

Monads and their applications II 5

Exercise 1.

Show that the category of codescent data on a truncated simplicial diagram $X_\bullet: \Delta_{\leq 2}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ on the object C is naturally isomorphic to the 2-functor

$$[\Delta_{\leq 2}, \mathbf{Cat}](W, \mathcal{K}(X_{(-)}, C)),$$

where $W: \Delta_{\leq 2} \rightarrow \mathbf{Cat}$ denotes the inclusion. Thus the codescent object of X_\bullet is precisely the W -weighted colimit of X_\bullet . Find an analogous weight for iso-codescent objects.

Exercise 2.

Show that a category with coinerters and coequifiers has codescent objects and iso-codescent objects.

Exercise 3.

Let X be a scheme and let $U_i \rightarrow X$ be a finite Zariski cover with U_i affine. Let X_\bullet be the Čech nerve of this cover, so $X_0 = \coprod U_i$, X_1 is the coproduct of the intersections $U_i \cap U_j$, and so on. This defines a simplicial diagram of categories by sending X_i to $\mathbf{QCoh}(X_i)$. Since $\coprod U_i \rightarrow X$ defines an augmentation of this simplicial diagram, we have an induced functor from $\mathbf{QCoh}(X)$ to the category of descent data of $\mathbf{QCoh}(X_\bullet)$.

Let F be a quasi-coherent sheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -modules whose restriction to each U_i is finitely generated free of rank d . What does the descent datum of F induced by the above functor look like? (If you are unfamiliar with schemes, you can do this exercise in the affine case instead.)