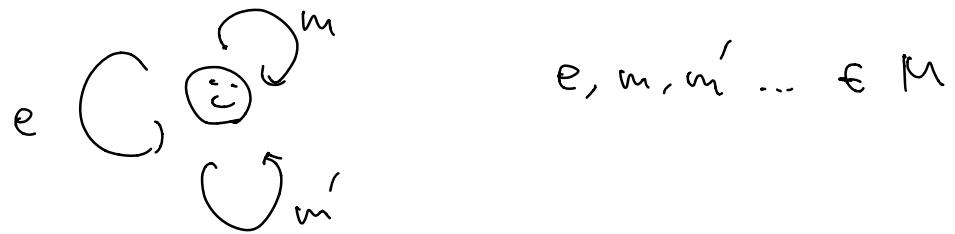
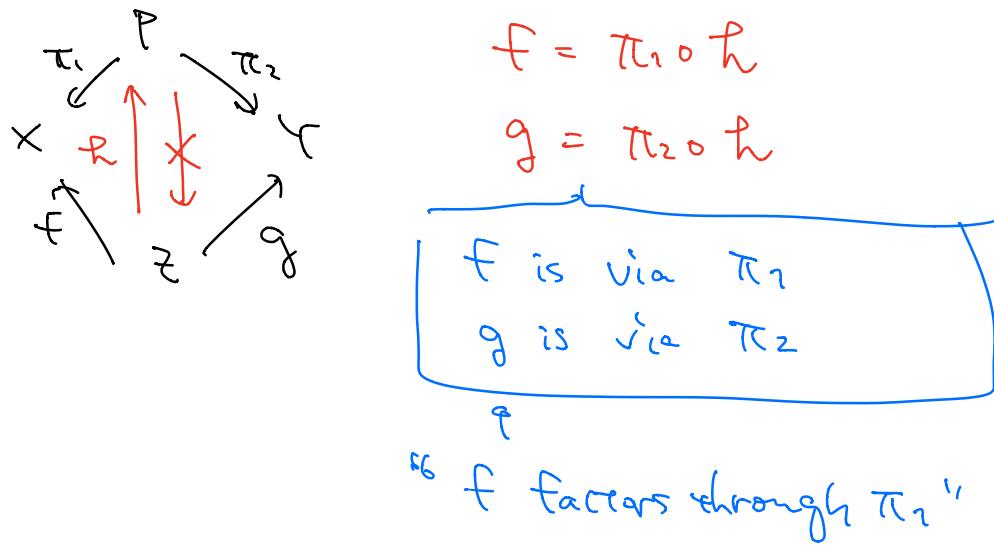


- A monoid as an example of categories



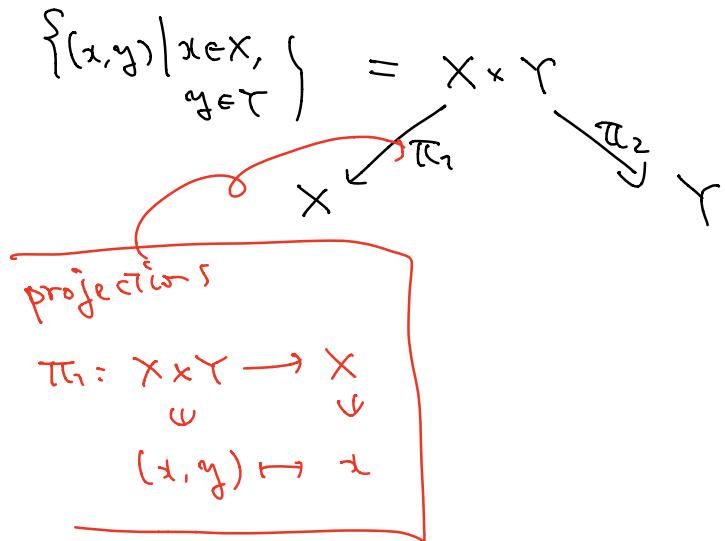
A mediating arrow



NB A mediating arrow is required to exist and be unique.

