

Jordan-Hölder exact categories

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THE ORIGINS OF RELATIVE HOMOLOGY

History of relative homology

- 1934 **Baer** introduced Ext for abelian groups
- 1940 **Baer** defines the Baer sum
- 1954 **Yoneda** proves *the classification theorem*, a one-to-one correspondence between the equivalence classes of the n -fold extensions of B by A and the elements of the abelian group $\text{Ext}_\Lambda^n(A, B)$
- 1955 **Buchsbaum** proves the existence of Ext for an exact category having enough projectives or enough injectives
- 1956 **Cartan and Eilenberg** generalize the notion extension groups
- 1957 **Buchsbaum** defines the extension functor Ext *without* using the projective and the injective objects
- 1958 **Hochschild** discusses the analogous of the Ext but applicable to a module theory that is *relativized* with respect to a given subring of the basic ring of operators
- 57-58 **Harrison** and **Heller** discuss similar problems, which make it natural to consider the extension functor on a specific exact categories

The idea of *relative homological algebra for abstract categories* is about the selection of a class of extensions or, equivalently, a class of monomorphisms and epimorphisms.

1961 *Butler and Horrocks* study relative homological algebras, but only for abelian categories.

They study how the derived functors behave under reduction of the exact structure

Recent works:

- 1993 *Auslander and Ø.Solberg* discuss applying relative homological algebras to representation theory
- 1999 *Dräxler, Reiten, Smalø, Ø.Solberg + Keller* study the correspondence between exact structures and closed additive bifunctors of *Ext*
- 2005 *Auslander and Ø.Solberg* develop a general theory of *relative* cotilting modules for artin algebras

**WHY
DO WE WANT TO STUDY THIS SUBJECT ?**

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Jordan-Hölder property

[Enomoto 19'] $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ satisfies (JHP) if and only if the \mathcal{E} -Grothendieck group is free

AXIOMATIC DEFINITION

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An **exact category** is a pair $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ consisting of an additive category \mathcal{A} and an exact structure \mathcal{E} on \mathcal{A} .

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- (A1) the class of admissible monics (resp. admissible epics) is closed under composition

Definition

(A2) The push-out of an admissible monic i along an arbitrary morphism a exists and yields an admissible monic s_C :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & B \\ a \downarrow & \text{PO} & \downarrow s_B \\ C & \xrightarrow{s_C} & S \end{array}$$

(A2)' The pull-back of an admissible epic h along a exists and yields an admissible epic p_B :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P & \xrightarrow{p_B} \twoheadrightarrow & B \\ p_A \downarrow & \text{PB} & \downarrow a \\ A & \xrightarrow{h} \twoheadrightarrow & C \end{array}$$

Remark

$(\mathcal{A}, \text{Ext}^1_{\mathcal{E}}, \mathbb{I})$ is a Nakaoka-Palu *Extriangulated* category.

Theorems [BBGH, 7.34][BHLR, 5.4]:

Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category. The map $\Phi : \mathcal{E} \mapsto \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{E}}^1(-, -)$ induces a *lattice isomorphism* between $(\text{Ex}(\mathcal{A}), \subseteq, \cap, \vee_{\text{Ex}})$ and $(\text{Cbf}(\mathcal{A}), \leq, \wedge, \vee_{\text{Cbf}})$.

