

Algebraic Topology

Introduction.

Topology: spaces and continuous functions (maps).

Spaces X and Y are homeomorphic ($X \cong Y$) if \exists maps $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ such that $gf = 1_X$, $fg = 1_Y$.

Examples of Spaces: \mathbb{R}^n : n -tuples.

$$B^n: n\text{-ball} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x\| < 1\}$$

$$S^{n-1}: n-1\text{-sphere} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x\| = 1\}$$

$$I: \text{unit interval} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$$

$$\text{Torus: } S^1 \times S^1 = \text{[diagram of torus]} \quad \text{Annulus: } S^1 \times I = \text{[diagram of annulus]}$$

$$\text{Möbius band} = \text{[diagram of Möbius band]} \subset \mathbb{R}^3. \quad \text{Klein bottle.}$$

For the course, metric spaces will do.

Recall: if X is a metric space, $U \subset X$, U is open iff for each $x \in U \exists \delta > 0$ such that $d(x, \tilde{x}) < \delta \Rightarrow \tilde{x} \in U$

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous iff for every open set $V \subset Y$, $f^{-1}V$ is open in X .

Definition: A topological space is a set X together with a collection of subsets of X that are called open, such that (i) \emptyset and X are open,

(ii) any union of open sets is open

(iii) if U_1 and U_2 are open, so is $U_1 \cap U_2$.

Metric \Rightarrow topological. (\Leftarrow is false).

If X, Y are topological spaces, $X \times Y$ is the set of pairs (x, y) . And, a set is open iff it is a union of sets $U \times V$, with U open in X , V open in Y .

Quotients: Suppose X is a topological space, \sim an equivalence relation on set X .

Let X/\sim be the set of equivalence classes. Have quotient map, $q: X \rightarrow X/\sim, x \mapsto [x]$.

Define quotient topology on X/\sim by: V open in $X/\sim \Leftrightarrow q^{-1}V$ open in X .

Example:  - have topology on Möbius band.

$$\text{Real projective } n\text{-space, } \mathbb{R}P^n = S^n / x \sim y \Leftrightarrow x = \pm y.$$

Note: X/\sim may not be a metric space, even if X is.

Aim: associate groups with topological spaces:

X , space
 \downarrow f. map
 Y , space



$\pi_1(X)$, fundamental group of X
 \downarrow - f_* , homomorphism
 $\pi_1(Y)$.

$$\pi_1(X) \cong \pi_1(Y) \Rightarrow X \cong Y.$$

Similarly, $H_r(X)$, r th homology group of X .
 $H_r(X) \xrightarrow{F_r} H_r(Y)$, group homomorphism.

Classify surfaces. For example:  \neq

Brouwer fixed point theorem: any map $f: B^n \rightarrow B^n$ has a fixed point.

Also, $\bigcirc \bigcirc \neq \bigcirc \otimes$

1. Homotopy and the Fundamental Group.

Definition: A homotopy between maps $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$ is a map $F: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ such that $F(x, 0) = f(x)$, $F(x, 1) = g(x) \forall x \in X$. (Let $F_t: X \rightarrow Y$ be $F_t(x) = F(x, t)$. $F_0 = f$, $F_1 = g$)
 Write $f \cong g$.

If $A \subset X$ and $F(a, t) = f(a) = g(a) \forall a \in A, t \in I$, then the homotopy is "rel A".

Lemma 1.1: "Homotopy rel A" is an equivalence relation on maps $X \rightarrow Y$.

Proof: (i) $f \cong f$: Set $F(x, t) = f(x) \forall t$.

(ii) If $f \cong g$ rel A, define $G(x, t) = F(x, 1-t)$. Then $g \cong f$.

(iii) If $f \cong g$ rel A, $g \cong h$ rel A, define $H: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ by $H(x, t) = \begin{cases} F(x, 2t), & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ G(x, 2t-1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1. \end{cases}$ Then, $f \cong h$.

Lemma 1.2: Suppose $X \xrightarrow{f_0} Y \xrightarrow{g_0} Z$, and $f_0 \cong f_1$, $g_0 \cong g_1$. Then $g_0 \circ f_0 \cong g_1 \circ f_1$.

Proof: $g_0 \circ f_0 \cong_{g_0 \circ f_0} g_0 \circ f_1 \cong_{g_1 \circ f_1} g_1 \circ f_1$. If F and G are rel A, then the answer is rel A.

Lemma 1.3 (Linear homotopy): Suppose $f, g: X \rightarrow Y \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\forall x \in X$ the straight line from $f(x)$ to $g(x)$ is in Y . Then $f \cong g$. If $f|_A = g|_A$ for some $A \subset X$, then $f \cong g$ rel A.

Proof: Define $F(x, t) = (1-t)f(x) + tg(x)$

Corollary: Suppose $f, g: X \rightarrow S^{n-1}$ and $f(x) \neq -g(x) \forall x$. Then $f \cong g$.

Proof: $X \xrightarrow{f, g} S^{n-1}$
 $X \xrightarrow{f, g} \mathbb{R}^n - \{0\} \xrightarrow{\frac{a}{\|a\|}} S^{n-1}$ - and use Lemma 1.2.

Example: $f: X \rightarrow S^{n-1}$ and $\exists a \in S^{n-1}$ with $f(x) \neq a \forall x \in X$. Then $f \cong$ constant map. (Take $g(x) = -a \forall x$)

Definition: Spaces X and Y are homotopy equivalent, $X \simeq Y$, if \exists maps $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ such that $gf \cong 1_X$, $fg \cong 1_Y$. (Say f is a homotopy equivalence, with homotopy inverse g).

Note: homeomorphism \Rightarrow homotopy equivalence.

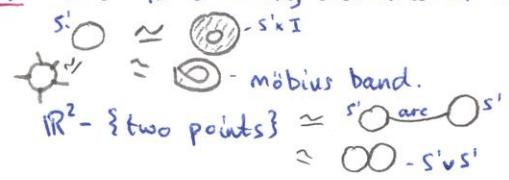
Lemma 1.4: " \simeq " is an equivalence relation on class of topological spaces.

Proof: Transitivity: $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$. $g \circ f \cong g \circ f$ (Lemma 1.2), $\cong 1_X$ (Lemma 1.1)

Definition: X is contractible if $X \cong \{a \text{ single point}\}$

Definition: Suppose $A \subset X$ and $r: X \rightarrow X$ such that $r(X) \subset A$, $r(A) = 1_A$. Then r is a retraction.
 If $r \cong 1_X \text{ rel } A$, r is a (strong) deformation retraction of X to A .
 $X \xrightarrow{f} A$, $r \circ f = 1_A$, $ir = r \circ 1_X$, so X and A are homotopy equivalent.

Examples: $\{0\}$ is a strong deformation retract of \mathbb{R}^n (lemma 1.3).



Definition: A path in X from x_0 to x_1 is a map $u: I \rightarrow X$ such that $u(0) = x_0$, $u(1) = x_1$.
 If $x_0 = x_1$, the path is a loop at x_0 .

Definition: Suppose u_1, \dots, u_n are paths in X , with u_i from x_{i-1} to x_i .
 Define a product path by: $(u_1 \cdot \dots \cdot u_n)(s) = u_i(ns - i + 1)$, $\frac{i-1}{n} \leq s \leq \frac{i}{n}$, $s \in I$.
 Define an inverse path by: $u^{-1}(s) = u(1-s)$, $s \in I$. Note: $(u_1 \cdot u_2)^{-1} = u_2^{-1} \cdot u_1^{-1}$.

Lemma 1.5: (i) Suppose $u_i \xrightarrow{F_i} v_i \text{ rel } \partial I$ ($= \{0, 1\}$), u_i, v_i paths from x_{i-1} to x_i . Then,
 $u_1 \cdot \dots \cdot u_n \cong v_1 \cdot \dots \cdot v_n \text{ rel } \partial I$.
 (ii) Suppose $u \cong v \text{ rel } \partial I$. Then $u^{-1} \cong v^{-1} \text{ rel } \partial I$.

Proof: (i) Let $F(s, t) = F_i(ns + 1 - i, t)$, $\frac{i-1}{n} \leq s \leq \frac{i}{n}$.
 (ii) Exercise.

Note: Any two paths in I are homotopic rel ∂I if they agree on ∂I .

Lemma 1.6: (i) If u_i is a path ^{in X} from x_{i-1} to x_i , $i=1, \dots, n$, then $(u_1 \cdot \dots \cdot u_r) \cdot (u_{r+1} \cdot \dots \cdot u_n) \cong u_1 \cdot \dots \cdot u_n \text{ rel } \partial I$.
 (ii) If u is a path in X from x_0 to x_1 and e_0 and e_1 are constant x_0 and x_1 , respectively, then $e_0 \cdot u \cong u \text{ rel } \partial I$, and $u \cdot e_1 \cong u \text{ rel } \partial I$.
 (iii) $u \cdot u^{-1} = e_0 \text{ rel } \partial I$, $u^{-1} \cdot u \cong e_1 \text{ rel } \partial I$.

Proof: (i) (LHS)(s) = (RHS) $\varphi(s)$, where $\varphi: I \rightarrow I$, $\varphi(0) = 0$, $\varphi(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{r}{n}$, $\varphi(1) = 1$.
 } Linear in between, $\varphi(s) = \frac{2rs}{n}$
 } Linear in between, $\varphi(s) = 2s - 1 + \frac{2r}{n}(1-s)$

But $\varphi \cong 1_I \text{ rel } \partial I$, so by lemmas 1.3 and 1.2, LHS \cong RHS rel ∂I .

(ii) $(e_0 \cdot u)(s) = u(\varphi(s))$, where $\varphi: I \rightarrow I$, $\varphi(s) = \begin{cases} 0, & s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2s-1, & \frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$

$\varphi \cong 1_I \text{ rel } \partial I$, by linear homotopy. So, $u \cong u \circ \varphi \text{ rel } \partial I$, so $e_0 \cdot u \cong u \text{ rel } \partial I$.

(iii) $(u \cdot u^{-1})(s) = u(\varphi(s))$, where $\varphi(s) = \begin{cases} 2s, & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2(1-s), & \frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$

φ is homotopic to the constant map at 0 rel ∂I , so $u \cdot u^{-1} = u \circ \varphi \cong e_0 \text{ rel } \partial I$.

Theorem 1.7: The set of homotopy classes $\text{rel } \partial I$ of loops based at $x_0 \in X$ forms a group $\pi_1(X, x_0)$, the fundamental group of X with base point x_0 , where if u and v are loops at x_0 and $[u]$ is homotopy class $\text{rel } \partial I$, then $[u][v] = [u \cdot v]$.

Proof: Product is well-defined, by lemma 1.5 (i). Define $[u]^{-1} = [u^{-1}]$, well-defined by lemma 1.5 (ii). Associativity - from lemma 1.6 (i). Define identity $e = [e_0]$, okay by lemma 1.6 (ii). $[u][u]^{-1} = [u][u^{-1}] = [u \cdot u^{-1}] = [e_0] = e$, using lemma 1.6 (iii).

