# Elementary fibrations and quotients of groupoids 

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## Introduction

In the theory of doctrines the tight link between equality and quotients is expressed by the following (co)monadicities:

where the 2-comonad $T$ is colax-idempotent and it induces the 2-monad $\mathrm{T}^{\prime}$.
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## Elementary fibrations I

A fibration $p: \mathcal{E} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is elementary if

1. it has finite products,
2. for every $Z, X$ in $\mathcal{B}$ and $A \in \mathcal{E}_{Z \times X}$, there is a cocartesian lift at $A$ over $\operatorname{pr}_{1,2,2}$

$$
\begin{gathered}
A \xrightarrow[A]{\delta_{A}^{Z}}+\exists_{Z, X} A \\
Z \times X \xrightarrow{\mathrm{pr}_{1,2,2}} Z \times X \times X
\end{gathered}
$$

3. and cocartesian arrows over the parametrised diagonals $\mathrm{pr}_{1,2,2}$ are product-stable and pairable.


## Elementary fibrations - Examples

1. The fibration of predicates over contexts for a first-order language with equality. More generally, elementary doctrines are (essentially) faithful elementary fibrations.
2. The fibrations $\operatorname{Sub}_{\mathcal{C}}$ and $\operatorname{Var}_{C}$, when $\mathcal{C}$ has finite products and (weak) pullbacks.
3. The fibration cod: $\mathfrak{M} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$, when $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M})$ is a (suitable) orthogonal factorisation system on $C$.
4. The fibration $\operatorname{Fam}(C) \longrightarrow S$ et, when $\mathcal{C}$ has finite products and a strict initial object.
5. The fibration cod: $\mathcal{C}^{2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$, when $\mathcal{C}$ has finite limits.
6. cod: SCIsoFib $\longrightarrow$ Cat, where SCIsoFib = split isofibrations and morphisms preserving the cleavage on the nose.

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\exists_{z, x}(A) \cong \mathrm{pr}_{1,2}^{*} \mathrm{~A} \wedge \mathrm{pr}_{2,3}{ }^{*} \mathrm{I}_{X}=A \times_{X} \mathrm{I}_{X}
$$

and WLOG

$$
\delta_{A}^{Z}=\left\langle\operatorname{id}_{A}, \delta_{X} \circ!_{A}\right\rangle: A \rightarrow A \times_{X} \mathrm{I}_{X}
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## Groupoids from elementary fibrations

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Then $\mathrm{I}_{X} \in \mathcal{E}_{X_{x x}}$ has a groupoid structure with unit the loop $\delta_{X}$ and

where $\mathrm{I}_{X} \times \mathrm{X}_{X} \mathrm{I}_{X}=\mathrm{pr}_{1,2}{ }^{*} \mathrm{I}_{X} \wedge \mathrm{pr}_{2,3}{ }^{*} \mathrm{I}_{X}$.
Groupoid equations hold since they hold on "reflexivities" $\delta_{(-)}$.

## Groupoids in fibrations with products

$p: \mathcal{E} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$ a fibration with products.
A $p$-groupoid $\mathbb{X}$ on $X \in \mathcal{B}$ is a groupoid in $\mathcal{E}$ on the fibred terminal object $T_{X}$, sitting over the codiscrete groupoid on $X$ :

p-groupoids form a category $\mathcal{G} p d(p)$ fibred over $\mathcal{B}$ via Ob: $\mathbb{X} \mapsto X$.
Examples:

1. If $p$ is elementary, then $\mathrm{I}_{X}=\left(X, \mathrm{I}_{X}\right)$ is a $p$-groupoid.
2. If $\mathcal{C}$ has pullbacks and $p=\operatorname{cod}: \mathcal{C}^{2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$, then $\operatorname{Gpd}(p)=\mathcal{G p d}(\mathcal{C})$.
3. For $(\mathcal{V}, \otimes, I)$, if $p=\operatorname{Fam}(\mathcal{V}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Set}$, then $\mathcal{G p d}(p)=\mathcal{V}-\mathcal{G p d}$.

