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Frobenius Galois Rings and Corings

Brzeziński observed that the language of corings can be applied to give a unified approach to Galois theories that existed in the literature, such as Galois theory for field and commutative ring extensions with action by a finite group, Hopf-Galois theory, Galois theory for entwining structures and others. In view of duality, the theory becomes more elegant if we consider a coring that is finitely generated and projective over the base ring. However, the nicest situation is when the coring is Frobenius (that is, it is a Frobenius monoid in the category of bimodules). For instance, we do not need flatness assumptions in order to have a structure theorem. For example, the coring that is needed in order to describe Galois theory for commutative ring extensions with a finite group action (or even a finite partial group action or a partial finite groupoid action) is Frobenius. The aim of this talk is to develop a streamlined theory, based on the notions of Frobenius pairs and Frobenius monads in 2-categories.