## Example

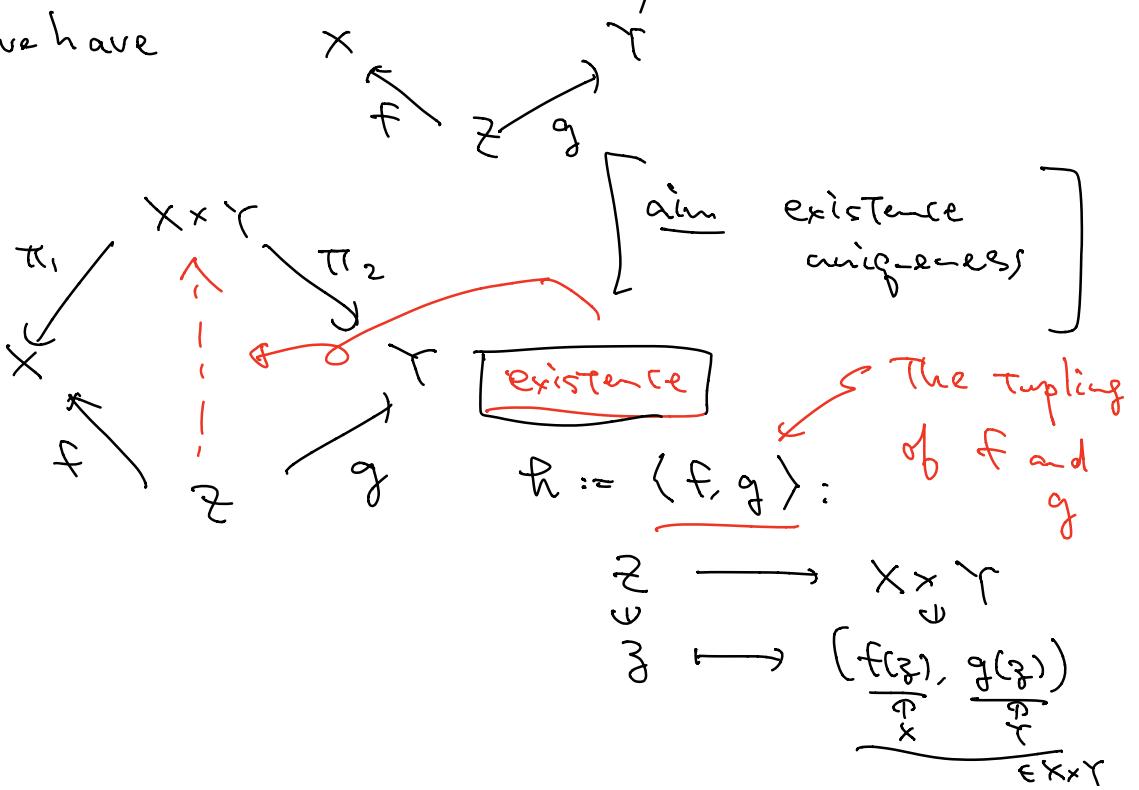
1) Sets  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{obj. sets} \\ \text{arr. functions} \end{array} \right]$



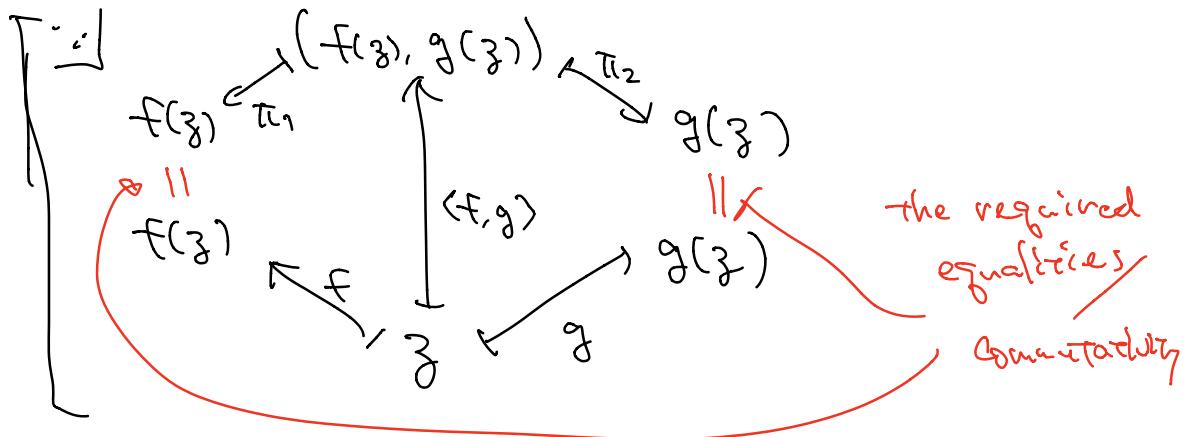
a categorical product is given by the set-th. notion of Cartesian products

