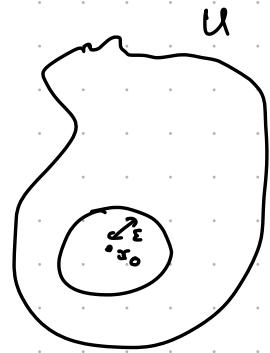


Note: 4 assignments

Lecture 1Def: A metric space X is given by $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- (i) $d(x, y) \geq 0$, $d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$
- (ii) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
- (iii) $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$

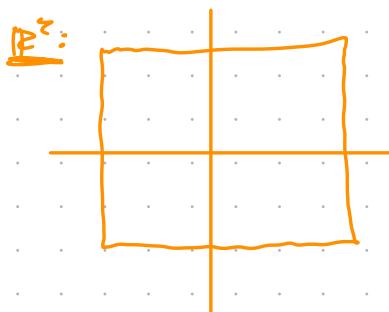
Example: $X = \mathbb{R}^n$, $d(x, y) = \|x - y\| = \left(\sum_i (x_i - y_i)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Def: $B(x_0, \varepsilon) = \{x \in X : d(x, x_0) < \varepsilon\}$ ← open ballDef: $U \subset X$ open if $\forall x \in U \exists \varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $B(x, \varepsilon) \subset U$ Note: \emptyset & X are open, finite intersections of open sets open, arbitrary unions of open sets are open.Def: A topology on a set X is a collection of sets \mathcal{U} which satisfy

- (i) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{U}, X \in \mathcal{U}$
- (ii) If $U, V \in \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow U \cap V \in \mathcal{U}$ [finite intersections]
- (iii) If $U_j \in \mathcal{U}$ for $j \in J \Rightarrow \bigcup_{j \in J} U_j \in \mathcal{U}$ [arbitrary unions]

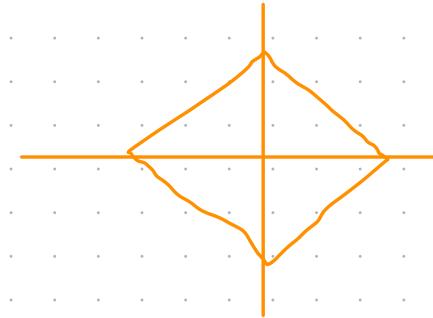
These are the open sets.

continuous maps between topological spaces

Multiple metrics can produce the same topology...

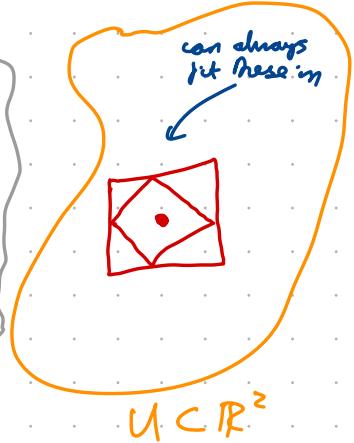
Example: Any norm $\|\cdot\|$ on \mathbb{R}^n gives a metric $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$ & all metrics on \mathbb{R}^n coming from norms yield the same topology.

$$\|\cdot\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|$$



$$\|\cdot\|_1 = \sum_i |x_i|$$

Different metrics but same topology
if focus on topology, not metrics



Shortcut to defining topology:

Def: Say (X, \mathcal{U}) is a topological space. A collection of sets $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{U}$ is a basis for a topology if for each $U \in \mathcal{U}$ (each open set), there is a collection of open sets $\{B_j\}_{j \in J}$ in \mathcal{B} s.t.

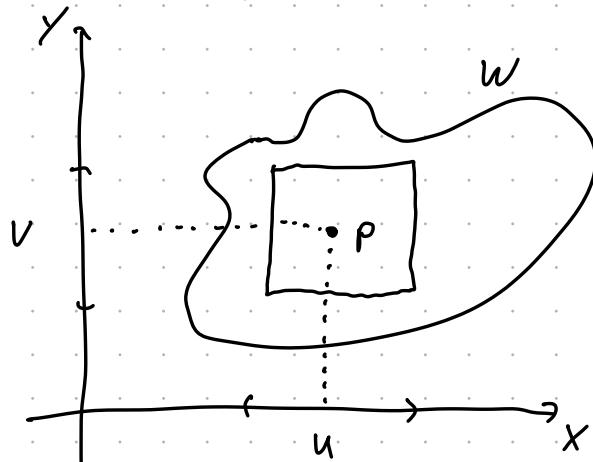
$$\bigcup_{j \in J} B_j = U$$

enough open sets to write out if an arbitrary set is open

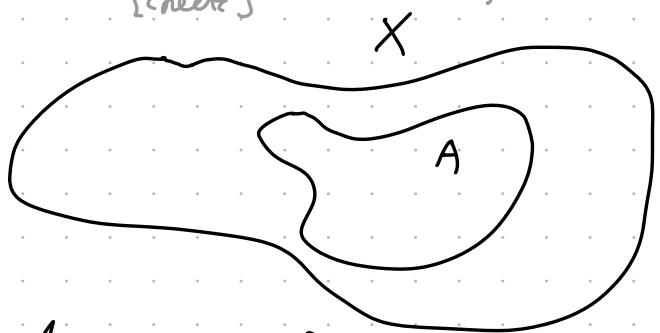
Example: The open intervals (a, b) form a basis for the topology on \mathbb{R} .

If β is a basis for the topology (X, τ) we say that β generates the topology X . (A more efficient way to describe all the open sets, instead of just listing them).

Def: Let X & Y be topological spaces (τ is implicitly there). The product topology $X \times Y$ is the topology generated by sets of the form $U \times V \subseteq X \times Y$ where U open in X , V open in Y .



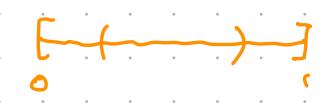
W open if $\forall p \in W, \exists U$ open in X & $\exists V$ open in Y s.t. $U \times V$ open in $X \times Y$
[check?]



Def: let A be a subset of a topological space X . The subspace topology on A corresponds to the collection of open sets $\tau|_A$

$$\tau|_A = \{U \cap A \text{ where } U \text{ is an open set for } X\}$$

Example: Let $A = [0, 1]$, $X = \mathbb{R}$, what is the subspace topology?

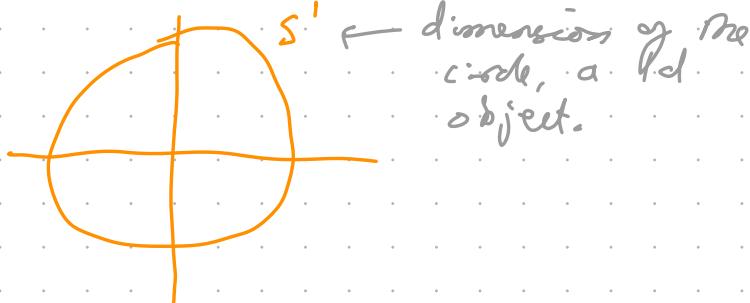


- The set $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ is open in A wrt the subspace topology (open in \mathbb{R} , & get set back when intersect w/ A)
- The set $(\frac{2}{3}, 1]$ is not open in X , but is open in A as

$$(\frac{2}{3}, 1] = [0, 1] \cap (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}) \text{ open in } \mathbb{R}$$

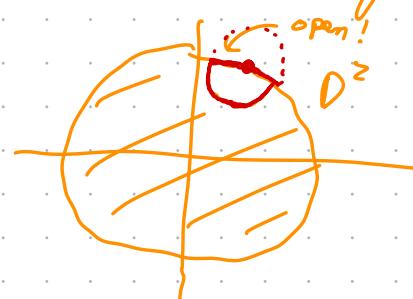
Open wrt what
is the key question

Example: The unit sphere. $S^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : \sum_i x_i^2 = 1\}$



$$\text{Disk } D^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_i x_i^2 \leq 1\}$$

S^n is a topological space wrt subspace topology



Def: Let X, Y be topological spaces. A ~~map~~ $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if FUNCTION
the inverse image of each open set in Y is an open set in X .
→ compatible w/ metric spaces but more general..

Notation: [we call a cts function a map] (for cases)

Example: • $1_x: X \rightarrow X$ is cts (identity map)

- The inclusion of A into X (where A is given the subspace topology) is cts $f: A \rightarrow X$.
- The function $t \mapsto (\cos(t), \sin(t))$ from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R}^2 is cts (Note, will often write this as $t \mapsto e^{it}$ where (x, y) is identified with $x+iy$)
- Compositions of cts functions are cts

Lemma: let X be a topological space $X = A \cup B$ where A, B are closed subspaces of X . If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a function & $f|_A$ & $f|_B$ are both cts, then f itself is continuous.
create new cts from old cts by pasting them together.

Def: $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a homeomorphism if there is a map $g: Y \rightarrow X$ s.t. $f \circ g = 1_Y$ & $g \circ f = 1_X$. is cts

Trying to understand spaces upto the relation of being homeomorphic
what does it mean for two spaces to be from

Lecture 2

Topology is always upto homeomorphism

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Thm (Invariance of Domain, 1910): If \mathbb{R}^n is homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^m , then $n=m$.
Easy to show there's no linear isomorphism (just linear algebra), homeomorphism is hard.

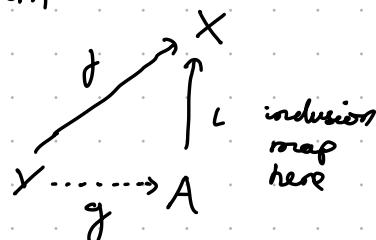
Exercise: \mathbb{R}^1 is not homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n for $n > 1$

\mathbb{R}^2 " " " " " " for $n > 2$ [This course]

\mathbb{R}^3 " " " " " " for $n > 3$ [Intro to algebraic topology]

Comment about Subspace topology: say X, Y are topological spaces. $f: Y \rightarrow X$ is a map taking values in $A \subset X$. Then there is a g with $f = l \circ g$. With respect to the subspace topology, g is continuous.

Prob: EXERCISE



[Different ranges. One mapping to A , one mapping to X]

Def: Let $\{X_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a family of topological spaces. The disjoint union of this family is the topological space w/ underlying set

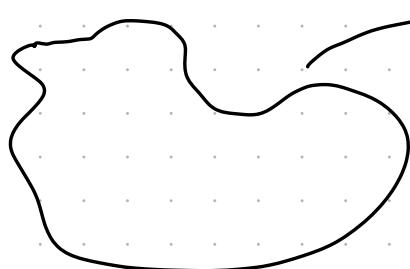
$$\bigsqcup_{j \in J} X_j = \{(x_0, j) : x_0 \in X_j\}$$

where the topology is generated by the basis of sets of the form $U \times \{j\}$ for $j \in J$ (identity set) $\subset U$ an open set in X_j .

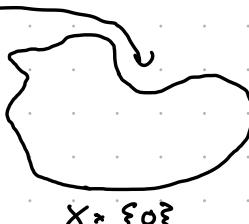
Example Say $j \in \{0, 1\}$. Fix a space X

$$X \sqcup X = (X \times \{0\}) \cup (X \times \{1\})$$

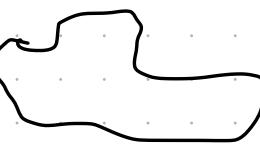
so



$$X = X \cup X$$



$$X \times \{0\}$$



$$X \times \{1\}$$

added extra coordinate

$$X \sqcup X$$

two distinct copies
rather than

Quotient Spaces

$$X \vee X = X$$

Recall, an equivalence relation on a set X is a subset $E \subset X \times X$ s.t.

- ① For $x \in X$, $(x, x) \in E$
- ② If $(x, y) \in E$, then $(y, x) \in E$
- ③ If $(x, y), (y, z) \in E$, then $(x, z) \in E$

Usually write $x \sim y$, not $(x, y) \in E$. Equivalence relations partition X into equivalence classes. Write $[x] = \{y : x \sim y\}$

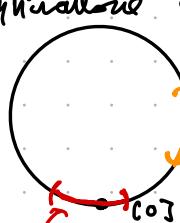
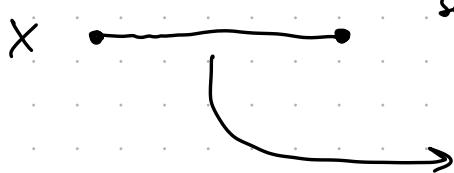
The set of equivalence classes is written X/\sim . The map $q: X \rightarrow X/\sim$ written $q(x) = [x]$ is called the quotient map.

How interact w/ topology?

Def: Let X be a top. space w/ an equivalence relation on the underlying set. The quotient topology X/\sim has open sets, those $V \in X/\sim$ for which $q^{-1}(V) = \{x \in X : q(x) \in V\}$ is open in X .

Example: $X = [0, 1]$. $0 \sim 1$ and $x \sim x$ $\forall x$

so equivalence classes are $\{0, 1\}$ & $\{x\}_{x \in (0, 1)}$



X/\sim which sets in X/\sim are open?
open interval, inverse image open
so open.

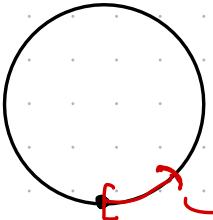
The inverse image is



two open intervals
open int & X is open.

Getting the topology we expect!

What about



contains this singleton := of the equivalence relation

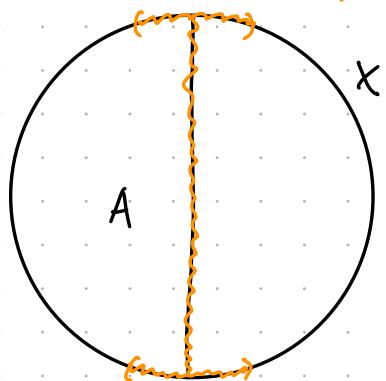


We get the topology we expect from the circle by closing this construction w/ the equivalence relation on a line!

Example: Can generalise the above. Say $A \subset X$, define an equivalence relation so that any two pts equivalent. $a_0 \sim a_i$ for $a_0, a_i \in A$ and $x \sim x$ for any $x \in I$. Equivalence classes here are singletons & the set A .

$$X = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = 1\} \cup \{(0, y) : -1 \leq y \leq 1\}$$

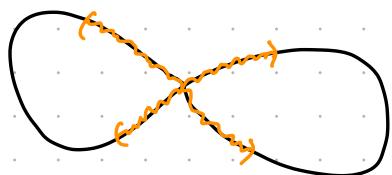
X is a unit circle, A is a segment of the circle



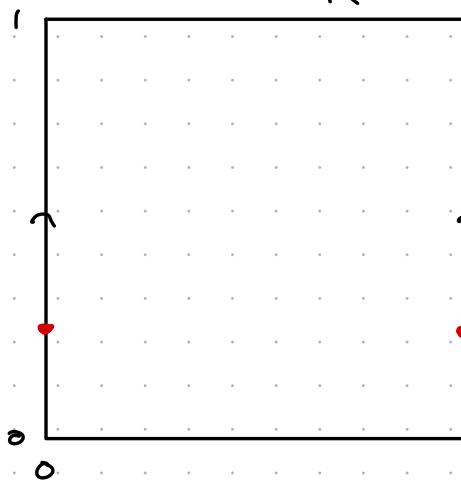
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quotient map

X/\sim

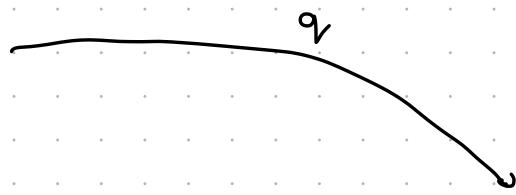


Example: $X = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x, y \leq 1\}$

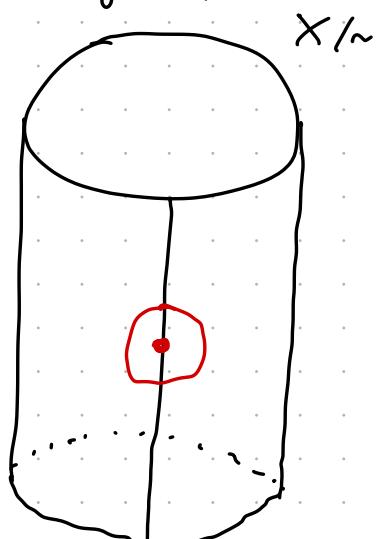


$(x, y) \sim (x', y')$ ← equivalence class, cardinality 1

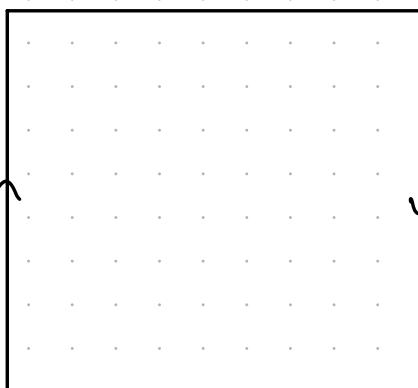
$(0, y) \sim (1, y)$ ← equivalence class, cardinality 2



cylinder



Möbius strip

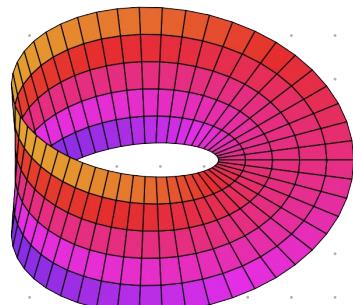


X

$(x, y) \sim (x', y')$

$(0, y) \sim (1, 1-y)$

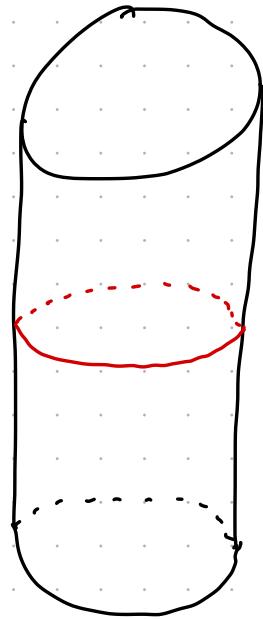
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X/\sim

$X \cong Y$ homeomorphic is one interesting relation in topology. There is another looser one (homotopy). weaker. will build up to the definition of this weaker relationship than homeomorphism.

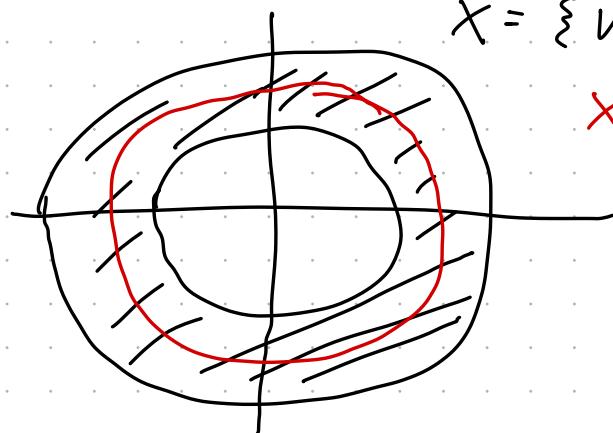
Example:



Let X be the cylinder.

Let A be the circle inside the cylinder.

Instead, let's switch models



$$X = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \frac{1}{2} \leq \|v\| \leq \frac{3}{2}\}$$

$$X = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|v\|=1\}$$

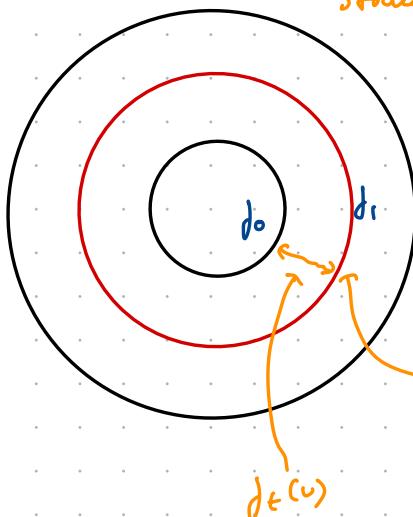
Def: we say a topological space $A \subset X$ is a retract of X if there is a map $r: X \rightarrow A$ with $r|_A = \text{Id}_A$

Example: There is a retraction $r: X \rightarrow A$, $r(v) = \frac{v}{\|v\|}$ "some shape"
you can get your hands on this

Def: $A \subset X$ is a deformation retract of X if there exists a parameter family of functions $f_t: X \rightarrow X$, $t \in [0, 1] = I$ such that

$$f_0 = \text{Id}_X, \quad f_1(x) = A, \quad f_t|_A = \text{Id}_A$$

Example: $f_t(v) = (1-t)v + t \frac{v}{\|v\|}$ straight line
from $\begin{cases} \text{The map } X \times I \rightarrow X \\ (x, t) \mapsto f_t(x) \end{cases}$ is cts



The circle is a deformation retract of the circle
 $f_1 = \text{Id}_A$

identity map on A

"circle & annulus have something in common. Deeper than homeomorphism = retractions."

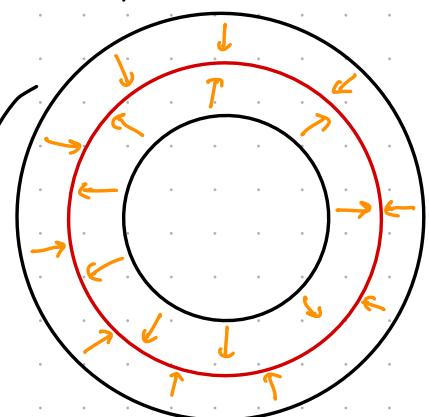
$$\text{Define } r(x) = f_1(x)$$

$$r: X \rightarrow A$$

r is cts wrt subspace topology on X

→ conclude, $r: X \rightarrow A \rightarrow q$

homeomorphism = retractions.

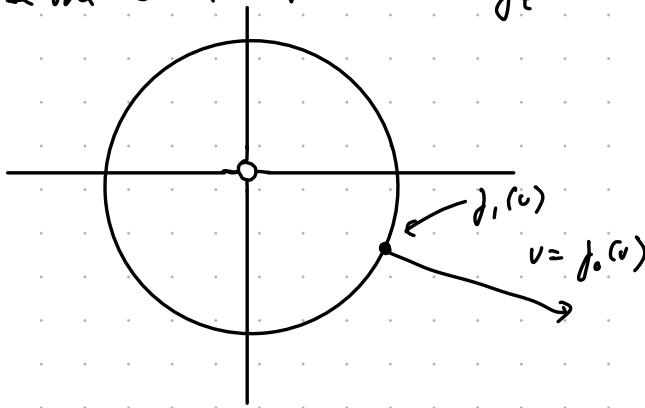


The map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{d_1} & X \\ & \searrow r & \downarrow \\ & A & \end{array}$$

Example: S^{n-1} is a deformation retract of $\mathbb{R}^n / \{\text{pt}\}$

use the Seifert formula: $f_t(v) = (1-t)v + t \frac{v}{\|v\|}$



will use these families of maps to define what a homotopy is

Example $\{\text{pt}\}$, say $\{\text{pt}\}$ is a deformation contraction of \mathbb{R}^n

Pf: give f_t . $f_t(v) = (1-t)v$

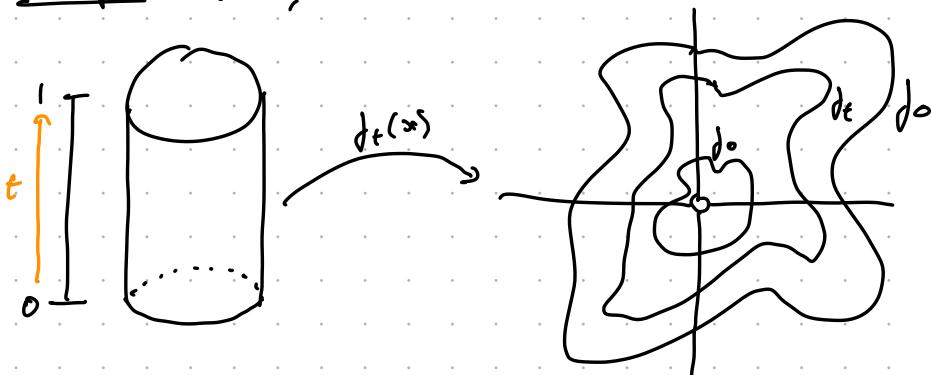
Homotopy

family of maps
 $f_t(x) = F(x, t)$

$$I = [0, 1]$$

Def: Let X & Y be topological spaces. A map $F: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ is called a homotopy.
 If $F(x, t) = f_t(x)$, then F is a homotopy from f_0 to f_1 . Two maps f_0, f_1 are homotopic if there exists a homotopy F s.t. $f_0 = f_1$ & $f_1 = f_0$.

Example: $X = S^1$, $Y = \mathbb{R}^2 / \{\text{pt}\}$



continuous deformation

we say the maps are homotopic...
 ↓
 next topic!

Higher level of abstraction...

Definition: Let X & Y be topological spaces. We say that X is homotopy equivalent to Y if there are maps $g: X \rightarrow Y$ and $h: Y \rightarrow X$ s.t.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{family of maps} \\ \text{① } h \circ g \simeq \text{Id}_X \\ \text{② } g \circ h \simeq \text{Id}_Y \end{array}$$

we write $f \simeq g$ for homotopic

maps

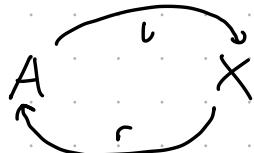
we drop superscript

The indices from above are general

NOT equals, but a homotopy (family of maps) exists.

Proposition: If A is a deformation retract of X , then A & X are homotopy equivalent.

Proof:



Consider the inclusions l & r retraction r

Show that $r \circ l = \text{Id}_A$, $l \circ r = \text{Id}_X$

$$l \circ r = f_0 = \text{Id}_X$$

Lecture 4

week 2

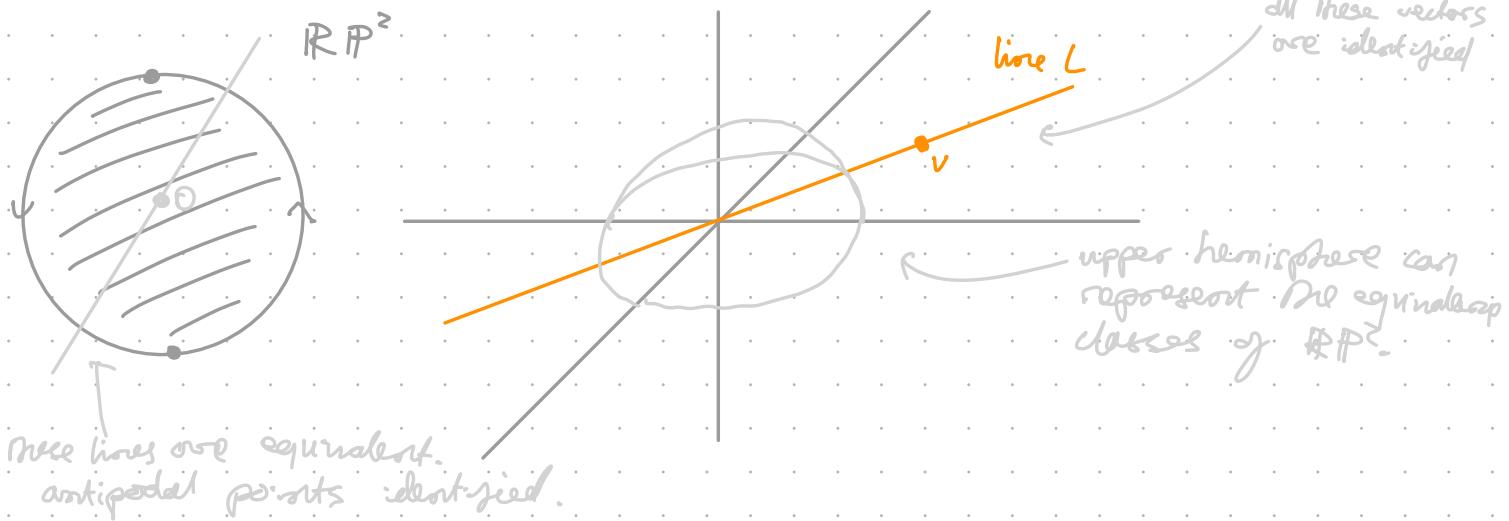
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Examples of Topological spaces

