

# Connected topological generalized groups

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## Abstract

In this paper, connected topological generalized groups are studied. We are going to show that: topological generalized groups with  $e$ -generalized subgroups are connected topological generalized groups. Connected factor spaces and stable connected component under identity are considered.

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## 1 Introduction

Generalized groups as an algebraic structure were deduced from a geometrical problem in 1998 ([8]). We recall that a generalized group is a non-empty

set  $G$  admitting an operation called multiplication, which satisfies the set of conditions given below:

- (i)  $(xy)z = x(yz)$  for all  $x, y, z$  in  $G$ ;
- (ii) for each  $x$  in  $G$  there exists a unique  $z$  in  $G$  such that  $xz = zx = x$  (we denote  $z$  by  $e(x)$ );
- (iii) for each  $x$  in  $G$  there exists  $y$  in  $G$  such that  $xy = yx = e(x)$ .

This structure has different meaning from Vagner (Wagner) generalized groups ([11]) and semigroups admitting relative inverse ([2,3]). In [1] Araújo and Konieczny by applying Rees theorem ([5,6,10]) proved that the notion of generalized groups is equivalent to the notion of completely simple semigroup. Properties of this structure from topological point of view was presented in [4] and [9]. We recall that ([9]) a topological generalized group  $G$  is a semigroup which satisfies the following conditions:

1. For each  $x \in G$  there is a unique  $e(x) \in G$  such that  $xe(x) = e(x)x = x$ ;
2. For each  $x \in G$  there exists  $x^{-1} \in G$  such that  $x(x^{-1}) = (x^{-1})x = e(x)$ ;
3.  $G$  is a Hausdorff topological space;
4. The mappings

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 : G &\rightarrow G \\ g &\mapsto g^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} m_2 : G \times G &\rightarrow G \\ (g, h) &\mapsto gh \end{aligned}$$

are continuous mappings.

If  $a \in G$  then  $G_a = e^{-1}(\{e(a)\})$  with the product of  $G$  is a topological group, and  $G$  is disjoint union of such topological groups.

**Example 1.1.** *The set  $G = \mathbf{R} \times (\mathbf{R} - \{0\})$  with the topology induced by a Euclidean metric, and with operation  $(a, b)(c, d) = (bc, bd)$  is a topological generalized group.*

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $G$  be a topological group, and let  $a^2 = e$  for all  $a \in G$ . Then the space  $G$  with the product  $a * b = aba$  is a topological generalized group.*

**Proof.** The condition  $a^2 = e$ , for all  $a \in G$ , implies that  $G$  is an Abelian group.

Let  $a, b$  and  $c$  belonging to  $G$  be given, then

$$\begin{aligned} (a * b) * c &= (aba) * c = ab(aca)ba \\ &= abcba = a(bcb)a = a(b * c)a = a * (b * c) . \end{aligned}$$

If  $a * b = b * a = a$ , then  $aba = a$ . So  $ab = e$ . Hence  $b = a$ . Thus  $e(a) = a$ .

Similarly  $a^{-1} = a$ , where  $a^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $a$  in  $(G, *)$ .

Therefore  $(G, *)$  is a generalized group. The product  $(a, b) \mapsto ab$  is a continuous mapping. So  $(a, b) \mapsto aba$  is a continuous mapping. Moreover  $a \mapsto a$  is also a continuous mapping. Thus  $(G, *)$  is a topological generalized group.

A generalized subgroup ([7])  $N$  of a generalized group  $G$  is called a generalized normal subgroup of  $G$  if there exists a generalized group  $E$  and a homomorphism  $f : G \rightarrow E$  such that for all  $a \in G$  we have

$N_a = \emptyset$  or  $N_a = \ker f_a$  where  $N_a := N \cap G_a$ ,  $f_a := f|_{G_a}$  and  $\ker f_a = \{x \in G_a : f(x) = f(e(a))\}$ .

If  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  and  $\Gamma_N = \{a \in G \mid N_a \neq \emptyset\}$ , then  $\Gamma_N$  is a generalized subgroup of  $G$ .

