

$$= [\bar{g}] [f_1] \{ f_2 \} [\bar{g}]$$

$$= \bar{\Phi}_g ([f_1] [f_2]).$$

Since $\bar{\Phi}_{\bar{g}}$ is inverse to $\bar{\Phi}_g$, it's an isomorphism. \square

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Circle Representations

A loop $f: I \rightarrow X$ is the same thing as $\tilde{f}: S^1 \rightarrow X$,
 $0, 1 \mapsto p$ $\exp(2\pi i t) \mapsto f(t)$.

Prop Suppose f is a loop based at p with circle rep \tilde{f} . Then TFAE

$$(a) f \sim c_p$$

$$(b) \tilde{f} \simeq \text{const}$$

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$$(c) \begin{array}{ccc} S^1 & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} & X \\ \downarrow & \nearrow \cong & \uparrow \\ D^2 & & \end{array}$$

$$1 \mapsto p$$

Pf (a) \Rightarrow (b): Take $H: f \circ c_p$. Then $I \times I \xrightarrow{H} X$

\downarrow quotient map by closed map lemma

respects vertical map's identifications

$S^1 \times I \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}} X$

Then $\tilde{H}: \tilde{f} \simeq c_p$.

(b) \Rightarrow (c): Suppose $H: S^1 \times I \rightarrow X$ is a htpy b/w \tilde{f} and a constant map $k: S^1 \rightarrow X$. Then

$S^1 \times I \xrightarrow{H} X$ respects vertical quotient map's identifications.



$$D^2 \cong CS' \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}} X \quad \text{and } \tilde{H}|_{S^1} = \tilde{f}.$$

(c) \Rightarrow (a): Assume \tilde{f} extends to $F: D^2 \rightarrow X$. Since D^2 is convex, have the straight line htpy $H: c_* \simeq \omega$ for $\omega: I \rightarrow S^1 \subseteq D^2$ $t \mapsto \exp(2\pi it)$.

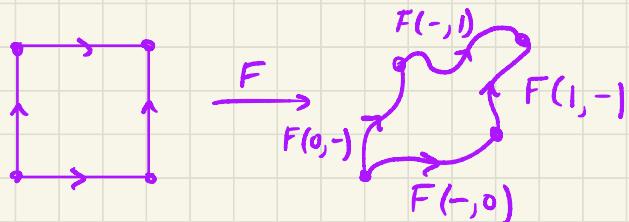
Now $H(\partial(I \times I)) \subseteq S^1$, so $FH: I \times I \rightarrow X$ satisfies :



thus $FH: c_p \sim f$. \square

Cor (Square Lemma) If $F: I \times I \rightarrow X$ is a cof map, then

$$F(-, 0) \cdot F(1, -) \sim F(0, -) \cdot F(-, 1).$$



Pf Previous prop + $f \sim g \Leftrightarrow f \bar{g} \sim \text{const}$. \square

π_1 (spheres)

Defn Call a space X simply connected when it is path connected and $\pi_1(X, p)$ is trivial for some (and hence all) $p \in X$.

Thm For $n \geq 2$, S^n is simply connected.

Pf Sketch Choose a base point $p \neq N = (0, \dots, 0, 1) \in S^n$. If $f: I \rightarrow S^n$

is a ^{loop} path based at p not passing through N , then f is a loop in $S^n \setminus \{N\} \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ and thus is null-homotopic (via, e.g., straight line homotopy).

If f does pass through N , "nudge" it so it (a) is $\sim f$ and (b) doesn't pass through N . Proceed as before. \square

⚠ The "nudging" is delicate! Use Lebesgue number lemma to guarantee you can do it. (pp. 194-195)



π_1 (manifolds)

Thm The fundamental group of a manifold is countable.
sketch

Pf M a mfld, \mathcal{U} a countable cover of M by coordinate balls.

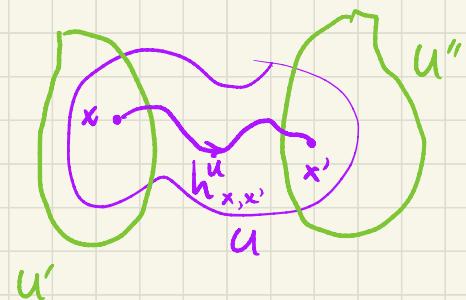
For each $U, U' \in \mathcal{U}$, $U \cap U'$ has countably many components.

Choose a point in each such component (as $U, U' \in \mathcal{U}$ vary) and let X denote the countable set of such points.

For $U \in \mathcal{U}$ and $x, x' \in X$ s.t. $x, x' \in U$, choose a path $h_{x,x'}^U : x \rightarrow x'$ in U .

Choose some $p \in X$ as base point. Call a loop based at p special when it is a finite product of paths of the form $h_{x,x}^U$.

