Monadic Design for Universal Systems

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Outline of Presentation

- Basic categorical facilities identified for the Universe
 - The Topos (structural data-type)
 - The Monad (process)
- Applying the monad to a topos
 - Alternative Techniques
 - Application
- Discussion

The Topos – Structural Data-type

- Based on Cartesian Closed Category (CCC)
 - Products; Closure at top; Connectivity (exponentials); Internal Logic;
 Identity; Interchangeability of levels
- If we add:
 - Subobject classifier
 - Internal logic of Heyting (intuitionistic)
 - Reflective subtopos (query closure)
- We get a Topos

Topos: further work identified 2years ago and now

- Data Process
 - Queries within a topos use of subobject classifier, particularly with power objects
 - Examples of Heyting intuitionistic logic
 - Applying process to a topos
- Database design
 - Cocartesian approach
 - Pasting of pullbacks
 - Recursive pullbacks
 - Allegories

Progress

Data Process

Queries within a topos ANPA 36: Subobject classifier extended to

power-objects for generality

Heyting examples, internal logic Stalled for while but now restarted

External process on a topos Today's topic, monads

Database Design

Allegories

Cocartesian For normalisation, not now a priority as

thought to be categorification below 5NF

Pasting of pullbacks ANPA 36: Expressed in complex, more

realistic design, satisfies 5NF

Recursive pullbacks ANPA 35: Represent different levels of detail

ANPA 36: Explored, not useful in natural IS

but significant for interoperability

Normalization

- Match in data design between logical and physical world.
- Many stages of normal forms in set-theoretic relational model:1NF, 2NF, 3NF, BCNF, 4NF, 5NF.
- Only last need concern us here.
- 5NF is also known as Project-Join Normal Form

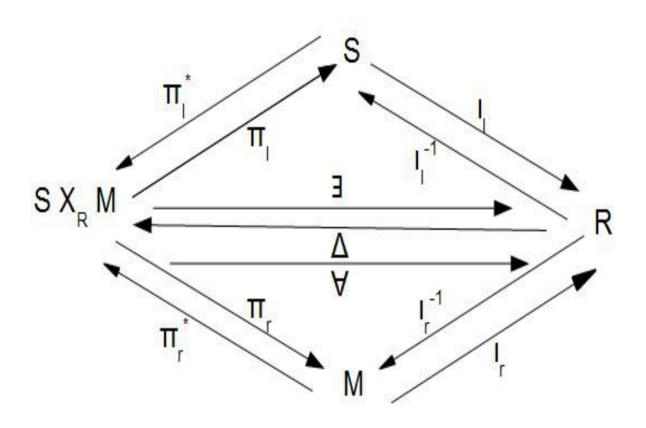
5NF (PJNF) is a Pullback Diagram

- Structure is in 5NF if its projections can be joined to return the original structure.
- Projection is decomposition of a product
- Join is Δ , diagonal from coproduct to product
- Mark Levene & Millist W Vincent evidently consider pullbacks with normalisation
- Simple pullback (two projections, one join) is trivial
- More complex (realistic) examples are handled by pasted pullbacks

Examples

- Student Marks
 - Simple PJ/NF (single pullback)
- Bank Transactions
 - Simple PJ/NF (single pullback)
 - Simple pasted PJ/NF (2 pasted squares, 3 pullbacks)
 - Complex PJ/NF (5 pasted squares, 10 pullbacks)
 - Complex structure (5 pasted squares, not valid pullback)

Pullback - Single Relationship Student Marks



Pullback - Single Relationship Constraints

- SX_R M (Student X_{Result} Mark)
- Logic of adjointness: ∃ Δ ∀
 - Δ selects pairs of S and M in a relationship in context of R
 - Such that $\exists \vdash \Delta$ and $\Delta \vdash \forall$
 - Termed by Lawvere as a hyperdoctrine
- Projections π are from product, left and right (dual π^*)
- Inclusions I are into sum S+M+R, left and right (dual I⁻¹)
- S, M, R are categories, with internal pullback structure, giving recursive pullbacks

