

MATH 592

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$X$  path-connected  
any space.

$$h: \pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X)$$

Hurewicz map

$$\downarrow$$

$$[\alpha: S^n \rightarrow X]$$

$$H_n \alpha: H_n S^n \rightarrow H_n X$$

$$\cong \downarrow$$

$$h[\alpha]$$

Hurewicz Theorem: Suppose  $X$  is path-connected,  $\pi_i(X) = 0$  for  $i < k$ . Then  
 $h: \pi_k X \rightarrow H_k X$  is an isomorphism for  $k \geq 2$ .  
 (abbreviation for  $k=1$ ).

Special case relevant to + construction:

Lemma: If  $X$  is a simply connected CW-complex then  
$$h: \pi_2 X \rightarrow H_2 X$$

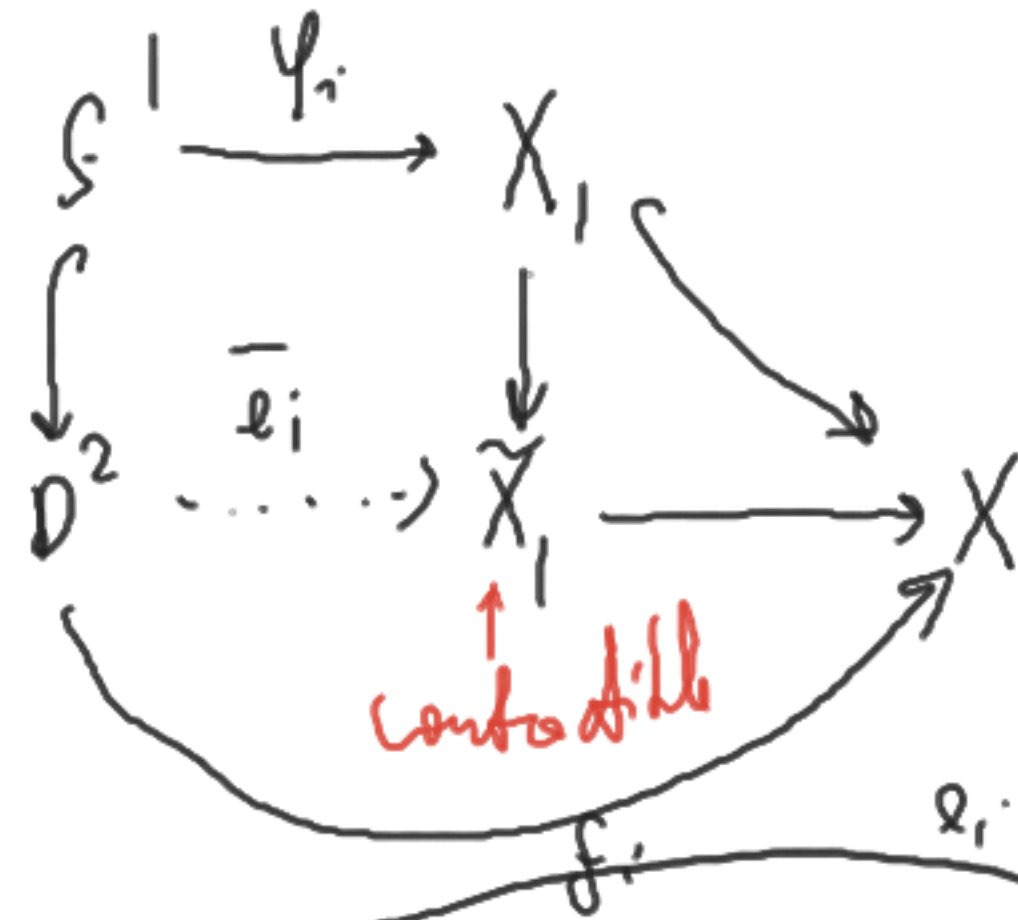
is onto.

Proof: let  $\tilde{X}_1$  be obtained from  $X_1$  by attaching disks to free generators of  $\pi_1 X_1$  (free group). Then  $\tilde{X}_1 \simeq *$ .

