

FIBRATIONS OVER DOUBLE MAPPING CYLINDERS

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1. Introduction

In the diagram of topological spaces

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} & & & & E_1 \\ & & & j & \nearrow p_1 \\ E_B & \xrightarrow{\quad} & E & & \\ p_B \downarrow & j_B & \downarrow p & & \\ B & \xrightarrow{\quad} & M & & \\ & \beta & & & \end{array}$$

let $p: E \rightarrow M$ be a Hurewicz fibration, E_B obtained from p by pullback along $\beta: B \rightarrow M$, p_1 an arbitrary map and $j = p_1 j_B$. Let $\mu: \mathcal{M}(p_B, j) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(p, p_1)$ denote the map which is induced on double mapping cylinders.

In this paper we study the map μ when the base space M is a homotopy pushout:

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{\beta} & M \\ \uparrow g & \nearrow F & \uparrow \alpha \\ C & \xrightarrow{f} & A \end{array}$$

Let $p_A: E_A \rightarrow A$ be the pullback of p over A and $f * p_A$ the fiberwise join of f and p_A . We prove:

THEOREM 1.3. *There is a map $W: E(f * p_A) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(p_B, j)$ such that the following homotopy commutative square is a homotopy pushout.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E(f * p_A) & \xrightarrow{W} & \mathcal{M}(p_B, j) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow u \\ A & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}(p, p_1) \end{array}$$

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