Facts: $\pi_1(S^1, x_0) \cong \mathbb{Z}$. Generators, $[0, 1] \rightarrow S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$; $s \mapsto e^{2\pi i s}$.

$\pi_1(S^2, x_0) \cong \{1\}$, the trivial group.

$\pi_1(\mathbb{R}P^2, x_0) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$, the group of two elements. $\pi_1(\text{torus}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$.

$\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^n) \cong \{1\}$. $\pi_1(\text{Klein bottle})$ is not abelian. (Proofs later).

Theorem 1.8: A map $f: X, x_0 \rightarrow Y, y_0$ induces a group homomorphism $f_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, y_0)$ such that: (i) $f \circ f' \text{ rel } \partial I \Rightarrow f_* = f'_*$,

(ii) $(1_X)_*$ is the identity homomorphism,

(iii) if $g: Y, y_0 \rightarrow Z, z_0$, then $(gf)_* = g_* f_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Z, z_0)$.

Proof: Define $f_*[u] = [fu]$, well-defined by lemma 1.2. Then, $f_*([u][v]) = f_*[u \cdot v] = [f(u \cdot v)] = [(f \cdot) \cdot (f \cdot)] = [f(u)] [f(v)] = (f_*[u]) (f_*[v])$. (i), (ii), (iii) are immediate.

Aside: Category: objects and maps. Spaces, continuous functions $\xrightarrow{\text{functor}}$ groups, homomorphisms.

Homeomorphic spaces \Rightarrow isomorphic groups.

$X \xrightarrow{f} Y, f_g = 1_Y, g_f = 1_X$, so $f_* g_* = (1_Y)_* = 1_{\pi_1(Y, y_0)}, g_* f_* = (1_X)_* = 1_{\pi_1(X, x_0)} \Rightarrow f_*, g_*$ are isomorphisms.

Theorem 1.9: A path u in X from x_0 to x_1 induces an isomorphism $u_\#: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, x_1)$ such that

(i) $u \circ \hat{u} \text{ rel } \partial I \Rightarrow u_\# = \hat{u}_\#$,

(ii) $e_{0\#} = \text{identity}$,

(iii) if v is a path from x_1 to x_2 , then $(u \cdot v)_\# = v_\# u_\#$,

(iv) if $f: X, x_0, x_1 \rightarrow Y, y_0, y_1$, then $(fu)_\# f_* = f_* u_\#$.

Proof: If w is a loop $\text{rel } \partial I$ in X at x_0 , define $u_\#[w] = [u^{-1} \cdot w \cdot u]$ - well-defined: 

$u_\#([v][w]) = u_\#[v \cdot w] = [u^{-1} \cdot v \cdot w \cdot u] = [u^{-1} \cdot v \cdot u \cdot u^{-1} \cdot w \cdot u] = [u^{-1} \cdot v \cdot u] [u^{-1} \cdot w \cdot u] = u_\#[v] u_\#[w]$. (i), (iii), (iv) easy now.

(ii) $f_* u_\#[w] = [f(u^{-1} \cdot w \cdot u)] = [(f \cdot u^{-1}) \cdot (f \cdot w) \cdot (f \cdot u)] = (f \cdot u)_\# (f_*[w])$

$u_\#(u^{-1})_\# = (u^{-1} \cdot u)_\# = e_{1\#} = 1$, and $(u^{-1})_\# u_\# = 1$, similarly. So $u_\#$ is an isomorphism.

If X is path-connected, $\pi_1(X, x_0) \cong \pi_1(X, x_1)$ always. Write $\pi_1(X)$.

X "simply connected" \equiv path-connected and $\pi_1(X)$ the trivial group.

Theorem 1.10: Suppose $f \cong g: X_0 \rightarrow Y$. Suppose $x_0 \in X$ and v is the path from $f(x_0)$ to $g(x_0)$, defined by $v(t) = F(x_0, t)$. Then, $v_\# f_* = g_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, g(x_0))$.

Proof: Let u be a loop at x_0 . Define $\Phi: I \times I \rightarrow I \times I$:

$\Phi(s, 0) = (s, 0), \Phi(0, t) = (0, 0), \Phi(1, t) = (1, 0)$,

$\Phi(s, 1) = \begin{cases} (0, 3s), & 0 \leq s \leq 1/3 \\ (3s-1, 1), & 1/3 \leq s \leq 2/3 \\ (1, 3-3s), & 2/3 \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}, \Phi(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

Φ linear on segments from $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ to boundary of $I \times I$.

$F(u \times 1) \Phi: I \times I \rightarrow Y$ is a homotopy. $fu \cong v \cdot gu \cdot v^{-1} \text{ rel } \partial I$, so $[fu] = [v \cdot gu \cdot v^{-1}]$ in $\pi_1(Y, f(x_0))$.

$\Rightarrow f_*[u] = (v^{-1})_\# g_*[u]$, so $v_\# f_* = g_*$.

Corollary: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a homotopy equivalence and $f(x_0) = y_0$, then $f_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, y_0)$ is an isomorphism.

Proof: Given $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$, $gf \simeq 1_X$, $fg \simeq 1_Y$. For some path v from $gf(x_0)$ to x_0 ,
 $v_* (gf)_* = (1_X)_* = 1_{\pi_1(X, x_0)}$. So $(gf)_*$ is an isomorphism also.

$\pi_1(X, x_0) \xrightarrow{f_* \text{ injective}} \pi_1(Y, f(x_0)) \xrightarrow{g_* \text{ surjective}} \pi_1(X, gf(x_0))$
 Similarly, $\pi_1(Y, f(x_0)) \xrightarrow{g_* \text{ injective}} \pi_1(X, gf(x_0)) \xrightarrow{f_* \text{ surjective}} \pi_1(Y, fgf(x_0))$
 Therefore, $g_*: \pi_1(Y, f(x_0)) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, gf(x_0))$ is an isomorphism.
 $g_* f_*$ is an isomorphism, so f_* is an isomorphism.

2. Covering Spaces, Covering Maps.

Example: $p: \mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow S^1$; $t \mapsto e^{2\pi i t}$. Wish p^{-1} existed.

Note: For this chapter, X will be path-connected.

Definition: A covering space \tilde{X} of X with covering map $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a non-empty path-connected space \tilde{X} such that, for each $x \in X \exists$ open V in X , $x \in V$, with the property that $p^{-1}V$ is the disjoint union $\bigcup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha}$ of open subsets $U_{\alpha} \subset \tilde{X}$ and $p|_{U_{\alpha}}: U_{\alpha} \rightarrow V$ is a homeomorphism for each α .

Example: For p in above example:

This definition implies that p is surjective, and maps open sets to open sets.

Examples: (i) $\mathbb{R}^1 \xrightarrow{p} S^1$. (ii) $X \xrightarrow{1} X$. (iii) $S^1 \rightarrow S^1$, $p(z) = z^n$, fixed n . (iv) $p: S^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^3 \cong \mathbb{R}^3 / \sim$
 (v) $\hat{p}: S^3 \rightarrow L_{p,q}$ - Lens space, p, q coprime integers. $S^3 = \{(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 = 1\}$.
 Define $g: S^3 \rightarrow S^3$; $g(z_1, z_2) = (e^{2\pi i/p} z_1, e^{-2\pi i q/p} z_2)$. g generates an action of $G \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$. $L_{p,q} \cong S^3/G$, i.e. $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow \exists g^r$ such that $g^r x = y$.
 $L_{p,q}$ is a 3-manifold. \hat{p} is a quotient map.

Lebesgue's Lemma: Let X be a compact metric space and suppose that X is the union of a collection $\{U_i\}$ of open subsets. Then there exists a real number $\delta > 0$ such that if $S \subset X$ and S has diameter less than δ , then S is contained in one of the U_i .

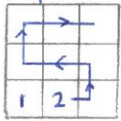
Proof: Any $x \in X$ is in some U_i so choose $\epsilon(x) > 0$ so that the open ball $B(x, 2\epsilon(x))$ is contained in this U_i . Clearly $X = \bigcup_{x \in X} B(x, \epsilon(x))$, so by compactness $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B(x_i, \epsilon(x_i))$, for some finite set $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset X$. Let $\delta = \min \{\epsilon(x_1), \dots, \epsilon(x_n)\}$ and suppose S has diameter less than this δ . If $y \in S$, then $y \in B(x_j, \epsilon(x_j))$ for some j , and so $S \subset B(x_j, 2\epsilon(x_j))$ which is, by construction, contained in some U_i . *

Lemma 2.1 (Path Lifting Property): Suppose $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a covering map. Suppose $u: I \rightarrow X$ is a path, and $\tilde{x}_0 \in \tilde{X}$ is such that $p\tilde{x}_0 = u(0)$. Then \exists a unique path $\tilde{u}: I \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ such that $\tilde{u}(0) = \tilde{x}_0$ and $p\tilde{u} = u$.

Proof: $\{V_i, \text{ as in definition of cover} \}$ are an open-covering of X . ($\text{So } X = \cup V_i$). I is compact, so by Lebesgue's lemma on $\{u^{-1}(V_i)\}$, \exists dissection of $I: 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$ such that $u[t_{i-1}, t_i] \subset V_i$, some V_i , some V as in definition. Assume \tilde{u} is defined on $[0, t_{i-1}]$. $\tilde{u}(t_{i-1}) \in U_{i,\alpha}$, some open $U_{i,\alpha} \subset \tilde{X}$, and $p: U_{i,\alpha} \rightarrow V_i$ is a homeomorphism (by definition). Define $\tilde{u}|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = (p|_{U_{i,\alpha}})^{-1} u$. Continue in this way.
 Uniqueness: suppose \hat{u} is another lift, $\hat{u}(0) = \tilde{x}_0$. Let $\tau = \sup \{t: \hat{u}|_{[0,t]} = \tilde{u}|_{[0,t]}\}$. (Note that $\hat{u}(\tau) = \tilde{u}(\tau)$, by continuity). If $\tau < 1$: $u(\tau) \in \text{Some } V$ as in definition, so $\hat{u}(\tau)$ and $\tilde{u}(\tau)$ both \in some open U_α as in definition. For sufficiently small δ , $\hat{u}(\tau+\delta)$ and $\tilde{u}(\tau+\delta) \in U_\alpha$ by continuity. So, $\hat{u}(\tau+\delta) = \tilde{u}(\tau+\delta)$, as $p|_{U_\alpha}$ is injective. $\#$. So $\tau = 1$.

Lemma 2.2 (Homotopy Lifting Property): Suppose $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a covering map. Suppose we have $F: I \times I \rightarrow X$ and $\tilde{F}: I \times \{0\} \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ such that $p\tilde{F}(s,0) = F(s,0) \forall s$. Then, \exists unique extension of \tilde{F} to $I \times I \xrightarrow{\tilde{F}} \tilde{X}$ so that $p\tilde{F} = F$.

