

(1) (1) True. Every open cover of a singleton has a singleton subcover.

(2) True.  $x_1, x_2$  are separated by opens  $U_1, U_2$  in  $X$

$\Rightarrow x_1, x_2$  are separated by opens  $U'_1 = U_1 \cap X'$ ,  $U'_2 = U_2 \cap X'$  in  $X' \subseteq X$

(3) False. Consider the set  $X = \{1, 2\}$  with non-Hausdorff topology

$\mathcal{C}_X = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}\}$ . The set  $\{2\}$  is compact, simply because

$|U| \leq |\mathcal{C}_X| = |\mathcal{C}_X| = 3$ , but  $\{2\} \notin \mathcal{C}_X$ ,  $\{2\}$  is not closed.

(4) False. Consider the covering map  $\pi(\vec{x}) = \{\vec{x} + \vec{\alpha}, -\vec{\alpha}\}$  from a simply connected and locally path-connected space  $X = \mathbb{S}^2$  to  $X/G = \mathbb{S}^2 / \{\text{identity map, antipodal map}\} = RP^2$ .

As every  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{S}^2$  has an open neighbourhood  $U = \{\vec{z} \in \mathbb{S}^2 : \vec{x} \cdot \vec{z} > 0\}$ , such that  $U \cap (-U) = \emptyset$ , the action is properly discontinuous, so

$\pi_1(X/G) \cong G \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ , which is nontrivial.

(5) True. For all open partition  $U, V$  of a path connected space  $X$ ,

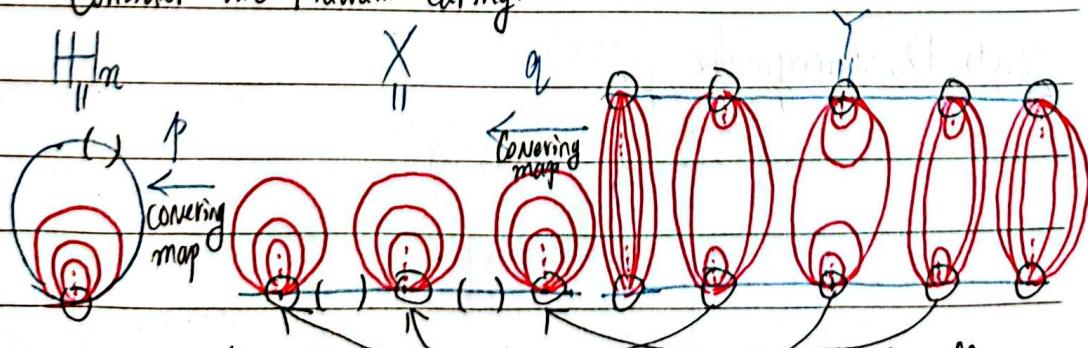
we prove that  $U = \emptyset$  or  $V = \emptyset$ . Assume to the contrary

that  $U \ni u$  and  $V \ni v$ . Construct a path  $\gamma$  from  $u$  to  $v$  in  $X$ ,

then we get a nontrivial open partition  $\gamma'(U), \gamma'(V)$  of  $[0, 1]$ ,

which contradicts with the connectedness of  $[0, 1]$

(6) False. Consider the Hawaii earring:



The preimage of "O" under  $p, q$  intersects the boundary ellipses countably infinitely many times, which cannot happen on  $H_m$ , so  $p, q$  is not a covering map.



(7) False.  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\}$  is homotopic to  $S^2$  via dilation  $H(\vec{x}, t) = (1-t)\vec{x} + t\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}$ .  
Hence,  $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\}) \cong \pi_1(S^2) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .  
However,  $\pi_1(S) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $\mathbb{Z} \neq \mathbb{Z}$  amplies  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\} \neq S$ .

(8) False. Consider the subspace  $\{0, \frac{1}{m} \in \mathbb{R} : m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

As  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} = 0$ ,  $\{0, \frac{1}{m} \in \mathbb{R} : m \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{0, \frac{1}{m} \in \mathbb{R} : m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is closed in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

According to Heine-Borel theorem,  $\{0, \frac{1}{m} \in \mathbb{R} : m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is compact.

