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A relevant result concerning monads is the so called Beck's monadicity (tripleability) theorem which characterizes right adjoint functors R which are monadic, i.e., such that the Eilenberg-Moore category of algebras (over the canonical monad associated to the adjunction) is equivalent, through the so-called comparison functor, to the domain category of R. In this talk we investigate those right adjoint functors R which fail to be monadic and measure how far they are to fulfil monadicity. To this aim we propose the definition of comparable functor. The obtained results are tested on a series of examples which also involve (braided) Lie theory and Module theory. This is part of a joint research with A. Ardizzoni (University of Ferrara) and J. Gómez-Torrecillas (University of Granada).

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A monad on a category  $\mathscr{A}$  is a triple  $\mathbb{T} = (T, m, u)$ , where

- $T: \mathscr{A} \to \mathscr{A}$  is a functor,
- $m: TT \rightarrow T$  and
- $u: \mathrm{Id}_{\mathscr{A}} \to T$  are functorial morphisms

satisfying the associativity and the unitality conditions:

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E. G. Manes, A TRIPLE MISCELLANY: SOME ASPECTS OF THE THEORY OF ALGEBRAS OVER A TRIPLE. Thesis (Ph.D.)–Wesleyan University. 1967.



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