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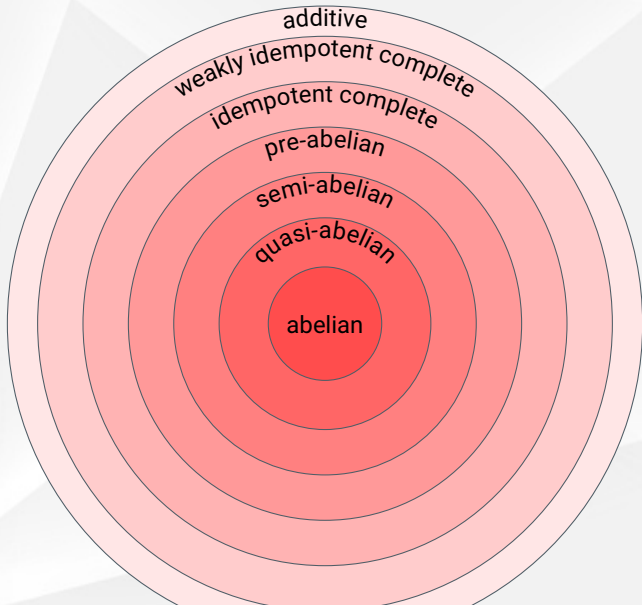
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[Largest example, Rump 2011]

There exists a unique maximal exact structure for any additive category \mathcal{A} .

Additive categories



[RW77, Definition]:

A kernel (A, f) is called *semi-stable* if for every push-out square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ \downarrow t & \text{PO} & \downarrow s_B \\ C & \xrightarrow{s_C} & S \end{array}$$

the morphism s_C is also a kernel. We define dually a *semi-stable* cokernel. A short exact sequence $A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{d} C$ is said to be *stable* if i is a semi-stable kernel and d is a semi-stable cokernel. We denote by sta the class of all *stable* short exact sequences.

Definition

An additive category is *quasi-abelian* if it is *pre-abelian* and all kernels and cokernels are *semi-stable*.

Example

The maximal exact structure on a quasi-abelian category \mathcal{A} consists of all short exact sequences on \mathcal{A} :

$$\mathcal{E}_{max} = \mathcal{E}_{all} = \mathcal{E}_{sta}.$$

JORDAN-HÖLDER PROPERTY

Theorem

If an A -module X admits two composition series

$$0 = X_0 \subset X_1 \subset \cdots \subset X_{n-1} \subset X_n = X$$

and

$$0 = X'_0 \subset X'_1 \subset \cdots \subset X'_{m-1} \subset X'_m = X$$

then they are equivalent: $n = m$ and there exists a permutation σ of $\{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ such that $X_{i+1}/X_i \cong X'_{\sigma(i)+1}/X'_{\sigma(i)}$.

→ Generalisation	
Abelian categories	Exact categories
subobjects $A \subseteq B$	\mathcal{E} -subobjects
	$A \twoheadrightarrow B$
simple subobjects $0 \subset S$	\mathcal{E} -simple subobject
	$0 \twoheadrightarrow S$
Composition series	\mathcal{E} -composition series
Jordan-Hölder property	\mathcal{E} -Jordan-Hölder property
Intersection, sum and Jacobson radical	New general intersection, sum and \mathcal{E} -radical
Artin-Wedderburn categories	\mathcal{E} -Artin-Wedderburn categories
Lattice of subobject	Poset of subobjects

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where all i are *proper admissible monics* with \mathcal{E} –simple cokernel. We say an $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ is a *Jordan–Hölder exact category* if any two finite \mathcal{E} –composition series of X are equivalent.

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$$0 \longrightarrow K^3 \longrightarrow K^6 \qquad \ell_{\mathcal{E}_{min}}(K^6) = 1$$

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The A - R sequences in $\text{Rep} Q$ are

- (1) $S_2 \rightarrow P_1 \oplus P_3 \rightarrow I_2$
- (2) $P_3 \rightarrow I_2 \rightarrow S_1$
- (3) $P_1 \rightarrow I_2 \rightarrow S_3$.

The exact structures accordingly are

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$(\mathcal{R}ep\mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{E}(1))$ is not Jordan-Hölder since there are non-equivalent $\mathcal{E}(1)$ -composition series $0 \rightarrow S_2 \rightarrow P_1 \oplus P_3$ and $0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_1 \oplus P_3$.

