

Last time  $p : E \text{ to } X$  is a covering map iff,

for all  $x$  in  $X$ , have open  $U$  ni  $x$  s.t.

- 1)  $p^{-1}(U)$  is homeo to a union of disjoint copies of  $U$
- 2)  $p$  restricts to a homeo from each copy onto  $U$

here  $E$  is called a covering space or cover of  $X$

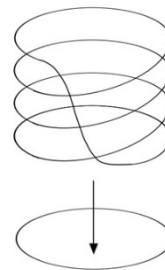
Ex consider  $p(x) = (\cos(2\pi x), \sin(2\pi x))$

$p : (-1, 1) \text{ to } S^1$  is not a covering map [why?]  
but  $p : \mathbb{R} \text{ to } S^1$  is a covering map

Ex identity maps  $\text{Id} : X \rightarrow X$  are always covering maps

Ex more generally:

for any  $n > 0$ , a covering  $p_n : S^1 \text{ to } S^1$  s.t.  
the fiber  $p_n^{-1}(x)$  has cardinality  $n$  for all  $x$



<https://ahilado.wordpress.com/2017/04/14/covering-spaces/>

we say that the covering is of degree n, or n-fold

Ex  $p_m \times p_n : S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow S^1 \times S^1$   
is a covering:

of what degree?  $[mn]$

more generally:

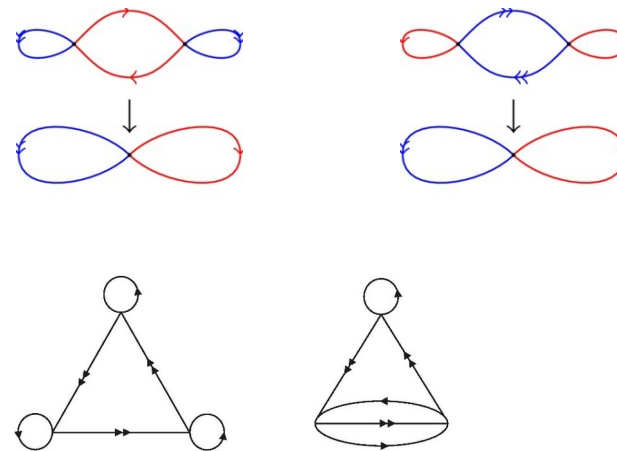
if  $p : E \rightarrow X$  and  $p' : E' \rightarrow X'$  are covering maps,  
then so is  $p \times p'$

Ex consider the relation  $\sim$  on  $S^2$  given by  
 $(x, y, z) \sim (-x, -y, -z)$

$S^2/\sim$  is called the real projective plane, or  $RP^2$

$S^2 \rightarrow RP^2$  is a 2-fold covering map

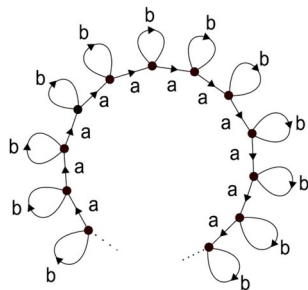
Ex coverings of the figure-eight:



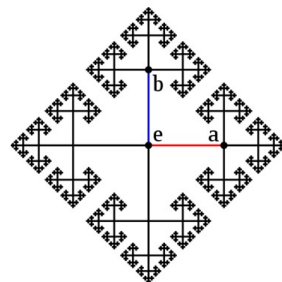
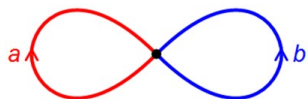
(1) <https://www.homepages.ucl.ac.uk/~ucahjde/tg/html/cov-01.html>

(2) <https://groupoids.org.uk/images/fig10-3.jpg>

weirder:



<https://www.math.cmu.edu/~nkomarov/NK-NormalSubFreeGrp.pdf>



<https://math.stackexchange.com/a/3762676>

Thm if  $p : E$  to  $X$  is a covering, then:

I) for any path  $\gamma : [0, 1]$  to  $X$  and  $e$  in  $E$  s.t.  
 $p(e) = \gamma(0)$ ,

a unique  $\Gamma : [0, 1]$  to  $R$  s.t.  
 $\Gamma(0) = e$  and  $\gamma = p \circ \Gamma$ , called a lift of  $\gamma$

II) for any path homotopy  $h : [0, 1]^2$  to  $X$  s.t.  
 $h(-, 0) = \gamma$ , and lift  $\Gamma$  of  $\gamma$ ,

a unique path-homotopy  $H : [0, 1]^2$  to  $R$  s.t.  
 $H(-, 0) = \Gamma$  and  $h = p \circ H$ , called a lift of  $h$

Pf Lemmas 54.1 and 54.2 in Munkres

finally, return to:

Thm       $\Phi : Z \text{ to } \pi_1(S^1, o) \text{ def by } \Phi(n) = [\omega_n]$   
is an isomorphism

where       $o = (1, 0),$   
 $\omega_n(s) = (\cos(2\pi ns), \sin(2\pi ns)) \quad (n \text{ in } Z)$

previously:       $\Phi$  is a homomorphism

today:             $\Phi$  is bijective

$\Phi$  surjective    for all loops  $\gamma$  at  $o$   
have  $n$  s.t.  $[\gamma] = [\omega_n]$

observe:  $p^{-1}(o) = Z$

so for any  $a$  in  $Z$ , I) gives  $\Gamma$  s.t.

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

let  $b = \Gamma(1)$

$$\text{then } b \text{ in } p^{-1}(o) = Z$$

now, by PS6, #2, have  $[\Gamma] = [\omega_{\{a, b\}}]$

so by PS5, #1, have  $[\gamma] = [\omega_{\{b - a\}}]$

$\Phi$  injective      suppose that  $[\omega_m] = [\omega_n]$

observe:  $\omega_{\{0, m\}}$  lifts  $\omega_m$

so for any  $h$  from  $\omega_m$  to  $\omega_n$ , II) gives  $H$  s.t.

$$H(-, 0) = \omega_{\{0, m\}} \text{ and } h = p \circ H$$

let  $\Gamma = H(-, 1)$

$$\text{then } \Gamma \text{ lifts } \omega_n = h(-, 1)$$

but by I), there is a unique lift of  $\omega_n$  starting at 0

so  $\Gamma = \omega_{\{0, n\}}$

so H goes from  $\omega_{\{0, m\}}$  to  $\omega_{\{0, n\}}$

so  $m = n$