However, every singleton  $\{\frac{1}{m}\}$  is a connected component,

because  $\{\frac{1}{m}\}$  is separated from the remaining points by an open

interval  $(\frac{1}{m-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{m+\frac{1}{2}})$ , so  $\{0, \frac{1}{m} \in \mathbb{R} : m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  has infinitely many connected components.

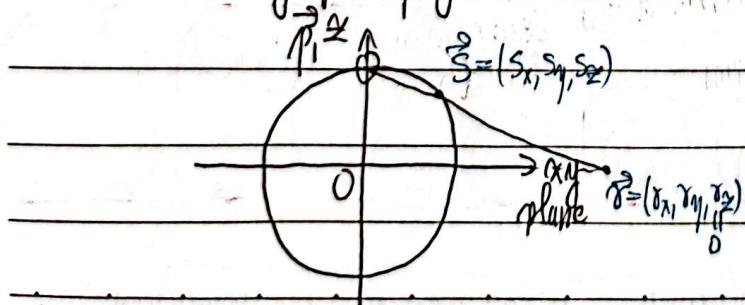
(9) False. For all open disk neighbour  $B(0, r)$  of  $z^2 = 0$  downstairs,  
the restricted map  $\tilde{G}: B(0, \sqrt{r}) \rightarrow B(0, r)$ ,  $z \mapsto z^2$  fails to be  
injective, because  $\forall z \in B(0, \sqrt{r})$ ,  $G(z) = G(-z) = z^2$ .  
Hence,  $G$  is not a covering map.

(10) False. Consider  $X = S$ ,  $X_1 = S \setminus \{+1\} \cong \mathbb{R}$ ,  $X_2 = S \setminus \{-1\} \cong \mathbb{R}$ .

Although  $X_1, X_2$  are simply connected and  $X_1 \cap X_2 \neq \emptyset$  is nonempty,

$\pi_1(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  is nontrivial,  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  is not simply connected.

2.11 Do stereographic projection.



$$\vec{r} = (0, 0, 1) + A(s_x, s_y, s_z - 1)$$

$$\text{If } A(s_z - 1) = 0, A = \frac{1}{1 - s_z}$$

$$\vec{r} = \left( \frac{s_x}{1 - s_z}, \frac{s_y}{1 - s_z}, 0 \right).$$

$$s_x = r_x(1 - s_z), s_y = r_y(1 - s_z)$$

$$s_x^2 + s_y^2 = (r_x^2 + r_y^2)(1 - s_z)^2 = 1 - s_z^2$$

$$(r_x^2 + r_y^2)(1 - s_z)^2 = 1 - s_z^2$$

$$s_z = \frac{2r_z}{1 + r_x^2 + r_y^2}, r_z = \frac{2r_z}{1 + r_x^2 + r_y^2}, s_z = \frac{2r_z}{1 + r_x^2 + r_y^2}$$



For all  $\vec{r} = (r_{x1}, r_{y1}, 0), \vec{r}_2 = (r_{x2}, r_{y2}, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$\vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_2 \Rightarrow \vec{s}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2r_{x1} \\ 1+r_{x1}^2+r_{y1}^2 \\ \frac{2r_{y1}}{1+r_{x1}^2+r_{y1}^2} \\ \frac{-1+r_{x1}^2+r_{y1}^2}{1+r_{x1}^2+r_{y1}^2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2r_{x2} \\ 1+r_{x2}^2+r_{y2}^2 \\ \frac{2r_{y2}}{1+r_{x2}^2+r_{y2}^2} \\ \frac{-1+r_{x2}^2+r_{y2}^2}{1+r_{x2}^2+r_{y2}^2} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{s}_2$$

For all  $\vec{s}_1 = (s_{x1}, s_{y1}, s_{z1}), \vec{s}_2 = (s_{x2}, s_{y2}, s_{z2}) \in \mathbb{S}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0, 1)\}$ :

$$\vec{s}_1 = \vec{s}_2 \Rightarrow \vec{r}_1 = \left( \frac{s_{x1}}{1-s_{z1}}, \frac{s_{y1}}{1-s_{z1}}, 0 \right) = \left( \frac{s_{x2}}{1-s_{z2}}, \frac{s_{y2}}{1-s_{z2}}, 0 \right) = \vec{r}_2$$

Hence, the surjective map  $\tilde{\delta}: \vec{r} \mapsto \vec{s} \in \mathbb{S}$  is well-defined and bijective.