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**OUR APPROACH:
STUDY THE INTERSECTION AND SUM OF SUBOBJECTS**

We call **AI** the exact categories admitting **Admissible Intersections**:

[HR, Definition 4.3]:

An exact category $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ is called an **AI-category** if \mathcal{A} is pre-abelian satisfying:

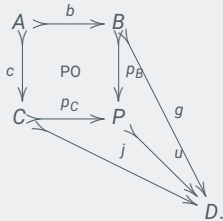
(AI) The pull-back (P, p_A, p_B) of two admissible monics a and b exists and yields two admissible monics:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P & \xrightarrow{p_B} & B \\ p_A \downarrow & \text{PB} & \downarrow b \\ A & \xrightarrow{a} & C. \end{array}$$

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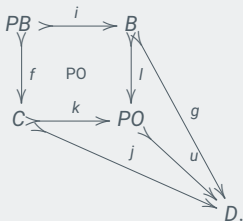
(AS) The morphism u , given by the universal property of the push-out (P, p_B, p_C) is an admissible monic.



We call **A.I.S-categories** the exact categories admitting **Admissible Intersections** and **Sums**:

[HR, Definition 4.5]:

An exact category $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ is an **AIS-category** if it is an **AI-category** and moreover, the push-out along these pull-backs yields an admissible monic u :



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[BHT, Theorem 4.17][HSW, Theorem 6.1]:

A category $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E}_{max})$ is quasi-abelian if and only if it is an AI-category.

[Brüstle, Hassoun, Shah, Tattar, Wegner]:

A pre-abelian category \mathcal{A} is quasi-abelian if and only if it has admissible intersections.

Proof

Let \mathcal{A} be a quasi-abelian additive category
 $\Rightarrow (\mathcal{A}, \text{Ext})$ is an exact category
 \hookrightarrow exact structure by [Schmeidens, 1999]

\Rightarrow the class of ad monics are precisely the class of kernels
and every ad monic is the kernel of its cokernel

We consider two ad monics (two ad subobjects) and
we take their pull-back; it's the PB along kernels:

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By [Kelly, 1969]
 P_A and P_B are
also kernels.

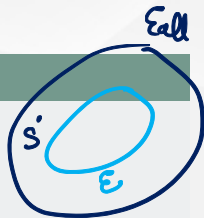
$$\begin{array}{ccc} P.B \xrightarrow{P_A} A & & \\ \downarrow P_B \quad \lrcorner & \parallel & \downarrow P_C \\ B \xrightarrow{b} C & & \end{array}$$

So the P.B of ad monics is again ad and (AI) is satisfied ✓

← Let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ be an (AI)-exact category.
Suppose that $\mathcal{E} \not\subseteq \mathcal{E}_{all}$

Proof

$$S: 0 \rightarrow L \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} N \rightarrow 0$$



We consider the P. Balancing the following two sections (ad monics)

$$\text{So } (M, [\cdot]) \cap_E (M, [\cdot]) =$$

$$(L, f, f)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \xrightarrow{f} & M \\ f \downarrow & \parallel & \downarrow [\cdot] \\ M & \xrightarrow{[\cdot]} & M \oplus N \end{array} \quad + U.P$$

$$E_{\min} \subseteq E$$

But f is not an ad monic!

$$(f, g) \notin E \Rightarrow \text{~~(A1)~~}$$

$$\Rightarrow E = E_{\text{all}}$$

\Rightarrow using (A2), (A2)'
By [Sch, 99']

\mathcal{A} is quasi-abelian by def.



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[BHT, Theorem 3.7]

The following conditions are equivalent:

- \mathcal{A} is an abelian category,
- $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E}_{all})$ is an AIS-category,
- $Hom(\mathcal{A}) = Hom^{ad}(\mathcal{A})$,
- $Hom^{ad}(\mathcal{A})$ is closed under composition,
- $Hom^{ad}(\mathcal{A})$ is closed under addition.

