

# Artin Glueings as semidirect products

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## Artin glueings of topological spaces

Let  $N = (|N|, \mathcal{O}(N))$  and  $H = (|H|, \mathcal{O}(H))$  be topological spaces.

What topological spaces  $G = (|G|, \mathcal{O}(G))$  satisfy that  $H$  is an open subspace and  $N$  its closed complement?

Such a space  $G$  we call an Artin glueing of  $H$  by  $N$ .

It must be that  $|G| = |N| \sqcup |H|$ .

Each open  $U \in \mathcal{O}(G)$  then corresponds to a pair  $(U_N, U_H)$  where  $U_N = U \cap N$  and  $U_H = U \cap H$ .

Thus  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  is isomorphic to the frame  $L_G$  of certain pairs  $(U_N, U_H)$  with componentwise union and intersection.

## The associated meet-preserving map

For each  $U \in \mathcal{O}(H)$  there is a largest open  $V \in \mathcal{O}(N)$  such that  $(V, U)$  occurs in  $L_G$ .

Let  $f_G: \mathcal{O}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(N)$  be a function which assigns to each  $U \in \mathcal{O}(H)$  the largest  $V$ .

This function preserves finite meets.

## Artin glueings from meet-preserving maps

The space  $G$  can be recovered entirely from  $f_G$  via  $(V, U) \in L_G$  if and only if  $V \subseteq f_G(U)$

- Assume  $V \subseteq f_G(U)$ .
- For any  $V \in \mathcal{O}(N)$  there exists a pair  $(V, U_V) \in L_G$  and for any  $U \in \mathcal{O}(H)$  there is a pair  $(\emptyset, U) \in L_G$ .
- Now simply consider the union of  $(\emptyset, U)$  with  $(V, U_V) \cap (f_G(U), U) = (V, U_V \cap U)$ , which results in  $(V, U)$ .

Applying the above process to any meet preserving map  $f: \mathcal{O}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(N)$  will give a space  $\text{Gl}(f)$  satisfying our requirements.

Thus Artin glueings are given by finite-meet preserving maps  $f$  and we call  $\text{Gl}(f)$  the Artin glueing along  $f$ .

## Semidirect products of groups are analogous

Let  $N$  and  $H$  be groups.

A semidirect product of  $H$  by  $N$  is a group  $G$  satisfying the following conditions.

1.  $H$  is a subgroup and  $N$  a normal subgroup.
2.  $N \cap H = \{e\}$ .
3.  $N \vee H = NH = \{nh : n \in N, h \in H\} = G$ .

Conditions 2 and 3 together say that  $N$  and  $H$  are complements.

Every such group  $G$  is determined by a unique group homomorphism  $\alpha: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$ .

## Split extensions of groups

A diagram  $N \xrightarrow{k} G \xleftarrow[s]{e} H$  is a split extension when the following hold:

1.  $k$  is the kernel of  $e$ ,
2.  $e$  is the cokernel of  $k$ ,
3.  $se = \text{id}$ .

Every semidirect product of  $N$  and  $H$  yields a split extension.

Every split extension is of this form.

Every element  $g \in G$  can be written  $g = k(n)s(h)$  for  $n \in N$  and  $h \in H$ . Thus  $G$  is generated by the images of  $k$  and  $s$ .

## Split extensions in a category

Kernels and cokernels require zero-morphisms  $0_{X,Y}: X \rightarrow Y$  for all combinations of objects  $X$  and  $Y$ .

A class of zero-morphisms in a category satisfies that for any morphisms  $f: W \rightarrow X$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  we have  $0_{X,Y}f = 0_{W,Y}$  and  $g0_{X,Y} = 0_{X,Z}$ .

Now we can define kernels and cokernels.

1. The kernel of a map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is the equaliser of  $f$  and  $0_{X,Y}$ .
2. The cokernel of a map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is the coequaliser of  $f$  and  $0_{X,Y}$

Thus we can now consider split extensions in any pointed category.

## The appropriate category of frames

We want a pointed category in which the generating extensions of  $H$  by  $N$  are precisely the Artin glueings of  $N$  and  $H$ .

The usual category of frames is no good as it does not have zero-morphisms.

Instead consider the category  $\mathbf{RFrm}$  whose objects are frames and whose morphisms are finite-meet preserving maps.

The maps  $\top_{X,Y}: X \rightarrow Y$  sending each element of  $X$  to the top element 1 of  $Y$  form a class of zero morphisms.



# Cokernels

The cokernel of a morphism  $f: N \rightarrow G$  in  $\mathbf{RFrm}$  exists and is  $e: G \rightarrow \downarrow f(0)$ , where  $e(g) = g \wedge f(0)$ .

We call such a map a **normal epimorphism**.

