

PROOF. Let $G = \sum \{G_n \mid n \in J\}$ where G_n is solvable of radical class n . Then $G \in \mathfrak{B}$ and has radical class ω . Let $H = \prod \{H_k \mid k \in J, H_k \simeq G\}$. H has a subgroup satisfying the hypothesis of Theorem 3. Hence $H \in \mathfrak{L}$. Consequently, $H \in \mathfrak{B}$.

Classes of groups satisfying the conditions of Theorems 4 and 5 include the classes SN^* , SI^* , subsolvable and polycyclic.

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ALGEBRAIZATION OF ITERATED INTEGRATION ALONG PATHS¹

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If Ω is the vector space of C^∞ 1-forms on a C^∞ manifold M , then iterated integrals along a piecewise smooth path $\alpha: [0, l] \rightarrow M$ can be inductively defined as below:

For $r \geq 2$ and $w_1, w_2, \dots, \in \Omega$,

$$\int_{\alpha} w_1 \cdots w_r = \int_0^l \left(\int_{\alpha^t} w_1 \cdots w_{r-1} \right) w_r(\alpha(t), \dot{\alpha}(t)) dt$$

where $\alpha^t = \alpha \mid [0, t]$. (See [3].)

This note is based on the following algebraic properties of the iterated integration:

(a) $(\int_{\alpha} w_1 \cdots w_r) (\int_{\alpha} w_{r+1} \cdots w_{r+s}) = \sum \int_{\alpha} w_{\sigma(1)} \cdots w_{\sigma(r+s)}$ summing over all (r, s) -shuffles, i.e. those permutations σ of $\{1, \dots, r+s\}$ with $\sigma^{-1}(1) < \dots < \sigma^{-1}(r)$, $\sigma^{-1}(r+1) < \dots < \sigma^{-1}(r+s)$.

(b) If $p = \alpha(0)$ and if f is any C^∞ function on M , then

$$\int_{\alpha} f w = \int_{\alpha} (df) w + f(p) \int_{\alpha} w.$$

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