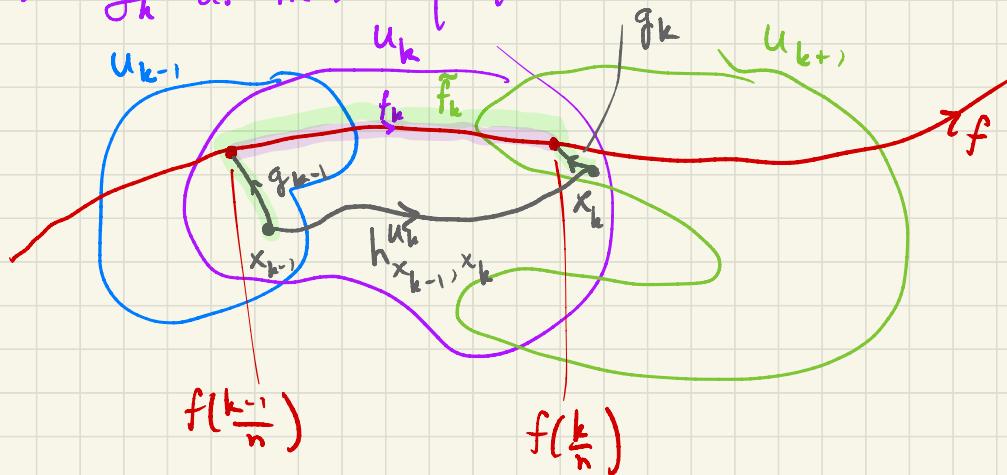
Since $\mathcal{U} \times X^2$ is countable, it suffices to show that every loop based at p



if path htpc to a special path.

By the Lebesgue number lemma (open covers of compact metric spaces have a Lebesgue number: $\delta > 0$ s.t. every set w/ diameter $< \delta$ is in some $U \in \mathcal{U}$), can produce $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $f\left[\frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}\right]$ is a subset of some $U_k \in \mathcal{U}$ for each $1 \leq k \leq n$. Let $f_k = f|_{\left[\frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}\right]}$ and note $f \sim f_1 \cdots f_n$.

Now choose g_k as in the picture:



Set $\tilde{f}_k := g_{k-1} \cdot f_k \cdot \bar{g}_k$. Then $f \sim \tilde{f}_1 \cdots \tilde{f}_n$ b/c $\bar{g}_k g_k$ cancel.

Furthermore, $\tilde{f}_k \sim h_{x_{k-1}, x_k}^{u_k} \Rightarrow f \sim$ special path. \square

π_1 is a functor

Prop If $f_0 \sim f_1 : I \rightarrow X$ and $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$ is ctr, then $\varphi f_0 \sim \varphi f_1$. \square

As such, φ induces a well-defined map $\varphi_* : \pi_1(X, p) \longrightarrow \pi_1(Y, \varphi(p))$
 $[f] \longmapsto [\varphi f]$.

Prop For any cts φ , φ_* is a group homomorphism.

Pf We have $\varphi_*([f][g]) = \varphi_*[f \cdot g] = [\varphi \circ (f \cdot g)]$. But

$\varphi \circ (f \cdot g) = (\varphi \circ f) \cdot (\varphi \circ g)$ on the nose! \square

Prop (a) If $X \xrightarrow{\varphi} Y \xrightarrow{\psi} Z$ are cts, then $(\psi\varphi)_* = \psi_*\varphi_*$.

(b) $(\text{id}_X)_* = \text{id}_{\pi_1(X, p)}$.

Pf (a) $(\psi\varphi)_*[f] = [(\psi\varphi)f] = [\psi(\varphi f)] = \psi_*[\varphi f] = \psi_*(\varphi_*[f])$

(b) $(\text{id}_X)_*[f] = [\text{id}_X f] = [f]$. \square

Cor If $\psi: X \xrightarrow{\cong} Y$, then $\psi_*: \pi_1(X, p) \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_1(Y, \psi(p))$.

Pf Check that ψ_* and $(\psi^{-1})_*$ are inverses. \square

 $S^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ induces $\pi_1 \rightarrow \pi_1$ on π_1 .

For $A \subseteq X$,

Defn a map $r: X \rightarrow A$ is a retraction if $r|_A = \text{id}_A$ (or equivalently, $r \circ_A = \text{id}_A$). If \exists retraction $X \rightarrow A$, call A a retract of X .

E.g. $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow S^{n-1}$ is a retraction.

$$x \mapsto \frac{x}{\|x\|}$$

Prop If $r: X \rightarrow A$ is a retraction, then $V_p \in A$, $(r_A)_*: \pi_1(A_{\circ, p}) \rightarrow \pi_1(X_{\circ, p})$ is injective and $r_*: \pi_1(X_{\circ, p}) \rightarrow \pi_1(A_{\circ, p})$ is surjective.

Pf

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \overset{V_p}{\nearrow} X & \\ A & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_A} & A \end{array}$$

induces

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & (r_A)_* \nearrow \pi_1(X_{\circ, p}) & \\ \pi_1(A_{\circ, p}) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & \pi_1(A_{\circ, p}) \end{array} . \quad \square$$

Cor A retract of a simply conn'd space is simply conn'd. \square
 (A a retract of X , $\pi_1(X_{\circ, p}) = e \Rightarrow \pi_1(A_{\circ, p}) = e$.)

E.g. $\pi_1(S^1, 1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ is not simply conn'd $\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0 \not\cong \mathbb{R}^2$.

E.g. $S^1 \times \{1\}$ is a retract of $T^2 = S^1 \times S^1$ via $(z, w) \mapsto (z, 1)$.
 Thus T^2 is not simply conn'd and not $\cong S^2$.

π_1 (products) Write $p_i: X_1 \times \dots \times X_n \rightarrow X_i$ for i -th projection.
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Given basepoints $x_i \in X_i$, get $(p_i)_*: \pi_1(X_1 \times \dots \times X_n, (x_1, \dots, x_n)) \rightarrow \pi_1(X_i, x_i)$.