

## Chapter 6

# Cubical Homotopy Theory

## 6.1 On Compactly Generated Hausdorff Spaces

### Proposition

If  $A \subseteq X$  is a retract of Hausdorff  $X$ , then  $A$  is closed.

### Compactly generated spaces

For a compactly generated space  $X$ , the topology is (compact sets determine all closed sets) :

$$\{C \mid C \subseteq X \text{ is closed}\} = \{C \mid C \cap K \subseteq X \text{ is closed for each compact } K \subseteq X\} .$$

### Compact-open topology

The mapping space  $X^Y = \{l \mid l : Y \longrightarrow X \text{ is continuous}\}$  is a topological space with the compact-open topology :

$\{f_i\} \subseteq X^Y$  is a topology basis.  $\iff f_i : C \longrightarrow U$  where  $C \subseteq Y$  is compact,  $U \subseteq X$  is open.

### Spaces with base point

#### Exponential law

For unbased  $X, Y, Z$  one has :

$$X^{Y \times Z} \cong (X^Y)^Z .$$

For based  $X, Y, Z$  one has :

$$X^{Y \wedge Z} \cong (X^Y)^Z ,$$

$$X^{\Sigma Y} \cong (\Omega X)^Y$$

### Reduced product

$X \times Y$  has not a base point, thus define the reduced product to be

$$X \ltimes Y = X \times Y / \{*\} \times Y .$$

### Eckmann-Hilton duality

$[X \times E, Y] \cong [X, Y^E]$  or base point matters  $[X \ltimes E, Y]_* \cong [X, Y^E]_*$  .

### Proposition

- (1) For  $f_0 \simeq f_1 : A \longrightarrow Y$ ,  $g_0 \simeq g_1 : A \longrightarrow Y$ , one has  $f_0 \times g_0 \simeq f_1 \times g_1 : A \longrightarrow X \times Y$  .
- (2) For  $f_0 \simeq f_1 : X \longrightarrow B$ ,  $g_0 \simeq g_1 : Y \longrightarrow B$ , one has  $f_0 \vee g_0 \simeq f_1 \vee g_1 : X \vee Y \longrightarrow B$  .
- (3)  $[A, X] \times [A, Y] \cong [A, X \times Y]$ ,  $[X, B] \times [Y, B] \cong [X \vee Y, B]$  .

### Cone and path adjunction

$CX = X \times I / (X \times \{1\} \cup \{*\} \times I)$  ,  $PX = \{l \mid l : I \longrightarrow X \text{ is continuous, } l(0) = *\}$  .

One has

$$[CX, Y] \cong [X, PY] .$$

### Suspension and loop adjunction

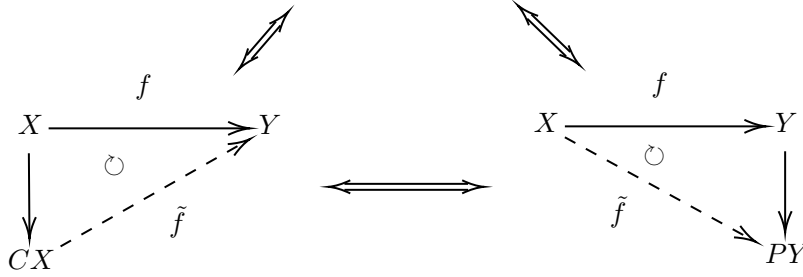
$\Sigma X = X \times I / (X \times \{0\} \cup X \times \{1\} \cup \{*\} \times I)$  ,  $\Omega X = \{l \mid l : S^1 \longrightarrow X \text{ is continuous, } l(0) = *\}$  .

One has

$$[\Sigma X, Y] \cong [X, \Omega Y] .$$

### Proposition

$f : X \longrightarrow Y$  is nullhomotopic.



### Proposition

$f : X \longrightarrow Y$  is a homotopy equivalence.

$\iff X^Z \longrightarrow Y^Z$  is a homotopy equivalence for all  $Z$  .

$\iff Z^X \longrightarrow Z^Y$  is a homotopy equivalence for all  $Z$  .

$\iff [X, Z] \cong [Y, Z]$  for all  $Z$  .

$\iff [Z, X] \cong [Z, Y]$  for all  $Z$  .

### $\Omega$ functor : $\mathbf{Ho}(\mathbf{Top}_*) \longrightarrow \mathbf{Ho}(\mathbf{Top}_*)$

Objects :  $(X, x) \xrightarrow{f} (Y, y) \dashrightarrow \Omega X \xrightarrow{\Omega f} \Omega Y$

Morphisms :

(1) If  $f \simeq g$  , then  $\Omega f \simeq \Omega g$  .

(2) If  $f$  is a homotopy equivalence, then  $\Omega f$  is a homotopy equivalence.

### $[-, \Omega X]$ functor (contravariant) : $\mathbf{Ho}(\mathbf{Top}_*) \longrightarrow (\mathbf{Gp})$

Objects :  $(A, a) \xrightarrow{f} (B, b) \dashrightarrow [A, \Omega X] \xleftarrow{[f, \mathbb{1}]} [B, \Omega X]$

Morphisms :

(1) For maps  $f \simeq g$  ,  $[f, \mathbb{1}] = [g, \mathbb{1}]$  is a homomorphism.

(2) If  $f$  is a homotopy equivalence, then  $[f, \mathbb{1}]$  is an isomorphism.

$\Sigma$  **functor** :  $\mathbf{Ho}(\mathbf{Top}_*) \longrightarrow \mathbf{Ho}(\mathbf{Top}_*)$

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**Proposition**

(1)  $\Omega(X \times Y) \cong \Omega X \times \Omega Y$  ,  $\Sigma(X \vee Y) \cong \Sigma X \vee \Sigma Y$  .

(2)  $\Sigma(X \wedge Y) \cong \Sigma X \wedge Y \cong X \wedge \Sigma Y$  .

**Milnor's theorem (1959)**

The loop space has the homotopy type of a CW complex.

**Proposition**

$\Sigma X$  is a cogroup object in  $\mathbf{Ho}(\mathbf{Top}_*)$  ,  $\Omega X$  is a group object in  $\mathbf{Ho}(\mathbf{Top}_*)$  .

**Homotopy splitting of CW complexes**

For 1-connected CW complexes, consider the cofiber sequence  $A \xrightarrow{i} X \xrightarrow{p} C_i$  , if there is  $s : C_i \longrightarrow X$  such that  $s \circ p \simeq \mathbb{1}_{C_i}$  , then one has homotopy equivalence  $(p \vee s) \circ fold : A \vee C_i \longrightarrow X$  .

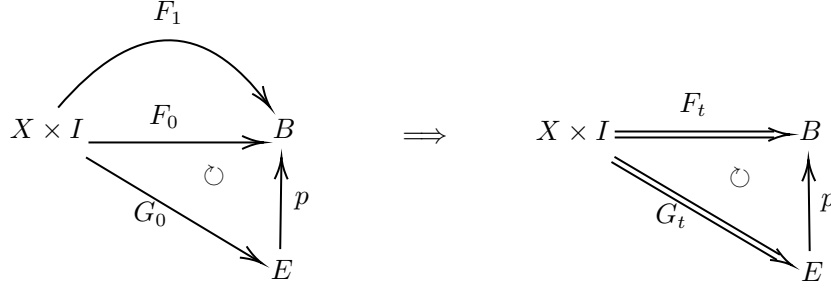
For 1-connected CW complexes, consider the fiber sequence  $M_p \xrightarrow{i} X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  , if there is  $r : X \longrightarrow M_p$  such that  $r \circ i = \mathbb{1}_{M_p}$  , then one has homotopy equivalence  $(r \times f) \circ \nabla : X \times M_p \longrightarrow Y$  .

## 6.2 Cofibrations and Fibrations

### Fibrations (Hurewicz fibrations)

The continuous map  $p : E \longrightarrow B$  has the homotopy lifting property with respect to  $X$  .

$\iff \forall$  homotopy  $F : X \times I \longrightarrow B$  and continuous map  $G_0 : X \times \{0\} \longrightarrow E$  such that  $p \circ G_0 = F_0$  ,  
 $\exists$  a homotopy  $G : X \times I \longrightarrow E$  such that  $p \circ G_t = F_t$  for any  $t \in I$  .

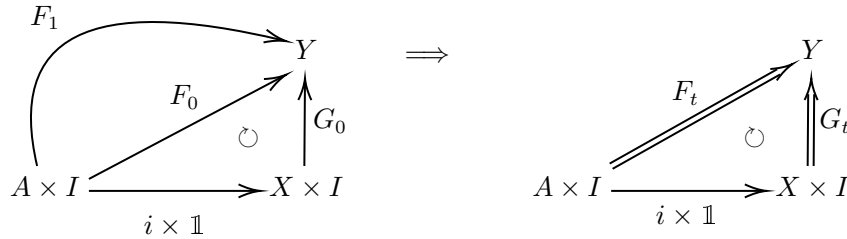


If the map  $p : E \longrightarrow B$  has the homotopy lifting property with respect to any space  $X$  , then  $p : E \longrightarrow B$  is a fibration.

### Cofibrations

The continuous map  $i : A \longrightarrow X$  has homotopy extension property with respect to  $Y$  .

$\iff \forall$  homotopy  $F : A \times I \longrightarrow Y$  and continuous map  $G_0 : X \times \{0\} \longrightarrow Y$  such that  $F_0 = G_0 \circ (i \times \mathbb{1})$  ,  
 $\exists$  a homotopy  $G : X \times I \longrightarrow Y$  such that  $F_t = G_t \circ (i \times \mathbb{1})$  for any  $t \in I$  .



If the map  $i : A \longrightarrow X$  has the homotopy extension property with respect to any space  $Y$  , then  $i : A \longrightarrow X$  is a cofibration.

### Cofibre and fibre sequences

For a cofibration  $i : A \longrightarrow X$  ,  $A \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow X/f(A)$  is called a cofibre sequence and  $X/f(A) \simeq C_i$  .

For a fibration  $f : E \longrightarrow X$  ,  $F \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow X$  is called a fibre sequence and  $F \simeq M_f$  .

## Cofibrations and fibrations with homotopy equivalence

For a cofibration and homotopy equivalence  $i : A \longrightarrow X$  ,  $A$  is a strong deformation retrack of  $X$  .

For a fibration and homotopy equivalence  $p : E \longrightarrow X$  , one has homotopy inverse  $j : X \longrightarrow E$  such that  $j$  is a section of  $p$  , if  $j$  is a cofibration then  $j \circ p \simeq \mathbb{1}_X \text{ rel } j(X)$  .

### Proposition

(1) If the base space  $X$  is 0-connected, then the fibration  $p : E \longrightarrow X$  is surjective.

(2) Every cofibration  $i : A \longrightarrow X$  is injective and also an embedding.

In the case of Hausdorff space or compactly generated weak Hausdorff space, every cofibration is a closed inclusion.

### Examples

(1) The inclusion  $i : A \longrightarrow X$  of CW pairs  $(X, A)$  is a cofibration.

The inclusion  $i : N \longrightarrow M$  of smooth closed submanifold is a cofibration.

(2)  $ev_0 : X^Y \longrightarrow X$  ,  $f \longmapsto f(*)$  is a fibration.

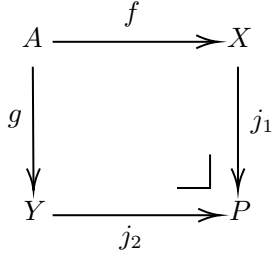
(3) There are cofibre sequences :

$$\begin{aligned} X &\longrightarrow * \longrightarrow \Sigma X , \\ \Sigma X &\longrightarrow \Sigma Y \longrightarrow \Sigma C_f \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y , \\ X \times Z &\longrightarrow Y \times Z \longrightarrow C_f \wedge Z_+ \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y , \\ X \wedge Z &\longrightarrow Y \wedge Z \longrightarrow C_f \wedge Z \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y , \\ \bigvee_i X &\longrightarrow \bigvee_i Y \longrightarrow \bigvee_i Z \text{ where } X_i \longrightarrow Y_i \longrightarrow Z_i \text{ is cofibre sequence,} \\ C_f &\longrightarrow C_{f \circ g} \longrightarrow C_g \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y, g : Y \longrightarrow Z . \end{aligned}$$

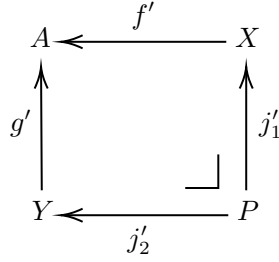
(4) There are fibre sequences :

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega X &\longrightarrow * \longrightarrow X , \\ \Omega M_f &\longrightarrow \Omega X \longrightarrow \Omega Y \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y , \\ M_f^Z &\longrightarrow X^Z \longrightarrow Y^Z \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y , \\ Z^{C_f} &\longrightarrow Z^Y \longrightarrow Z^X \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y , \\ \prod_i X_i &\longrightarrow \prod_i Y_i \longrightarrow \prod_i Z_i \text{ where } X_i \longrightarrow Y_i \longrightarrow Z_i \text{ is fibre sequence,} \\ M_f &\longrightarrow M_{f \circ g} \longrightarrow M_g \text{ where } f : X \longrightarrow Y, g : Y \longrightarrow Z . \end{aligned}$$

### Proposition



pushout



pullback

(1) If  $f$  is surjective (or homeomorphism) , then so is  $j_2$  .

