

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 L' & \xrightarrow{\cong} & (M_0 \times P_0) \times_{M \times P} L & \xrightarrow{\quad} & L \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 M' \times P' & \xleftarrow{\quad} & M_0 \times P_0 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & M \times P
 \end{array}$$

(bottom is product of a map in  $Q(M)$  and one in  $Q(P)$ )  
 Equivalently a map from  $(L' \rightarrow M' \times P)$  to  $(L \rightarrow M \times P)$   
 may be identified with a map  $L' \rightarrow L$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  which  
~~induces~~ induces a map from  ~~$(M' \times P)$~~  to  $M \times P$  <sup>in  $Q(M)$</sup>  which  
 is the product of maps  $M' \rightarrow M, P' \rightarrow P$  in  $Q(M)$  and  
 $Q(P)$  respectively. In this last interpretation it is  
 clear how to compose morphisms.

We have two ~~functors~~ functors

$$Q(M) \xleftarrow{f} \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{g} Q(P)$$

obtained in composing the functor  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow Q(P) \times Q(M)$   
 forgetting  $L$  with the projections. Since the composition  
 of two fibred functors is fibred,  $f$  and  $g$  are also  
 fibred.

Lemma 1:  $f$  is a heg.

~~Proof.~~ Since  $f$  is fibred, it suffices to show  
 $f^{-1}(M)$  is contractible for a given  $M$  in  $Q(M)$ . Let  
 $R_M$  be the category whose objects are  $M$ -admiss  
 epis  $L \rightarrow M$  with  $L \in \mathcal{P}$ , in which a map from  
 $(L' \rightarrow M)$  to  $(L \rightarrow M)$  is a  $\mathcal{P}$ -admissible mono  $L' \rightarrow L$   
 over  $M$ . The category  $f^{-1}(M)$  has objects  $(L \rightarrow M \times P)$   
 with  $L, P \in \mathcal{P}$ , and a map from  $(L' \rightarrow M \times P)$  to  $(L \rightarrow M \times P)$   
 is a map  $L' \rightarrow L$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  ~~that~~ which <sup>and which</sup> induces a  
~~map  $M \times P' \rightarrow M \times P$  in  $Q(M)$  which is the product~~  
~~of the identity of  $M$  and a map  $P' \rightarrow P$  in  $Q(P)$ .~~

(as above for  $\mathcal{Q}$ )  
~~Thus we have an equivalence of cats~~

~~$$f^{-1}(M) \longrightarrow \text{Sub}(R_M)$$

$$(L \rightarrow M \times P) \longmapsto \left( \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ker}(L \rightarrow P) & \longrightarrow & L \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & & M \end{array} \right)$$~~

~~(Compare situation above for  $\mathcal{Q}$ .) Hence we are reduced~~

Proof. Since  $f$  is fibred, it suffices to show  $f^{-1}(M)$  is contractible for any given  $M$  in  $\mathcal{M}$ . The cat  $f^{-1}(M)$  has for its objects all  $M$ -admiss. epis  $L \rightarrow M \times P$  with  $L, P \in \mathcal{P}$ , and a map  $\mathbb{K}$  from  $(L' \rightarrow M \times P')$  to  $(L \rightarrow M \times P)$  is a map  $L' \rightarrow L$  in  $\mathcal{P}$  which is over  $M$  and which induces a map  $P' \rightarrow P$  in  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{P})$ . Let  $R_M$  denote the cat whose objects are  $M$ -admiss. epis  $L \rightarrow M$ , in which a map from  $(L' \rightarrow M)$  to  $(L \rightarrow M)$  is a triangle

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L' & \longrightarrow & L \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & & M \end{array}$$

where  $L' \rightarrow L$  is a  $\mathcal{P}$ -admissible mono. Then as above (see lemma in  $\mathcal{Q}$ ) we have an equivalence of categories

$$f^{-1}(M) \longrightarrow \text{Sub}(R_M)$$

$$(L \rightarrow M \times P) \longmapsto \left( \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ker}(L \rightarrow P) \subset L & & \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & & M \end{array} \right)$$

~~Base Sub(RM) and RM~~ Thus we are reduced to proving  $R_M$  is contractible.

But by ~~the~~ hypothesis 2)  $R_M$  contains an object  $(L_0 \rightarrow M)$ , and for any other object  $(L \rightarrow M)$  we have morphisms in  $R_M$ :

$$(L \rightarrow M) \longrightarrow (L \oplus L_0 \rightarrow M) \longleftarrow (L_0 \rightarrow M).$$

Thus  $R_M$  is conically contractible (ref.), so the lemma is done.

Lemma 2.  $g$  is a heg

The Proof is analogous to the preceding and will be omitted.

~~Lemma 3. The map in the homotopy category  $g \cdot f^{-1}: Q(P) \rightarrow Q(M)$~~

From the above two lemmas we see the categories  $Q(P)$  and  $Q(M)$  are heg. To finish the proof of the theorem it will be necessary to relate the homotopy equivalence obtained from  $f \circ g$  with the inclusion functor  $i: Q(P) \rightarrow Q(M)$ .

Recall that direct sum makes  $Q(M)$  into a  $h$ -~~ann~~ <sup>assoc</sup> connected  $H$ -space, so that homotopy classes of maps ~~from~~ <sup>from</sup>  $Q(P)$  to  $Q(M)$  form an abelian group.

Lemma 3. The functors  $f$ ,  $ig: F \rightarrow Q(M)$  are negatives of each other for the  $H$ -space structure on  $Q(M)$ .

Proof: Follows immediately from the comm. diag

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{F} & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \overline{Q}(M) \\
 \downarrow (f,g) & & \downarrow g \\
 Q(M) \times Q(P) & \xrightarrow[\text{id} \times i]{\text{~~id} \times i}~~} & Q(M) \times Q(M) \xrightarrow{\oplus} Q(M)
 \end{array}$$

where ~~id x i~~  $\lambda$  is the obvious inclusion, and the fact that  $\overline{Q}(M)$  is contractible.

~~It follows from the preceding lemmas that~~  
 Thus we have that  $(-1)f^0 = ig$  where  $(-1)$  is the inverse ~~of  $(-1)$~~  for the H-space structure on  $Q(M)$ . From ~~the preceding~~ lemmas 1, 2 have  $f, g$  are hegs.  $\implies$  it is a heg  $\implies$  the theorem.

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