Let's check its universality. Assume

we have



• This  $(f, g)$  makes the diagram commute.



uniqueness

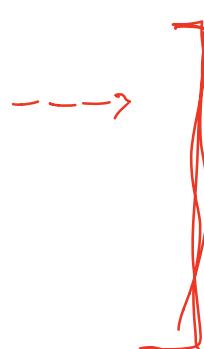
Let  $k$  be another mediating arrow, that is,



Q Advanced  $T$ : averaged over  $C$

$$F(-) \circ T$$

$V$  creates products



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Now  $k: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow X \times Y$  can be written  
 in the form

$$k(z) = \left( \underbrace{k_1(z)}_{\in X}, \underbrace{k_2(z)}_{\in Y} \right).$$

(Due to the def. of  $X \times Y$ )

By the commutativity we must have

$$k_1(z) = f(z)$$

$$k_2(z) = g(z)$$

Therefore

$$k(z) = (f(z), g(z)), \forall z \in \mathbb{Z}$$

This proves  $k = (f, g)$



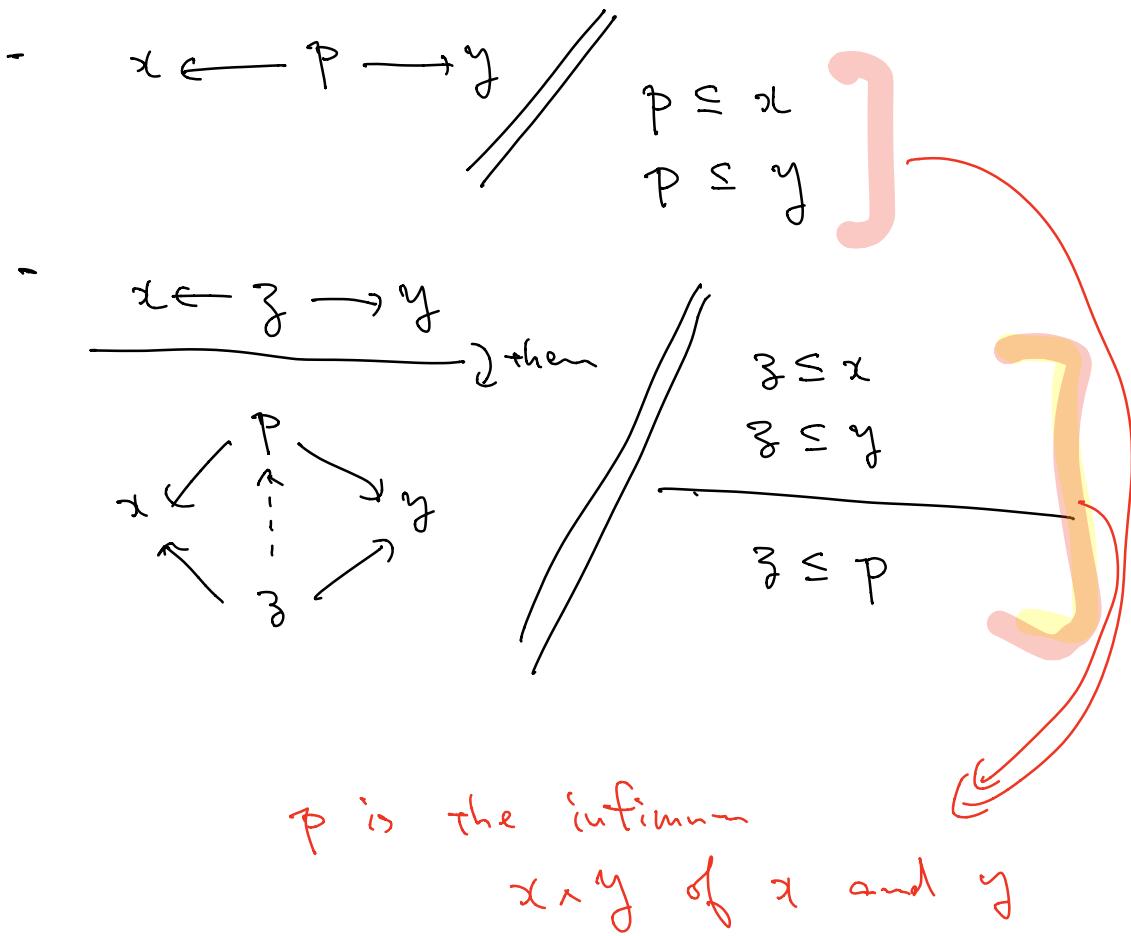
### Example

Let  $(P, \leq)$  be a preorder,  
 considered a category.

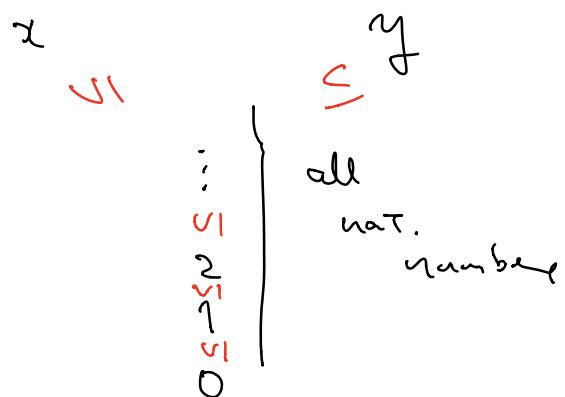
{refl.  
trans.}

Let  $x, y \in P$  (i.e. objects)

If a product  $\underset{P}{\text{prod}}$  of  $x$  and  $y$  exists, then



Therefore products need not exist,  
e.g. in a preorder



## Notations

- A product of  $X, Y$  is often denoted by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X \times Y & \\ \pi_1 \swarrow & & \searrow \pi_2 \\ X & & Y \end{array}$$



