

## A remark on homology localization

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**ABSTRACT.** A. K. Bousfield [1], [2] introduced the notion of localization of spaces and spectra with respect to homology functor  $h$  and proved the existence theorem. In this note we introduce a variation of this notion,  $(h, n)$ -localization, which interpolates a contractible space or spectrum  $pt$  and the localization  $L_h(X)$  of the original space or spectrum  $X$  and prove the existence theorem along the arguments of [1], [2].

### 1. Statement of results

Let  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S}, \tilde{\mathcal{C}}, \tilde{\mathcal{S}}$  denote the categories of  $CW$ -complexes,  $CW$ -spectra and their homotopy categories respectively.

**DEFINITION.** Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  be categories and  $\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  a functor.

i)  $C \in Ob(\mathcal{A})$  is called  $\mathcal{F}$ -local if  $f^* : \mathcal{A}(B, C) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(A, C)$  is bijective for any  $A, B \in Ob(\mathcal{A})$  and any  $f : A \rightarrow B$  such that  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  is an isomorphism.

ii) A morphism  $g : A \rightarrow C$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}$ -localization map of  $A$  if  $C$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -local and  $\mathcal{F}(g)$  is an isomorphism. In this case  $C$  is called an  $\mathcal{F}$ -localization of  $A$ .

Let  $h$  be a generalized homology functor and  $n$  an integer. Let  $\alpha = (h, n)$  be the functor defined by  $\alpha(X) = (h_k(X) | k < n)$  from  $\mathcal{D}(= \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \text{ or } \tilde{\mathcal{S}})$  to  $\{(A_k | k < n); A_k \in Ab\}$ , where  $Ab$  is the category of abelian groups. Then we can prove the following.

**THEOREM 1.** Let  $h$  be a generalized homology functor which is representable by a spectrum and  $\alpha = (h, n)$  the functor above for an integer  $n$ . Then it holds that

i) Any object  $X \in Ob(\mathcal{D})$  has an  $\alpha$ -localization map.

ii) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : X \rightarrow Z$  be  $\alpha$ -localization maps of  $X$ . Then there exists a map  $k : Y \rightarrow Z$  such that  $k \circ f \simeq g$ . Moreover, such a map  $k$  is always an isomorphism in the category  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Note that  $(h, n)$ -localization of  $X$  is unique up to homotopy by this theorem. This may be called also *half  $h$ -localization* and denoted by  $L_h^n(X)$ .