Topology Qualifying Exam Notes

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1 Table of Homotopy and Homology Structures

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[a]Use the fact that $D(1, S^n) \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ and thus $D(k, S^n) \cong D(k-1, \mathbb{R}^n) \cong \bigvee\limits^{k-1} S^1$

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$$\prod\limits_{i=1}^n (H_*M(\mathbb{Z},i))^{\binom{n}{i}} \qquad (e^0 + e^1)^n = \sum\limits_{i=1}^n \binom{n}{i}e^i$$

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$S^1 \vee S^1$	$\pi_*S^1 * \pi_*S^1$	$(H_*M(\mathbb{Z},1))^2$	$e^0 + 2e^1$	
$\bigvee\limits^n S^1$ [a]	$*^n \pi_*S^1$	$\prod H_*M(\mathbb{Z},1)$	$e^0 + e^1$	

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[a]$\mathbb{RP}^1 \simeq S^1$.

Space X	$\pi_*(X)$	$H_*(X)$	CW	$H^*(X)$
$\mathbb{RP}^2$	$\pi_*K(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times \pi_*S^2$	$H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,1)$	$e^0 + e^1 + e^2$	$_0\mathbb{Z} \times _2\mathbb{Z}_2$
$\mathbb{RP}^3$	$\pi_*K(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times \pi_*S^3$	$H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times H_*M(\mathbb{Z},3)$	$e^0 + e^1 + e^2 + e^3$	$_0\mathbb{Z} \times _2\mathbb{Z}_2 \times _3\mathbb{Z}$
$\mathbb{RP}^4$	$\pi_*K(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times \pi_*S^4$	$H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,3)$	$e^0 + e^1 + e^2 + e^3 + e^4$	$_0\mathbb{Z} \times (_2\mathbb{Z}_2)^2$

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$\mathbb{RP}^n, n \geq 4$ even	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 1) \times \pi_* S^{n\,a}$	$\prod_{\text{odd } i<n} H_* M(\mathbb{Z}_2, i)$	$\sum_{i=1}^n e^i$	$_0\mathbb{Z} \times \prod_{i=1}^{n/2} {}_2\mathbb{Z}_2$

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Space X	$\pi_*(X)$	$H_*(X)$	CW	$H^*(X)$
$\mathbb{CP}^2$	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \times \pi_* S^5$	$H_* S^2 \times H_* S^4$	$e^0 + e^2 + e^4$	$\mathbb{Z}[_2x]/(_2x^3)$
$\mathbb{CP}^n, n \geq 2$	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \times \pi_* S^{2n+1\,a}$	$\prod_{i=1}^n H_* S^{2i}$	$\sum_{i=1}^n e^{2i}$	$\mathbb{Z}[_2x]/(_2x^{n+1})$

[a] Use $\mathbb{CP}^n = S^{2n+1}/S^1$

Space X	$\pi_*(X)$	$H_*(X)$	CW	$H^*(X)$
Mobius Band [a]	$\pi_* S^1$	$H_* S^1$	$e^0 + e^1$	

[a] Uses the fact that $M \simeq S^1$ by deformation-retracting onto the center circle.

Space X	$\pi_*(X)$	$H_*(X)$	CW	$H^*(X)$
Klein Bottle	$K(\mathbb{Z} \rtimes_{x \mapsto -x} \mathbb{Z}, 1)^a$	$H_* S^1 \times H_* \mathbb{RP}^\infty$	$e^0 + 2e^1 + e^2$	

[a] Alternatively, the fundamental group is $\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/bab^{-1}a$. Use the fact the $\tilde{K} = \mathbb{R}^2$.

2 Euler Characteristics

- Only surfaces with positive χ:

- $\chi S^2 = 2$
- $\chi \mathbb{RP}^2 = 1$
- $\chi B^2 = 1$
- Manifolds with zero χ
  - $T^2, K, M, S^1 \times I$
- Manifolds with negative χ
  - $\Sigma_{g \geq 2}$ by $\chi(X) = 2 - 2g$.

3 Useful Facts and Techniques

- Fundamental group:

  - Van Kampen

- Homotopy Groups

  - Hurewicz map

- Homology

  - Mayer-Vietoris
    * $(X = A \bigcup B) \mapsto (\bigcap, \oplus, \bigcup)$ in homology
  - LES of a pair
    * $(A \hookrightarrow X) \mapsto (A, X, X/A)$
  - Excision

- $\pi_{i \geq 2}(X)$ is always abelian.

