

(Munkres §54) wrap-up of:

Thm let $p : E \rightarrow X$ be a covering, e in E

1) for any path $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ s.t.

$$p(e) = \gamma(0),$$

a unique $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ s.t.

$$\Gamma(0) = e \text{ and } \gamma = p \circ \Gamma,$$

which we call the lift of γ to E

2) for any homotopy $h : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow X$ s.t.

$$p(e) = h(0, 0),$$

a unique homotopy $H : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow E$ s.t.

$$H(0, 0) = e \text{ and } h = p \circ H$$

3) in 2), if h is a path homotopy, then so is H

last time, proved 1) via [what lemma?]

the Lebesgue number lemma

Pf of 2) as last time:

pick an open cover $\{U_\alpha\}_\alpha$ s.t.

each U_α is evenly covered by p

by double application of Lebesgue, can find

$$0 = s_0 < s_1 < \dots < s_n = 1$$

$$0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m = 1$$

s.t. $h : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow X$ maps each rectangle

$[s_i, s_{i+1}] \times [t_j, t_{j+1}]$ into a single U_α at a time

again, build $H : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow E$ inductively:

set $H(0, 0) = e$

order the rectangles lexicographically

for a given (i, j) ,

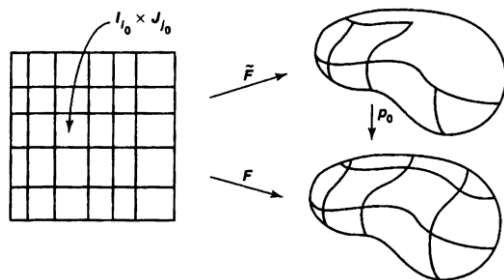
let $R_{i,j} = [s_i, s_{i+1}] \times [t_j, t_{j+1}]$

let $A_{i,j}$ be the union of $[0, 1] \times \{0\}$,

$\{0\} \times [0, 1]$, all rectangles prior to R

note that $A_{i,j} \cap R_{i,j}$ is a subset of $\partial A_{i,j}$

want to extend $H|_{A_{\{i,j\}}}$ to $H|_{A_{\{i,j\}} \cup R_{\{i,j\}}}$



similarly to last time:

h maps $R_{i,j}$ into a single U_α ,

U_α is evenly covered by p

the key difference from last time:

we seek a lift of $h|_{R_{\{i,j\}}}$ that extends

the subspace $H(A_{i,j} \cap R_{i,j})$ of $p^{-1}(U_\alpha)$

not just a single point $\Gamma(s_i)$ in $p^{-1}(U_\alpha)$

[what saves us?]

$H(A_{i,j} \cap R_{i,j})$ is connected

so inside $p^{-1}(U_\alpha)$, it must be contained in
a single homeomorphic copy of U_α

now the rest of the proof is analogous to
the proof of 1) \square

Pf of 3) suppose h is a path homotopy between two paths from x to y in X

then $H(1, t) \in p^{-1}(y)$ for all t in $[0, 1]$
but $p^{-1}(y)$ is discrete, since p is a covering
so $H(1, t)$ is constant for all t
so H is a path homotopy in E

Cor if $\gamma_0 \sim_p \gamma_1$ in X and e in E s.t.
 $p(e) = \gamma_0(0) = \gamma_1(0)$,

then γ_0, γ_1 have unique lifts Γ_0, Γ_1 in E
starting at e
and $\Gamma_0 \sim_p \Gamma_1$

Applications

Cor 1 if $p : E \rightarrow X$ is a covering and $p(e) = x$,
then $p_* : \pi_1(E, e) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, x)$ is injective

Pf let Γ_0, Γ_1 be loops in E based at e s.t.
 $p_*([\Gamma_0]) = p_*([\Gamma_1])$

by construction, $p_*(\Gamma_i) = [p \circ \Gamma_i]$
and Γ_0, Γ_1 are lifts of $p \circ \Gamma_0, p \circ \Gamma_1$
so $[\Gamma_0] = [\Gamma_1]$

Ex recall that for any integer $n > 0$
there is an n -fold covering $p_n : S^1 \rightarrow S^1$

under $\pi_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z}$, we have $\text{im}(p_{n,*}) = n\mathbb{Z}$ [draw]

each $[\gamma]$ in $\pi_1(X, x)$ defines a permutation of $p^{-1}(x)$ as follows:

each e in $p^{-1}(x)$ is the start of a unique lift of γ
the permutation sends $e \mapsto e \cdot [\gamma]$, where