If  $f'$  is injective (or homeomorphism) , then so is  $j'_2$  .

(2) If  $f$  is a cofibration,  $g$  is a homotopy equivalence (or weak homotopy equivalence) , then  $j_1$  is a homotopy equivalence (or weak homotopy equivalence) .

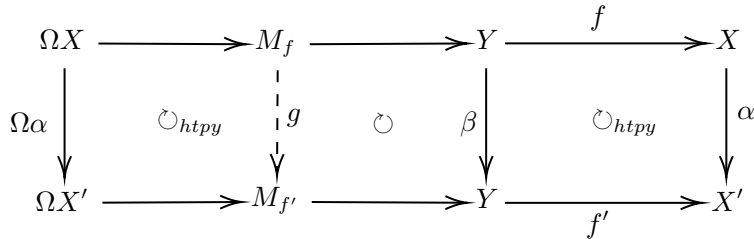
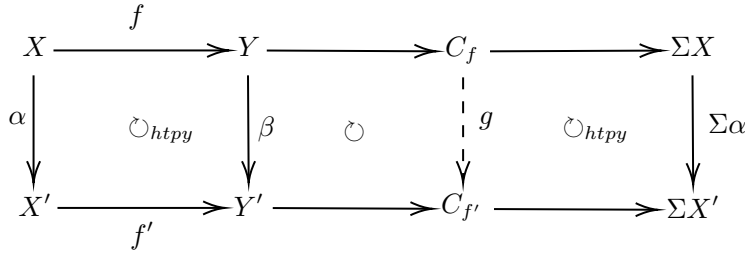
If  $f'$  is a fibration,  $g'$  is a homotopy equivalence (or weak homotopy equivalence) , then  $j'_1$  is a homotopy equivalence (or weak homotopy equivalence) .

Proof :

Consider the long exact sequence of homotopy groups and five lemma.

### Enlarge diagrams

For a homotopy commutative diagram, there exists a map  $g$  such that following diagrams commute and commute up to homotopy.



### Pushout of cofibrations

For a cofibration  $i : A \rightarrow Y$  and a continuous map  $f : A \rightarrow B$ , the pushout  $Y_f$  makes  $i' : B \rightarrow Y_f$  also a cofibration, and their cofibres  $Y/i(A)$ ,  $Y_f/i'(B)$  are homeomorphic.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A & \longrightarrow & Y & \longrightarrow & Y/i(A) \\
 f \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong \\
 B & \longrightarrow & Y_f & \longrightarrow & Y_f/i'(B)
 \end{array}$$

### Homotopy cofibres

For the cofibration  $i : X \rightarrow CX$  and a continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , the pushout  $C_f$  is called the homotopy cofibre of  $f$ , and  $Y \rightarrow C_f \rightarrow \Sigma X$  is a cofibre sequence.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X & \longrightarrow & CX & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X \\
 f \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong \\
 Y & \longrightarrow & C_f & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X
 \end{array}$$

### Pullback of fibrations

For a fibration  $p : E \rightarrow X$  and a continuous map  $f : Y \rightarrow X$ , the pullback  $E_f$  makes  $p' : E_f \rightarrow Y$  also a fibration, and their fibres are homeomorphic.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 F & \longrightarrow & E & \longrightarrow & X \\
 \cong \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow f \\
 F & \longrightarrow & E_f & \longrightarrow & Y
 \end{array}$$

### Homotopy fibres

For the fibration  $p : X \rightarrow PX$  and a continuous map  $f : Y \rightarrow X$ , the pullback  $M_f$  is called the homotopy fibre of  $f$ , and  $\Omega X \rightarrow M_f \rightarrow Y$  is a fibre sequence.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \Omega X & \longrightarrow & PX & \longrightarrow & X \\
 \cong \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow f \\
 \Omega X & \longrightarrow & M_f & \longrightarrow & Y
 \end{array}$$



## Principal fibrations

For a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and mapping fibre  $M_f$ , one has a fibre sequence

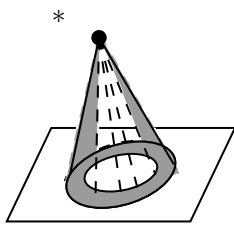
$$\Omega Y \rightarrow M_f \rightarrow X$$

called the principal fibration induced by  $f$ .

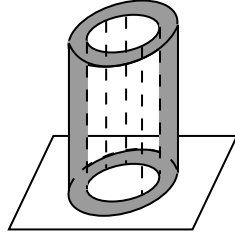
## Proposition

For  $f \simeq g$ , one has  $C_f \simeq C_g$ ,  $M_f \simeq M_g$ ,  $I_f \simeq I_g$  (mapping cylinder),  $P_f \simeq P_g$  (mapping path).

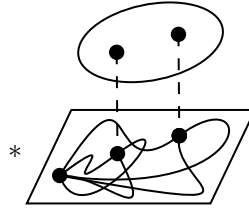
For  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $g : X' \rightarrow Y'$ , one has  $C_f \vee C_g \cong C_{f \vee g}$ ,  $M_f \times M_g \cong M_{f \times g}$ .



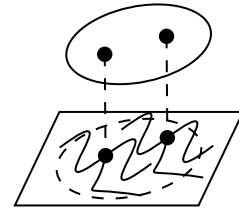
mapping cone



mapping cylinder



mapping fibre



mapping path

## Map decompositions

For a continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  one has a cofibration  $X \rightarrow I_f$  and a homotopy equivalence  $I_f \rightarrow Y$ , such that the cofibre of  $X \rightarrow I_f$  is  $C_f$ . Thus there is a coexact sequence

$$X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow C_f.$$

For a continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  one has a homotopy equivalence  $X \simeq P_f$  and a fibration  $P_f \rightarrow Y$ , such that the fibre of  $P_f \rightarrow Y$  is  $M_f$ . Thus there is an exact sequence

$$M_f \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y.$$

## Puppe sequences

Consider coexact sequences

$$X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow C_f, Y \rightarrow C_f \rightarrow \Sigma X \text{ (cofibration)},$$

one has a coexact sequence

$$X \xrightarrow{f} Y \rightarrow C_f \rightarrow \Sigma X \xrightarrow{-\Sigma f} \Sigma Y \rightarrow \Sigma C_f \rightarrow \dots$$

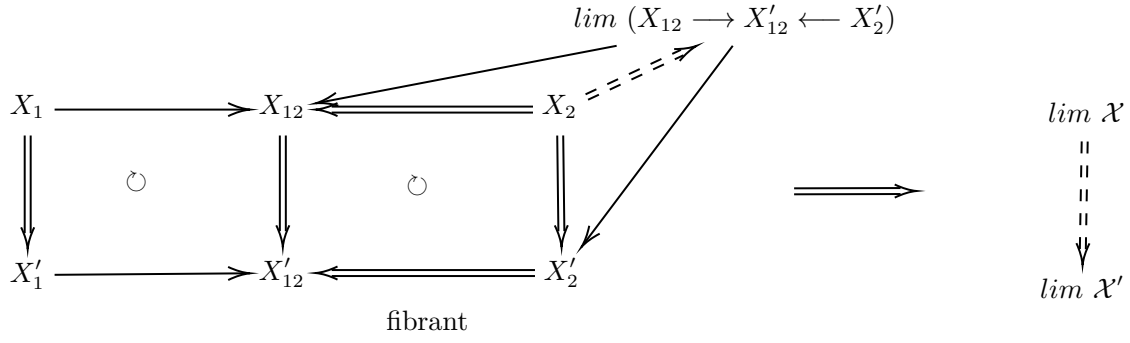
Consider exact sequences

$$M_f \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y, \Omega Y \rightarrow M_f \rightarrow X \text{ (fibration)},$$

one has an exact sequence

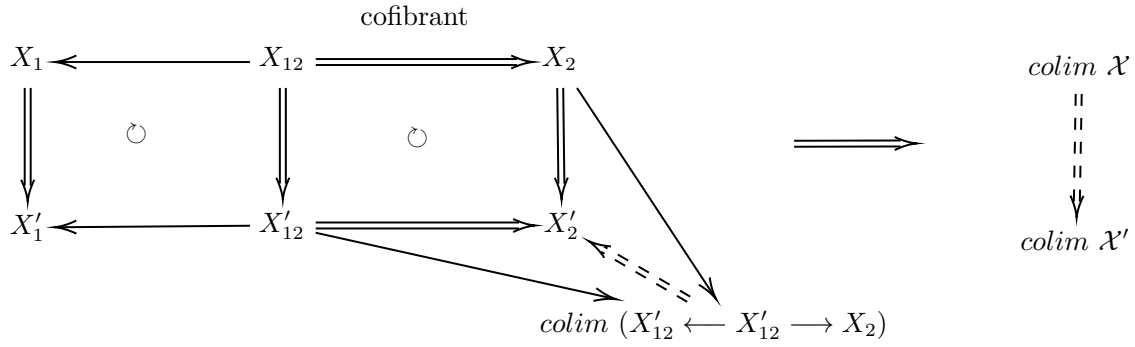
$$\dots \rightarrow \Omega M_f \rightarrow \Omega X \xrightarrow{-\Omega f} \Omega Y \rightarrow M_f \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y.$$

**Proposition**



For all maps with double line are all fibrations :  $X_1 \rightarrow X'_1$  ,  $X_2 \rightarrow X'_2$  ,  $X_{12} \rightarrow X'_{12}$  ,  $X_2 \rightarrow X_{12}$  ,  $X'_2 \rightarrow X'_{12}$  ,  $X_2 \rightarrow \lim (X_{12} \rightarrow X'_{12} \leftarrow X'_2)$  , one has an induced fibration

$$\lim (X_1 \rightarrow X_{12} \leftarrow X_2) \rightarrow \lim (X'_1 \rightarrow X'_{12} \leftarrow X'_2) .$$



For all maps with double line are all cofibrations :  $X_1 \rightarrow X'_1$  ,  $X_2 \rightarrow X'_2$  ,  $X_\emptyset \rightarrow X'_\emptyset$  ,  $X_\emptyset \rightarrow X_2$  ,  $X'_\emptyset \rightarrow X'_2$  ,  $\text{colim} (X'_\emptyset \leftarrow X_\emptyset \rightarrow X_2) \rightarrow X'_2$  , one has an induced cofibration

$$\text{colim} (X_1 \leftarrow X_\emptyset \rightarrow X_2) \rightarrow \text{colim} (X'_1 \leftarrow X'_\emptyset \rightarrow X'_2) .$$

## 6.3 Homotopy Pushouts and Pullbacks

### Homotopy pushouts

pushout in (Top)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{g} & Y \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \longrightarrow & X \sqcup Y / \sim \end{array}$$

$$f(a) \sim g(a)$$

standrad homotopy pushout in Ho (Top)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{g} & Y \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \longrightarrow & X \sqcup (A \times I) \sqcup Y / \sim \end{array}$$

$$f(a) \sim (a, 0) , g(a) \sim (a, 1)$$

### Homotopy pullbacks

pullback in (Top)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xleftarrow{g} & Y \\ f \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ X & \xleftarrow{\text{eq}(fp_1, gp_2)} & \end{array}$$

$$\text{eq}(fp_1, gp_2) = \{(x, y) \mid f(x) = g(y)\}$$

standrad homotopy pullback in Ho (Top)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xleftarrow{g} & Y \\ f \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ X & \xleftarrow{\quad} & P \subseteq X \times A^I \times Y \end{array}$$

$$P = \{(x, l, y) \mid f(x) = l(0) , g(y) = l(1)\}$$

### Proposition

For  $i : A \longrightarrow Y$  and  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  , the homotopy pushout is  $Y_f$  . Then their mapping cones  $Y/i(A)$  and  $Y_f/i'(B)$  are homotopy equivalent.

