Let $\langle M, \text{mu}, \text{un} \rangle$ be a monad on a category \mathbf{C} . The *Kleisli category* \mathbf{C}_M of the monad M is specified by:

Definition (Kleisli category)

- 1. Objects: $Ob(\mathbf{C}_M) := Ob(\mathbf{C});$
- 2. $Morphisms: Hom_{\mathbf{C}_M}(X, Y) := Hom_{\mathbf{C}}(X, M(Y));$
- 3. *Identities*: Id_X := un_X;
 4. *Composition*: Kleisli composition.