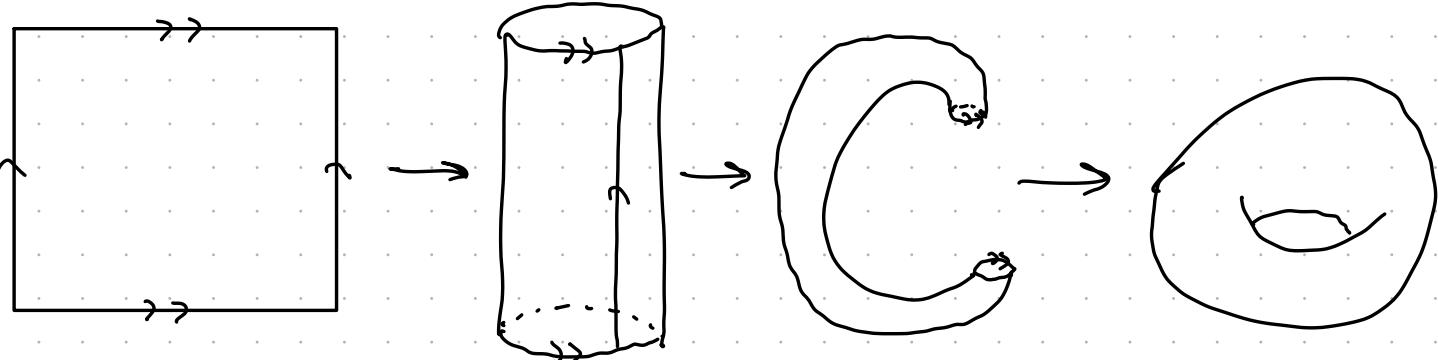
$$\textcircled{1} \quad \mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n+1} - \{\mathbf{0}\} / v \sim rv \text{ for } r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$

real projective space

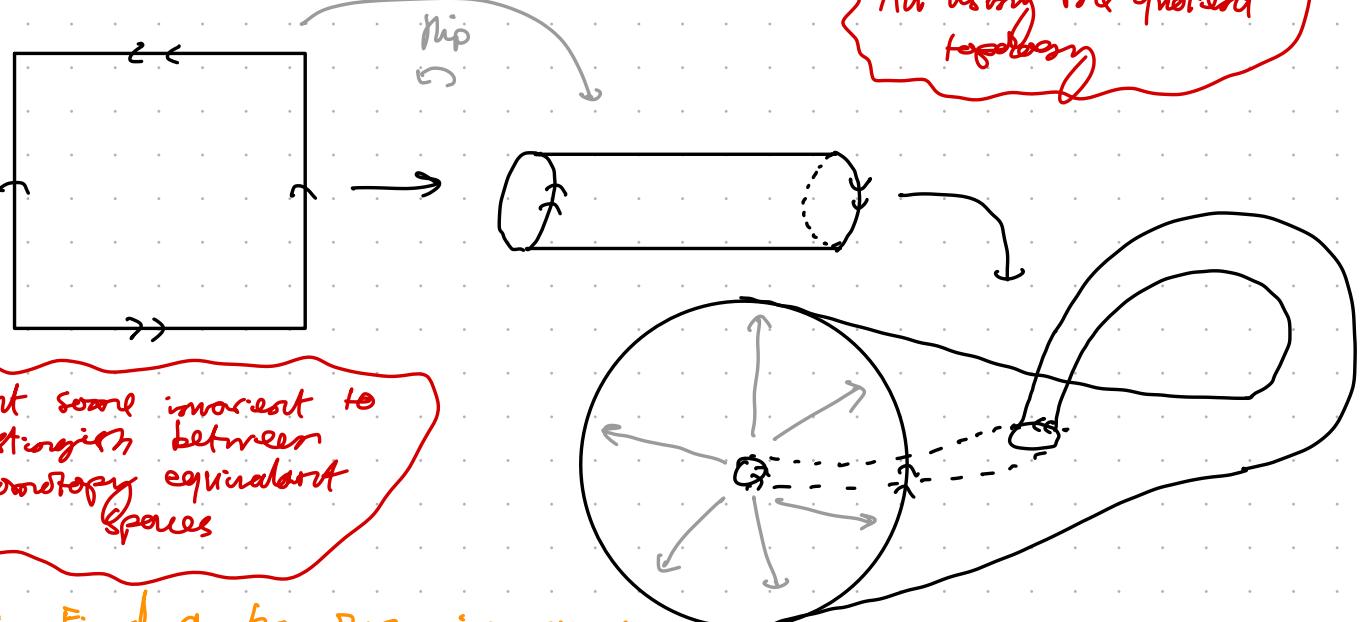
" $\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^n$ " is the space of lines in $\mathbb{R}^{n+1} =$



(2) Torus



(3) Klein Bottle



Task: Find a homotopy invariant property of a topological space X . This will be a group we can attach to a space. We will consider loops in X where a loop has form

$f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ with $f(0) = f(1)$

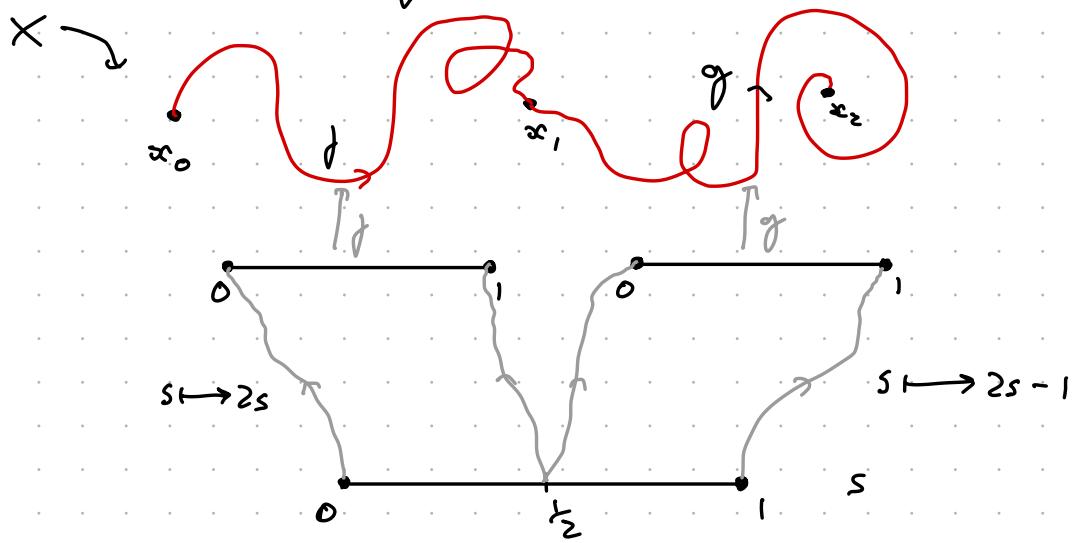
will describe algebraic structure of the group & will calculate examples. next meet...

easier to define maps from to show they don't exist

We want an operation on paths (loops will be a special case)

Concatenation

Say $f, g: I \rightarrow X$ are paths (cls from $[0, 1] \rightarrow X$) with special property that $f(1) = g(0)$. Want to define the concatenation $f \cdot g$ of f and g . In pictures:



definition of concatenation

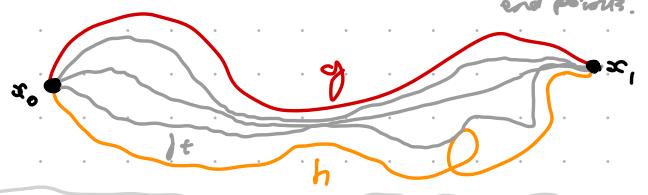
$$f \cdot g(s) = \begin{cases} f(2s) & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ g(2s-1) & \frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Note: $f \cdot g: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is continuous by the pasting lemma.

We're interested in homotopy classes of paths & loops.

homotopy for paths

for points $x_0, x_1 \in X$, consider paths $g, h: I \rightarrow X$ satisfying $g(0) = h(0) = x_0$ and $g(1) = h(1) = x_1$. We say g & h are homotopic relative to the end points if there is a homotopy $g_t: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ with $g_0 = g$, $g_1 = h$ and $g_t(0) = x_0$ and $g_t(1) = x_1$.



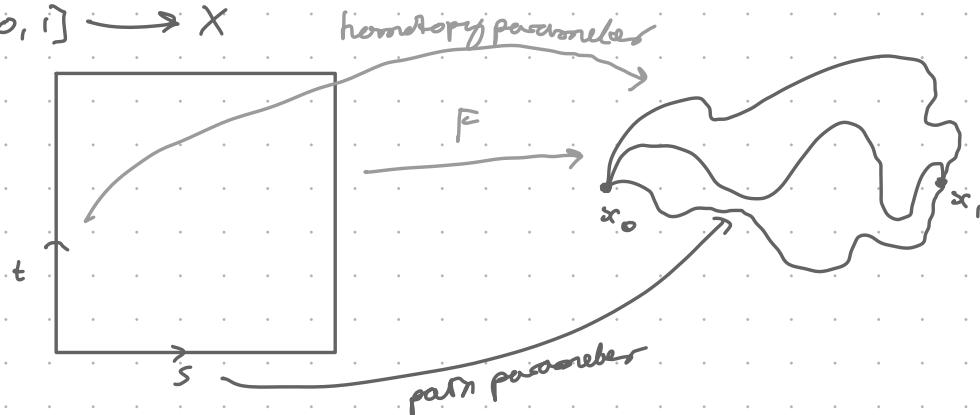
Paths are homotopic relative to fixed endpoints.

family of maps.

Lemma: Given $x_0, x_1 \in X$, the relation of homotopy rel. end points is an equivalence relation on the set of maps $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ w/
 $f(0) = x_0, f(1) = x_1$

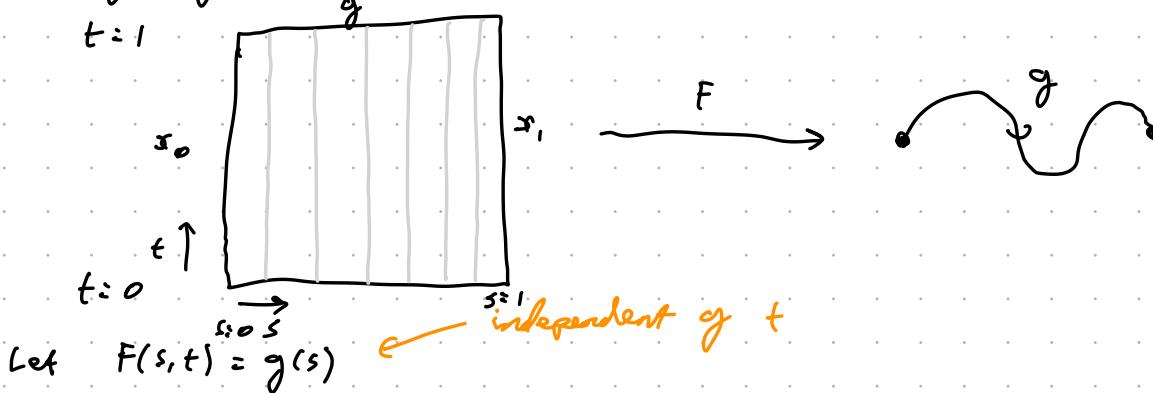
Remark: In the def, $f_t(s)$ is cts in both variables, hence

$$F: [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$$

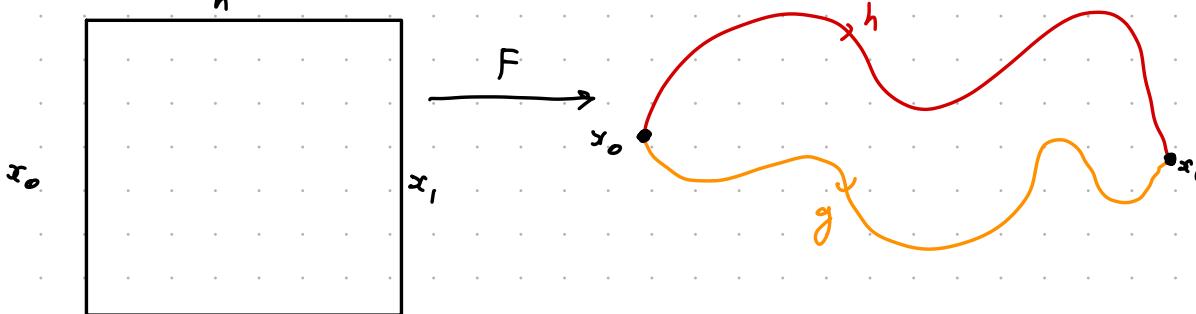


Proof: Need to show 3 things:

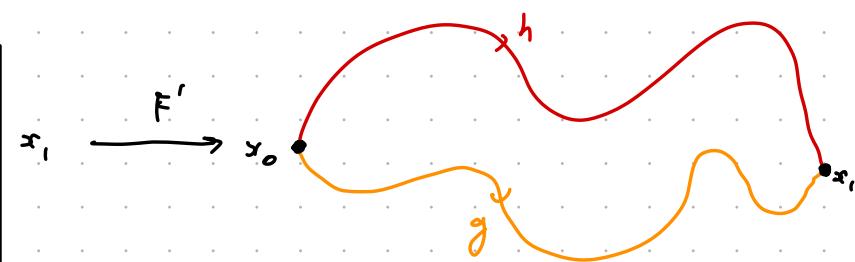
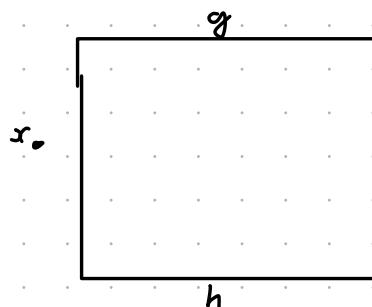
$$\textcircled{1} \quad g \simeq g \text{ rel } \partial \text{ (boundary)}$$



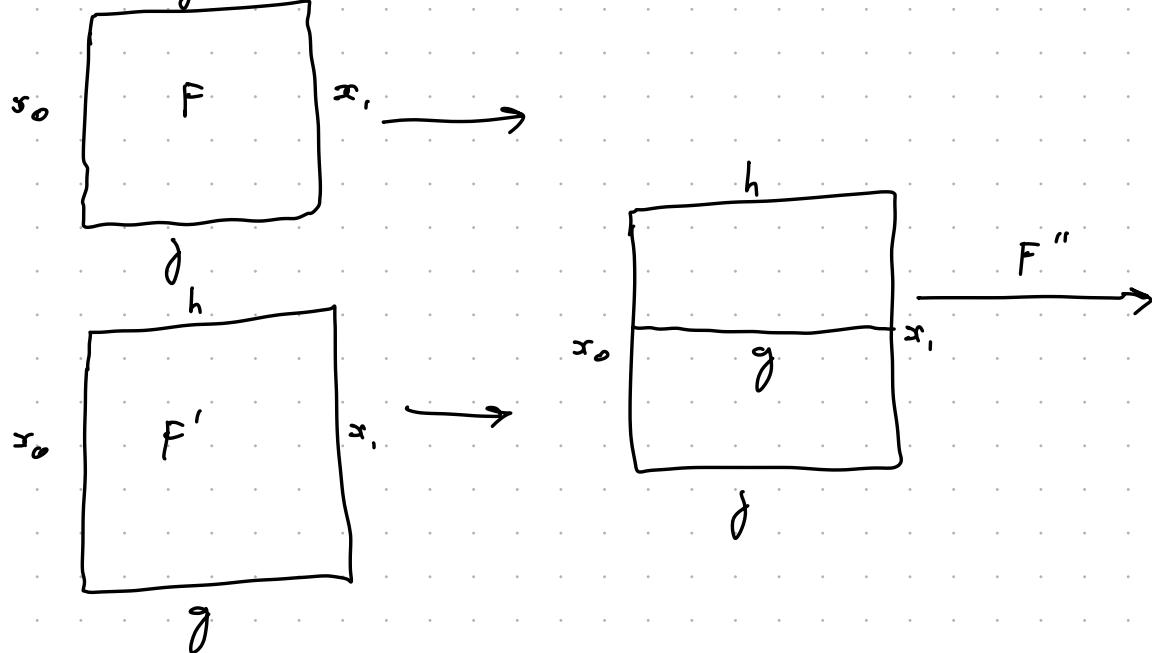
$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{If } g \simeq h \text{ Then } h \simeq g$$



$$\text{Define } F'(s, t) = f(s, 1-t)$$



③ say $j \simeq g$, $g \simeq h$ then $j \simeq h$ (rel. ∂)

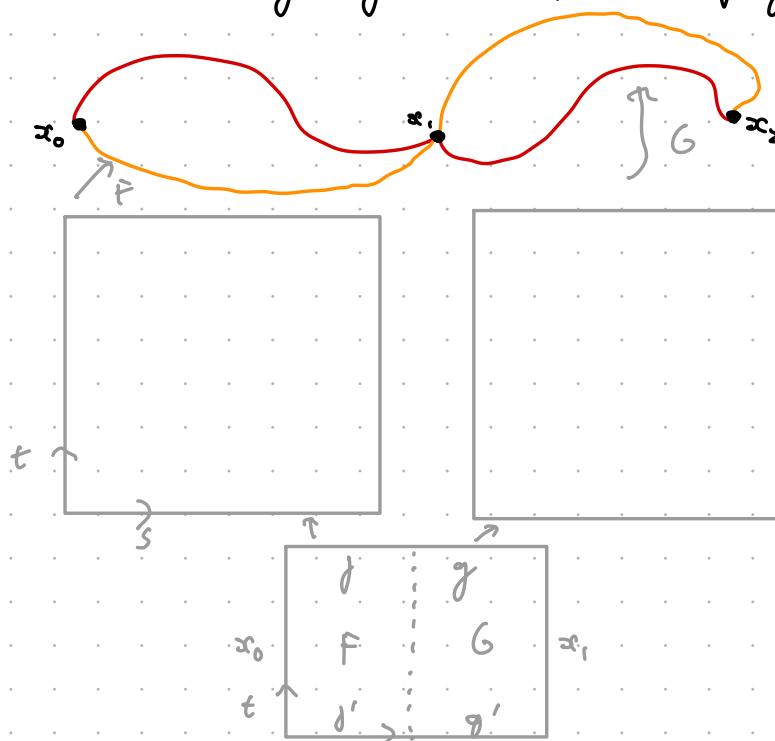


$$F''(s, t) = \begin{cases} F(s, 2t) \\ F'(s, 2t - 1) \end{cases}$$

Homotopy rel ∂ is an equivalence relation on paths. 10/10/23

Lemma: Say j, j' are paths with $j(0) = j'(0) = x_0$, $j(1) = j'(1) = x_1$, g, g' paths with $g(0) = g'(0) = x_1$, $g(1) = g'(1) = x_2$. If $j \simeq j'$ rel ∂ and $g \simeq g'$ rel. ∂ , then $j \cdot g \simeq j' \cdot g'$ rel ∂ .

Proof:



$j \simeq j'$ rel ∂ gives a map $F: [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$

$g \simeq g'$ rel ∂ gives a map $G: I \times I \rightarrow X$

Define

$$H(s, t) = \begin{cases} F(2s, t) & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ G(2s-1, t) & \frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

H is obtained by the pasting lemma.

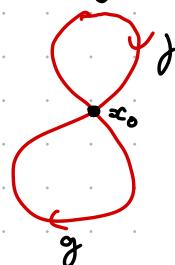
Can think of concatenation as an operation on homotopy classes

If we have paths f, g with $f(1) = g(0)$, then we can define the operation of concatenation of homotopy classes by setting

$$[f] \cdot [g] = [f \cdot g]$$

$[h]$ means a homotopy class of h

well defined as a homotopy class



Def: Let X be a topological space. $x_0 \in X$, let $\Pi(X, x_0)$ denote the set of homotopy classes of loops based at x_0 . i.e. paths f with $f(0) = f(1) = x_0$. The operation of concatenation gives a "multiplication" on $\Pi(X, x_0)$.

Def: $\Pi_1(X, x_0)$ is the fundamental group of X .

Proposition: $\Pi_1(X, x_0)$ is a group wrt concatenation

Note: all loops are arbitrary, they can cross, hit x_0 again etc...

other cool stuff
for Π_2, Π_3 etc...

Think of Π_1 as maps of circles into our space. Π_n is spheres, higher dim analogue.

Proof: we need to show the existence of an identity, inverses & associativity.

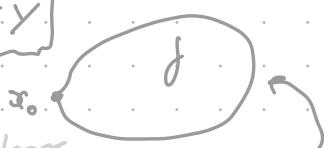
Observations:

giving us a nice algebraic structure on this set - homotopy is good!

- ① All of these require the consideration of homotopy classes.
- ② Each of these properties has a version for paths (talking about loops abn), in terms of the proof, we will prove the case of the path & apply to loops. Loops \subset paths so applies. Will use these properties for paths to analyse res. between fundamental group at different pts, $\Pi_1(X, x_0) \& \Pi_1(X, x_1)$

① Let $e_0: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be the constant path, $e_0(s) = x_0$. It does exist!

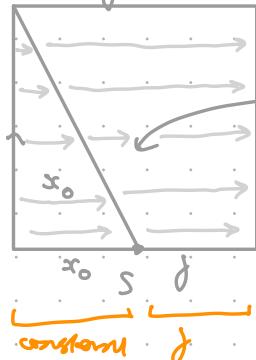
IDENTITY



Claim: $e_0 \cdot f = f$
 $f \cdot e_0 = f$

$\{e_0\}$ is a left identity for f
 $\{e_1\}$ is a right identity for f

Pf:

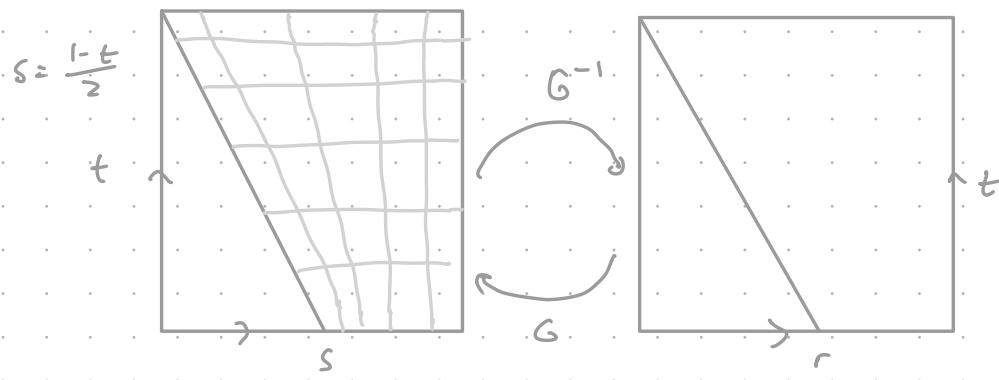


$t=0$ gives $e_0 \cdot f$
 $t=1$ gives f

This is $s = \frac{1-t}{2}$ traverses f for longer & longer
 $t=0, s=x_0$

topologists
don't like writing maps!

will write map here for novelty's sake...



required to do homotopies
 \because the boundary ∂ is fixed

$$s = (1-r) \frac{1-t}{2} + r$$

$$G(r, t) = \left((1-r) \left(\frac{1-t}{2} \right) + r \cdot 1, t \right)$$

$r=0, r=1$ to parametrise the line

To find G^{-1} , we write $G(r, t) = (s, t)$ & solve for r as $r(s)$

$$r(s) =$$

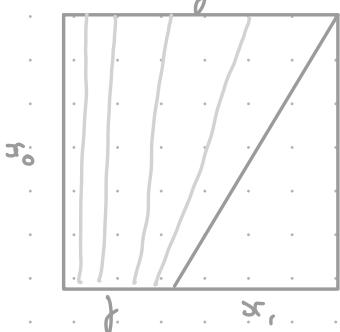
$$G^{-1}(s, t) = \left(\frac{2s + t - 1}{t+1}, t \right) \quad s = \frac{1}{2}$$

so define homotopy F by

$$F(s, t) = \begin{cases} x_0, & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1-t}{2} \\ \gamma\left(\frac{2s+t-1}{t+1}\right), & \frac{1-t}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$\uparrow G^{-1}$ then
 project onto
 r plane
 then apply

To show $\gamma \cdot e_0 = \gamma$. Do the same:



$$F(s, t) = \begin{cases} \gamma\left(\frac{2s}{t+1}\right) & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{t+1}{2} \\ x_1 & \frac{t+1}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$



This fundamental group comes from the homotopy classes.

We've shown: $e_0 \cdot \gamma \cong \gamma \cong \gamma \cdot e_1$ rel ∂

\hookrightarrow for the loop case, e_0 is a 2-sided identity

\hookrightarrow for paths, we have a left identity & a right identity, not equal.

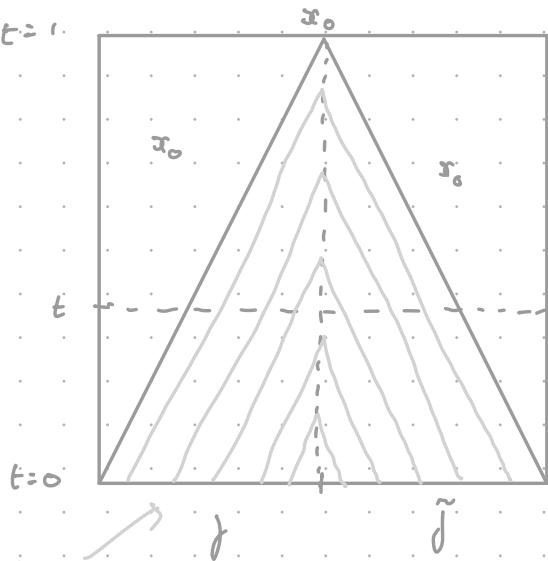
② (Inverses)

Let γ be a path from x_0 to x_1 . Let $\tilde{\gamma}(s) = \gamma(1-s)$. claim: $\tilde{\gamma} \cdot \gamma = e_0$, $\gamma \cdot \tilde{\gamma} = e_1$ [loop case, $e_0 = e_1$]

To show $[\gamma \cdot \tilde{\gamma}] = [e_0]$, we show $\gamma \cdot \tilde{\gamma} \cong e_0$ rel ∂

So, we construct a map $F: I \times I \rightarrow X$





level sets
of map

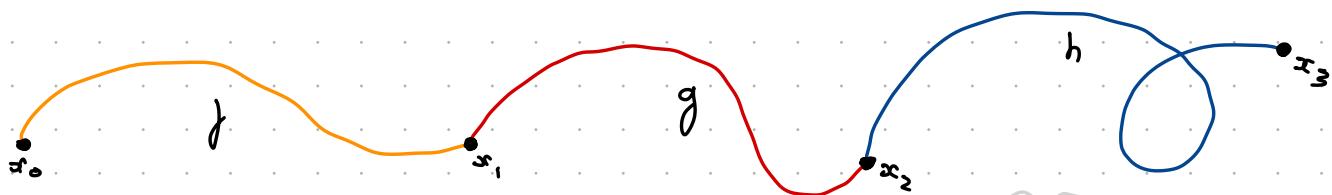
constant map

- t is our homotopy parameter
 \hookrightarrow fix t & we get a particular map
- start at x_0 , move along line, then go back to x_0 & wait longer till done.

$$F(s, t) = \begin{cases} x_0 & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{t}{2} \text{ or} \\ j(2s-t) & \frac{t}{2} \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \tilde{j}(2s+t-1) & \frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq \frac{1-t}{2} \\ x_0 & 1 - \frac{t}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

homotopy from $x_0 \rightarrow x_1$ & all the way back
vs just staying at x_0 + everything in between

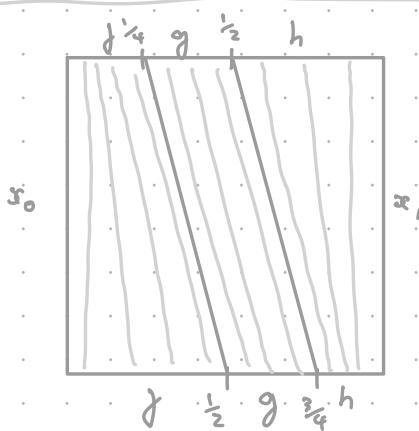
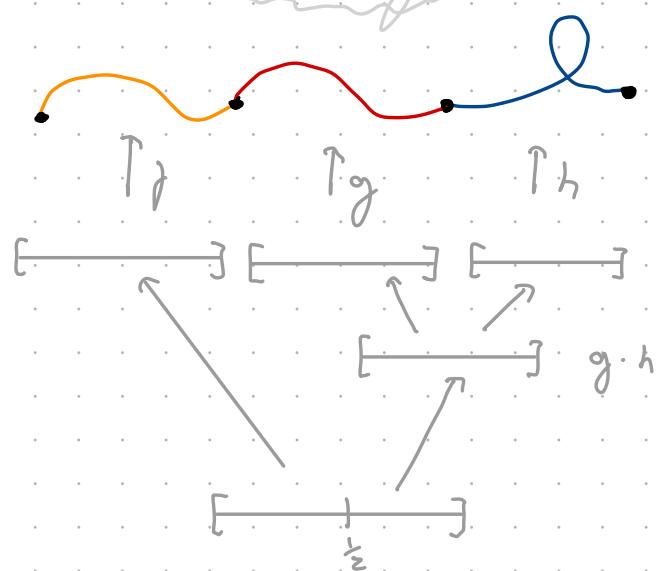
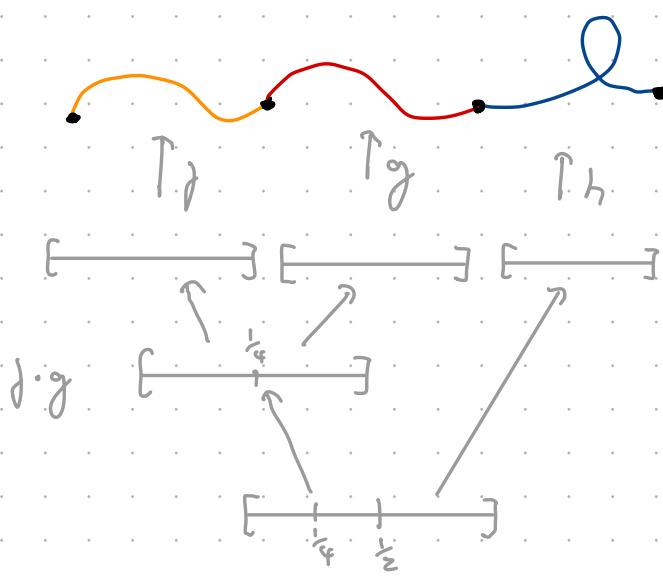
③ (Associativity) Assuming f, g, h paths



claim: $[(f \cdot g) \cdot h] = [f \cdot (g \cdot h)]$

What's the difference?

The difference is
that they are
parametrised
differently



$$F(s, t) = \begin{cases} f\left(\frac{4s}{2-t}\right) & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{2t}{4} \\ g\left(4s-2+t\right) & \frac{2t}{4} \leq s \leq \frac{3-t}{4} \\ h\left(\frac{4s-3+t}{1-t}\right) & \frac{3-t}{4} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

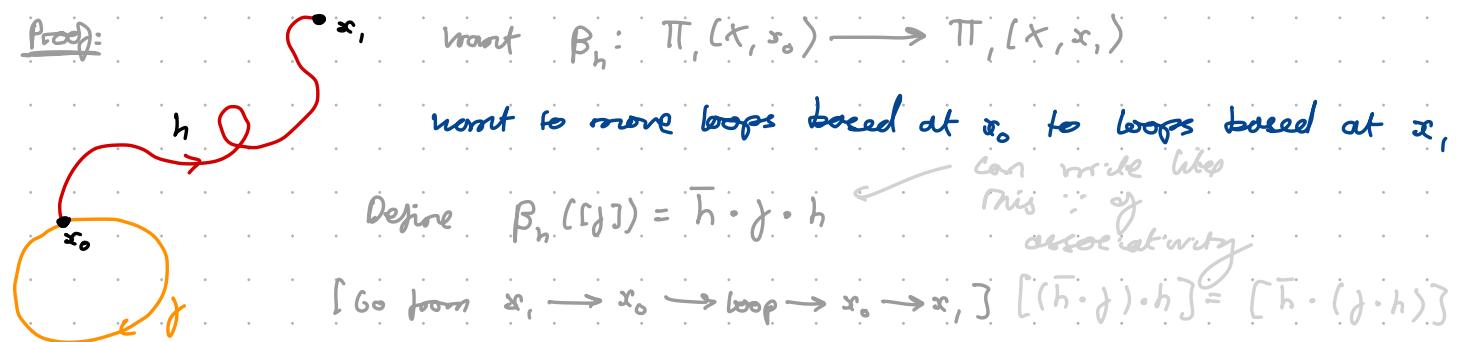
Building up more formal properties, we'll appreciate later...