Proof: Dissect $I \times I$ into small squares, so $F(\text{square}) \subset \text{some } V$ as in definition of covering map. Order squares "snakes and ladders" fashion, so that (square i)/n {predecessors} is connected. Proceed as in lemma 2.1.



Uniqueness follows from lemma 2.1, as $\tilde{F}|_{I \times I}$ is a lift of $F|_{I \times I}$, unique.

{Homeomorphisms: $S \rightarrow S$, S a space} is a group, but vast. If a group G is (isomorphic to) a subgroup of this, say G acts on S . Define $S/G = S/\sim, s_1 \sim s_2 \Leftrightarrow s_1 = g s_2$, some $g \in G$.

Theorem 2.3: Suppose a group G acts as a group of homeomorphisms on a simply connected space Y , and each $y \in Y$ has an open neighbourhood U such that $U \cap gU = \emptyset \forall g \in G - \{1\}$. Then $\pi_1(Y/G) \cong G$.

Proof: Consider quotient $p: Y \rightarrow Y/G$. If $y \in Y$, then $y \in$ open U such that $U \cap gU = \emptyset, g \neq 1$. gU is open (as g is a homeomorphism), so pU is open, (as $p^{-1}(pU) = \bigcup_{g \in G} gU$, a union of open sets). $p: U \rightarrow pU$ is an injection, as $U \cap gU = \emptyset, g \neq 1$. If V open and $V \subset U$, pV is open (as above). $\therefore p|_U: U \rightarrow pU$ is a homeomorphism. So p is a covering map.

Fix $y_0 \in Y$. Let $g \in G$. Define $\Phi: G \rightarrow \pi_1(Y/G, p|_{y_0})$ as follows:

Let u be a path from y_0 to $g y_0$ in Y . Let $\Phi g = [pu]$, a loop at $p y_0 \in \pi_1(Y/G, p y_0)$. If $u \sim v \text{ rel } \partial I$, then $[pu] = [pv]$. But Y is simply connected (so any $u \sim v \text{ rel } \partial I$), so Φ is well-defined. Φ is surjective by lemma 2.1 and injective by lemma 2.2 (detail-exercise). If u is a path from y_0 to $g_1 y_0$ and v a path from y_0 to $g_2 y_0$, then $g_1 v$ is from $g_1 y_0$ to $g_1 g_2 y_0$, and $u \cdot (g_1 v)$ is from y_0 to $g_1 g_2 y_0$.

$p g_1 v = p v$ (as p is a quotient map), so $[pu][p v] = [p(u \cdot g_1 v)]$, so $(\Phi(g_1))(\Phi(g_2)) = \Phi(g_1 g_2)$

Corollary: $\pi_1 S^1 \cong \mathbb{Z}$, $\pi_1(\mathbb{C}P^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$, $\pi_1(\text{torus}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$.
 $\mathbb{R}P^n = S^n / \text{action by } \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$. $\therefore \pi_1(\mathbb{R}P^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \forall n \geq 2$.

Definition: A map $f: S^n \rightarrow S^n$ is antipodal iff $\forall x \in S^n, f(-x) = -f(x)$.

Theorem 2.4: \nexists antipodal map $S^2 \rightarrow S^1$

Proof: Suppose $f: S^2 \rightarrow S^1$ is antipodal. f induces $g: \mathbb{R}P^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^1$, q_i quotient.

$$q_1 f = g q_2, \quad q_{1,*}: \pi_1(S^1) \rightarrow \pi_1(\mathbb{R}P^1)$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{1} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{q_{1,*}} \mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

Consider $I \xrightarrow{u} S^2 \xrightarrow{f} S^1 \xrightarrow{q_1} \mathbb{R}P^1$, $u(t) = (\cos \pi t, \sin \pi t, 0)$. $f u$ is a path from some x to $-x$.

Let v be any (standard) path in S^1 from $-x$ to x , $[f u \cdot v] \in \pi_1(S^1, x) = \mathbb{Z}$, say.

$$[q_1, f u] = 2n \pm 1 \in \mathbb{Z} \cong \pi_1(\mathbb{R}P^1), \text{ and } [q_1, f u] = q_{1,*} f_* [u] = g_* q_{2,*} [u].$$

But g_* is the zero map, $g_*(?) = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$, as $g_*: \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$. $\therefore 2n \pm 1 = 0 \nexists$.

Corollary (Borsuk): If $f: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, continuous, then $\exists x \in S^2$ such that $f(x) = f(-x)$.

Proof: Suppose $f(x) \neq f(-x) \forall x \in S^2$. Define $g(x) = \frac{f(-x) - f(x)}{\|f(-x) - f(x)\|}$, so $g: S^2 \rightarrow S^1$, antipodal. \nexists .

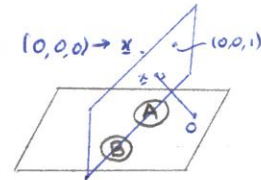
Corollary: If A and B are bounded, measurable sets in \mathbb{R}^2 , \exists a straight line bisecting both A and B ("Ham Sandwich Theorem").

Proof: If $z \in S^2$, Let $\Pi_z =$ plane through $(0,0,1)$ perpendicular to $(0,0,0) \rightarrow z$.

$$f_1(x) = \mu(\text{part of } A \text{ on same side of } \Pi_z \text{ as is } z)$$

$$f_2(x) = \mu(\text{part of } B \text{ on same side of } \Pi_z \text{ as is } z).$$

$$\text{Borsuk} \Rightarrow \exists x \text{ with } (f_1(x), f_2(x)) = (f_1(-x), f_2(-x)).$$



* Lemma 2.5: Suppose $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a covering map. Take $\tilde{x}_0 \in \tilde{X}$, let $x_0 = p(\tilde{x}_0)$. The group homomorphism, $p_*: \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, x_0)$ is injective. $[p_* \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)]$ is called the group of the covering. Right cosets of $p_* \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$ in $\pi_1(X, x_0) \xrightarrow{\text{bijection}} p^{-1}x_0$.

Proof: If u is a loop at x_0 and $pu \cong \text{constant rel } \partial I$, lift homotopy (Lemma 2.2).

So p_* is injective.

Suppose $[v] \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$ and $a \in p^{-1}x_0$. Lift v to be a path in \tilde{X} from a to some $b \in p^{-1}x_0$ (Lemma 2.1). This gives a map: $\pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \text{permutations of } p^{-1}x_0; [v] \mapsto (a \mapsto b \text{ as above})$.

[Note that permutations act on right]. Lemma 2.2 \Rightarrow well-defined.

Stabiliser of \tilde{x}_0 is $p_* \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$. Orbit of \tilde{x}_0 is all $p^{-1}x_0$ (\tilde{X} is path-connected).

Lemma 2.6: Suppose $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a covering map, $p\tilde{x}_0 = x_0$. Suppose Y is path-connected, and locally path-connected (ie, any point has arbitrarily small path-connected neighbours).

Let $y_0 \in Y$, suppose we have $f: Y, y_0 \rightarrow X, x_0$

Then, \exists lift map $g: Y, y_0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0$ with $pg = f \Leftrightarrow f_* \pi_1(Y, y_0) \subset p_* \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$.

Such a g is unique.



"Proof": g exists $\Rightarrow p_* g_* = f_*$. This does " \Rightarrow ".

Conversely, define g : let $u: I \rightarrow Y, u(0) = y_0, u(1) = a \in Y$. $f u$ is a path in X .

Lift to $\hat{f}: I \rightarrow \tilde{X}, \hat{f}(0) = \tilde{x}_0$. Define $\hat{f}(1) = g(a)$ - forced definition.

Condition $\Rightarrow g$ is well-defined. Locally path-connected $\Rightarrow g$ is continuous.

Covers are equivalent if \exists homeomorphism $h: \tilde{X}_1 \xrightarrow{h} \tilde{X}_2$, $p_2 h = p_1$.

Same group \Rightarrow equivalent. $\tilde{X}_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} \tilde{X}_2$ (using lemma 2.6) $\Rightarrow \tilde{X}_1 \xrightarrow{g_2} \tilde{X}_1$. So $g_1 g_2 = 1, g_2 g_1 = 1$.

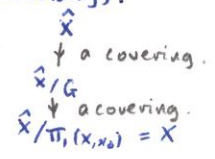
Theorem 2.7: If X is path-connected and locally contractible (ie, x has arbitrarily small contractible neighbourhoods), then X has a simply-connected covering $\hat{X} \rightarrow X$, unique by above. $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ acts on \hat{X} (the universal cover of X) with quotient a copy of X .

Proof: A point of \hat{X} is a homotopy class of paths in X starting at x_0 .

Corollary: Suppose G is any subgroup of $\pi_1(X, x_0)$. Then G acts on \hat{X} (trivially).

$\pi_1(\hat{X}/G) \cong G$, by Theorem 2.3, ie \exists covering of X with G as its fundamental group. "Have" same group, gives homeomorphic covers with base points. Forgetting base points leads to:

"conjugacy classes of subgroups of $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ " $\xleftrightarrow{\text{bijection}}$ coverings of X *



3. Simplicial Complexes

Definition: Points $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$ are (affine) independent if vectors $a_1 - a_0, \dots, a_n - a_0$ are linearly independent. ($\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i a_i = 0$ and $\sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_i = 0 \forall i$)

If this is so, the n -dimensional simplex σ^n with vertices a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n is: $\{\sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i a_i : \lambda_i \geq 0, \sum \lambda_i = 1\}$.

Write $\sigma^n = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n)$. Examples: σ^0 : \bullet , σ^1 : --- , σ^2 : \triangle , etc.

A simplex τ is a face of a simplex σ , $\tau \leq \sigma$, if $\{\text{vertices of } \tau\} \subseteq \{\text{vertices of } \sigma\}$.

The interior of σ , $\text{int } \sigma$, is: $\sigma - \cup (\text{proper faces of } \sigma) = \{\sum \lambda_i a_i : \lambda_i > 0, \sum \lambda_i = 1\}$.

The barycentre of σ is: $\frac{1}{n+1}(a_0 + \dots + a_n) \in \text{int } \sigma$.

σ^n is closed, convex, compact, connected and contractible.

$\sigma = \tau \Leftrightarrow$ vertices of $\sigma =$ vertices of τ .

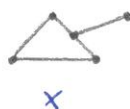
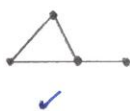
Definition: A (finite simplicial) complex K is a finite set of simplices in some \mathbb{R}^m such that:

(i) $\sigma \in K, \tau \leq \sigma \Rightarrow \tau \in K$

(ii) $\sigma, \tau \in K \Rightarrow \sigma \cap \tau = \emptyset$, or is a face of σ and τ .