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $N$  be a generalized normal subgroup of the normal generalized group  $G$ , then the set  $G/N = \bigcup_{a \in G} G_a/N_a$  with the multiplication*

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot : G/N \times G/N &\longrightarrow G/N \\ (xN_a, yN_b) &\longmapsto xyN_{ab} \end{aligned}$$

*is a normal generalized group. [7]*

**Theorem 1.3.** *Let  $N$  be a closed generalized normal subgroup of  $G$ , then  $G/N$  is a topological generalized group. ([9])*

## 2 Properties which make connected topological generalized groups

In this section we shall study connected topological generalized group.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be a topological generalized group and let  $\text{card}(e(G)) < \infty$ . Then  $G_a$  is an open and closed subset of  $G$ , where  $a \in G$ .*

**Proof.** If  $\text{card}(e(G)) = 1$ , then  $G_a = G$  for all  $a \in G$ . So  $G_a$  is a closed and open set for all  $a \in G$ .

Let  $1 < \text{card}(e(G)) < \infty$ . Since  $e : G \rightarrow G$  is a continuous map ,

$G_a = e^{-1}(\{e(a)\})$  is a closed subset of  $G$ , where  $a \in G$ . Moreover

$$G_{e(a)} = G - \left( \bigcup_{e(b) \in e(G), e(b) \neq e(a)} G_{e(b)} \right).$$

So  $G_{e(a)}$  is also an open subset of  $G$ , for  $a \in G$ .

**Corollary 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be a topological generalized group and let  $1 < \text{card}(e(G)) < \infty$ , then  $G$  is not a connected set.*

**Proof.**  $G = \bigcup_{e(a) \in e(G)} G_{e(a)}$  and  $G_{e(a)} \cap G_{e(b)} = \phi$  for  $e(a) \neq e(b)$ . So corollary follows from Theorem 2.1.

**Theorem 2.2.** *If  $G$  is a topological generalized group,  $N$  is an open generalized normal subgroup of  $G$ , and  $\text{card}(e(G)) < \infty$ , then  $N$  is a closed subset of  $G$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $a \in G$  be given, then  $N_{e(a)} = N \cap G_{e(a)}$  is an open set in  $G_{e(a)}$ , and  $N_a$  is a normal subgroup of the topological group  $G_{e(a)}$ . So  $G_{e(a)} - N_{e(a)}$  is an open set in  $G_{e(a)}$ . Thus  $N_{e(a)}$  is a closed subgroup of  $G_{e(a)}$ , where the topology of  $G_{e(a)}$  is the relative topology. Hence there exists a closed subset  $F_{e(a)}$  in  $G$  such that  $N_{e(a)} = F_{e(a)} \cap G_{e(a)}$ . Thus

$$N = \bigcup_{e(a) \in e(G)} N_{e(a)} = \bigcup_{e(a) \in e(G)} (F_{e(a)} \cap G_{e(a)})$$

is a closed subgroup of  $G$ .

**Example 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be the set of non-zero real numbers, then  $G$  with the product  $a * b = a|b|$  is a topological generalized group. In this case  $e(G) = \{1, -1\}$ , and  $G$  is not a connected set.*

**Definition 2.1.** *A generalized subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  is called an  $e$ -generalized subgroup of  $G$  if  $e(G) \subseteq H$ , where  $e$  is the identity mapping.*

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $G$  be a topological generalized group and let  $G_a$  be a connected set, where  $a \in G$ . Suppose further that  $G$  has a connected e-generalized subgroup, then  $G$  is a connected set.*

**Proof.** Let  $a \in G$  be given, and let  $N$  be a connected e-generalized subgroup of  $G$ , then  $e(a) \in N \cap G_a$ . So  $N \cap G_a \neq \phi$ . Thus  $N \cup G_a$  is a connected set for all  $a \in G$ . Since  $N$  is a subset of  $(N \cup G_a) \cap (N \cup G_b)$  for all  $a, b \in G$ ,  $\bigcup_{a \in G} (N \cup G_a)$  is a connected set. We have  $G = \bigcup_{a \in G} (N \cup G_a)$ . So  $G$  is a connected set.

