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Semi-separability and Conditions up to retracts

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Properties:

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$$F \text{ is separable} \Leftrightarrow e = \text{Id}.$$

Corollary

Let $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be a functor. Then,

F is **separable** $\Leftrightarrow F$ is **semi-separable** and **Maschke**, i.e. it reflects split-monomorphisms.

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Theorem

Let $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be a semi-separable functor and let $e : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}}$ be the associated idempotent natural transformation. Then $\exists!$ $F_e : \mathcal{C}_e \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$, necessarily separable, such that $F = F_e \circ H$, where $H : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_e$ is the canonical naturally full functor. Furthermore, if F also factors as $S \circ N$ where $S : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is separable and $N : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ is naturally full, then

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{H} & \mathcal{C}_e \\
 N \downarrow \circlearrowleft & \nearrow N_e \text{ (dotted)} & \downarrow F_e \circlearrowleft \\
 \mathcal{E} & \xrightarrow{S} & \mathcal{D}
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$\exists!$ $N_e : \mathcal{C}_e \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$, necessarily fully faithful, such that $N_e \circ H = N$ and $S \circ N_e = F_e$.

\Rightarrow A functor is **semi-separable** \Leftrightarrow it factors as $S \circ N$ where S is a **separable** functor and N is a **naturally full** functor.

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- If G is semi-separable, then the associated monad $(GF, G\epsilon F, \eta)$ is separable^a.
- If F is semi-separable, then the associated comonad $(FG, F\eta G, \epsilon)$ is coseparable.

^aA monad $(T, m : TT \rightarrow T, \eta : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow T)$ on a category \mathcal{C} is *separable* if $\exists \sigma : T \rightarrow TT$ such that $m \circ \sigma = \text{Id}_T$ and $Tm \circ \sigma T = \sigma \circ m = mT \circ T\sigma$. A *coseparable* comonad is defined dually.

If G (resp. F) is separable, cf. [Chen X.-W., A note on separable functors and monads with an application to equivariant derived categories. *Abh. Math. Semin. Univ. Hambg.* 85 (2015), no. 1, 43–52.]

Outline

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Remark

$G : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is an equivalence \Leftrightarrow it is a fully faithful bireflection.

AIM: to study semi-separable (co)reflections.

Semi-separable (co)reflections

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Sketch Proof.

Assume G is a coreflection. Denote by F the left adjoint of G , by $\eta : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow GF$ and $\epsilon : FG \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{D}}$ the unit and counit of the adjunction (F, G) . Since F is fully faithful, then η is invertible. From $\epsilon F \circ F\eta = \text{Id}_F$ and $G\epsilon \circ \eta G = \text{Id}_G$, we get $(F\eta)^{-1} = \epsilon F$ and $(\eta G)^{-1} = G\epsilon$.
(2) \Rightarrow (3). If G is semi-separable, then by Rafael-type Theorem there is a natural transformation $\gamma : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow FG$ such that $\epsilon \circ \gamma \circ \epsilon = \epsilon$, i.e. such that $\epsilon F \circ \gamma F = \text{Id}_F$ and $G\epsilon \circ G\gamma = \text{Id}_G$, so

$$\begin{aligned} F(\eta^{-1}) \circ \gamma F &= (F\eta)^{-1} \circ \gamma F = \epsilon F \circ \gamma F = \text{Id}_F, \\ \eta^{-1} G \circ G\gamma &= (\eta G)^{-1} \circ G\gamma = G\epsilon \circ G\gamma = \text{Id}_G. \end{aligned}$$

This means that (G, F) is an adjunction with unit $\gamma : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow FG$ and counit $\eta^{-1} : GF \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}}$. The equality $\eta^{-1} G = G\epsilon$ implies the coherence condition $\gamma \circ \epsilon = \text{Id}$.