For  $p : E \longrightarrow X$  and  $f : Y \longrightarrow X$  , the homotopy pullback is  $E_f$  . Then their mapping fibres  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are homotopy equivalent.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & Y & \longrightarrow & Y/i(A) \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \simeq \\ B & \longrightarrow & Y_f & \longrightarrow & Y_f/i'(B) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xleftarrow{p} & E & \xleftarrow{\quad} & F \\ g \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \simeq \\ B & \xleftarrow{\quad} & E_g & \xleftarrow{\quad} & F' \end{array}$$

### Proposition

One has homeomorphism

$$holim (X \xrightarrow{f} A \xleftarrow{g} Y) \cong lim (P_f \longrightarrow A \xleftarrow{g} Y) , \quad (x, l, y) \mapsto ((x, l), y) .$$

Thus there are homeomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} holim (X \xrightarrow{f} A \xleftarrow{g} Y) &\cong lim (P_f \longrightarrow A \xleftarrow{g} Y) \\ &\cong lim (P_f \longrightarrow A \longleftarrow P_g) \cong lim (X \xrightarrow{f} A \longleftarrow P_g) \\ &\cong lim (lim (X \xrightarrow{f} A \xleftarrow{ev_0} A^I) \longrightarrow A^I \longleftarrow lim (A^I \xrightarrow{ev_1} A \xleftarrow{g} Y)) . \end{aligned}$$

One has homeomorphism

$$hocolim (X \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{g} Y) \cong colim (I_f \longleftarrow A \xrightarrow{g} Y) , \quad \begin{pmatrix} y \\ a, t \\ x \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} y \\ \begin{pmatrix} a, t \\ x \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} .$$

Thus there are homeomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} hocolim (X \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{g} Y) &\cong colim (I_f \longleftarrow A \xrightarrow{g} Y) \\ &\cong colim (I_f \longleftarrow A \longrightarrow I_g) \cong colim (X \xleftarrow{f} A \longrightarrow I_g) \\ &\cong colim (colim (X \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{i_0} A \times I) \longleftarrow A \times I \longrightarrow colim (A \times I \xleftarrow{i_1} A \xrightarrow{g} Y)) . \end{aligned}$$

### Matching lemma

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} Y & \xrightarrow{f} & A & \xleftarrow{g} & X \\ \simeq \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \simeq & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \simeq \\ Y' & \xrightarrow{f'} & A' & \xleftarrow{g'} & X' \end{array}$$

If the vertical maps are homotopy equivalences (or weak homotopy equivalence) , then one has

$$holim (X \longrightarrow A \longleftarrow Y) \simeq holim (X' \longrightarrow A' \longleftarrow Y') \quad (\text{or weak equivalence}) .$$

### Gluing lemma

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} Y & \xleftarrow{f} & A & \xrightarrow{g} & X \\ \simeq \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \simeq & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \simeq \\ Y' & \xleftarrow{f'} & A' & \xrightarrow{g'} & X' \end{array}$$

If the vertical maps are homotopy equivalences (or weak homotopy equivalence) , then one has

$$hocolim (X \longleftarrow A \longrightarrow Y) \simeq hocolim (X' \longleftarrow A' \longrightarrow Y') \quad (\text{or weak equivalence}) .$$

### Proposition

In the pushout square, if  $g$  is a cofibration, then it is a homotopy pushout square, one has

$$hocolim (X \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{g} Y) \simeq colim (X \xleftarrow{f} A \xrightarrow{g} Y) .$$

Proof :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{g} & Y \\
 \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\
 I_f & \longrightarrow & colim (I_f \leftarrow A \rightarrow Y) \xleftarrow{\cong} hocolim (X \rightarrow A \leftarrow Y) \\
 \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \\
 X & \longrightarrow & colim (X \leftarrow A \rightarrow Y)
 \end{array}$$

Then the bottom square is a pushout since

$$colim (X \leftarrow I_f \rightarrow colim (I_f \leftarrow A \rightarrow Y)) \cong colim (X \leftarrow A \rightarrow Y) .$$

### Proposition

In the pullback square, if  $g$  is a fibration, then it is a homotopy pullback square, one has

$$holim (X \xrightarrow{f} A \xleftarrow{g} Y) \simeq lim (X \xrightarrow{f} A \xleftarrow{g} Y) .$$

Proof :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xleftarrow{g} & Y \\
 \uparrow & \lrcorner & \uparrow \\
 P_f & \xleftarrow{\quad} & lim (P_f \rightarrow A \leftarrow Y) \xrightarrow{\cong} holim (X \rightarrow A \leftarrow Y) \\
 \uparrow \simeq & & \uparrow \\
 X & \xleftarrow{\quad} & lim (X \rightarrow A \leftarrow Y)
 \end{array}$$

Then the bottom square is a pullback since

$$lim (X \rightarrow P_f \leftarrow lim (P_f \rightarrow A \leftarrow Y)) \cong lim (X \rightarrow A \leftarrow Y) , (x, (x', l, y)) \mapsto (x, y)$$

according to  $l$  links  $f(x'), g(y)$  is a homeomorphism.

### Pullback corner maps

For fibration  $p : X \longrightarrow Y$  and cofibration  $i : A \longrightarrow B$ , one has a fibration

$$X^B \longrightarrow \lim (X^A \longrightarrow Y^A \longleftarrow Y^B) .$$

If either  $p$  or  $i$  is homotopy equivalence, then

$$X^B \simeq \lim (X^A \longrightarrow Y^A \longleftarrow Y^B) .$$

### Proposition

(1)

$$(\lim (X \longrightarrow A \longleftarrow Y))^E \cong \lim (X^E \longrightarrow A^E \longleftarrow Y^E) .$$

(2)

$$E^{\operatorname{colim} (X \longleftarrow A \longrightarrow Y)} \cong \lim (E^X \longleftarrow E^A \longrightarrow E^Y) .$$

### Proposition

(1)  $\operatorname{hocolim} (* \longleftarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y) = C_f$ ,  $\operatorname{hocolim} (X \longleftarrow X \times Y \longrightarrow Y) = X * Y$ ,  $X * Y \simeq \Sigma(X \wedge Y)$ .

(2)  $X \longrightarrow X * Y$  and  $Y \longrightarrow X * Y$  are nullhomotopic.

(3) For  $n$ -connected  $X$  and  $m$ -connected  $Y$  ( $m, n \geq 0$ ),  $X * Y$  is  $(m + n)$ -connected.

(4)

## 6.4 On Cofibre and Fibre sequences

### Prism theorem

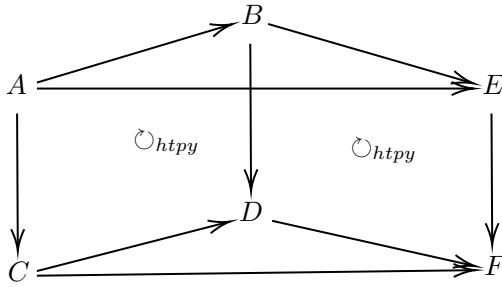
For homotopy commutative diagrams  $ABCD$  and  $BDEF$  one has :

(1)  $ABCD$  is a homotopy pushout, then :

$BDEF$  is a homotopy pushout.  $\iff ACEF$  is a homotopy pushout.

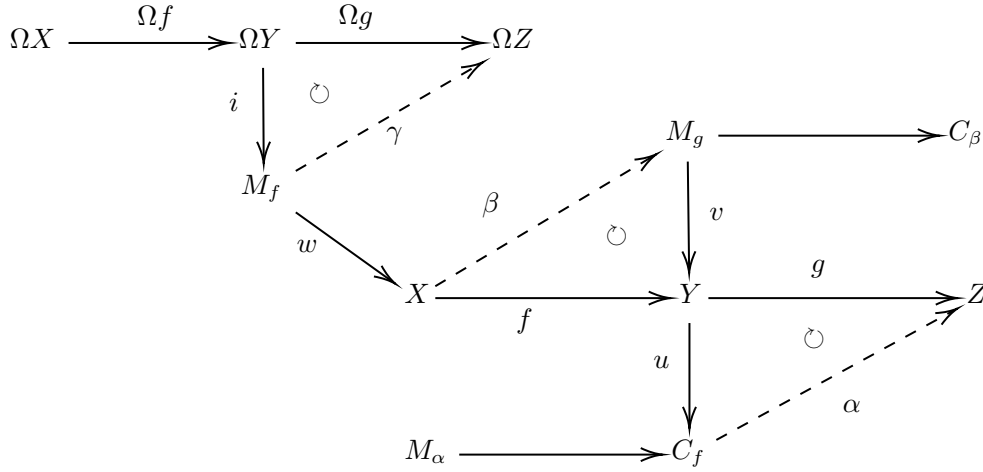
(2)  $BDEF$  is a homotopy pullback, then :

$ABCD$  is a homotopy pullback.  $\iff ACEF$  is a homotopy pushout.



### Excision maps

There is a diagram with some commutative triangles.



For a sequence  $X \longrightarrow Y \longrightarrow Z$  with  $gf = *$ , there are three excision maps given by

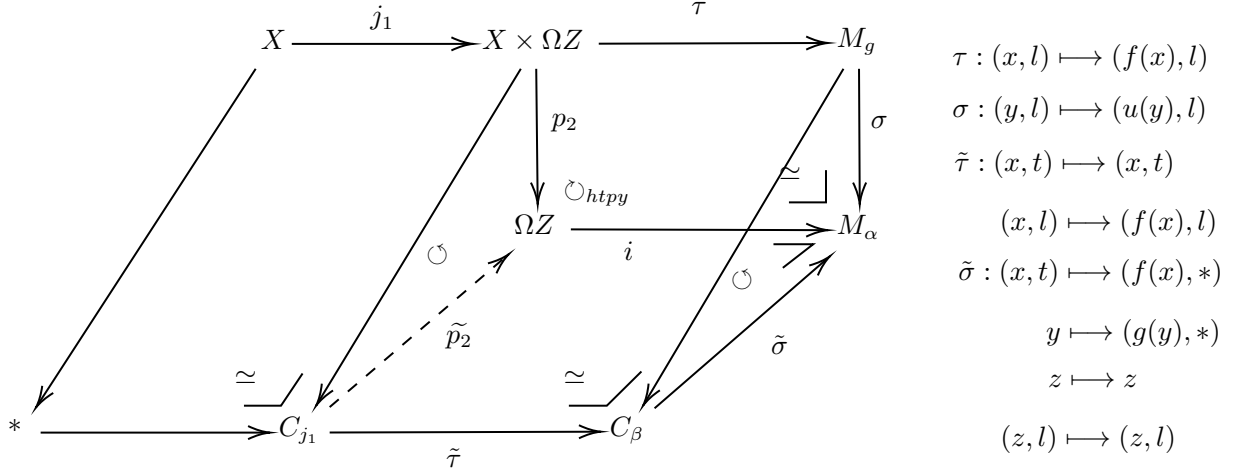
$$\alpha : (x, t) \mapsto * , y \mapsto f(y) ,$$

$$\beta : x \mapsto (f(x), *) ,$$

$$\gamma : (x, l) \mapsto gl .$$

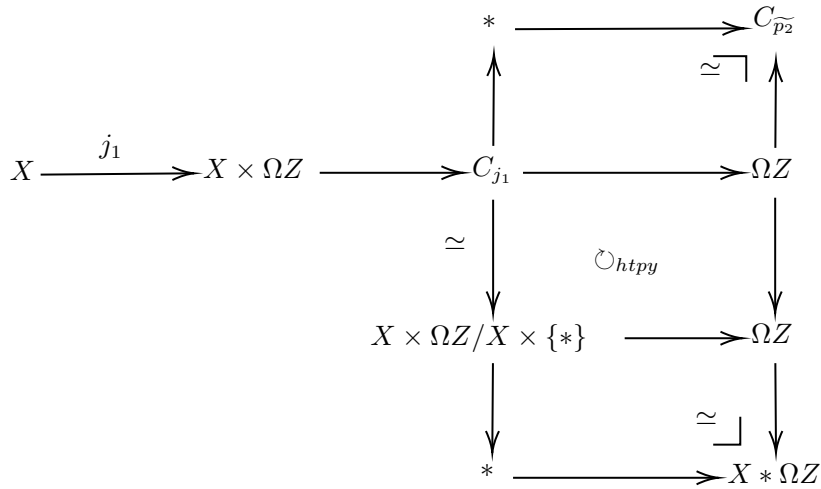
### Proposition

There are homotopy pushout  $X \times \Omega Z - \Omega Z - M_\alpha - M_g$  and commutative diagrams  $X \times \Omega Z - C_{j_1} - C_\beta - M_g$ ,  $X \times \Omega Z - C_{j_1} - \Omega Z$ ,  $M_g - C_\beta - M_\alpha$ , since  $X - X \times \Omega Z - C_{j_1} - *$  and  $X - M_g - C_\beta - *$  are homotopy pushouts, thus  $X \times \Omega Z - M_g - C_\beta - C_{j_1}$  and  $\Omega Z - C_{j_1} - C_\beta - M_\alpha$  are homotopy pushouts.