Recursive Pullbacks

A node of a pullback may itself be a pullback

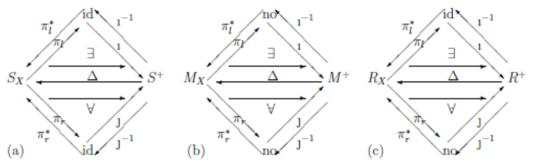
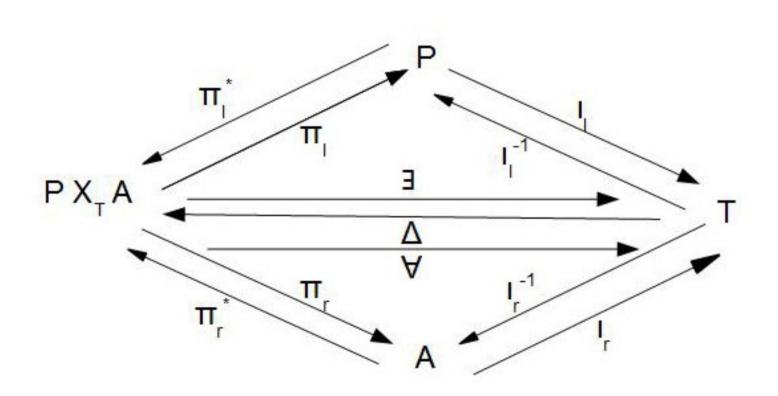


Figure 13: Internal Structure of Categories: a) The Pullback in S. S_X is id \times_{S+} id, S^+ is name $+_{id}$ address. b) The Pullback in M. M_X is no \times_{M+} no, M^+ is title $+_{no}$ grade, c) The Pullback in R. R_X is id \times_{O+} no, R^+ is mark $+_{id+no}$ decision.

Each node in the pullback for Student over Marks in context of Result is itself a pullback, giving a recursive structure

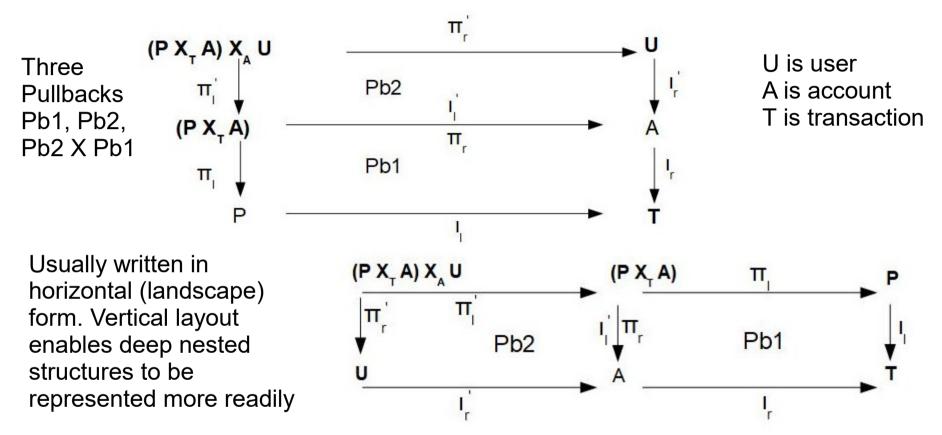
Pullback - Single Relationship: Bank Transactions by Account and Procedure



Pullback - Single Relationship Details

- P X_T A (Procedure X_{Transaction} Account)
 - Procedure is type of transaction: e.g. standing order, direct debit, ATM cash withdrawal
 - Account can belong to many users
 - Transaction is item for transfer of funds according to ACID requirements
- P, A, T are categories, with internal pullback structure, giving recursive pullbacks

