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All manifolds: connected, oriented, 2nd countable, Hausdorff.

1.1 Compact-Open Topology

• For X, Y topological spaces, consider

$$Y^X = C(X,Y) = \text{hom}_{\text{Top}}(X,Y) \coloneqq \left\{ f : X \to Y \mid f \text{ is continuous} \right\}.$$

- General idea: it's nice to *cartesian closed* categories, which require *exponential objects* or *internal homs*: i.e. for every hom set, there is some object in the category that represents it (i.e. here we'd like the homs to again be spaces).
- Can make this work if we assume WHCG: weakly Hausdorff and compactly generated.
 - * Weakly Hausdorff: every continuous image of a compact Hausdorff space into it is closed.
 - * Compactly generated: sets are closed iff their intersection with every compact subspace is closed.
- Topologize with the *compact-open* topology \mathcal{O}_{CO} :

$$U \in \mathcal{O}_{CO} \iff \forall f \in U, \quad f(K) \subset Y \text{ is open for every compact } K \subseteq X.$$

* If Y = (Y, d) is a metric space, this is the topology of "uniform convergence on compact sets": for $f_n \to f$ in this topology iff

$$||f_n - f||_{\infty,K} := \sup \left\{ d(f_n(x), f(x)) \mid x \in K \right\} \stackrel{n \to \infty}{\to} 0 \quad \forall K \subseteq X \text{ compact.}$$

In words: $f_n \to f$ uniformly on every compact set.

- If X itself is compact and Y is a metric space, C(X,Y) can be promoted to a metric space with $d(f,g) = \sup_{x \in Y} (f(x),g(x))$.
- Useful in analysis: when is a family of functions $\mathcal{F} = \{f_{\alpha}\} \subset \hom_{\text{Top}}(X, Y)$ compact? Essentially answered by Arzela-Ascoli

Theorem 1.1(Ascoli).

If X is locally compact Hausdorff and (Y, d) is a metric space, a family $\mathcal{F} \subset \text{hom}_{\text{Top}}(X, Y)$ has compact closure $\iff \mathcal{F}$ is equicontinuous and $F_x \coloneqq \{f(x) \mid f \in \mathcal{F}\} \subset Y$ has compact closure.

Corollary 1.2(Arzela).

If $\{f_n\} \subset \text{hom}_{\text{Top}}(X,Y)$ is an equicontinuous sequence and $F_x := \{f_n(x)\}$ is bounded for every X, it contains a uniformly convergent subsequence.

- Useful in Number Theory / Rep Theory / Fourier Series: can take G to be a locally compact abelian topological group and define its Pontryagin dual $\widehat{G} := \hom_{\text{TopGrp}}(G, S^1)$ where we consider $S^1 \subset \mathbb{C}$.
 - * Can integrate with respect to the Haar measure μ , define L^p spaces, and for $f \in L^p(G)$ define a Fourier transform $\widehat{f} \in L^p(\widehat{G})$.

$$\widehat{f}(\chi) := \int_G f(x) \overline{\chi(x)} d\mu(x).$$

• So define

 $\operatorname{Map}(X,Y) \coloneqq (\operatorname{hom}_{\operatorname{Top}}(X,Y),\mathcal{O}_{\operatorname{CO}})$ where $\mathcal{O}_{\operatorname{CO}}$ is the compact-open topology.

 $Map(X,Y) = hom_{Top}(X,Y)$ equipped with the compact-open topology.

- Can immediately consider some interesting spaces via the functor Map (\cdot, Y) :

$$\begin{split} X &= \{ \mathrm{pt} \} \leadsto & \mathrm{Map}(\{ \mathrm{pt} \}, Y) \cong Y \\ X &= I \leadsto & \mathcal{P}Y \coloneqq \{ f : I \to Y \} = Y^I \\ X &= S^1 \leadsto & \mathcal{L}Y \coloneqq \left\{ f : S^1 \to Y \right\} = Y^{S^1}. \end{split}$$

Note: take basepoints to obtain the base path space PY, the based loop space ΩY .

- Importance in homotopy theory: the path space fibration $\Omega(Y) \hookrightarrow P(Y) \xrightarrow{\gamma \mapsto \gamma(1)} Y$ (plays a role in "homotopy replacement", allows you to assume everything is a fibration and use homotopy long exact sequences).
- Adjoint property: there is a homeomorphism

$$\operatorname{Map}(X \times Z, Y) \leftrightarrow_{\cong} \operatorname{Map}(Z, \operatorname{Map}(X, Y))$$
$$H: X \times Z \to Y \iff \tilde{H}: Z \to \operatorname{Map}(X, Y)$$
$$(x, z) \mapsto H(x, z) \iff z \mapsto H(\cdot, z).$$

Categorically, hom $(X, \cdot) \leftrightarrow (X \times \cdot)$ form an adjoint pair in Top.