### Proposition

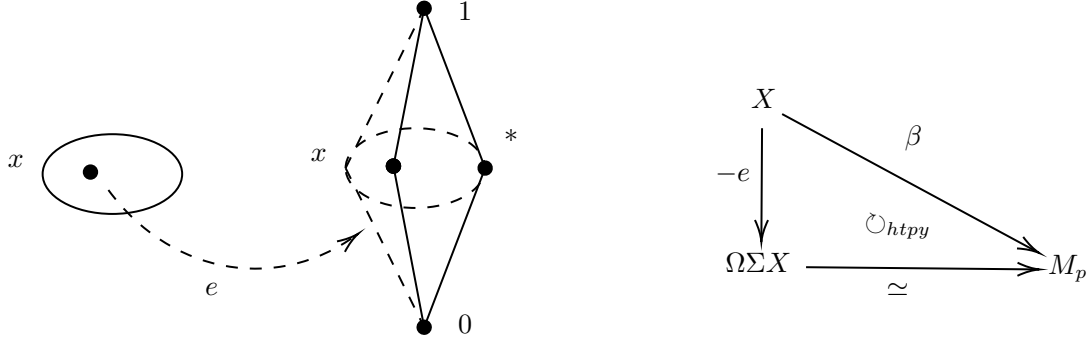
For  $j_1 : X \rightarrow X \times \Omega Z$ ,  $\tilde{p}_2 : C_{j_1} \rightarrow \Omega Z$ , one has  $C_{\tilde{p}_2} \simeq X * \Omega Z$ .





### James's theorem

For cofibre sequence  $X \longrightarrow CX \xrightarrow{p} \Sigma X$ , one has a homotopy commutative diagram.



For principal fibration  $\Omega\Sigma X \longrightarrow M_p \longrightarrow CX \simeq *$  with  $\Omega\Sigma X \simeq M_p$ , one has  $C_\beta \simeq C_e \simeq C_{-e}$ . Then one has

$$\Sigma C_\beta \simeq X * \Omega\Sigma X.$$

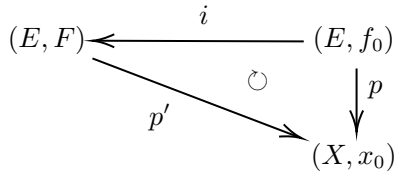
For cofibre sequence  $\Omega\Sigma X \simeq M_p \longrightarrow C_\beta \simeq C_e \xrightarrow{r} \Sigma X$ , one has  $r \simeq *$ , thus  $\Sigma\Omega\Sigma X \simeq \Sigma X \vee \Sigma C_e$ .

Then

$$\Sigma\Omega\Sigma X \simeq \Sigma X \vee \Sigma C_e \simeq \Sigma X \vee \Sigma(X * \Omega\Sigma X) \simeq \Sigma X \vee \Sigma(\Sigma(X \wedge \Omega\Sigma X)) \simeq \Sigma X \vee \Sigma(X \wedge \Sigma\Omega\Sigma X).$$

### Serre's theorem

For a weak fibration  $p : E \longrightarrow X$ ,  $F_{x_0} = p^{-1}(x_0)$  and  $f_0 \in F$ , the map  $p' : (E, F) \longrightarrow (X, x_0)$  with commutative diagram induces a bijection  $\pi_n(p') : \pi_n(E, F) \longrightarrow \pi_n(X, x_0)$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .



For a weak fibration  $p : E \longrightarrow X$ ,  $F = p^{-1}(x_0)$ , take the based point  $x_0 = p(e_0)$ , there is a long exact sequence in category **(Sets<sub>\*</sub>)** :

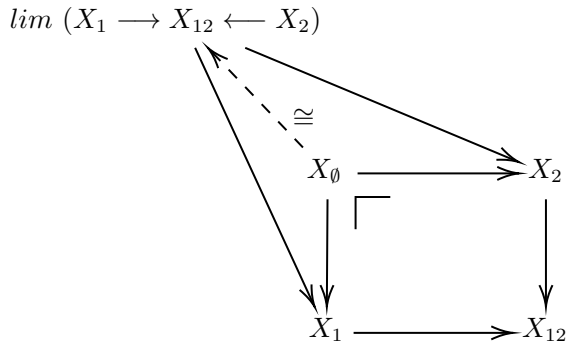
$$\cdots \longrightarrow \pi_n(F) \longrightarrow \pi_n(E) \xrightarrow{\pi_n(p)} \pi_n(X) \longrightarrow \pi_{n-1}(F) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

## 6.5 Arithmetic Squares

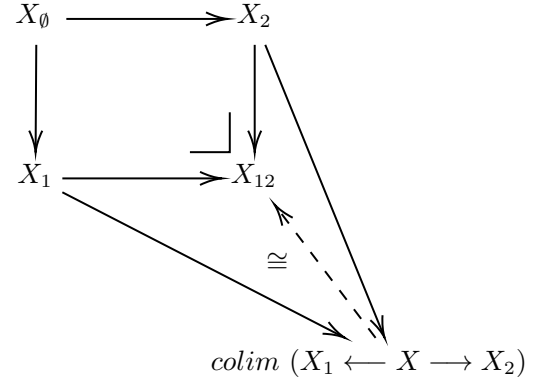
### Notice

For a weak homotopy equivalence  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $f^Z : X^Z \rightarrow Y^Z$  is not necessarily a weak homotopy equivalence unless  $Z$  is a CW complex. In this section, the homotopy cocartesian (or homotopy cartesian) square is defined for CW complexes, we assume that all spaces in this section are CW complexes.

### Cocartesian and cartesian squares



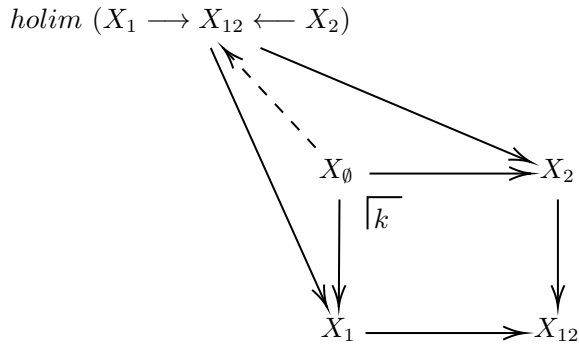
cartesian square



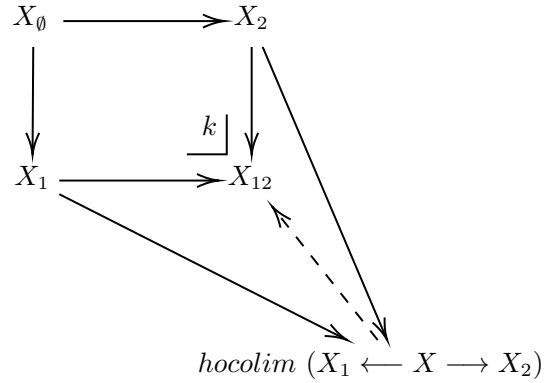
cocartesian square

By the universal property, a cocartesian square is a pushout, a cartesian square is a pullback.

### $k$ -cocartesian and $k$ -cartesian squares



$k$ -cartesian square



$k$ -cocartesian square

If the induced map is a  $k$ -equivalence, then it is  $k$ -cocartesian or  $k$ -cartesian.

If the induced map is a weak homotopy equivalence, then it is homotopy cocartesian or homotopy cartesian.

# Cocartesian and $k$ -cocartesian squares

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\mathbb{1}} & X \\ \mathbb{1} \downarrow & & \downarrow \mathbb{1} \\ X & \xrightarrow{\mathbb{1}} & X \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} * & \longrightarrow & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ Y & \longrightarrow & X \vee Y \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \emptyset & \longrightarrow & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ Y & \longrightarrow & X \sqcup Y \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ \mathbb{1} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \longrightarrow & I_f \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ * & \longrightarrow & C_f \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \longrightarrow & * \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ * & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times Y & \longrightarrow & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ Y & \longrightarrow & X * Y \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \vee Y & \longrightarrow & X \times Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ * & \longrightarrow & X \wedge Y \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U \cap V & \longrightarrow & U \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ V & \longrightarrow & U \cup V \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

$\{U, V\}$  is an open cover of  $X$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \vee Y & \longrightarrow & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \longrightarrow & * \end{array} \quad \infty \sqcup$$

# Cartesian and $k$ -cartesian squares

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xleftarrow{\mathbb{1}} & X \\ \uparrow \mathbb{1} & & \uparrow \mathbb{1} \\ X & \xleftarrow{\mathbb{1}} & X \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \infty \\ \lrcorner \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} * & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ Y & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X \times Y \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \infty \\ \lrcorner \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xleftarrow{\quad} & * \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ * & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \Omega X \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \infty \\ \lrcorner \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & \xleftarrow{f} & X \\ \uparrow \mathbb{1} & & \uparrow \\ Y & \xleftarrow{\quad} & P_f \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \infty \\ \lrcorner \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & \xleftarrow{f} & X \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ * & \xleftarrow{\quad} & M_f \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \infty \\ \lrcorner \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times X & \xleftarrow{\Delta} & X \\ \uparrow \Delta & & \uparrow \\ X & \xleftarrow{\quad} & PX \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \infty \\ \lrcorner \end{array}$$

### Proposition

If  $f$  is a cofibration, then one has (not only for CW complexes) :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X_0 & \xrightarrow{f} & X_2 & & X_0 & \xrightarrow{f} & X_2 & & X_0 & \xrightarrow{f} & X_2 \\
 \downarrow & & \uparrow & \Rightarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \Rightarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_{12} & & X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_{12} & & X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_{12} \\
 & \lrcorner & & & & \simeq \lrcorner & & & & \infty \lrcorner & 
 \end{array}$$

