

Homework 9

DUE: Wednesday, 10. Nov. 2021

Exercise 1. Let $n > 1$, and $0 \leq i \leq n$. Show that (in \mathbf{Grpd})

$$\operatorname{colim}_{\Delta^k \rightarrow \Lambda_i^n} E(k) \cong E(n)$$

where $E(k)$ is the cosimplicial object from Homework 4, exercise 3.

Exercise 2. We call a morphism of simplicial sets $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a *inner fibration* if f has the right lifting property with respect to every *inner* horn inclusion $\Lambda_i^n \rightarrow \Delta^n$. Show that, for any functor of 1-categories $F : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{D}$, the nerve

$$N(F) : N(\mathbf{C}) \rightarrow N(\mathbf{D})$$

is an inner fibration.

Definition. Recall the definition of a 2-category from Homework 1. Denote by \mathbf{Cat}_2 the category whose objects are (small) 2-categories, and whose morphisms are strict 2-functors. Denote by Δ^n the 2-category with objects $0, 1, \dots, n$, and such that

- For every $i \leq j$, there is a morphism $\phi_{i,j} : i \rightarrow j$ such that $\phi_{i,i} = \operatorname{id}_i$.
- For every $i = i_0 \leq i_1 \leq \dots \leq i_k = j$, there is a unique 2-morphism

$$\phi_{i_{k-1},j} \circ \dots \circ \phi_{i_1,i_2} \circ \phi_{i_0,i_1} \Rightarrow \phi_{i,j}$$

Exercise 3. Show that the assignment

$$\begin{aligned} D : \Delta &\longrightarrow \mathbf{Cat}_2 \\ [n] &\longmapsto \Delta^n \end{aligned}$$

defines a functor. For a 2-category \mathbf{C} , let $N_2(\mathbf{C})$ be the simplicial set defined by

$$N_2(\mathbf{C})_n := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbf{Cat}_2}(D(n), \mathbf{C}).$$

What information is needed to specify a 2-simplex in $N_2(\mathbf{C})$? What information is necessary to specify a 3-simplex?

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