

Def: given a surjective map $f: X \twoheadrightarrow A$ (eg. $A = X/\sim$), the quotient topology on Y has $U \subset A$ open $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(U) \subset X$ open.

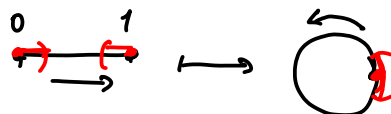
Say f is a quotient map (= surjective map st. U open $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(U)$ open).

Quotient topology = the finest topology on A st. f is continuous.

Ex: $S^1 \simeq [0,1]$ with 0 glued to 1: set $0 \sim 1$ so $\{0,1\}$ is one equiv.-class. (all others are just $\{x\}$).

The quotient map is $f: [0,1] \rightarrow S^1$

$$t \mapsto (\cos 2\pi t, \sin 2\pi t)$$

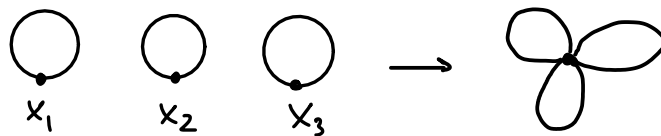


(Check! away from the end points f is a homeo $(0,1) \xrightarrow{\sim} S^1 - \{(1,0)\}$. so only need to check at 0 & 1. The point is: $U \ni (1,0)$ open in $S^1 \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(U) \supset \{0,1\}$ open in $[0,1]$.)

Ex: $X_1, \dots, X_n$ top. spaces each $X_i \simeq S^1$, pick one point $x_i \in X_i \forall i$.

Consider the quotient space of $\coprod X_i$ by the equivalence relation $x_i \sim x_j \forall i, j$.

(glue the X_i at their base points). This is called the wedge of the circle $X_1, \dots, X_n$.



* There is a useful characterization of continuous maps from a quotient space:

if $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a map st. $x \sim x' \Rightarrow f(x) = f(x')$,

then we can define $\bar{f}: X/\sim \rightarrow Y$ by $\bar{f}([x]) = f(x)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X/\sim & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}} Y \\ p \uparrow & & \downarrow f \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \end{array}$$

Thm: Equipping $X/\sim$ with the quotient topology, the above gives a bijection

$$\{f: X \rightarrow Y \text{ continuous s.t. } x \sim x' \Rightarrow f(x) = f(x')\} \xleftrightarrow{1-1} \{\bar{f}: X/\sim \rightarrow Y \text{ continuous}\}$$

ie.: $\bar{f}: X/\sim \rightarrow Y$ is continuous $\Leftrightarrow f = p \circ \bar{f}$ is continuous

Pf: $\Rightarrow$ because $p: X \rightarrow X/\sim$ is continuous. So: $\bar{f}$ continuous $\Rightarrow f = \bar{f} \circ p$ continuous.

$\Leftarrow$: let $p: X \rightarrow X/\sim$ the quotient map, and recall $\bar{f}([x]) = f(x)$

$$x \mapsto [x] \quad (\text{indep. of } x \in [x])$$

So $\bar{f} \circ p = f$. Hence: $\forall U \subset Y$ open, $f^{-1}(U) = p^{-1}(\bar{f}^{-1}(U)) \subset X$ is open.

By definition of the quotient topology, we conclude that $\bar{f}^{-1}(U) \subset X/\sim$ is open. $\square$

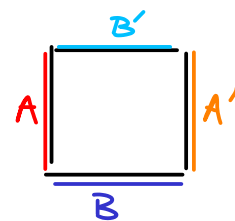
($\forall V \subset X/\sim$ open $\Leftrightarrow p^{-1}(V) \subset X$ open).