$|K| = \bigcup_{\sigma \in K} \sigma \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ is the underlying polyhedron of K .

Examples:



The dimension of $K = \max \{ \dim \sigma : \sigma \in K \}$

A triangulation of a space X is a homeomorphism $t: |K| \rightarrow X$ for some K .

[Example of a nasty space: Hawaiian earring,  - circles, radius $\frac{1}{n}$, centre $(\frac{1}{n}, 0)$]

A subcomplex L of K is a subset of simplices of K satisfying (i). (iii) follows

Definition: Let K, L be simplicial complexes. A function $f: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ is a simplicial map (wrt K, L) if:

(i) for each simplex $(a_0 \dots a_n) \in K$, $\{f a_0, \dots, f a_n\}$ are vertices of a simplex of L ,


(ii) $f(\sum \lambda_i a_i) = \sum \lambda_i f(a_i)$

Note that f is continuous.

Lemma 3.1: $|K| = \bigsqcup_{\sigma \in K} \overset{\circ}{\sigma}$ (\sqcup means 'disjoint union').

Proof: If $x \in \sigma \in K$, $x = \sum \lambda_i a_i$, $\sigma = (a_0 \dots a_n)$, $x \in$ interior of face of σ with vertices $\{a_i\}$ for which $\lambda_i > 0$

Note: If v is a vertex, $\overset{\circ}{v} = v$.

Definition: If a is a vertex of K , the star of a , $\text{star}(a, K) = \bigcup_{\sigma \in K, a \in \sigma} \overset{\circ}{\sigma}$. Example:  star of a

Lemma 3.2: $\{ \text{star}(a, K) : a \text{ is a vertex of } K \}$ is an open-cover of $|K|$.

Proof: If $\sigma \in K$, $\overset{\circ}{\sigma} \subset \text{star}(\text{any vertex of } \sigma)$ $\therefore \bigcup \overset{\circ}{\sigma} = \bigcup (\text{stars}) = |K|$, by lemma 3.1.

$|K| - \text{star}(a, K) = \bigcup_{\sigma \in K, a \text{ not a vertex of } \sigma} \overset{\circ}{\sigma}$ - a finite union of closed sets, so closed. $\therefore \text{star}(a, K)$ is open in $|K|$.

Definition: A simplicial map $f: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ is a simplicial approximation to a (continuous) map $\Phi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ if, for every vertex $a \in K$, $\Phi(\text{star}(a, K)) \subset \text{star}(f(a), L)$

Notes: $\Phi(a) \in \overset{\circ}{\sigma}$, some $\sigma \in L$, $f(a)$ being a vertex of L .

Composition of approximations is an approximation to a composition.

Lemma 3.3: Suppose $f: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ is a simplicial approximation to Φ . Then $\Phi \simeq f$ along straight lines. (rel A , where $A = \{x: f(x) = \Phi(x)\}$)

Proof: Suppose $x \in \overset{\circ}{\sigma}$, $\sigma \in K$, $\sigma = (a_0 \dots a_n)$. $x \in \bigcap_{i=0}^n \text{star}(a_i, K)$ $\therefore \Phi(x) \in \bigcap \text{star}(f(a_i), L)$.

If $\Phi(x) \in \overset{\circ}{\tau}$, $\tau \in L$, then $f(a_i)$ is a vertex of τ . $\therefore f(x) \in \tau$.

\therefore line segment from $\Phi(x)$ to $f(x) \subset \tau \subset |L|$. Then use linear homotopy.

Addendum: If $X \subset |K|$, $\Phi(X) \subset |L|$, M a subcomplex, then $f(X) \subset M$, and homotopy is in M .

Lemma 3.4: Suppose $\Phi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ is continuous, and for each vertex $a_i \in K$, $\Phi(\text{star}(a_i, K)) \subset \text{star}(b_i, L)$ for some vertex $b_i \in L$. Then \exists a simplicial approximation f to Φ with $f(a_i) = b_i$.

Proof: Let $\sigma = (a_0 \dots a_n) \in K$ (having relabelled). If $x \in \overset{\circ}{\sigma}$, $\Phi(x) \in \overset{\circ}{\tau}$, some $\tau \in L$, where b_0, \dots, b_n are vertices of τ (maybe $b_i = b_j$). Then $\{b_0, \dots, b_n\}$ are vertices, not distinct, of some face of τ . \therefore Can define $f(a_i) = b_i$, and extend linearly over a_i .

"Make stars of vertices smaller" - subdivision:



If $\sigma = (a_0 \dots a_n)$, barycentre $\hat{\sigma} = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^n a_i$

The boundary, $\partial\sigma = \{\text{proper faces of } \sigma\}$ is a complex.

If K is a simplicial complex, the s-skeleton of $K = \{\sigma \in K : \dim \sigma \leq s\}$.

(So, $\partial\sigma = (n-1)$ -skeleton of σ , where $\dim \sigma = n$)

Definition: If K is a complex, define $K^{(1)}$, the first derived subdivision of K inductively on

$\dim K$: If $\dim K = 0$, $K^{(1)} = K$.

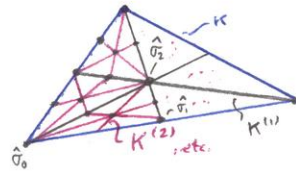
If $\dim K = n$, $K^{(1)} = \begin{cases} (K^{(n-1)})^{(1)} & \text{if } \dim \sigma = n \\ \hat{\sigma}\tau : \sigma \in K, \dim \sigma = n, \tau \in (\partial\sigma)^{(1)} & \text{vertices, those of } \tau \text{ and } \hat{\sigma} \end{cases}$

Notes: (i) $|K^{(1)}| = |K|$

(ii) Every simplex of $K^{(1)} \subset$ some simplex of K .

(iii) $K^{(1)} = \{\hat{\sigma}_0, \hat{\sigma}_1, \dots, \hat{\sigma}_n\} : \sigma_0 < \sigma_1 < \dots < \sigma_n \in K\}$

(iv) $K^{(r)} := (K^{(r-1)})^{(1)}$



Definition: The mesh of a complex $K = \max \{\text{diam}(\text{star}(a, K)) : a \text{ a vertex of } K\}$.

Lemma 3.5: Given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists r$ such that $\text{mesh } K^{(r)} < \epsilon$ (for given K).

Proof: Let $l_K =$ maximum length of a 1-simplex in K . So $\text{mesh } K \leq 2l_K$.

$l_{K^{(1)}} \leq \frac{n}{n+1} l_K$, where $\dim K = n$ (since distance from vertex to barycentre = $\frac{n}{n+1}$ (medium)).

So, $l_{K^{(r)}} \leq (\frac{n}{n+1})^r l_K$, and $(\frac{n}{n+1})^r \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$

Theorem 3.6 (Simplicial Approximation Theorem): Let $\Phi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ be continuous. For sufficiently large r ,

\exists a simplicial approximation $f: |K^{(r)}| \rightarrow |L|$ to $\Phi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$

Proof: $\{\Phi^{-1} \text{star}(b, L) : b \text{ a vertex of } L\}$ is an open-cover of K -compact.

Lebesgue lemma \Rightarrow for sufficiently large r , $\text{star}(a, K^{(r)}) \subset$ some $\Phi^{-1}(\text{star}(b, L))$ for each vertex $a \in K^{(r)}$. By lemma 3.4, f exists.

Corollary: (i) $\{\text{Homotopy classes of maps } |K| \rightarrow |L|\}$ is countable: \exists simplicial approximation in each class.

(ii) $\pi_1(|K|, a_0)$ is countable: by lemma 3.3 addendum - base point fixed.

(iii) $\pi_1(S^n) = \{1\} \forall n \geq 2$: a simplicial approximation to a loop maps into 1-skeleton $\neq S^n$.

Lemma 3.7: If $f, g: |K^{(r)}| \rightarrow |L|$ both approximate $\Phi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$, then $\forall \sigma \in K^{(r)}, \exists \tau \in L$ such that

$f\sigma \leq \tau$ and $g\sigma \leq \tau$. (Say that f and g are contiguous).

Proof: If $x \in \hat{\sigma}$, $\sigma \in K^{(r)}$, $\Phi(x) \in \hat{\tau}$ some $\tau \in L$ (see lemma 3.3), $f(x) \in \tau$ and $g(x) \in \tau$. So, $f\sigma$ and $g\sigma$ are faces of τ .

Lemma 3.8: Given K and L , $\exists \delta > 0$ such that if maps $\Phi, \Psi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ are such that $d(\Phi, \Psi) < \delta$,

then \exists , for some r , a simplicial approximation to both Φ and Ψ , $f: |K^{(r)}| \rightarrow |L|$.


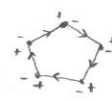
Proof: Choose δ so that $\text{diam } S \leq 4\delta \Rightarrow S \subset \text{star}(b, L)$, some vertex $b \in L$. If $A \subset |L|$, let $A^* = \{x \in A : B(x, \delta) \subset A \text{ for some } \delta > 0\}$ - open. $\{\text{star}(b, L)^* : b \text{ a vertex of } L\}$ is an open-cover of $|L|$, because $x \in |L| \Rightarrow B(x, 2\delta) \subset$ some $\text{star}(b, L) \therefore x \in \text{star}(b, L)^*$, $\delta = \epsilon$




\uparrow diam = 4δ

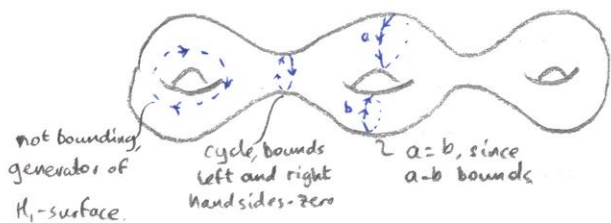
Select as before a large r and $f: |K^{(r)}| \rightarrow |K|$ such that if a is a vertex of K , $\Phi(\text{star}(a, K^{(r)})) \subset \text{star}(f(a), L)^* \subset \text{star}(f(a), L) \therefore f$ is a simplicial approximation to Φ .
 $\Psi(\text{star}(a, K^{(r)})) \subset \text{star}(f(a), L)$ since $d(\Psi, \mathcal{U}) < \delta \therefore f$ is a simplicial approximation to Ψ .

4. Homology Groups of Complexes.

Homology = $\frac{\text{Cycles}}{\text{Boundaries}} = \frac{\text{Something with no boundary}}{\text{Something that bounds}}$

 - 1-simplex; endpoints are boundary. Join lots, eg:  boundaries cancel, so a cycle.

1-cycle bounding 2-dimensional object:  where  induces , so inner arrows cancel leaving cycle as boundary.



A simplex is ordered if we are given an ordering of its vertices. Write $\sigma = (a_0 \dots a_n)$ if $a_0 < \dots < a_n$. Let K be a finite simplicial complex.

