

**Category Theory in Foundations of Computer Science**  
**Exam assignment 2023/24**

**Concepts, terminology and notation:**

We rely on the standard definitions of *algebraic signature*  $\Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma$ -*algebra* and  $\Sigma$ -*homomorphism*, the category  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$  of  $\Sigma$ -algebras and their homomorphisms, and on the related notation, as introduced during the course.

A *bin-signature*  $\Delta = \langle \Sigma, \delta \rangle$  consists of an algebraic signature  $\Sigma = \langle S, \Omega \rangle$  and a family of functions  $\delta = \langle \delta_f \rangle_{f \in \Omega}$ , where for each  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$  in  $\Sigma$ ,  $\delta_f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  (the same  $n$ ). A bin-signature  $\Delta = \langle \Sigma, \delta \rangle$  is *monotone* if for each  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$ ,  $\delta_f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is monotone (w.r.t. the standard order on  $\{0, 1\}$ , where  $0 \leq 1$ , and induced component-wise order on  $\{0, 1\}^n$ ).

Let,  $\Delta = \langle \Sigma, \delta \rangle$ , with  $\Sigma = \langle S, \dots \rangle$ , be a bin-signature.

A  $\Delta$ -*bin-algebra*  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  consists of a  $\Sigma$ -algebra  $A \in |\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)|$  and a family of functions  $\alpha = \langle \alpha_s: |A|_s \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \rangle_{s \in S}$  (called the *bin-map* of  $\mathcal{A}$ ) such that for all  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$  in  $\Sigma$  and  $a_1 \in |A|_{s_1}, \dots, a_n \in |A|_{s_n}$ ,  $\delta_f(\alpha_{s_1}(a_1), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}(a_n)) \leq \alpha_s(f_A(a_1, \dots, a_n))$ . Such a  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  is *strict* if for each  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$  in  $\Sigma$  and  $a_1 \in |A|_{s_1}, \dots, a_n \in |A|_{s_n}$ ,  $\delta_f(\alpha_{s_1}(a_1), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}(a_n)) = \alpha_s(f_A(a_1, \dots, a_n))$ .

Then, given  $\Delta$ -bin-algebras  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \langle B, \beta \rangle$ , a  $\Delta$ -*bin-homomorphism*  $h: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is any  $\Sigma$ -homomorphism  $h: A \rightarrow B$  such that for each  $a \in |A|_s$ ,  $s \in S$ ,  $\alpha_s(a) \leq \beta_s(h_s(a))$ . Such a  $\Delta$ -*bin-homomorphism*  $h: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is *strict* if for each  $a \in |A|_s$ ,  $s \in S$ ,  $\alpha_s(a) = \beta_s(h_s(a))$ .

A  $\Delta$ -*inequality*  $\forall X.t \leq t'$  consists of an  $S$ -sorted set  $X$  (of variables) and two terms  $t, t' \in |T_\Sigma(X)|_s$  of a common sort,  $s \in S$ . A  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  *satisfies* (or is a *model* of) such a  $\Delta$ -inequality, written  $\mathcal{A} \models \forall X.t \leq t'$ , if for all valuations  $v: X \rightarrow |A|$ ,  $\alpha_s(t_A[v]) \leq \alpha_s(t'_A[v])$ , where as usual  $q_A[v] \in |A|_s$  is the value of term  $q \in |T_\Sigma(X)|_s$ ,  $s \in S$ , in  $\Sigma$ -algebra  $A$  under valuation  $v$ .

With the usual composition of homomorphisms, this defines the following categories, for any bin-signature  $\Delta$  and set  $\Phi$  of  $\Delta$ -inequalities:

- $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)$ : the category of  $\Delta$ -bin-algebras that satisfy all  $\Delta$ -inequalities in  $\Phi$ , with  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphisms as morphisms
- $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi)$ : the category of strict  $\Delta$ -bin-algebras that satisfy all  $\Delta$ -inequalities in  $\Phi$ , with strict  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphisms as morphisms

Moreover, we have the following “forgetful” functors:

- $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}: \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}^{st}: \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$

where  $\mathbf{Set}^S$  is the category of  $S$ -sorted sets, as usual, and for any  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}(\mathcal{A}) = |A|$ , for any  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphism  $h: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ , where  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \langle B, \beta \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}(h) = h: |A| \rightarrow |B|$ , and  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}^{st}$  is the restriction of  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}$  to the objects and morphisms in  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi)$ .