Furthermore  $e$  has a right adjoint section  $e_*(x) = (f(0) \Rightarrow x)$ .

- Let  $t: G \rightarrow X$  be such that  $tf = \top$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} N & \xrightarrow{f} & G & \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{e} \\ \xrightarrow{e_*} \end{array} & H \\ & & & \searrow t & \downarrow te_* \\ & & & & X \end{array}$$

- If  $e(x) = e(y)$  (i.e.  $x \wedge f(0) = y \wedge f(0)$ ) then  $t(x) = t(x) \wedge 1 = t(x) \wedge t(f(0)) = t(x \wedge f(0)) = t(y \wedge f(0)) = t(y)$
- Because  $e(e_*e(x)) = e(x)$  we have that  $t(e_*e(x)) = t(x)$ .
- Thus  $t = te_*e$  and  $te_*$  is the unique such map as  $e$  is epic.

## Kernels

Kernels do not always exist in  $\mathbf{RFrm}$ , but kernels of normal epis do.

The kernel of a normal epi  $e: G \rightarrow \downarrow u$  is the inclusion

$$k: \uparrow u \hookrightarrow G.$$

It has a left adjoint  $k^*(x) = x \vee u$ .

Thus split extensions in  $\mathbf{RFrm}$  are of the form

$$\uparrow u \xrightarrow{k} G \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{e} \\ \xleftarrow{s} \end{array} \downarrow u$$

Notice that  $\downarrow u$  is an open sublocale of  $G$  and  $\uparrow u$  is a closed sublocale.

## Generating extensions and the splitting

Recall that if  $N \triangleright \xrightarrow{k} G \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{e} \\ \xleftarrow{s} \end{matrix} H$  is a split extension of groups, then each element of  $G$  can be written  $g = k(n)s(h)$ .

We call  $N \triangleright \xrightarrow{k} G \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{e} \\ \xleftarrow{s} \end{matrix} H$  a generating extension in  $\mathbf{RFrm}$  if each element of  $G$  can be written  $g = k(n) \wedge s(h)$ .

A split extension will be generating if and only if  $s$  is the right adjoint of  $e_*$ .

Thus a generating extension is entirely determined by a normal epi!

## Artin glueings are generating extensions

Recall that the Artin glueing  $\text{Gl}(f)$  of a finite-meet preserving map  $f: H \rightarrow N$  is the frame of pairs  $(n, h)$  where  $n \leq f(h)$ .

We have projections  $\pi_1: \text{Gl}(f) \rightarrow N$  and  $\pi_2: \text{Gl}(f) \rightarrow H$  which preserve finite meets.

These projections have right adjoints which lie in  $\text{RFrm}$ .

1.  $\pi_{1*}(n) = (n, 1)$ .
2.  $\pi_{2*}(h) = (f(h), h)$ .

We have that  $N \xrightarrow{\pi_{1*}} \text{Gl}(f) \xrightleftharpoons[\pi_{2*}]{\pi_2} H$  is a generating extension.

Think of  $\pi_2$  as the map  $(-) \wedge (0, 1): \text{Gl}(f) \rightarrow \downarrow(0, 1)$

Notice that  $f$  can be recovered via  $f = \pi_1 \pi_{2*}$ .

## All extensions are Artin glueings

From a generating extension  $N \triangleright \xrightarrow{k} G \xleftarrow[e_*]{e} H$  we can form

$$N \triangleright \xrightarrow{\pi_{1*}} \mathrm{Gl}(k^*e_*) \xleftarrow[\pi_{2*}]{\pi_2} H.$$

The frames  $G$  and  $\mathrm{Gl}(k^*e_*)$  are isomorphic

1.  $f: G \rightarrow \mathrm{Gl}(k^*e_*)$  sends  $g$  to  $(k^*(g), e(g))$ ,
2.  $f^{-1}: \mathrm{Gl}(k^*e_*) \rightarrow G$  sends  $(n, h)$  to  $k(n) \wedge e_*(h)$ .

Furthermore  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  make the diagram below commute.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} N & \xrightarrow{k} & G & \xleftarrow[e_*]{e} & H \\ \parallel & & \uparrow f^{-1} \downarrow f & & \parallel \\ N & \xrightarrow{\pi_{1*}} & \mathrm{Gl}(k^*e_*) & \xleftarrow[\pi_{1*}]{\pi_1} & H \end{array}$$

## Further thoughts

Since Artin glueings correspond to finite-meet preserving maps, we have that  $\text{Hom}(-, -)$  is the bifunctor of generating extensions.

The homsets of  $\text{RFrm}$  are actually meet-semilattices. This operation gives a Baer sum on generating extensions.

These ideas are related to  $\mathcal{S}$ -protomodularity and Schreier extensions.

The Artin glueing construction works on toposes and there is an analogue on that level.