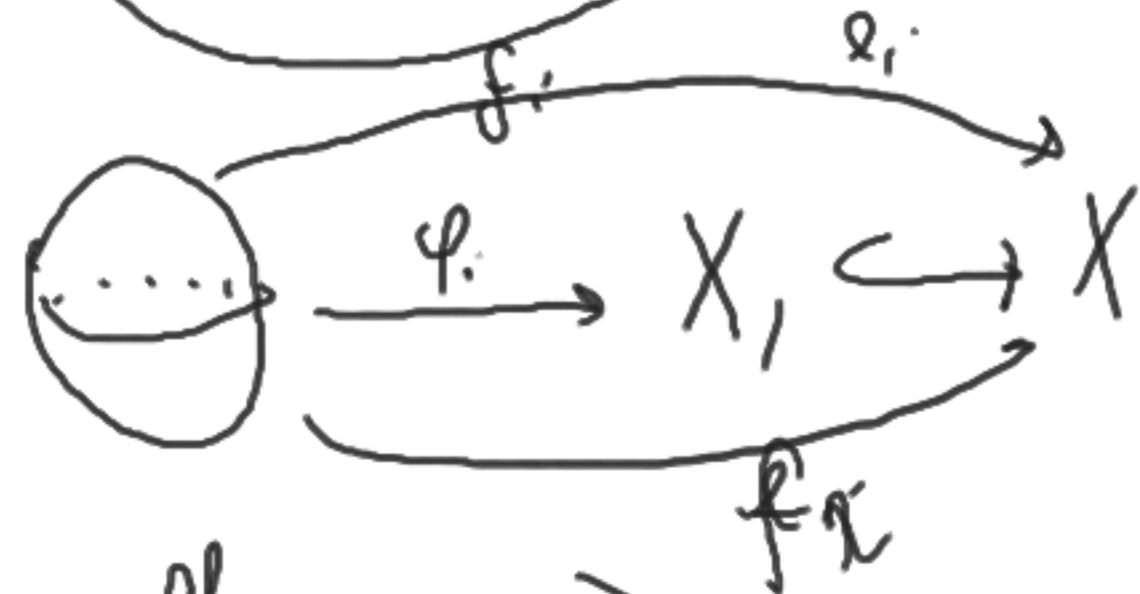
$$X_1 \subset X$$

$\Omega \tilde{X}_1 \xrightarrow{\quad ? \quad} \Omega X$  extends because  $\pi_1 X = 0$ .

For a 2-cell  $e_i: D^2 \rightarrow X$  ( $e_i|_{S^1} \xrightarrow{\varphi_i} X_1$  attaching map)



Glue  $e_i$  with  $f_i$ .