## Example

- $\text{Mon}$  obj monoids  
arr. monoid homomorphisms

Products of  $X$  and  $Y$ , if they exist,  
they are essentially unique:

Prop. Let  $\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\pi_1} & P & \xrightarrow{\pi_2} & Y \\ & & \lrcorner & & \lrcorner \end{array} \quad \mathcal{C}$   
 $\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\pi'_1} & P' & \xrightarrow{\pi'_2} & Y \\ & & \lrcorner & & \lrcorner \end{array} \quad \mathcal{C}'$

be products of  $X, Y$ .

Then there exists a unique isomorphism  $P \xrightarrow{f \cong} P'$  s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\pi_1} & P & \xrightarrow{\pi_2} & Y \\ & \nearrow f & \downarrow \cong & \searrow & \\ & & P' & & \\ & & \lrcorner & & \lrcorner \end{array}$$

Commutes.

uniqueness  
up-to a  
unique  
coherent  
isomorphism

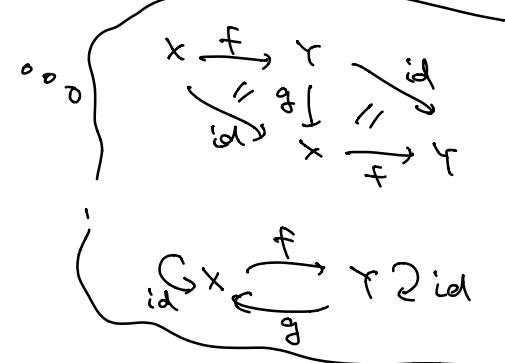


BTW Def. An arrow  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  is an isomorphism

if there exists  $Y \xrightarrow{g} X$  s.t.

$$g \circ f = \text{id}_X$$

$$f \circ g = \text{id}_Y$$



Proof!