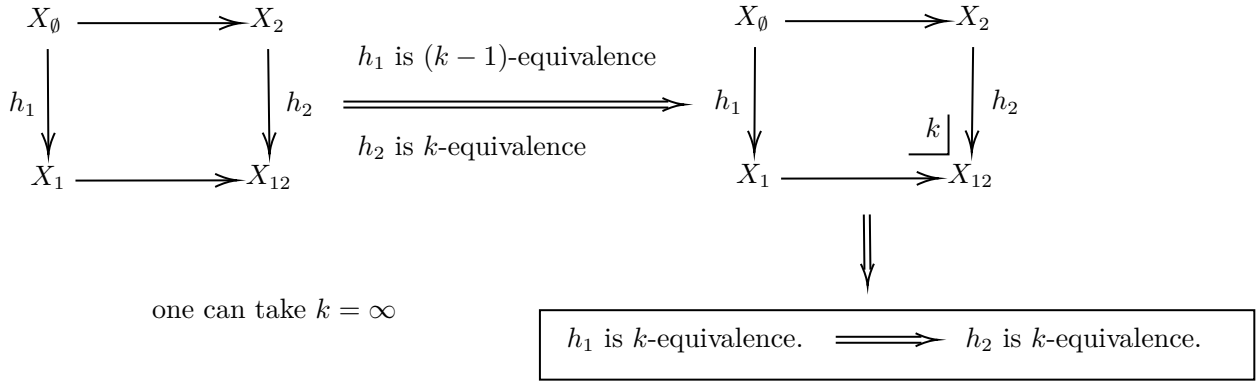
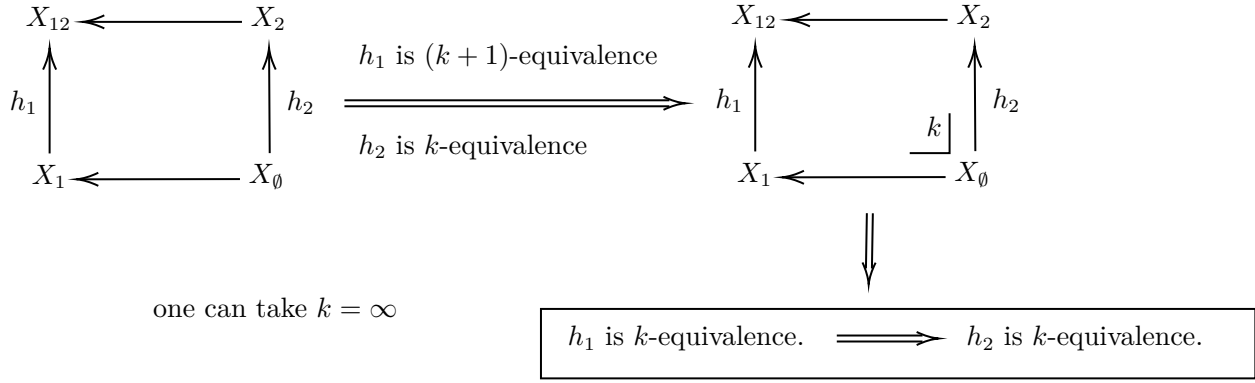
If  $f$  is a fibration, then one has (not only for CW complexes) :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X_{12} & \xleftarrow{f} & X_2 & & X_{12} & \xleftarrow{f} & X_2 & & X_{12} & \xleftarrow{f} & X_2 \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow & \Rightarrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \Rightarrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_\emptyset & & X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_\emptyset & & X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_\emptyset \\
 & \lrcorner & & & & \simeq \lrcorner & & & & \infty \lrcorner & 
 \end{array}$$

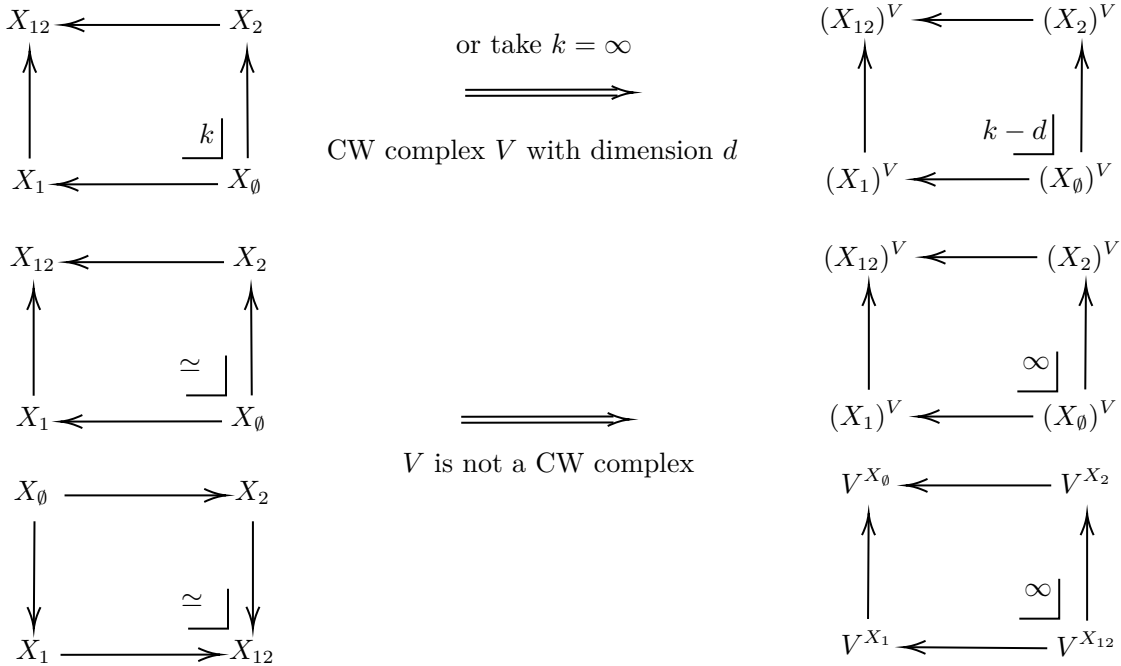
### Proposition

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset & \xrightarrow{f} & X_2 \\ h_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow h_2 \\ X_1 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X_{12} \end{array} & \xRightarrow{f \text{ is a cofibration}} & \begin{array}{ccc} X_{12} & \xleftarrow{f} & X_2 \\ h_1 \uparrow & & \uparrow h_2 \\ X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_\emptyset \end{array} \\
 & \text{If } h_1 \text{ is a homotopy equivalence} & \\
 & \text{(or weak equivalence) , then so is } h_2 . & \\
 \begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X_2 \\ h_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow h_2 \\ X_1 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X_{12} \end{array} & \xRightarrow{\quad} & \begin{array}{ccc} X_{12} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_2 \\ h_1 \uparrow & & \uparrow h_2 \\ X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_\emptyset \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

**Proposition**



**With mapping spaces**



**Proposition**

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B & \xrightarrow{g} & Y_f \end{array} & \Longleftrightarrow & \begin{array}{ccccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & X & \longrightarrow & C_f \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B & \xrightarrow{g} & Y & \longrightarrow & C_g \end{array} \begin{array}{l} k\text{-equivalence} \\ \\ \end{array} \\
 \\
 \begin{array}{ccc} X & \xleftarrow{f} & E \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ Y & \xleftarrow{g} & F \end{array} & \Longleftrightarrow & \begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xleftarrow{f} & E & \longleftarrow & M_f \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ Y & \xleftarrow{g} & F & \longleftarrow & M_g \end{array} \begin{array}{l} k\text{-equivalence} \\ \\ \end{array}
 \end{array}
 \quad (\text{or take } k = \infty)$$

**Commutativity of homotopy colimits**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{hocolim} (V \vee X_1 \longleftarrow V \vee X_0 \longrightarrow V \vee X_2) &\cong V \vee \operatorname{hocolim} (X_1 \longleftarrow X_0 \longrightarrow X_2) , \\
 \operatorname{hocolim} (V \times X_1 \longleftarrow V \times X_0 \longrightarrow V \times X_2) &\cong V \times \operatorname{hocolim} (X_1 \longleftarrow X_0 \longrightarrow X_2) , \\
 \operatorname{hocolim} (Z \times_Y X_1 \longleftarrow Z \times_Y X_0 \longrightarrow Z \times_Y X_2) &\cong Z \times_Y \operatorname{hocolim} (X_1 \longleftarrow X_0 \longrightarrow X_2) , \\
 \operatorname{hocolim} (V \wedge X_1 \longleftarrow V \wedge X_0 \longrightarrow V \wedge X_2) &\cong V \wedge \operatorname{hocolim} (X_1 \longleftarrow X_0 \longrightarrow X_2) , \\
 \operatorname{hocolim} (V * X_1 \longleftarrow V * X_0 \longrightarrow V * X_2) &\cong V * \operatorname{hocolim} (X_1 \longleftarrow X_0 \longrightarrow X_2) , \\
 \operatorname{hocolim} (\Sigma X_1 \longleftarrow \Sigma X_0 \longrightarrow \Sigma X_2) &\cong \Sigma \operatorname{hocolim} (X_1 \longleftarrow X_0 \longrightarrow X_2) , \\
 \operatorname{holim} (\Omega X_1 \longrightarrow \Omega X_0 \longleftarrow \Omega X_2) &\cong \Omega \operatorname{holim} (X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 \longleftarrow X_2) .
 \end{aligned}$$

Homotopy colimit commutes with homotopy cofibers, homotopy limit commutes with homotopy fibers.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{ccccc} & X_0 & \longrightarrow & X_2 & \\ \swarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \swarrow \\ X_1 & \xrightarrow{f_0} & \operatorname{hocolim} \mathcal{X} & & X_2 \\ \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow \tilde{f} & & \downarrow f_2 \\ Y_1 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \operatorname{hocolim} \mathcal{Y} & & X_2 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ C_{f_0} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & C_{f_2} & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ C_{f_1} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & C_{\tilde{f}} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \operatorname{hocolim} \mathcal{C} \end{array} & & \begin{array}{ccccc} & X_0 & \longleftarrow & X_2 & \\ \swarrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \swarrow \\ X_1 & \xleftarrow{f_0} & \operatorname{holim} \mathcal{X} & & X_2 \\ \uparrow f_1 & & \uparrow \tilde{f} & & \uparrow f_2 \\ Y_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \operatorname{holim} \mathcal{Y} & & X_2 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ M_{f_0} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & M_{f_2} & & \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ M_{f_1} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & M_{\tilde{f}} & \xleftarrow{\cong} & \operatorname{holim} \mathcal{C} \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

With products

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset & \longleftarrow & X_2 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ X_1 & \longleftarrow & X_{12} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} m \\ \hline \end{array}$$

or take  $m = \infty$

$\Longrightarrow$

or take  $n = \infty$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset \times Y_\emptyset & \longleftarrow & X_2 \times Y_2 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ X_1 \times Y_1 & \longleftarrow & X_{12} \times Y_{12} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \min\{m, n\} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y_\emptyset & \longleftarrow & Y_2 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ Y_1 & \longleftarrow & Y_{12} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} n \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset & \longrightarrow & X_2 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X_1 & \longrightarrow & X_{12} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} m \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset \sqcup Y_\emptyset & \longrightarrow & X_2 \sqcup Y_2 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X_1 \sqcup Y_1 & \longrightarrow & X_{12} \sqcup Y_{12} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \min\{m, n\} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y_\emptyset & \longrightarrow & Y_2 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ Y_1 & \longrightarrow & Y_{12} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} n \\ \hline \end{array}$$

or take  $m = \infty$

$\Longrightarrow$

or take  $n = \infty$

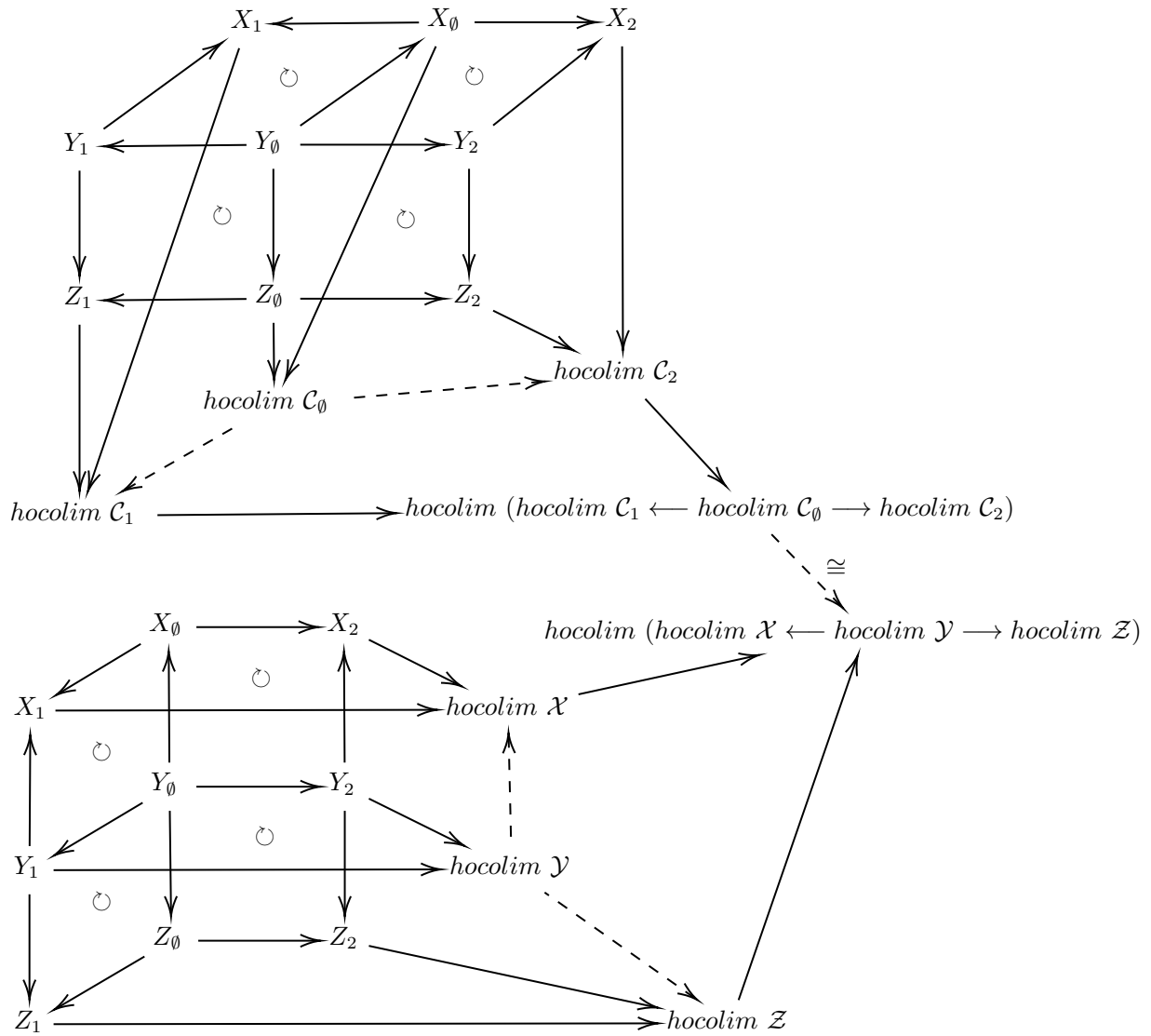
$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset \vee Y_\emptyset & \longrightarrow & X_2 \vee Y_2 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X_1 \vee Y_1 & \longrightarrow & X_{12} \vee Y_{12} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \min\{m, n\} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{\mathbb{1}} & V \\ \mathbb{1} \downarrow & & \downarrow \mathbb{1} \\ V & \xrightarrow{\mathbb{1}} & V \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \infty \\ \hline \end{array}$$