As the polynomials  $2r_x, 2r_y, -1+r_x^2+r_y^2, 1+r_x^2+r_y^2$   
are continuous, and  $1+r_x^2+r_y^2 \neq 0$ ,  $\vec{s} = \left( \frac{2r_x}{1+r_x^2+r_y^2}, \frac{2r_y}{1+r_x^2+r_y^2}, \frac{-1+r_x^2+r_y^2}{1+r_x^2+r_y^2} \right)$   
is continuous.

As the polynomials  $s_{x1}, s_{y1}, 1-s_{z1}$  are continuous, and  $1-s_{z1} \neq 0$ ,  
 $\vec{r} = \left( \frac{s_{x1}}{1-s_{z1}}, \frac{s_{y1}}{1-s_{z1}}, 0 \right)$  is continuous, so  $\tilde{\delta}: \vec{r} \mapsto \vec{s}$  is a homeomorphism.

(2) Step 1: We do stereographic projection. Note that  $\delta(1, 0, 0) = \delta(1, 0, 0)$

$$\delta: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2 \setminus \{\vec{p}_1\}, \delta(r_{x1}, r_{y1}, 0) = \left( \frac{2r_x}{1+r_x^2+r_y^2}, \frac{2r_y}{1+r_x^2+r_y^2}, \frac{-1+r_x^2+r_y^2}{1+r_x^2+r_y^2} \right)$$

Step 2: We construct a deformation retraction from  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{\vec{p}_1\}$  to  $\mathbb{S}$ :

$$H: ((\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{\vec{p}_1\}) \times [0, 1]) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{\vec{p}_1\}), H((r_x, r_y, 0), t) = \left( (t \cdot f(\vec{r})) + \frac{r_x - 1}{\sqrt{(t+1)r_x^2 + r_y^2}} + 1, \right.$$

$$\left. (1-t)r_y + t \frac{r_y}{\sqrt{(t+1)r_x^2 + r_y^2}}, 0 \right).$$

Step 3: Do composition, and we get a deformation

$$\tilde{\delta} \circ H \circ \tilde{\delta}^{-1} \text{ from } \mathbb{S} \setminus \{\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2\} \text{ to } \tilde{\delta}(\mathbb{S}) \cong \mathbb{S}.$$



3.(1) Let  $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$  be a covering map.

If  $X$  is simply connected and locally path connected,  
then  $p$  is a universal cover.

(2) If for all  $m \in M$ , there exists an open neighbourhood  $U$  of  $m$  in  $M$ ,  
such that for all nonidentity element  $g \in G$ ,  $U \cap (g * U) = \emptyset$ ,  
then the action  $\ast$  is properly discontinuous.

(3) As  $G$  acts on  $\tilde{X}$  free and properly discontinuously,

$p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ ,  $\tilde{x}(pt_{\text{upstairs}}) \mapsto x(pt_{\text{downstairs}})$   
= class upstairs

$\tilde{x}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$  is a covering map. Fix a base point  $x_0$  downstairs  
and fix an arbitrary base point  $\tilde{x}_0$  upstairs with  $p(\tilde{x}_0) = x_0$ .

$p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$  is surjective and continuous.

As  $\tilde{X}$  is path connected and locally path connected,  
and  $p(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)) = p(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}))$ , the universal property  
of covering spaces suggests that  $p$  has a unique lift  $\tilde{p}$ , upstairs  
with initial point  $\tilde{x}_1 \in p^{-1}\{x_0\}$  under  $p$ .

