

Associative monoids

T ∈ Δ Yop(T) = {(t, t') | t < t', ∃ t < s < t'}

Remark: Yop(T) has a conical order (t, t') < (s, s') ⇔ t < s

T = {0 < 1 < 2 < ... < n}

∀ (t, t') ∈ Yop [1] → T g\_{(t, t')} = t, g\_{(t, t')} = t' g\_{(t, t')} = g\_i T = [n]

Def: Let C be an ∞-cat w/ all finite products. Then an associative monoid is a functor M: Δ^op → C

s.t. ∀ T ∈ Δ M(T) ≅ ∏\_{(t, t') ∈ Yop(T)} M([1, t, t'])

is an equivalence. An associative monoid in Spac is called an E\_1-space.

Def: Let C be a category, a classical monoid is a tuple (M, η: \* → M, μ: M × M → M)

s.t. μ ∘ (η, id\_M) = μ ∘ (id\_M, η) = id\_M [unitality]

μ ∘ (μ, id\_M) = μ ∘ (id\_M, μ) [associativity]

A map of classical monoids is f: M → M' s.t. η' = f ∘ η, μ' ∘ (f, f) = f ∘ μ

Prop: If C is a cat. there is an equivalence Mon(C) ≅ Mon(Yop(C))

Proof (sketch): If M classical monoid, T finite totally ordered set

M\_T: M^T → M as follows: μ\_T: M^T = \* → M μ\_T = μ ∘ (id\_M, μ\_T ∘ max T) M\_{[1]} = μ, ...

[ μ\_{[1]}(x\_0, ..., x\_n) = x\_0 ... x\_n ]

Associativity μ\_{T ∪ S} = μ(μ\_T, μ\_S) where T ∪ S has the lexicographic order.

f: T → S in Δ (t, t') ∈ Yop(T)

f(t, t') ∈ Yop(S)

{(s, s') | ∃ t < s < s' < t'}

Ex: f: [1] → [2] f(0, 1) = {(0, 1), (1, 2)}

M ∈ Mon(C) T ↦ M^{Yop(T)} ≅ ∏\_{(t, t') ∈ Yop(T)} M M^{[1, t, t']} ≅ M M^{[1, t, t']} ≅ M M^{[1, t, t']} ≅ M

This gives a functor Mon(C) → Mon(Yop(C))

Mon(Yop(C)) → Mon(C) g: [1] → [2]

[ M: Δ^op → C ↦ (M([1]), η: \* → M([1]) M([1]) × M([1]) → M([2]) M([2]) → M([1]) μ: M([1]) × M([1]) → M([2]) (g, g)^{-1} h: [1] → [2] ) ]

Remark: π\_0: Spac → Set preserves products ⇒ M E\_1-space ⇒ π\_0 M monoid in set.

We say M is group-like or an E\_1-group if π\_0 M is a group.

Exercise: M E\_1-space is an E\_1-group iff the map (M\_g, M\_h) M([1]) × M([1]) → M([1]) × M([1]) M([2]) → M([1]) × M([1]) (x, y) ↦ (x, xy) is an equivalence.

Example: Let X be a pointed space, ΩX has a conical E\_1-group structure given by concatenation of loops.

Δ^op → Spac T ↦ lim\_{T^op} X\_T T^op = {t ↦ t'}

T = [0] lim(\* → X) = \*

T = [1] lim( \* → X ) ≅ ΩX

T = [2] lim( \* → X ) ≅ lim( M\_{gp}(\*, X) → M\_{gp}(s', X) ) ≅ M\_{gp}(colim( S^0 → S^1 ), X) ≅ M\_{gp}(S^1, X) × M\_{gp}(S^1, X) ≅ ΩX × ΩX

π\_0 ΩX = π\_1 X and we know this is a group.

Ω: Spac\_\* → Mon(Spac) ≅ Mod of groups

Def: Let M ∈ Mon(Spac), its classifying space BM is just the colimit of M seen as a functor

BM := colim\_{Δ^op} M

It is pointed by the canonical map M([0]) ≅ \* → colim M = BM

Remark: When M comes from a "nice" topological group G there is a bijection [X, BG] ≅ {isotopy classes of principal G-bundles on X}

The proof follows the same strategy as exercise 2 in the last exercise sheet.

B: Mon(Spac) → Spac\_\* X ↦ ΩX it's the left adjoint to Ω.

M ∈ Mon(Spac), ∫ M → ΩBM

M([1]) M([0]) ≅ \* M([1]) M([0]) ≅ \* M([2]) → colim M = BM ⇒ We get a map M([1]) → ΩBM.

(Δ^op)^D → Spac ∫ T T^D → Δ ∫ [n] [0] ∫ ∞ T ∫ t → ∞ [0] ≅ T

(T^op)^D → Δ^op M → Spac M([1]) M([0]) → BM M(T) → (ΩBM)(T)

So this gives a map η: M → ΩBM in Mon(Spac).