Call this map  $\gamma_i: S^2 \rightarrow X$

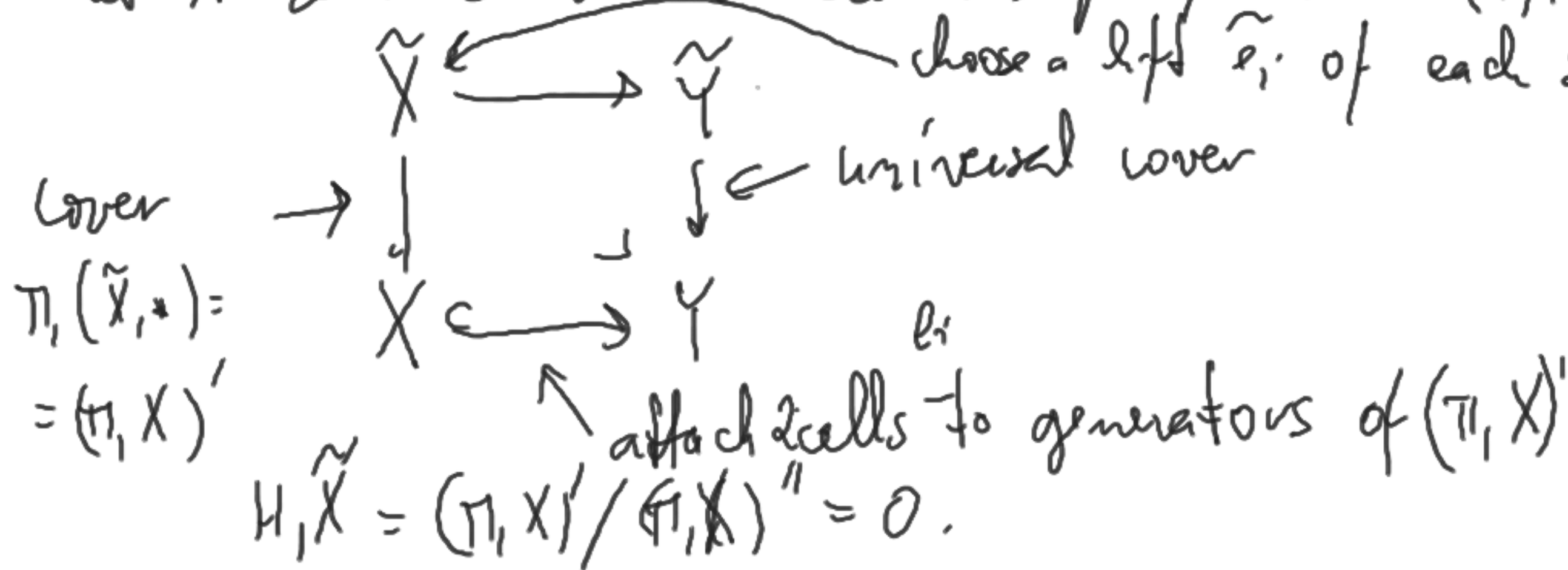
Now if  $\sum m_i e_i \in C_2^{\text{cell}} X$ ,  $d(\sum m_i e_i) = 0$

$$h(\sum m_i \gamma_i) = [\sum m_i e_i]$$

(from the point of view of sing. homology,  $d\sum m_i f_i = 0$  and left to  $X_1 \simeq *$ .)

The + construction. (Quillen ~ 1970)

Let  $X$  be a connected CW-complex, assume  $(\pi, X)'' = (\pi, X)'$ .



The attaching map of  $\tilde{e}_i$  to  $\tilde{X}$  induces 0 in homology

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \tilde{e}_i & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \tilde{e}_i & & \\
 \cap & & \cap & \searrow \partial & \\
 H_2(\tilde{Y}) & \longrightarrow & H_2(\tilde{Y}, \tilde{X}) & \longrightarrow & H_1 \tilde{X} = 0
 \end{array}$$

By the lemma,  $\bar{e}_i = h(\psi_i)$   $\psi_i: S^2 \rightarrow \tilde{Y}$ .

Recipe: Attach a 3-cell to each  $\psi_i$  using id or attaching map.

The resulting space is denoted by  $X^+$ .

To check:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \bar{e}_i & \longrightarrow & e_i & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \cap & & \cap & & \\ H_2(Y) & \longrightarrow & H_2(Y, X) & \longrightarrow & H_1(X) \end{array}$$

$Y$  is obtained by attaching 2-cells to  $X$  (attaching maps  $s' \rightarrow X, 1$ ).

There exists  $\bar{\psi}_i \in \pi_2(Y)$  where  $h(\bar{\psi}_i) = \bar{e}_i$ .  $X^+$  is obtained by attaching a 3-cell along each attaching map  $\bar{\psi}_i$ .

(HW) (1) Prove that the inclusion  $X \hookrightarrow X^+$  induces an isomorphism in homology.



Remark: Quillen's use of the  $+ -$  construction:  
 Suppose  $R$  is a "nice ring" (e.g. a field). Consider the  
 discrete group  $GL_n R$ . Form column  $GL_n R =: GL_\infty R$ .

$$GL_n R \hookrightarrow GL_{n+1} R$$

$$A \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} A & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $R$  is "nice" (e.g. a field) then  $(GL_n R)'' = (GL_n R)'$ .

Quillen: For  $n \geq 1$

$$K_n R := \pi_n B(GL_\infty R)^*$$

$\nwarrow$  (higher) algebraic  $K$ -theory.