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Corollary

A functor $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ factors as a **bireflection** followed by a **separable** functor \Leftrightarrow it is **semi-separable** and the associated natural transformation $e : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}}$ **splits**. Moreover, any such a factorization is the same given by the coidentifier, up to a category equivalence.

Example: $\varphi^* \dashv \varphi_* \dashv \varphi^!$

Let $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$ be a morphism of rings and consider the *extension* φ^* , the *restriction of scalars* functor φ_* , and the *coinduction* functor $\varphi^!$:

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φ^* is semi-separable $\Leftrightarrow \varphi^!$ is semi-separable $\Leftrightarrow \exists \chi \in {}_R\text{Hom}(S, R)_R$ such that $\varphi \circ \chi \circ \varphi = \varphi$, i.e. $\varphi\chi(1_S) = 1_S$.

Remark

$\varphi : R \rightarrow S$ is an epimorphism of rings $\Rightarrow \varphi^*$ is a reflection, and $\varphi^!$ is a coreflection. Thus, φ^* (and $\varphi^!$) is semi-separable \Leftrightarrow it is naturally full \Leftrightarrow it is Frobenius \Leftrightarrow it is a bireflection.

Write $\varphi = \iota \circ \bar{\varphi}$, where $\iota : \varphi(R) \rightarrow S$ is the canonical inclusion and $\bar{\varphi} : R \rightarrow \varphi(R)$ is the corestriction of φ to its image $\varphi(R)$. Then,

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- 1) F is an equivalence up to retracts \Rightarrow it is both a reflection up to retracts, and a coreflection up to retracts. The same holds for any bireflection up to retracts.
- 2) F is a reflection (resp. coreflection) \Rightarrow it is a reflection (resp. coreflection) up to retracts.
- 3) F is a semi-separable (co)reflection up to retracts $\Leftrightarrow F$ is a bireflection up to retracts.
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- 6) F is an equivalence \Rightarrow it is an equivalence up to retracts.

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Sketch Proof.

If G is a coreflection up to retracts, then it can be proved that there is $\nu : GF \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}}$ such that $\eta \circ \nu = \text{Id}_{GF}$ and $\nu \circ \eta = \text{Id}_{\text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}}}$, so that η is an isomorphism and G is a coreflection. Now, if G is a bireflection up to retracts, then G is a naturally full coreflection up to retracts, hence G is a naturally full coreflection, and this is also equivalent to say that G is a bireflection. Finally, an equivalence up to retracts is a fully faithful bireflection up to retracts, hence from the previous case it is a fully faithful bireflection, whence G is an equivalence. The results for F follow similarly.

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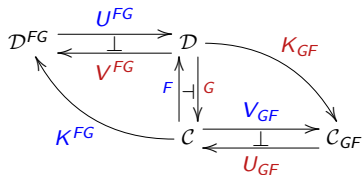
Example

Let \mathcal{C} be a category, let $e : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}}$ be an idempotent natural transformation. Then, the quotient functor $H : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_e$ is a bireflection up to retracts.

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- 2) Assume F is semi-separable. If K^{FG} has a right adjoint (it does when \mathcal{C} is idempotent complete), then K^{FG} is a bireflection.

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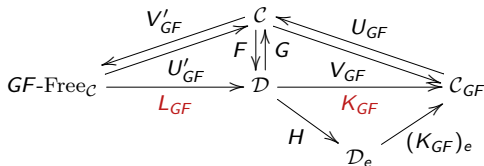
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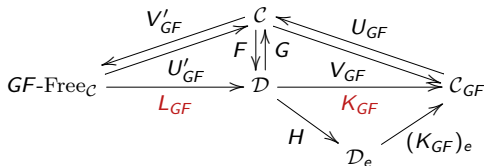
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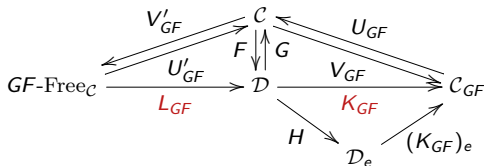
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