- The ranks of π_0 and H_0 are the number of path components, and $\pi_0(X) = \mathbb{Z}$ iff X is simply connected.

  - X simply connected implies $\pi_k(X) \cong H_k(X)$ up to and including the first nonvanishing H_k
  - $H_1(X) = \pi_1 X / [\pi_1 X, \pi_1 X]$, the abelianization.

- General mantra: homotopy plays nicely with products, homology with wedge products.[1]

  In general, homotopy groups behave nicely under homotopy pull-backs (e.g., fibrations and products), but not homotopy push-outs (e.g., cofibrations and wedges). Homology is the opposite.

- $\pi_k \prod X = \prod \pi_k X$ by LES.[2]

- $H_k \prod X \neq \prod H_k X$ due to torsion.

  - Nice case: $H_k(A \times B) = \displaystyle\prod_{i+j=k} H_i A \otimes H_j B$ by Kunneth when all groups are torsion-free.[3]

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[1]More generally, in **Top**, we can look at $A \leftarrow \{pt\} \longrightarrow B$ – then $A \times B$ is the pullback and $A \vee B$ is the pushout. In this case, homology $h : \textbf{Top} \longrightarrow \textbf{Grp}$ takes pushouts to pullbacks but doesn't behave well with pullbacks. Similarly, while π takes pullbacks to pullbacks, it doesn't behave nicely with pushouts.

[2]This follows because $X \times Y \twoheadrightarrow X$ is a fiber bundle, so use LES in homotopy and the fact that $\pi_{i \geq 2} \in \textbf{Ab}$.

[3]The generalization of Kunneth is as follows: write $\mathcal{P}(n, k)$ be the set of partitions of n into k parts, i.e. $\frown \in$

- $H_k \bigvee X = \prod H_k X$ by Mayer-Vietoris.[4]

- $\pi_k \bigvee X \neq \prod \pi_k X$ (counterexample: $S^1 \vee S^2$)

  - Nice case: $\pi_1 \bigvee X = *\pi_1 X$ by Van Kampen.

- $\pi_i(\widehat{X}) \cong \pi_i(X)$ for $i \geq 2$ whenever $\widehat{X} \twoheadrightarrow X$ is a universal cover.

- Groups and Group Actions

  - $\pi_0(G) = G$ for G a discrete topological group.
  - $\pi_k(G/H) = \pi_k(G)$ if $\pi_k(H) = \pi_{k-1}(H) = 0$.
  - $\pi_1(X/G) = \pi_0(G)$ when G acts freely/transitively on X.

- Manifolds

  - $H^n(M^n) = \mathbb{Z}$ if M^n is orientable and zero if M^n is nonorientable.
  - Poincare Duality: $H_i M^n = \cong H^{n-i} M^n$ iff M^n is closed and orientable.

4 Other Interesting Things To Consider

- The "generalized uniform bouquet"? $\mathcal{B}^n(m) = \bigvee_{i=1}^{n} S^m$

- Lie Groups

  - The real general linear group, $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real special linear group $SL_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real orthogonal group, $O_n(\mathbb{R})$
      · The real special orthogonal group, $SO_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real unitary group, $U_n(\mathbb{R})$
      · The real special unitary group, $SU_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real symplectic group $Sp(n)$

- "Geometric" Stuff

  - Affine n-space over a field $\mathbb{A}^n(k) = k^n \rtimes GL_n(k)$
  - The projective space $\mathbb{P}^n(k)$
    * The projective linear group over a ring R, $PGL_n(R)$
    * The projective special linear group over a ring R, $PSL_n(R)$
    * The modular groups $PSL_n(\mathbb{Z})$
      · Specifically $PSL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

- The real Grassmannian, $Gr(n, k, \mathbb{R})$, i.e. the set of k dimensional subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\mathcal{P}(n, k) \implies \frown = (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k)$ where $\sum x_i = n$. Then

$$H_n(\prod_{j=1}^{k} X_j) = \bigoplus_{\frown \in \mathcal{P}(n,k)} \bigotimes_{i=1}^{k} H_{x_i}(X_i).$$

[4] $\bigvee$ is the coproduct in the category $\mathbf{Top}_0$ of pointed topological spaces, and alternatively, $X \vee Y$ is the pushout in $\mathbf{Top}$ of $X \leftarrow \{\mathrm{pt}\} \longrightarrow Y$

- The Stiefel manifold $V_n(k)$

- Possible modifications to a space X:

  - Remove k points by taking \$D(k, X)
  - Remove a line segment
  - Remove an entire line/axis
  - Remove a hole
  - Quotient by a group action (e.g. antipodal map, or rotation)
  - Remove a knot
  - Take complement in ambient space