ε: BΩX → X colim( lim\_{v → X} ) → colim( lim\_{v → X} ) ≅ X

ΩX → X γ: S^1 → X ↦ γ(-)

Lemma: ε, η satisfy the triangular identities for an adjunction

BM → BΩBM → BM ΩX → BΩΩX → ΩX

Proof: BM = colim\_{[n] ∈ Δ^op} M([n]) → colim\_{[n] ∈ Δ^op} lim\_{[m] ∈ Δ^op} M([m]) → colim\_{[n] ∈ Δ^op} h\_n( ... )

Unwinding this is colim\_{[n] ∈ Δ^op} M([n]) → colim\_{[n] ∈ Δ^op} BM & this is the identity by def of colim

[Barron: Vogt, May, Segal]

The (Recognition thm for loopspaces): Let M be an E\_1-space, X ∈ Spac\_\*

- 1) η: M → ΩBM is an equivalence iff M is an E\_1-group
- 2) BM is connected
- 3) ε: BΩX → X is equivalent to the inclusion of the connected component of the basepoint

In particular ε is an equivalence iff X connected ⇒ The adjunction B ⊣ Ω restricts to an eq. Spac\_\*^0 ≅ Mon(Spac)^\*

Conclay: M ↦ ΩBM is the left adjoint to the inclusion Mon(Spac)^\* ⊆ Mon(Spac)

It's called group completion M^{gr} := ΩBM.

Def: F, h: I → C has objects, α: F ⇒ G nat. transformation. We say α is cartesian if ∀ comm i → j in I the square

F\_i → F\_j ↓ α\_i ↓ α\_j G\_i → G\_j

is a pullback square.

Theorem (Descent property for colimits): Let I be a small set, F, h: I^D → Spac\_\* has objects α: F ⇒ G nat. transformation s.t. α|\_I is cartesian. Suppose G is a colimit diagram.

Then α is cartesian iff F is a colimit diagram

In particular colim F ×\_{colim G} G\_i ≅ F\_i

Remark: Via categorical reformulation, this property is eq. to Spac\_\* / colim G ≅ lim\_{I} Spac\_\* / G\_i

[colimits have the van Kampen property]. Then this follows immediately from the stringing/unt. thm. Fun( colim G, Spac\_\* ) ≅ lim\_{I} Fun( G\_i, Spac\_\* )

Lemma: Y: Δ^op → C. Then there is an equivalence Y([0]) ≅ colim\_{[n] ∈ Δ^op} Y([n])

Proof: Δ\_{<∞} = cat. of finite non-empty totally ord. set. & monoidal map preserving the maximum

Remark: Δ\_{<∞} ∈ Δ has a left adjoint T ↦ T ∪ {+∞}

⇒ This left adjoint is cartesian

colim\_{T ∈ Δ\_{<∞}^op} Y(T ∪ {+∞}) ≅ colim\_{T ∈ Δ\_{<∞}^op} Y(T) ≅ Y([0])

Prop: M ∈ Mon(Spac), η: M → ΩBM is an eq. iff M is an E\_1-group.

Proof: If η is an eq. π\_0 η: π\_0 M ≅ π\_0 ΩBM, so M is a group.

To do the other direction, note that η can be checked to be an eq. on underlying spaces.

So we need to check

M([1]) M([0]) ≅ \* M([2]) → BM is cartesian.

To do so, let us inductively construct explicit space

PM: [n] → M([n+1] = [n] ∪ {+∞})

α: PM → M induced by the inclusion [n] ⊆ [n] ∪ {+∞}

Claim: If M is a group, α is cartesian.

With this claim we're done: then by descent

M([0]) = PM([0]) → colim PM ≅ M([0]) M([0]) → colim M = BM

Let f: [n] → [m] map in Δ

PM([m]) → PM([n]) M([m+1]) → M([n+1]) (m\_1, ..., m\_{m+1}) → (n\_1, ..., n\_{n+1})

M([n]) → M([0]) (m\_1, ..., m\_n) → (n\_1, ..., n\_0)

[n] = [n-1] ∪ {n}

[m] = [m-1] ∪ {m}

M([n-1]) × M([n, ..., m]) → M([n-1]) × M([n, m+1])

M([n-1]) × M([n, ..., m]) → M([n-1]) × M([n])

So we decompose this square as the product of two squares, so by induction I can assume n=0

f: [0] → [m] (i ∈ {0, ..., m})

M([m+1]) → M([1]) & I want to say this is cartesian

M([m]) → M([0]) = \*

M([m+1]) → M([m]) × M([1]) M([m]) → M([0]) × M([1]) (x\_1, ..., x\_{m+1}) → (x\_1, ..., x\_m, x\_1, ..., x\_{m+1})

As in the exercise, by induction on m we see this is an eq. if M is a group.

M([2]) ≅ M([1]) × M([1])