Ex: $X = \mathbb{R}^{n+1} - \{0\}$, define an equivalence relation $x \sim y$ iff x, y lie on the same line through the origin, ie. $x = \alpha y$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha \neq 0$. This is an equivalence relation. The quotient space is projective n -space, $\mathbb{RP}^n = X/\sim$ with quotient topology. ('space of lines through 0 in $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ ')

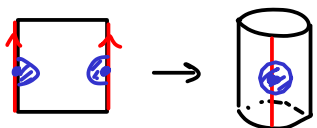
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If Y is another top space, then a continuous map $\bar{f}: \mathbb{RP}^n \rightarrow Y$ is the same thing as a continuous map $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} - \{0\} \rightarrow Y$ st- $f(\alpha x) = f(x) \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}, \forall x \in X$.
(more about $\mathbb{RP}^n$ on HW4)

Ex: Various quotients of the unit square $X = [0,1]^2$: let the edges be $A = \{0\} \times [0,1]$, A' , B , B'

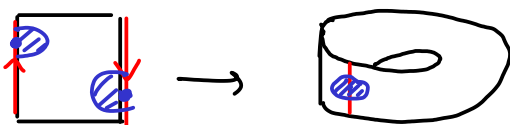


1) gluing A to A' by $(0,t) \sim (1,t)$, get a cylinder

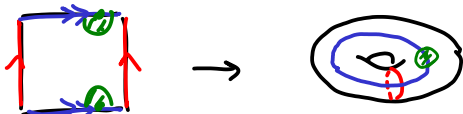


A neighborhood of a point on the gluing line corresponds to two neighborhoods of $(0,t) \in A$ and $(1,t) \in A'$ in X .

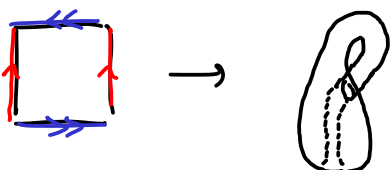
2) if instead we glue A to A' by $(0,t) \sim (1,1-t)$, we get a Möbius band!



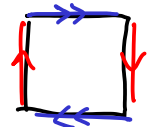
3) gluing A to A' via $(0,t) \sim (1,t)$ and B to B' by $(s,0) \sim (s,1)$ gives us the torus



4) gluing $(0,t) \sim (1,t)$ and $(s,0) \sim (1-s,1)$, however, gives the Klein bottle, which cannot be embedded in $\mathbb{R}^3$ (can draw a picture that self-intersects).



5) gluing $(0,t) \sim (1,1-t)$ and $(s,0) \sim (1-s,1)$ is tricky to visualize, but the quotient is actually homeomorphic to $\mathbb{RP}^2$.



Homotopy = notion of continuous deformation, parametrized by $I = [0,1]$. (Numbers §51)

Def: $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$ two continuous maps. A homotopy between f and g is a continuous map $H: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ st. $H(x,0) = f(x) \quad \forall x \in X$.
(the "time" variable in the homotopy) $H(x,1) = g(x)$

If this exists, then say f and g are homotopic and write $f \simeq g$.

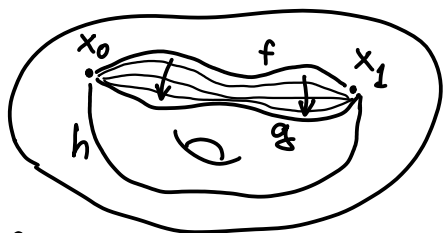
If f is homotopic to a constant map, we say it is nullhomotopic.

We'll want to study paths in top spaces, ie $f: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ continuous, $f(0) = x_0, f(1) = x_1$.

The above notion is not useful for paths if we don't fix the end points x_0 & x_1 (see HW4). ③

Better notion: homotopy of paths only considers homotopies which keep the end points in place.

(General notion: pairs (X, A) $A \subset X$ subspace, maps of pairs $(X, A) \xrightarrow{f} (Y, B)$: $f(A) \subset B$)



$f \simeq_p g$ homotopic paths
 h not homotopic to f & g .