Finally, we put:

- $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta) = \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \emptyset)$
- $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta) = \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \emptyset)$
- $\mathbf{G}_\Delta = \mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \emptyset}: \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- $\mathbf{G}_\Delta^{st} = \mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \emptyset}^{st}: \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$

**To do:**

Prove a positive answer or give a counterexample to the following questions:

1. Consider categories:

- (a)  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)$
- (b)  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi)$
- (c)  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta)$
- (d)  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta)$

Which of the categories above is

C. complete

CC. cocomplete

for all bin-signatures  $\Delta$  and, where applicable, all sets  $\Phi$  of  $\Delta$ -inequalities?

2. Consider functors:

- (a)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}: \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- (b)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}^{st}: \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- (c)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta}: \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- (d)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta}^{st}: \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$

Which of the functors above has a left adjoint for all bin-signatures  $\Delta$  and, where applicable, all sets  $\Phi$  of  $\Delta$ -inequalities?

3. Again, consider categories:

- (a)  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)$
- (b)  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi)$
- (c)  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta)$
- (d)  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta)$

Which of the categories above is

C. complete

CC. cocomplete

for all monotone bin-signatures  $\Delta$  and, where applicable, all sets  $\Phi$  of  $\Delta$ -inequalities?

4. Consider functors:

- (a)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}: \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- (b)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}^{st}: \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- (c)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta}: \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$
- (d)  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta}^{st}: \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$

Which of the functors above has a left adjoint for all monotone bin-signatures  $\Delta$  and, where applicable, all sets  $\Phi$  of  $\Delta$ -inequalities?

**Notes:**

- All constructions and facts presented during the course may be used without proofs. This applies in particular to the existence and constructions of limits and colimits in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ .
- The answers to the questions above are not independent. For instance, a proof of **2.a** implies the positive answer to **2.c** as well, a counterexample to **1.d.CC** is a counterexample to **1.b.CC**, a proof for any of **1.{a,b,c,d}.{C,CC}** proves the corresponding **3.{a,b,c,d}.{C,CC}**, and a counterexample for any of **3.{a,b,c,d}.{C,CC}** is a counterexample for the corresponding **1.{a,b,c,d}.{C,CC}**, etc. No need to repeat detailed arguments in such cases, indicating the dependency is enough.
- Still, there are quite a few questions: deal with as many of them as you can...

**Sketch of a solution:**

**The “strict” case:**

Consider a bin-signature  $\Delta = \langle \Sigma, \delta \rangle$ , with  $\Sigma = \langle S, \dots \rangle$ .

Let  $\mathcal{BN} = \langle BN, id_{\{0,1\}} \rangle$  be a  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra, with  $|BN|_s = \{0, 1\}$  for  $s \in S$ , and  $f_{BN} = \delta_f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  for  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$  in  $\Sigma$ .

Then  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta)$  is the same as the slice category  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma) \downarrow BN$  (the category of  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ -objects over  $BN$ ). The slice category is complete (a limit of a diagram  $D$  in  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta)$  is the limit in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$  of the obvious projection of the diagram  $D$  with an additional new node carrying  $BN$  and new edges from the nodes of  $D$  to this node carrying the bin-maps) and cocomplete (a colimit of a diagram  $D$  in  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta)$  is the colimit in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$  of the projection of  $D$  with the bin-map induced by the colimit property). This directly gives:

**YES: {1,3}.d.{C,CC}**

Moreover, since the terminal object in  $\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta)$  (i.e., in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma) \downarrow BN$ ) is  $\mathcal{BN}$ , which shows that  $\mathbf{G}_\Delta: \mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$  is not continuous, we have:

**NO: {2,4}.{b,d}**

Consider a bin-signature  $\Delta_1 = \langle \Sigma_1, \delta_1 \rangle$ , where  $\Sigma_1$  has a single sort  $s$  and two constants  $a, b: s$  and  $(\delta_1)_a = 1, (\delta_1)_b = 0$ . Now, the inequality  $a \leq b$  has no strict  $\Delta_1$ -model, which shows:

**NO: {1,3}.b.{C,CC} (and {2,4}.b)**

**The “lax” case:**

Consider a bin-signature  $\Delta = \langle \Sigma, \delta \rangle$ , with  $\Sigma = \langle S, \dots \rangle$ , and a set  $\Phi$  of  $\Delta$ -inequalities.