Def: X is path connected if for any pair of points $x_0, x_1 \in X$, there is a path from x_0 to x_1 .

Say $x_0, x_1 \in X$ and X is path connected. Q: what is the relation between $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ and $\pi_1(X, x_1)$ fundamental group w/ different base points...

Prop: Say that $h: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is a path from x_0 to x_1 . Then h determines an isomorphism from $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ and $\pi_1(X, x_1)$. Once you've chosen h , iso class fixed.

Proof:



\bar{h} goes back... β_h is a bijection from $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ to $\pi_1(X, x_1)$

claims that $\beta_{\bar{h}}$ is an inverse for β_h

$$\begin{aligned} (\beta_{\bar{h}} \circ \beta_h)([\gamma]) &= [\bar{\bar{h}} \cdot (\bar{h} \cdot j \cdot h) \cdot \bar{h}] \\ &= [(h \cdot \bar{h}) \cdot j \cdot (h \cdot \bar{h})] \\ &= [e_0 \cdot j \cdot e_0] \\ &= [\gamma] \end{aligned}$$

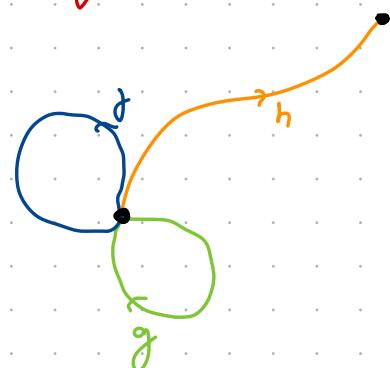
use the fact
that $\bar{\bar{h}} = h$

shown:
 $\beta_h \circ \beta_{\bar{h}} = \text{Id}$
 $\beta_{\bar{h}} \circ \beta_h = \text{Id}$

β_h bijection

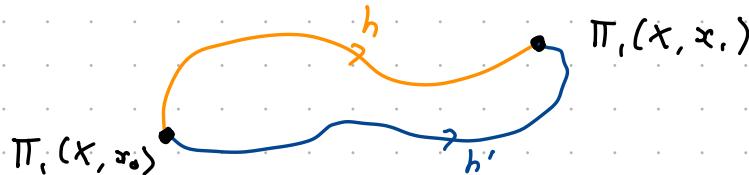
Claim: β_h is a group homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_h([\gamma] \cdot [\delta]) &= [\bar{h} \cdot (\gamma \cdot \delta) \cdot h] \\ &= [\bar{h} \cdot \gamma \cdot h \cdot \bar{h} \cdot \delta \cdot h] \\ &= [\beta_h([\gamma]) \cdot \beta_h([\delta])] \end{aligned}$$



$\Rightarrow \beta_h$ is a group isomorphism

Does the isomorphism β_h depend on h ? Answer: Yes in general it does



Happens if $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ is not abelian

If $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ is abelian, then the isomorphism is independent of the choice of path.

$\pi_1(S^1, x_0) = \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow$ can ignore base point

$\pi_1(\text{ klein bottle}, x_0)$ is not abelian \Rightarrow cannot ignore base point.

Lecture ?

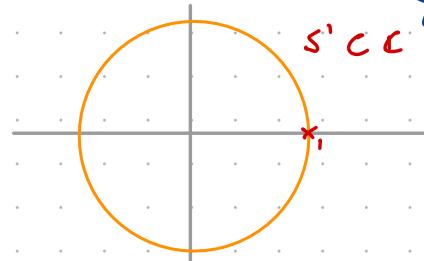
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new subject so
still learning how
to teach it!

• Show that $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ is a group

• WTS that $\pi_1(S^1, 1) = \mathbb{Z}$

\hookrightarrow will take a while to prove...



• Will define a function $\Phi : \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \pi_1(S^1, 1)$

\hookrightarrow Given $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, define $w_n : I \rightarrow S^1$ by $w_n(s) = e^{2\pi i s}$

\hookrightarrow This is a path! $w_n(0) = e^0 = 1$, $w_n(1) = e^{2\pi i n} = 1$

\hookrightarrow This is a loop based at 1
homotopy class

$\hookrightarrow \Phi(n) = [w_n] \in \pi_1(S^1, 1)$

$p^{-1}(1) = \mathbb{Z}$

• Let's write $p_\infty : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow S^1$ given by $p_\infty(s) = e^{2\pi i s}$

The helix is the set of parameters

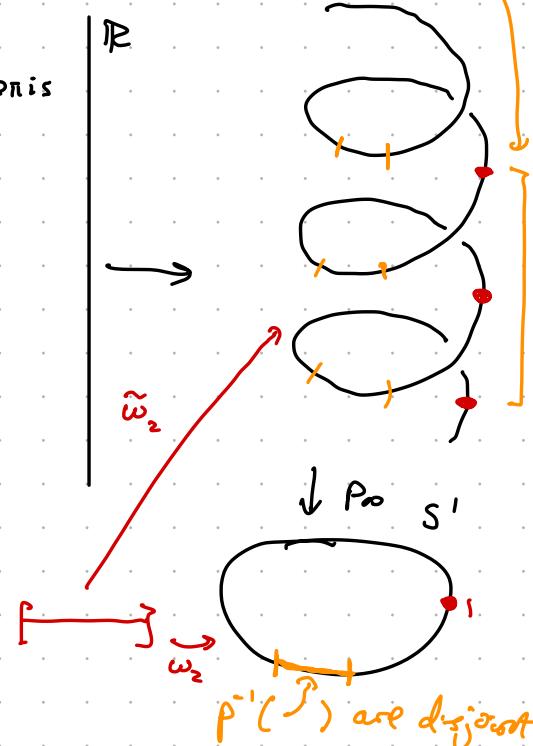
$$(\cos(2\pi s), \sin(2\pi s), s) \subset \mathbb{R}^3$$

$\rightarrow p_\infty : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow S^1$ is a covering space.

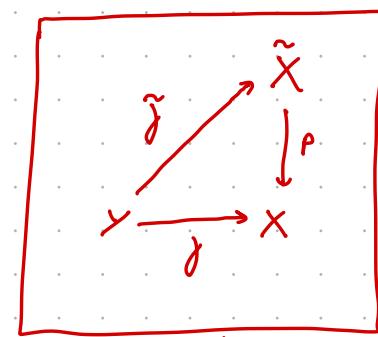
Def: Let $p : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$. A open set $U \subset X$ is evenly covered if $p^{-1}(U)$ is a disjoint union of open sets \tilde{U}_j s.t. $p|_{\tilde{U}_j}$ is a homeomorphism.
every pt

The map p is a covering map if X has a covering by evenly covered sets U .

The triple $p : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a covering space



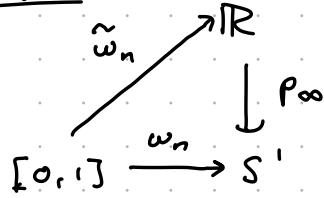
Def: Given a covering $p : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ and a map $f : Y \rightarrow X$, a lift of f is a map \tilde{f} so that $p \circ \tilde{f} = f$



Example: Define $\tilde{\omega}_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $\tilde{\omega}_n(s) = ns$. Then $p_\infty(\tilde{\omega}_n(s)) = e^{2\pi i ns} = w_n(s)$

A lift diagram

Diagram:



Interpretation of $\tilde{w}_n(s)$ for $s \in [0, 1]$ is trajectory
trace of the "total # of turns" of the path w on
 $[0, s_0]$. w is the actual point.

check later!

w are loops
 \tilde{w} are paths

] right way around...

1st Proposition

Prop: $\Phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \Pi_1(S^1, *)$ is a homomorphism

Proof: WTS $\Phi(n+m) = \Phi(n) \cdot \Phi(m)$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{concretely, } [\tilde{w}_{n+m}] = [\tilde{w}_n] \cdot [\tilde{w}_m] = [\tilde{w}_n \cdot \tilde{w}_m]$$

loop w/ homotopy
class rel. *

WTS same homotopy class $(*) \& (\#)$.
↪ need to construct an explicit
homotopy between these two paths...

Need to construct a homotopy $j_t(s)$ w/
 $j_0(s) = \tilde{w}_{n+m}(s)$, $j_1(s) = \tilde{w}_n \cdot \tilde{w}_m(s)$

Idea: do this on the line \mathbb{R} , not the circle: it has advantages! want
lifts of these paths \tilde{w}_{n+m} and $\tilde{w}_n \cdot \tilde{w}_m$ to \mathbb{R} ?

lifted our loops
to paths.

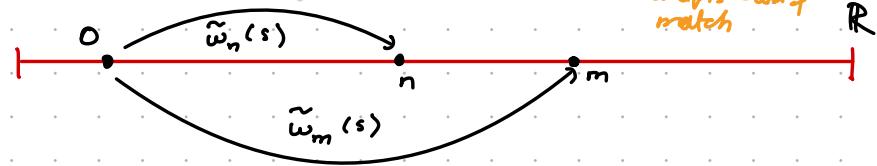
we have \tilde{w}_{n+m} which lifts w_{n+m} . we need a lift of $w_n \cdot w_m$:
what about $\tilde{w}_n \cdot \tilde{w}_m$ [concatenate the lifts of both]

But paths can't
be concatenated
∴ endpoints don't
match

Let $\tau_n: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$\tau_n(r) = n + r$$

just \mathbb{Z} translations



claim: $\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m$ is a lift of w_m .



Proof: $\rho_\infty(\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m(s)) = \rho_\infty(m \cdot s + n) = \exp(2\pi i(m \cdot s + n))$

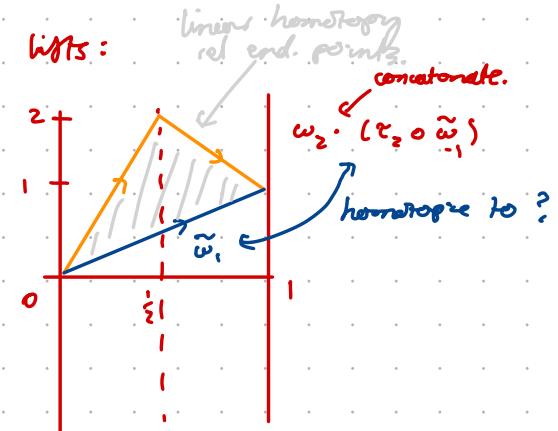
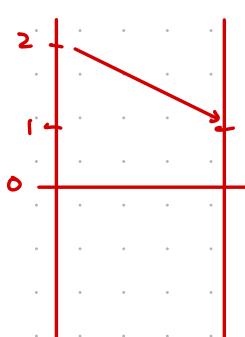
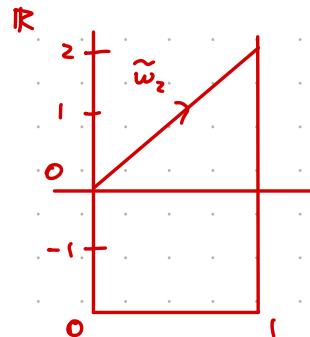
$$= \exp(2\pi i m \cdot s) \exp(2\pi i n)$$

$$= \exp(2\pi i m \cdot s) = w_m(s)$$

integer shift
so no rotation

claim: $\tilde{w}_n \cdot (\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m)$ is a lift of $w_n \cdot w_m$

Example: Take $n=2$, $m=-1$. Draw the graphs of our lifts:



$$\Phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \pi_1(S^1, 1) \quad \Phi(n) = \omega_n$$

Showing Φ is a homomorphism,
specifically $\omega_n \cdot \omega_m \cong \omega_{n+m}$ rel 0

claim: we have a list of $w_n \cdot w_m$
given by $\tilde{w}_n \cdot (\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m)$

P2:

$$① \tilde{w}_n \cdot (\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m)(0) = \tilde{w}_m(0) = 0$$

$$\text{Recall: } \tilde{w}_{m+n}(0) = 0 \quad \tilde{w}_{m+n}(1) = m+n$$

$$② \text{ lemma: say } g, h: I \rightarrow X, j: X \rightarrow Y$$

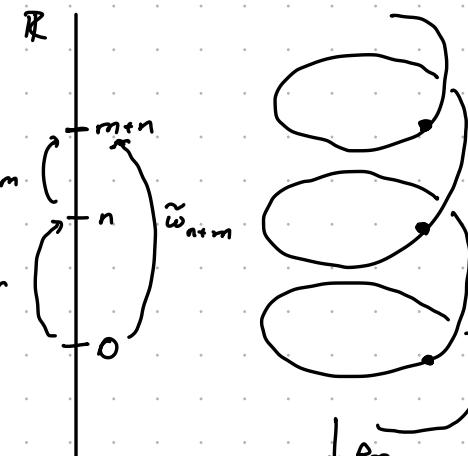
$$\text{Then } j \circ (g \circ h) = (j \circ g) \cdot (j \circ h)$$

Proof: say $0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2}$ LHS

$$\text{Then } (j \circ g) \cdot (j \circ h)(s) = j \circ g(2s)$$

say $\frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq 1$ RHS

$$(j \circ g) \cdot (j \circ h)(s) = j \circ h(2s-1)$$



$$I \xrightarrow{w_n} \xrightarrow{w_m} p_\infty$$

This is the formula for

$$(j \circ g) \cdot (j \circ h)$$

so done.

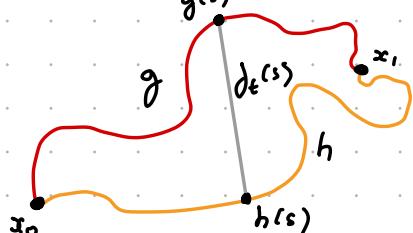
$$③ \tilde{w}_n \cdot (\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m) \text{ is a lift of } w_n \cdot w_m \quad p_\infty \text{ does nothing to } \tau_n$$

$$p_\infty(\tilde{w}_n \cdot (\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m)) = p_\infty(\tilde{w}_n) \cdot p_\infty(\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m) = w_n \cdot w_m$$

Linear Homotopies

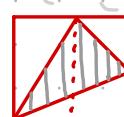
Picture in \mathbb{R}^2 . Define

$$j_t(s) = (1-t)g(s) + th(s)$$

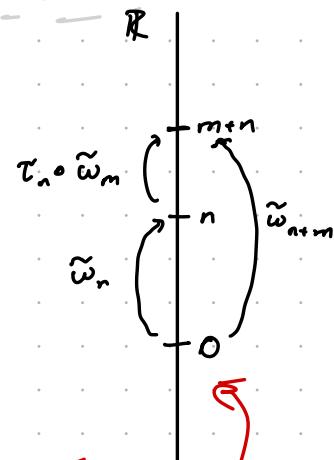


$$\text{Note: } j_0(s) = g(s), \quad j_1(s) = h(s)$$

$$j_t(0) = x_0, \quad j_t(1) = x_1$$



These are the
linear homotopies.



$$\text{Def: } \tilde{j}_t(s) = (1-t)\tilde{w}_{n+m} + t\tilde{w}_n \cdot (\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m)$$

Homotopy 'upstairs'
fixing endpoints.

$$\text{Set } j_t(s) = p_\infty(\tilde{j}_t(s)) \quad \text{Build a homotopy 'downstairs'
just by pushing this down to } S^1$$

what we
wanted to
show.

$$① j_0(s) = p_\infty \circ \tilde{j}_0(s) = p_\infty(\tilde{w}_{n+m}) = w_{n+m}$$

$$② j_1(s) = p_\infty \circ \tilde{j}_1(s) = p_\infty(\tilde{w}_n \cdot (\tau_n \circ \tilde{w}_m)) = w_n \cdot w_m$$

$$③ j_t(0) = p_\infty \circ \tilde{j}_t(0) = p_\infty(0) = 1$$

] homotopy

$$④ j_t(1) = p_\infty \circ \tilde{j}_t(1) = p_\infty(m+n) = 1$$

] homotopy rel.
endpoints

Prop: $\Phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \pi_1(S^1, 1)$ is surjective.

We've learnt: It's easier to reduce the problem to a vector space (\mathbb{R})

Proof: Let $j: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$, $j(0) = j(1) = 1$.

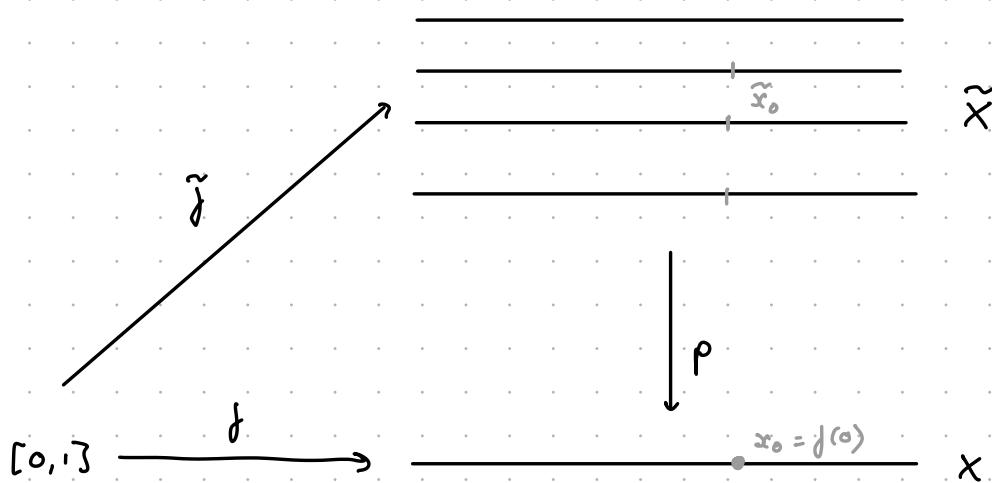
Don't want j
want a lift of j !

we just know
this is cts.
No obvious way
to construct
lift

Appeal to an
existence result
so we know a
lift exists

we need a lifting
theorem for
paths

Lifting Theorem For Paths: Let $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a covering map. Let $j: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be a path starting at $x_0 \in X$. For each $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$, there is a unique lift $\tilde{j}: [0, 1] \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ starting at \tilde{x}_0 .



Proof: later...

Let $\tilde{j}: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ w/ $\tilde{j}(0) = 0$

get this by applying the
lifting theorem

lift should
measure total
of turns

Now, $p_{\infty}(\tilde{j}(1)) = j(1) = 1$ This is an integer! [j is a loop]

If we have a loop
downstairs, then
total # of turns
is an integer.

so $\tilde{j}(1) \in p_{\infty}^{-1}(1) = \mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{j}(1) = n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

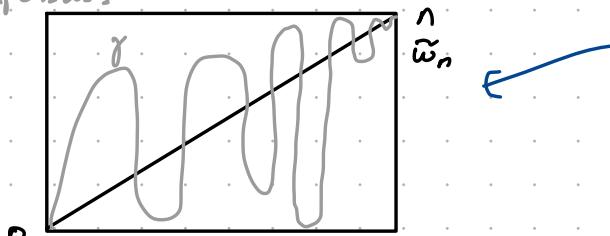
\tilde{j} homeotope

WTS $\tilde{j} \simeq \tilde{w}_n$ rel. ∂

\hookrightarrow natural to do lifting was to find an n .
easier to build a homotopy upstairs.

Let $\tilde{j}_t(s) = (1-t)\tilde{w}_n(s) + t\tilde{j}(s)$

Define $j_t(s) = p_{\infty}(\tilde{j}_t(s))$, arguing as before that j_t is a homotopy between w_n and j rel. endpoints.



This crazy line
is homotopic
to a standard
line path.
Amazing!

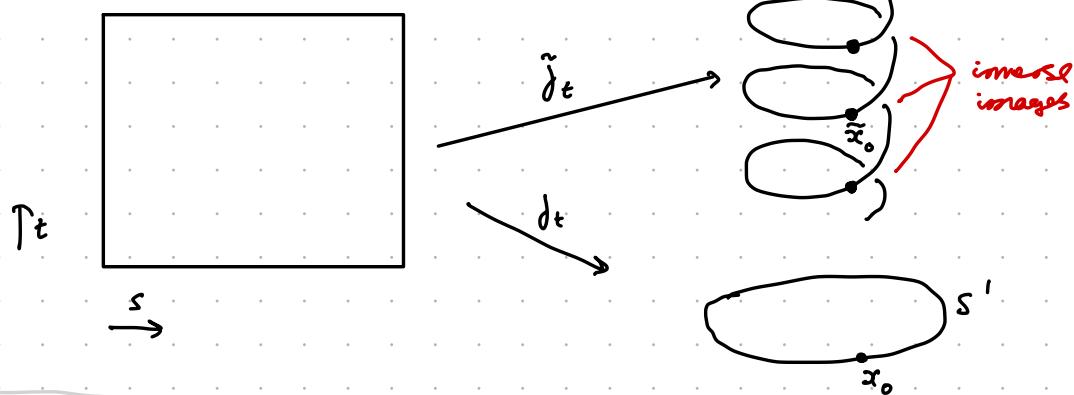
Proof: $\Phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \pi_1(S', x_0)$ is injective

Take our problem on the circle & lift it up to \mathbb{R}

Proof: WTS if $w_n \simeq w_m$ rel. ∂ , then $m=n$
(we have a homotopy in the circle, don't have a lift.)

We're showing some fundamental group is not trivial: some homotopies can't exist
Given a path, there is no homotopy

Lifting theorem for homotopies: Let $f_t: I \rightarrow X$ be a homotopy from δ_0 to δ_1 ,
where $\delta_t(0) = x_0$. Let $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$. There is a unique lifted homotopy
 $\tilde{\delta}_t: I \rightarrow \tilde{X}$, of paths starting at \tilde{x}_0 s.t. $p \circ \tilde{\delta}_t = \delta_t$.



Proof: later...

As $w_n \simeq w_m$, say δ_t is a homotopy rel ∂ between w_n and w_m .

In part. $\delta_t(0) = \delta_t(1) = 1$

Now let $\tilde{\delta}_t: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a lift of δ_t s.t. $\tilde{\delta}_t(0) = 0$

$\tilde{\delta}_0$ is a lift of w_n w/ $\tilde{\delta}_0(0) = 0$
two paths both share same endpoints
 $\tilde{\delta}_n$ is also a lift of w_m w/ $\tilde{\delta}_n(0) = 0$

]} lifts of same string w/
same starting pt.

By uniqueness of path lifting, $\tilde{\delta}_0(s) = \tilde{w}_n(s)$, equally, $\tilde{\delta}_1(s) = \tilde{w}_m(s)$

we consider $\tilde{\delta}_t(1)$: we have $\tilde{\delta}_0(1) = \tilde{w}_n(1) = 1$

Also, $\tilde{\delta}_1(1) = \tilde{w}_m(1) = 1$

Two loops homotope
if
Same # of turns

But $\text{Poi}(\tilde{\delta}_t(1)) = \delta_t(1) = 1 \Rightarrow \tilde{\delta}_t(1) \in p^{-1}(1) = \mathbb{Z}$

lift of a homotopy rel endpoints

So, as a function of t , $\tilde{\delta}_t(s)$ is continuous and \mathbb{Z} valued $\Rightarrow \tilde{\delta}_t(1)$ constant.

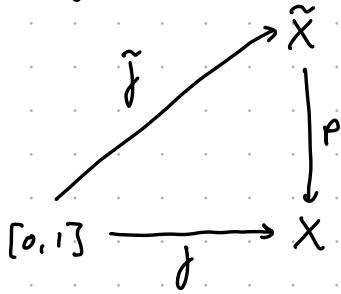
In particular $\tilde{\delta}_0(1) = \tilde{w}_n(1) = n$] MVT & connectivity of \mathbb{Z}
 $\tilde{\delta}_1(1) = \tilde{w}_m(1) = m$] $\Rightarrow n=m \Rightarrow \Phi$ is injective.

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(S')$ is a free abelian group generated by w_i .

multiple of a single loop

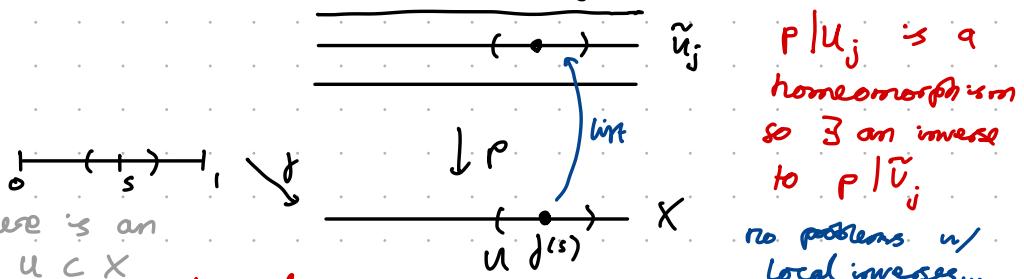
Lifting Theorem for paths: Let $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a covering map. Let $j: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be a path starting at $x_0 \in X$. Let $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$. Then \exists unique lift $\tilde{j}: I \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ starting at \tilde{x}_0 .





Proof: For each $s \in [0, 1]$, there is an evenly covered open set $U \subset X$ containing $f(s)$.

he made
notation mistakes
here... careful...

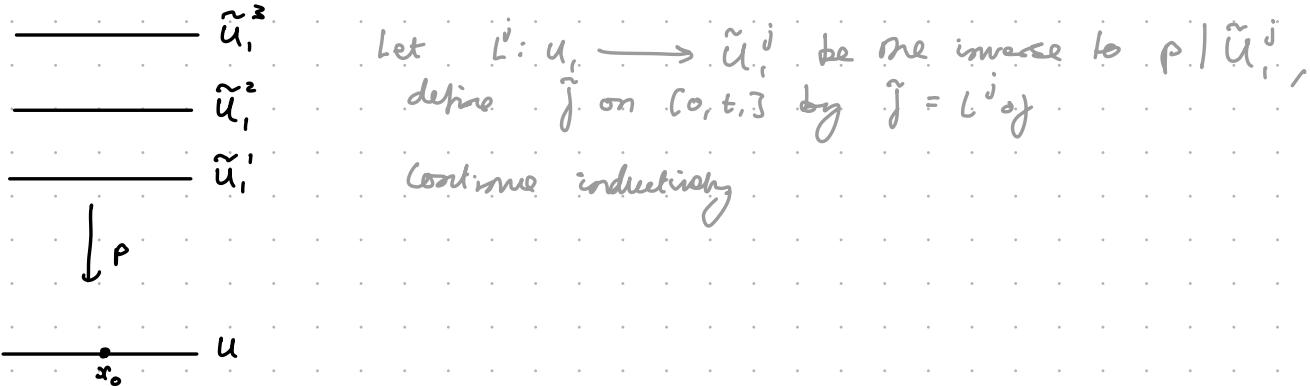


By compactness of $[0, 1]$, \exists finite collection v_0, \dots, v_n which cover $[0, 1]$, so we have

$0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n < 1$ so that $[t_k, t_{k+1}] \subset V_k$

And $\mathcal{J}([t_k, t_{k+1}]) \subset U_k$

Construct \tilde{f} on $[0, t_1]$. $f(0) = x_0$, $p[\tilde{x}_0] = x_0$

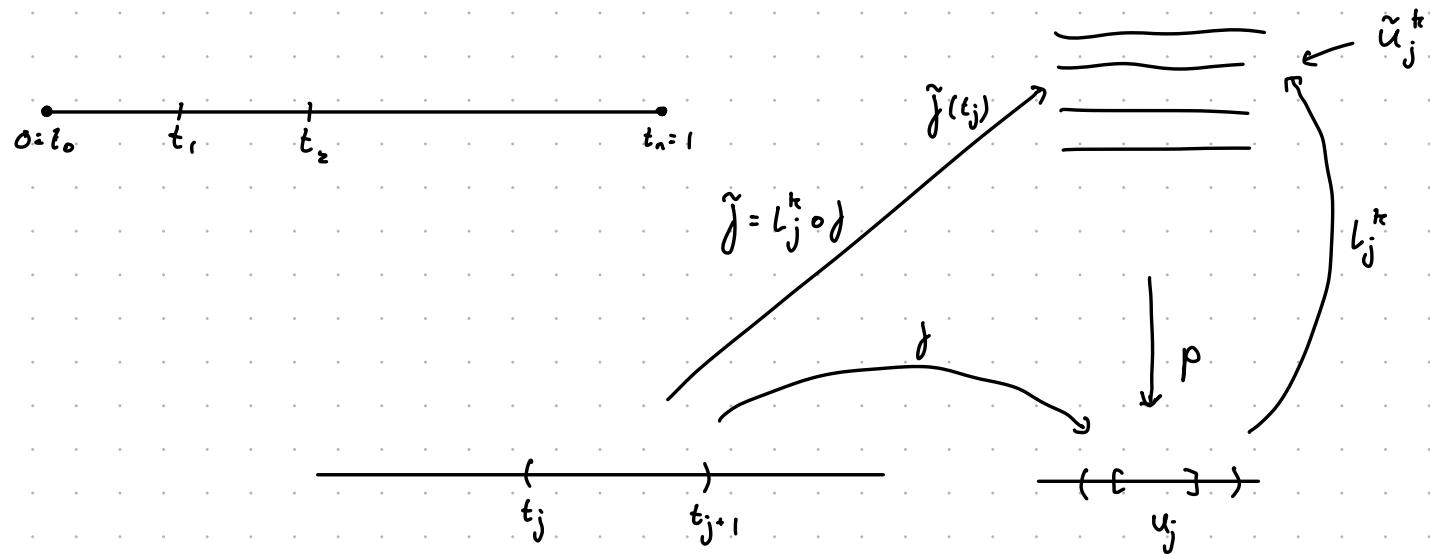


Leerface?