Def: Two paths $f, g: I \rightarrow X$ from x_0 to x_1 are (path) homotopic if $\exists$ continuous $H: I \times I \rightarrow X$ st. $H(s, 0) = f(s)$, $H(s, 1) = g(s)$ (homotopy) and $H(0, t) = x_0$, $H(1, t) = x_1$ (fix end points: so $\forall t \in [0, 1]$, $f_t = H|_{I \times \{t\}}$ is a path from x_0 to x_1)
 Such H is a path homotopy, and we write $f \simeq_p g$.

Lemma: $\simeq$ and $\simeq_p$ are equivalence relations.

Pf:

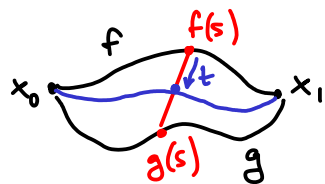
- clearly $f \simeq f$ (constant homotopy $H(x, t) = f(x)$).
- if $f \simeq g$ with homotopy $F(x, t)$, then the reverse homotopy $G(x, t) = F(x, 1-t)$ gives $g \simeq f$.
- Assume $f \simeq g$ with homotopy $F(x, t)$ then the concatenation of these is $g \simeq h$ ——— $G(x, t)$

$$H: X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow Y \text{ defined by } H(x, t) = \begin{cases} F(x, 2t) & \text{if } t \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ G(x, 2t-1) & \text{if } t \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$$

These two formulas agree at $t = \frac{1}{2}$ ($F(x, 1) = g(x) = G(x, 0)$) so H is well-defined and continuous (cf "pasting lemma" Thm 18.3), and gives a homotopy $f \simeq h$.

• In the case of path homotopies, can check the above constructions preserve the requirements $F(0, t) = x_0$ & $F(1, t) = x_1$, so yield path homotopies. $\square$

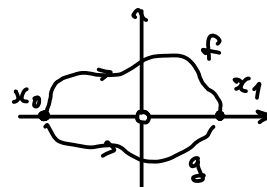
Ex: 1) IF f, g are paths in $\mathbb{R}^n$ (or any convex subset of $\mathbb{R}^n$) from x_0 to x_1 , we can define the straight-line homotopy $F(s, t) = (1-t)f(s) + tg(s)$



For each s , this connects $f(s)$ to $g(s)$ by a straight line segment. We conclude: $f \simeq_p g$ always!

2) in the punctured plane $X = \mathbb{R}^2 - \{(0, 0)\}$, let f, g be paths from $(-1, 0)$ to $(1, 0)$ st. f stays in the upper half plane $\{(x, y) | y \geq 0\}$
 g ——— lower ——— $y \leq 0$

Then there is no homotopy between f & g in X . (we'll prove this rigorously later).



Def. Spaces X, Y are homotopy equivalent if $\exists f: X \rightarrow Y$ st. $f \circ g \simeq id_Y$ and $g \circ f \simeq id_X$ and (4)

(check: this is an equiv^e relation)

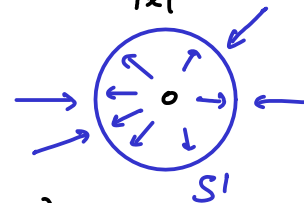
homotopic (vs. exact inverse would be homeo).

Def. X is contractible if X is homotopy eq. to $\{\text{point}\}$.

Ex. $\mathbb{R}^n$ (or a convex subset of $\mathbb{R}^n$) is contractible: ie. $\{0\} \xrightleftharpoons[r: x \mapsto 0]{i}$ $\mathbb{R}^n$
check $i \circ r = \text{zero map}$ is homotopic to $id_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ by $H(x, t) = tx$.

