

Hopf-Galois Structures and Transitive Subgroups

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Can we come up with a structure that mimics the Galois group but also makes sense for non-Galois extensions?

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This gives an example of a **Hopf-Galois Structure**

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My work focuses on studying, describing and counting Hopf-Galois structures for different field extensions.

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- *Thus the study of HGS and of skew braces is intimately connected (many related results).*

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- L/K degree p^2 , $2p$ [CS20], mp with $(m, p) = 1$ [Koh07] & [Koh16], squarefree Galois [AB20],...

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In each case, we find the smallest subgroups of $\text{Hol}(N)$ which are transitive on N and then build up.

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For $N \cong C_p \rtimes C_q$, it is possible to write $\text{Hol}(N)$ as $P \rtimes R$ for P, R abelian groups of orders $p^2, q(p-1)$ respectively.





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- How much can we push these results to other related constructions?

Thank You!

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