



## ON THE H-GROUP

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, with the help of  $\tilde{p}$ -map, we have defined an H-transversal for an H-group and then we have shown that  $\tilde{p}(G)$  is an H-group.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

We have observed that Ramji Lal and Ungar & Foguel in their papers [3, 4] have studied transversals in groups in abstract sense. In our paper namely, H-transversal in H-groups [5], we have studied transversals in topological sense and then we have shown that there is a canonical H-group structure on  $\tilde{p}(G)$  with respect to which the inclusion  $\tilde{p}(G) \xrightarrow{i} G$  is an H-subgroup of an H-group  $(G, \mu)$  where map  $\tilde{p}$  be an H-transversal.

In this paper, using  $\tilde{p}$ -map, we have defined another H-transversal for an H-group. Then we have proved that  $\tilde{p}(G)$  is also an H-group.

**Note:** Throughout the paper  $\approx$  represents homotopy between two maps.

1.  $\tilde{p}$ -map and H-Space

In the present section, we have defined  $\tilde{p}$ -map, topological group, H-space, etc [1, 2, 6].

**Definition 2.1:** Let  $G$  be a group with identity  $e$ . A map  $\tilde{p}$  from  $G$  to  $G$  satisfying the following properties:

- (i)  $\tilde{p}(e) = e$
- (ii)  $\tilde{p}^2 = \tilde{p}$
- (iii)  $\tilde{p}(g_1 g_2) = \tilde{p}(\tilde{p}(g_1) g_2)$ , is called a  $\tilde{p}$ -map.

**Example 2.2:** Identity map  $I$  on the group  $G$  is a  $\tilde{p}$ -map.

**Proposition 2.3:** Let  $G$  be a group with identity  $e$ . Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and  $S$  be a right transversal (with identity) to  $H$  in  $G$ . Since each  $g \in G$  can be uniquely written as  $hx$  where  $h \in H$  and  $x \in S$ . Then a map  $\tilde{p}: G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $\tilde{p}(g) = x$  is a  $\tilde{p}$ -map.

**Proof:** Proof follows from proposition 2.3 of [6].

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**Proposition 2.4:** Let  $G$  be a group with identity  $e$  and  $\tilde{p}: G \rightarrow G$  be a  $\tilde{p}$ -map. Then the set  $H = \{g \in G : \tilde{p}(g) = e\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

**Proof:** Proof follows from proposition 2.6 of [6].

**Proposition 2.5:** Let  $G$  be a group with identity  $e$  and  $\tilde{p}: G \rightarrow G$  be a  $\tilde{p}$ -map. Then the subset  $S = \{p(g) : g \in G\}$  of  $G$  is a right transversal with identity to the subgroup  $H = \{g \in G : \tilde{p}(g) = e\}$  in  $G$ .

**Proof:** Proof follows from proposition 2.7 of [6].

**Definition 2.6:** A **topological group**  $G$  is a group that is also a topological space, satisfying the requirements that the map of  $G \times G$  into  $G$  sending  $x \times y$  into  $x \cdot y$ , and the map of  $G$  into  $G$  sending  $x$  into  $x^{-1}$ , are continuous.

**Definition 2.7:** A nonempty topological space with a base point is called a pointed topological space.

**Definition 2.8:** A pointed topological space  $G$  with base point  $e_0$  together with a continuous multiplication  $\mu: G \times G \rightarrow G$  for which the unique constant map  $c: G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $c(x) = e_0$ , is a homotopy identity, that is, each composite  $G \xrightarrow{(c \times 1)} G \times G \xrightarrow{\mu} G$  and  $G \xrightarrow{(1 \times c)} G \times G \xrightarrow{\mu} G$  is homotopic to identity map  $(1_G: G \rightarrow G)$ , is called an **H-space**.

**Example 2.8:** Any topological group is an H-space.

### 3. H-GROUP AND H-TRANSVERSAL

In this section, by defining H-group and H-transversal, we have shown that  $\tilde{p}(G)$  is an H-group. (Theorem 3.13)

**Definition 3.1:** Let  $G$  be an H-space. The continuous multiplication  $\mu: G \times G \rightarrow G$  is said to be **homotopy associative** if  $\mu \circ (\mu \times 1) \approx \mu \circ (1 \times \mu)$ .