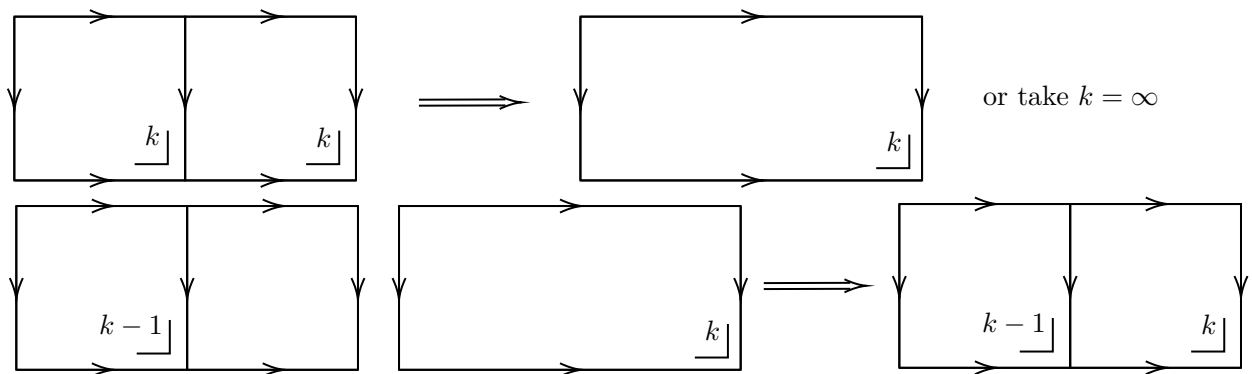
$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\emptyset \times V & \longrightarrow & X_2 \times V \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X_1 \times V & \longrightarrow & X_{12} \times V \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} m \\ \hline \end{array}$$



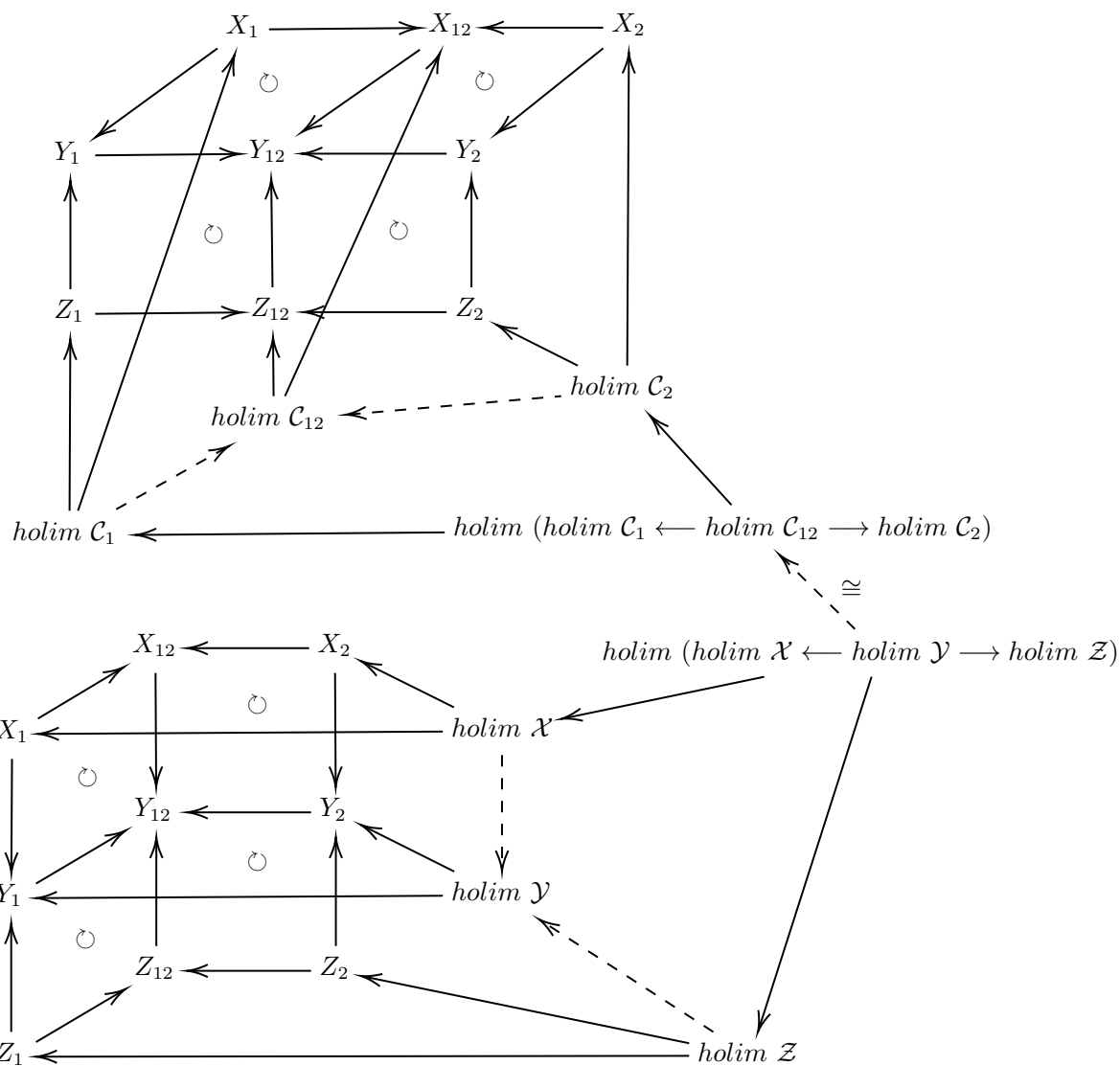
## Mountain theorem



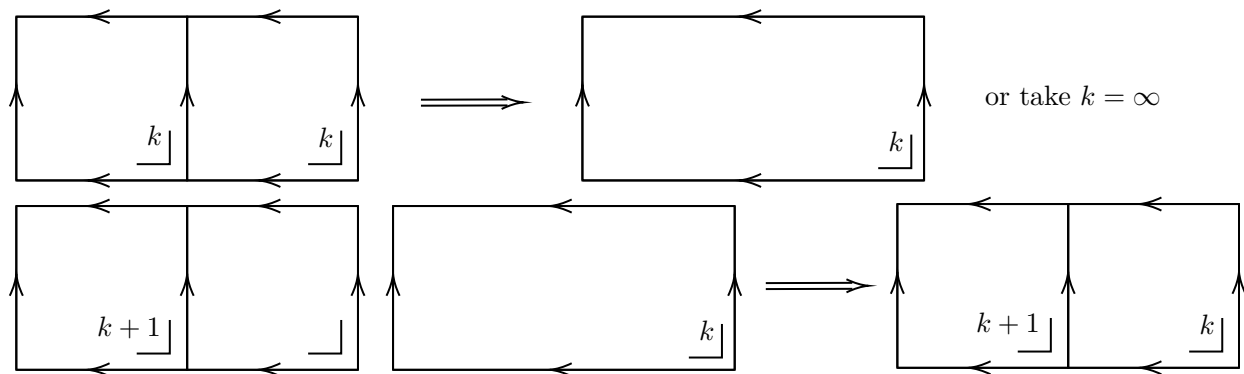
## Cocartesian prism theorem



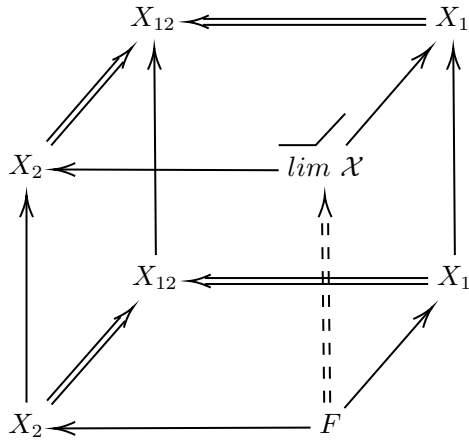
## Valley theorem



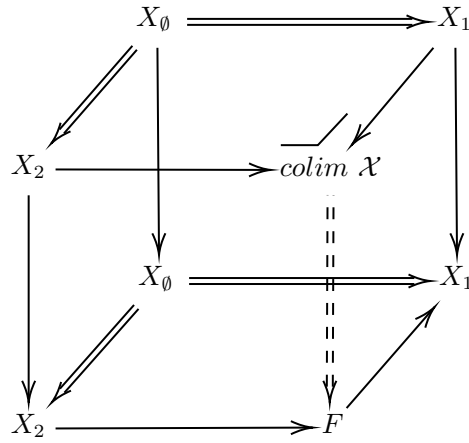
## Cartesian prism theorem



## Cofibrant and fibrant squares



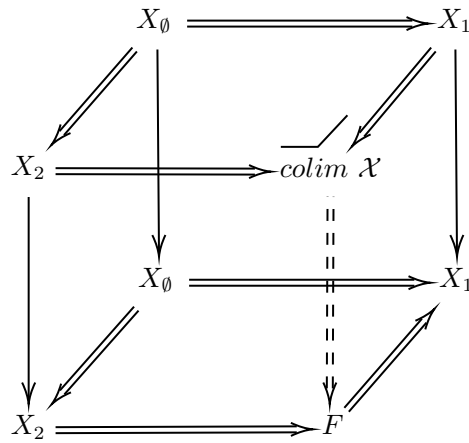
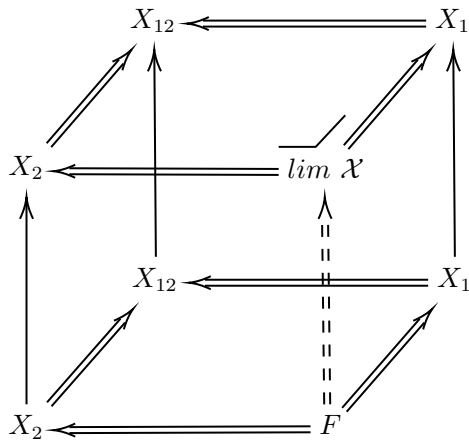
fibrant if all double lines are fibrations



cofibrant if all double lines are cofibrations

pullback keeps fibrations

pushout keeps cofibrations



## Homotopy fiber and cofiber of constant map

For constant map  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ , one has fiber sequence

$$X \times \Omega Y \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow Y$$

and cofiber sequence

$$X \longrightarrow Y \longrightarrow Y \vee \Sigma X .$$

Proof :

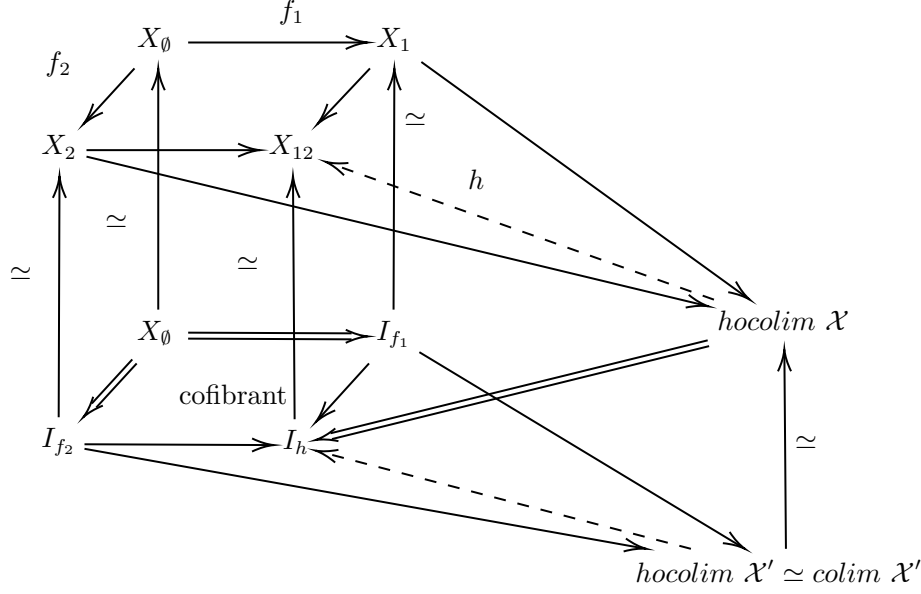
Enlarge with  $*$  then use the mountain theorem and valley theorem.