Definition: The n th chain group, $C_n(K)$, $n \geq 0$, is: free abelian group with generators (in 1-1 correspondence with) all $\sigma \in K$ with all possible orders, $\dim \sigma = n$ / $\langle (a_0 \dots a_n) - \epsilon_{\pi}(a_{\pi_0} \dots a_{\pi_n}) : \pi \in \Sigma_n, \text{ symmetric group} \rangle$

ie, force relation $(a_0 \dots a_n) = \epsilon_{\pi}(a_{\pi_0} \dots a_{\pi_n})$, so σ with orientation defined up to an even permutation is an oriented simplex.

By convention, $C_n(K) = 0$ if $n < 0$ or $n > \dim K$.

An element of $C_n(K)$ is: $\sum_i \lambda_i \sigma_i$, $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z}$, σ_i an n -simplex with ordering.

Definition: The boundary homomorphism, $d_n: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(K)$ is the linear map defined on generators by: $d_n(a_0 \dots a_n) = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i (a_0 \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_i} \dots a_n)$, where \uparrow indicates omit.

Example: 2-simplex: $d_n(a_0 a_1 a_2) = (a_1 a_2) - (a_0 a_2) + (a_0 a_1) : \triangle \rightarrow \triangle$, "flipping" $\rightarrow \triangle$

Lemma 4.1: d_n is well-defined.

Proof: $d(a_0 \dots a_{r-1} a_r a_{r+1} a_{r+2} \dots a_n) = \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} (-1)^i (a_0 \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_i} \dots a_r a_{r+1} \dots a_n) + (-1)^r (a_0 \dots a_{r-1} \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_r} a_{r+1} \dots a_n) + \sum_{i=r+1}^n (-1)^i (a_0 \dots a_{r-1} a_r a_{r+1} \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_i} \dots a_n) = -d_n(a_0 \dots a_n)$, so well-defined.

Lemma 4.2: $d^2 = 0$, ie, $C_n(K) \xrightarrow{d_n} C_{n-1}(K) \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} C_{n-2}(K)$ is zero.

Proof: $d^2(a_0 \dots a_n) = d \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i (a_0 \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_i} \dots a_n) = \sum_i (-1)^i \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} (-1)^j (a_0 \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_j} \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_i} \dots a_n) - \sum_{j=i+1}^n (-1)^j (a_0 \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_i} \dots \overset{\uparrow}{\hat{a}_j} \dots a_n) \right\} = 0$

$$C_{n+1}(K) \xrightarrow{d} C_n(K) \xrightarrow{d} C_{n-1}(K).$$

$$\underbrace{\text{Ker}(d_n: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(K))}_{n\text{-cycles}} \supset \underbrace{\text{Image}(d_{n+1}: C_{n+1}(K) \rightarrow C_n(K))}_{n\text{-boundaries}}.$$

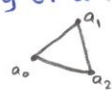
Definition: The n-boundaries, $B_n(K)$, is $\text{Image } d_{n+1}: C_{n+1}(K) \rightarrow C_n(K)$
The n-cycles, $Z_n(K)$, is $\text{Ker } d_n: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(K)$.

$$d^2 = 0 \Rightarrow B_n(K) \subset Z_n(K) \subset C_n(K)$$

Definition: The nth homology group, $H_n(K)$ of K is: $Z_n(K)/B_n(K)$

Example: $H_n(\text{1 point}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & n=0 \\ 0, & n \neq 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} C_1 \\ 0 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} C_0 \\ \mathbb{Z} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} C_{-1} \\ 0 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \dots$

Boundary of a 2-simplex: $C_2 \xrightarrow{d} C_1 \rightarrow C_0 \rightarrow C_{-1}$



$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$
 free abelian, generators: $(a_0a_1), (a_1a_2), (a_2a_0)$

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 generators: a_0, a_1, a_2

$d(a_0a_1) = a_1 - a_0$, $d(a_1a_2) = a_2 - a_1$, $d(a_2a_0) = a_0 - a_2$. 1-cycles are: $n \cdot (a_0a_1, a_1a_2, a_2a_0)$.
 $\therefore H_1(\Delta) = \mathbb{Z}$, $H_0(\Delta) = \mathbb{Z}$, $H_2(\Delta) = 0$

Note: $H_0(\text{path-connected simplex}) = \mathbb{Z}$, as $d(a_i a_j) = a_j - a_i$, so in $H_0(\dots)$, $[a_j] = [a_i]$.

Suppose $f: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ is a simplicial map. Define $f_n: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_n(L)$ to be the linear extension of: $f(a_0 \dots a_n) = \begin{cases} (fa_0 \dots fa_n) & \text{if } fa_i \text{ all distinct} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ - well-defined.

Lemma 4.3: (i) The following diagram commutes: $\begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{d_n^K} C_n(K) \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}^K} C_{n-1}(K) \xrightarrow{d_{n-2}^K} \\ \downarrow f_n \quad \downarrow f_{n-1} \quad \downarrow f_{n-2} \\ \xrightarrow{d_n^L} C_n(L) \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}^L} C_{n-1}(L) \xrightarrow{d_{n-2}^L} \end{matrix}$ ie, $d_n^L f_n = f_{n-1} d_n^K \forall n$.

(ii) If $f = 1_{|K|}$, then $f_n = 1_{C_n(K)}$

(iii) $(gf)_n = g_n f_n$.

$\{f_n\}$ is a chain map between chain complexes.

Proof: If fa_0, \dots, fa_n are distinct, $d f_n(a_0 \dots a_n) = \sum (-1)^i (fa_0 \dots \hat{fa}_i \dots fa_n) = f_{n-1} d(a_0 \dots a_n)$.

if $fa_r = fa_s$, $f_{n-1} d(a_0 \dots a_n) = -f_{n-1} d(a_0 \dots a_n) = 0$, which equals $d f_n(a_0 \dots a_n)$

Corollary: f induces $\{f_n\}$ which induce $f_*: H_n(K) \rightarrow H_n(L)$ such that $1_* = 1$, $(fg)_* = f_* g_*$

Proof: By (i), $f_n Z_n(K) \subset Z_n(L)$, $f_n B_n(K) \subset B_n(L)$, and so induces $H_n(K) = Z_n(K)/B_n(K) \rightarrow Z_n(L)/B_n(L) = H_n(L)$

Later: Shall use the Simplicial Approximation Theorem to approximate $\varphi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$, continuous, by a simplicial map and use above. Will get: $\varphi_*: H_n(K) \rightarrow H_n(L)$ such that $1_* = 1$, $(\varphi\psi)_* = \varphi_* \psi_*$

Lemma 4.4: Suppose have chain complexes and chain maps $\{f_n\}, \{g_n\}$, $\begin{matrix} \rightarrow C_{n+1}(K) \xrightarrow{d} C_n(K) \xrightarrow{d} C_{n-1}(K) \rightarrow \\ \downarrow f_{n+1} \downarrow g_{n+1} \downarrow f_n \downarrow g_n \downarrow f_{n-1} \downarrow g_{n-1} \\ \rightarrow C_{n+1}(L) \xrightarrow{d} C_n(L) \xrightarrow{d} C_{n-1}(L) \rightarrow \end{matrix}$

and homomorphisms $h_n: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_n(L) \forall n$ such that $f_n g_n = d_n^L h_n + h_{n-1} d_n^K$,

then $f_* = g_*: H_n(K) \rightarrow H_n(L) \forall n$. $\{h_n\}$ is a chain homotopy between chain maps, $\{f_n\}, \{g_n\}$

Proof: If $x \in H_n(K)$, $x = [z]$, $z \in Z_n(K)$, $f_n(z) - g_n(z) = \underbrace{d h_n(z)}_{\text{boundary}} + h_{n-1} d(z) = 0 \therefore [f_n(z)] = [g_n(z)]$ in L .

Definition: The cone vK on complex K (v a vertex) is: $\{v\} \cup \{(a_0 \dots a_n) \in K\} \cup \{(va_0 \dots a_n) : (a_0 \dots a_n) \in K\}$.

Lemma 4.5: $H_n(vK) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } n=0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \cong H_n(v)$.

Proof: $v \xrightarrow{i} vK \xrightarrow{j} v$. Simplicial maps, $j_* i_* = 1_* = 1$. Consider $i, j: vK \rightarrow v \rightarrow vK$.

Define $h_n: C_n(vK) \rightarrow C_{n+1}(vK)$ by: $h_n(v\sigma) = 0$, $h_n(v) = 0$, $h_n(\sigma) = v\sigma$ ($\sigma \in K$).

$$(i_* j_* + d h_n + h_{n+1} d)(v\sigma) = 0 + 0 + v\sigma.$$

$$(i_* j_* + d h_n + h_{n+1} d)(v) = v + 0 + 0$$

$$(i_* j_* + d h_n + h_{n+1} d)(\sigma) = 0 + d(v\sigma) + v(d\sigma) = \sigma, \dim \sigma \geq 1$$

$$(i_* j_* + d h_n + h_{n+1} d)(\sigma) = v + d(v\sigma) + 0 = \sigma, \dim \sigma = 0.$$

$\therefore h_n$ is a chain homotopy from 1_n to $i_* j_*$, so $i_* j_* = 1_* = 1$.

So i_* , j_* are isomorphisms.

Corollary: If σ is the complex of a simplex and its faces, $H_n(\sigma) = \begin{cases} 0, & n \neq 0 \\ \mathbb{Z}, & n = 0. \end{cases}$

Corollary: Let σ be an $(n+1)$ -simplex and all its faces. Let $\partial\sigma$ be the proper faces of σ . (So $\partial\sigma$ triangulates S^n). Then, $H_r(\partial\sigma) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & r = 0 \text{ or } n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Proof: ($n=1$ done, assume $n \geq 2$). Have inclusion $i: \partial\sigma \hookrightarrow \sigma$. Have:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & C_n(\partial\sigma) & \xrightarrow{d} & C_{n-1}(\partial\sigma) & \xrightarrow{d} & \dots \rightarrow C_1(\partial\sigma) \rightarrow C_0(\partial\sigma) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow i_n & & \downarrow i_{n-1} & & \downarrow i_1 & \downarrow i_0 \\ 0 & \rightarrow & C_n(\sigma) & \rightarrow & C_{n-1}(\sigma) & \rightarrow & \dots \rightarrow C_1(\sigma) \rightarrow C_0(\sigma) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Via i_r , the two chain complexes are the same except in dimension $n+1$.

So, $H_r(\partial\sigma) = H_r(\sigma)$, $r \leq n-1$, and $H_r(\sigma) = 0$ for $r \neq 0$.

$$0 = H_{n+1}(\sigma) = \frac{Z_{n+1}(\sigma)}{B_{n+1}(\sigma)} = 0. \text{ So } Z_{n+1}(\sigma) = 0.$$

$\therefore Z = C_{n+1}(\sigma) \xrightarrow{d_{n+1}} C_n(\sigma)$ is injective (since $\ker d_{n+1} = Z_{n+1} = 0$)

$\therefore B_n(\sigma) \cong Z$, so $Z_n(\sigma) \cong Z$, as $H_n(\sigma) = 0$.