Pullback - Two Pasted Relationships: Bank Transactions by User/Account

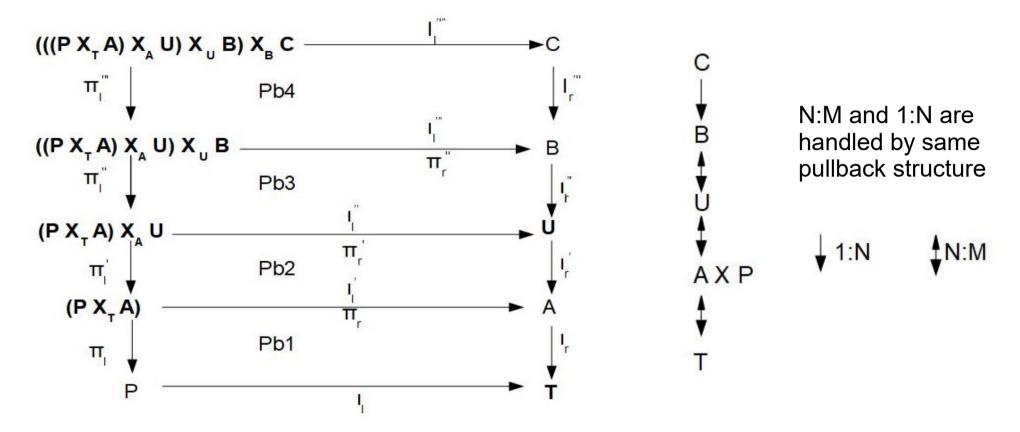


Pasting condition for Pb2 X Pb1: $I_i = \pi_i$ after Freyd's Pasting Lemma

For our purposes, a pasted pullback is only a valid pullback if all inner and outer diagrams are pullbacks

Pasting is associative (order of evaluation is immaterial) but not commutative (relationship A:B 1:N is not same as A:B N:1)

Pullback – x10 Natural Bank Account Transactions



C company, B branch, U user, A account, P procedure, T transaction

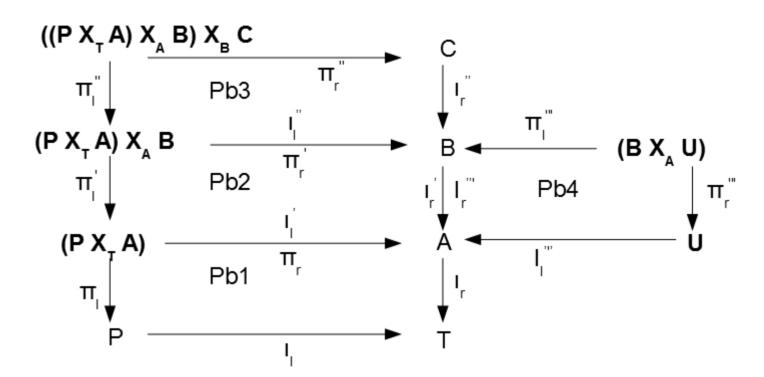
10 pullbacks: Pb1, Pb2, Pb3, Pb4
Pb2 X Pb1, Pb3 X Pb2, Pb4 X Pb3
Pb3 X Pb2 X Pb1, Pb4 X Pb3 X Pb2
Pb4 X Pb3 X Pb2 X Pb1

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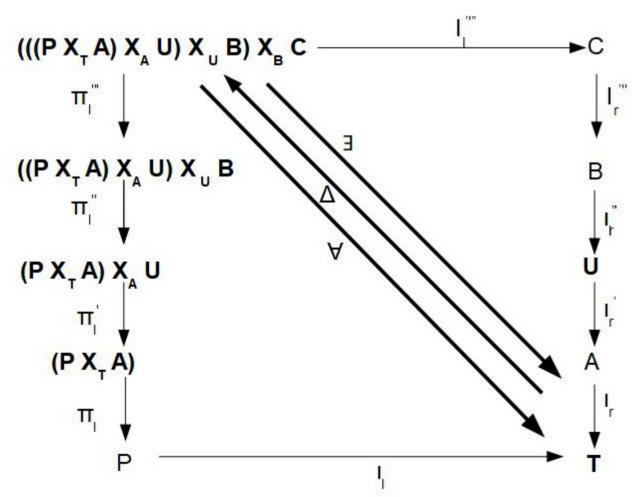
Invalid Pullback

Invalid as not all squares are pullbacks

For instance Pb4 X Pb2 is not a pullback



Adjointness Holds for all Pullbacks



Pasting Pullbacks – Discussion 1

- All diagrams commute
- All diagrams, inner or outer, are pullbacks
 - In pure maths, the condition is relaxed a little
 - Not appropriate for applied
- Structure is recursive
 - A pullback node may be a pullback structure in its own right
 - No limit to recursion

Pasting Pullbacks – Discussion 2

- Meets all Information System requirements as in 5NF (Project-Join)
 - Pullback is project-join through Π and Δ
 - Not categorification of set-theoretic approach
 - 5NF was a belated move by set-theoretic adherents to find a viable approach, which happened to follow category theory principles
- Pasting condition appears to be:
 - $\eta' = \pi_r$ (left-inclusion of outer square = right-projection of inner square)
 - Discussed further later

Pasting Pullbacks – Discussion 3

- Pasted structure
 - is a Cartesian Closed Category (CCC) with products, terminal object and exponentials
 - is a topos as a CCC with subobject classifier and internal Heyting Logic
- The subobject classifier provides an internal query language