**Definition 3.2:** Let  $G$  be an H-space. A continuous function  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$  is called a **homotopy inverse** for  $G$  and  $\mu$  if each of the composites  $G \xrightarrow{(\varphi \times 1)} G \times G \xrightarrow{\mu} G$  and  $G \xrightarrow{(1 \times \varphi)} G \times G \xrightarrow{\mu} G$  is homotopic to homotopy identity  $c: G \rightarrow G$ .

**Definition 3.3:** A homotopy associative H-space with a homotopy inverse satisfies the group axioms upto homotopy. Such a pointed space is called an **H-group**.

**Example 3.4:** Any topological group is also an H-group.

**Definition 3.5:** The continuous multiplication  $\mu: G \times G \rightarrow G$  in an H-group  $G$  is said to be **homotopy abelian** if  $\mu \circ T \approx \mu$  where the map  $T: G \times G \rightarrow G \times G$  is defined by  $T(p_1, p_2) = (p_2, p_1)$ .

**Definition 3.6:** An H-group with homotopy abelian multiplication is called an **abelian H-group**.

**Definition 3.7:** If  $G$  and  $G'$  are H-groups with multiplication  $\mu$  and  $\mu'$  respectively. A continuous map  $\alpha: G \rightarrow G'$  is called a **homomorphism** if  $\alpha \circ \mu \approx \mu' \circ (\alpha, \alpha)$ .

**Definition 3.8:** If  $G$  and  $G'$  are H-groups with multiplication  $\mu$  and  $\mu'$  respectively. A homomorphism  $\alpha: G \rightarrow G'$  is called an **H-map** if  $\alpha \circ c \approx c' \circ \alpha$  where  $c$  and  $c'$  are homotopy identity for  $G$  and  $G'$  respectively.

**Definition 3.9:** An equivalence class of monomorphism in the category of H-groups is called an **H-subgroup**. More explicitly, let  $(G, \mu)$  be an H-group. An H-subgroup is an H-group  $(K, \nu)$  together with an H-map  $\varphi: K \rightarrow G$  if given any H-group  $(L, \eta)$  and two H-maps  $f_1, f_2: L \rightarrow K$  such that  $\varphi \circ f_1 \approx \varphi \circ f_2 \Rightarrow f_1 \approx f_2$ . Thus  $[\varphi]$  is a

class of monomorphisms in the category of H-groups (objects are H-groups and morphisms are equivalence class of H-maps). This described a subgroup as an equivalence class of H-maps.

**Definition 3.10:** Consider the set  $S = \{\varphi: K \rightarrow G \text{ is an } H\text{-map} : (K, \nu) \text{ is an } H\text{-subgroup of an } H\text{-group } (G, \mu)\}$ .

Define two H-maps  $\varphi_1: K_1 \rightarrow G$  and  $\varphi_2: K_2 \rightarrow G$  **equivalent** if there exists H-maps  $h_1: K_1 \rightarrow K_2$  and

$h_2: K_2 \rightarrow K_1$  such that  $h_2 \circ h_1 \approx I_{K_1}$ ,  $h_1 \circ h_2 \approx I_{K_2}$ ,  $\varphi_2 \circ h_1 \approx \varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_1 \circ h_2 \approx \varphi_2$ .

**Proposition 3.11:** Let  $(X, x_0)$  and  $(Y, y_0)$  be two pointed topological spaces. Then  $\Omega X = \{\omega: \omega: I \rightarrow X \text{ is a loop based at } x_0\}$  is an H-group with continuous multiplication  $\mu$ . Similarly  $\Omega Y = \{\omega: \omega: I \rightarrow Y \text{ is a loop based at } y_0\}$  is an H-group with continuous multiplication  $\nu$ . Let  $f: (Y, y_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$  is a continuous map. Then  $(\Omega Y, \nu)$  is an H-subgroup together with an H-map  $(\Omega Y, \nu) \xrightarrow{f} (\Omega X, \mu)$ .

