

1. Suppose G is a topological group and H closed subgroup of G . A local cross-section of canonical projection $\pi: G \rightarrow G/H$ is a continuous mapping $s: U \rightarrow G$ defined on some open non-empty subset U of G/H such that $\pi(s(x)) = x$ for all $x \in U$.

If there exists at least one local cross-section of $\pi: G \rightarrow G/H$ we say that canonical projection π admits local cross-section.

a) Suppose $\pi: G \rightarrow G/H$ admits local cross-section. Prove that every point $x \in G/H$ has an open neighbourhood U such that there exists local cross section $s: U \rightarrow G$ of π .

b) Suppose $s: U \rightarrow G$ is a local cross-section of π , where U is open subset of G/H . Suppose $g \in \pi^{-1}(U)$ and let $g' = s(\pi(g))$. Prove that $gH = g'H$.

c) Suppose $\pi: G \rightarrow G/H$ admits local cross-section. Let $g \in G$. Prove that there exists a local cross section $s: U \rightarrow G$ of π such that $g \in \pi^{-1}U$ and $s(\pi(g)) = g$.

2. Suppose G is a topological group, H is its closed subgroups and suppose projection $\pi: G \rightarrow G/H$ admits local cross-section. Suppose X is an H -space and let $p: G \times_H X \rightarrow G/H$, $p([g, x]) = gH$.

Let $s: U \rightarrow G$ be a local cross section of π .

Define $\phi: p^{-1}U \rightarrow U \times X$, $\phi([g, x]) = (gH, (s(gH)^{-1}g)x)$, $\psi: U \times X \rightarrow p^{-1}U$, $\psi(gH, x) = [s(gH), x]$. Prove that ϕ and ψ are well-defined continuous G -mappings and inverses of each other (hence G -homeomorphisms) and the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 p^{-1}(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & U \times X \\
 & \searrow p & \swarrow pr_1 \\
 & & U
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

3. Suppose canonical projection $\pi: G \rightarrow G/H$ admits local cross-section. Suppose X is an H -space. Prove that canonical injection $i: X \rightarrow G \times_H X$, $i(x) = [e, x]$ is an embedding. (Hint: choose suitable local cross section and use the previous exercise.)

4. Suppose G is a topological group, H its closed subgroup and X is a G -space. Prove that the mapping $f: G \times X \rightarrow G/H \times X$ defined by

$$f([g, x]) = (gH, gx)$$

is a G -homeomorphism. Here G acts on $G/H \times X$ componentwise, $g \cdot (g'H, x) = (gg'H, gx)$.

5. Suppose X, Y, Z are G -spaces, $f: X \rightarrow Z, g: Y \rightarrow Z$ G -equivariant continuous mappings. Define

$$X \times_Z Y = \{(x, y) \in X \times Y \mid f(x) = g(y)\} \subset X \times Y.$$

The space $X \times_Z Y$ is called the *pull-back* of the pair (f, g) . Restrictions of projections $X \times_Z Y \rightarrow X$ and $X \times_Z Y \rightarrow Y$ defines continuous mappings $g': X \times_Z Y \rightarrow X$ and $f': X \times_Z Y \rightarrow Y$.

i) Prove that $X \times_Z Y$ is G -invariant subset of $X \times Y$, which has componentwise G -action, $g \cdot (x, y) = (gx, gy)$ and mappings f', g' are G -equivariant.

ii) Prove that $g \circ f' = g' \circ f$ i.e. the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times_Z Y & \xrightarrow{f'} & Y \\ \downarrow g' & & \downarrow g \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Z \end{array}$$

commutes.

iii) The push-out is *universal* with respect to such diagrams i.e. if W is a G -space, $\alpha: W \rightarrow X, \beta: W \rightarrow Y$ are G -equivariant mappings such that $g \circ \beta = \alpha \circ f$, then there exist unique G -equivariant mapping $h: W \rightarrow X \times_Z Y$ such that $f' \circ h = \beta, g' \circ h = \alpha$.

This is illustrated in the diagram below.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} W & & & & \\ & \searrow h & & \searrow \beta & \\ & & X \times_Z Y & \xrightarrow{f'} & Y \\ & \searrow \alpha & \downarrow g' & & \downarrow g \\ & & X & \xrightarrow{f} & Z \end{array}$$

6. Here $X, Y, Z, X \times_Z Y, f, g, f', g'$ are as in the exercise 5. above. Prove the following claims.
- If f is surjective, f' is also surjective.
 - If f is injective, f' is also injective.
 - If f is open, f' is open.

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