The Pasting Condition 1

- $\eta' = \pi_r$ (left-inclusion of outer square = right-projection of inner square
 - Looks rather set theoretic
- But any pullback can be represented as an equalizer (ncatlab)

Equalizer for Pullback

Maps relation onto product onto context via 2 paths through pullback

The Pasting Condition 2

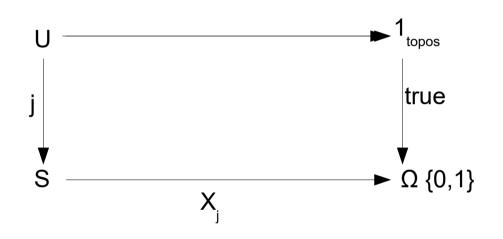
Similarly for a pasted pullback, the equaliser is

$$(P X_{T} A) X_{A} U \longrightarrow (P X_{T} A) X U \longrightarrow I_{\Gamma} \Pi_{\Gamma} \Pi_{\Gamma}$$

Equals in sets is undefined as context is not defined

Equaliser in categories, as a limit, is fully defined up to natural isomorphism

Subobject Classifier – Searching within a Topos - Boolean example



Simple database query in category theory style

 Ω {0,1} is subobject classifier; subobjects classified as either 0 or 1 X_j characteristic function is query mapping from object S to {0,1}, false or true 1_{topos} is terminal object of topos (handle on topos)

j is mapping from subtopos U (result of query) to object S

Diagram is actually a pullback of true along X,

U is
$$1_{topos} X_{\Omega\{0,1\}} S$$

U is the identity of the subtopos, giving query closure

External Process

- Metaphysics (Whitehead)
- Transaction (universe, information system)
- Activity
 - Can be very complex but the whole is viewed as atomic – binary outcome – succeed or fail
 - Before and after states must be consistent in terms of rules
 - Intermediate results are not revealed to others
 - Results persist after end

Transaction is standard way of defining a Process

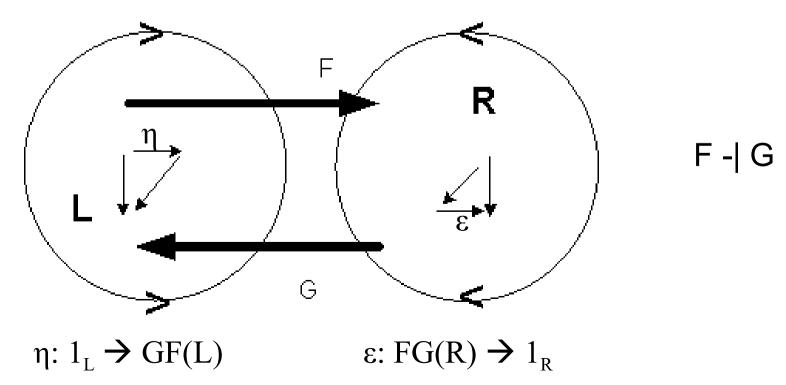
- Principles of ACID
 - Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation, Durability
- Logical technique for controlling the physical world
 - e.g. banking transaction
- Requires three cycles of adjointness between initial and target state
- First two for atomicity, consistency and isolation
 - First makes changes; second reviews changes
- Third for durability

Transaction in Category Theory

- In earlier work (ANPA 2010) we used adjointness to represent a transaction
 - Employing multiple cycles to capture ACID
- The aim now is to abstract this work using the monad, which we earlier described as the way forward
- The monad is an extension of the monoid to multiple levels
 - Monoid: M X M → M, 1 → M (binary multiplication, unit)

Multiple 'Cycles' to represent adjointness

- Three 'cycles' GFGFGF:
 - Assessing unit η in L and counit ε in R to ensure overall consistency
 - 'Cycles' are performed simultaneously (a snap, not each cycle in turn)



Promising Technique - Monad

- The monad is used in pure mathematics for representing process
 - Has 3 'cycles' of iteration to give consistency
- The monad is also used in functional programming to formulate the process in an abstract data-type
 - In the Haskell language the monad is a first-class construction
 - Haskell B. Curry transformed functions through currying in the λ-calculus
 - The Blockchain transaction system for Bitcoin and more recently other finance houses uses monads via Haskell
 - Reason quoted is it's a simple and clean technique