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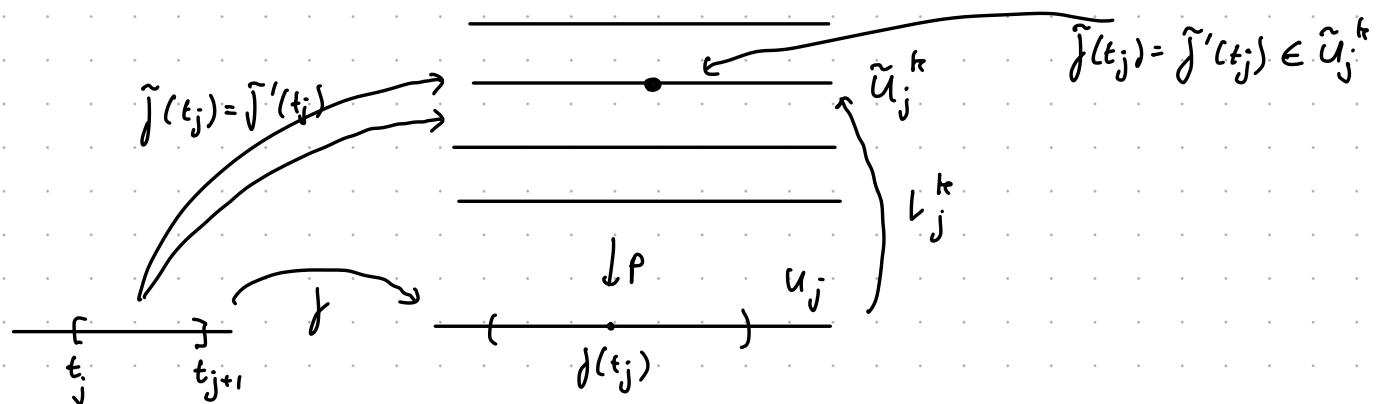
Proof of non-existence

$$f([t_j, t_{j+1}]) \subset U_j \subset X$$



Assume we have two lifts \tilde{f}, \tilde{f}' with $\tilde{f}(0) = \tilde{f}'(0) = x_0$.
 say $\tilde{f} = \tilde{f}'$ for $s \in [0, t_j]$ for $t_j < 1$ and $\tilde{f} \neq \tilde{f}'$ for $[t_j, t_{j+1}]$

assuming agree
at left endpoint &
disagree elsewhere



- $[t_j, t_{j+1}]$ is connected
 $\Rightarrow f([t_j, t_{j+1}])$ is connected as f is
- $\tilde{f}'([t_j, t_{j+1}]), \tilde{f}([t_j, t_{j+1}])$ both connected
 \Rightarrow conclude, both sets lie in the same inverse image of U_j ,
 \tilde{U}_j^k .
 f & f' agree at $f(t_j)$ so must both lie in same set

claim: \tilde{f} and \tilde{f}' restricted to $[t_j, t_{j+1}]$ are both given by $l_j^k \circ f$.

local lift function

Formally, recall that l_j^k is a homeomorphism inverse to p so

$$l_j^k \circ p|_{\tilde{U}_j^k} = \text{Id}_{\tilde{U}_j^k}, \quad p \circ l_j^k|_{U_j} = \text{Id}_{U_j}$$

since, $\tilde{f}([t_j, t_{j+1}]) \subset \tilde{U}_j^k$

these images contained
in this set

explore identity

tells us that

$l_j^k \circ f$ is a lift:
 $p \circ l_j^k \circ f = f$

$$\tilde{f}|[t_j, t_{j+1}] = \text{Id}_{\tilde{U}_j^k} \circ \tilde{f}|[t_j, t_{j+1}] = l_j^k \circ p \circ \tilde{f} = l_j^k \circ f$$

our lift \tilde{f}
is given by

\tilde{f}'

"

\tilde{f}'

"

$\tilde{f}' = l_j^k \circ f$

no f dependence?

Direct
comp
equal

\Rightarrow have uniqueness!

General Lifting theorem

← parameterised version
of the lifting thm for
paths → \tilde{Y} is a general
path space

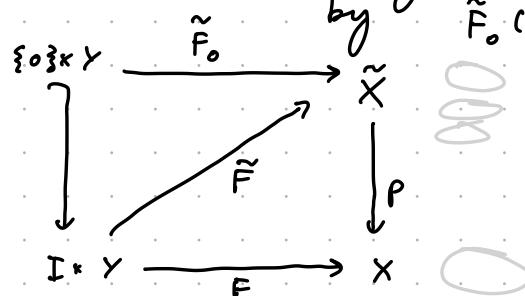
Let $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a covering map.

Given $F: [0, 1] \times Y \rightarrow X$ and a map $\tilde{F}_0: Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ lifting

$\downarrow s$ $\downarrow t$
path parameter $\tilde{Y} \leftarrow$ homotopy
parameters
was t before but
a more general
space now.
 $y = t \in [0, 1]$

$F|_{\{0\} \times Y}$

($p \circ \tilde{F}_0(y) = F(0, y)$), then there
is a unique map $\tilde{F}: [0, 1] \times Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$
lifting F ($p \circ \tilde{F} = F$) which is given
by $\tilde{F}(y)$ on $\{0\} \times Y$



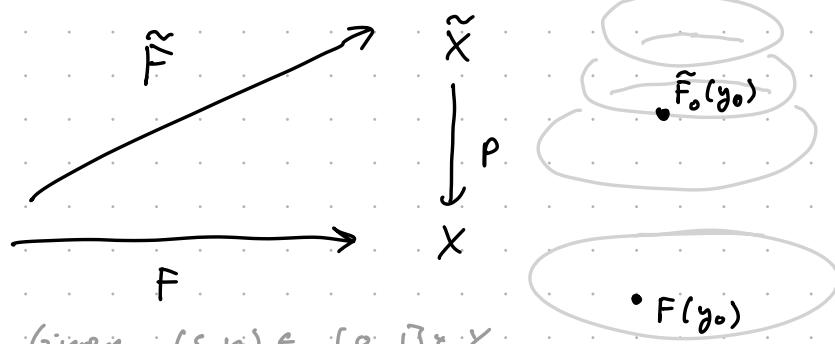
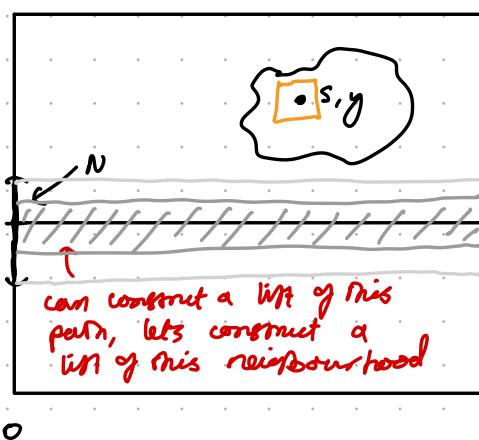
proving in a
more general
context

Proof: Using our path lifting theorem, we can lift each path $F: [0, 1] \times Y \rightarrow X$ to a path $\tilde{F}: [0, 1] \times Y \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ w/ $\tilde{F}(0, y) = \tilde{F}_0(y)$.

Thus, there is a function \tilde{F} which satisfies the thm. Doesn't tell us that this function is continuous. (unique path lifting)

WTS function cts (we have uniqueness on every path so showing cty \Rightarrow uniqueness too)

Pick a $y_0 \in Y$. we will construct a cts lift of a family of paths $N \times [0, 1]$ with $N \subset Y$

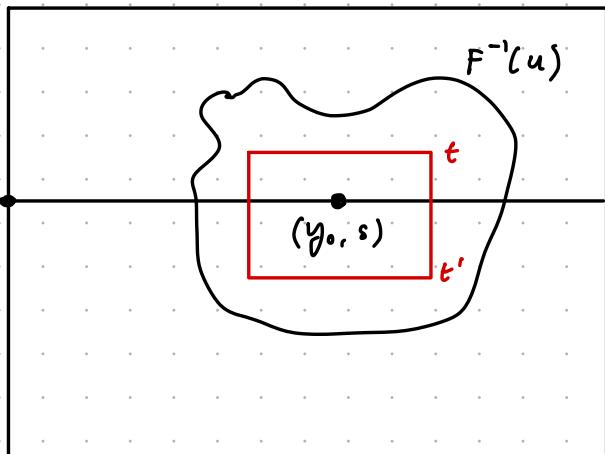


Given $(s, y) \in [0, 1] \times Y$

$F((s, t))$ is contained in any evenly covered set $U \subset X$

$\Rightarrow \exists (t, t') \times N$ mapping to U .

We have a function \tilde{F} that lifts F and satisfies the initial condition y_0 . WTS this function is continuous. Need to find a lift on some neighbourhood of y_0 to prove cty.



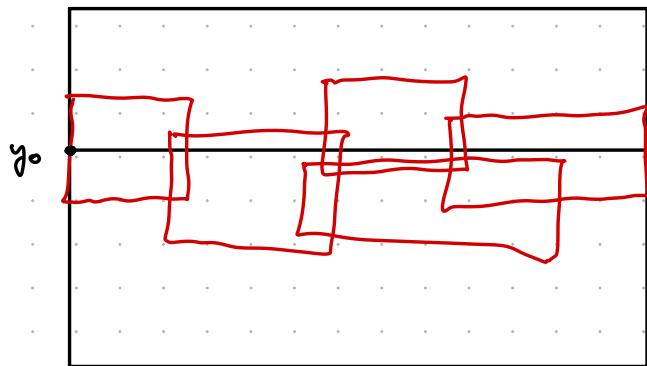
Pietr yo E Y. Want to find some neighbourhood N of yo and a lift of $F | [0,1]^N$

For any (y_0, s) , $s \in [0, 1]$,

$$F((y_0, s)) \subset U,$$

it evenly covered and open.

We can find a neighborhood $(t, t') \times N$ containing (y_0, s)



Using compactness of $\mathbb{I} = [0, 1]$,
 there is a finite set of product
 neighbourhoods covering $[0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

We can find a $0 < t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$
 so that $[t_j, t_{j+1}] \times N_j$ covers the
 interval and

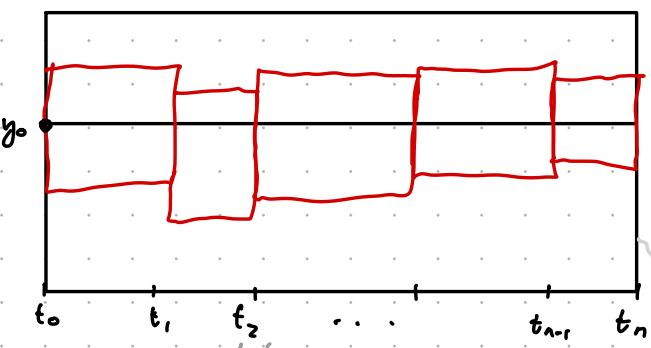
$$F(\{e_j, e_{j+1}\} \times N_j) \subset U_j$$

w/ U_j evenly covered.

Define a list by setting

$$\tilde{F}(s, y) = b_0 \circ F(s, y)$$

lots of different lifts so doing F setting instead conditioning



i, does

$$\tilde{F}_o(0, y) = \tilde{F}_o(y) \quad ? ? ?$$

(ok for $y = y_0$)

Need not be true in general,
but this is some smaller
neighbourhood. No. C. No.
so that

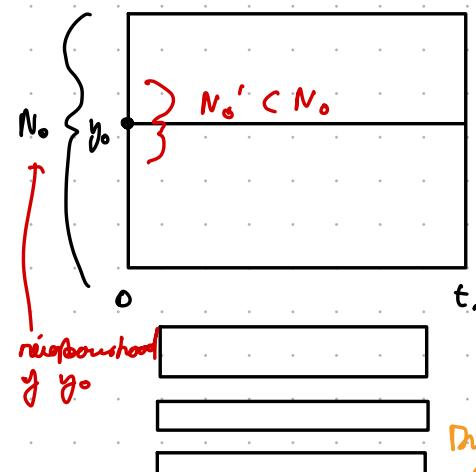
$$\tilde{F}_o(N_o') \subset \tilde{U}_o^{k_o}$$

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Using the connectivity of the interval & querying as in part listing argument, we get

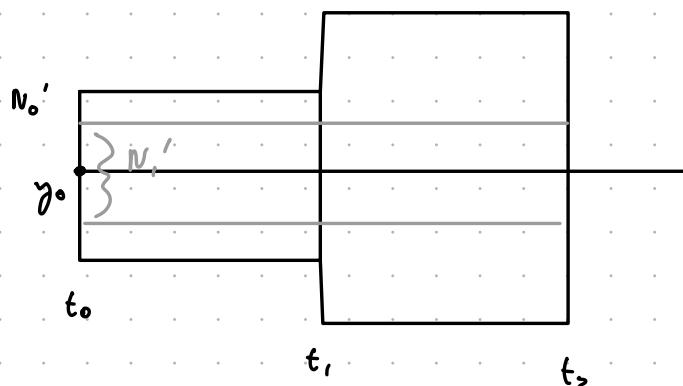
$$\tilde{F}([0,t_1] \times N_0') \subset \tilde{U}_0^{t_0}$$

whole image lies in our set.



Thus $\tilde{F}([0, b] \times N_0')$ is the lift that satisfies the initial conditions. It is continuous since it is equal to $b_0 F$.

Now consider $[t_1, t_2] \times (N_0' \cap N_1)$. we want a lift \tilde{F} defined on $[t_1, t_2] \times (N_0' \cap N_1)$ so that it agrees w/ the previous lift on $\{t\} \times (N_0' \cap N_1)$



As before, there's some neighborhood $N_1' \subset N_0' \subset N_0$ satisfying $\tilde{F}(t, y)$ lifts to $\tilde{u}_t^{k_1}$ for $y \in N_1'$.

Define \tilde{F} to be $b_1 \circ F$ on this set.

\Rightarrow we have \tilde{F} defined on $[0, t_2] \times N_1'$ and $[t_1, t_2] \times N_1'$

They agree on the overlap. By the pasting lemma, we have a [cont. ?] function on $[0, t_2] \times N_1'$.

Repeat this for the remaining intervals gives a cts lift on $[0, 1] \times N_0'$.

[only doing this a finite # times, so all allowed.]

Lecture 12

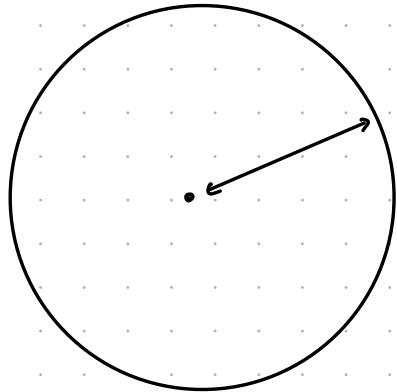
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Applications

The fundamental theorem of algebra: Every non-constant polynomial w/ coefficients in \mathbb{C} has a root in \mathbb{C} .

Proof: Say $p(z) = z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$ is a polynomial of degree $n \geq 0$.

Suppose p has no roots. WT consider values of p on circle of radius r . write $s \mapsto re^{2\pi is}$ to parametrize the circle.



We get a map to the circle by looking at $\frac{p(z)}{|p(z)|}$ [well defined &cts :: assume no roots]

$$\text{we write } f_r(s) = \frac{p(re^{2\pi is})}{|p(re^{2\pi is})|}$$

For each r , we have a map to S^1 .

$$f_r(0) = f_r(1) \text{ so a loop!}$$

We can further normalize: Let $\bar{f}_r(s) = \frac{p(re^{2\pi i s})}{|p(re^{2\pi i s})|} \cdot \left(\frac{p(r)}{|p(r)|}\right)^{-1}$

With this, we have $\bar{f}_r(0) = \bar{f}_r(1) = 1$

If $r=0$, then $\bar{f}_r(s) = 1 = w_0(s)$

What happens when $r \rightarrow \infty$? behaviour of z^n dominates.
WTS $r \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$ map around circle n times.

Fix a value of r_0 sufficiently large

$$r_0 > \{|\alpha_1| + |\alpha_2| + \dots + |\alpha_n| \text{ and } 1\}$$

Intuition: path goes around circle n times \Rightarrow fixed α homotopy!

Consider $p_t(s) = z^n + t(\alpha_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_n)$

For fixed z ,
homotopy !

$$[p_0(s) = z^n : e^{2\pi i s} p_1(s) = p(z)]$$

Circles!
Polynomials \rightarrow paths now

Consider $g_t(s) = p_t(r_0 e^{2\pi i s})$ & normalize to unit circle

$$\bar{g}_t(s) = \frac{p_t(r_0 e^{2\pi i s})}{|p_t(r_0 e^{2\pi i s})|} \frac{|p_t(r_0)|}{p_t(r_0)}$$

start at 1

$$\bar{g}_t(s) : [0, 1] \rightarrow \delta' \subset \mathbb{C}$$

$$\bar{g}_t(0) = \bar{g}_t(1) = 1$$

Claim: $\bar{g}_t(s)$ is a cts function for $0 < t < 1$. For $|z|=r_0$.

(Need to show that $p_t(z)$ has no zeros for $|z|=r_0$)

$$|z^n| > |z^{n-1}|(|\alpha_1| + \dots + |\alpha_n|) \geq |\alpha_1 z^{n-1}| + |\alpha_2 z^{n-2}| + \dots + |\alpha_n|$$

$|z|=r_0$

This case shows the linear homotopy doesn't go through 0.

Thus $p_t(z)$ has no roots for $|z|=r_0$

Now: Two homotopies, \bar{f} and \bar{g} .

As t goes from 0 to r_0

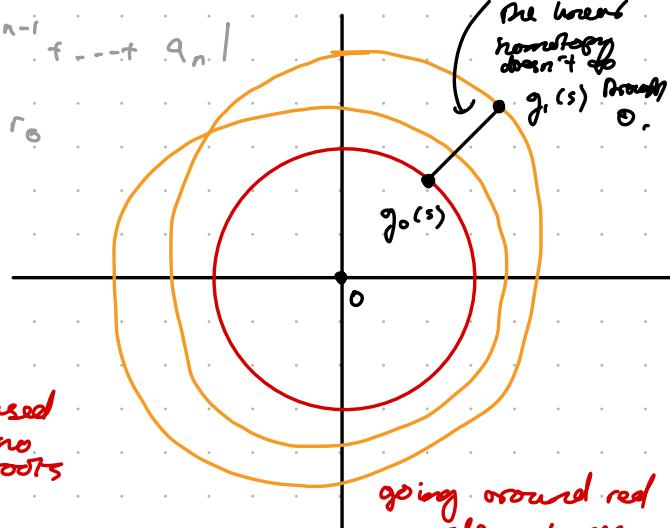
① \bar{f}_t gives a homotopy between the constant path $f_0(s) = 1 = w_0(s)$ and \bar{f}_{r_0}

]
used
no roots

② As t goes from 1 to 0, $\bar{g}(s)$ gives a homotopy between

$$\bar{f}_{r_0}(s) \text{ and } \bar{g}_1(s) = e^{2\pi i s} = w_n(s)$$

]
used
to loop enough



going around red circle n times

Putting these two homotopies together, we get a homotopy rel endpoints from w_0 to w_n .

conclude $n=0$ as $\pi(s_{\gamma}, \cdot) = \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow p(z)$ is a constant polynomial. \times

Monday 30th October 2023

wrote (X, x_0) , X top-space. $x_0 \in X$

If $h: X \rightarrow Y$ w/ $h(x_0) = y_0$, write $h: (X, x_0) \rightarrow (Y, y_0)$

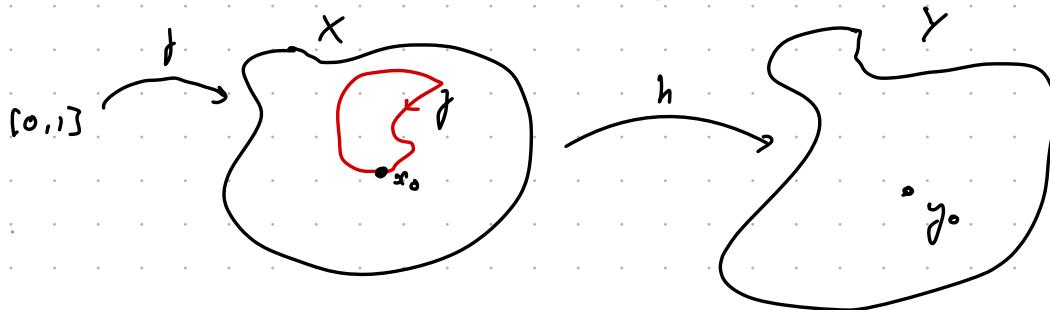
If $h: (X, x_0) \rightarrow (Y, y_0)$, then there is an induced function

$$h_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, y_0)$$

Proof:

missed this.

See LN...



Example let $p_z: S^1 \xrightarrow{\text{at } z} S^1$ be given by $p_z(z) = z^2$

claim that $(p_z)_*: \pi_1(S^1, 1) \rightarrow \pi_1(S^1, 1)$ is given by $w_n \mapsto w_{2n}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} SS & & SS \\ \mathbb{Z} & & \mathbb{Z} \\ n & \longmapsto & 2n \end{array}$$

check: $(p_z)_*([w_n]) = [p_z \circ w_n(s)] = [\exp \ ?]$

Lemma: The induced homeomorphisms satisfies

$$(1) (\text{Id}_{(X, x_0)})_* = \text{Id}_{\pi_1(X, x_0)}$$

$$(2) \text{ If } f: (X, x_0) \rightarrow (Y, y_0) \text{ and } g: (Y, y_0) \rightarrow (Z, z_0), \\ \text{then } (g \circ f)_* = g_* \circ f_*$$

Proof: 1 is clear.

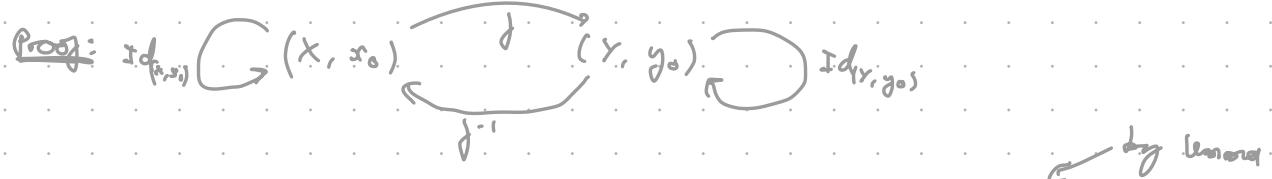
$$(2) (g \circ f)_*([\gamma]) = [g \circ f \circ \gamma] = g_*([f \circ \gamma]) = (g_* \circ f_*)([\gamma])$$

homotopy class
of simple loops
gamma

Turns into a
group of
homeomorphisms.

Thm: If $f: (X, x_0) \rightarrow (Y, y_0)$ is a homomorphism, then the induced map $f_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, y_0)$ is a group isomorphism.

spaces
↓
groups?



$$\text{Id}_{\pi_1(X, x_0)} = (\text{Id}_{(X, x_0)})_* = (f^{-1} \circ f)_* = (f^{-1})_* \circ (f)_*$$

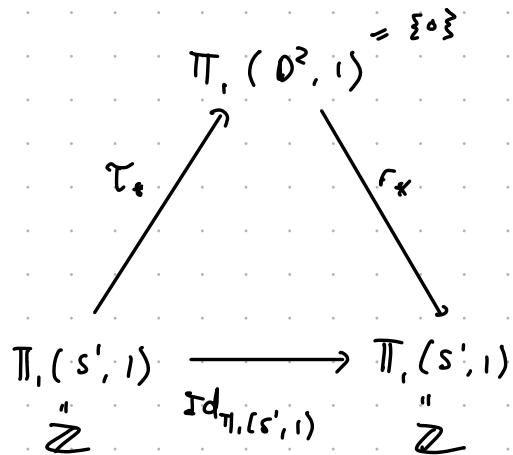
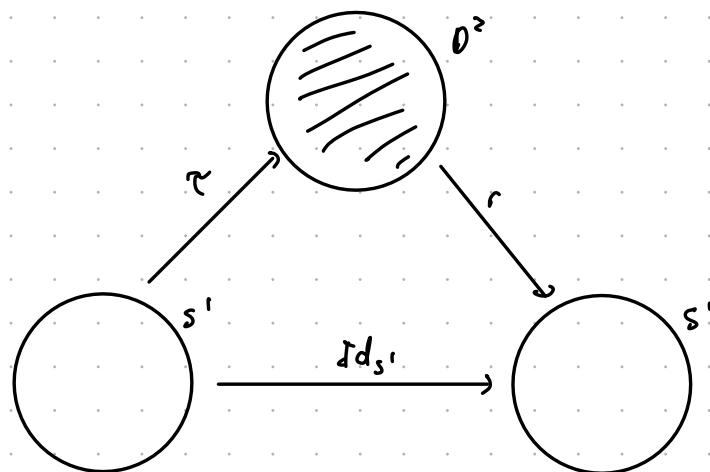
$$\text{Id}_{\pi_1(Y, y_0)} = (f_*) \circ (f^{-1})_* \quad \{ \text{cancel logic}\}$$

$\Rightarrow f_*$ is an isomorphism (left & right inverse)

Example

Let $\tau: S^1 \rightarrow D^2$ be the inclusion of the boundary

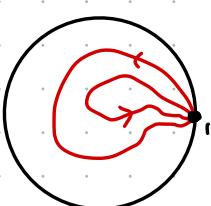
let $r: D^2 \rightarrow S^1$ be a retraction, that is $r \circ \tau = \text{Id}_{S^1}$.



Note: $\pi_1(D^2, 1)$ is trivial since linear homotopies show every loop is homotopic to the constant loop at 1.

There is no such commutative diagram for groups & homomorphisms.

There is no retract from $D^2 \rightarrow S^1$.



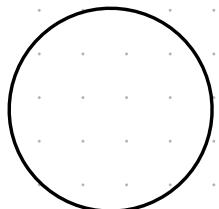
maps, had
to know
when they
exist

groups &
homomorphisms
much easier to
say when they
exist

How topology notes...

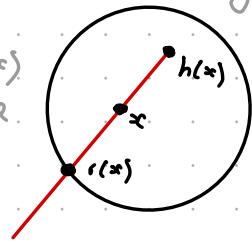
Theorem: Every cts map $h: D^2 \rightarrow D^2$ has a fixed point
 $x \in D^2$, $(h(x) = x)$.

Proof: Assume h has no fixed point.
 Since $x \neq h(x)$, they determine a ray.



Let $r(x)$
 be the point

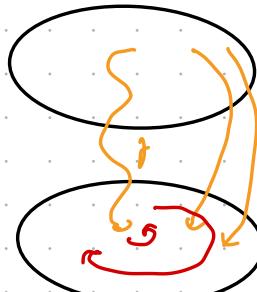
where the ray
 intersects S^1
 boundary of D^1 .



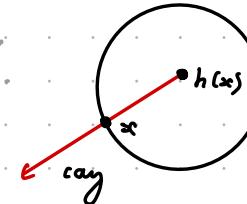
Thus, $r: D^2 \rightarrow S^1$
 w/ $r \circ i = Id_{S^1}$

induction
 map.

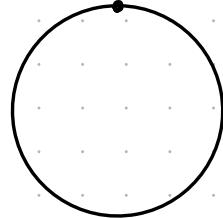
But no such retraction exists
 \Rightarrow have created an impossible object.



If $x \in S^1$,
 then $r(x) = x$.



However your
 map does
 upstairs to down
 stairs, there
 won't be a fixed
 point.



Borsuk-Ulam Theorem

For any cts map $f: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, there exists a pair of antipodal points x and $-x$ in S^2 w/ $f(x) = f(-x)$

① \Rightarrow There is no embedding of S^2 in $\mathbb{R}^2 \Leftarrow$ (won't be injective)

② \Rightarrow At any given time, there are two antipodal points on the earth at which the temperature & humidity are the same.
 cts on \mathbb{R}^2

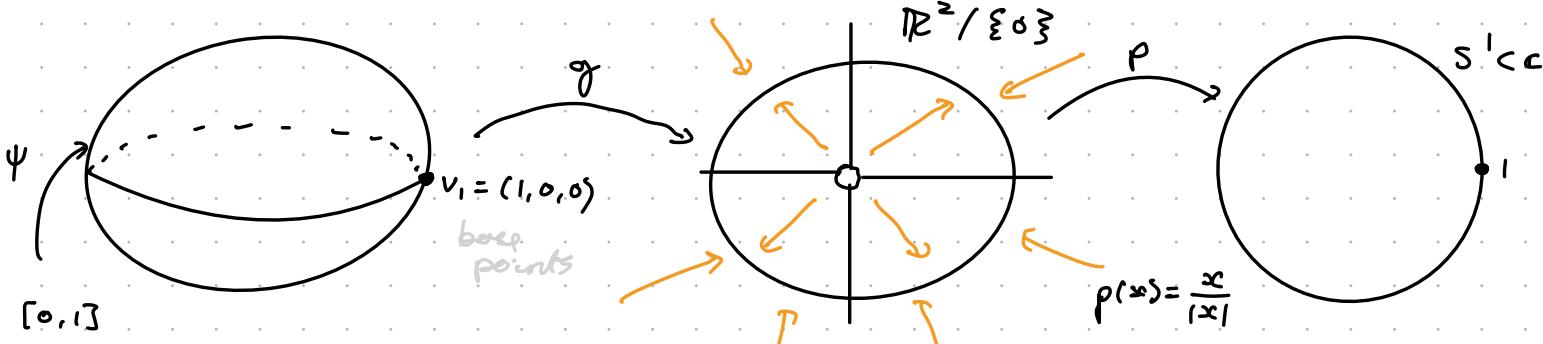
Proof: Assume there is an f w/ $f(x) = f(-x)$ for any $x \in S^2$

Define a function $g: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by $g(x) = f(x) - f(-x)$

By assumption, $g(x) \neq 0$ at $x \in S^2$.

Note that $g(-x) = f(-x) - f(x) = - (f(x) - f(-x)) = -g(x)$, call such a function odd. [like trig].

Need to translate to topological language... How do we do this?



p is a deformation retract to s' [$\mathbb{R}^2/\{\text{pt}\}$ so fine]
 p is also an odd function

Hence, $p \circ g$ is also an odd function.

Parametrise the equator:

$$\psi(s) = (\cos(2\pi s), \sin(2\pi s), 0)$$

Need to send basepoints to each other so normalize.

Let $p_*(x) = \frac{p(x)}{p(g(v_1))}$ Then $p_*(g(v_1)) = 1$ [rotation]

Note: $p_* \circ g : (S^2, v_1) \rightarrow (S^1, 1)$ [homeomorphism]

$$(p_* \circ g)_* [\psi] \in \Pi_1(S^1, 1) \quad [\text{induced map}]$$

What does the induced map do to the equator?

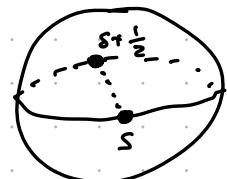
What about oddities? Antipodal point on one equator?

$$\psi(s + \frac{1}{2}) = -\psi(s)$$

antipodal points on equator...