**Example 2.2.** *The set  $G = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  with the product*

$$(x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2) = (x_1 + y_1, x_2),$$

*and Euclidean topology is a topological normal generalized group.*

*If  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , then*

$$G_{(x_1, x_2)} = \mathbb{R} \times \{x_2\} \quad , \quad \text{and} \quad e(G) = \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}$$

*are connected sets. So  $G$  is a connected set.*

### 3 Connected factor spaces

In this section we are going to consider conditions which imply that a topological factor group is a connected topological factor group.

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $N$  be a closed generalized normal subgroup of a topological normal generalized group  $G$ , and let  $\Gamma_N$  be a connected space, then  $G/N$  is a connected topological generalized group.*

**Proof.** Since  $N$  is a closed generalized normal subgroup of  $G$ ,  $G/N$  is a

topological generalized group . Moreover the mapping  $\pi : \Gamma_N \rightarrow G/N$  defined by  $\pi(x) = xN_x$  is a continuous map . So  $G/N$  is a connected topological generalized group.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $N$  be a closed  $e$ -generalized normal subgroup of a connected topological generalized group  $G$ , then  $G/N$  with the topology induced by  $\pi$  is a connected generalized group.*

**Proof.** Since  $e(G) \subseteq N$ , we have  $e(a) \in N \cap G_a$  for all  $a \in G$ . So  $\Gamma_N = G$ , and corollary follows from proposition 3.1.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $G$  be a generalized topological group and  $N$  be a connected and closed generalized normal subgroup of  $G$  containing  $e(G)$ . Moreover let  $G_a/N_a$  and  $G$  be connected sets, for every  $a \in G$ , then  $G/N$  and  $G$  are connected sets.*

**Proof.** Case 1. If  $\text{card}(e(G)) = 1$ , then  $G$  is a group and theorem follows from topological group theory .

Case 2. If  $\text{card}(e(G)) > 1$ , then the mapping  $\pi|_{G_a} : G_a \rightarrow G_a/N_a$  is an open and onto mapping.

So  $G_a$  is a connected set. Thus theorem 3.1 shows that  $G$  is a connected set. The continuity of the mapping  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/N$  implies that  $G/N$  is a connected set.

**Remark.** *In theorem 3.1 if  $1 < \text{card}(e(G)) < \infty$ , then Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.3 show that there is no such  $N$ .*

## 4 Conclusion

A connected subset  $S$  of a topological generalized group  $G$  is called a stable connected components under identity if it satisfies the following conditions.

- (i)  $e(S) \subseteq S$ ;
- (ii) If  $N$  is a connected subset of  $G$  and  $S \subset N$ , then  $S = N$ .

**Example 4.1.** *The non-empty set  $G$  with the product  $a * b = a$  and discrete topology is a topological generalized group. The set  $\{a\}$  is a stable connected components under identity, where  $a \in G$ .*

**Theorem 4.1.** *If  $G$  is a topological generalized group and  $S$  is a stable connected component under identity of  $G$ , then  $S$  is a closed generalized subgroup of  $G$ .*

**Proof.**  $S^{-1} = \{s^{-1} : s \in S\}$  is a connected subset of  $G$ , because the mapping  $m_1 : G \rightarrow G$  in the form  $m_1(g) = g^{-1}$  is a connected set, and  $S \subseteq S \cup S^{-1}$ . Hence  $S \cup S^{-1} = S$ , as a result  $S^{-1} \subseteq S$ . Moreover  $xS$  is a connected set, for all  $x \in G$ . Because the mapping  $m_2 : G \times G$  in the form  $m_2(x, y) = xy$  is a continuous map. If  $x \in S$ , then  $x = xe(x) \in xS$ . So  $(xS) \cap S \neq \phi$ . Hence  $(xS) \cup S$  is a connected set and  $S \subseteq (xS) \cup S$ . Thus  $xS \subseteq S$ . So  $xy \in S$ , for all  $x, y \in S$ . Therefore  $S$  is a generalized subgroup of  $S$ .  $\bar{S}$  is also a connected set and  $S \subseteq \bar{S}$ . So  $\bar{S} = S$ .

We shall bring this paper to an end by posing the following problem:

Is every stable connected component under identity of  $G$  a normal subgroup of  $G$  ?



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