Monad/Comonad Overview

- Functionality:
 - Monad
 - $T^3 \rightarrow T^2 \rightarrow T$ (multiplication)
 - 3 'cycles' of T, looking back
 - Comonad (dual of monad)
 - $S \rightarrow S^2 \rightarrow S^3$ (comultiplication)
 - 3 'cycles' of S, looking forward
- Objects:
 - An endofunctor on a category X

Using the Monad Approach

- A monad is a 4-cell <1,2,3,4>
 - 1 is a category X
 - 2 is an endofunctor (T: X → X, functor with same source and target)
 - 3 is the unit of adjunction η: 1_x → T (change, looking forward)
 - 4 is the multiplication µ: T X T → T (change, looking back)
- A monad is therefore <X, T, η, μ>

The Monad as a 'triple'

- A monad is sometimes called a triple as by Barr & Wells. Term disliked by some as too set theoretic, e.g. Mac Lane
- Why a triple when 4 terms above?
- $\langle X, T, \eta, \mu \rangle$ is reduced to
 - < T, η, μ> as category X is implicit in T
- True to the spirit of category theory a monad works over 3 levels, as 3 levels gives naturality
- So the laws we are going to see involve T (endofunctor performed once), T² (performed twice) and T³ (performed 3 times)
- Note this multiple performance matches our transaction approach, outlined earlier with GF performed 3 times

The Comonad

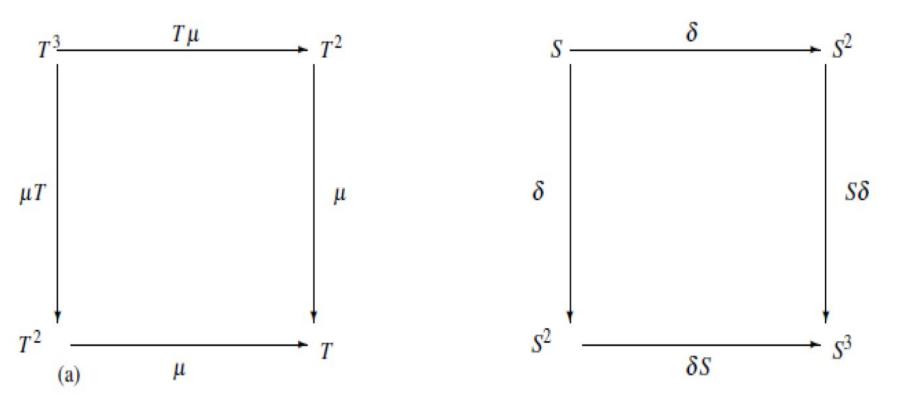
- The dual of the monad
- A comonad is a 4-cell <1,2,3,4>
 - 1 is a category X
 - 2 is an endofunctor (S: X → X, functor with same source and target, S is dual of T)
 - 3 is the counit of adjunction ε: S → 1_x (change, looking back)
 - 4 is the comultiplication δ: S → S X S (change, looking forward)
- A comonad is therefore $\langle X, S, \epsilon, \delta \rangle$ or $\langle S, \epsilon, \delta \rangle$

Laws for the Monad

- Book-keeping
- Associative Law
- Unit Law

Associative Law for Monad

• The laws involve T³ (3 'cycles') with the Associative law:



a) Associative law for monad <T, η , μ >; b) Associative law for comonad <S, ϵ , δ >

(b)

Unitary Law for Monads

The diagram commutes

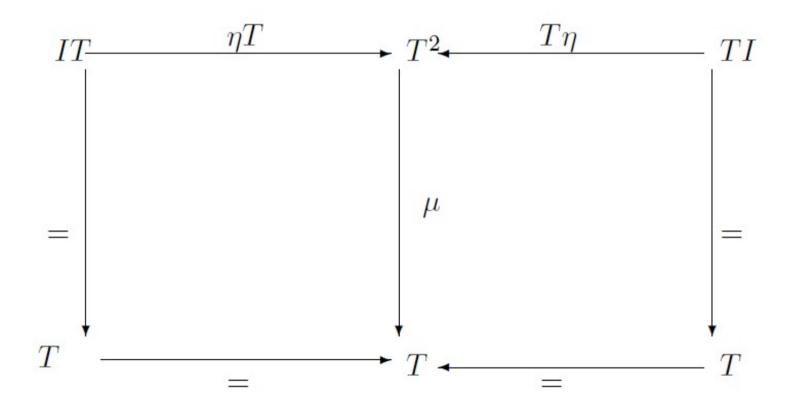


Figure 13: Left and Right Unitary Laws for Monad $T = \langle T, \eta, \mu \rangle$

