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Algebraic models of cubical weak ∞ -categories with connections. (English) [Zbl 07528817](#)
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The author defines the category of cubical categorical stretchings, which is the cubical analogue of the category of globular categorical stretchings in [*J. Penon, Cah. Topologie Géom. Différ. Catégoriques* 40, No. 1, 31–80 (1999; [Zbl 0918.18006](#))]. The key ingredient is a cubical analogue of the globular contractions built there. A monad \mathbb{W} on the category of cubical sets whose algebras are the models of cubical weak ∞ -categories with connections is given. The monad is the cubical analogue of the monad \mathbb{P}_C^0 there, whose \mathbb{P}_C^0 -algebras are the globular ∞ -categories of Penon. Main proofs use sketch theory initiated by Charles Ehresmann and his students, especially [*L. Coppey and C. Lair, Diagrammes* 13, 112 p. (1985; [Zbl 0594.18006](#))].

In [*K. Kachour, Cah. Topol. Géom. Différ. Catég.* 49, No. 1, 1–68 (2008; [Zbl 1202.18004](#)); *Theory Appl. Categ.* 30, 775–807 (2015; [Zbl 1320.18004](#)); *J. Penon, Cah. Topologie Géom. Différ. Catégoriques* 40, No. 1, 31–80 (1999; [Zbl 0918.18006](#))] some computations were described for globular higher structures born with globular stretchings. It was proved in [loc. cit.] that in dimension 2, the globular weak ∞ -categories of Penon are bicategories. The author gives in §4.3 a precise definition of the dimension for algebras of models of cubical weak ∞ -categories. Computations in dimension 2 lead to long computations and go beyond the scope of this paper, but the reader can verify that the models of dimension 2 are weak double categories in the sense of [*D. Verity, Repr. Theory Appl. Categ.* 2011, No. 20, 266 p. (2011; [Zbl 1254.18001](#))]. The author exhibits an example of cubical coherence cell in dimension 2 in §4.1.

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MSC:

- 18B40 Groupoids, semigroupoids, semigroups, groups (viewed as categories)
- 18C15 Monads (= standard construction, triple or triad), algebras for monads, homology and derived functors for monads
- 18C20 Eilenberg-Moore and Kleisli constructions for monads
- 20L99 Groupoids (i.e. small categories in which all morphisms are isomorphisms)
- 55U35 Abstract and axiomatic homotopy theory in algebraic topology

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