$e \cdot [\gamma]$ is the end of that lift

[draw solenoid]

Cor 2 (Lifting Correspondence) given e in $p^{-1}(x)$:

a) $e \cdot [\gamma] = e$ if and only if $[\gamma]$ in $p^*(\pi_1(E, e))$
thus, an injective map

$$\varphi_e : p^*(\pi_1(E, e)) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, x)$$

defined by $\varphi_e(p^*(\pi_1(E, e)) * [\gamma]) = e \cdot [\gamma]$

b) if E is path-connected, then φ_e is bijective

c) if E is path-connected and simply-connected,
then φ_e is a bijection $\pi_1(X, x) \rightarrow p^{-1}(x)$

Pf of a) $[\gamma] = p^*([\Gamma])$ for some $[\Gamma]$ in $\pi_1(E, e)$
iff the lift of γ to e is a loop (namely, Γ)
iff $e \cdot [\gamma] = e$

Pf of b) for any e' in $p^{-1}(x)$,
we can pick a path Γ from e to e' in E
let $\gamma = p \circ \Gamma$
then Γ is the lift of γ to e , so $e \cdot [\gamma] = e'$

Pf of c) immediate from b)

Ex recall that $RP^2 = S^2/\sim$
where \sim is antipodal identification

S^2 is simply-conn & $S^2 \rightarrow RP^2$ is a 2-fold covering
so $|\pi_1(RP^2)| = 2$
so new proof that $\pi_1(RP^2) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

Df a pointed covering is a pair (p, e) s.t.
 $p : E \rightarrow X$ is a covering
 e in E

if $(p : E \rightarrow X, e)$ and $(p' : E' \rightarrow X, e')$ are
pointed coverings of the same X ,
then a pointed equivalence from p to p' is
a homeo $f : (E, e) \rightarrow (E', e')$ s.t. $p = p' \circ f$

for such f , we write $(E, e) \sim (E', e')$
we also see that f_* is an isomorphism

$$\pi_1(E, e) \rightarrow \pi_1(E', e')$$

thus $p_*(\pi_1(E, e)) = p'_*(f_*(\pi_1(E, e))) = p'_*(\pi_1(E', e'))$
[we've proven injectivity, but not bijectivity, in:]

Cor 3 (Galois Correspondence)

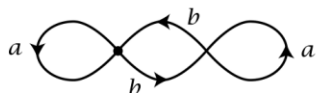
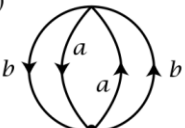
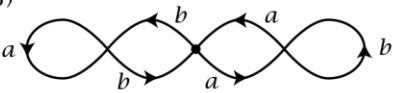
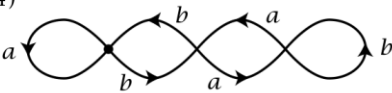
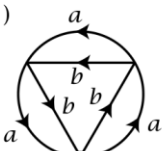
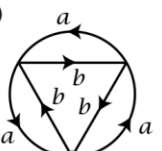
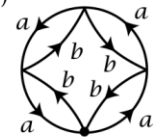
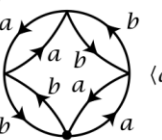
the map sending $(p : E \rightarrow X, e)$ to $p_*(\pi_1(E, e))$
defines a bijection

$$\begin{aligned} &\{\text{pointed coverings of } X\}/\sim \\ &\rightarrow \{\text{subgroups of } \pi_1(X, x)\} \end{aligned}$$

Rem if $E = E'$ but $e \neq e'$, then $(E, e), (E', e')$
might not be equivalent

Ex

coverings of the figure-eight
and corresponding subgroups of its π_1 :

<p>(1)</p>  <p>$\langle a, b^2, bab^{-1} \rangle$</p>	<p>(2)</p>  <p>$\langle a^2, b^2, ab \rangle$</p>
<p>(3)</p>  <p>$\langle a^2, b^2, aba^{-1}, bab^{-1} \rangle$</p>	<p>(4)</p>  <p>$\langle a, b^2, ba^2b^{-1}, baba^{-1}b^{-1} \rangle$</p>
<p>(5)</p>  <p>$\langle a^3, b^3, ab^{-1}, b^{-1}a \rangle$</p>	<p>(6)</p>  <p>$\langle a^3, b^3, ab, ba \rangle$</p>
<p>(7)</p>  <p>$\langle a^4, b^4, ab, ba, a^2b^2 \rangle$</p>	<p>(8)</p>  <p>$\langle a^2, b^2, (ab)^2, (ba)^2, ab^2a \rangle$</p>