**Completeness (monotone  $\Delta$ ):** Let  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \langle B, \beta \rangle$  be  $\Delta$ -bin-algebras that satisfy  $\Phi$ , and let  $h, h': \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be bin-homomorphisms. Let then  $e: E \rightarrow A$  be an equaliser of  $h, h': A \rightarrow B$  in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ , and  $\varepsilon = e; \alpha$ . Given the construction of equalisers in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ , it follows now that  $e: \langle E, \varepsilon \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is an equaliser of  $h, h': \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  in  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A}_i = \langle A_i, \alpha_i \rangle$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , be a family of  $\Delta$ -bin-algebras that satisfy  $\Phi$ . Let  $A$  with projections  $\pi_i: A \rightarrow A_i$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , be a product of  $\langle A_i \rangle_{i \in \mathcal{J}}$  in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ . For  $s \in S$ , define  $\alpha_s: |A|_s \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  as follows: given  $a \in |A|_s$ ,  $\alpha_s(a) = 1$  iff for all  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $(\alpha_i)_s(\pi_i(a)) = 1$  (and so  $\alpha_s(a) = 0$  iff for some  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $(\alpha_i)_s(\pi_i(a)) = 0$ ). This implies that  $\alpha_s(a) \leq (\alpha_i)_s((\pi_i)_s(a))$ . Then for  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$  and  $a_1 \in |A|_{s_1}, \dots, a_n \in |A|_{s_n}$ , we show  $\delta_f(\alpha_{s_1}(a_1), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}(a_n)) \leq \alpha_s(f_A(a_1, \dots, a_n))$ , i.e., if  $\alpha_s(f_A(a_1, \dots, a_n)) = 0$  then  $\delta_f(\alpha_{s_1}(a_1), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}(a_n)) = 0$  as well. Namely,  $\alpha_s(f_A(a_1, \dots, a_n)) = 0$  implies  $(\alpha_i)_s(f_{A_i}((\pi_i)_{s_1}(a_1), \dots, (\pi_i)_{s_n}(a_n))) = 0$  for some  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ . Now, *since  $\Delta$  is monotone*, we get:  $\delta_f(\alpha_{s_1}(a_1), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}(a_n)) \leq \delta_f((\alpha_i)_{s_1}((\pi_i)_{s_1}(a_1)), \dots, (\alpha_i)_{s_1}((\pi_i)_{s_n}(a_n))) = 0$ . Consequently,  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha = \langle \alpha_s \rangle_{s \in S} \rangle$  is a  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra. It is easy to check now that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a model of  $\Phi$ , and in fact is a product of  $\mathcal{A}_i = \langle A_i, \alpha_i \rangle$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , with projections  $\pi_i: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_i$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , in  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Sigma, \Phi)$ .

The above proves:

**YES: 3.{a,c}.C**

**Counterexample (non-monotone  $\Delta$ ):** Consider  $\Delta_2 = \langle \Sigma_2, \delta_2 \rangle$  where  $\Sigma_2$  has a single sort  $s$ , constant  $a: s$  and operation  $f: s \rightarrow s$ , with  $(\delta_2)_a = 0$  and  $(\delta_2)_f(0) = 1, (\delta_2)_f(1) = 0$ . Consider now two  $\Delta_2$ -bin-algebras,  $\mathcal{A} = \langle T_{\Sigma_2}, \alpha \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \langle T_{\Sigma_2}, \beta \rangle$ , where  $T_{\Sigma_2}$  is the usual algebra of ground  $\Sigma_2$ -terms of the form  $f^n(a)$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , and:

$$\alpha_s(f^n(a)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for even } n \\ 1 & \text{for odd } n \end{cases} \quad \beta_s(f^n(a)) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for even } n \\ 0 & \text{for odd } n \end{cases}$$

Suppose now there is a  $\Delta_2$ -bin-algebra  $\mathcal{C} = \langle \mathcal{C}, \gamma \rangle$  with  $\Delta_2$ -bin-homomorphisms  $h_A: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  and  $h_B: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ . Since  $(h_A)_s(a_C) = a$ ,  $\gamma_s(a_C) \leq \alpha_s(a) = 0$ . Then  $\gamma_s(f_C(a_c)) \geq (\delta_2)_f(0) = 1$ . But  $(h_B)_s(f_C(a_c)) = f(a)$ , with  $\beta_s(f(a)) = 0$ , and so  $h_B$  is not a bin-homomorphism. This contradiction shows that there is no product of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  in  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta)$ , and that there is no initial  $\Delta_2$ -bin-algebra, which proves

