

# The topological structure of $\mathcal{D}$ -classes

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Let  $S$  be a compact, topological semigroup with identity. Suppose  $D$ ,  $L$  and  $R$  are the  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  classes of some  $x \in S$ . Let  $(L, \alpha, L/H)$ ,  $(R, \beta, R/H)$ ,  $(D, \gamma, D/H)$  and  $(D, \delta, D/R)$  be the fibre spaces gotten where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  are the natural maps. It is shown that  $(D, \gamma, D/H)$  has topologically the same structure as the fibre space associated with  $(L, \alpha, L/H)$  by  $R$ . Also if  $(L, \alpha, L/H)$  is locally trivial (locally a cartesian product) then so is  $(D, \delta, D/R)$  and if both  $(L, \alpha, L/H)$  and  $(R, \beta, R/H)$  are locally trivial then so is  $(D, \gamma, D/H)$ .

A compact simple semigroup is homeomorphic with the space  $(E \cap R_e) \times (E \cap L_e) \times H_e$  where  $R_e$ ,  $L_e$  and  $H_e$  are the  $\mathcal{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  classes of any arbitrarily chosen idempotent  $e$  of the semigroup [6]. Since such a semigroup is a single  $\mathcal{D}$ -class it is natural to ask if all  $\mathcal{D}$ -classes of compact semigroups possess a similar topological structure. Hunter and Anderson in [1] showed that, in general, a  $\mathcal{D}$ -class cannot be represented as a cartesian product similar to the above. However, they showed that a regular  $\mathcal{D}$ -class (a  $\mathcal{D}$ -class possessing an idempotent) is a special type of fibre space. In this paper we shall show that this is true for arbitrary  $\mathcal{D}$ -classes. All undefined terms and unstated theorems are to be found in [3].

First, we recall several definitions and results which appear in [2]. A *fibre space* is a triple  $(X, p, B)$  where  $p$  is a continuous open map of  $X$  onto  $B$  such that, for  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  in  $B$ ,  $p^{-1}(b_1)$  is homeomorphic with  $p^{-1}(b_2)$ .  $B$  is called the *base* and  $p^{-1}(b_1)$  is called the *fibre*. A fibre

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space is called *principal* if it is gotten by means of the action of a topological group. We say that  $(X,p,B)$  has a *cross-section*  $C$  if  $C$  is a closed subset of  $X$  such that  $p$  restricted to  $C$  is a homeomorphism onto  $B$ .  $(X,p,B)$  is trivial if it is homeomorphic to  $B \times p^{-1}(b)$  for any  $b \in B$ .  $(X,p,B)$  is locally trivial at  $b \in B$  if there is a closed neighborhood  $U$  of  $b$  such that  $(p^{-1}(U),p,U)$  is a trivial fibre space. Suppose  $(X,p,B)$  is a principal fibre space with group  $G$ . Assume that  $G$  acts on  $X$  on the right and that  $G$  acts on a space  $F$  on the left. We define a fibre space called the fibre space associated with  $(X,p,B)$  by  $F$  to be  $((X,F),p,B)$  where  $(X,F)$  is the orbit space of  $X \times F$  under the action of  $G$  and where  $q$  is the natural map of  $(X,F)$  onto  $B$ . The fibres of this space are homeomorphic with  $F$ . We shall refer to this space as  $(X,F)$ .

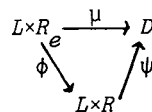
We shall assume in all that follows that  $S$  is a compact semigroup with identity. If  $S$  does not possess an identity, then an identity can be appended. This does not affect the  $\mathcal{D}$ -class structure of  $S$ .

We summarize several results in [5] to get:

LEMMA 1. Let  $x \in S$ . Then there are idempotents  $e$  and  $f$  in  $S$  such that  $x = fx = xe$ ,  $xR_e = R_x$ ,  $L_f x = L_x$ , and  $L_f x R_e = D_x$ .

