

# Left Hopf Algebras and Self Duality

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## Abstract

In this paper, we introduce the concept of a left bicrossproduct Hopf algebra associated to a factorization of a finite group  $X$  into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$ . Moreover, we show that for a left Hopf algebra  $H = kM \bowtie k(G)$  associated to a factorization  $X = GM$  of a group  $X$  into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$  with identity and left inverse property, there is a left Hopf algebra isomorphism  $H \rightarrow H^*$  which sends basis elements to basis elements can be constructed from a factor-reversing isomorphism of  $X = GM$  and vice versa.

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