- Assorted info about other Lie Groups:

- $O_n, U_n, SO_n, SU_n, Sp_n$

- $\pi_k(U_n) = \mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbb{1} \, [k \text{ odd}]$

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5 Spheres

- $\pi_i(S^n) = 0$ for $i < n$, $\pi_n(S^n) = \mathbb{Z}$

  - Not necessarily true that $\pi_i(S^n) = 0$ when $i > n$!!!
    * E.g. $\pi_3(S^2) = \mathbb{Z}$ by Hopf fibration

- $H_i(S^n) = \mathbb{1} \, [i \in \{0, n\}]$

- $H_n(\bigvee_i X_i) \cong \prod_i H_n(X_i)$ for "good pairs"

  - Corollary: $H_n(\bigvee_k S^n) = \mathbb{Z}^k$

- $S^n/S^k \simeq S^n \vee \Sigma S^k$

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[a] $\mathbb{RP}^1 \simeq S^1$.

X	$\pi_*(X)$	$H_*(X)$	CW	$H^*(X)$
$\mathbb{RP}^2$	$\pi_*K(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times \pi_*S^2$	$H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,1)$	$e^0 + e^1 + e^2$	$_0\mathbb{Z} \times _2\mathbb{Z}_2$
$\mathbb{RP}^3$	$\pi_*K(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times \pi_*S^3$	$H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times H_*M(\mathbb{Z},3)$	$e^0 + e^1 + e^2 + e^3$	$_0\mathbb{Z} \times _2\mathbb{Z}_2 \times _3\mathbb{Z}$
$\mathbb{RP}^4$	$\pi_*K(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times \pi_*S^4$	$H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,1) \times H_*M(\mathbb{Z}_2,3)$	$e^0+e^1+e^2+e^3+e^4$	$_0\mathbb{Z} \times (_2\mathbb{Z}_2)^2$

X	$\pi_*(X)$	$H_*(X)$	CW	$H^*(X)$
$\mathbb{RP}^n, n \geq 4$ even	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 1) \times \pi_* S^{n\,a}$	$\prod_{\text{odd } i<n} H_* M(\mathbb{Z}_2, i)$	$\sum_{i=1}^n e^i$	${}_0\mathbb{Z} \times \prod_{i=1}^{n/2} {}_2\mathbb{Z}_2$
	[a]Take the universal double cover $S^n \twoheadrightarrow^{\times 2} \mathbb{RP}^n$ to get equality in $\pi_{i\geq 2}$.			
$\mathbb{RP}^n, n \geq 4$ odd	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 1) \times \pi_* S^{n\,a}$	$\prod_{\text{odd } i\leq n-2} H_* M(\mathbb{Z}_2, i) \times H_* S^n$	$\sum_{i=1}^n e^i$	$H^*(\mathbb{RP}^{n-1}) \times {}_n\mathbb{Z}$
	[a]Take the universal double cover $S^n \twoheadrightarrow^{\times 2} \mathbb{RP}^n$ to get equality in $\pi_{i\geq 2}$.			
$\mathbb{CP}^{1\,a}$	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \times \pi_* S^3$	$H_* S^2$	$e^0 + e^2$	$\mathbb{Z}[{}_2 x]/({}_2 x^2)$
[a]$\mathbb{CP}^1 \simeq S^2$.				
$\mathbb{CP}^2$	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \times \pi_* S^5$	$H_* S^2 \times H_* S^4$	$e^0 + e^2 + e^4$	$\mathbb{Z}[{}_2 x]/({}_2 x^3)$
$\mathbb{CP}^n, n \geq 2$	$\pi_* K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \times \pi_* S^{2n+1\,a}$	$\prod_{i=1}^n H_* S^{2i}$	$\sum_{i=1}^n e^{2i}$	$\mathbb{Z}[{}_2 x]/({}_2 x^{n+1})$
	[a]Use $\mathbb{CP}^n = S^{2n+1}/S^1$			
Mobius Band [a]	$\pi_* S^1$	$H_* S^1$	$e^0 + e^1$	
[a]Uses the fact that $M \simeq S^1$ by deformation-retracting onto the center circle.				
Klein Bottle	$K(\mathbb{Z} \rtimes_{x \mapsto -x} \mathbb{Z}, 1)^a$	$H_* S^1 \times H_* \mathbb{RP}^\infty$	$e^0 + 2e^1 + e^2$	
[a]Alternatively, the fundamental group is $\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/bab^{-1}a$. Use the fact the $\tilde{K} = \mathbb{R}^2$.				