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{aim}} \\ \text{id}_G P \xleftarrow{f} P' \xrightarrow{g} \text{id}_D \end{array}$$

We are in the situation

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & P' & & \\ & \swarrow \pi'_1 & & \searrow \pi'_2 & \\ X & & \downarrow & & Y \\ & \nearrow (\pi'_1, \pi'_2) =: f & & \nwarrow & \\ & & P & & \\ & \swarrow \pi_1 & & \searrow \pi_2 & \end{array}$$

By the universality of  $(P', \pi'_1, \pi'_2)$  we get  
 $f := (\pi'_1, \pi'_2)$

Similarly

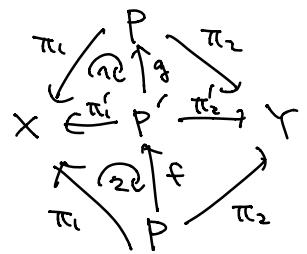
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & P & & \\ & \swarrow \pi_1 & & \searrow \pi_2 & \\ X & & \downarrow & & Y \\ & \nearrow (\pi_1, \pi_2) =: g & & \nwarrow & \\ & & P' & & \\ & \swarrow \pi'_1 & & \searrow \pi'_2 & \end{array}$$

We get  
 $g := (\pi_1, \pi_2)$

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{aim}} \\ g \circ f = \text{id}_P \end{array}$$

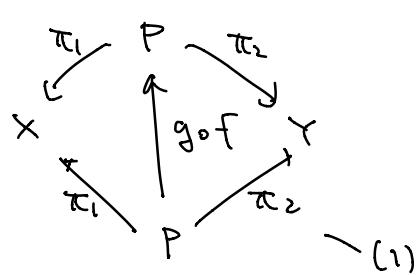
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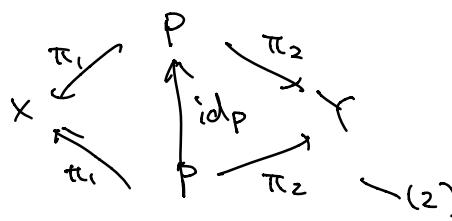
The whole diagram  
commutes.

Therefore



$$\begin{aligned} & \because \pi_1 \circ (g \circ f) \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ g) \circ f \\ &= \pi'_2 \circ f \\ &= \pi_1 \end{aligned}$$

But we also have



↑ uniqueness  
exist.  
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By (1) and (2), by the universality of  $P$

$$g \circ f = \text{id}_P$$

(... the rest is an exercise)



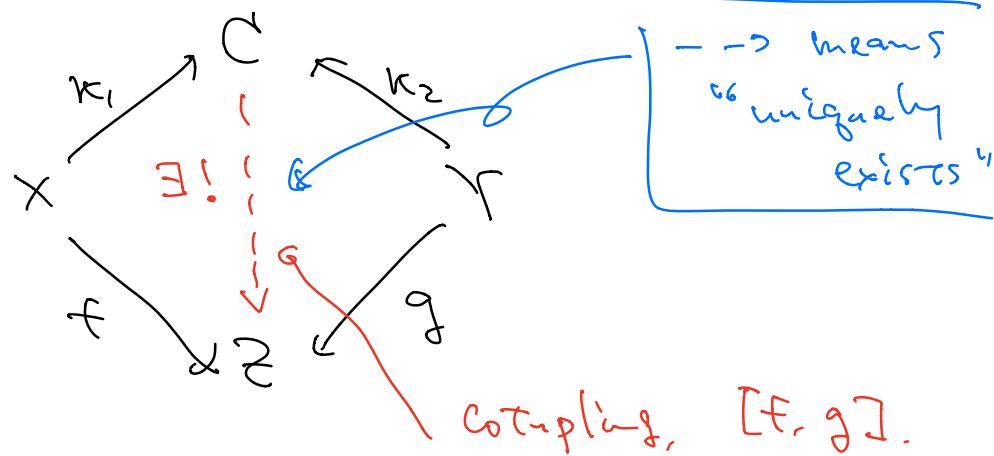
The dual notion of product  $\Rightarrow$  coproduct  
reversing all the arrows

Def. A coproduct of  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$  is

$$(C, X \xrightarrow{\kappa_1} C, Y \xrightarrow{\kappa_2} C)$$

↑                           ↑  
Coprojections

that is universal, in the sense that



Ex.

