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I, From Outer Semi-direct product to Inner Semi-direct product

Let $N; H$ be 2 groups and let $\phi: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$ be a homomorphism

Then we set the Outer Semi-direct product of N and H as the group:

$G \equiv N \rtimes_{\phi} H = \{ (n; h) \mid n \in N; h \in H \}$ with the operation

$$(n_1; h_1)(n_2; h_2) = (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n_2); h_1 h_2) \text{ and note that } e_G = (e_N; e_H)$$

Now if we identify N with G_1 and H with G_2 , i.e. we set 2 bijective maps

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_N: N &\rightarrow G_1 & \phi_H: H &\rightarrow G_2 \\ n &\rightarrow (n; e_H) & h &\rightarrow (e_N; h) \end{aligned}$$

Then we obtain 2 subgroups of G and their inner semi-direct product generates the group G i.e. $G_1 \circ G_2 = N \rtimes_{\phi} H$

Proof | Firstly, it's easy to check that $G_1; G_2$ are subgroups of G

$$\text{Indeed, } \underbrace{(n_1; e_H)}_{\in G_1} \underbrace{(n_2; e_H)}_{\in G_1} = (n_1 \phi_{e_H}(n_2); e_H) = \underbrace{(n_1 n_2; e_H)}_{\in G_1}$$

(Same for G_2)

⊕ G_1 is normal in G

Indeed, for any $(n_1; h_1) \in G$ one has:

$$\begin{aligned} (n_1; h_1)(n; e_H)(n_1; h_1)^{-1} &= (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n); h_1)(\phi_{h_1^{-1}}(n_1^{-1}); h_1^{-1}) \\ &= (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n) \phi_{h_1}(\phi_{h_1^{-1}}(n_1^{-1})); h_1 h_1^{-1}) \\ &= (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n) \phi_{e_H}(n_1^{-1}); e_H) \\ &= (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n) n_1^{-1}; e_H) \in G_1 \end{aligned}$$

Since ϕ_{h_1} is an automorphism in N , there is a one-on-one relation between an element of G_1 i.e. $(n; e_H)$ and $(n_1; h_1)(n; e_H)(n_1; h_1)^{-1}$

Thus $(n_1; h_1) G_1 (n_1; h_1)^{-1} = G_1$ i.e. $G_1 \triangleleft G$

⊕ $G_1 \cap G_2 = \{e_G\}$ which is easy to see

⊕ $\forall (n; e_H) \in G_1; \forall (e_N; h) \in G_2$ one has:

$$(n; e_H)(e_N; h) = (n \phi_{e_H}(e_N); h) = (n; h)$$

Which means $G_1 G_2 = G$ i.e. $\forall g \in G, \exists g_1; g_2$ s.t. $g = g_1 g_2$ ($g_i \in G_i$)

So we have proved that G_1 and G_2 satisfy 3 conditions for semi-direct product i.e. $G_1 \odot G_2 = G$

II, From Inner semi-direct product to Outer semi-direct product

Let G be a group with 2 subgroups $N; H$ satisfying :

- 1, N is normal in G
 - 2, $N \cap H = \{e_G\}$
 - 3, $NH = G$
- } i.e. $G = N \odot H$

Let $n_1; n_2 \in N$; $h_1; h_2 \in H$ one has:

$$(n_1 h_1 n_2 h_2 = (n_1 h_1 n_2 h_1^{-1}) (h_1 h_2)$$

Since N is normal, we can set : $\phi_{h_1} : N \rightarrow N$
 $n \rightarrow h_1 n h_1^{-1}$

and it's easy to see that ϕ_{h_1} is an automorphism in N

And so it's natural to set : $\phi : H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$
 $h \rightarrow \phi_h$

Firstly, check that ϕ is a homomorphism

Indeed, $\bigwedge [\phi_{h_1} \circ \phi_{h_2}](n) = \phi_{h_1}(\phi_{h_2}(n)) = h_1(h_2 n h_2^{-1}) h_1^{-1}$
 for any $h_1; h_2 \in H$ $= h_1 h_2 n (h_1 h_2)^{-1}$
 $= \phi_{h_1 h_2}(n)$

And so we can construct $N \rtimes_{\phi} H = \{(n; h) \mid n \in N, h \in H\}$ with the operation $(n_1; h_1)(n_2; h_2) = (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n_2); h_1 h_2)$

Finally, we need to show that G is isomorphic to $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$

Indeed, let $\varphi : G \cong NH \rightarrow N \rtimes_{\phi} H$ be a bijective map
 $nh \rightarrow (n; h)$

Clearly, $\varphi(n_1 h_1) \varphi(n_2 h_2) = (n_1; h_1)(n_2; h_2) = (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n_2); h_1 h_2)$
 $= (n_1 h_1 n_2 h_1^{-1}; h_1 h_2)$
 $= \varphi(n_1 h_1 n_2 h_2)$

So φ is an isomorphism from G to $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$ i.e. $G \cong N \rtimes_{\phi} H$