7 Euler Characteristics

- Only surfaces with positive χ:

- $\chi S^2 = 2$
- $\chi \mathbb{RP}^2 = 1$
- $\chi B^2 = 1$
- Manifolds with zero χ
  - $T^2, K, M, S^1 \times I$
- Manifolds with negative χ
  - $\Sigma_{g \geq 2}$ by $\chi(X) = 2 - 2g$.

8 Useful Facts and Techniques

- Fundamental group:

  - Van Kampen

- Homotopy Groups

  - Hurewicz map

- Homology

  - Mayer-Vietoris
    * $(X = A \bigcup B) \mapsto (\bigcap, \oplus, \bigcup)$ in homology
  - LES of a pair
    * $(A \hookrightarrow X) \mapsto (A, X, X/A)$
  - Excision

- $\pi_{i \geq 2}(X)$ is always abelian.

- The ranks of π_0 and H_0 are the number of path components, and $\pi_0(X) = \mathbb{Z}$ iff X is simply connected.

  - X simply connected implies $\pi_k(X) \cong H_k(X)$ up to and including the first nonvanishing H_k
  - $H_1(X) = \pi_1 X / [\pi_1 X, \pi_1 X]$, the abelianization.

- General mantra: homotopy plays nicely with products, homology with wedge products.[5]

  > In general, homotopy groups behave nicely under homotopy pull-backs (e.g., fibrations and products), but not homotopy push-outs (e.g., cofibrations and wedges). Homology is the opposite.

- $\pi_k \prod X = \prod \pi_k X$ by LES.[6]

- $H_k \prod X \neq \prod H_k X$ due to torsion.

  - Nice case: $H_k(A \times B) = \displaystyle\prod_{i+j=k} H_i A \otimes H_j B$ by Kunneth when all groups are torsion-free.[7]

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[5]More generally, in **Top**, we can look at $A \leftarrow \{\mathrm{pt}\} \longrightarrow B$ – then $A \times B$ is the pullback and $A \vee B$ is the pushout. In this case, homology $h : \textbf{Top} \longrightarrow \textbf{Grp}$ takes pushouts to pullbacks but doesn't behave well with pullbacks. Similarly, while π takes pullbacks to pullbacks, it doesn't behave nicely with pushouts.

[6]This follows because $X \times Y \twoheadrightarrow X$ is a fiber bundle, so use LES in homotopy and the fact that $\pi_{i \geq 2} \in \textbf{Ab}$.

[7]The generalization of Kunneth is as follows: write $\mathcal{P}(n, k)$ be the set of partitions of n into k parts, i.e. $\frown \in$

- $H_k \bigvee X = \prod H_k X$ by Mayer-Vietoris.[8]

- $\pi_k \bigvee X \neq \prod \pi_k X$ (counterexample: $S^1 \vee S^2$)

  - Nice case: $\pi_1 \bigvee X = *\pi_1 X$ by Van Kampen.

- $\pi_i(\widehat{X}) \cong \pi_i(X)$ for $i \geq 2$ whenever $\widehat{X} \twoheadrightarrow X$ is a universal cover.

- Groups and Group Actions

  - $\pi_0(G) = G$ for G a discrete topological group.
  - $\pi_k(G/H) = \pi_k(G)$ if $\pi_k(H) = \pi_{k-1}(H) = 0$.
  - $\pi_1(X/G) = \pi_0(G)$ when G acts freely/transitively on X.

- Manifolds

  - $H^n(M^n) = \mathbb{Z}$ if M^n is orientable and zero if M^n is nonorientable.
  - Poincare Duality: $H_i M^n = \cong H^{n-i} M^n$ iff M^n is closed and orientable.

9 Other Interesting Things To Consider

- The "generalized uniform bouquet"? $\mathcal{B}^n(m) = \bigvee_{i=1}^{n} S^m$

- Lie Groups

  - The real general linear group, $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real special linear group $SL_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real orthogonal group, $O_n(\mathbb{R})$
      · The real special orthogonal group, $SO_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real unitary group, $U_n(\mathbb{R})$
      · The real special unitary group, $SU_n(\mathbb{R})$
    * The real symplectic group $Sp(n)$

- "Geometric" Stuff

  - Affine n-space over a field $\mathbb{A}^n(k) = k^n \rtimes GL_n(k)$
  - The projective space $\mathbb{P}^n(k)$
    * The projective linear group over a ring R, $PGL_n(R)$
    * The projective special linear group over a ring R, $PSL_n(R)$
    * The modular groups $PSL_n(\mathbb{Z})$
      · Specifically $PSL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