$\therefore Z_n(\partial\sigma) \cong Z$, and $B_n(\partial\sigma) = 0$, trivially, $\Rightarrow H_n(\partial\sigma) \cong Z/0 \cong Z$.

Definition: A sequence, $\dots \rightarrow G_n \xrightarrow{f_n} G_{n-1} \xrightarrow{f_{n-1}} G_{n-2} \rightarrow \dots$ of groups and homomorphisms is exact if $\ker f_{n-1} = \text{Image of } f_n \forall n$ under consideration.

Examples: (i) $\dots \rightarrow C_n \xrightarrow{d_n} C_{n-1} \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} C_{n-2} \rightarrow \dots$ is exact iff all homology groups are zero.

(ii) If $0 \rightarrow G_2 \xrightarrow{f} G_1 \rightarrow 0$ is exact then f is an isomorphism.

(iii) $0 \rightarrow G \hookrightarrow H \xrightarrow{\text{projection}} H/G \rightarrow 0$ is exact when G is a normal subgroup of H .

If $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\alpha} B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$, then $C \cong B/\text{Im } \alpha$ (first isomorphism theorem).

Theorem 4.6 (Mayer-Vietoris Theorem): Suppose that K is a simplicial complex and $K = L \cup M$, where L and M are subcomplexes ($\Rightarrow L \cap M$ a subcomplex). Then \exists an exact sequence of homology groups: $\dots \rightarrow H_n(L \cap M) \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} H_n(L) \oplus H_n(M) \xrightarrow{\beta_n} H_n(K) \xrightarrow{\Delta_n} H_{n-1}(L \cap M) \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-1}} \dots$ where, if inclusions are denoted, $\begin{array}{ccc} L \cap M & \xrightarrow{i_1} & L \\ \downarrow j_2 & & \downarrow j_1 \\ M & \xrightarrow{j_2} & K \end{array}$, $\alpha_n(x) = ((i_1)_* x, (i_2)_* x)$, $\beta_n(x, y) = (j_1)_* x - (j_2)_* y$.

Proof: $H_n(L) \oplus H_n(M)$ is the n th homology of chain complex $\{C_n(L) \oplus C_n(M), (d^L, d^M)\}$.

Definition of Δ_n : if $[z] \in H_n(K)$, means $z \in C_n(K)$, $d z = 0$.

β_n is surjective, so $\exists y \in C_n(L) \oplus C_n(M)$ with $\beta_n y = z$. So, since commuting,

$\beta_{n-1} d y = \alpha_{n-1} \beta_n y = \alpha_{n-1} z = d y$. Exactness $\Rightarrow \exists x \in C_{n-1}(L \cap M)$ with $\alpha_{n-1}(x) = d y$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
0 & \rightarrow & C_n(L \oplus M) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} & C_n(L) \oplus C_n(M) & \xrightarrow{\beta_n} & C_n(K) \rightarrow 0 \\
& & \downarrow d & & \downarrow d & & \downarrow d \\
0 & \rightarrow & C_{n-1}(L \oplus M) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-1}} & C_{n-1}(L) \oplus C_{n-1}(M) & \xrightarrow{\beta_{n-1}} & C_{n-1}(K) \rightarrow 0 \\
& & \downarrow d & & \downarrow d & & \downarrow d \\
& & C_{n-2}(L \oplus M) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-2}} & C_{n-2}(L) \oplus C_{n-2}(M) & &
\end{array}$$

- exact (commutes)

$d\alpha_{n-1}(x) = d^2y = 0$, $\therefore \alpha_{n-2}dx = 0$. α_{n-2} is injective (exactness), $\therefore dx = 0$, so x is a cycle. Define $\Delta_n[z] = [x] \in H_{n-1}(L \oplus M)$

Check Δ_n is well-defined.

Suppose $\bar{z}, \bar{y}, \bar{x}$ is another triple of choices, with $[\bar{z}] = [z]$. So, $z - \bar{z} \in B_n(K)$. $\exists \hat{y} \in C_{n+1}(L) \oplus C_{n+1}(M)$ such that $d\beta_{n+1}\hat{y} = z - \bar{z}$, so $\beta_n d\hat{y} = z - \bar{z}$, and $\beta_n(y - \bar{y}) = z - \bar{z}$, so $\beta_n(y - \bar{y} - d\hat{y}) = 0$.

$\therefore \exists \hat{x} \in C_n(L \oplus M)$ with $\alpha_n \hat{x} = y - \bar{y} - d\hat{y}$. So, $d\alpha_n \hat{x} = d(y - \bar{y}) - d^2\hat{y} = 0$

α_{n-1} injective $\Rightarrow d\hat{x} = x - \bar{x}$, so $[x] = [\bar{x}]$ $\therefore \Delta_n$ is well-defined.

Note: Δ_n is a homomorphism. If we have z_1, y_1, x_1 and z_2, y_2, x_2 , then for $z_1 + z_2$ we can choose $y_1 + y_2$ and $x_1 + x_2$.

Check exactness:

(a) At $H_n(L) \oplus H_n(M)$. $\beta_n \alpha_n = 0$, so $\beta_n \alpha_n = 0$. $\therefore \text{Im } \alpha_n \subset \text{Ker } \beta_n$.

If $[k] \in \text{Ker } \beta_n$, $\beta_n k = dl$, some $l \in C_{n+1}(K)$

$$= d\beta_{n+1}m, \text{ some } m \in C_{n+1}(L) \oplus C_{n+1}(M), = \beta_n dm = 0.$$

So, $\beta_n(k - dm) = 0$. So $[k] = [k - dm] \in \text{Im } \alpha_n$.

(b) At $H_n(K)$. If $[y] \in \text{Im } \Delta_n$, ie $dy = 0$, then $\beta_n[y] = [\beta_n y]$.

$\Delta_n[\beta_n y] = [x]$ such that $d_{n-1}x = dy = 0$ $\therefore x = 0$, ie $\Delta_n \beta_n = 0$, so $\text{Im } \beta_n \subset \text{Ker } \Delta_n$.

Conversely, if $[z] \in \text{Ker } \Delta_n$, $\hat{x} \xrightarrow{d} y \rightarrow z$, $x = d\hat{x}$, some $\hat{x} \in C_n(L \oplus M)$, as $[x] = 0$.

$d\alpha_n \hat{x} = dy$, $\therefore d(y - \alpha_n \hat{x}) = 0$, so $y - \alpha_n \hat{x}$ is a cycle.

$\beta_n(y - \alpha_n \hat{x}) = \beta_n y = z$. $[z] = \beta_n[y - \alpha_n \hat{x}]$, $\therefore [z] \in \text{Im } \beta_n$.

(c) At $H_n(L \oplus M)$. $\alpha_n \Delta = 0$, (obvious, as $\alpha_n \Delta_n[z] = [dy] = 0$), so $\text{Im } \Delta \subset \text{Ker } \alpha_n$.

If $\alpha_n[x] = 0$, $dx = 0$. $\alpha_{n-1}x = dy$, some y . $d\beta_n y = \beta_{n-1} \alpha_{n-1} x = 0$.

$\therefore \beta_n y$ is a cycle, z , say, and $\Delta[z] = [x]$

Example: Let $\partial\sigma$ be the boundary of an n -simplex. Let K be cone $(u \partial\sigma) \cup \text{cone}(v \partial\sigma)$

$n \geq 2$, $H_r(L) = H_r(M) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } r=0 \\ 0 & \text{if } r \neq 0 \end{cases}$ (cone lemma)

Mayer-Vietoris: $H_r(L) \oplus H_r(M) \rightarrow H_r(K) \rightarrow H_{r-1}(L \oplus M) \rightarrow H_{r-1}(L) \oplus H_{r-1}(M) \dots$

$r \geq 2$, $\begin{matrix} 0 & & 0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & & 0 \end{matrix}$ $\therefore H_n(K) = \mathbb{Z}$, $H_r(K) = 0$, $2 \leq r \leq n-1$.

At end of sequence: $H_1(K) \xrightarrow{\text{0-image}} H_0(L \oplus M) \xrightarrow{\text{0-kernel}} H_0(L) \oplus H_0(M) \rightarrow H_0(K) \rightarrow 0$

$[L \oplus M, L, M \text{ connected}]$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
\mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\text{injection}} & \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \rightarrow & 0 \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
1 & & (1, 1) & & 1 & & \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
[\text{vertex}] & & (1, 0) & \mapsto & 1 & & \\
& & (0, 1) & \mapsto & -1 & &
\end{array}$$

$\therefore H_1(K) = 0$

Example: If $K = L \vee M$ (ie, $K = L \cup M$, and $L \cap M = \{\text{one point}\}$), $H_r(K) \cong H_r(L) \oplus H_r(M)$, $r > 0$

5. Invariance of Homology Groups.

Lemma 5.1: Let $\alpha: \{\text{vertices of } K^{(n)}\} \rightarrow \{\text{vertices of } K\}$ be such that $\forall \tau \in K$, $\alpha \hat{\tau}$ is a vertex of σ . Then α extends to a simplicial map $\alpha: K^{(n)} \rightarrow K$ which is an approximation to $1: |K^{(n)}| \rightarrow |K|$.

Proof: If $\tau \in K^{(n)}$, $\hat{\tau} \subset \hat{\sigma}$, some unique $\sigma \in K$. $\alpha(\text{vertices of } \tau)$ are vertices of σ .
 $\therefore \alpha\{\text{vertices of } \tau\}$ are vertices of some face of σ , so α extends to a simplicial map.
 If v is a vertex of τ , $\hat{\tau} \subset \hat{\sigma} \subset \text{star}(av, K)$, with av some vertex of σ . True \forall simplex τ with v as a vertex, so $1 \cdot \text{star}(v, K^{(n)}) \subset \text{star}(av, K)$, ie, α is an approximation to 1 .

Note: if σ is an n -simplex of K , $\sigma = \alpha\tau$ for just one n -simplex $\tau, \tau \in K^{(n)}$, and $\hat{\tau} \subset \hat{\sigma}$.
 (Use induction on n).

Lemma 5.2: \exists chain map $\partial_n: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_n(K^{(n)}) \forall n$, ($d\partial_n = \partial_{n-1}d$), such that if σ is an n -simplex of K , $\partial_n \sigma = \sum_{\hat{\tau} \subset \hat{\sigma}} \pm \tau$ (some choice with \pm).

Proof: Let ∂_0 be inclusion. Suppose have ∂_r defined for $r < n$, and that $\dim \sigma = n$.