**NO: 1.**  $\{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}\}. \{\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{CC}\}$

Moreover, since left adjoints preserve initial objects, there is no free  $\Delta_2$ -bin-algebra w.r.t.  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta_2}$  over the empty set, and so:

**NO: 2.**  $\{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}\}$

**Construction of the minimal bin-map:** Consider a  $\Sigma$ -algebra  $A \in \mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ . Given a family of  $\Delta$ -bin-algebras  $\mathcal{A}_i = \langle A_i, \alpha_i \rangle$  with  $\Sigma$ -homomorphisms  $h_i: A_i \rightarrow A$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , there is the least (w.r.t. the order on bin-maps induced by the standard order on  $\{0, 1\}$ ) bin-map  $\alpha = \langle \alpha_s: |A|_s \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \rangle_{s \in S}$  such that

- $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  is a  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra
- $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle \models \Phi$
- all  $h_i: \mathcal{A}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , are  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphisms

More explicitly, for all  $s \in S$ ,  $a \in |A|_s$ , define  $\alpha_s(a) = \bigsqcup \{ \alpha_s^k(a) \mid k \geq 0 \}$  (the least upper bound w.r.t. the standard order on  $\{0, 1\}$  of  $\alpha_s^k(a)$ ,  $k \geq 0$ ), where  $\alpha^k = \langle \alpha_s^k: |A| \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \rangle_{s \in S}$ , are defined inductively:

- for  $s \in S$ ,  $a \in |A|_s$ ,  $\alpha_s^0(a) = \bigsqcup \{ (\alpha_i)_s(a_i) \mid i \in \mathcal{J}, (h_i)_s(a_i) = a \}$ .
- for  $k \geq 0$ , for  $s \in S$ ,  $a \in |A|_s$ ,  $\alpha_s^{k+1}(a)$  is the least upper bound of the following elements:
  - $\alpha_s^k(a)$
  - $\delta_f(\alpha_{s_1}^k(a_1), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}^k(a_n))$  for all  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$  in  $\Sigma$  and  $a_1 \in |A|_{s_1}, \dots, a_n \in |A|_{s_n}$  such that  $f_A(a_1, \dots, a_n) = a$
  - $\alpha_s^k(t_A[v])$  for all inequalities  $\forall X. t \leq t'$  in  $\Phi$  and valuations  $v: X \rightarrow |A|$  such that  $t'_A[v] = a$ .

As usual, the least upper bound of the empty set is 0. The required properties of the so defined bin-map  $\alpha$  are now easy to check, since for  $s \in S$ ,  $a \in |A|_s$ , for some  $m \geq 0$  we have  $\alpha_s(a) = \alpha_s^m(a)$  for all  $k \geq m$ .

Moreover, if  $\Delta$  is monotone, we get:

- given any  $\mathcal{B} = \langle B, \beta \rangle \in |\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)|$  and  $\Sigma$ -homomorphism  $h: A \rightarrow B$ , if all  $h_i: \mathcal{A}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , are  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphisms then so is  $h: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ .

To see this, it is enough to notice that for all  $s \in S$ ,  $a \in |A|_s$ ,  $\alpha_s^k(a) \leq \beta(h_s(a))$  for all  $k \geq 0$  — easy proof by induction follows:

- $\alpha_s^0(a) = \bigsqcup \{ (\alpha_i)_s(a_i) \mid i \in \mathcal{J}, (h_i)_s(a_i) = a \} \leq \beta_s(h_s(a))$ , since for  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $a_i \in |A_i|_s$ ,  $(\alpha_i)_s(a_i) \leq \beta_s(h_s((h_i)_s(a_i)))$ .
- for  $k \geq 0$ , if for all  $s \in S$ ,  $a \in |A|_s$ :
  - for  $f: s_1 \times \dots \times s_n \rightarrow s$  in  $\Sigma$  and  $a_1 \in |A|_{s_1}, \dots, a_n \in |A|_{s_n}$  with  $f_A(a_1, \dots, a_n) = a$ , by the inductive hypothesis  $\alpha_{s_1}^k(a_1) \leq \beta_{s_1}(h_{s_1}(a_1)), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}^k(a_n) \leq \beta_{s_n}(h_{s_n}(a_n))$ . Then, since  $\Delta$  is monotone:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_f(\alpha_{s_1}^k(a_1), \dots, \alpha_{s_n}^k(a_n)) &\leq \delta_f(\beta_{s_1}(h_{s_1}(a_1)), \dots, \beta_{s_n}(h_{s_n}(a_n))) \\ &\leq \beta_s(f_B(h_{s_1}(a_1), \dots, h_{s_n}(a_n))) \\ &= \beta_s(h_s(a)). \end{aligned}$$