- The real Grassmannian, $Gr(n, k, \mathbb{R})$, i.e. the set of k dimensional subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\mathcal{P}(n,k) \implies \frown = (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k)$ where $\sum x_i = n$. Then

$$H_n(\prod_{j=1}^{k} X_j) = \bigoplus_{\frown \in \mathcal{P}(n,k)} \bigotimes_{i=1}^{k} H_{x_i}(X_i).$$

[8] $\bigvee$ is the coproduct in the category $\mathbf{Top}_0$ of pointed topological spaces, and alternatively, $X \vee Y$ is the pushout in $\mathbf{Top}$ of $X \leftarrow \{\mathrm{pt}\} \longrightarrow Y$

- The Stiefel manifold $V_n(k)$

- Possible modifications to a space X:
    - Remove k points by taking $D(k, X)$
    - Remove a line segment
    - Remove an entire line/axis
    - Remove a hole
    - Quotient by a group action (e.g. antipodal map, or rotation)
    - Remove a knot
    - Take complement in ambient space

- Assorted info about other Lie Groups:

- $O_n, U_n, SO_n, SU_n, Sp_n$

- $\pi_k(U_n) = \mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbb{1} \, [k \text{ odd}]$
    - $\pi_1(U_n) = 1$

- $\pi_k(SU_n) = \mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbb{1} \, [k \text{ odd}]$
    - $\pi_1(SU_n) = 0$

- $\pi_k(U_n) = \mathbb{Z}_2 \cdot \mathbb{1} \, [k = 0, 1 \mod 8] + \mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbb{1} \, [k = 3, 7 \mod 8]$

- $\pi_k(SP_n) = \mathbb{Z}_2 \cdot \mathbb{1} \, [k = 4, 5 \mod 8] + \mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbb{1} \, [k = 3, 7 \mod 8]$

10 Spheres

- $\pi_i(S^n) = 0$ for $i < n$, $\pi_n(S^n) = \mathbb{Z}$
    - Not necessarily true that $\pi_i(S^n) = 0$ when $i > n$!!!
        * E.g. $\pi_3(S^2) = \mathbb{Z}$ by Hopf fibration

- $H_i(S^n) = \mathbb{1} \, [i \in \{0, n\}]$

- $H_n(\bigvee_i X_i) \cong \prod_i H_n(X_i)$ for "good pairs"
    - Corollary: $H_n(\bigvee_k S^n) = \mathbb{Z}^k$

- $S^n/S^k \simeq S^n \vee \Sigma S^k$
    - $\Sigma S^n = S^{n+1}$

- S^n has the CW complex structure of 2 k-cells for each $0 \leq k \leq n$.

11 Definitions

- Topology: Closed under arbitrary unions and finite intersections.

- Basis: A subset $\{B_i\}$ is a basis iff
    - $x \in X \implies x \in B_i$ for some i.

- $x \in B_i \bigcap B_j \implies x \in B_k \subset B_i \bigcap B_k$.
  - Topology generated by this basis: $x \in N_x \implies x \in B_i \subset N_x$ for some i.

- Dense: A subset $Q \subset X$ is dense iff $y \in N_y \subset X \implies N_y \bigcap Q \neq \emptyset$ iff $\overline{Q} = X$.

- Neighborhood: A neighborhood of a point x is any open set containing x.

- Hausdorff

- Second Countable: admits a countable basis.

- Closed (several characterizations)

- Closure in a subspace: $Y \subset X \implies \mathrm{cl}_Y(A) := \mathrm{cl}_X(A) \bigcap Y$.

- Bounded

- Compact: A topological space (X, τ) is **compact** if every open cover has a *finite* subcover.

  That is, if $\left\{ U_j \mid j \in J \right\} \subset \tau$ is a collection of open sets such that $X \subseteq \bigcup\limits_{j \in J} U_j$, then there exists a *finite* subset $J' \subset J$ such that $X \subseteq \bigcup\limits_{j \in J'} U_j$.

- Locally compact For every $x \in X$, there exists a $K_x \ni x$ such that K_x is compact.

- Connected: There does not exist a disconnecting set $X = A \coprod B$ such that $\emptyset \neq A, B \subsetneq$, i.e. X is the union of two proper disjoint nonempty sets.

  Equivalently, X contains no proper nonempty clopen sets.