Let  $D = D_x$  be any  $\mathcal{D}$ -class of a compact semigroup  $S$ . To simplify notation let  $H = H_x$ ,  $L = L_x$  and  $R = R_x$ . Suppose  $e$  and  $f$  are idempotents satisfying Lemma 1. Define a map  $\mu$  from  $L \times R_e$  to  $D$  by  $\mu(s,t) = st$ ; define a map  $\eta$  from  $R_e$  to  $R$  by  $\eta(t) = xt$ ; and define a map  $\phi$  from  $L \times R_e$  to  $L \times R$  by  $\phi(s,t) = (s,\eta(t))$ . Because multiplication is continuous in  $S$  all three maps are continuous and from Lemma 1 they are onto.

LEMMA 2. There is a continuous map  $\psi$  from  $L \times R$  onto  $D$  such that the diagram



is commutative.

**Proof.** Let  $(s_1, t_1)$  and  $(s_2, t_2)$  be in  $L \times R_e$  and suppose that  $\phi(s_1, t_1) = \phi(s_2, t_2)$ . Then  $s_1 = s_2$  and  $xt_1 = xt_2$ . Since  $s_1 \in L$  there is  $a \in S$  such that  $s_1 = ax$ . Then

$$\mu(s_1, t_1) = \mu(ax, t_1) = ax t_1 = ax t_2 = \mu(ax, t_2) = \mu(s_2, t_2).$$

Thus there is a map  $\psi$  from  $L \times R$  to  $D$  such that  $\psi \circ \phi = \mu$ . All spaces involved are compact so the map  $\psi$  is continuous. From Lemma 1  $\mu$  and  $\phi$  are onto so  $\psi$  is onto.  $\square$

**LEMMA 3.**  $\psi(s, t) \in R_s \cap L_t$  for all  $(s, t) \in L \times R$ . Also if  $\psi(s_1, t_1) = \psi(s_2, t_2)$  for  $(s_1, t_1)$  and  $(s_2, t_2)$  in  $L \times R$ , then  $s_1 H s_2$  and  $t_1 H t_2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $(s, t) \in L \times R$ . We may write  $s = ax$  and  $t = xb$  for some  $a, b \in S$ . Left multiplication by  $a$  maps  $R$  onto  $R_s$  and right multiplication by  $b$  maps  $L$  onto  $L_t$  [3].

$\psi(s, t) = \psi(ax, t) = (ax)\eta^{-1}(t) = at = axb$ . Since  $xb \in R$  we have  $a(xb) \in R_{ax} = R_s$  and since  $ax \in L$  we have  $(ax)b \in L_{xb} = L_t$ . Therefore  $\psi(s, t) \in R_s \cap L_t$ .

Now, suppose that  $\psi(s_1, t_1) = \psi(s_2, t_2)$ . Since  $\psi(s_i, t_i) \in R_{s_i} \cap L_{t_i}$  for  $i = 1, 2$  we must have  $R_{s_1} \cap L_{t_1} = R_{s_2} \cap L_{t_2}$ . This implies that  $R_{s_1} = R_{s_2}$  and  $L_{t_1} = L_{t_2}$ . But we already have  $s_1 L s_2$  and  $t_1 R t_2$ . Thus  $s_1 H s_2$  and  $t_1 H t_2$ .  $\square$

Let  $\Gamma$  and  $\Gamma'$  be the right and left Schützenberger groups associated with  $H$ .  $\Gamma$  acts on  $L$  on the right by defining  $s\gamma = a(x\gamma)$  for  $s \in L$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  where  $a$  is any element of  $S$  such that  $s = ax$ . Define a map  $\theta$  from  $\Gamma$  onto  $\Gamma'$  by  $\theta(\gamma) = \nu$  if  $x\gamma = \nu x$ .  $\theta$  is an isomorphism of  $\Gamma$  onto  $\Gamma'$ . By means of  $\theta$ ,  $\Gamma$  can be made to act on  $R$  on the left by defining  $\gamma r = \theta(\gamma)^{-1}r$  for  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $r \in R$ . Moreover,  $\Gamma$  acts on  $L \times R$  by defining  $(s, t)\gamma = (s\gamma, \theta(\gamma)^{-1}t)$  for  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $(s, t) \in L \times R$ . The orbit space of  $L$  by  $\Gamma$  is homeomorphic with  $L/H$  and the orbit space of  $L \times R$  by  $\Gamma$  is  $(L, R)$ , the fibre space associated with  $L$  by  $R$  having base  $L/H$  and fibre homeomorphic with  $R$ . Let  $\sigma$  be the map of  $(L, R)$  onto  $L/H$ .