Monad can be based on an adjunction

- The transaction involves GF, a pair of adjoint functors F - G
 - $F: X \rightarrow Y$
 - G: $Y \rightarrow X$
- GF is an endofunctor as category X is both source and target
- So T is GF (for monad)
- And S is FG (for comonad)

3-cell descriptors with adjoints

- The 3-cell monad < T, η, μ>
 - is written <GF, η, GεF> (last up a level for multiplication)
- The 3-cell comonad <S, ε, δ>
 - is written <FG, ε, FηG> (last up a level for comultiplication)

Terminology

- A monad is often simply addressed by its endofunctor.
 - So < T, η, μ> is called the monad T
- Similarly for the comonad
 - <S, ε, δ> is called the comonad S
- It's a synecdoche

Operating on a Topos

- The operation is simple:
 - T: $E \rightarrow E'$
 - where T is the monad $\langle GF, \eta, G\epsilon F \rangle$ in E, the topos, with input and output types the same
- The extension (data values) will vary but the intension (definition of type) remains the same
- Closure is achieved as the type is preserved

The T-algebras – Changing the Definition

- More fundamental change to the operand (X or E)
- Produces a new consistent state of adjunction with modified intension
- The T-algebras manipulate the category X, when defined within a monad T
- They were developed in work by Eilenberg & Moore published in 1965

T-algebra defined

 For a category X, not necessarily a topos, in the monad <X, T, η, μ>, the effect is to obtain:

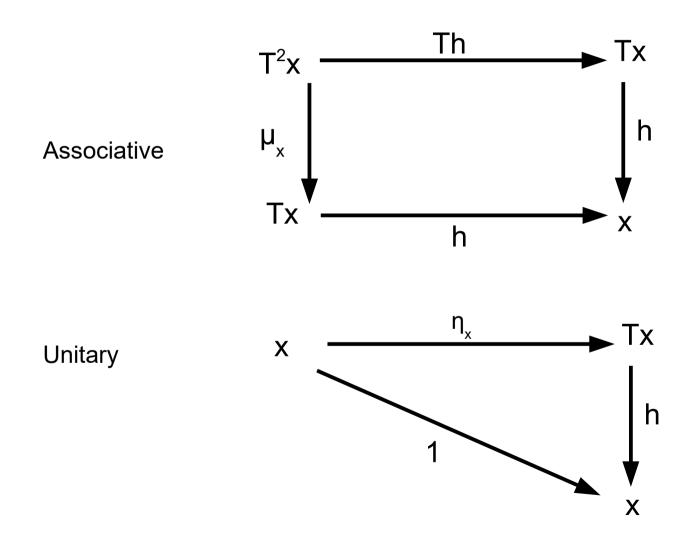
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$$\langle G^T F^T, \eta^T, G^T \epsilon^T F^T \rangle : X \rightarrow X^T$$

- That is a new monad adjunction F^T G^T is defined to accommodate the changed category X^T
- For a topos E, this is equivalent to a change to E^T
 - $\langle G^T F^T, \eta^T, G^T \epsilon^T F^T \rangle$: $E \rightarrow E^T$

The T-algebra

- For a monad <T, η , μ > in X
- A T-algebra is:
 - <x, h>
- Where x is an object in X
- And h: Tx → x is the structure map of the algebra
- Such that the following diagrams commute

T-algebra: Associative/Unitary Laws



Both diagrams must commute for T to be a monad

Other Monadic features

- Kleisli Category of a Monad
 - Transforms a monad into a form more suitable for implementation in a functional language
 - Used in Haskell rather than the pure mathematics form of Mac Lane
- Beck's Theorem
 - Provides rules on which categorial transformations in the T-algebra X → X^T are valid.
 - Sometimes called PTT (Precise Tripleability Theorem)

Cartesian Monads

- If underlying categories are pullbacks
 - AND T preserves pullbacks
 - AND μ and η are Cartesian
- Then the monad is Cartesian
 - Facilitates its use in transformations where a Cartesian type is expected

Summary of Progress

- Topos has been established as data-type of choice
- Monad shows potential for processing the topos and for transforming the topos

- Areas for attention:
 - Intension/extension in topos, including pullbacks, subobject classifier and operations by the monad
 - Exploring usefulness of additional work on monads including those mentioned here: T-algebra, Kleisli, Beck and Cartesian monad