# Sequentially split \*-homomorphisms (Part I) Workshop on Structure and Classification of C\*-algebras

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#### Remark

Out of all the permanence properties, the above is the furthest from being trivial. A technique by Kirchberg makes it possible to reduce this to the case of A and B being Kirchberg algebras. From then on, one needs to use Kirchberg-Phillips classification paired with (weak) semiprojectivity arguments.

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# Thank you for your attention!

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