

Exercises 3

• A morphism $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a mono if for all $X \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{g} \\ \xrightarrow{h} \end{matrix} A$ we have $fg = fh$ implies $g = h$.

1) Let $E \xrightarrow{e} A \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{matrix} B$ be an equaliser diagram. Using the u.p. of the equaliser, prove that $e: E \rightarrow A$ is mono.

2) a) Show that in Set, each injective function is monic.
 b) & that each monic is injective.




3) Pullbacks & pushouts:
 - Pullbacks are limits of shape $\begin{matrix} & & 0 \\ & & \downarrow \\ z & \rightarrow & 1 \end{matrix}$
 whilst pushouts are colimits of shape $\begin{matrix} 1 & \rightarrow & 0 \\ \downarrow & & \\ z & & \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} & & 0 \\ & & \downarrow \\ z & \rightarrow & 1 \end{matrix}^{\varphi}$

- In elementary terms, given $\begin{matrix} A & \xrightarrow{f} & C \\ g \downarrow & & \\ B & & \end{matrix}$ its pushout is $\text{ar} \text{ob. } P$ & comm. square $\begin{matrix} A & \xrightarrow{f} & C \\ g \downarrow & & \downarrow i \\ B & \xrightarrow{j} & P \end{matrix}$
 which is universal amongst such comm. squares.

- a) What does 'this universality' mean precisely?
- b) Show that you can construct pushouts from coproducts and coequalisers.

4) Pushouts in topology allow one to glue spaces together.

Try to draw a picture showing how to construct the 2-d sphere

as a pushout of two disks  & a circle  & a circle .