- In Sets?

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x & \xrightarrow{k_1} & (0, x) \in \mathbb{I} \\ & & \downarrow \\ x & \xrightarrow{k_2} & (1, y) \in \mathbb{I} \end{array}$$

$\mathbb{I} = \{0, 1\}$

$$x \xrightarrow{\quad} X \sqcup Y \xleftarrow{R_2} Y$$

$\sqcup$

$$\{(0, x) \mid x \in X\} \cup \{(1, y) \mid y \in Y\}$$

$\overbrace{\quad}^{\text{labels to enforce}}$  disjointness

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x & \xrightarrow{k_1} & X \sqcup Y \\ & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ & & \{f, g\} \\ x & \xrightarrow{k_2} & Z \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \sqcup Y & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \{0, x\} \quad \{1, y\} \\ \downarrow \{f, g\} & & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ Z & \xrightarrow{\quad} & f(x) \quad g(y) \end{array}$$

- In a preorder?

Supremum!!

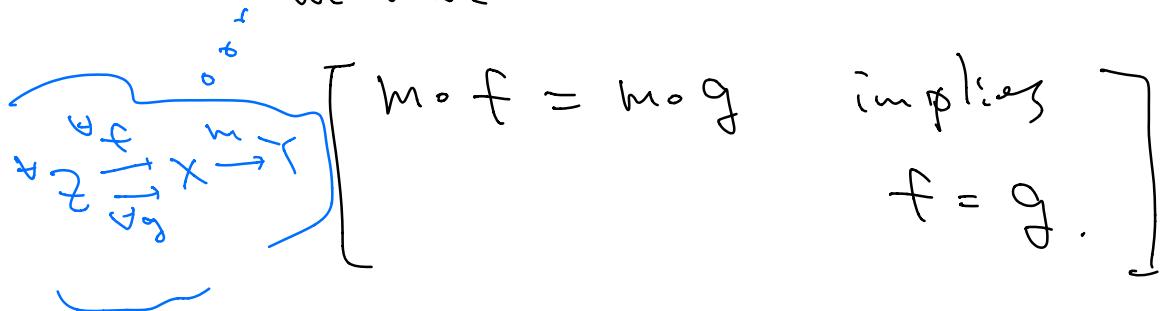
Notation A coproduct is often denoted by  $X + Y$ .

Def. An arrow  $m: X \rightarrow Y$  in  $\mathbb{C}$

is | a mono | if,  
monic  
left-cancelable

for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , and  $z \xrightarrow[g]{f} X$ ,

we have



Prop. In Sets,

an arrow  $f$  is a mono

$\Leftrightarrow$  the function  $f$  is injective

$$f(x) = f(x') \Rightarrow x = x'$$

Proof.) Exercise.

Hint.

$$\frac{x \in X}{}$$

where  $1 = \{*\}$

is a singleton

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & \longrightarrow & X \text{ in Sets} \\ * & \longmapsto & x \end{array}$$

### Def.

- $e: X \rightarrow Y$  is an epi (epic)

Notations

$m: X \rightarrow Y$   
mono

$e: X \rightarrow Y$   
epi

right - cancelable

def

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{e} & Y \\ & \downarrow f & \downarrow g \\ & \downarrow g \circ e & \end{array}$$

$f \circ e = g \circ e \implies f = g$

- $m: X \rightarrow Y$  is a split mono

if it has a left inverse  $f: Y \rightarrow X$

st.  $f \circ m = id$

- $e: X \rightarrow Y$  is a split epi

if it has a right inverse.

### Prop.

- In Sets,

$$\text{epi} \iff \text{surjective}.$$

Prop.

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~~iso~~  $\Rightarrow$  split mono  $\Rightarrow$  mono  
~~split epi~~  $\Rightarrow$  epi

in Sets,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & \dashrightarrow & 1 \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ 0 = \emptyset & & 1 = f + 1 \end{array}$$

is a mono  
but not  
a split mono.

-  $\begin{pmatrix} \text{split mono} \\ \text{epi} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{iso}$

a nice exercise :)