Define $\partial_n \sigma = \hat{\sigma}(\partial_{n-1}(d\sigma))$, where $\hat{\sigma}(\sum \lambda_i (a_0^i \dots a_{n-1}^i)) = \sum \lambda_i (\hat{\sigma} a_0^i \dots a_{n-1}^i)$.

∂_n is well-defined. Inductively, $d\partial_{n-1} = \partial_{n-2}d$.

$d\partial_n \sigma = d(\hat{\sigma}(\partial_{n-1}(d\sigma))) = \partial_{n-1}d\sigma - \hat{\sigma}(d(\partial_{n-1}(d\sigma)))$ so $d\partial_n = \partial_{n-1}d$.
 $\rightarrow = \hat{\sigma}(\partial_{n-1}d\sigma) = \partial_{n-1}d\sigma$

Note: if $\dim \sigma = n$, $\alpha_n \partial_n \sigma = \pm \sigma$ (using note to lemma 5.1).

$\therefore \alpha_n \partial_n$ is an isomorphism $C_n(K) \rightarrow C_n(K)$ (self-inverse).

$\therefore \alpha_x \partial_x$ is an isomorphism $H_n(K) \rightarrow H_n(K)$.

Lemma 5.3: Suppose $\{f_n\}, \{g_n\}: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_n(L)$ are chain maps such that:

(i) f_0 and g_0 map vertices to vertices,

(ii) for each n -simplex $\sigma \in K$, \exists a cone $\Lambda_\sigma \subset L$ such that $f_n \sigma$ and $g_n \sigma \in C_n(\Lambda_\sigma) \subset C_n(L)$

(iii) $\tau \subset \sigma \Rightarrow \Lambda_\tau \subset \Lambda_\sigma$.

Then, $f_x = g_x: H_r(K) \rightarrow H_r(L) \forall r$.

Proof: (Recall lemma 4.4). Construct chain homotopy $h_n: C_n(K) \rightarrow C_{n+1}(L)$.

If $\dim \sigma = 0$, $f_0 \sigma$ and $g_0 \sigma$ are vertices in $C_0(\Lambda_\sigma)$ path-connected.

\exists 1-chain, call it $h_0 \sigma \in C_1(\Lambda_\sigma)$ such that $f_0 \sigma - g_0 \sigma = d(h_0 \sigma)$.

Suppose for $r < n$ and $\dim \sigma = r$, have $h_r \sigma \in C_{r+1}(\Lambda_\sigma)$ such that $f_r \sigma - g_r \sigma = dh_r + h_{r-1}d$.

Suppose $\dim \sigma = n > 0$. $d(f_n - g_n - h_{n-1}d)\sigma = (f_{n-1} - g_{n-1} - dh_{n-1})d\sigma = (h_{n-2}d)d\sigma = 0$.

But $(f_n - g_n - h_{n-1}d)\sigma \in C_n(\Lambda_\sigma)$ by properties (ii) and (iii).

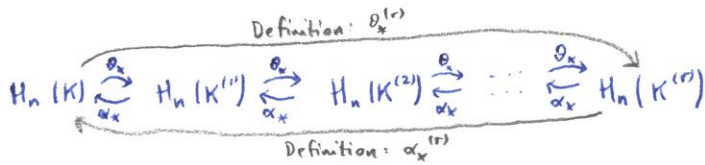
So, $(f_n - g_n - h_{n-1}d)\sigma$ is a cycle. $H_n(\Lambda_\sigma) = 0$ (it is a cone - see lemma 4.5)

$\therefore (f_n - g_n - h_{n-1}d)\sigma = d(\text{some chain}) = d(h_n \sigma)$, say. This defines h_n .

$\therefore f_x = g_x$ by lemma 4.4.

Corollary: $\alpha_*: H_n(K^{(r)}) \rightarrow H_n(K)$ and $\partial_*: H_n(K) \rightarrow H_n(K^{(r)})$ are mutually inverse isomorphisms.

Proof: Have that $\alpha_* \partial_*$ is an isomorphism. Consider $\mathbb{1}$ and $\partial_n \alpha_n: C_n(K^{(r)}) \rightarrow C_n(K^{(r)})$. If $\tau \in K^{(r)}$, $\hat{c} \in \hat{\sigma}$, $\sigma \in K$, $\alpha\tau$ is a face of σ . Take $\Lambda_\tau = \sigma^{(r)} = \hat{\sigma}(d\sigma)^{(r)}$ - cone. By lemma 5.3, $\partial_* \alpha_* = \mathbb{1}_* = \mathbb{1}$. $\therefore \partial_*$ and α_* are both isomorphisms, and $\partial_* = \alpha_*^{-1}$.



Theorem 5.4: For every continuous map $\Phi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ there is, for each n , a well-defined homomorphism $\Phi_*: H_n(K) \rightarrow H_n(L)$ such that $\mathbb{1}_* = \mathbb{1}$ and $(\Psi\Phi)_* = \Psi_* \Phi_*$.

Proof: Let $f: |K^{(r)}| \rightarrow |L|$ be a simplicial approximation to Φ (Theorem 3.6).

Define $\Phi_* = f_* \partial_*^{(r)}$. Suppose $\bar{f}: |K^{(r)}| \rightarrow |L|$ is another simplicial approximation (same r).

\bar{f} and f are contiguous (lemma 3.7), i.e. $\bar{f}\sigma$ and $f\sigma$ are both faces of some $\tau \in L$.

τ is a cone (simplex). Let Λ_σ be minimal such τ . By lemma 5.3, $\bar{f}_* = f_*$.

$\therefore \bar{f}_* \partial_* = f_* \partial_*$.

Now suppose $\hat{f}: |K^{(s)}| \rightarrow |L|$ is a simplicial approximation, with $s < r$, wlog.

α is an approximation to $\mathbb{1}$, $\therefore \hat{f} \alpha^{(r-s)}: |K^{(r)}| \rightarrow |L|$ is an approximation to Φ .

By above, $\hat{f}_* \alpha_*^{(r-s)} = f_*$. $f_* \partial_*^{(r)} = \hat{f}_* \alpha_*^{(r-s)} \partial_*^{(r)} = \hat{f}_* \partial_*^{(s)}$, so Φ is well-defined.

$\mathbb{1}_* = \mathbb{1}$ is trivial. Suppose we have continuous maps $|K| \xrightarrow{\Phi} |L| \xrightarrow{\Psi} |M|$ and simplicial approximations $|K^{(r)}| \xrightarrow{f} |L^{(r)}| \xrightarrow{g} |M|$. gf is a simplicial approximation to $\Psi\Phi$.

$$(\Psi\Phi)_* = (gf)_* \partial_*^{(r)} = g_* f_* \partial_*^{(r)} = g_* \underbrace{\partial_*^{(r)} \alpha_*^{(r-s)}}_{\Psi_*} f_* \partial_*^{(s)} = \underbrace{g_* \partial_*^{(r)}}_{\Psi_*} \underbrace{\alpha_*^{(r-s)} f_* \partial_*^{(s)}}_{(\text{approximation to } \Phi)_*} = \Psi_* \Phi_*$$

Corollary: If $\Phi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$ is a homeomorphism, then Φ_* is an isomorphism.

Proof: $\Phi\Phi^{-1} = \Phi^{-1}\Phi = \mathbb{1}$, $\therefore (\Phi\Phi^{-1})_* = (\Phi^{-1}\Phi)_* = \mathbb{1}_*$, $\therefore \Phi_* (\Phi^{-1})_* = (\Phi^{-1})_* \Phi_* = \mathbb{1}$.

So Φ_* and $(\Phi^{-1})_*$ are mutually inverse isomorphisms.

If X is a space homeomorphic to $|K|$, some complex K , define $H_r(X) \cong H_r(K)$.

i.e. $H_r(X)$ defined up to isomorphism.

Example: $H_r(S^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } r=0 \text{ or } n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$, so $S^n \cong |\partial(\sigma^n)|$

Theorem 5.5: If $\Phi \cong \Psi: |K| \rightarrow |L|$, then $\Phi_* = \Psi_*$.

Proof: $F: |K| \times [0,1] \rightarrow |L|$. Let $F_t(x) = F(x,t)$, so $F_t: |K| \rightarrow |L|$, with $F_0 = \Phi$, $F_1 = \Psi$.

(Lemma 3.8 $\Rightarrow \exists \delta > 0$ such that two maps $|K| \rightarrow |L|$ within δ have the same simplicial approximation)

F is continuous, and $|K| \times [0,1]$ is compact, so F is uniformly continuous. So $\exists n > 0$ such


that $d(F_t, F_{t+1/n}) < \delta$. Then, $\Phi_* = (F_0)_* = (F_{0+1/n})_* = (F_{0+2/n})_* = \dots = (F_1)_* = \Psi_*$.

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{have same approximation}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{similarly but a different one.}}$

Corollary: If Φ is a homotopy equivalence, Φ_* is an isomorphism.

Proof: $|K| \xrightarrow{\Phi} |L|$. So, $\alpha\Phi \cong \mathbb{1}$, $\Phi\alpha \cong \mathbb{1}$. So, $(\alpha\Phi)_* = \mathbb{1}_*$, $(\Phi\alpha)_* = \mathbb{1}_*$, so $\alpha_* \Phi_* = \mathbb{1}$, $\Phi_* \alpha_* = \mathbb{1}$.

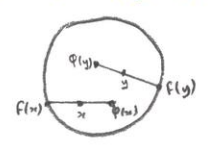
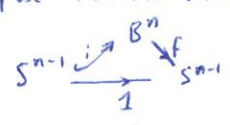
Example: $S^1 \xrightarrow[\cong]{\varphi} \text{Annulus}$ $H_1(\text{Annulus}) = \mathbb{Z}$.

Circle has generators:  - sum of simplexes, \therefore so does annulus.

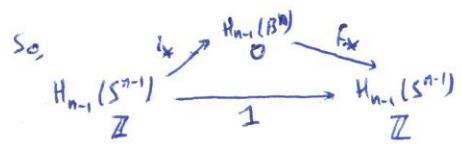
Applications: (i) $S^n \not\cong S^m$ ($n \neq m$). $H_n(S^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ($m, n \geq 1$)
 $H_n(S^m) = 0$.
 (ii) $\mathbb{R}^n \not\cong \mathbb{R}^m$ - remove point: $\mathbb{R}^n - \{0\} \cong S^{n-1}$.

Theorem 5.6 (Brouwer Fixed Point Theorem): Any continuous $\varphi: B^n \rightarrow B^n$ has a fixed point.

Proof: Suppose $\varphi(x) \neq x \forall x$. Define $f: B^n \rightarrow S^{n-1}$ thus:



(Take $n \geq 2$)

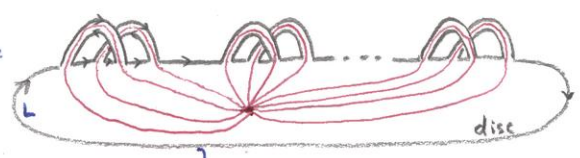


\therefore So, $f_* i_* = 1: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$,
 and $i_* = 0$ - contradiction.