**Proof:** Proof follows from proposition 2.14 of [5].

**Definition 3.12:** An **H-transversal** in an H-group  $(G, \mu)$  is a continuous identity preserving map  $\tilde{p}: G \rightarrow G$  such that

$$(i) \quad \tilde{p}^2 \approx \tilde{p}$$

$$(ii) \quad \tilde{p} \circ \mu \approx \tilde{p} \circ \mu \circ (\tilde{p} \times 1_G)$$

**Theorem 3.13:** Let  $(G, \mu)$  be an H-group with base point identity element  $e$  of the group  $G$ . Let  $\tilde{p}$  be an H-transversal in an H-group  $(G, \mu)$ . Then  $\tilde{p}(G)$  is an H-group with respect to the operation  $\nu$  defined as follows  $\nu(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)) = (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2))$  for all  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ .

**Proof:** Since  $\tilde{p}$  be an H-transversal in an H-group  $(G, \mu)$  then we have  $\tilde{p} \circ \mu \approx \tilde{p} \circ \mu \circ (\tilde{p} \times 1_G)$

Thus there is a homotopy  $H: G \times G \times I \rightarrow G$  such that

$$H((g_1, g_2), 0) = \tilde{p}(\mu(g_1, g_2))$$

$$H((g_1, g_2), 1) = \tilde{p}(\mu(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2))) \text{ for all } g_1, g_2 \in G$$

Define a product  $\nu: \tilde{p}(G) \times \tilde{p}(G) \rightarrow \tilde{p}(G)$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)) &= H((\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)), 0) \\ &= \tilde{p}(\mu(\tilde{p}(\tilde{p}(g_1)), \tilde{p}(g_2))) \\ &= \tilde{p}(\mu(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2))) \\ &= (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)) \end{aligned}$$

We show that  $(\tilde{p}(G), \nu)$  is an H-group.

Since  $\tilde{p}$  and  $\mu$  are continuous so is  $\nu$ .

Now,

(i) Since  $G$  is an H-group so the constant map  $c_G: G \rightarrow G$  given by  $c_G(g) = e$  is a homotopy identity that is,  $\mu \circ (c_G \times 1_G)$  is homotopic to identity map  $1_G$  and similarly  $\mu \circ (1_G \times c_G)$  is also homotopic to identity map  $1_G$ .

Now for  $\tilde{p}(g) \in \tilde{p}(G)$ , we have

$$(\mu \circ (c_G \times 1_G))\tilde{p}(g) = \mu \circ (c_G(\tilde{p}(g)), \tilde{p}(g)) = \mu(e, \tilde{p}(g))$$

Let  $c_{\tilde{p}(G)}: \tilde{p}(G) \rightarrow \tilde{p}(G)$  denote constant map on  $\tilde{p}(G)$  defined by  $c_{\tilde{p}(G)}(\tilde{p}(g)) = \tilde{p}(e) = e$ . Replacing  $G$  above by  $\tilde{p}(G)$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{v} \circ (c_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}))(\tilde{p}(g)) &= (\mathbf{v}(c_{\tilde{p}(G)}(\tilde{p}(g)), \tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &= \mathbf{v}(e, \tilde{p}(g)) \\
 &= (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(e, \tilde{p}(g)) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)((c_G \times 1_G)(\tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &\approx \tilde{p}((\mu \circ (c_G \times 1_G))(\tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &\approx \tilde{p}(1_G(\tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &\approx \tilde{p}(\tilde{p}(g)) \\
 &\approx \tilde{p}(g) \\
 &\approx 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}(\tilde{p}(g))
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\mathbf{v} \circ (c_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}) \approx 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}$

Similarly,  $\mathbf{v} \circ (1_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times c_{\tilde{p}(G)}) \approx 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}$

Thus  $c_{\tilde{p}(G)}$  is homotopic identity for  $(\tilde{p}(G), \mathbf{v})$ .

(ii) Let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$  be homotopy inverse for  $(G, \mu)$ . So  $\mu \circ (\varphi \times 1_G)$  and  $\mu \circ (1_G \times \varphi)$  are homotopic to homotopy identity  $c_G$  for  $G$ .