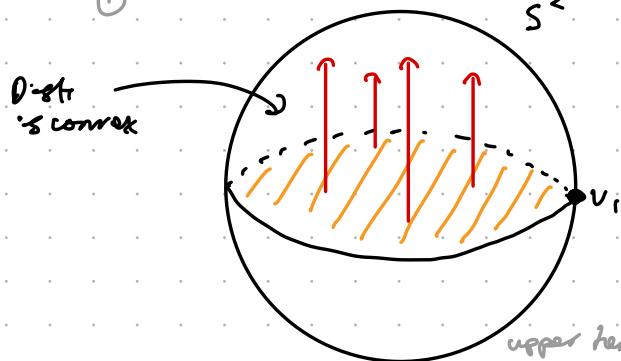
What oddities translates too.

$$p_* \circ g \circ \psi(s + \frac{1}{2}) = -p_* \circ g \circ \psi(s)$$



First calculation of $(p_* \circ g)_* [\psi]$: (w.t.s. loop is trivial)

①



$[\psi]$ is trivial in $\Pi_1(D^2, v_1)$
 \therefore The disk is convex.

But D^2 is not on S^2 . How get there?

Project! Define $\phi: D^2 \rightarrow S^2$ by
 homeomorphically...

$$\psi(x, y) = (x, y, \sqrt{1-x^2-y^2})$$

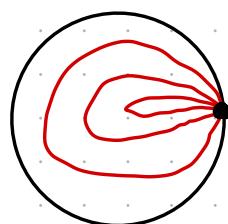
z value to put on the sphere!

$$\psi: (D^2, v_1) \rightarrow (UH, v_1) \quad [\text{homeomorphism, basepoint preserving}]$$

$$\psi_*: \Pi_1(D^2, v_1) \rightarrow \Pi_1(UH, v_1) \text{ is an isomorphism}$$

so $[\psi]$ is trivial in $\Pi_1(D^2, v_1) \Rightarrow [\psi]$ trivial in $\Pi_1(UH, v_1)$

$(p_* \circ g)_*: \Pi_1(UH, v_1) \rightarrow \Pi_1(S^1, 1)$, takes $[\psi]$ to $[0]$



so

$$(p_* \circ g)_* [\psi] \sim [\omega_0] \in \Pi_1(S^1, v_1)$$

The constant path

trivial element in $\Pi_1(S^1, v_1)$

Second calculation of $p_{\infty} \circ g \circ \psi(s)$:

Will use the oddness to show that $p_{\infty} \circ g \circ \psi(s)$ is non-trivial.

$$\text{Write } h(s) = p_{\infty} \circ g \circ \psi(s)$$

$$\text{oddness } \Rightarrow h(s + \frac{1}{2}) = -h(s)$$

By lifting γ_m , $\exists \tilde{h}: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t.

$$p_{\infty} \circ \tilde{h} = h, \quad \tilde{h}(0) = 0$$

$$\tilde{h}(1) \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } h \simeq \omega_m \text{ where } m = \tilde{h}(1)$$

\tilde{h} is mysterious, but we know

$$p_{\infty} \circ \tilde{h}(s + \frac{1}{2}) = -p_{\infty} \circ \tilde{h}(s)$$

We do know some other real number mapping to
 $-p_{\infty}(\tilde{h}(s))$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\infty}(\tilde{h}(s) + \frac{1}{2}) &= \exp(2\pi i (\tilde{h}(s) + \frac{1}{2})) \\ &= \exp(2\pi i \tilde{h}(s) + \pi i) \\ &= \exp(2\pi i \tilde{h}(s)) \exp(\pi i) \\ &= -p_{\infty}(\tilde{h}(s)) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Two different points mapping to same pt in circle.

Conclude: Since any r, r' w/ the same image under p_{∞}
 differ by an integer (going up the helix in steps),
 we have

$$\tilde{h}(s + \frac{1}{2}) - (\tilde{h}(s) - \frac{1}{2}) = n_s \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Apriori, n_s depends on s , but LHScts function
 of s . So $n = n_s$ is constant.

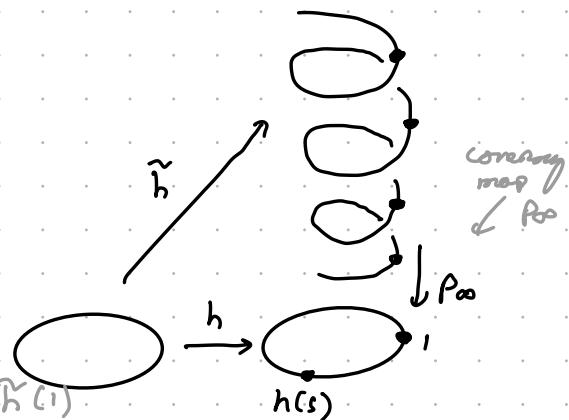
$$\tilde{h}(s + \frac{1}{2}) = \tilde{h}(s) + \frac{1}{2} + n$$

$$\text{Take } s=0, \Rightarrow \tilde{h}(\frac{1}{2}) = \underbrace{\tilde{h}(0)}_{=0} + \frac{1}{2} + n = n + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Take } s = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \tilde{h}(1) = \tilde{h}(\frac{1}{2}) + n + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Substitute: } \tilde{h}(1) = n + \frac{1}{2} + n + \frac{1}{2} = 2n + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow h \simeq \omega_{2n+1}$$



But 1st case was $h \cong w_0$.

Thus $2n+1=0$, 0 even, $2n+1$ odd X

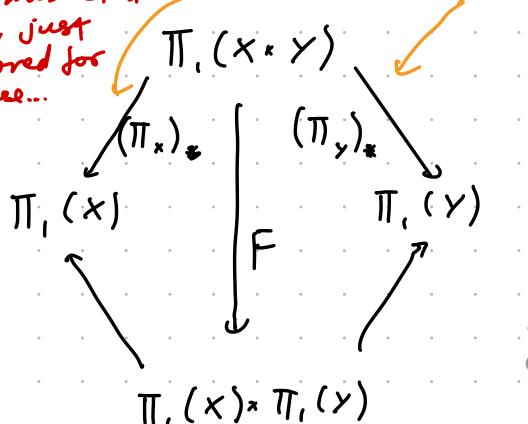
{map w/out this property & maths breaks}

Proposition: $\Pi_1(X \times Y, (x_0, y_0)) = \Pi_1(X, x_0) \times \Pi_1(Y, y_0)$

Proof: RHS is product of groups.

A basic property of groups is that a function f is determined & determines a pair of functions g, h s.t. $f = (g, h)$

Borel sets still
there, just
renamed for
ex...



using the induced map $\Pi_1(X, x_0) \times \Pi_1(Y, y_0)$

Note that $X \times Y \rightarrow X$ gives an induced map from $\Pi_1(X \times Y)$ to $\Pi_1(X)$.

This is a homomorphism $F = ((\Pi_X)_*, (\Pi_Y)_*)$

A basic property of the product topology is that a function $j: Z \rightarrow X \times Y$ is cl if the maps $g: Z \rightarrow X$, $h: Z \rightarrow Y$ defined by $j(z) = (g(z), h(z))$ are both cl.

Take $Z = I$ & we get a way to construct loops.

Claim: F is surjective

Pf: Pick

$$([\gamma_x], [\gamma_y]) \in \Pi_1(X, x_0) \times \Pi_1(Y, y_0)$$

constant paths

Then, (γ_x, γ_y) is a loop in $X \times Y$ which maps to γ_x under Π_X and γ_y under Π_Y .

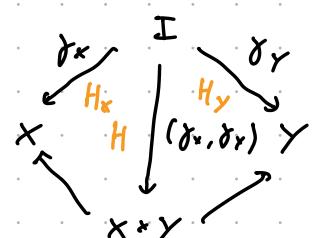
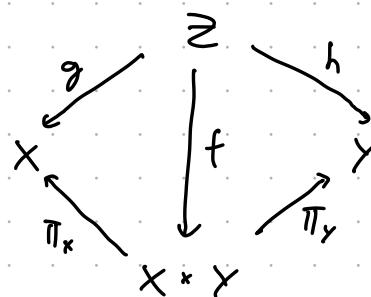
This shows surjectivity.

Claim: F is injective

Pf: claim that γ is a loop in $X \times Y$ that maps to the terminal element of $\Pi_1(X) \times \Pi_1(Y)$. We have a homotopy $H: I \times I \rightarrow X \times Y$ between (γ_x, γ_y) and $e \leftarrow$ identity.

constant homotopies

$H = (H_x, H_y)$ where H_x is a homotopy between γ_x and e .



Products of groups
&
products of spaces

No different things mapping to the same thing \Rightarrow construct a homotopy to show they are the same.

Corollary: $\pi_1(T^2) = \pi_1(S^1 \times S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$

Corollary: $\pi_1(T^n) = \mathbb{Z}^n$

The Fundamental Group of the n -sphere for $n \geq 2$

Stereographic Projection

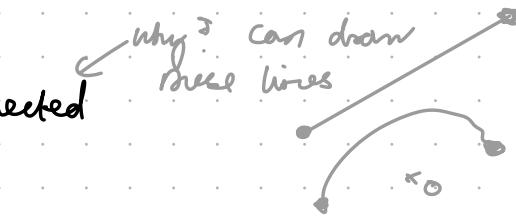
Let $N = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$, $S = (0, 0, \dots, 0, -1)$

There is a homomorphism $\psi_N: S^n - \{\mathbf{N}\} \rightarrow P_S$

Also, we have $\psi_S: S^n - \{\mathbf{S}\} \rightarrow P_N = (\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, 1\})$

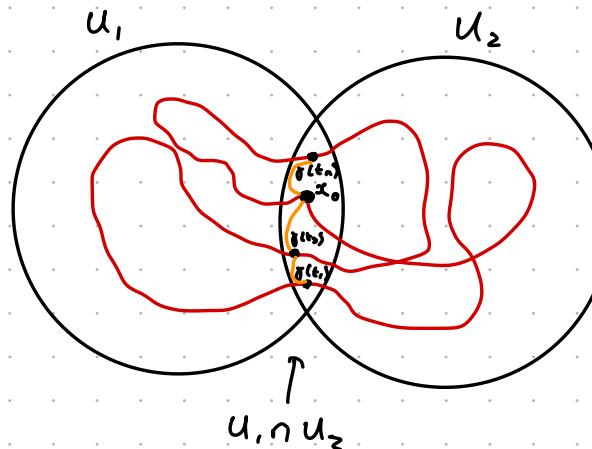
Let $U_1 = S^n / \{\mathbf{N}\}$, $U_2 = S^n / \{\mathbf{S}\}$,

claim $U_1 \cap U_2 \cong \mathbb{R}^n / \{0\}$ is path connected



Proposition: For $n \geq 2$, $x_0 \in S^n$, $\pi_1(S^n, x_0)$ is trivial group.

Proof: Say we have a loop γ , assume $x_0 \neq N, S$, based at x_0 .

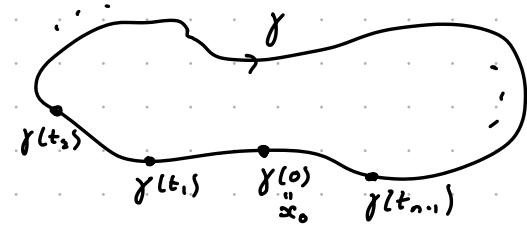


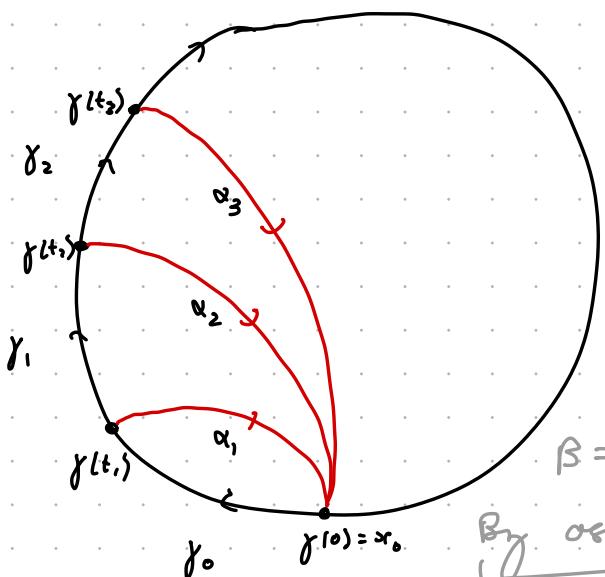
$\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^n$ is a loop

$\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^n$. Consider $\gamma^{-1}(U_1)$ and $\gamma^{-1}(U_2)$.

Those cover I , find a finite subcover.

choose $t_0 = 0, \dots, t_n = 1$ s.t. $\gamma([t_j, t_{j+1}]) \subset U_1$ or U_2





WTS γ is trivial. How? reparametrisation

$$\text{Let } \gamma_j(s) = \gamma(t_j + s(t_{j+1} - t_j))$$

$$\gamma_j: [0, 1] \longrightarrow S^1$$

let paths \longrightarrow loops

$$\beta = (\gamma_0 \cdot \alpha_1) \cdot (\bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot \gamma_1 \cdot \alpha_2) \cdot \dots \cdot (\bar{\alpha}_{m-1} \cdot \gamma_{m-1} \cdot \alpha_m) \cdot (\bar{\alpha}_m \cdot \gamma_m)$$

$$\underbrace{\gamma_0 \cdot \alpha_1 \sim e_{x_0}}_{\text{By assumption}}, \quad \underbrace{\bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot \gamma_1 \cdot \alpha_2 \sim e_{x_0}}_{U_1 \cap U_2 \text{ path connected}}$$

identity

$$\therefore \beta \sim e_{x_0} \cdot \dots \cdot e_{x_0} \sim e_{x_0} \text{ rel } \partial$$

homotopy of paths

$$\text{Reassociating: } \beta = \underbrace{\gamma_1 \cdot (\alpha_1 \cdot \bar{\alpha}_1)}_{\sim e_{\gamma(t_1)}} \cdot \underbrace{\gamma_2 \cdot (\alpha_2 \cdot \bar{\alpha}_2)}_{\sim e_{\gamma(t_2)}} \cdot \dots \cdot \underbrace{(\alpha_m \cdot \bar{\alpha}_m)}_{\sim e_{\gamma(t_m)}} \cdot \gamma_m$$

$$\sim \gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_m \text{ rel } \partial$$

$$\sim \gamma \text{ rel } \partial$$

conclude by transitivity of homotopies $\gamma \sim e_{x_0}$ rel ∂

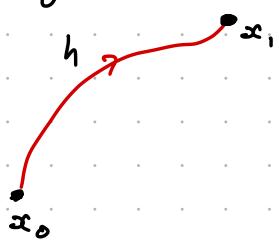
The technique for this proof can be used in other situations.

Say that $U_1 \cap U_2$ are path connected; U_1, U_2 are not simply connected. The proof shows that every element of $\Pi_1(U_1 \cup U_2)$ is a product of elements of $\Pi_1(U_1)$ and $\Pi_1(U_2)$.

Def: A path connected space X is simply connected if $\Pi_1(X, x_0) = \{[e_{x_0}]\}$ ($= \{0\}$)

Note: Recall that $\beta_h: \Pi_1(X, x_0) \longrightarrow \Pi_1(X, x_0)$

$\beta_h(\gamma) = [\bar{h} \cdot f \cdot h]$, so S^n for $n \geq 2$ is simply connected.



Corollary: \mathbb{R}^2 is not homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n for $n \neq 2$

Proof: Suppose $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a homeomorphism. Then $f: \mathbb{R}^2 / \{0\} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n / \{f(0)\}$ is also a homeo.

The Main Result

As much as we can prove w/ $\Pi_1(X, x_0)$

In case $n=1$: $\mathbb{R}^1/\{\infty\}$ disconnected, $\mathbb{R}^2/\{\infty\}$ connected
so not homeomorphic. $\mathbb{R}^2 \neq \mathbb{R}^1$. Using connectivity...

For any n , $\mathbb{R}^n/\{\infty\} \cong \mathbb{R} \times S^{n-1}$ [homotopy problem]

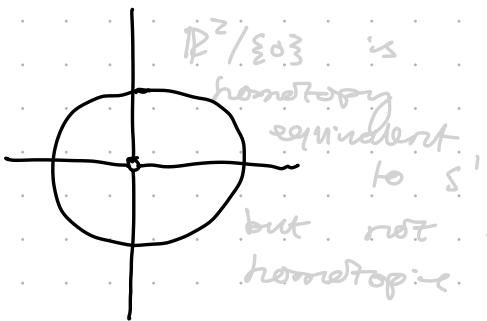
$$\begin{aligned}\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^n - \{\infty\}) &= \pi_1(\mathbb{R} \times S^{n-1}) \\ &= \pi_1(\mathbb{R}) \times \pi_1(S^{n-1}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{contractible}}{=} \{\infty\} \times \pi_1(S^{n-1}) \\ &= \pi_1(S^{n-1})\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \pi_1(\mathbb{R}^2 - \{\infty\}) = \pi_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{for } n \geq 2, \pi_1(\mathbb{R}^n - \{\infty\}) = \pi_1(S^{n-1}) = \{\infty\}$$

Since homeomorphic spaces have the same fundamental group,
see that $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{\infty\}$ not homeomorphic to $\mathbb{R}^n - \{\infty\}$
for $n \geq 2$

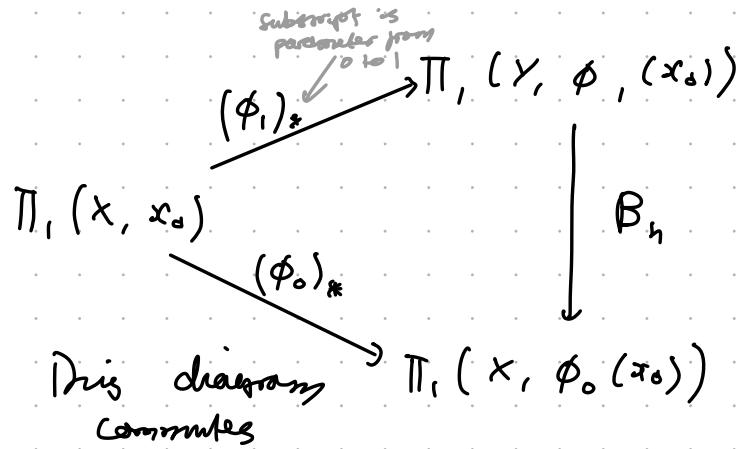
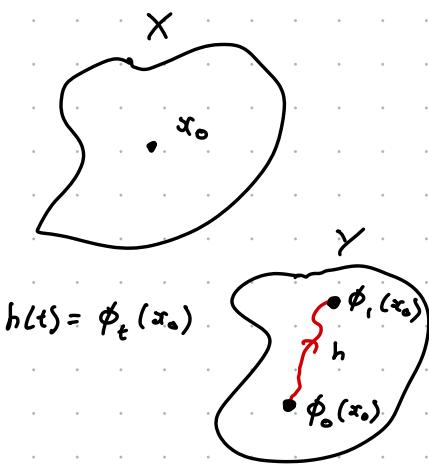
π_1 can be used to show that spaces are not homotopy equivalent to one another.



Prop: If $\phi: X \rightarrow Y$ is a homotopy equivalence, then $\phi_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, \phi(x_0))$ is an isomorphism

Proof: Lemma 1st.

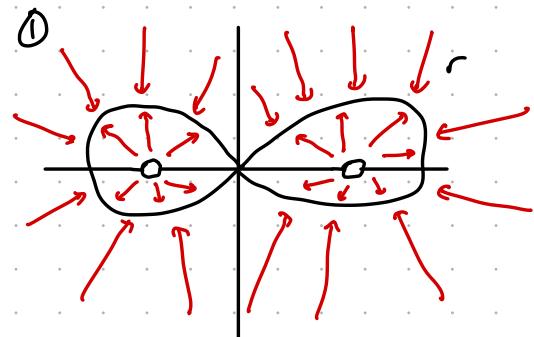
Lemma: If $\phi_t: X \rightarrow Y$ homotopy, h a path from $\phi_t(x_0)$ formed by the image of the base point x_0 for $t \in [0, 1]$, then



homotopies ignore base points

π_1 cares... connect!

Examples of Homotopy Equivalent Spaces

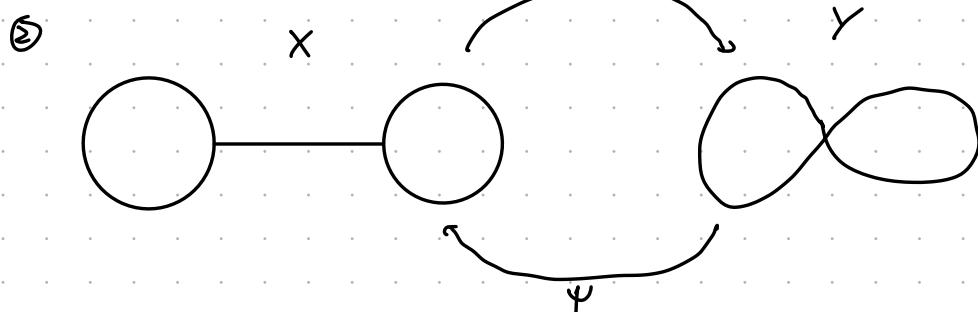


Deformations
retractions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \infty & \mathbb{P}^2 / \{\infty\} & \\ A & \xrightarrow{i} & X \\ & \curvearrowleft & \text{retraction} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r \circ i &= \text{Id}_A \\ i \circ r &\simeq \text{Id}_X \end{aligned}$$

homotopic

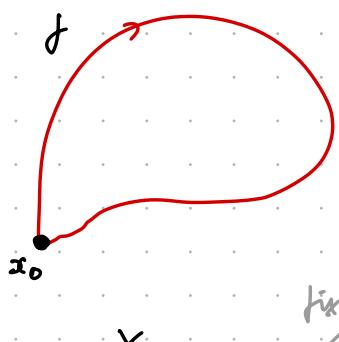


claim:

$$\psi \circ \phi \simeq \text{Id}_X$$

$$\phi \circ \psi \simeq \text{Id}_Y$$

Proof:
(of the
lemma)

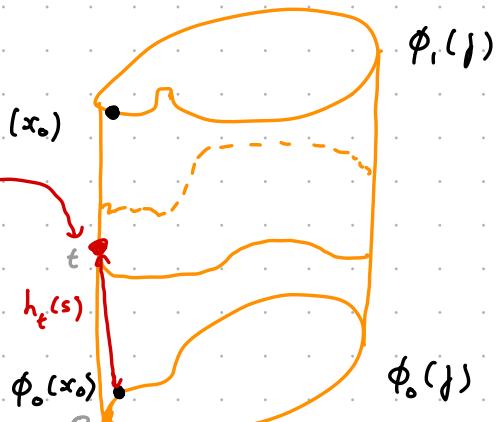


fix a particular
t value

$$\text{Define } h_t(s) = h(t-s) \text{ for } s \in [0,1] \quad \text{rescaling}$$

$s \in [0,1] \text{ so } t-s \in [0,t]$

let $h_t = \phi_t(x_0)$



Define a homotopy, $h_t \cdot (\phi_t \circ f) \cdot h_t$

This is
the path for
some t fixed.



What is this?

$$h_t \cdot (\phi_t \circ f) \cdot \bar{h}_t$$

When $t=0$, this is the path $\phi_0(f)$

When $t=1$, this is the path $h \cdot (\phi_1(f)) \cdot \bar{h} = \beta_h(\phi_1(f))$
up, around & back again.

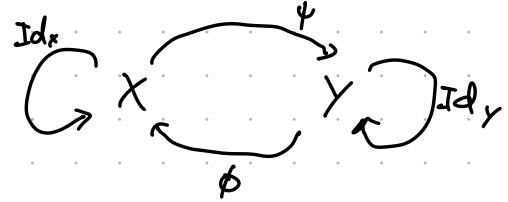
(where $\beta_h(f) = [h \cdot f \cdot \bar{h}]$)

To show diagram commutes,
we have constructed a homotopy
between these two loops
 \Rightarrow have the same homotopy class

This shows that
 $\phi_0(f) \simeq \beta_h(\phi_1(f))$
 $\Rightarrow [\phi_0(f)] = [\beta_h(\phi_1(f))]$

This is the statement that
the diagram commutes

Prop: If $\phi: X \rightarrow Y$ is a homotopy equivalence, then $\phi_*: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, \phi(x_0))$ is an isomorphism.



Proof:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \pi_1(Y, \phi(x_0)) & \\ \phi_* \swarrow & & \searrow \psi_* \\ \pi_1(X, x_0) & \xrightarrow{(\psi \circ \phi)_*} & \pi_1(X, \psi \circ \phi(x_0)) \\ \downarrow \text{Id}_X & & \uparrow \beta_h \\ & \pi_1(X, x_0) & \end{array}$$

Lemma says this diagram commutes

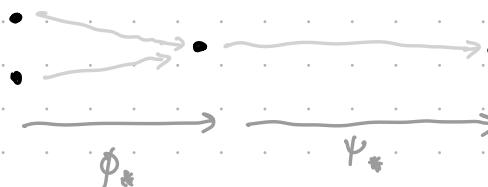
This change of basepoint map is an isomorphism.
Why? can write down an inverse! $(\beta_h)^{-1} = \beta_{\bar{h}}$

$\pi_1(X, x_0)$
isomorphism too

Claim that $\psi_* \circ \phi_*$ is a bijection

[route on bottom
route on top]

This shows that ϕ_* is injective.



If $\phi_*(x) = \phi_*(y)$ for $x \neq y$

Then $\psi_*(\phi_*(x)) = \psi_*(\phi_*(y))$ but this is a bijection

$\Rightarrow x = y$ ~~so~~ so injection

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \pi_1(X, x_0) & \xrightarrow{\phi_*} & \pi_1(Y, \phi(x_0)) & \xrightarrow{\psi_*} & \pi_1(X, \psi_* \phi_*(x_0)) & \xrightarrow{\phi_*} & \pi_1(Y, \phi(\psi_*(\phi(x_0)))) \\ & & \text{bijection so } \psi_* \text{ injective} & & & & \\ & & \curvearrowleft & & & & \\ & & \text{bijection so } \phi_* \text{ injective} & & & & \end{array}$$

claim ϕ_* is a surjection.

Proof: Say $y \notin \text{Im}(\phi_*)$, then $\psi_*(y)$ is in the image of $\psi_*(\phi_*(x)) = \psi_*(\phi_*(z))$ for some $z \in X$.

This shows ψ_* ~~not~~ is injective ~~so~~

\Rightarrow so ϕ_* is a surjection

$\Rightarrow \phi_*$ is a bijection so isomorphism.



Def: A space X is contractible if it is homotopy equivalent to a point.

e.g. \mathbb{R}^n is contractible (linear homotopy)

Corollary: A contractible space is simply connected.

Proof: Use lemma, $\pi_1(X, x_0) = \{\text{id}\}$ & isomorphism

Corollary: S^2 and T^2 are not homotopy equivalent

Proof: different π_1 , $\pi_1(S^2) = \mathbb{Z}^2$, $\pi_1(T^2) = \mathbb{Z}^3$

Corollary: For $n \geq 2$, S^n & S' are not homotopy equivalent

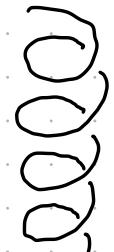
Proof: Different fundamental groups. \mathbb{Z}^n and \mathbb{Z} w/ $n \geq 2$

Note: S^n for $n \geq 2$ is simply connected but not contractible.

↳ need more invariants for this..

In understanding S' , the helix picture was important.

We want to develop a more robust theory of covering spaces, and their connections w/ fundamental groups.



What is the fundamental group of the figure 8?

Is there a nice covering space that plays the role of the helix?

Homotopy Lifting Theorem (for homotopies rel ∂)

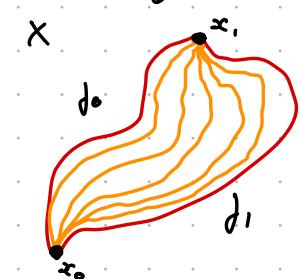
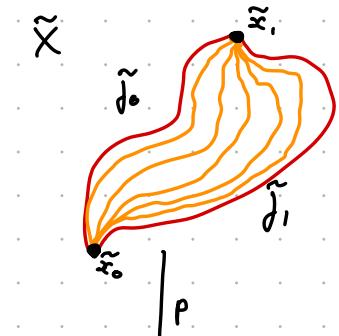
Let $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a covering map

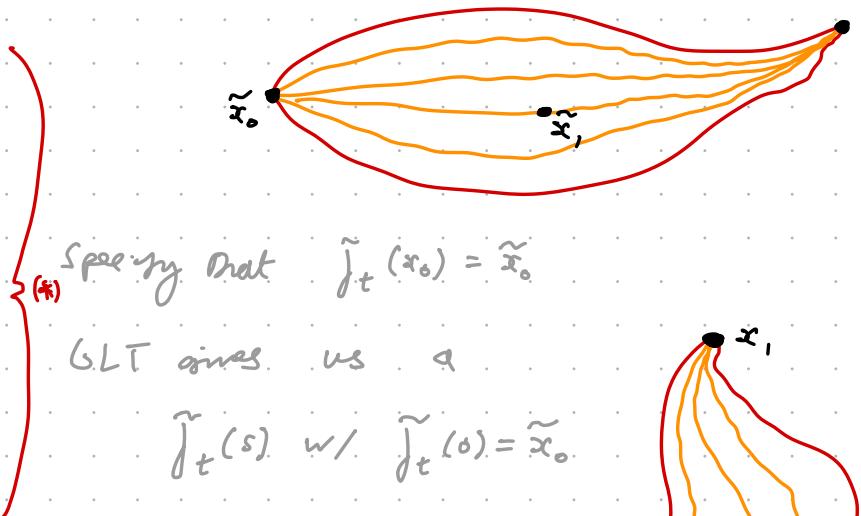
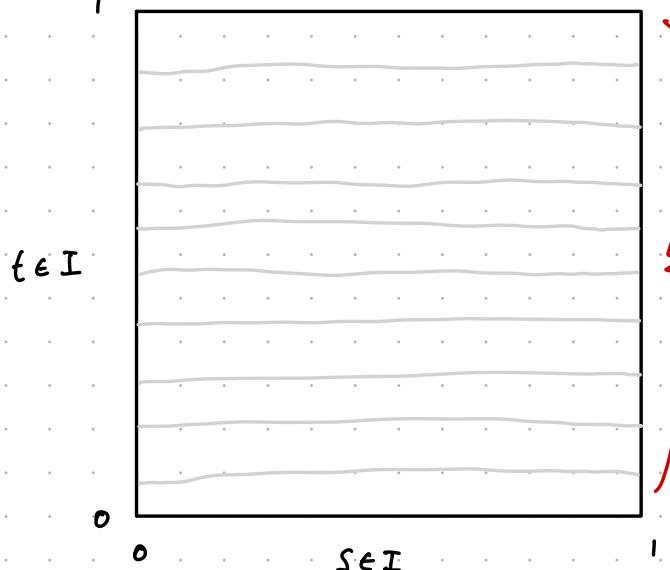
Given a homotopy rel ∂ , $f_t: I \rightarrow X$ w/
 $f_t(0) = x_0, f_t(1) = x, \forall t \in I$

Given an $\tilde{x}_0 \in \tilde{X}$, there is a unique lift
 \tilde{f}_t w/ $\tilde{f}_t(0) = \tilde{x}_0$.