G. Surfaces.

Calculation of homology of (certain) surfaces.


Example (i): Let L be:



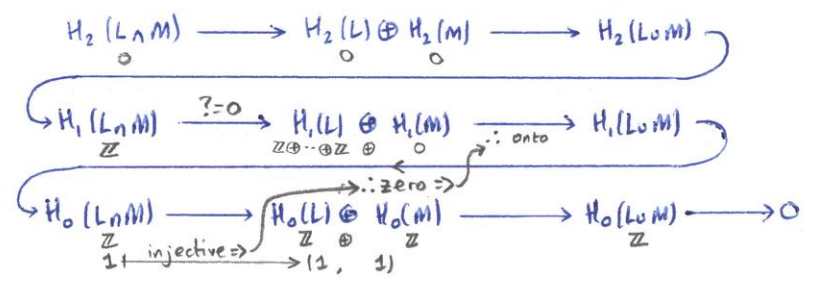
- g pairs of bands "interlocking", added to the boundary of a disc.

one single closed curve = boundary of L .

L deformation retracts to $S^1 \vee S^1 \vee \dots \vee S^1$ (g $2g$ times)
 $H_r(L) \cong H_r(S^1 \vee \dots \vee S^1)$ $H_0(L) = \mathbb{Z}$
 $H_1(L) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ ($2g$ copies)
 $H_r(L) = 0, r \geq 2$

Let M be a disc:  Identify boundary of M with boundary of L .
 $L \cup M$ is a surface with no boundary.

Mayer-Vietoris sequence:



$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_1(L \cup M) \xrightarrow{i_{L*}, i_{M*}} & H_1(L) \oplus H_1(M) & \\
 1 \longmapsto & [?, 0] & \\
 \Sigma (1\text{-simplexes of } L \cup M) \rightarrow & a_1 - a_1, b_1 - b_1, a_2 - a_2, \dots = 0 & \therefore ? = 0
 \end{array}
 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{see: } \text{red} \text{ - shrinking to blue} \\ \text{line - red lines cancel} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \therefore \text{Exactness} \Rightarrow H_1(L) \oplus H_1(M) \xrightarrow{\text{isomorphism}} H_1(L \cup M) \quad \therefore H_1(L \cup M) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z} \text{ (} 2g \text{ copies)} \\
 \text{Exactness} \Rightarrow H_2(L \cup M) \xrightarrow{\text{isomorphism}} H_1(L \cup M), \therefore H_2(L \cup M) \cong \mathbb{Z}
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore H_r(L \cup M) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & r=0 \\ \mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z} \text{ (} 2g \text{ copies)} & r=1 \\ \mathbb{Z} & r=2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{So surface}(g_1) \text{ is not homeomorphic to surface}(g_2).$$

Example (ii): Same L , but M a Möbius band:  - M . $M \cong S^1$

$$L \cup M \cong S^1 \quad H_r(M) = H_r(S^1)$$

$$H_1(L \cup M) \xrightarrow{i_{L*}, i_{M*}} H_1(L) \oplus H_1(M)$$


$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \\
 1 \xrightarrow{\text{injection}} & & (0, 2)
 \end{array}$$

(See:  - shrinking Möbius band to circle: two 1-simplexes gives $1 \mapsto 2$)

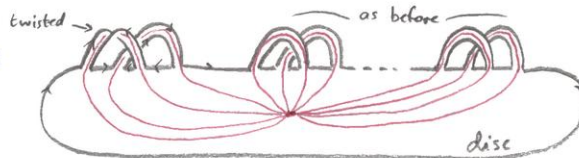
$$\therefore H_2(L \cup M) = 0$$

$$H_1(L \cup M) = \frac{H_1(L) \oplus H_1(M)}{\text{Image } H_1(L \cup M)} \cong \underbrace{\mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}}_{2g \text{ copies}} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}.$$

$$H_0(L \cup M) = \mathbb{Z}.$$

Exercise:  (2 Möbius bands) = Klein bottle, K .
 $H_1(K) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

Example (iii): Let L be:



L deformation retracts to $S^1 \vee \dots \vee S^1$ ($2g$ times).

M still a disc - identify boundaries.

$$H_1(L \cup M) \rightarrow H_1(L) \oplus H_1(M)$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus 0$$

$$1 \mapsto a_1 - a_1, b_1 + b_2, a_2 - a_2, b_2 - b_2, \dots \quad \text{- so injection.} \quad \text{So } H_2(L \cup M) = 0.$$

$$H_1(L \cup M) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z} \text{ (} 2g - 1 \text{ } \mathbb{Z}'\text{s)}.$$

* Classifying Surfaces



Definition: An n -manifold without boundary is a space (Hausdorff) M such that $x \in M \Rightarrow \exists$ open U with $x \in U \subset M$ and $U \cong \mathbb{R}^n$.

Examples: $\mathbb{R}^n, S^n, \mathbb{R}P^n, S^{n-r} \times S^r, T^2$ (torus), K (Klein bottle), L_{2g} .

If $n=1$, and M is compact, connected, then $M \cong S^1$.

If $n=2$, we call M a surface.

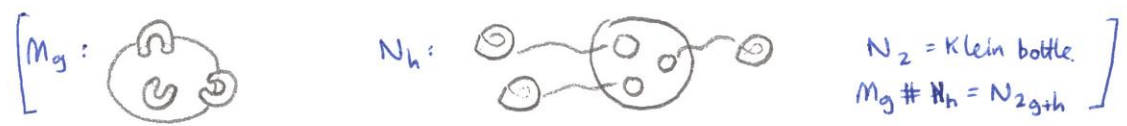
If M_1, M_2 are connected n -manifolds, form their connected sum, $M_1 \# M_2$:


- (i) remove interior of an n -ball from M_1, M_2 . For example: 
- (ii) Identify resulting boundary. So: 

Quote: Any compact 2-manifold M is triangulable, $M \cong |K|$
 (Assume no boundary). Each 1-simplex of K is a face of two 2-simplices.

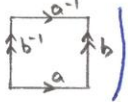
Theorem 6.1: Let M be a compact connected 2-manifold without boundary. Then M is homeomorphic to one and only one of:

M_g ($g=0,1,2,\dots$), $M_0 = S^2$, $M_g = T^2 \# \dots \# T^2$ (g times), where $T^2 = \text{torus}$, $S^1 \times S^1$.
 N_h ($h=1,2,\dots$), $N_h = \mathbb{RP}^2 \# \dots \# \mathbb{RP}^2$ (h times), where $\mathbb{RP}^2 = S^2/x \sim -x = \text{circle} + \text{circle}$



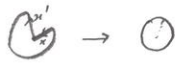
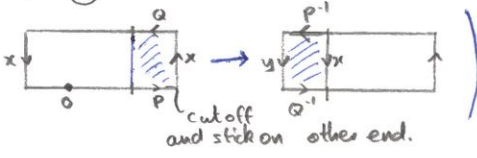
Proof: M a surface, $M \cong |K|$. K a 2-complex - each edge is a face of two 2-simplices. Regard 2-simplices as disjoint and reassemble 

Obtain: M is homeomorphic to an n -gon with its edges to be identified in pairs. Label edges to be identified: $a, a^{-1}, b, b^{-1}, c, c^{-1}, \dots$

-ve pair: a, a^{-1} , if anticlockwise around n -gon, induces opposite orientation on edge. (For example: Torus: )

+ve pair: a, a , if anticlockwise around n -gon, induces same orientation on edge.

Labels around n -gon give a word: Γ . ($aba^{-1}b^{-1}$ in torus example)

Rules: (i) Abolish -ve edges besides their mates: 
 (ii) $\dots P x Q \dots x^{-1} \dots \sim \dots y \dots P^{-1} y Q^{-1} \dots$ (See: )

(iii) $\dots P x Q \dots x^{-1} \dots \sim \dots y \dots Q y^{-1} P \dots$

Proceed: (a) Move +ve pairs in Γ to the front. $\Gamma = \overset{P}{A} \overset{Q}{B} x C y D \sim A y \overset{Q}{C} \overset{P}{B}^{-1} x D$ (rule (iii)) $\sim A z z B C^{-1} D$. Eventually, $\Gamma \sim AR$, $A = x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_n x_n$, R is -ve pairs.

(b) Apply rule (ii) as much as possible. Then \exists a pair of interlocking -ve pairs in R (or $R = \emptyset$), ie $\dots x \dots y \dots x^{-1} \dots y^{-1} \dots$

Move to front: $\Gamma = \overset{P}{A} \overset{Q}{B} x C y D x^{-1} E y^{-1} F$ (rule (iii)) $\sim A z C y D z^{-1} \overset{Q}{B} E y^{-1} F$ (rule (iii) backwards)
 $\sim A z C E \overset{Q}{B} D z^{-1} F \sim A u \overset{Q}{B} E D u^{-1} F \sim A v u^{-1} v^{-1} B E D C F$.

Eventually, $\Gamma \sim AB$, where A is +ve pairs, B is interlocking -ve pairs, ie $a_1 b_1 a_1^{-1} b_1^{-1} a_2 b_2 a_2^{-1} b_2^{-1} \dots$

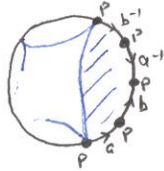
(c) One positive pair converts all pairs to be positive, ie $x x a b a^{-1} b^{-1} y y d c c^{-1}$ (exercise).

So, $\Gamma \sim$ (i) \emptyset .

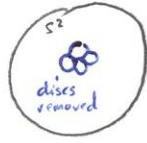
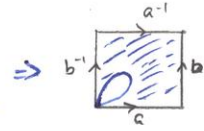
(ii) $a_1 b_1 a_1^{-1} b_1^{-1} a_2 b_2 a_2^{-1} b_2^{-1} \dots a_g b_g a_g^{-1} b_g^{-1}$.

(iii) $x_1 x_1 x_2 x_2 \dots x_n x_n$.

With (ii):



Identifying "nose-to-tail" means all P's are the same point.

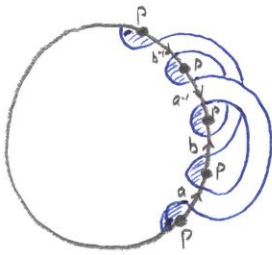
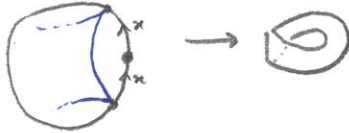


glue



$\Rightarrow T^2 \# \dots \# T^2$ (g copies)

With (iii):



$M_g = L + \text{disc}$ (L from before)
 $H_1(M_g) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ (2g copies)

Repeat for N_h :

h odd: above L + Möbius band

h even: \cup disc

$$H_1 = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \underbrace{\mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}}_{h-1}$$