  - Additional condition for a subspace $Y \subset X$: $\mathrm{cl}_Y(A) \bigcap V = A \bigcap \mathrm{cl}_Y(B) = \emptyset$.

- Locally connected: A space is locally connected at a point x iff $\forall N_x \ni x$, there exists a $U \subset N_x$ containing x that is connected.

- Retract: A subspace $A \subset X$ is a *retract* of X iff there exists a continuous map $f : X \longrightarrow A$ such that $f \Big|_A = \mathrm{id}_A$. Equivalently it is a *left* inverse to the inclusion.

- Uniform Continuity: For $f : (X, d_x) \longrightarrow (Y, d_Y)$ metric spaces,

  $$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \ \exists \delta > 0 \text{ such that} \quad d_X(x_1, x_2) < \delta \implies d_Y(f(x_1), f(x_2)) < \varepsilon.$$

- Lebesgue number: For (X, d) a compact metric space and $\{U_\alpha\} \rightrightarrows X$, there exist $\delta_L > 0$ such that

  $$A \subset X, \ \mathrm{diam}(A) < \delta_L \implies A \subseteq U_\alpha \text{ for some } \alpha.$$

- Paracompact

- Components: Set $x \sim y$ iff there exists a connected set $U \ni x, y$ and take equivalence classes.

- Path Components: Set $x \sim y$ iff there exists a path-connected set $U \ni x, y$ and take equivalence classes.

- Separable: Contains a countable dense subset.

- Limit Point: For $A \subset X$, x is a limit point of A if every punctured neighborhood P_x of x satisfies $P_x \bigcap A \neq \emptyset$, i.e. every neighborhood of x intersects A in some point other than x itself.

  Equivalently, x is a limit point of A iff $x \in \mathrm{cl}_X(A \setminus \{x\})$.

12 Examples

12.1 Common Spaces and Operations

Point-Set:

- Finite discrete sets with the discrete topology
- Subspaces of $\mathbb{R}$: $(a, b), (a, b], (a, \infty)$, etc.
    - $\{0\} \bigcup \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \; \middle| \; n \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 1} \right\}$
- $\mathbb{Q}$
- The topologist's sine curve
- One-point compactifications
- $\mathbb{R}^\omega$
- Hawaiian earring
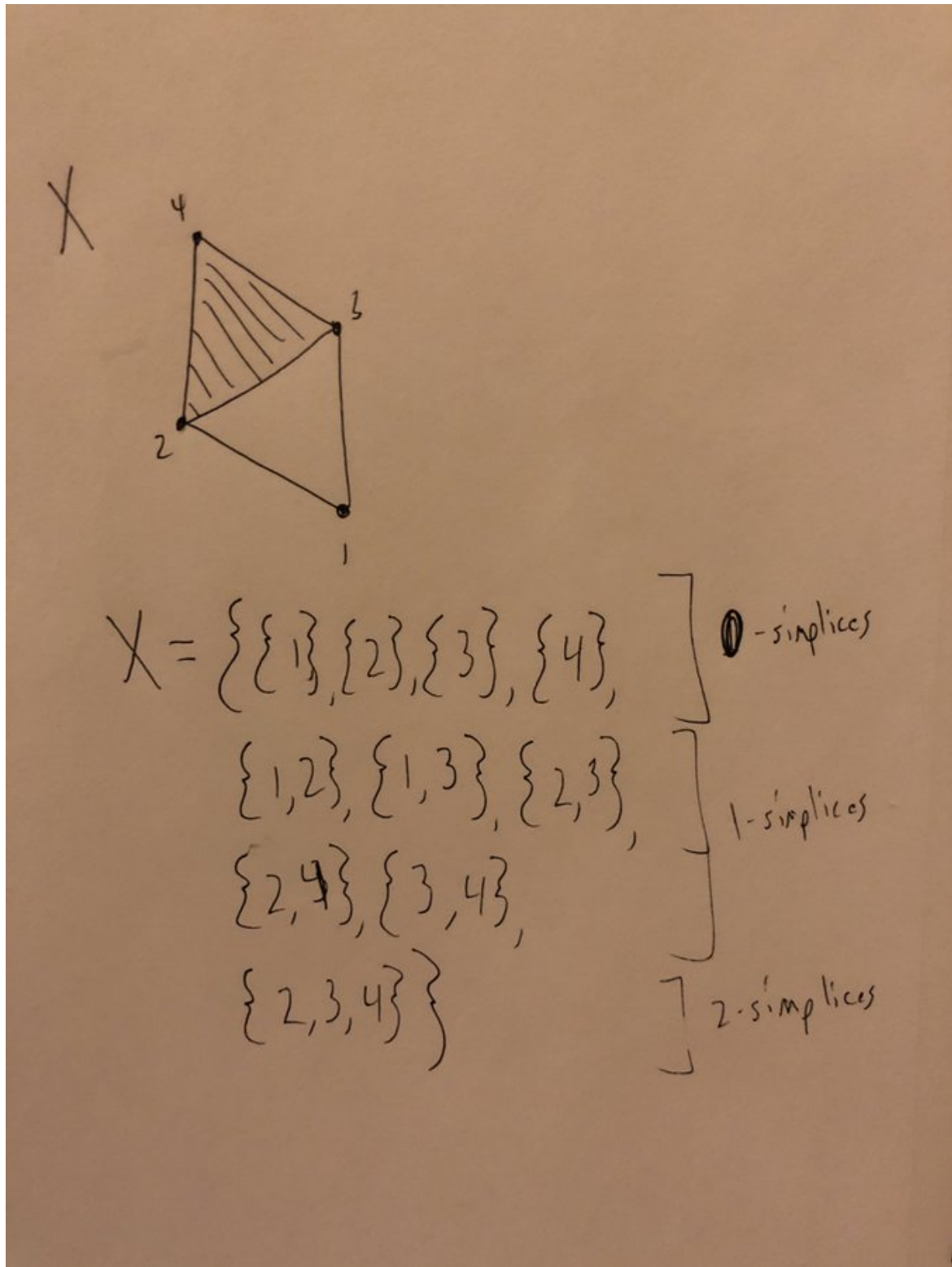- Cantor set