Set where \tilde{x}_0 lifts to the \tilde{f}_t lift to the same endpoint.

Proof: Apply the general lifting thm w/ $Y = I$





Apply uniqueness of lifts of paths to the path $t \mapsto \tilde{f}_t(s)$.

$$\text{Note, } \tilde{x}_1 = \tilde{f}_0(1)$$

Observe, the constant functions $t \mapsto \tilde{x}_1$ is a lift of $\tilde{f}_t(1)$ w/ $\tilde{f}_0(1) = \tilde{x}_1$.

Two lifts of the same path w/ same initial point.

① $\tilde{f}_t(1)$ gives a lift of the constant path $f_t(1) = x_1$ w/ $f_0(1) = x_1$.

② The constant path $t \mapsto \tilde{x}_1$ gives a lift of the constant path $f_t(1) = x_1$.

By uniqueness, $\tilde{f}_t(1) = x_1$.

\Rightarrow conclude that the two paths are the same.

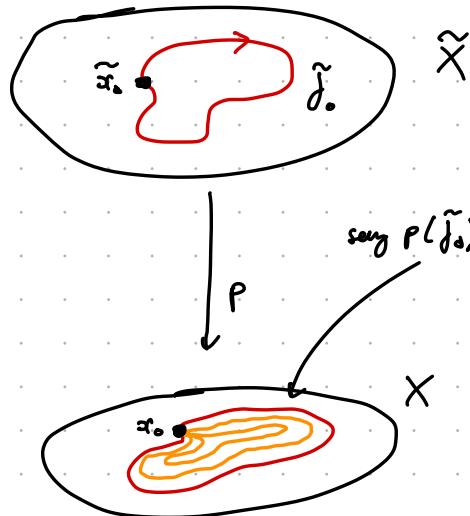
Say $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is a covering space.

Prop: The map $p_*: \Pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \longrightarrow \Pi_1(X, x_0)$ induced by the covering map is injective and the image consists of homotopy classes of loops based at x_0 , whose lifts are loops.

Example: $S^1 \xrightarrow{p_\infty} S^1, p_\infty(z) = z^n$

$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{(p_\infty)_*} n\mathbb{Z} \quad (p_\infty)_*: \mathbb{O}^e \longrightarrow \mathbb{O} \in \mathbb{Z}$

Proof:



Say $\tilde{j}_0 : I \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ is a loop which is mapped to a trivial in X .

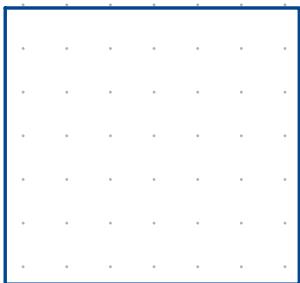
If $[p(\tilde{j}_0)]$ is trivial, there is some homotopy j_t with $j_0 = f_1$ and $j_1 = e_{x_0}$.

By prev. result, there is a lift \tilde{j}_t with $\tilde{j}_0 = \tilde{j}_0$ and $\tilde{j}_1 = e_{\tilde{x}_0}$.

Thus, \tilde{j}_0 is trivial in $\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$.

A homotopy between pog and f

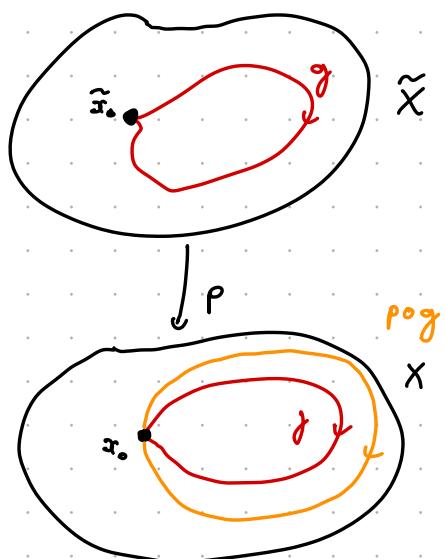
- ① Loop upstairs
- ② Projects down to a loop downstairs & f is homotopic to this
↳ we don't know f lifts to a loop.
- ③ If you lift your homotopy



$s=0$

$s=1$

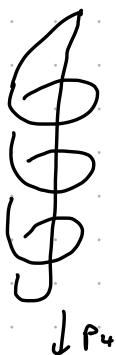
For $s \in [0, 1]$ constant so they are loops \therefore constant



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Example covering space

$$\textcircled{1} \quad p_4: S^1 \longrightarrow S^1 \quad p_4(z) = z^4$$



← some legal bottoms
to consider

$$(p_4)_*: \pi_1(S^1, 1) \longrightarrow \pi_1(S^1, 1)$$

$$Z \longrightarrow Z$$

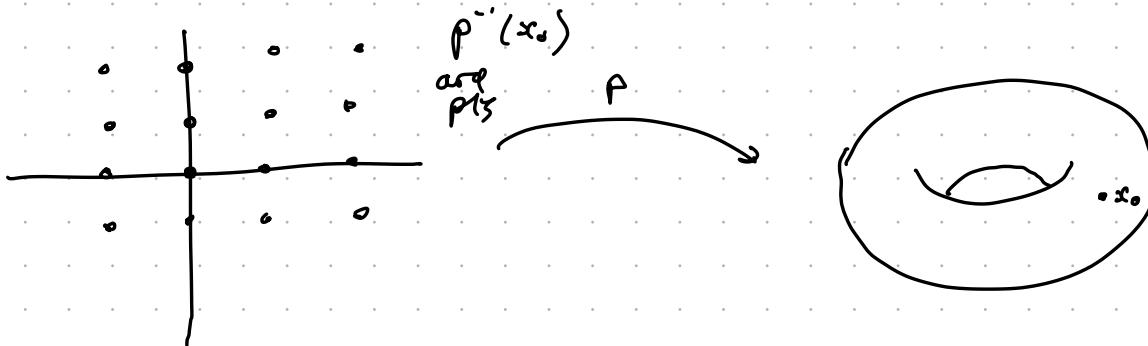
$$(p_4)_*(n) = 4n$$



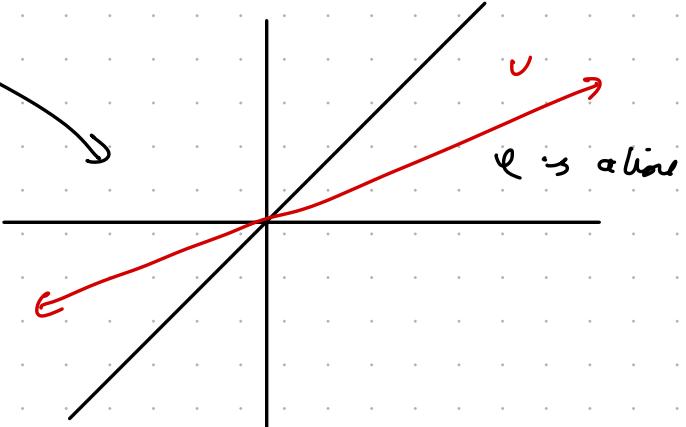
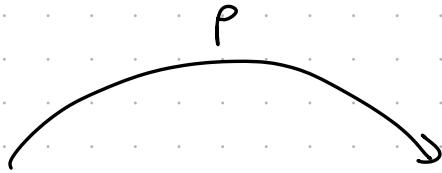
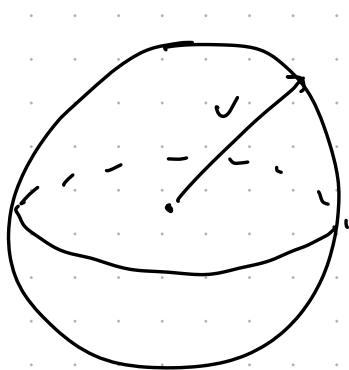
a closed loop in S^1
will map to a path under p_4^{-1}

$$\textcircled{2} \quad p: \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow T^2$$

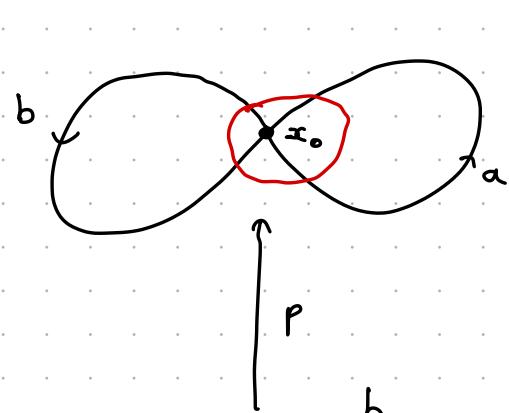
$$p(x, y) = (e^{2\pi i x}, e^{2\pi i y}) \in S^1 \times S^1 \subset \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$$



$$\textcircled{3} \quad p: S^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{RP}^2 \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{set of lines} \\ \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3 \end{matrix}$$

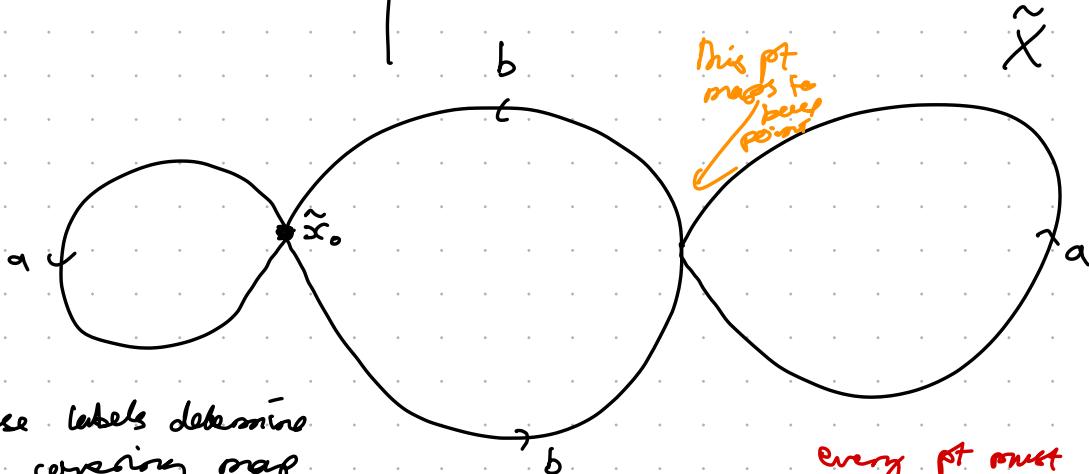


④ Covering spaces of the figure 8



Consider

(a)



These labels determine
a covering map

$$p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \longrightarrow (X, x_0)$$

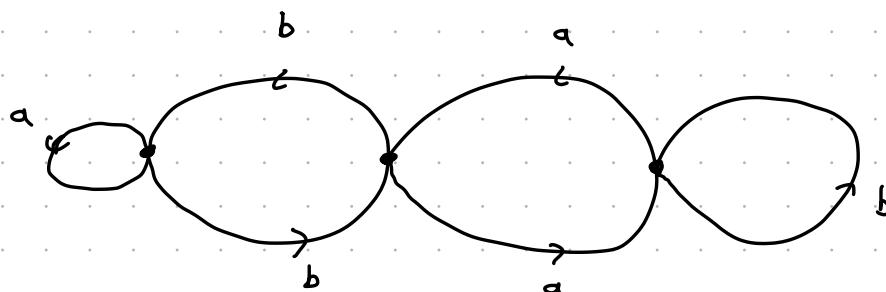
Net of covering spaces
of the figure 8. lots
of possibilities

every pt must
be evenly covered
each $p^{-1}(u)$ with $x_0 \in u$
should have 4 branches.

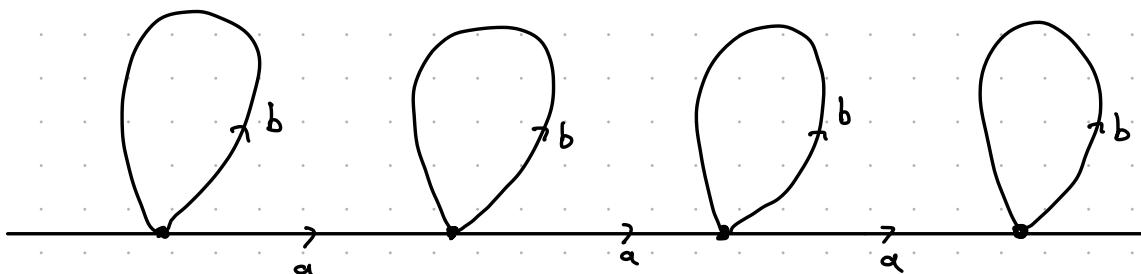
- a in, a out
- b in, b out

\Rightarrow homeomorphism
type explains the
4 products...

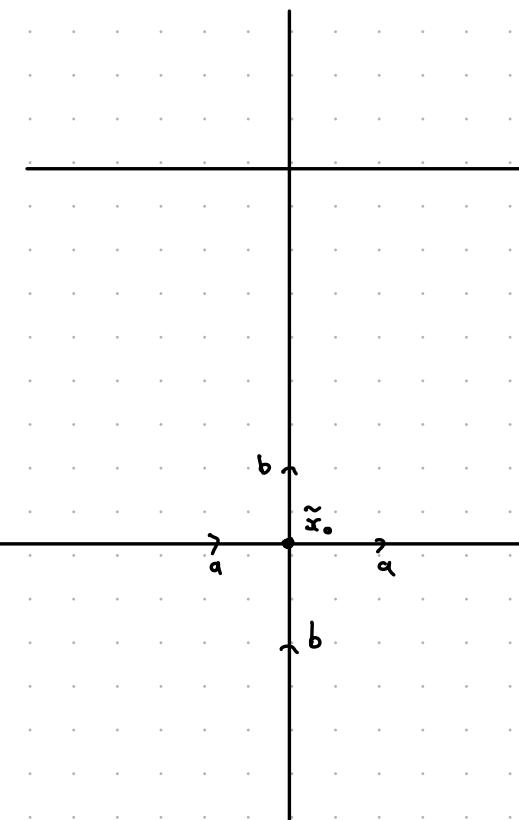
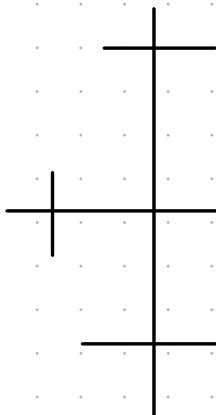
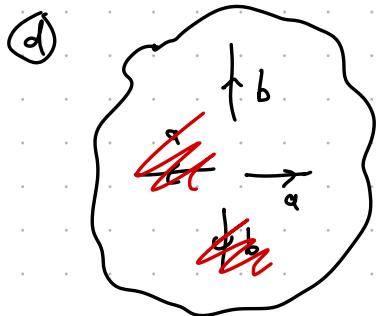
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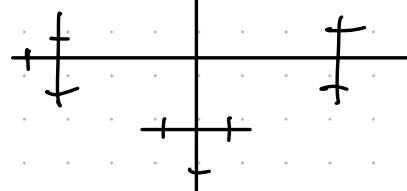
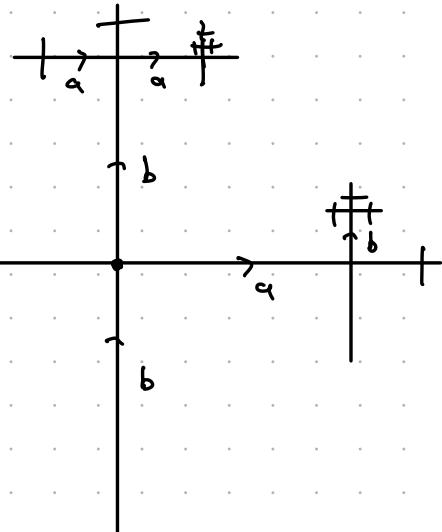
(c)



b in b out] each pt homeomorphic
a in
a out ... it works!



"infinite telephone pole"



This has no loops in it \Rightarrow simply connected

Example of a simply connected covering space of the figure 8

\hookrightarrow can max finite & infinite to get

Given $p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$ a general covering map,
want to define a map

$$\phi: \{\text{loops at } \tilde{x}_0\} \rightarrow p^{-1}(x_0) \subset \tilde{X}$$

say $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow (X, x_0)$ loop.

\because loop, there is a unique lift $\tilde{\gamma}: [0, 1] \rightarrow (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$
s.t. $\tilde{\gamma}(0) = \tilde{x}_0$

$$p \circ \tilde{\gamma} = \gamma \quad \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{get } \gamma \\ \text{again} \\ \text{projection} \end{matrix}$$

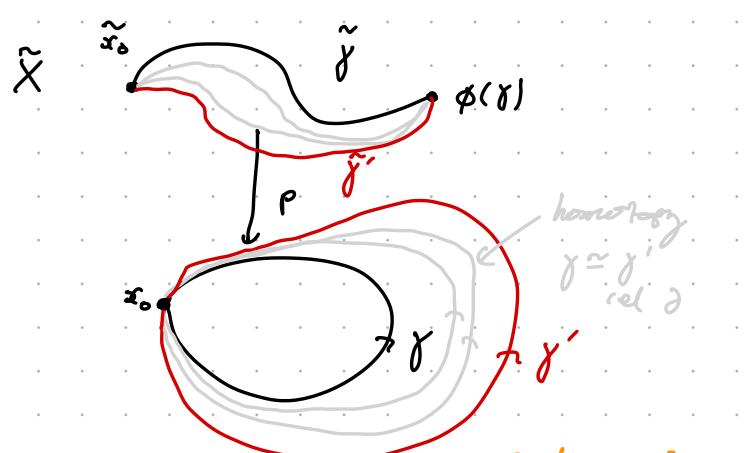
$$\text{Define } \phi(\gamma) = \tilde{\gamma}(1)$$

Note: If $\gamma' \simeq \gamma$ rel ∂ ,
Then γ' are do one lift

$$\tilde{\gamma}' \simeq \tilde{\gamma} \text{ rel } \partial$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}(0) = \tilde{\gamma}'(0) \text{ & } \tilde{\gamma}(1) = \tilde{\gamma}'(1)$$

$$\text{In particular, } \phi(\gamma') = \tilde{\gamma}'(1) = \tilde{\gamma}(1) = \phi(\gamma)$$



Defined operation on
(loop) of actually
and desired on
homotopy classes of
loops!

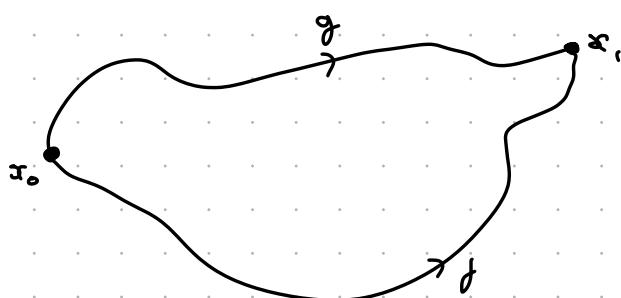
consider that ϕ is well defined on homotopy classes of loops, so have
 $\text{loop} \rightarrow \text{lift it} \rightarrow \text{value at end pt?}$

$$\phi: \underbrace{\pi_1(X, x_0)}_{\text{group}} \longrightarrow \underbrace{\rho^{-1}(x_0)}_{\text{set}}$$

Thm: Given a covering $\rho: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \longrightarrow (X, x_0)$. If \tilde{X} is path connected, then ϕ is surjective. If \tilde{X} is simply connected, then ϕ is bijective.

[Hence ϕ is bijective, ρ_n are surjective]

General: If \tilde{X} is simply connected, if f, g are paths in \tilde{X} from \tilde{x}_0 to \tilde{x}_1 . Then f, g are homotopic rel \tilde{x}_0 .



Proof: Consider the path

$$f \cdot \bar{g} \cdot \bar{g}$$

this first ↴

$$\Rightarrow (f \cdot \bar{g}) \cdot g \stackrel{\delta}{\sim} f \cdot (\bar{g} \cdot g)$$

in
term/
by
homotopy

$$\stackrel{\delta}{\sim} f \cdot e_{x_2}$$

$$\stackrel{\delta}{\sim} e_{x_1} \cdot g \stackrel{\delta}{\sim} f$$

$$\stackrel{\delta}{\sim} g$$

$$\Rightarrow g \stackrel{\delta}{\sim} f$$

Proof of Thm:

Case ①: Assume \tilde{X} is path connected.

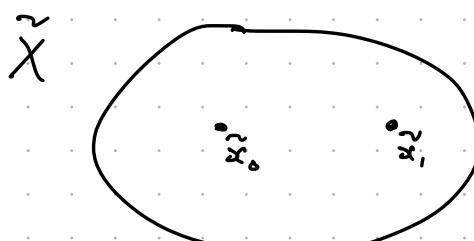
$$\text{say } \rho(\tilde{x}_0) = x_0$$

let \tilde{f} be a path from \tilde{x}_0 to \tilde{x}_1 ,

$$\text{let } \rho \circ \tilde{f} = f$$

f is a loop (w/ lift \tilde{f})

$$\phi(f) = \tilde{f}(1) = \tilde{x}_1 \leftarrow \text{proves surjectivity}$$



case ②: Assume \tilde{X} is simply connected. WTS ϕ bijective

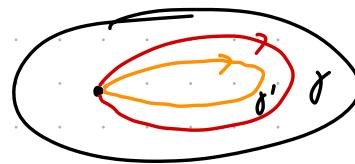
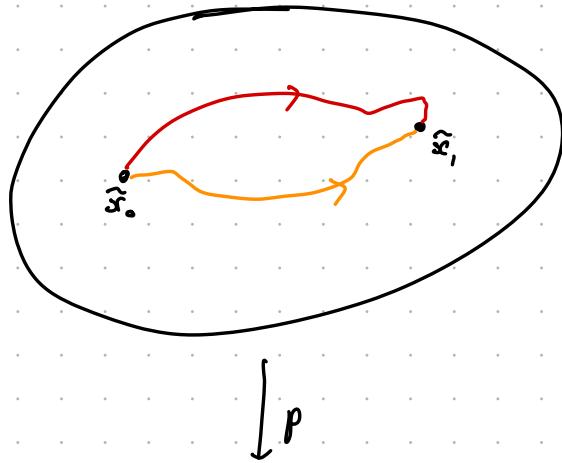
$$\text{say } \phi(f) = \phi(f')$$

Since \tilde{X} simply connected
 Lemma $\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma} \cong \tilde{\gamma}'$

Project the homotopy by p

$$\Rightarrow \gamma \cong \gamma'$$

$$\Rightarrow [\gamma] = [\gamma']$$



Prop: $\pi_1(\mathbb{RP}^2) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

Proof: $p: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{RP}^2$ is a covering of degree 2.

$$\pi_1(S^2) = \{\text{id}\} \quad \therefore S^2 \text{ is simply connected.}$$

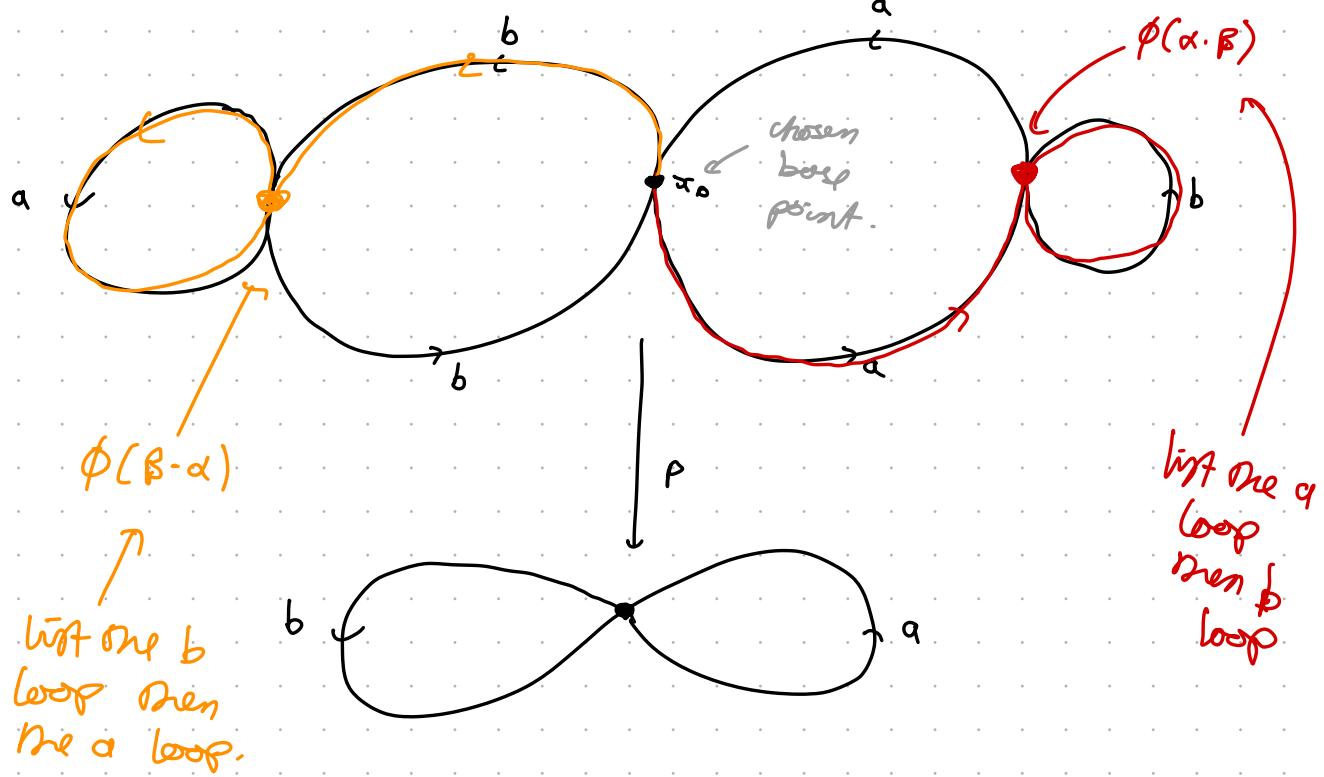
We showed that in this case, ϕ is a bijection
 $\phi: \pi_1(\mathbb{RP}^2) \rightarrow p^{-1}(x_0)$

We conclude that $\pi_1(\mathbb{RP}^2)$ has 2 elements,

There is a unique group w/ two elements, $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.

Prop: $\pi_1(\infty, x_0)$ is non-abelian

Proof:



consider the loops $\alpha: [0, 1] \rightarrow \text{O}_a$ parametrizing the right loop & $\beta: [0, 1] \rightarrow \text{O}_b$ parametrizing the left loop.

WTS $[\alpha] \cdot [\beta] \neq [\beta] \cdot [\alpha]$ [elements in Π , doesn't commute]

Since $[\alpha] \cdot [\beta] = [\alpha \cdot \beta] = [\beta \cdot \alpha]$ suffices to show

$$[\alpha \cdot \beta] \neq [\beta \cdot \alpha]$$

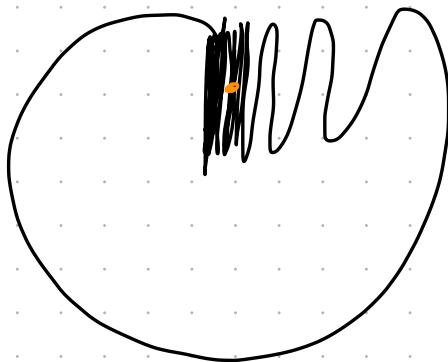
compute $\phi(\alpha \cdot \beta) \neq \phi(\beta \cdot \alpha)$

compute $\phi(\alpha \cdot \beta) \neq \phi(\beta \cdot \alpha)$ from computations.

But ϕ depends only on homotopy class rel ∂

$$\Rightarrow [\alpha \cdot \beta] \neq [\beta \cdot \alpha]$$

we say that a space (X, τ) is locally path connected if for any $x \in X$, and open set U containing x , then there is an open path connected set B with $x \in B \subset U$.



Topologist's sine curve.

path connected
but not locally
path connected.

This point - a local neighbourhood of - will
not be locally path
connected.

This is equivalent to saying that the collection B of path connected open sets B is a basis for the topology.

$$U = \bigcup_{j \in J} B_j \quad \{B_j\}_{j \in J} \quad B_j \in \mathcal{B}$$

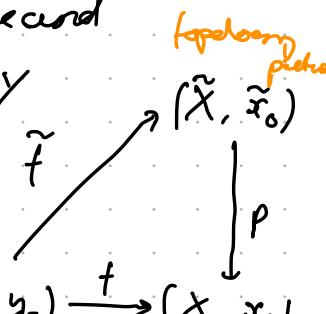
Lifting criterion

sometimes the lift exists!
sometimes it does not exist.

Def: Let $p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$ be covering space and $f: (Y, y_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$ a map w/ Y path connected & locally path connected. topology paths

Then a lift $\tilde{f}: (Y, y_0) \rightarrow (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$

exists iff $f_* (\pi_1(Y, y_0)) \subset p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$ $(Y, y_0) \xrightarrow{f} (X, x_0)$



Take γ fibre curve of circle
 X circle
 \tilde{X} helix

no map from ~~finite~~ finite cover to \mathbb{P}^1 ?

Q: maps of fundamental groups:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \nearrow \tilde{f}_* & \\
 \Pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) & & \downarrow p_* \\
 \Pi_1(Y, y_0) & \xrightarrow{f_*} & \Pi_1(X, x_0)
 \end{array}$$

algebraic question
resolves the
problem...

