

HOPF-GALOIS EXTENSIONS

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Let \mathcal{C}_n be a $K(n)$ -algebra in p -local stable homotopy theory. \mathcal{C}_n can then be considered as a wedge of the $K(n)$ s, i.e., $\mathcal{C}_n = K(n) \vee K(n) \vee \cdots \vee K(n)$. Consider a morphism $K(n) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_n$ - it is easy to see that any map $\mathcal{C}_n \wedge_{K(n)} \mathcal{C}_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}_n \wedge_{K(n)} \beta} \mathcal{C}_n \wedge_{K(n)} \mathcal{C}_n \wedge_{K(n)} \mathcal{C}_n \xrightarrow{\mu \wedge_{K(n)} \mathcal{C}_n} \mathcal{C}_n \wedge_{K(n)} \mathcal{C}_n$ is always a weak equivalence, and the cofixed points of the $K(n)$ -coaction on \mathcal{C}_n is always (weakly) equivalent to $K(n)$, so that any map $K(n) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_n$ is a $K(n)$ -Hopf-Galois extension. That makes Hopf-Galois extensions of fields in p -local stable homotopy not very interesting.

But can we do something interesting with Morava E-theories, perhaps? Consider any set of maps $K(n) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_n$ for $0 \leq n \leq i$ (where in each \mathcal{C}_n is wedged exactly k times, regardless of the choice of n), and wedge all of them together. We get a pattern (p.9 of my handwritten notes) which allows us to state that any map $E(i) \rightarrow E(i) \vee E(i) \vee \cdots \vee E(i)$, where the $E(i)$ s are wedged $(i+k)$ -times. More generally, we can state that any wedge A_i of $K(n)$ -algebras from $0 \leq n \leq i$ (where the $K(n)$ s can be wedged any number of times) is a Hopf-Galois extension of $E(i)$, with essentially the same method of proof.

What we'd like to do is extend this to stable ∞ -categories, because they're in essence the ∞ -categorification of spectra. (This is the same reasoning used in my notes on K-theory and unital ∞ -operads ([Dev]).) So we'll first do something simple and define Morava K-theories in the stable ∞ -context. Let **DeCat** denote the left adjoint to ∞ -categorification, and let \mathcal{C}_∞ be a stable ∞ -category. If **DeCat**(\mathcal{C}_∞) is a Morava K-theory, then we call \mathcal{C}_∞ a Morava **K**-theory in " p -local" $\text{Cat}_\infty^{\text{Ex}}$. The statements that hold for Morava K-theory also hold for this Morava **K**-theory. One can analogously define Morava **E**-theory, I guess, with similar statements holding true.

Maybe one can use Goerss-Hopkins Obstruction Theory to understand HG extensions for general \mathbf{E}_n -algebras, because we have HG extensions for \mathbf{E}_1 and \mathbf{E}_∞ -algebras. I'm not sure, but I think the best person to ask would be Aaron Mazel-Gee. (I'm trying to develop my own kind of GHOT, like what Aaron is trying to do/has already done, but I've just began.)

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