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{v} \circ (1_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times \varphi_{\tilde{p}(G)}))(\tilde{p}(g)) &= \mathbf{v}(\tilde{p}(g), \varphi_{\tilde{p}(G)}(\tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &= \mathbf{v}(\tilde{p}(g), \tilde{p}(g_1)) \text{ for some } g_1 \in G \\
 &= (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(1_G(\tilde{p}(g)), \varphi(\tilde{p}(g))) \quad [ \because \tilde{p}(g) \in \tilde{p}(G) \subset G ] \\
 &= (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)((1_G \times \varphi)(\tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &= \tilde{p}((\mu \circ (1_G \times \varphi))(\tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &\approx \tilde{p}(c_G(\tilde{p}(g))) \\
 &\approx \tilde{p}(e) \\
 &\approx e \\
 &\approx c_{\tilde{p}(G)}(\tilde{p}(g))
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mathbf{v} \circ (1_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times \varphi_{\tilde{p}(G)}) \approx c_{\tilde{p}(G)}$

Similarly, we can show that  $\mathbf{v} \circ (\varphi_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}) \approx c_{\tilde{p}(G)}$

Hence  $\varphi_{\tilde{p}(G)}$  is homotopy inverse for  $\tilde{p}(G)$ .

(iii) Since  $(G, \mu)$  is associative. So we have  $\mu \circ (\mu \times 1_G) \approx \mu \circ (1_G \times \mu)$ .

Now, replacing  $G$  by  $\tilde{p}(G)$ , we have to show that  $\mathbf{v} \circ (1_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times \mathbf{v}) \approx \mathbf{v} \circ (\mathbf{v} \times 1_{\tilde{p}(G)})$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{v} \circ (1_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times \mathbf{v}))(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3)) &= \mathbf{v}(\tilde{p}(g_1), \mathbf{v}(\tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &= \mathbf{v}(\tilde{p}(g_1), (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(\tilde{p}(\tilde{p}(g_1)), \tilde{p}(\mu(\tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3)))) \quad [ \text{Since } \tilde{p}^2 \approx \tilde{p} ] \\
 &\approx ((\tilde{p} \circ \mu) \circ \tilde{p} \times \tilde{p})(\tilde{p}(g_1), \mu(\tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3)))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\approx ((\tilde{p} \circ \mu \circ (\tilde{p} \times 1_G)) \circ \tilde{p} \times \tilde{p})(1_G \times \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &\quad \text{[Since } \tilde{p} \circ \mu \approx \tilde{p} \circ \mu \circ (\tilde{p} \times 1_G)\text{]} \\
 &\approx ((\tilde{p} \circ \mu) \circ ((\tilde{p} \times 1_G) \circ \tilde{p} \times \tilde{p}))(1_G \times \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &\approx ((\tilde{p} \circ \mu) \circ (\tilde{p} \times 1_G))(1_G \times \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &\quad \text{[Since } (\tilde{p} \times 1_G) \circ \tilde{p} \times \tilde{p} = \tilde{p} \times 1_G \text{ on } \tilde{p}(G)\text{]} \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(1_G \times \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ (\mu \circ (1_G \times \mu)))(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3)) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ (\mu \circ (\mu \times 1_G)))(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3)) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(\mu \times 1_G)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3)) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu \circ (\tilde{p} \times 1_G))(\mu(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)), \tilde{p}(g_3)) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu \circ ((\tilde{p} \times 1_G) \circ (\tilde{p} \times \tilde{p})))(\mu(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)), \tilde{p}(g_3)) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu \circ (\tilde{p} \times 1_G))(\tilde{p}(\mu(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2))), \tilde{p}(\tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &\approx (\tilde{p} \circ \mu)((\tilde{p} \circ \mu)(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)), \tilde{p}(g_3)) \\
 &\approx v(v(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2)), \tilde{p}(g_3)) \\
 &\approx v((v \circ 1_{\tilde{p}(G)})(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))) \\
 &\approx (v \circ (v \circ 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}))(\tilde{p}(g_1), \tilde{p}(g_2), \tilde{p}(g_3))
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $(v \circ (1_{\tilde{p}(G)} \times v)) \approx (v \circ (v \circ 1_{\tilde{p}(G)}))$

Hence  $(\tilde{p}(G), v)$  is an H-group.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

In our paper, extension of groups using  $\tilde{p}$ -maps [6], we have shown that  $G$  be an extension of the subgroup  $H = \{g \in G : \tilde{p}(g) = e\}$  with a right transversal  $S = \{p(g) : g \in G\}$ . In this paper, we have tried to find out its approach in topological sense by making  $\tilde{p}$  to be continuous map. We are hopeful that using category theory, one can find some relationship between algebraic and topological approach.

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