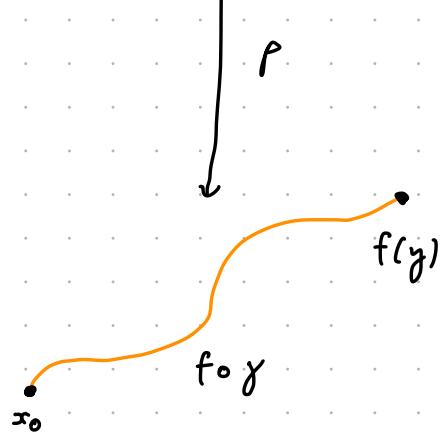
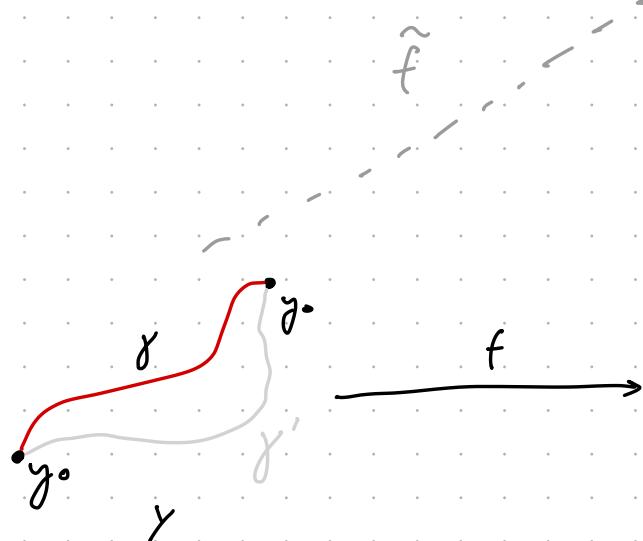
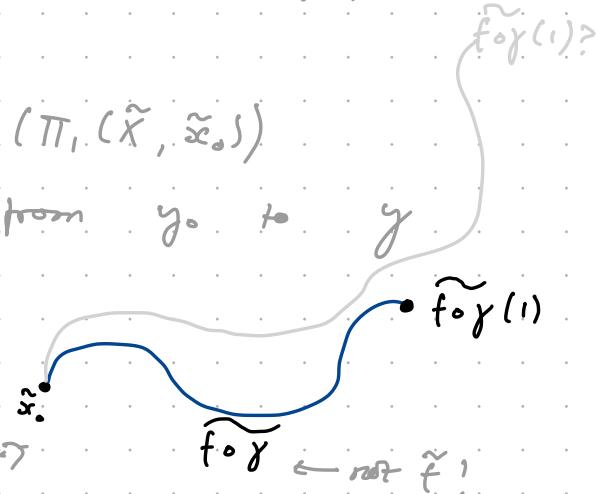
Proof: \Rightarrow
If the lift \tilde{f} exists,
 $p_*(\Pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)) \supset p_*(\tilde{f}_*(\Pi_1(Y, y_0))) = f_*(\Pi_1(Y, y_0))$

\Leftarrow want to construct f_* now.

Assume $f_*(\Pi_1(Y, y_0)) \subset p_*(\Pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$

Let $y \in X$, say γ path from y_0 to y

If \tilde{f} existed, it would
be equal to $f \circ \gamma$ by
uniqueness of path lifting



so $\tilde{f}(1)$ would be $\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}(1)$, in particular, we have uniqueness (some conditions)

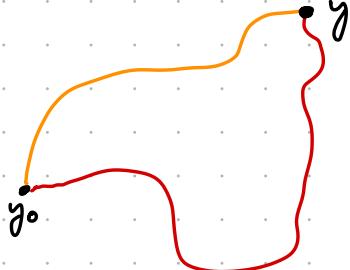
\Rightarrow just need to show existence now.

Define $\tilde{f}(y) = \tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}(1)$.

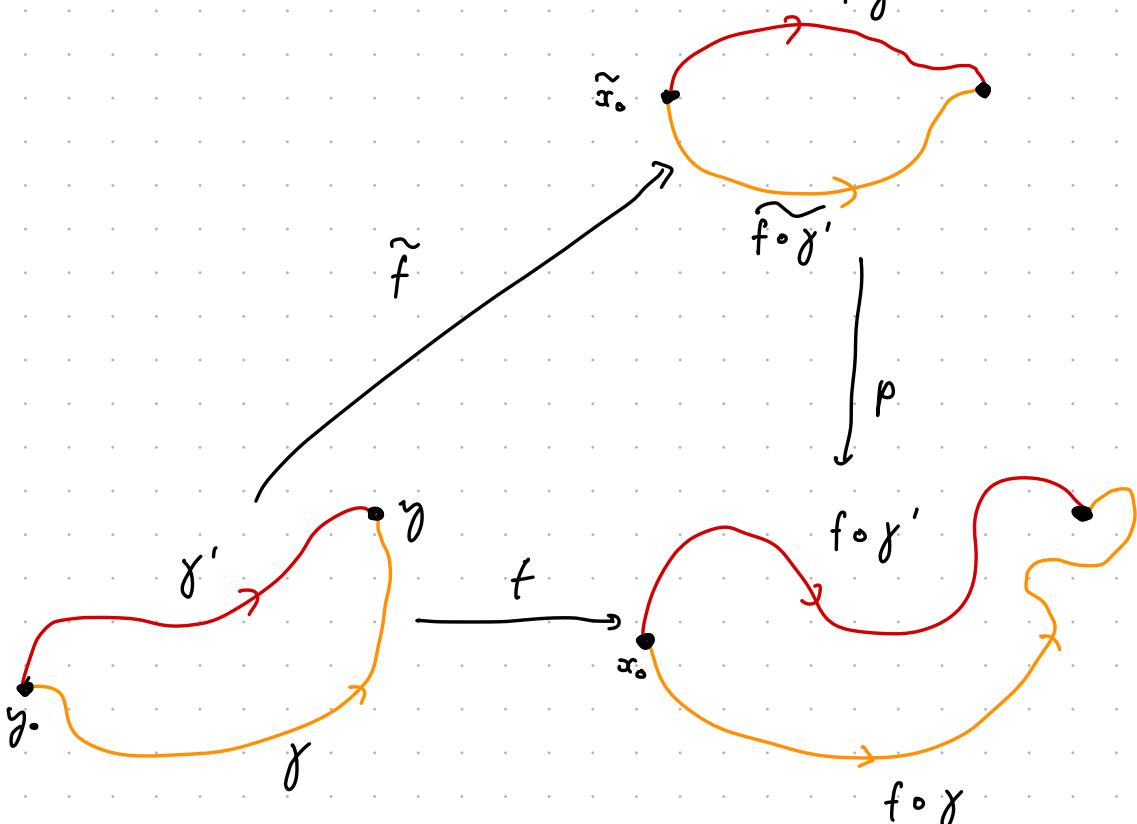
In order to make the definition, need to check that $\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}(1)$ is independent of \tilde{g} \leftarrow just chosen to be some path...

let \tilde{g}' be a second path from y_0 to y .
WTS $\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}'$ doesn't lift somewhere else!

consider the loop $\tilde{g}' \cdot \bar{\tilde{g}}$, it's a loop so by hypothesis, the loop $(\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}') \cdot (\tilde{f} \circ \bar{\tilde{g}})$ is in the image of $P_*(\Pi, (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$



From last meet, we know $(\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}') \cdot (\tilde{f} \circ \bar{\tilde{g}})$ lifts to a loop in (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) . $\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}'$



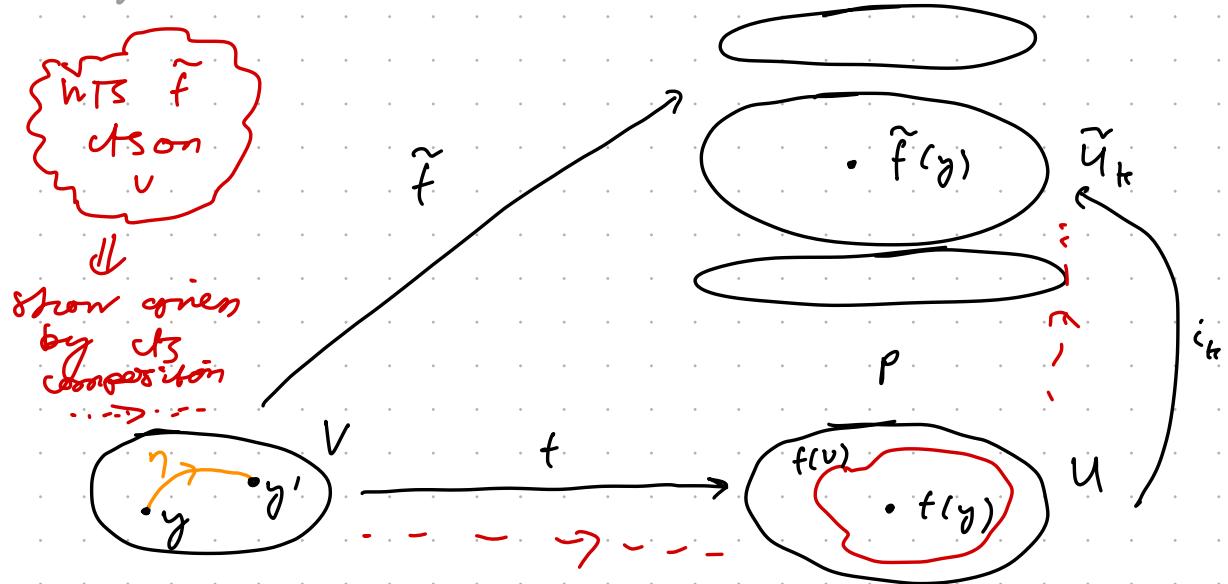
The endpoints of $\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}$ are the same as $\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}'$

$$\{\tilde{x}_0, \tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}(1)\} = \{\tilde{x}_0, \tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}'(1)\}$$

so $\tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g} = \tilde{f} \circ \tilde{g}' \Rightarrow$ consistent way to define the

tip \tilde{f} that doesn't depend on the path.

Finally, need to show that \tilde{f} is cts.



Let U be a nbhd of $f(y)$ that is evenly covered.
let

$$P^{-1}(U) = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \tilde{U}_k$$

disjoint union
local

Property of covering space, it also covers to U .

let V be a locally path connected nbhd of y
so that $f(V) \subset U$

Pick $y' \in V$. Using path connectivity, there is a path γ from y to y' .

Now, $i_k \circ f \circ \gamma$ is a lift of $f(\gamma)$ starting at $\tilde{f}(v)$.

Basically, obtain \tilde{f} by f and then i_k .

$$\tilde{f}(y) = i_k(f(y')) \text{ & } f \text{ is cts.}$$

by \tilde{f} is in terms
of lifts. we use a particular
lift

sequences of lifts says
they're the same

$$\text{so } \tilde{f} = i_k \circ f$$

$$\begin{matrix} \nearrow & \uparrow \\ \text{cts} & \text{cts} \end{matrix}$$

composition of cts functions
 $\Rightarrow \tilde{f}$ cts.

Galois Theory of Covering Spaces

Post may draw correspondence between spaces & groups.

Def: let $p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$ & $p': (\tilde{X}', \tilde{x}'_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$ be covering spaces. we say p' & p are equivalent if there is a homeomorphism $h: (\tilde{X}', \tilde{x}'_0) \rightarrow (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$ so that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) & \xrightarrow{h} & (\tilde{X}', \tilde{x}'_0) \\ p \searrow & & \swarrow p' \\ (X, x_0) & & \end{array}$$

Eg. two covering spaces of the figure 8 are equivalent if there is a homeomorphism h between them preserving

- discrete
 - label
 - basepoint
- geometric idea

Prop: If X is path connected locally, then covering spaces, then covering spaces $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ and $p': \tilde{X}' \rightarrow X$ w/ path connected are equivalent iff $p_*\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$ & $p'_*\pi_1(\tilde{X}', \tilde{x}'_0)$ are equal
algebraic.

Missed a whole week...

Universal covering space existence proof...

Show that \mathbb{C}^* is simply connected...

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Covering space

$$p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \longrightarrow (X, x_0)$$

Two covering spaces depend on base point.
What if you change base point.

Are these two covering spaces equivalent?

Yes, they are the same. It's a translation by 2. This is a deck transformation.

A deck group acts on the covering space.

In general...

Covering space (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) & (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_1) are equivalent

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

There is a deck transformation $\tau: \tilde{X} \longrightarrow \tilde{X}$ taking \tilde{x}_0 to \tilde{x}_1 .

$$(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_1)$$

$\swarrow p \qquad \searrow p$

$$(X, x_0)$$

Assume:

- ① X connected
- ② X locally connected
- ③ X locally simply connected

[using the machinery from last week]

①

Prop (for the universal cover $p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \longrightarrow (X, x_0)$). The deck group is isomorphic to $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ & it acts transitively on $p^{-1}(x_0)$ [group action]
↳ one way to describe universal cover

"Proof": we know $\tilde{X} = \{[\alpha] : \alpha \text{ a path in } X \text{ starting at } x_0\}$

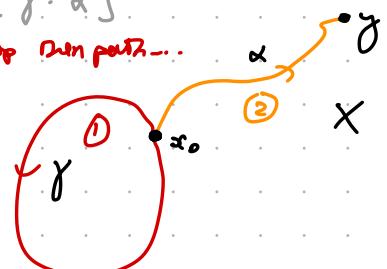
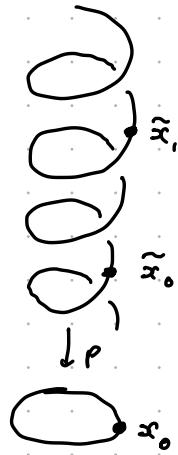
let $[\gamma] \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$. Define $\tau_\gamma([\alpha]) = [\gamma \cdot \alpha]$

$$\boxed{\tau_\gamma \circ \tau_{\gamma'} = \tau_{\gamma \cdot \gamma'}}$$

② Prop: For every subgroup H of $\pi_1(X, x_0)$,
there is a covering space $(\tilde{X}_H, \tilde{x}_0)$ with $\text{im}(p_*(\tilde{X}_H, \tilde{x}_0)) = H$

$$(\tilde{X}_H, \tilde{x}_0) \text{ with } \text{im}(p_*(\tilde{X}_H, \tilde{x}_0)) = H$$

"Proof": Start w/ universal cover $\tilde{X} = \{[\alpha] : \dots\}$
Define equivalence relation on paths.



$\alpha \sim \beta \iff \alpha = h \cdot \beta$ for $h \in H$

$[\alpha] \sim [\beta] \iff [\alpha] = [h \cdot \beta] \text{ for } [h] \in H$

Take $\tilde{X}_H = \tilde{X}/\sim$ [Working at the orbit space!]

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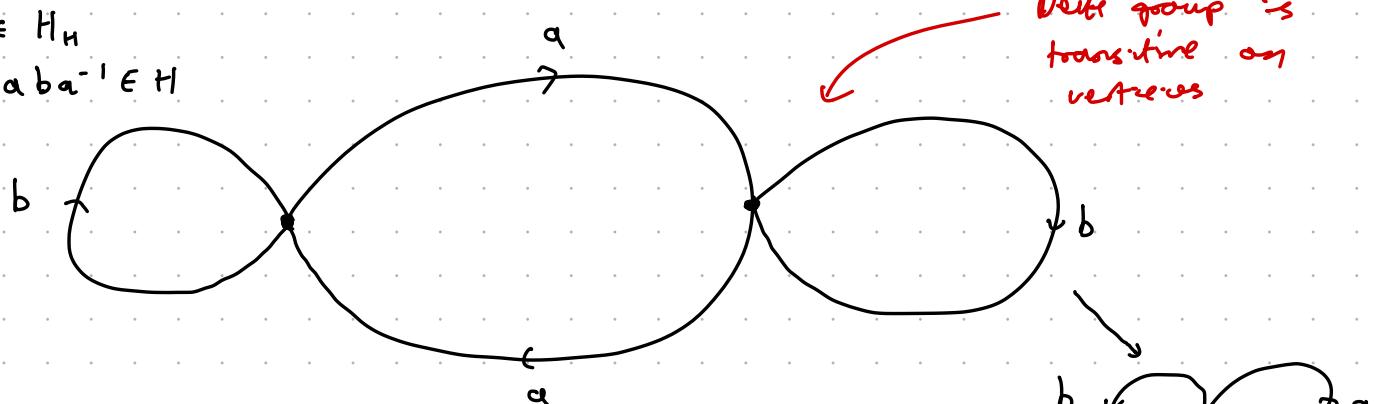
Prop: Consider a covering space $p_H : (\tilde{X}_H, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$

The deck group acts simply transitively on $p_H^{-1}(x_0)$ $\Leftrightarrow H$ is a normal subgroup of $\pi_1(X, x_0)$

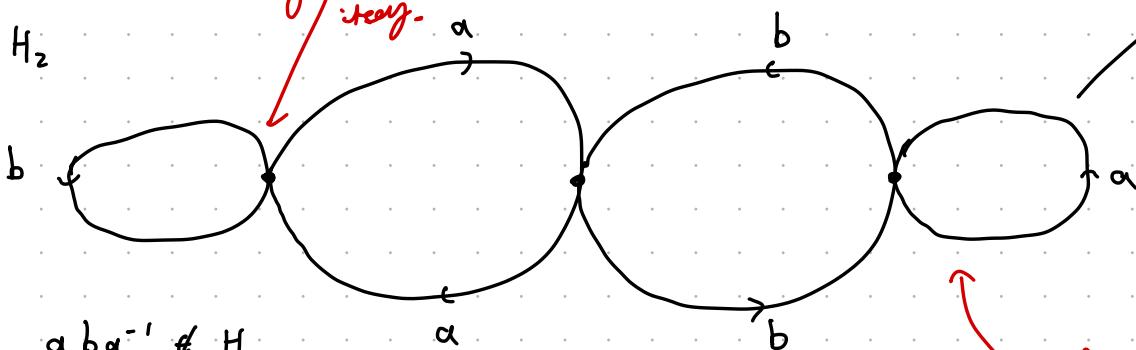
Example: consider three covering spaces of ∞

$$b \in H_1 \\ aba^{-1} \in H$$

H_1



H_2



$$aba^{-1} \notin H_2$$

$\Rightarrow H_2$ is not normal.

Not hard to prove, short course

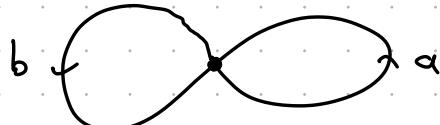
Need to understand what they're saying...

What is $\pi_1(\infty, \cdot)$

[free group] ??

list: $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^2, \dots$

What is a free group?



$\pi_1(\infty)$ is generated by 2 elements a & b .

Let G be some group generated by a and b . How distinguish $\pi_1(\infty)$ from G ?

Say $G = \mathbb{Z}^2$ & $a = (1, 0)$ $b = (0, 1)$

Consider the word $ab\bar{a}\bar{b}$ This is equal to 1 in G [commute in G so can switch around]

Not equal to 1 in $\pi_1(\infty)$

$$ab\bar{a}\bar{b} = 1 \Rightarrow ab = ba \quad \times$$

\mathbb{Z}^2 abelian, $\pi_1(\infty)$ not abelian.

Let S be a set of generators of group G .

A word in S is some finite sequence of letters in $S \cup \bar{S}$ e.g. If $S = \{a, b\}$ word could be $abb\bar{a}ba\bar{b}$

A word w which corresponds to the identity 1 in G is a relation in G .

$w = a\bar{b}\bar{b}a$ formal word
 $w_G = ab\bar{b}\bar{a}$ evaluated in group G

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$w = a\bar{a}$ non-formal word
 $w_G = 1$ evaluates to identity in G .

Def: Given a word w in $S \cup \bar{S}$, we call a pair of letters $s\bar{s}$ in w an inverse pair. E.g.

$$w = a\bar{a}b\bar{b}\bar{b}\bar{a}\bar{a}$$

Def: Two words w & w' are simply equivalent if one can be obtained from the other by inverting a single inverse pair. w, w' equivalent if there is a chain of simple equivalences.
 $w \sim w_1 \sim \dots \sim w_n \sim w'$

Def: w is reduced if there are no inverse pairs

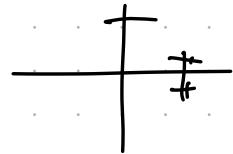
Prop: Every word w is equivalent to a reduced word w_r

Proof: Induction on length. By cancelling pairs, we reduce the length of w equivalent to a word of minimal length. possibly empty.

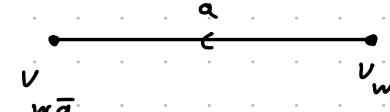
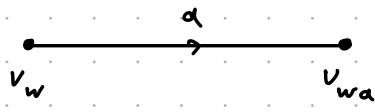
Now: want to build a copy of the universal cover of the figure 8.

let W be the words in (a, b, \bar{a}, \bar{b})

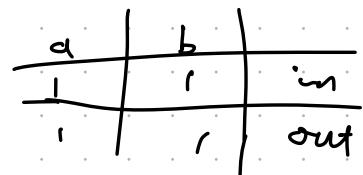
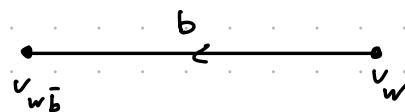
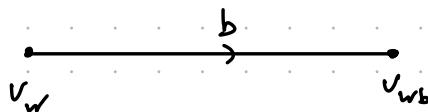
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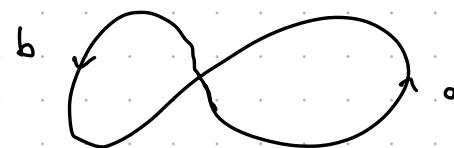
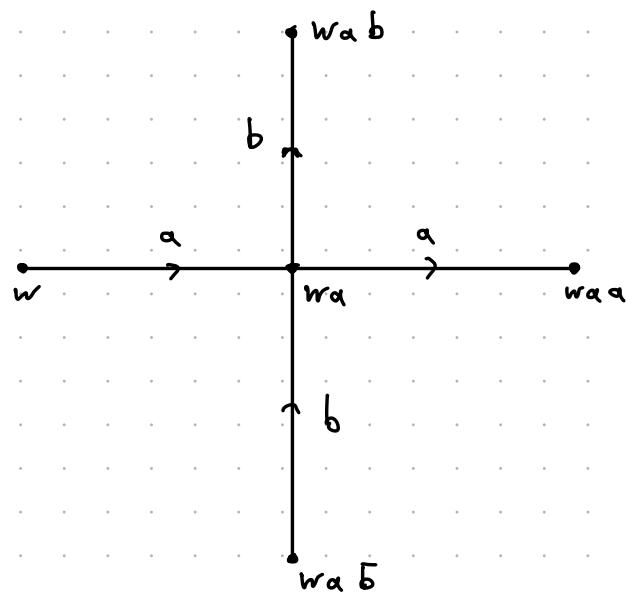
For each reduced word $w \in W$. Assign a vertex v_w .
For each reduced word $w \in W$, we attach an " a "-directed edge



Attach " b "-directed edges in the same way.



claim: Covering of figure 8. WT sheet



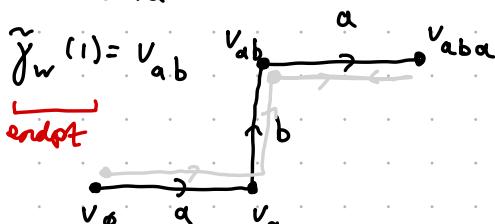
For any word w , reduced or not, there is a path $\tilde{\gamma}_w$ in \mathbb{X} . obtained by following the edges specified by the letters in the specified directions.

Let \tilde{X} denote cone on $X = \mathbb{X}$. Such a path $\tilde{\gamma}$ in \tilde{X} has a lift to X .

Examples

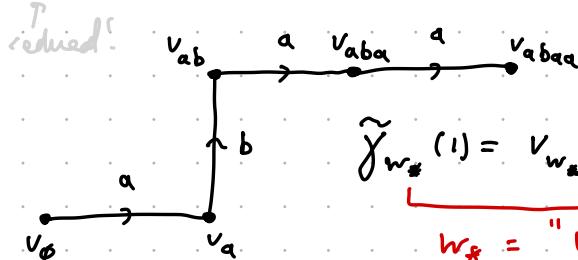
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$$w = abaa\bar{a}$$

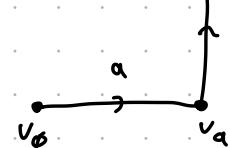


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$$w_* = abaa\bar{a}$$



If w reduced \Rightarrow path w/ no backtracking



$$\tilde{\gamma}_{w_*} (1) = v_{w_*} (= v_{abaaa})$$

w_* = "w reduced"

Prop 1: If w_* is reduced, $\tilde{f}_{w_*}(1) = v_{w_*}$

Prop: Induction

figure 00

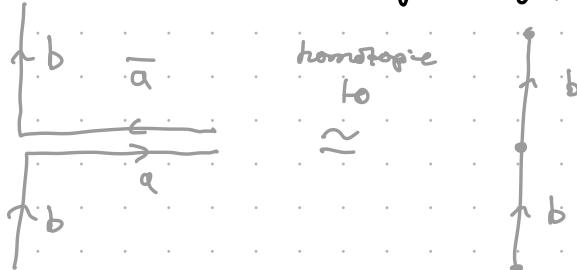
Corollary: If w_* is reduced by not empty, then $\tilde{f}_{w_*} \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$ is not the identity.

Prop: By homotopy lifting, $\tilde{f}_{w_*}(1)$ is independent of the homotopy class of f_{w_*} .

If $f_{w_*} \simeq \text{constant}$, we will have $\tilde{f}_{w_*}(1) = v_\phi$.

Prop 2: If $w \sim w'$, then $f_w \simeq f_{w'}$.

Prop:



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If w is simply equiv to w'

If w is equiv to w' , get a chain of homotopies.

$$f_w \simeq f_{w_1} \simeq \dots \simeq f_{w_n} \simeq f_{w'} \Rightarrow f_w \simeq f_{w'}$$

Prop 3: If $f_w \simeq f_{w'}$, then $w \sim w'$ [equivalent]
non-over... depends where you cancel pairs...

Prop: Have seen seen w & w' each equiv. to reduced words w_* & w'_*

It follows that $\tilde{f}_{w_*} \simeq f_w \simeq f_{w'} \simeq \tilde{f}_{w'_*}$
homotope assumption

If we lift the loops. $\tilde{f}_{w_*} \simeq \tilde{f}_{w'_*}$ are homotopic rel ∂ as paths. So

$$v_{w_*} = \tilde{f}_{w_*}(1) = \tilde{f}_{w'_*}(1) = v_{w'_*}$$

so

$$w \sim w_* = w'_* \sim w' \Rightarrow w \sim w' \text{ equivalent}$$

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Free Groups

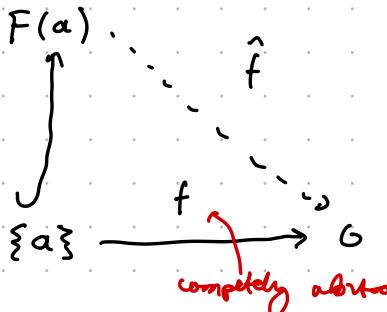
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Let $F(S)$ be a group where S is a set of generators for $F(S)$.

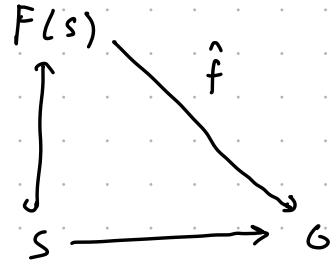
The group $F(S)$ is a free group generated by S for any group G & set map $f: S \rightarrow G$, f extends to a homeomorphism $\hat{f}: F \rightarrow G$ uniquely.

Examples

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(free abelian groups by G restricted to abelian)



The infinite cyclic group generated by $\{a\}$ is the free group $F(a)$ $\{a^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

When is a word a relation in the group? Evaluated in G & Id_G .

One way of viewing free groups is they have no minimal # relations! Say $w \in S \cup \bar{S}$ a word w gives an element w_F in the free group [evaluate in free group] $w = abba\bar{a}$. w also gives an element w_G in G if

$$w_G = f(a)f(b)f(a)f(a)f(\bar{a}) \in G$$

$$w_F = 1$$

$$\text{Then } \hat{f}(w_F) = \hat{f}(1) = 1 \text{ so } w_G = 1$$

$$\hat{f}(w_F) = w_G$$

Free groups are the minimal # of relations to make it a group

Only one identity
 $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$

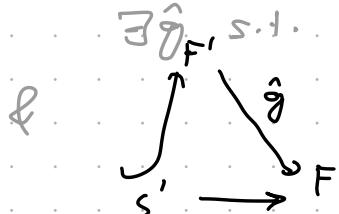
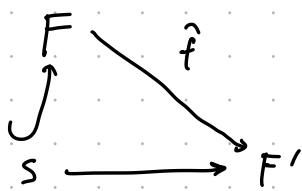
$n \neq 1 \rightarrow$ lots of relations

Prop:

Say that $F(S)$ & $F(S')$ are free groups, generated by sets with $\#S = \#S'$. A bijection $h: S \rightarrow S'$ determines a unique isomorphism $f: F(S) \rightarrow F(S')$ taking $s \in S$ to $h(s) \in S'$.

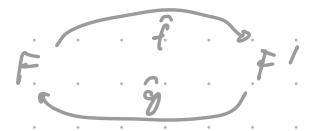
to change in reverse...

Proof:



$$\hat{f}(s') = h^{-1}(s')$$

Want



considers $\hat{g} \circ \hat{j}$

$$\hat{g} \circ \hat{j}(s) = s$$

Uniqueness of \hat{f} leads $\Rightarrow \hat{g} \circ \hat{f} = \text{Id}_F$

$$\& f \circ g = \text{Id}_F.$$

Forced definition

atom. . .

WTF is going
on!

Conclusion: Any two free groups (generated by two elements a & b) are isomorphic.

We've described its properties & they are consistent. But, does it even exist???

A free abelian group does exist.

Does the free group $F(a, b)$ exist? Is there a group that satisfies these properties???

Prop: $\Pi, (\infty, \succ_0)$ is the free group generated by $\{a, b\}$.

We've invented this abstract definition that exactly describes this group!

Proof: Say we have a group G & a pair of elements, $\alpha, \beta \in G$. We need to show that there is a unique homomorphism $f: \Pi, (\infty) \longrightarrow G$ with $f(a) = \alpha$, $f(b) = \beta$. [a, b are two loops] $y w: a b a b b$

Given $w \in \Pi, (\infty)$, we can write w as some word w in a & b . $w = w_{\Pi, (\infty)}$ [evaluated in the group]

Define $h(w) = w_G$

$$h(w) = w_G = \underbrace{\alpha \beta \alpha \beta \beta}_{\text{evaluated in } G}$$

What if we chose a different w' w/ $w = w'_{\Pi, (\infty)}$

WTS w doesn't depend on word choice.