A form of this adjunction holds in any cartesian closed category.

- Fun fact: with some mild point-set conditions (Locally compact and Hausdorff),

$$\pi_0 \operatorname{Map}(X, Y) = \{ [f], \text{ homotopy classes of maps } f : X \to Y \},$$

i.e. two maps f, g are homotopic \iff they are connected by a path in Map(X, Y).

* Proof:

$$\mathcal{P}\operatorname{Map}(X,Y) = \operatorname{Map}(I,\operatorname{Map}(X,Y)) \cong \operatorname{Map}(Y \times I,X),$$

and just check that $\gamma(0) = f \iff H(x,0) = f$ and $\gamma(1) = g \iff H(x,1) = g$.

- * Note that we can interpret the RHS as the space of paths
- Now we can bootstrap up to play fun recursive games by applying the pathspace endofunctor $\operatorname{Map}(I, \cdot)$: define

$$\operatorname{Map}_{I}^{1}(X, Y) := \operatorname{Map}(I, \operatorname{Map}(X, Y)) = \mathcal{P}\operatorname{Map}(X, Y)$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Map}_{I}^{2}(X,Y) &\coloneqq \operatorname{Map}(I,\operatorname{Map}_{I}^{1}(X,Y)) \\ &\cong \operatorname{Map}(I,\operatorname{Map}(I,\operatorname{Map}(X,Y))) &= \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(X,Y)) \\ &\cong \operatorname{Map}(I,\operatorname{Map}(Y\times I,X)) \\ &\coloneqq \mathcal{P}\operatorname{Map}(Y\times I,X). \end{aligned}$$

Interpretation: we can consider paths in the *space* of paths, and paths between homotopies, and homotopies between homotopies, ad infinitum!

This in fact defines a *monad* on spaces: an endofunctor that behaves like a monoid.

1.2 Isotopy

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1.3 Self-Homeomorphisms

- In any category, the automorphisms form a group.
 - In a general category \mathcal{C} , we can always define the group $\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{C}}(X)$.
 - * If the group has a topology, we can consider $\pi_0 \operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{C}}(X)$, the set of path components.
 - * Since groups have identities, we can consider $\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{C}}^{0}(X)$, the path component containing the identity.
 - So we make a general definition:

$$MCG_{\mathcal{C}}(X) := Aut_{\mathcal{C}}(X)/Aut_{\mathcal{C}}^{0}(X).$$

• Now restrict attention to

$$\operatorname{Homeo}(X) \coloneqq \operatorname{Aut}_{\operatorname{Top}}(X) = \Big\{ f \in \operatorname{Map}(X,X) \ \Big| \ f \text{ is an isomorphism} \Big\}$$
 equipped with $\mathcal{O}_{\operatorname{CO}}$.

- Taking $MCG_{Top}(X)$ yields ??
- Similarly, we can do all of this in the smooth category:

$$Diffeo(X) := Aut_{C^{\infty}}(X).$$

- Taking $MCG_{C^{\infty}}(X)$ yields ??

• Similarly, we can do this for the homotopy category of spaces:

$$ho(X) := \{ [f] \}$$
.

- Taking MCG(X) here yields homotopy classes of self-homotopy equivalences.
- For topological manifolds: Isotopy classes of homeomorphisms
 - In the compact-open topology, two maps are isotopic iff they are in the same component of $\pi \operatorname{Aut}(X)$.
- For surfaces: MCG(S) on the Teichmuller space T(S), yielding a SES

$$0 \to \mathrm{MCG}(S) \to T(S) \to \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_g(S) \to 0$$

where the last term is the moduli space of Riemann surfaces homeomorphic to X.

- -T(S) is the moduli space of complex structures on S, up to the action of homeomorphisms that are isotopic to the identity:
 - * Points are isomorphism classes of marked Riemann surfaces
- Used in the Neilsen-Thurston Classification (for a compact orientable surface, a self-homeomorphism is isotopic to one which is any of: periodic: reducible (preserves some simple closed curves), or pseudo-Anosov (has directions of expansion/contraction))
- Generated by Dehn twists: a self homeomorphism
- Any finite group is MCG(X) for some compact hyperbolic 3-manifold X.