Non-Hausdorff spaces:

- The cofinite topology on any infinite set.
- $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Q}$
- The line with two origins.

General Spaces:

$$S^n, \mathbb{D}^n, T^n, \mathbb{RP}^n, \mathbb{CP}^n, \mathbb{M}, \mathbb{K}, \Sigma_g, \mathbb{RP}^\infty, \mathbb{CP}^\infty.$$

"Constructed" Spaces

- Knot complements in S^3

- Covering spaces (hyperbolic geometry)

- Lens spaces

- Matrix groups

- Prism spaces

- Pair of pants

- Seifert surfaces

- Surgery

- Simplicial Complexes

    - Nice minimal example:

$$X = \{ \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \qquad \text{0-simplices}$$
$$\{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, \{2,3\}, \qquad \text{1-simplices}$$
$$\{2,4\}, \{3,4\},$$
$$\{2,3,4\} \} \qquad \text{2-simplices}$$

Exotic/Pathological Spaces

- $\mathbb{HP}^n$
- Dunce Cap

- Horned sphere

Operations

- Cartesian product $A \times B$
- Wedge product $A \vee B$
- Connect Sum $A \# B$
- Quotienting A/B
- Puncturing $A \setminus \{a_i\}$
- Smash product
- Join
- Cones
- Suspension
- Loop space
- Identifying a finite number of points

12.2 Alternative Topologies

- Discrete
- Cofinite
- Discrete and Indiscrete
- Uniform

The cofinite topology:

- Non-Hausdorff
- Compact

The discrete topology:

- Discrete iff points are open
- Always Hausdorff
- Compact iff finite
- Totally disconnected
- If the domain, every map is continuous

The indiscrete topology:

- Only open sets are $\emptyset, X$
- Non-Hausdorff
- If the codomain, every map is continuous
- Compact

13 Theorems

13.1 Point-Set

- Closed subsets of Hausdorff spaces are compact? (check)

- Cantor's intersection theorem?

- Tube lemma

- Properties pushed forward through continuous maps:
  - Compactness?
  - Connectedness (when surjective)
  - Separability
  - Density **only when** f is surjective
  - **Not** openness
  - **Not** closedness

- A retract of a Hausdorff/connected/compact space is closed/connected/compact respectively.

> **Proposition 13.1.**
> A continuous function on a compact set is uniformly continuous.

> *Proof* .
> Take $\left\{ B_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}(y) \;\middle|\; y \in Y \right\} \rightrightarrows Y$, pull back to an open cover of X, has Lebesgue number $\delta_L > 0$,
> then $x' \in B_{\delta_L}(x) \implies f(x), f(x') \in B_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}(y)$ for some y.
> ∎

- Lipschitz continuity implies uniform continuity (take $\delta = \varepsilon/C$)
  - Counterexample to converse: $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ on $[0,1]$ has unbounded derivative.
- Extreme Value Theorem: for $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ continuous with X compact and Y ordered in the order topology, there exist points $c, d \in X$ such that $f(x) \in [f(c), f(d)]$ for every x.

