

Monads and their applications 9

Exercise 1.

Show that the interchange law holds in \mathcal{V} -**CAT**.

Exercise 2.

Let $F: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ be a lax monoidal functor. Show that F induces a 2-functor

$$F_*: \mathcal{V}\text{-CAT} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}\text{-CAT}$$

which sends a \mathcal{V} -category \mathcal{A} to the \mathcal{W} -category $F_*\mathcal{A}$ with the same objects as \mathcal{A} , and hom-objects between a and b given by $F(\mathcal{A}(a, b))$.

Exercise 3.

Let **Mon(CAT)** denote the 2-category of monoidal categories, lax monoidal functors, and monoidal natural transformations. Show that the assignment

$$(-)\text{-Cat}: \mathbf{Mon}(\mathbf{CAT}) \rightarrow 2\text{-CAT}$$

which sends \mathcal{V} to the 2-category $\mathcal{V}\text{-Cat}$ extends to a 2-functor, with action on 1-cells given by the 2-functor of Exercise 2.

Exercise 4.

Let $T: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ be a \mathcal{V} -monad. Complete the proof the $T\text{-Alg}$ has the structure of a \mathcal{V} -category. Hint: at some point in the proof that algebra morphisms compose in the unenriched case, we use associativity, namely when we consider the composite

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} TA & \xrightarrow{Tf} & TB & \dashrightarrow & \cdot \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta & & \downarrow \\ \cdot & \dashrightarrow & B & \xrightarrow{g} & C \end{array}$$

in \mathcal{C} . This switches the operations “precompose with β ” to “postcompose with β ” and when translating the proof to \mathcal{V} -categories, one has to use the associator at this point.

Exercise 5.

Show that $T\text{-Alg}$ has the same universal property in $\mathcal{V}\text{-CAT}$ as the ordinary category of algebras for an unenriched monad has in **CAT**. Namely, for each \mathcal{V} -category \mathcal{A} , define the category $T\text{-Act}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{C})$ of T -actions (now given by \mathcal{V} -functors with a \mathcal{V} -natural transformation $\rho: TG \Rightarrow G$) and show that $U^T: T\text{-Alg} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is the universal T -action.