Definition

We denote by $\mathcal{P}_X^{\mathcal{E}}$ the set of isomorphism classes of \mathcal{E} -subobjects of X . The relation

$$(Y, f) \leq (Z, g) \iff \exists Y \begin{array}{ccc} & \xrightarrow{\exists h} & Z \\ & \searrow f & \downarrow g \\ & & X \end{array}$$

turns $(\mathcal{P}_X^{\mathcal{E}}, \leq)$ into a poset.

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Consider two \mathcal{E} -subobjects (A, f) and (B, g) of X . We denote the set of all common admissible subobjects of A and B as

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[BHT, Definition 5.5]

We define the \mathcal{E} -intersection of (A, f) and (B, g) in $P_X^\mathcal{E}$ as

$$I_X(A, B) := \text{Max}(\text{Sub}_X(A, B)).$$

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We define the \mathcal{E} -sum of A and B in $P_X^\mathcal{E}$ as

$$Sum_X(A, B) := Min(Sup_X(A, B)).$$

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The abelian intersection $V_1 \cap V_2 = \langle v_2, v_3, v_4 \rangle$ in $\text{mod } k$

BUT

$$\text{Int}_X^{\mathcal{E}_{min}}(V_1, V_2) = \text{Gr}(2, 3)$$

and

$$\text{Sum}_X^{\mathcal{E}_{min}}(V_1, V_2) = \{(X, \mathbb{I})\}.$$

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- For all $(Z, g) \in \mathcal{S}_X$, Z is an \mathcal{E} -subobject of some $(R, r) \in \text{rad}(X)$ if and only if $pg = 0$ for all \mathcal{E} -simple quotients $p : X \rightarrow S$ of X .

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An exact structure \mathcal{E} on \mathcal{A} is called *Artin-Wedderburn* if for any object $X \in \mathcal{A}$ the following properties are equivalent:

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The split exact structure \mathcal{E}_{min} is an *Artin-Wedderburn* exact structure:

[BHT, lemma 6.7]:

Any additive category \mathcal{A} is an \mathcal{E}_{min} -Artin-Wedderburn category.

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[BHT, Theorem 6.8]:

Let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ be a Krull-Schmidt \mathcal{E} -Artin-Wedderburn category. Then $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ is a Jordan-Hölder exact category.

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[BHT, Theorem 6.13]:

Let Λ be a Nakayama algebra, and denote $\mathcal{A} = \text{mod}\Lambda$. Then an exact category $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ is \mathcal{E} -Artin-Wedderburn precisely when it is Jordan-Hölder.

[BHT, Definition 7.1]

We define the \mathcal{E} -Jordan-Hölder length $l_{\mathcal{E}_{JH}}(X)$ of an object X in \mathcal{A} as the length of an \mathcal{E} -composition series of X . That is $l_{\mathcal{E}_{JH}}(X) = n$ if and only if there exists an \mathcal{E} -composition series

$$0 = X_0 \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} X_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\varphi_{n-1}} X_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\varphi_n} X_n = X$$

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Clearly, isomorphic objects have the same length, and therefore this definition gives rise to a length function $l_{\mathcal{E}} : \text{Obj } \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ defined on isomorphism classes.

[BHT, Corollary 7.2]:

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If \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{E}' are exact structures on \mathcal{A} such that $\mathcal{E}' \subseteq \mathcal{E}$, then $l_{\mathcal{E}'}(X) \leq l_{\mathcal{E}}(X)$ for all objects X in \mathcal{A} .

[BHT, Proposition 7.7 (\mathcal{E} -Hopkins-Levitzki theorem)]:

An object X of $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ is \mathcal{E} -Artinian and \mathcal{E} -Noetherian if and only if it has an \mathcal{E} -finite length.

THANK YOU!

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The text 'THANK YOU!' is written in a thick, hand-drawn cyan font. The letters are slightly irregular and overlapping. At the end of the exclamation point, there is a small, blue, smiling face with two dots for eyes and a curved line for a mouth.