> **Theorem 13.2.**
> Points are closed in T_1 spaces.

> **Theorem 13.3.**
> A metric space X is sequentially compact iff it is complete and totally bounded.

> **Theorem 13.4.**
> A metric space is totally bounded iff every sequence has a Cauchy subsequence.

> **Theorem 13.5.**
> A metric space is compact iff it is complete and totally bounded.

> **Theorem 13.6** *(Baire).*
> If X is a complete metric space, then the intersection of countably many dense open sets is dense in X.

> **Theorem 13.7.**
> A continuous bijective open map is a homeomorphism.

> **Theorem 13.8.**
> A closed subset A of a compact set B is compact.

Proof .

- Let $\{A_i\} \rightrightarrows A$ be a covering of A by sets open in A.
- Each $A_i = B_i \bigcap A$ for some B_i open in B (definition of subspace topology)
- Define $V = \{B_i\}$, then $V \rightrightarrows A$ is an open cover.
- Since A is closed, $W := B \setminus A$ is open
- Then $V \bigcup W$ is an open cover of B, and has a finite subcover $\{V_i\}$
- Then $\left\{ V_i \bigcap A \right\}$ is a finite open cover of A.

∎

Theorem 13.9.
The continuous image of a compact set is compact.

Theorem 13.10.
A closed subset of a Hausdorff space is compact.

13.2 Algebraic

Todo: Merge the two van Kampen theorems.

Theorem 13.11*(Van Kampen).*
The pushout is the northwest colimit of the following diagram

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}
A\coprod_Z B & \longleftarrow & A \\
 & & \big\uparrow {\scriptstyle \iota_A} \\
B & \xleftarrow{\ \iota_B\ } & Z
\end{array}
$$

For groups, the pushout is given by the amalgamated free product: if $A = \left\langle G_A \mid R_A \right\rangle, B = \left\langle G_B \mid R_B \right\rangle$, then $A *_Z B = \left\langle G_A, G_B \mid R_A, R_B, T \right\rangle$ where T is a set of relations given by $T = \left\{ \iota_A(z)\iota_B(z)^{-1} \mid z \in Z \right\}$.

Example: $A = \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} = \left\langle x \mid x^4 \right\rangle, B = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} = \left\langle y \mid y^6 \right\rangle, Z = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} = \left\langle z \mid z^2 \right\rangle$. Then we can identify Z as a subgroup of A, B using $\iota_A(z) = x^2$ and $\iota_B(z) = y^3$. So

$$
A *_Z B = \left\langle x, y \mid x^4, y^6, x^2 y^{-3} \right\rangle
$$

.
Suppose $X = U_1 \bigcup U_2$ such that $U_1 \bigcap U_2 \neq \emptyset$ is path connected. Then taking $x_0 \in U := U_1 \bigcap U_2$ yields a pushout of fundamental groups

$$
\pi_1(X; x_0) = \pi_1(U_1; x_0) *_{\pi_1(U; x_0)} \pi_1(U_2; x_0).
$$

Theorem 13.12*(Van Kampen).*
If $X = U \bigcup V$ where $U, V, U \bigcap V$ are all path-connected then

$$\pi_1(X) = \pi_1 U *_{\pi_1(U \bigcap V)} \pi_1 V,$$

where the amalgamated product can be computed as follows: If we have presentations

$$\pi_1(U, w) = \left\langle u_1, \cdots, u_k \mid \alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_l \right\rangle$$
$$\pi_1(V, w) = \left\langle v_1, \cdots, v_m \mid \beta_1, \cdots, \beta_n \right\rangle$$
$$\pi_1(U \cap V, w) = \left\langle w_1, \cdots, w_p \mid \gamma_1, \cdots, \gamma_q \right\rangle$$

then

$$\pi_1(X, w) = \left\langle u_1, \cdots, u_k, v_1, \cdots, v_m \right\rangle$$
$$\text{mod } \left\langle \alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_l, \beta_1, \cdots, \beta_n, I(w_1) J(w_1)^{-1}, \cdots, I(w_p) J(w_p)^{-1} \right\rangle$$
$$= \frac{\pi_1(U) * \pi_1(B)}{\left\langle \left\{ I(w_i) J(w_i)^{-1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq p \right\} \right\rangle}$$

where

$$I : \pi_1(U \cap V, w) \rightarrow \pi_1(U, w)$$
$$J : \pi_1(U \cap V, w) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, w).$$