## Cofibrant replacement

Every square  $\mathcal{X}$  is homotopy equivalent to a cofibrant square  $\mathcal{X}'$  called cofibrant replacement to  $\mathcal{X}$ .

One has (one can take  $k = \infty$ ) :  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $k$ -cocartesian.  $\iff \mathcal{X}'$  is  $k$ -cocartesian.

Proof :

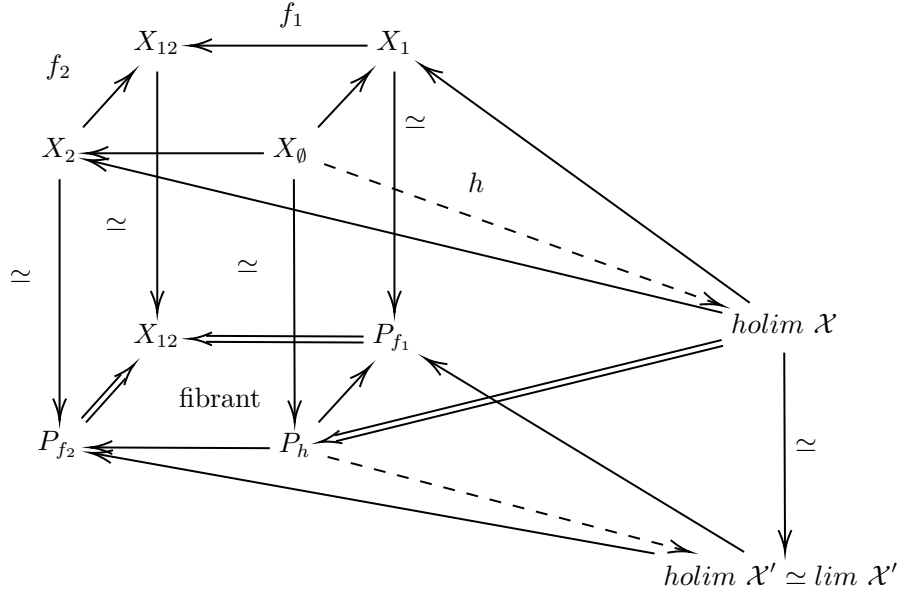


## Fibrant replacement

Every square  $\mathcal{X}$  is homotopy equivalent to a fibrant square  $\mathcal{X}'$ .

One has (one can take  $k = \infty$ ) :  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $k$ -cartesian.  $\iff \mathcal{X}'$  is  $k$ -cartesian.

Proof :

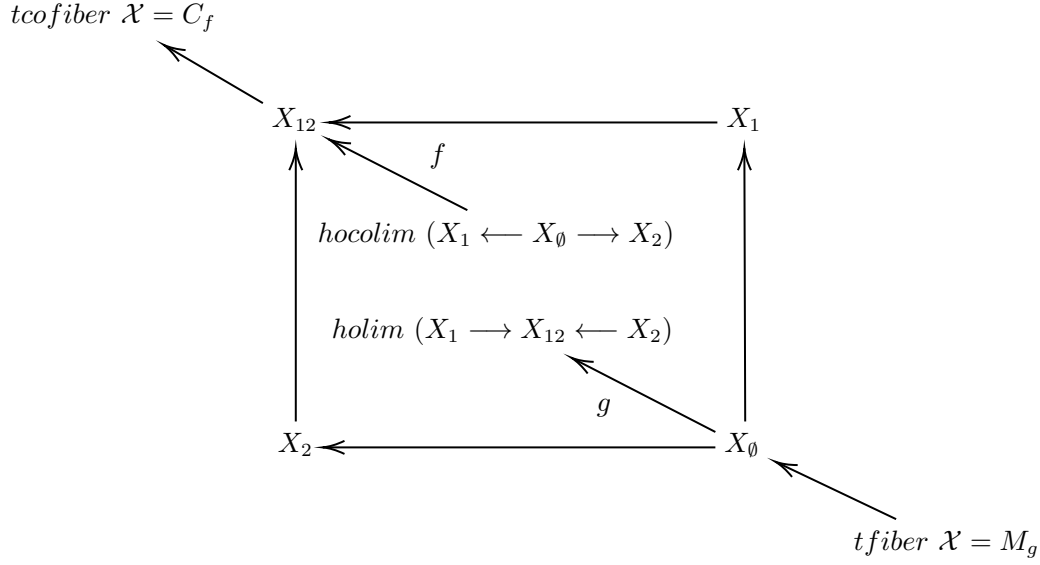


## 6.6 Algebraic squares

### Notice

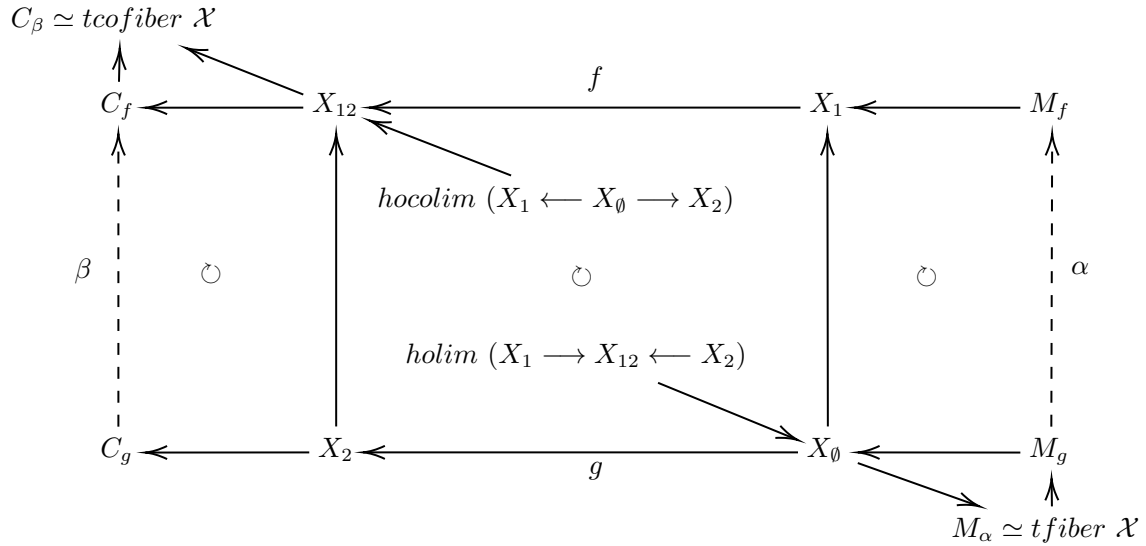
In this section, the homotopy cocartesian (or homotopy cartesian) square is defined for CW complexes, we assume that all spaces in this section are CW complexes.

### Total cofibers and fibers



### Iterated theorem

The total fiber is the iterated homotopy fiber, the total cofiber is the iterated homotopy cofiber.



Proof :

Enlarge with  $*$  then use valley theorem and mountain theorem.

## Applications of iterated theorem

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\
 g \circ f \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow g \\
 Z & \xrightarrow{\mathbb{1}} & Z
 \end{array}$$

fiber sequence  $M_f \longrightarrow M_{g \circ f} \longrightarrow M_g$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xleftarrow{g} & Y \\
 g \circ f \uparrow & \circlearrowleft & \uparrow f \\
 Z & \xleftarrow{\mathbb{1}} & Z
 \end{array}$$

cofiber sequence  $C_f \longrightarrow C_{g \circ f} \longrightarrow C_g$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\
 \mathbb{1} \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow g \\
 X & \xrightarrow{\mathbb{1}} & X
 \end{array}$$

fiber sequence  $M_f \longrightarrow * \longrightarrow M_g$

cofiber sequence  $C_f \longrightarrow * \longrightarrow C_g$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X_\emptyset & \longrightarrow & X_1 & \longrightarrow & X_\emptyset \\
 \downarrow & \mathcal{X} \circlearrowleft & \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \\
 X_2 & \longrightarrow & X_{12} & \longrightarrow & X_2 \\
 \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow & \mathcal{X}' \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \\
 X_\emptyset & \longrightarrow & X_1 & \longrightarrow & X_\emptyset
 \end{array}$$

$tfiber \mathcal{X} \simeq \Omega^2 tfiber \mathcal{X}'$

$\Sigma^2 tcofiber \mathcal{X} \simeq tfiber \mathcal{X}'$

where  $X_S \longrightarrow X_{S'} \longrightarrow X_S$  is  $\mathbb{1}$

### Long exact sequence of squares

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \pi_k(\mathcal{X}) = \pi_{k-2}(tfiber \mathcal{X}) & & tfiber \mathcal{X} & & \\
 & \downarrow & & & \\
 \pi_k(f_1) = \pi_{k-1}(M_{f_1}) & & M_{f_1} \longrightarrow X_\emptyset \xrightarrow{f_1} X_1 & & H_k(f_1) = \widetilde{H}_k(X_1) \\
 & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \\
 \pi_k(f_2) = \pi_{k-1}(M_{f_2}) & & M_{f_2} \longrightarrow X_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} X_{12} & & H_k(f_2) = \widetilde{H}_k(X_{12}) \\
 & & & \downarrow & \\
 & & & tcofiber \mathcal{X} & H_k(\mathcal{X}) = H_k(tcofiber \mathcal{X})
 \end{array}$$

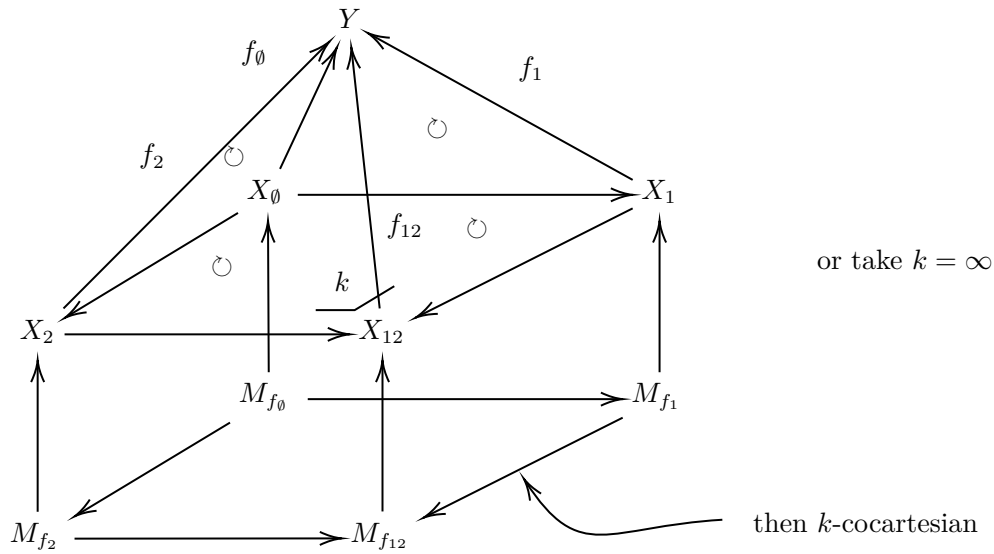
One has long exact sequences

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cdots \longrightarrow \pi_n(f_1) \longrightarrow \pi_n(f_2) \longrightarrow \pi_{n+2}(\mathcal{X}) \longrightarrow \pi_{n-1}(f_1) \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \pi_1(f_2) , \\
 \cdots \longrightarrow H_n(f_1) \longrightarrow H_n(f_2) \longrightarrow H_n(\mathcal{X}) \longrightarrow H_{n-1}(f_1) \longrightarrow \cdots .
 \end{aligned}$$