If $w \in \Pi, (\infty)$ is represented by two words w & w' , & $w \sim w$ & $w \sim w'$, $\boxed{\text{PROP 3}} \Rightarrow w \sim w'$ so $w \sim w \sim \dots \sim w \sim w'$. $\xrightarrow{\text{equivalent to}}$

But, if $w_j \sim w_{j+1}$ is a simple equivalence, then

$$(w_j)_G = (w_{j+1})_G$$

$$w_j = \alpha \beta \alpha \bar{\alpha} \beta$$

$$w_{j+1} = \alpha \beta \alpha \bar{\alpha} \beta$$

When you evaluate the word,
the inverse pair evaluates trivially.

\hat{f} def is
well defined

In general \hat{f} is well defined & uniquely determined.
wood(a, b) $\xrightarrow{\alpha \beta}$ score.

\hat{f} is a homomorphism \therefore you stack woods together
& you get composition.

What have we gained? $\pi_1(\infty)$ is the free group on
two generators.

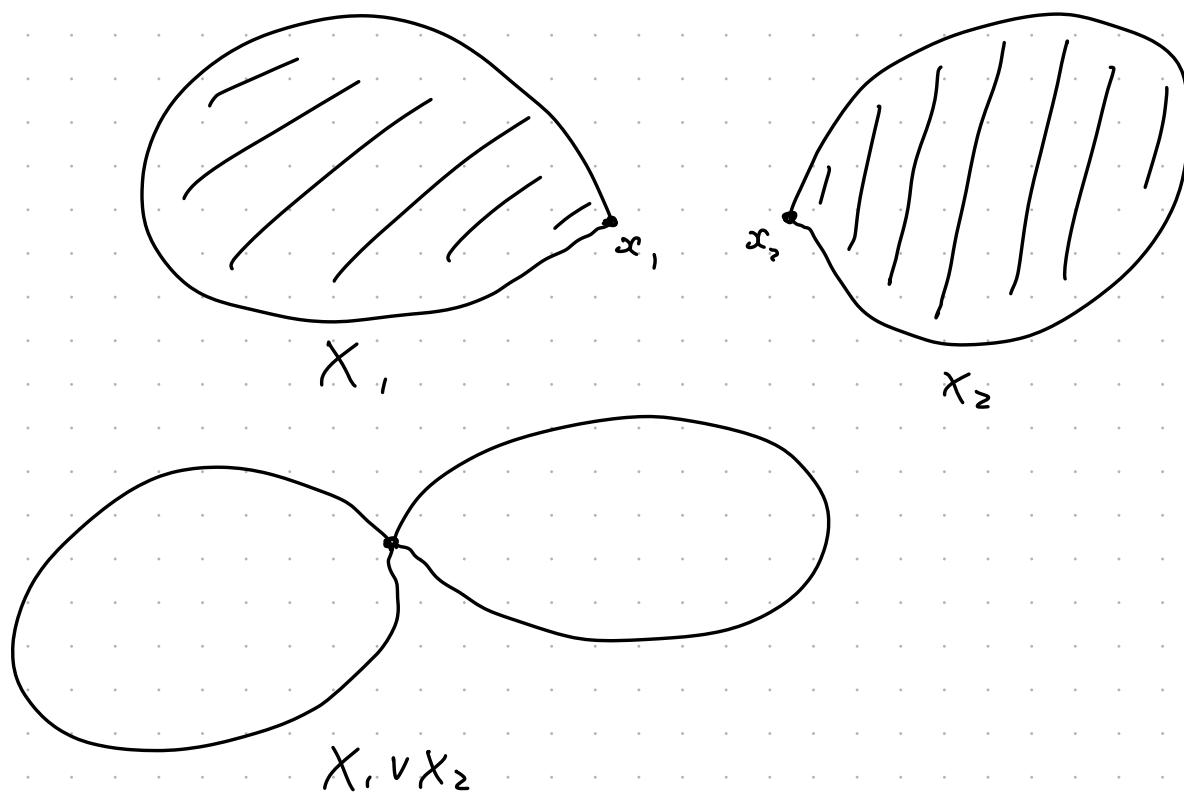
$\pi_1(\infty)$ is reduced words. Take a word, reduce if it
is vague.

Fundamental group of figure ∞ & algebra \mathbb{Q} of
free group of 2 generators works like reduced words.

Fundamental def \longrightarrow positive outcome!

say that (X_1, x_1) & (X_2, x_2) are pointed topological spaces.

Define $X_1 \vee X_2$ to be $X_1 \sqcup X_2 /_{x_1 \sim x_2}$ w/ basepoint $x_1 = x_2$.



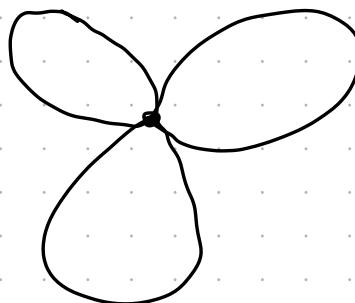
Example

$$S' \vee S' = \infty$$

If we have a collection of spaces indexed by α

$$\bigvee X_\alpha = \bigsqcup_\alpha X_\alpha / \sim \quad \text{where } x_\alpha \sim x_{\alpha'} \text{ if } \alpha, \alpha'$$

The wedge of n circles is the rose w/ n petals



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The fundamental group of the rose w/ n petals is the free group on n generators.

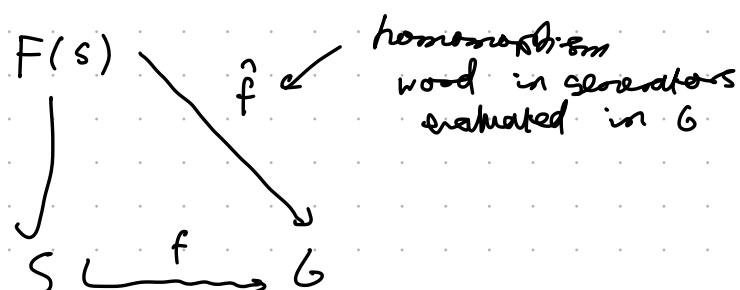
What about the rose w/ infinitely many petals?

Random shit about mate topology. (W complex...)

Let G be a group w/ generating set S
 $\{g \in G \mid g = s_1 s_2 s_3 \dots, s_n \text{ (a word in } S\}$

$F(S)$

T
set of all
reduced words
on elements
of S
free group



By properties of free groups, there is a homomorphism

$$\hat{f}(w) = w_G$$

reduced word evaluated in G

$$w = g_1^{n_1} \cdots g_m^{n_m}$$

$$w_G = \text{multifacet}$$

Since s generates G , f is surjective

$$N \xrightarrow{\quad} F(s) \xrightarrow{\hat{f}} G$$

$$N = \ker(\hat{f})$$

N is a normal subgroup.

The elements of N are relations in G that map to the identity. N is called the relation subgroup.

The 1st isomorphism theorem $\Rightarrow G$ is isomorphic to $F(s)/N$.

$$G \cong \frac{F(s)}{N}$$

so describing N tells us what G is.

How to describe N ?

A set $R \subset N$ normally generates N if the elements of R & all their conjugates generate N .

R is called a complete set of relations.

G is determined by a set of generators

s_1, \dots, s_n & a complete set of relations r_1, \dots, r_m .

we write

$$G = \langle \underbrace{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n}_{\text{generators}} \mid \underbrace{r_1, \dots, r_m}_{\text{relations}} \rangle$$

Examples $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \langle a \mid a^n \rangle$

$$\mathbb{Z} = \langle a \rangle$$

$$\mathbb{Z}^2 = \langle a, b \mid aba^{-1}b^{-1} \rangle$$

$$\text{Dihedral} = \langle a, b \mid a^2 = b^2 = (ab)^n = 1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle a, b \mid a^2 = 1, b^n = 1, aba^{-1} = b^{-1} \rangle$$

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In this setting, there is a covering space \tilde{X}_n of the figure 8 $S^1 \vee S^1$.

$$N \longrightarrow F(a, b) \longrightarrow G$$

$$\frac{F(a, b)}{N} \cong G$$

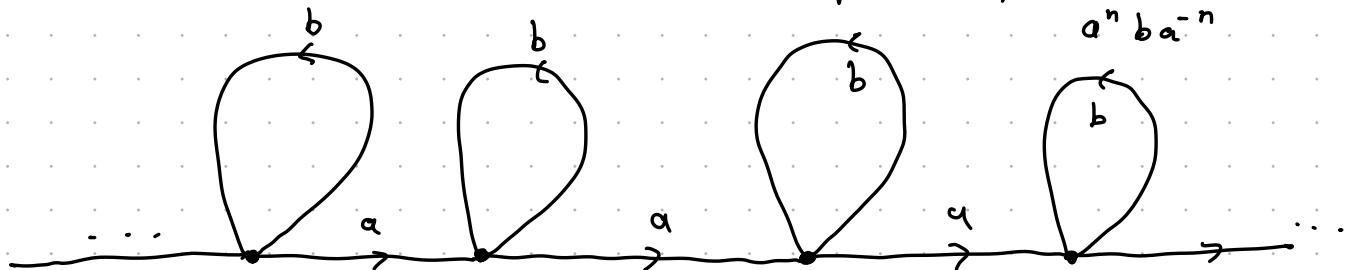
Example 1

$$G = \langle a, b \mid b = 1 \rangle$$

What does \tilde{X}_n look like? N contains all conjugates of b in particular,

$$aba^{-1}$$

$$a^nba^{-n}$$

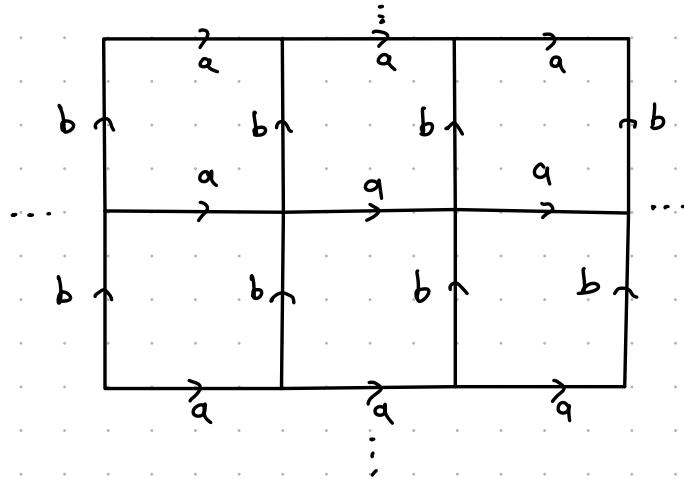


Dehn group acts transitively on vertices. Any vertex can be taken to any other vertex.
Dehn group on covering spaces.

Example 2

$$(aba^{-1}b^{-1} = 1)$$

$$\mathbb{Z}^2 = \langle a, b \mid ab = ba \rangle$$



$$N = \mathbb{Z}^2$$

Dehn group is translation

Van Kampen's Thm tells us how to derive the fundamental group of a space in terms of pieces of the space.

case 1: $X = U_1 \cup U_2$ where U_1, U_2 path connected and $U_1 \cap U_2$ is simply connected.

$$\text{Then } \pi_1(X) = \pi_1(U_1) * \pi_1(U_2)$$

Free product of Groups

say $F = \langle g_1, \dots, g_n | r_1, \dots, r_m \rangle$

$F' = \langle g'_1, \dots, g'_{n'} | r'_1, \dots, r'_{m'} \rangle$

Define $F * F' = \langle g_1, \dots, g_n, g'_1, \dots, g'_{n'} | r_1, \dots, r_m, r'_1, \dots, r'_{m'} \rangle$

Examples

$$\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z} = \langle a \rangle * \langle b \rangle = \langle a, b \rangle$$

$$\{\cdot\} = \{\cdot\} * \{\cdot\} \quad \langle \rangle = \langle \rangle * \langle \rangle$$

$$\text{Example } \pi_1(S^1 \vee S^1) = \pi_1(S^1) * \pi_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}$$

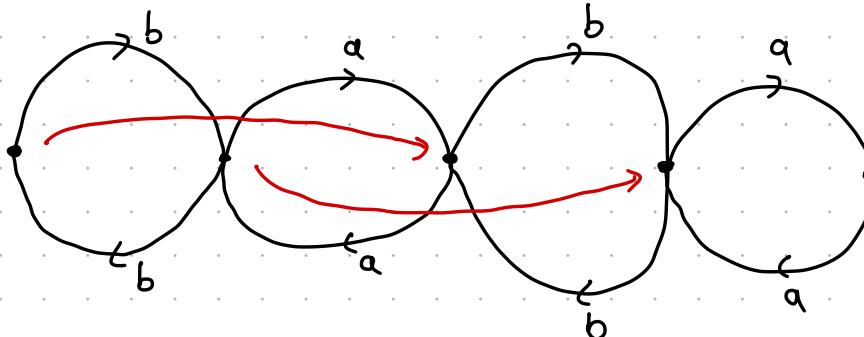
$$\pi_1(S^n) = \{\cdot\} \quad n \geq 3$$

$$\pi_1(\mathbb{RP}^2 \vee \mathbb{RP}^2) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

What does the Cayley graph of $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ look like?

$$\langle a, b | a^2 = b^2 = 1 \rangle$$

Done:



Delet group is any map that preserves labels & directions
so $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

Deletgroup contains $a b, b a = (a b)^{-1}$

Cayley Graph of $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ [Hatcher p. 78]

Groups G, G', H & homeomorphism $f: H \rightarrow G, f': H \rightarrow G'$

say $G = \langle g_1, \dots, g_n | r_1, \dots, r_m \rangle, G' = \langle g'_1, \dots, g'_{n'} | r'_1, \dots, r'_{m'} \rangle$

& H has generators h_1, \dots, h_p . Then

$G *_H G' = \langle g_1, \dots, g_n, g'_1, \dots, g'_{n'} | r_1, \dots, r_m, r'_1, \dots, r'_{m'}, f(h_1) = f'(h_1), \dots, f(h_p) = f'(h_{p'}) \rangle$

Note, $G +_H G'$ depend on $f \& f'$ even though they don't appear

Van Kampen Thm

If $X = U \cup U_2$, U, U_2 open in X , $U \cap U_2$ path connected, then

$$\pi_1(X) = \pi_1(U) *_{\pi_1(U \cap U_2)} \pi_1(U_2)$$

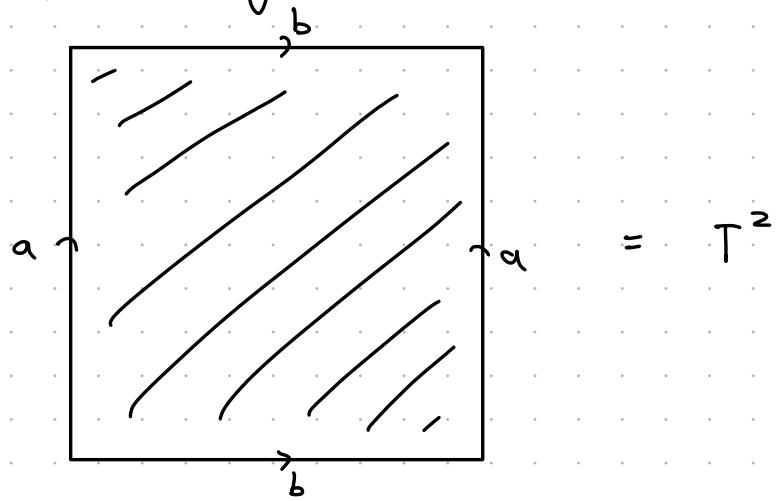
maps given by

$$\pi_1(U) \xleftarrow{(\tau_1)_*} \pi_1(U \cap U_2) \xrightarrow{(\tau_2)_*} \pi_1(U_2)$$

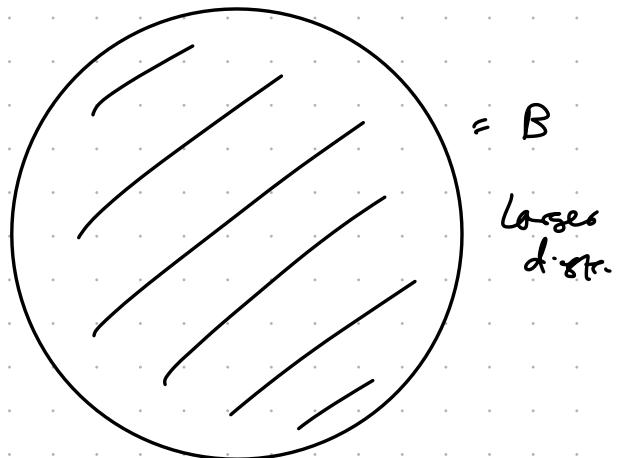
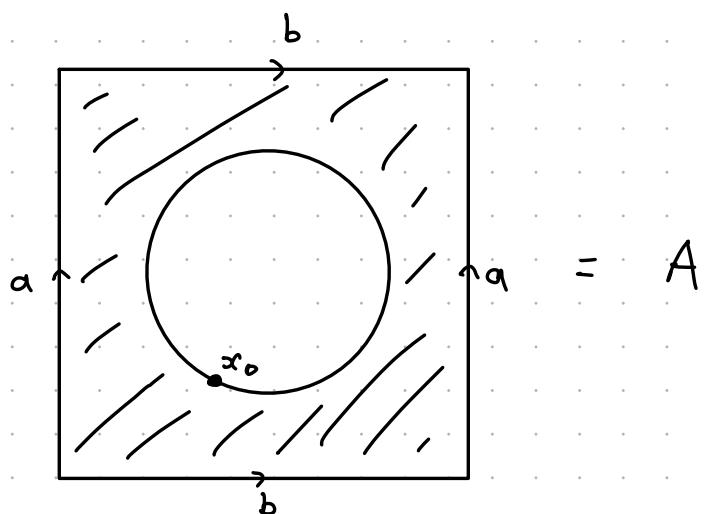
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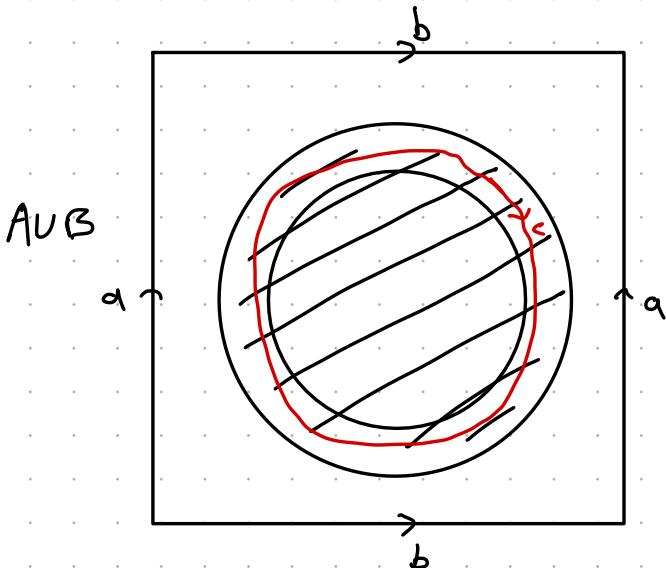
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Remove a disk



is homotopic to
figure 8 $b \circ a$

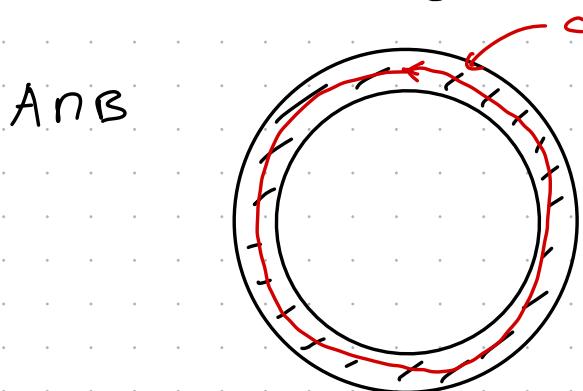


$$\text{---} = B$$

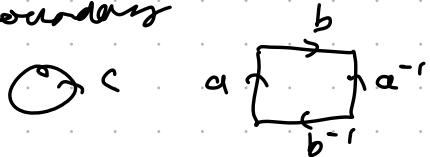
$A \cup B$ covers
the torus
again

$$T^2 = A \cup B$$

$$x_0 \in A \cap B$$



c loop moves to
boundary

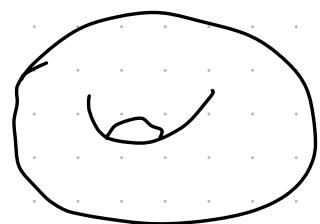
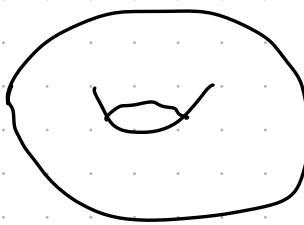
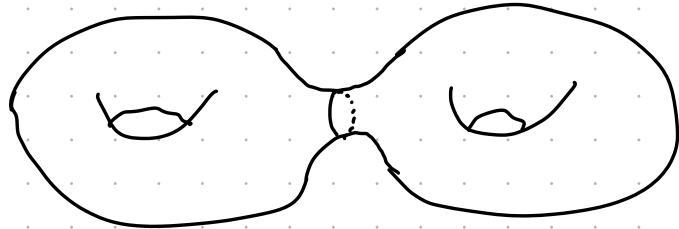


$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \pi_1(A) & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \pi_1(A \cap B) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \pi_1(B) \\
 \pi_1(\infty) & \xleftarrow{f_*} & \pi_1(S^1) & \xrightarrow{f'_*} & \pi_1(D^2) \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 \text{homotopic} & & \text{circle} & & \text{disk} \\
 \text{to } \infty & & & & \\
 a, b & \xleftarrow{\quad aba^{-1}b^{-1}\quad} & c & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \{1\} \\
 & \underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\text{generators, no relations}} & & &
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_1(A) * \pi_1(A \cap B) &= \langle a, b \mid f_*(c) = f'_*(c) \rangle \\
 &= \langle a, b \mid aba^{-1}b^{-1} = 1 \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

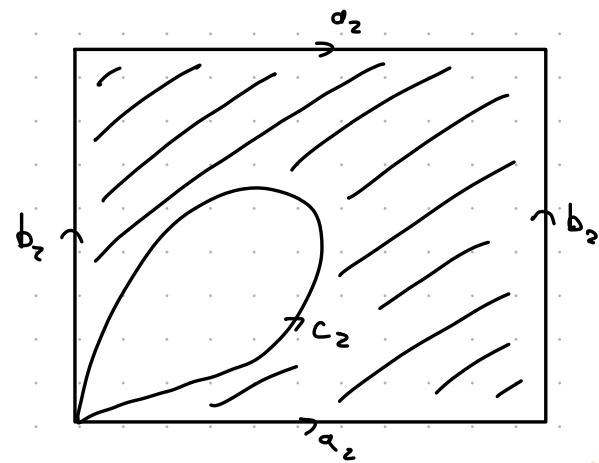
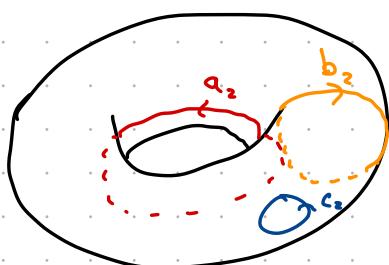
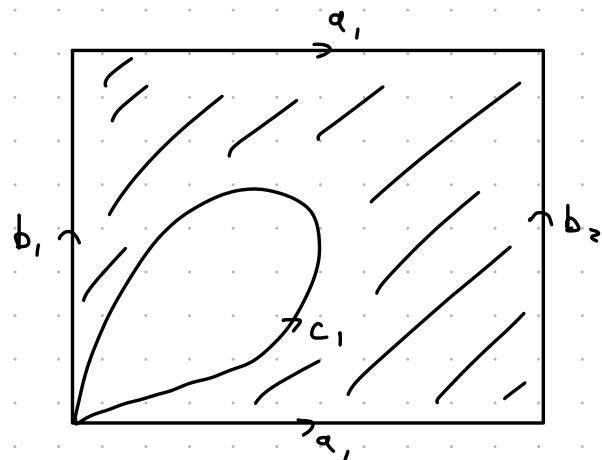
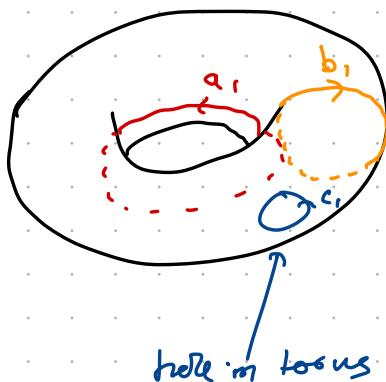
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the torus.

Surface of Genus 2

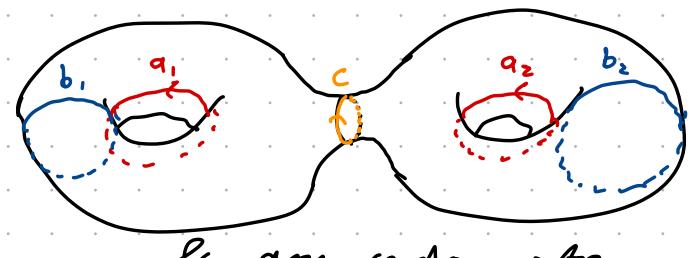
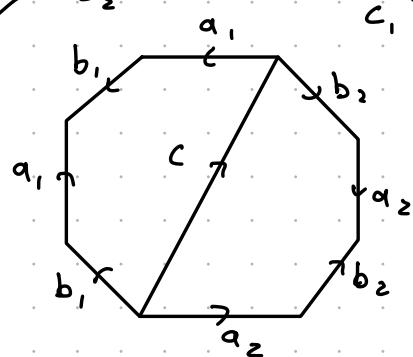
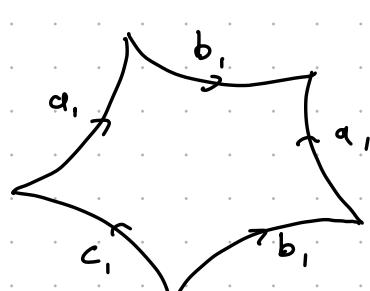
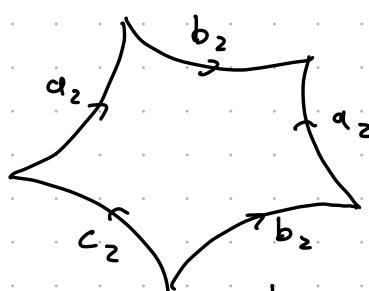


$$= M_2 \quad [\text{genus}]$$

Generators a_1, b_1 horizontal & vertical

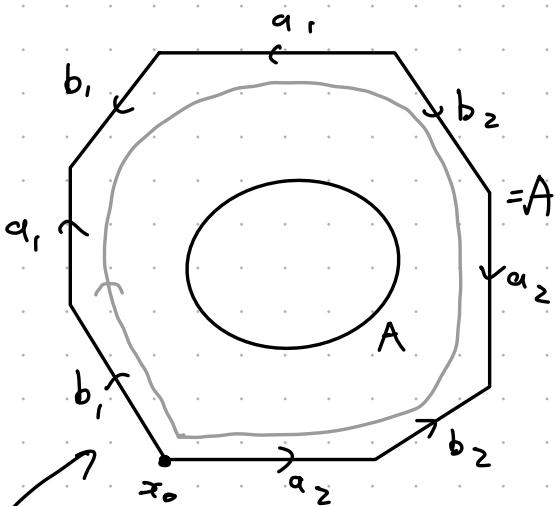


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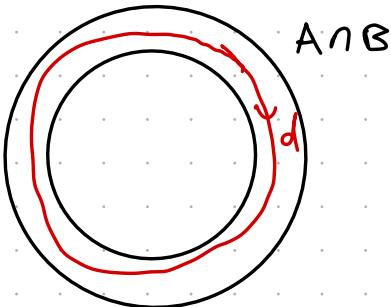
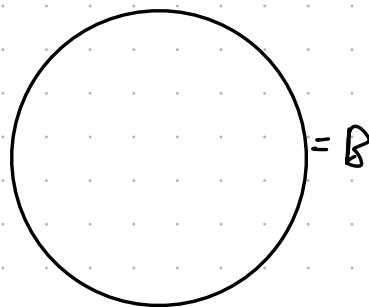


c is used to connect so can ignore it. If you include, you have two darts, want just one!

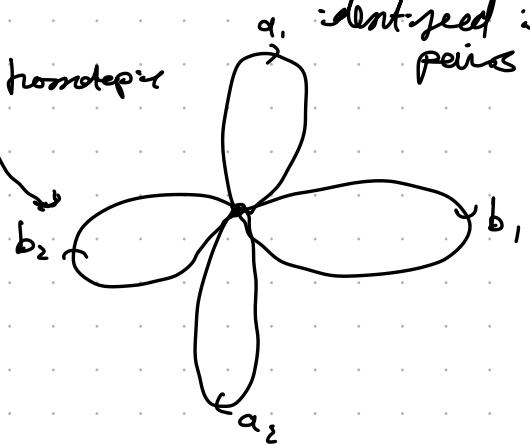
& any combo works...



Calc fundamental group using
Same tactic as before



$\pi_1(A) = \text{free group on } 4 \text{ generators}$
 a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2
identified in pairs



$\pi_1(A)$

$\pi_1(A \cap B)$

$\pi_1(B)$

$$b_1 a_1 b_1^{-1} a_1^{-1} b_2 a_2 b_2^{-1} b_2^{-1} \longleftrightarrow d \longleftrightarrow \{1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \pi_1(M_2) &= \pi_1(S' \cup S' \cup S' \cup S') *_{cd} \{1\} \\ &= \langle a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \mid \underbrace{b_1 a_1 b_1^{-1} a_1^{-1}}_{[a_1, b_1]}, \underbrace{b_2 a_2 b_2^{-1} b_2^{-1}}_{[a_2, b_2]} = 1 \rangle \\ &\quad \text{commutators} \end{aligned}$$

Thm: If the free group on n generators is isomorphic to the free group on m generators, then $n=m$.

Poof: Consider $F(a_1, \dots, a_n)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F(a_1, \dots, a_n) & \xrightarrow{\hat{f}} & \{0, 1\} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ a_1, \dots, a_n & \xrightarrow{f} & \{0, 1\} \end{array}$$

Evaluate $\text{Hom}(F(a_1, \dots, a_n), \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})$

cardinality of this set of homomorphisms is 2^n .

Prn: For any group G , \exists space X (cw complex)
built by attaching disks to a graph S -t.

$$\pi_1(X) = G$$

Pf: Every group gets a representation. Use that.