## Actions of $p$-groupoids

An action of a $p$-groupoid $\mathbb{X}=\left(X, \bar{X}, \mathrm{un}_{\mathbb{X}}, \mathrm{cmp}_{\mathbb{X}}, \operatorname{inv}_{\mathbb{X}}\right)$ is given by $A \in \mathcal{E}_{X}$ and

$$
A \times_{X} \bar{X} \xrightarrow{\alpha} A
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If $p$ is elementary, $\mathscr{A c t}\left(\mathrm{I}_{X}\right) \cong \mathcal{E}_{X}$ since $\delta_{A}^{Z}=\left\langle\operatorname{id}_{A}, \delta_{X} \circ!_{A}\right\rangle: A \longrightarrow A \times_{X} \mathrm{I}_{X}$ is cocartesian.

## The reader comonad

$\mathcal{B}$ a category with finite products.
The reader comonad $(-) \times X: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ induces a monad $\mathrm{M}_{X}$ on its Kleisli category

with unit

$$
Z \xrightarrow{\mathrm{id}_{Z \times X}} Z \times X \quad Z \times X \xrightarrow{\mathrm{~L}_{X}} \quad \mathrm{pr}_{1,2,2} Z \times X \times X
$$

and multiplication

$$
Z \times X \times X \xrightarrow{\mathrm{pr}_{1,2}} Z \times X \quad \mathrm{~L}_{X} \quad Z \times X \times X \times X \xrightarrow{\mathrm{pr}_{1,2,4}} Z \times X \times X
$$

## The (fibred) reader comonad

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$S$ is a split fibration, called the simple fibration on $\mathcal{B}$.
The fibre of S over $X$ is the Kleisli category of the reader comonad $(-) \times X$.
On a side: Coalg $((-) \times X) \cong \mathcal{B} / X$, but cod is not a fibration in general.

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The pair $(\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{H})$ is a monad in Fib on $p^{\mathrm{kl}}$ over Ob: $\operatorname{Gpd}(p) \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$.

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## A fibration of $p$-groupoid actions - Examples

1. When $p$ is faithful ( $\sim$ primary doctrine), $\bar{p}: \mathscr{A c t}(p) \longrightarrow \mathcal{G p d}(p)$ is ( $\sim$ ) the doctrine of descent data over $p$-equivalence relations.
2. When $p=\operatorname{Set} \longrightarrow 1, \mathcal{G} p d(p)=\mathcal{G} r p$ and $\mathscr{A c t}(p)_{G}=\operatorname{Set}^{G}$ is the topos of $G$-sets.
3. When $p=\operatorname{Top} \longrightarrow 1, \operatorname{Gpd}(p)=\operatorname{Top} \operatorname{Grp}$ and $\operatorname{Act}(p)_{G}$ is the category of continuous $G$-actions.
4. For $C$ with finite limits and $p=\operatorname{cod}: C^{2} \longrightarrow C, G p d(p)=\mathcal{G p d}(C)$ and objects of $\operatorname{Act}(p)$ are internal actions: ${ }^{1}$

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## Monadic $p$-groupoid actions

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If $\mathcal{B}$ has pullbacks and $p$ has $B C$ for all pullbacks, then $\mathscr{A c t}(p)_{K_{f}} \cong \mathcal{D e s}(f)$ and the Bénabou-Roubaud Theorem follows: ${ }^{2}$ an arrow $f$ is of effective descent if and only if $f^{*}$ is monadic.

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## A 2-comonad for elementary fibrations I

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$\left(A, \alpha: H_{X} A \rightarrow A\right) \longmapsto A$


A coalgebra equips $p$ with the elementary structure.
Theorem (E.-Pasquali-Rosolini)

1. The 2 -functor $\overline{(-)}$ lands in ElFib.
2. It provides a left 2-adjoint to the forgetful ElFib $\longrightarrow$ PrdFib.
3. The canonical comparison 2-functor is a 2-equivalence.

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such that $(Q, P)$ is a reflector for $\eta_{p}$, i.e. $(Q, P) \dashv \eta_{p}$ with invertible counit. In particular: $Q\left(X, \mathrm{I}_{X}\right) \cong X$, naturally in $X$.

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i.e. a bijection between morphisms of groupoids $(f, \bar{f})$ as above and arrows $g: Q(X) \rightarrow Y$ such that $g \circ q_{X}=f$.

Moreover:

1. The groupoid $\mathbb{X}$ is the kernel $p$-groupoid of $q$, i.e. $\mathbb{X} \cong(q \times q)^{*} \mathrm{I}_{Q(X)}$.
2. Every $q_{\mathbb{X}}$ is of effective descent, i.e. $\mathcal{E}_{Q(X)} \cong \mathscr{A c t}(p)_{\mathbb{X}}$.

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