
Exercises for the course
 Higher Category Theory
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Exercise 1 (4 points). Determine whether the following assertions are true or not by a proof or a counterexample.

1. For any small category \mathcal{C} , we have $Sk_2(N(\mathcal{C})) = N(\mathcal{C})$.
2. Any pushout square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & X' \\ \downarrow i & & \downarrow i' \\ Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Y' \end{array}$$

in a category of presheaves over a small category A in which i is a monomorphism is also a pullback square.

Exercise 2 (4 points). Let A be a small category. Given a presheaf X on A , a subpresheaf $Y \subset X$ is given by a collection of subsets $Y_a \subset X_a$ for all objects a of A such that, for any map $f : a \rightarrow b$ in A and any $y \in Y_b$, we have $f^*(y) \in Y_a$.

1. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism of presheaves. We define a subpresheaf $\text{Im}(f)$ by $\text{Im}(f)_a = \text{Im}(f_a)$. Prove that $\text{Im}(f)$ is the colimit of the diagram

$$X \times_Y X \rightrightarrows X$$

$\begin{array}{c} p \\ \searrow \\ q \end{array}$

where p and q denote the canonical projections.

2. Let X be a presheaf and $(Y_i)_{i \in I}$ a family of subpresheaves of X . We define the subpresheaf $Y \subset X$ by

$$Y_a = \bigcup_{i \in I} Y_{i,a}.$$

Let T be a representable presheaf. Prove that

$$\text{Hom}(T, Y) = \bigcup_{i \in I} \text{Hom}(T, Y_i).$$

Exercise 3 (12+12 points). A simplicial set X is called *regular* if any non-degenerate simplex $s : \Delta^n \rightarrow X$ is a monomorphism.

1. Prove that, for any integers $p, q \geq 0$, the product $\Delta^p \times \Delta^q$ is regular.
2. Prove that, for any regular simplicial sets X and Y , the product $X \times Y$ is regular.
3. Prove that any finite limit of regular simplicial sets is regular.
4. Prove that regular simplicial sets are closed under filtered colimits.
5. Prove that if X, X', Y are regular simplicial sets in a pushout square of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & X' \\ \downarrow i & & \downarrow i' \\ Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Y' \end{array}$$

in which both i and f are monomorphisms, then Y' is regular.

6. Provide an example of simplicial set which is not regular.