It is known that for  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $v \in \Gamma'$   $w\gamma = v(x\gamma) = (w\gamma)$ . Also for  $a, b \in S$  we have  $(ax)\gamma = a(x\gamma)$  and  $v(xb) = (v\gamma)b$ .

LEMMA 4. *The decompositions induced on  $L \times R$  by the map  $\psi$  and the action of  $\Gamma$  are the same.*

Proof. To establish this result we shall show that

$\psi^{-1}(\psi(s, t)) = (s, t)\Gamma$  for any  $(s, t) \in L \times R$ . Suppose  $(s, t) \in L \times R$  with  $s = ax$  and  $t = xb$ . Then

$$\psi(s, t) = \mu(\phi^{-1}(s, t)) = \mu(ax, \eta^{-1}(t)) = ax\eta^{-1}(t) = at$$

since  $\eta^{-1}(t) = \{r \in R_e ; xr = t\}$ . If  $(s_1, t_1) = (s, t)\gamma$  for some  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , then we have

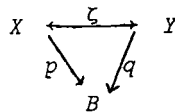
$$\begin{aligned} \psi(s_1, t_1) &= \psi(s\gamma, \theta(\gamma)^{-1}t) = (s\gamma)\eta^{-1}(\theta(\gamma)^{-1}t) \\ &= a(x\gamma)\eta^{-1}(\theta(\gamma)^{-1}t) = a(\theta(\gamma)x)\eta^{-1}(\theta(\gamma)^{-1}t) \\ &= a(\theta(\gamma)x\eta^{-1}(\theta(\gamma)^{-1}t)) = a(\theta(\gamma)\theta(\gamma)^{-1}t) \\ &= at = \psi(s, t). \end{aligned}$$

Now, if  $\psi(s, t) = \psi(s_1, t_1)$ , we have  $sHs_1$  and  $tHt_1$  by Lemma 3. We may write  $s_1 = s\gamma$  and  $t_1 = vt$  for some  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $v \in \Gamma'$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} at &= \psi(s, t) = \psi(s_1, t_1) = \psi(s\gamma, vt) \\ &= (s\gamma)\eta^{-1}(vt) = a(\theta(\gamma)x\eta^{-1}(vt)) \\ &= a\theta(\gamma)vt. \end{aligned}$$

Left multiplication by  $a$  is a one-to-one map of  $H_t$  onto  $H_{at}$ , so we must have  $\theta(\gamma)vt = t$ . This implies that  $v = \theta(\gamma)^{-1}$ , that is,  $(s_1, t_1) = (s, t)\gamma$ .

Let  $(X, p, B)$  and  $(Y, q, B)$  be two fibre spaces with the same base  $B$ . We say that a homeomorphism  $\zeta$  of  $X$  onto  $Y$  is a  $B$ -homeomorphism if the diagram



is commutative. We now show that  $D$  possesses the same topological structure as  $(L, R)$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *There is a  $L/H$ -homeomorphism  $\zeta$  from  $(L,R)$  onto  $D$ .*

**Proof.** From Lemma 4 we know that  $\psi$  and  $\Gamma$  induce the same decompositions on  $D$ . Let  $\zeta$  be the canonical homeomorphism of  $(L,R)$  onto  $D$ .  $\psi(\{s\}xR) = R$  for all  $s \in L$ , so the map  $\sigma$  of  $(L,R)$  onto  $L/H$  induces the map of  $D$  onto  $D/R$ . To complete the proof we identify  $L/H$  with  $D/R$  [1].