- for all inequalities  $\forall X.t \leq t'$  in  $\Phi$  and valuations  $v: X \rightarrow |A|$  such that  $t'_A[v] = a$ , by the inductive hypothesis and since  $\mathcal{B} \models \Phi$ :  $\alpha_s^k(t_A[v]) \leq \beta_s(h_s(t_A[v])) = \beta_s(t_A[v;h]) \leq \beta_s(t'_A[v;h]) = \beta_s(h_s(t_A[v])) = \beta_s(h_s(a))$ .

Hence,  $\alpha_s^{k+1}(a) \leq \beta_s(h_s(a))$ .

**Cocompleteness (monotone  $\Delta$ ):** Consider now any diagram  $\mathcal{D}$  in  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)$  with nodes  $n \in N$  and edges  $e \in E$ , i.e., for each node  $n \in N$  we have a  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra satisfying  $\Phi$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_n = \langle A_n, \alpha_n \rangle \in |\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)|$ , and for each edge  $e: n \rightarrow m$  in  $E$  we have  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphism  $\mathcal{D}_e: \mathcal{D}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_m$ . Let now  $D$  be the projection of  $\mathcal{D}$  to  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ , i.e.,  $D$  is the diagram of the same shape as  $\mathcal{D}$  and for all nodes  $n \in N$ ,  $D_n = A_n \in \mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ , and for all edges  $e: n \rightarrow m$  in  $E$ ,  $D_e = \mathcal{D}_e: A_n \rightarrow A_m$ . Let  $A$  with injections  $\iota_n: A_n \rightarrow A$  be a colimit of  $D$  in  $\mathbf{Alg}(\Sigma)$ . Given the construction above, we can now equip  $A$  with the least bin-map  $\alpha = \langle \alpha_s: |A|_s \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \rangle_{s \in S}$  such that

- $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  is a  $\Delta$ -bin-algebra
- $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle \models \Phi$
- all  $\iota_i: \mathcal{A}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , are  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphisms

and *since  $\Delta$  is monotone*

- given any  $\mathcal{B} = \langle B, \beta \rangle \in |\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)|$  and  $\Sigma$ -homomorphism  $h: A \rightarrow B$ , if all  $\iota_i; h: \mathcal{A}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{J}$ , are  $\Delta$ -bin-homomorphisms then so is  $h: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ .

It is easy to check now that  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \alpha \rangle$  with injections  $\iota_n: \mathcal{A}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a colimit of  $\mathcal{D}$  in  $\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)$ . This proves:

**YES: {3}.{a,c}.CC**

**Left adjoints (monotone  $\Delta$ ):** Given an  $S$ -sorted set  $X$ , equip the usual  $\Sigma$ -algebra of terms,  $T_\Sigma(X)$ , with the least bin-map  $\alpha = \langle \alpha_s: |T_\Sigma(X)|_s \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \rangle_{s \in S}$  induced by the empty family (of  $\Delta$ -bin-algebras with  $\Sigma$ -homomorphisms) and the set of  $\Delta$ -inequalities  $\Phi$ . *Since  $\Delta$  is monotone*, it follows now that  $\langle T_\Sigma(X), \alpha \rangle$  with the usual injection  $\eta_X: X \rightarrow |T_\Sigma(X)|$  is free over  $X$  w.r.t.  $\mathbf{G}_{\Delta, \Phi}: \mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}^S$ , which proves:

**YES: 4.{a,c}**

**Summing up:**

	$\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta, \Phi)$ —a.—	$\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta, \Phi)$ —b.—	$\mathbf{BAlg}(\Delta)$ —c.—	$\mathbf{BAlg}^{st}(\Delta)$ —d.—
1.—C	NO	NO	NO	YES
1.—CC	NO	NO	NO	YES
monotone: 3.—C	YES	NO	YES	YES
monotone: 3.—CC	YES	NO	YES	YES
left adjoint to $\mathbf{G}_{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} - \\ - \end{smallmatrix}\right)}$ : 2.—	NO	NO	NO	NO
monotone, left adjoint to $\mathbf{G}_{\left(\begin{smallmatrix} - \\ - \end{smallmatrix}\right)}$ : 4.—	YES	NO	YES	NO