For all  $[\gamma] \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$  downstairs,  $[\gamma]$  has a unique lift  
 $[\tilde{\gamma}]$  upstairs with initial point  $\tilde{x}_0$ . Define  $\phi([\gamma]) =$   
[The unique deck transformation  $\tilde{p}$  that sends  $\tilde{x}_0$  to  $\tilde{\gamma}(1)$ ],  
it follows that  $\phi$  is a group homomorphism from  $\pi_1(X, x_0)$  to  $G$ .



(4) As  $\tilde{X}$  is path connected,

for all  $\tilde{x}_1$  in the fibre  $p^{-1}(f(x_0))$ ,

there exists a path  $\tilde{\gamma}$  from  $\tilde{x}_0$  to  $\tilde{x}_1$  upstairs.

Project  $[\tilde{\gamma}]$  downstairs to  $[\gamma] = p'([\tilde{\gamma}]) \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$ ,

and we've proven that  $\phi([\tilde{\gamma}]) = [\text{The unique deck transformation } \tilde{\gamma}]$

that sends  $\tilde{x}_0$  to  $\tilde{\gamma}(1) = \tilde{x}_1$ , so  $\phi$  is surjective.

As  $\tilde{X}$  is simply connected,

for all  $[(\gamma)] \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$  downstairs,

$\phi([( \gamma)]) = [\text{The unique deck transformation } \tilde{\gamma} \text{ that sends } \tilde{x}_0 \text{ to } \tilde{\gamma}(1)] = \text{identity}$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}(1) = \tilde{\gamma}(0) = \tilde{x}_0 \Rightarrow [\tilde{\gamma}] \text{ is a loop in } \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \text{ upstairs}$

$\Rightarrow [\tilde{\gamma}] \in \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \cong \{e\} \text{ is trivial} \Rightarrow [\gamma] = p'([\tilde{\gamma}]) \text{ is trivial}$

Hence,  $\phi$  is injective, and it follows that  $\phi$  is a group isomorphism.

4. d)  $z^2 + z + 1 = 0 \iff z = w \text{ or } z = w^2$ , where  $w = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$

$\left(\frac{rz}{1-r}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{rz}{1-r}\right) + 1 = 0 \iff \frac{rz}{1-r} = w \text{ or } \frac{rz}{1-r} = w^2$

Case 1: If  $r=0$ , then no root.

Case 2: If  $0 < r < 1$ , then  $z = \frac{1-r}{r}w$  or  $z = \frac{1-r}{r}w^2$

(2) For all  $(l, z_0) \in \{l\} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ , we wish to check:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f\left(\frac{rz}{1-r}\right)}{|f\left(\frac{rz}{1-r}\right)|} = \frac{z_0^n}{|z_0|^n}$$



It suffices to check:

$$\lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow +\infty \\ z \rightarrow z_0}} \frac{f(tz)}{|f(tz)|} = \frac{z_0^n}{|z_0|^n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{As } \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow +\infty \\ z \rightarrow z_0}} \frac{|z_0|^n |f(tz) - z_0^n f(z_0)|}{|z_0|^n |f(tz)|} &= \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow +\infty \\ z \rightarrow z_0}} \text{Det} \left( \frac{|z_0|^n (z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots)}{|z_0|^n t z^n + a_{n-1} t^{n-1} + \dots} \right) \\ &= \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow +\infty \\ z \rightarrow z_0}} \text{Det} \left( \frac{|z_0|^n |z^n|}{|z_0|^n |z^n|} \frac{\left| 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{t z} + \dots \right|}{\left( 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{t z} \right)} \right) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} 0. \\ &\quad |z_0|^n |z^n| \left| 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{t z} + \dots \right| \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} |z_0|^{2n} \end{aligned}$$

Our result follows as a corollary,

Now  $f(\frac{rz}{1-r}) \neq 0$  and  $z \neq 0$ , the function  $F(r, z)$  is well defined,

and the continuity follows from  $\lim_{(r, z) \rightarrow (1, z_0)} F(r, z) = F(1, z_0)$ .

(3). Assume to the contrary that  $f(z) = z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0$ ,  $n \geq 3$  has no root.

