

Topos Theory - Exercise Sheet 1

1. Show that a map $m : A \rightarrowtail B$ is a monomorphism if and only if the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xlongequal{\quad} & A \\ \parallel & & \downarrow m \\ A & \xrightarrow{m} & B \end{array}$$

is a pullback. (And so a map is an epi if and only if ...)

2. Show that every equalizer is a mono (and therefore, every coequalizer is an epi).
3. Conversely, in a topos check that any mono $m : A \rightarrowtail B$ is an equalizer

$$A \xrightarrow{m} B \rightrightarrows_{\chi_m}^{\text{true}_B} \Omega$$

where true_B is the composite $B \rightarrow 1 \xrightarrow{\text{true}} \Omega$ and $\chi_m : B \rightarrow \Omega$ is the classifying map of m .

4. Suppose we have an equalizer diagram

$$E \xrightarrow{e} A \rightrightarrows_f^f B$$

for the same map f , then e is an isomorphism.

5. For a category \mathcal{E} , let $M(\mathcal{E})$ be the category whose objects are the monomorphisms of \mathcal{E} and whose morphisms are pullback squares of monos. Show that a subobject classifier is the same thing as a terminal object of the category $M(\mathcal{E})$.
6. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a morphism.
 - (a) Show that $(1, f) : A \rightarrow A \times B$ is mono
 - (b) Define the *graph* G_f of f to be the subobject corresponding to this mono. Show that if $f' : A \rightarrow B$ is another morphism such that $G_f = G_{f'}$ as subobjects of $A \times B$, then $f = f'$.