

# Generalizing Lawvere theories

(an exposition on *Notions of Lawvere Theories* by Lack & Rosicky)

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$$\mathbf{C}(x, -): \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$$

preserves any colimit that commutes with limits in  $\Phi$ .

Denote the full subcategory of  $\Phi$ -presentable objects by  $\mathbf{C}_\Phi$ .

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