From [1] we know that  $(L,\alpha,L/H)$ ,  $(R,\beta,R/H)$ ,  $(D,\gamma,D/H)$  and  $(D,\delta,D/R)$  are fibre spaces where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  are the canonical maps.

**THEOREM 2.** *If  $(L,\alpha,L/H)$  is locally trivial (trivial), then the fibre space  $(D,\delta,D/R)$  is also. If  $(L,\alpha,L/H)$  and  $(R,\beta,R/H)$  are locally trivial (trivial), then so is  $(D,\gamma,D/H)$ .*

**Proof.** We may identify  $L/H$  with  $D/R$  since the  $R$ -relation on  $D$  restricted to  $L$  is the same as the  $H$ -relation. Choose  $x_0$  such that  $(\alpha^{-1}(U),\alpha,U)$  is a trivial fibre space.  $(\alpha^{-1}(U),\alpha,U)$  has a cross-section; call it  $C$ .  $C \times R$  is a closed subset of  $L \times R$ . We claim that  $\psi$  restricted to  $C \times R$  is a homeomorphism. Since  $C \times R$  is compact and the map is continuous, we need only show that it is one-to-one. Suppose  $c_1, c_2 \in C$  and  $r_1, r_2 \in R$  with  $\psi(c_1, r_1) = \psi(c_2, r_2)$ . Then from Lemma 3 we have  $c_1 H c_2$  and  $r_1 H r_2$ .  $C$  meets each  $H$ -class of  $L$  at most once, so  $c_1 = c_2$ . We may write  $c_1$  as  $ax$  for some  $a \in S$ . Then  $\psi(c_i, r_i) = ax\eta^{-1}(r_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . This implies that  $ar_1 = ar_2$ . But left multiplication by  $a$  is a one-to-one map of  $H_{r_1}$  onto  $H_{ar_1}$ , so  $r_1 = r_2$  and  $\psi$  restricted to  $C \times R$  is a homeomorphism. By the identification of  $L/H$  with  $D/R$  we see that  $\psi(C \times R) = \delta^{-1}(U)$  and hence  $(\delta^{-1}(U), \delta, U)$  is a trivial fibre space.

Now, suppose  $(L,\alpha,L/H)$  and  $(R,\beta,R/H)$  are locally trivial at  $\alpha(x)$  and  $\beta(x)$ , respectively. We may identify  $L/H \times R/H$  with  $D/H$  [1]. Choose  $U$  a closed neighborhood of  $\alpha(x)$  so that  $(\alpha^{-1}(U),\alpha,U)$  is trivial with cross-section  $C_1$ . Choose  $V$  a closed neighborhood of  $\beta(x)$  such that  $(\beta^{-1}(V),\beta,V)$  is trivial with cross-section  $C_2$ . Let  $W = \alpha^{-1}(U) \times \beta^{-1}(V)$ . By the first part of the theorem  $\gamma^{-1}(W)$  is

homeomorphic with  $C_1 \times \beta^{-1}(V)$ . Now  $\beta^{-1}(V)$  is homeomorphic with  $C_2 \times H$ , so  $\gamma^{-1}(W)$  is homeomorphic with  $C_1 \times H \times C_2$ . We need only prove the result for  $x$ , since all the definitions used can be reformulated for any other element of  $D$ .

The same proof is used in the trivial case using spaces instead of neighborhoods.

Although in general  $L$ ,  $R$  or  $\mathcal{D}$  classes are not trivial fibre spaces we have the following:

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $R_x(L_x)$  be an  $R$ -( $L$ -) class of the compact metric semigroup  $S$ . If  $R_x(L_x)$  is zero-dimensional, then  $R_x + R_x/H$  ( $L_x + L_x/H$ ) has a cross-section. Moreover, if  $D_x$  is zero-dimensional then  $D_x + D_x/H$  has a cross-section.*

**Proof.** The first part follows from [5], page 317, and the second part follows from Theorem 2.

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