Now  $F(r, z) = \begin{cases} f(\frac{rz}{1-r}) / |f(\frac{rz}{1-r})| & \text{if } 0 \leq r < 1 \\ z^n / |z|^n & \text{if } r = 1 \end{cases}$  gives an inverted

deformation-retraction from a single point  $\{z_0\}$  to the unit circle  $S^1$ ,  
 contradicting to  $\pi_1(\{z_0\}) \cong \{e\} \neq \pi_1(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

5.(1) Proof: We may divide our proof onto three parts

Part 1: For all  $g_1, g_2 \in G$  and  $A \in M$ ,  $G(g_1 g_2, A) = (g_1 g_2) A (g_1 g_2)^{-1}$   
 $= g_1 (g_2 A g_2^{-1}) g_1^{-1} = G(g_1, G(g_2, A))$

Part 2: For all  $A \in M$ ,  $G(e, A) = e A e^{-1} = A$ .

Part 3: As matrix multiplication and matrix inverse are continuous over  $G \times M$ ,

$G(g, A) = g A g^{-1}$  is continuous.

Hence,  $\star : G(A) \ni G(g, A) = g A g^{-1}$  is a left topological action.



(2) Proof: Consider the points  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  downstairs in  $M/G$ .

For any open neighbour  $U$  of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $M/G$ , we wish

to show that  $U \supset \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , thus  $M/G$  is not Hausdorff.

Pull back  $U$  to  $V = \pi^{-1}(U)$  in  $M$ , where  $\pi: M \rightarrow M/G$ ,

$A \mapsto [A]$  is the natural projection map. Note that  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & m \end{pmatrix}$

$$* \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/m \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in V,$$

so for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/m \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in V$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/m \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \pi(V) = U$ ,

and we are done.

(3) Proof: As  $A$  is diagonalizable  $\Rightarrow A = PAP^{-1}$  for some invertible  $P$

and diagonal  $\Lambda \Rightarrow [A] = [\Lambda]$  for some diagonal  $\Lambda$

$\Rightarrow$  Each  $B = Q\Lambda Q^{-1}$  satisfies  $[B] = [A] = [\Lambda]$

$\Rightarrow$  Each  $Q * A = B$  is diagonalizable,

the set  $M^0$  of all diagonalizable matrices is closed under  $*$

For all distinct  $[A], [B] \in M^0/G$ ,  $ch(A) \neq ch(B)$ ,

just choose  $V = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : |x - \text{tr}(A)|^2 + |y - \det(A)|^2 < |x - \text{tr}(B)|^2 + |y - \det(B)|^2\}$

$$V = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : |x - \text{tr}(A)|^2 + |y - \det(A)|^2 > |x - \text{tr}(B)|^2 + |y - \det(B)|^2\}$$

$\subset \mathbb{C}^2$  to separate  $ch(A), ch(B)$  in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ ,

and  $(ch^{-1}(U) \cap ch^{-1}(V))$  separate  $[A], [B]$  in  $M^0/G$  as  $ch$  is continuous.

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 in  $M^0$       saturated open  
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(4).

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M^0 & \xrightarrow{\text{ch}} & \\ \pi \downarrow & & \\ M^0/G & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \mathbb{C}^2 \end{array}$$

For all  $[A] \in M^0/G$ ,

as  $\text{ch}$  is invariant under  $*$ ,

there exists a unique image  $\phi([A]) = \text{ch}(A)$ ,  
so  $\phi$  is well-defined.

If two classes  $[A], [B] \in M^0/G$  have the same  $\text{ch}$ ,

then  $A, B$  are conjugate,  $[A] = [B]$ , so  $\phi$  is injective.

If  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{C}^2$ , then  $\lambda^2 + a\lambda + b = 0$  can be factorized into  $(\lambda - \alpha)(\lambda - \beta) = 0$ ,

so  $(a, b) = \text{ch}\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix} = \phi\left(\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix}\right)$ ,  $\phi$  is surjective.

For all open subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{C}^2$ ,  $\phi^{-1}(U) = \pi(\text{ch}^{-1}(U)) \subseteq M^0/G$   
saturated open

Hence,  $\phi$  is bijective and continuous.