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1 B GL_\infty R &= GL_\infty R \\ \pi_k B GL_\infty R &= 0 \quad k > 1. \end{aligned}$$

Mayer-Vietoris sequence: Suppose  $U, V \subseteq X$  open,  $U \cup V = X$ .

$\mathcal{U} = \{U, V\}$ . We have a short exact sequence of singular chain complexes

$$0 \rightarrow C(U \cap V) \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}} C(U) \oplus C(V) \xrightarrow{(\varepsilon \quad -\varepsilon)} C_n X \rightarrow 0$$

Theorem: We have a long exact sequence

$$\rightarrow H_n(U \cap V) \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_1 \end{pmatrix}} H_n(U) \oplus H_n(V) \xrightarrow{(\varepsilon_1 \quad -\varepsilon_1)} H_n X \xrightarrow{\Delta} H_{n-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow \dots$$

( $\Delta$  natural)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & X' \\ U & \hookrightarrow & U' \\ V & \hookrightarrow & V' \end{array} \quad \text{open } U' \cup V' = X'$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_n X & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & H_{n-1}(U \cap V) \\ f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow f_* \\ H_n X' & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & H_{n-1}(U' \cap V') \quad \square \end{array}$$

Example: Calculate the homology of the complement of the trefoil knot  $\mathcal{K} \subset S^3$ .



$$T = S^1 \times S^1 \subset S^3 = S^1 \times D^2 \cup D^2 \times S^1$$

$\simeq$

$U, V$  are "thickenings" of  $(S^1 \times D^2) \cap \text{Im } \varphi$ ,  $(D^2 \times S^1) \cap \text{Im } \varphi$

$$U \cap V \simeq S^1 \times S^1 \cap \text{Im } \varphi = S^1$$



Recall for  $\pi_1$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1(U \cap V) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \pi_1 U \\ \downarrow & \searrow \cong & \downarrow \\ \pi_1 V & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

$$\pi_1(\underbrace{U \cap V}_Y) = \langle a, b \mid a^2 b^3 \rangle$$

$\downarrow$   $\therefore$  must  
 $\Sigma_3$  non-trivial

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_1(U \cap V) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H_1(U) \\ \downarrow & \searrow \cong & \downarrow \\ \pi_1(V) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \Delta & & & & \\ & & \rightarrow & & & & \\ \pi_1(V) & \rightarrow & H_{k+1} Y & \rightarrow & H_k(U \cap V) & \rightarrow & H_k(U) \oplus H_k(V) \rightarrow H_k(Y) \xrightarrow{0} H_{k-1}(U \cap V) \end{array}$$

We can also work in reduced homology: By Mayer-Vietoris, factor out  $\mathbb{Z} \subset U \cap V$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \oplus \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow 0.$$

LES also in reduced homology:

$$\xrightarrow{\Delta} \tilde{H}_k(U \cap V) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_k(U) \oplus \tilde{H}_k(V) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_k(U \cup V) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_{k-1}(U \cap V)$$

0 for  $k \neq 1$

$$\tilde{H}_1(U \cap V) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(U) \oplus \tilde{H}_1(V)$$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

$\text{Ker} = 0 \quad \text{Coker} = \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Conclusion:  $\tilde{H}_1 Y = \mathbb{Z}$

$$\tilde{H}_k Y = 0 \quad k \neq 1$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} H_k Y = \mathbb{Z} \quad k = 0, 1 \\ 0 \quad \text{else.} \end{array} \right.$$

(HW) (2) Calculate the homology of the inclusion

$$\mathbb{R}P^k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}P^n$$

$$\downarrow \text{in}$$
$$\mathbb{R}P^n$$

$k \leq n$ . [Use the Mayer-Vietoris sequence.]

discussion tomorrow:

More examples of calculating  
homology using  
Mayer-Vietoris sequence

(3) (a) Prove that  $\pi_1(S)$  is a short exact sequence of the  
form

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow \pi_1(S) \rightarrow 0$$

splits. ( $\therefore B \cong A \oplus \pi_1(S)$ )

(b) Give an example of a short exact sequence of ab. groups which does not split.