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§4 abelian extensions of Leibniz algebras & representations

Definition an abelian extension of Leibniz algebras is

a short exact sequence of Leibniz algebras

$0 = \ker \alpha$ α is 1:1
 $\text{im } \beta = \mathfrak{g}$ β is onto
 $\text{im } \alpha = \ker \beta$

$$0 \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathfrak{h} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow 0$$

$\text{im} = \ker$ α $\text{im} = \ker$ β $\text{im} = \ker$

with M an abelian Leibniz algebra (which is to say, an abelian Lie algebra, $[x, y] = 0 \ \forall x, y$)

$$\mathfrak{g} \simeq \mathfrak{h} / \ker \beta = \mathfrak{h} / \text{im } \alpha \simeq \mathfrak{h} / M$$

This sequence allows the definition of 2 actions of $\mathfrak{g}$ on $\frac{\mathfrak{h}}{M}$

#1 $\mathfrak{g} \times M \rightarrow M \quad [g, m] := [\tilde{g}, m]$

($\tilde{g}$ is a lifting of $g \in \mathfrak{g}$ to $\mathfrak{h}$ i.e. $\mathfrak{g} \simeq \frac{\mathfrak{h}}{M}$
 M is ideal in $\mathfrak{h}$, and $\mathfrak{g} = \tilde{g} + M$, so $\tilde{g} \in \mathfrak{h}$, $m \in M \subset \mathfrak{h}$
 and $[\tilde{g}, m] \in M$ is the bracket in $\mathfrak{h}$)



#2 $M \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow M \quad [m, g] = [m, \tilde{g}]$

The Leibniz identity (L) $[x, [y, z]] = [[x, y], z] - [[x, z], y]$
 in the Leibniz algebra $\mathfrak{h}$ implies the relations

(MLL) $[m, [x, y]] = [[m, x], y] - [[m, y], x]$

(LML) $[x, [m, y]] = [[x, m], y] - [[x, y], m]$

(LLM) $[x, [y, m]] = [[x, y], m] - [[x, m], y]$

(think left derivations with a twist)