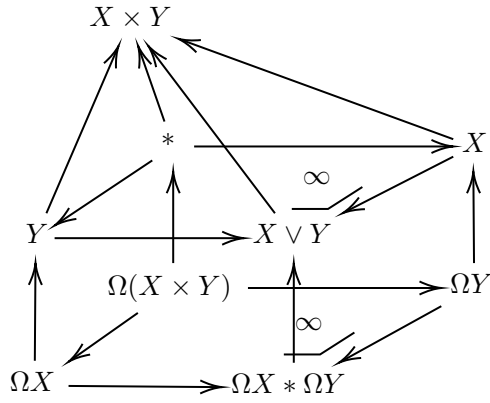
### House theorem

For four commutative triangles with  $Y$  , one has the distributive law with  $holim$  ( $- \longleftarrow Y \longrightarrow *$ ) as multiplication and  $colim$  as addition

$$\begin{aligned}
 & holim (hocolim (X_1 \longleftarrow X_\emptyset \longrightarrow X_2) \longleftarrow Y \longrightarrow *) \\
 & \simeq hocolim (holim (X_1 \longrightarrow Y \longleftarrow *) \longleftarrow holim (X_\emptyset \longrightarrow Y \longleftarrow *) \longrightarrow holim (X_2 \longrightarrow Y \longleftarrow *)) .
 \end{aligned}$$



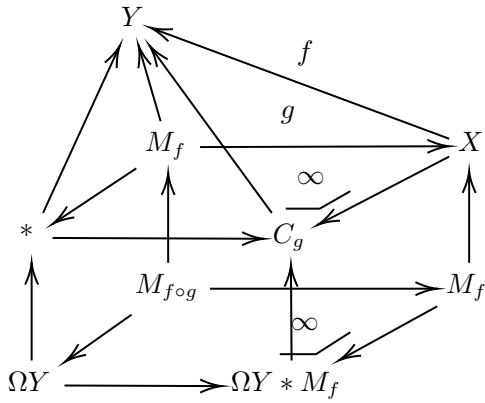
## Applications of house theorem



fiber sequence  $\Omega X * \Omega Y \longrightarrow X \vee Y \longrightarrow X \times Y$

splitting fiber sequence  $\Omega(\Omega X * \Omega Y) \longrightarrow \Omega(X \vee Y) \longrightarrow \Omega(X \times Y)$

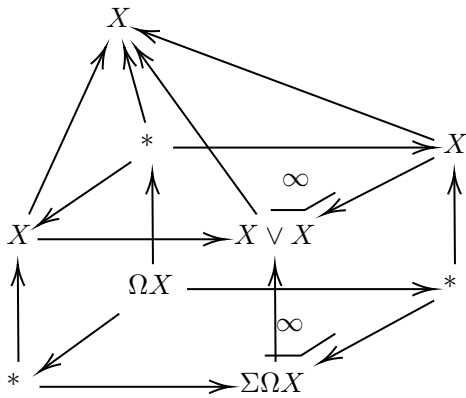
$$\Omega(X \vee Y) \simeq \Omega(\Omega X * \Omega Y) \times \Omega(X \times Y)$$



fiber sequence  $\Omega Y * M_f \longrightarrow C_g \longrightarrow Y$

(Ganea's theorem)

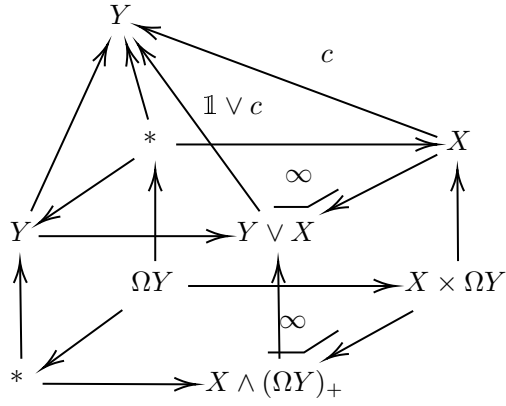
$M_{f \circ g} \simeq \Omega Y \times M_f$  since  $M_f \longrightarrow Y$  is constant



fiber sequence  $\Sigma \Omega X \longrightarrow X \vee X \longrightarrow X$

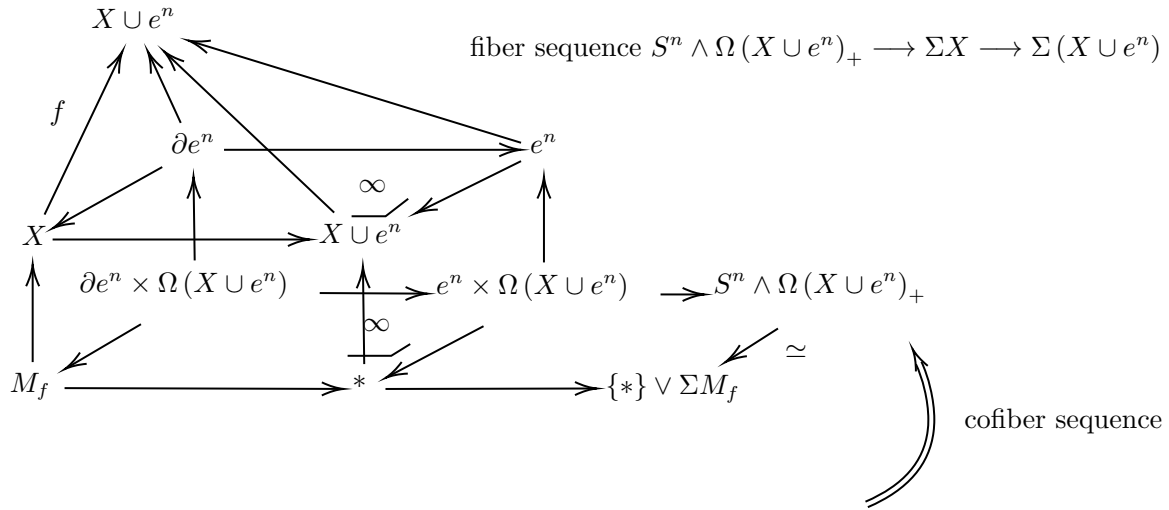


## Applications of house theorem



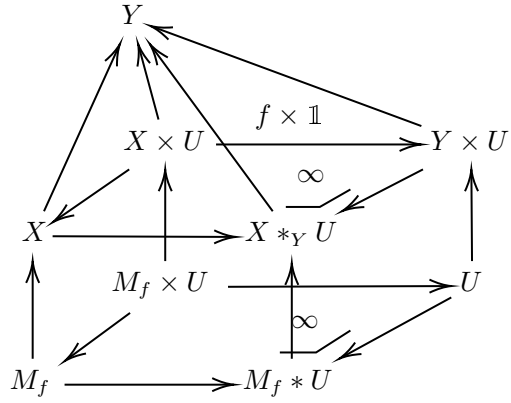
fiber sequence  $X \wedge (\Omega Y)_+ \longrightarrow Y \vee X \longrightarrow Y$

$$M_{\mathbb{1} \vee c} \simeq C_{c \times \mathbb{1}} = X \times \Omega Y / \{*\} \times \Omega Y = X \wedge (\Omega Y)_+$$

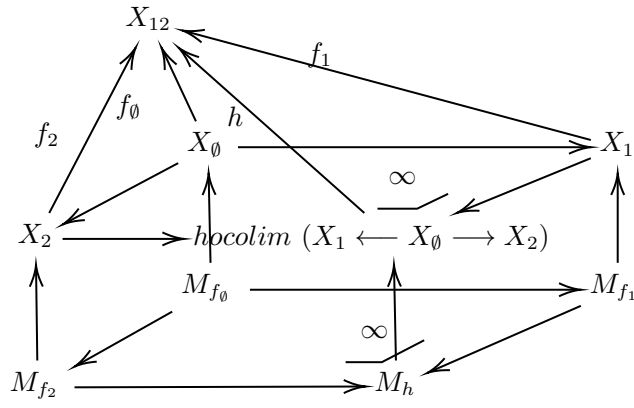


$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \partial e^n & \longrightarrow & e^n & & \partial e^n \times \Omega(X \cup e^n) & \longrightarrow & e^n \times \Omega(X \cup e^n) & \longrightarrow & C_i \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 * & \longrightarrow & S^n & & \{*\} \times \Omega(X \cup e^n) & \longrightarrow & S^n \times \Omega(X \cup e^n) & \longrightarrow & S^n \wedge \Omega(X \cup e^n)_+
 \end{array}$$

## Applications of house theorem



fiber sequence  $M_f * U \rightarrow X *_Y U \rightarrow Y$



fiber sequence  $M_{f_1} * M_{f_2} \rightarrow hocolim (X_1 \leftarrow X_0 \rightarrow X_2) \rightarrow X_{12}$

$$X_0 \simeq holim (X_1 \rightarrow X_{12} \leftarrow X_2)$$



$$M_{f_0} \simeq M_{f_1} \times M_{f_2} \text{ by valley theorem}$$



## Excisive triads

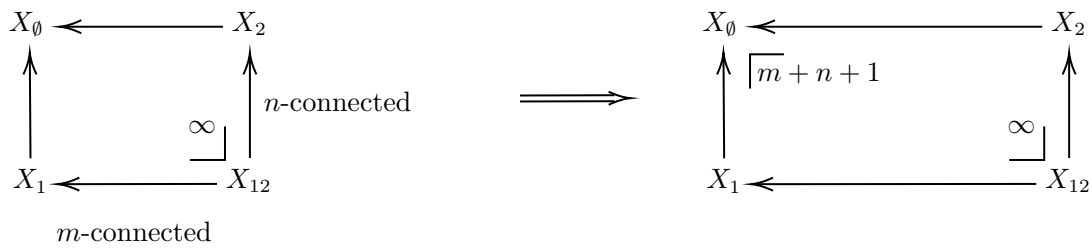
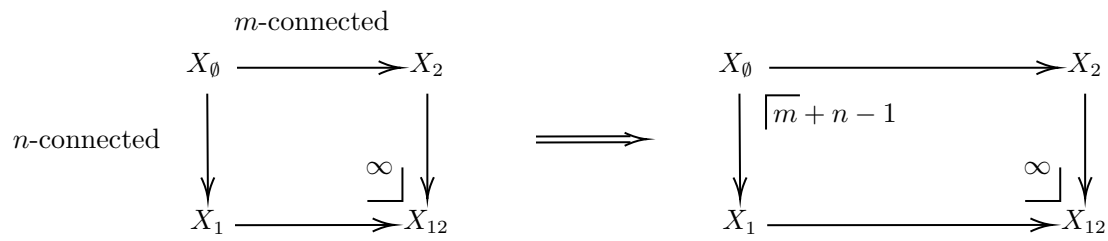
### Homotopy excision theorem

Suppose  $\{A, B\}$  is an open cover of  $X$  with 0-connected  $A \cap B$ , then for  $m$ -connected pair  $(A, A \cap B)$  and  $n$ -connected pair  $(B, B \cap A)$ , one has  $(m + n)$ -connected inclusion  $(A, A \cap B) \longrightarrow (X, B)$ .

There is an isomorphism given by Whitehead product

$$\pi_{m+1}(A, A \cap B) \otimes \pi_{n+1}(B, B \cap A) \longrightarrow \pi_{m+n+1}(X; A, B), \quad [f] \otimes [g] \longmapsto [f, g].$$

# Blackers-Massey theorem



generalised version

