorem 12.3 also tells us that the most obvious candidate, the left determined model structure with respect to $\mathcal{P}$, whose existence is a consequence of Vopěnka’s principle by [26] Theorem 2.2, is not $\mathcal{P}$-causal either.
Theorem 12.4 also holds by replacing the category of star-shaped transition systems by any category of labelled precubical sets of \[7\] or \[9\]. Indeed, the origin of the problem is that the map \((X, \ast) \sqcup (X, \ast) \to (X, \ast)\) is \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective for any star-shaped transition system \((X, \ast)\) not containing any cycle passing by the base state \(\ast\), which means in this case that a good cylinder of \((X, \ast)\) is \((X, \ast) \sqcup (X, \ast)\) in such a model structure.

It turns out that there exist star-shaped transition systems which are not colimits of cubes, e.g. the star-shaped transition systems of Figure 2 and Figure 3. It is actually the main technical difference with any category of labelled precubical sets of \[7\] or \[9\]. To overcome the problem arising from Theorem 12.4, the idea is to localize with respect to a class of \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective maps between star-shaped transition systems which are \(\mathcal{P}\)-optimized in the sense that they use a minimal set of actions. For example, with \((X, \ast) = (P(uv), \ast)\), the star-shaped transition system \((X, \ast) \sqcup (X, \ast)\) looks as follows (with \(\mu(u_1) = \mu(u_2) = u\) and \(\mu(v_1) = \mu(v_2) = v\)):

\[
(X, \ast) \sqcup (X, \ast) = \begin{array}{c}
\bullet
\downarrow
\bullet

\bullet
\downarrow
\bullet
\end{array}
\]

and its \(\mathcal{P}\)-optimized version is:

\[
(Y, \ast) = \begin{array}{c}
\bullet
\downarrow
\bullet

\bullet
\downarrow
\bullet
\end{array}
\]

The star-shaped transition system of \((Y, \ast)\) is exactly the one of Figure 2. The star-shaped transition systems \((X, \ast) \sqcup (X, \ast)\) and \((Y, \ast)\) are \(\mathcal{P}\)-bisimilar and \((Y, \ast)\) uses as few actions as possible. Note that \((X, \ast) \sqcup (X, \ast)\) is never \(\mathcal{P}\)-optimized unless \(X = \{\ast\}\).

The pushout diagram of Figure 5 highlights another problem which seems to indicate that left properness could be an obstacle. All star-shaped transition systems of Figure 5 are \(\mathcal{P}\)-optimized. The left vertical map is \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective. The right vertical map is not \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective since the bottom path of the domain \(* \overset{u}{\rightarrow} \bullet \overset{v}{\rightarrow} \bullet\) cannot be extended. It turns out that the right vertical map identifies two states having the same past and not the same future. There are two ways of overcoming this situation: 1) noticing that the domain and the codomain of the bottom horizontal arrow are not the optimizations of star-shaped transition systems coming from a process algebra; indeed the semantics of \[10\] cannot create directed cycles; 2) colocalizing with respect to the set of paths; then the domain and the codomain of the bottom horizontal arrow are not cofibrant anymore.

After all these observations, we want to study localizations with respect to \(\mathcal{P}\)-injective maps between \(\mathcal{P}\)-optimized realizations of process algebras and also localizations of the colocalization with respect to the set of paths of \(\text{CSTS}_\ast\). The colocalization is not left proper and entails the introduction of a new underlying category though.
Figure 5. A pushout of a $P$-injective map which is not $P$-injective

\[ \begin{array}{c}
\alpha \quad \beta \\
\bigcap \\
\alpha' \\
\bigcap \\
\gamma \quad \beta
\end{array} \]

Figure 6. Erratum

Appendix A. Erratum

[14, Theorem A.2] is false. It is used in [14, Proposition 2.7] and in [14, Theorem 3.7]. [14, Proposition 2.7] is still true. [14, Theorem 3.7] is not true. Indeed, the cofibration

\[ \begin{array}{c}
\alpha \\
\bigcap \\
\alpha' \\
\bigcap \\
\gamma
\end{array} \]

is not a transfinite composition of pushouts of maps of

\[ I_{\text{CTS}} = \{ C : \emptyset \to \{0\} \} \]
\[ \cup \{ \partial C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \to C_n[x_1, \ldots, x_n] \mid n \geq 1 \text{ and } x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \Sigma \} \]
\[ \cup \{ C_1[x] \to \uparrow x^{\uparrow} \mid x \in \Sigma \}. \]

However, it belongs to $\text{cell}_{\text{CTS}}(I_{\text{CTS}} \cup \{ R : \{0, 1\} \to \{0\} \})$ by the sequence of inclusions of Figure 6. The correct statement of [14, Theorem 3.7] is obtained by replacing the maps $C_1[x] \to \uparrow x^{\uparrow}$ for $x$ running over $\Sigma$ by the maps $C_0 \sqcup C_0 \sqcup C_1[x] \to \uparrow x^{\uparrow}$ for $x$ running over $\Sigma$ which are defined to be bijective on states (see Notation 5.12 of this paper).
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