Ex. $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$ is not contractible, but homotopy eq. to S^1 , via $S^1 \xrightleftharpoons[r: x \mapsto \frac{x}{|x|}]{i}$ $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$
 r is a deformation retraction of $X = \mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$ onto its

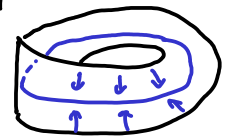
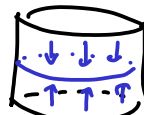
subset $A = S^1 \subset X$, ie. $\begin{cases} \bullet r: X \rightarrow A \\ \bullet r|_A = id_A \text{ (ie. } r \circ i = id_A) \\ \bullet i \circ r: X \rightarrow A \subset X \text{ is } \simeq id_X. \end{cases}$
(this is called a retraction; less useful!)
(the "deformation")



(in this case, $i \circ r(x) = \frac{x}{|x|}$ homotopic to id by straight line homotopy)

Deformation retraction is a useful special case of homotopy equiv^e

By the same argument the cylinder $S^1 \times I$

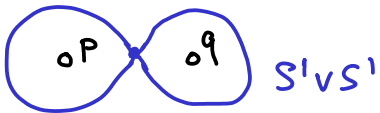


deformation retract onto "middle" S^1 by sliding points of $[a, 1]$ to midpoint.

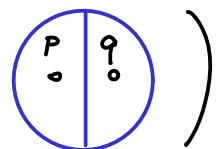
(check: this is consistent with the twisted gluing of $I \times I$, $(0, y) \sim (1, 1-y)$).

hence they are homotopy equivalent to S^1 (and to each other and to $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$).

Ex. $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{p, q\}$ deformation retracts onto wedge of two S^1 's ("figure 8" space)

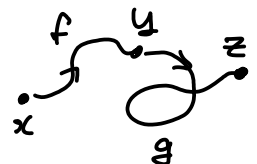


(or also on "theta graph"
(hky eq. to ∞ , not homeo!))



We now focus on paths and path-homotopy as a way to define an algebraic int^t of top. spaces (up to homotopy equiv^e): the fundamental group. A group needs a multiplication?

Def. if f is a path from x to y and g is a path from y to z ,
define a path $f * g$ from x to z by running through first f then
 g (twice as fast): $(f * g)(s) = \begin{cases} f(2s) & \text{if } s \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ g(2s-1) & \text{if } s \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$

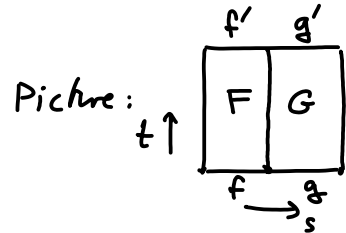


This product is well-defined on path-homotopy classes, as long as $f(1) = g(0)$:

if $f \simeq_p f'$ and $g \simeq_p g'$ then $f * g \simeq_p f' * g'$

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using homotopy $(F * G)(s, t) = \begin{cases} F(2s, t) & s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ G(2s-1, t) & s \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$



So we define $[f] * [g] = [f * g]$

Claim: this operation is associative, and has identity & inverses.

→ the "fundamental groupoid" of X : category with objects = points of X

and $\text{Mor}(x, y) = \{\text{path homotopy classes of paths } x \rightarrow y\}$.

{ category: composition is associative + $\exists$ identity morphisms $x \rightarrow x$
groupoid: all morphisms have inverses.

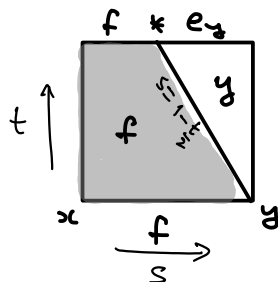
* Identity: given $x \in X$, consider the constant path $e_x: I \rightarrow X$, $e_x(s) = x \forall s$, & let $\text{id}_x = [e_x]$.

We claim that if f is any path from x to y , then $[f] * \text{id}_y = \text{id}_x * [f] = [f]$.

Indeed, there are explicit homotopies

$$f \simeq_p (f * e_y)$$

& similarly, $(e_x * f) \simeq_p f$.



$$F(s, t) = \begin{cases} f(\frac{s}{1-t/2}) & s \in [0, 1-\frac{t}{2}] \\ y & s \in [1-\frac{t}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$$

* Inverse: given a path f from x to y , define the reverse path $\bar{f}(s) = f(1-s)$ from y to x .

$[\bar{f}]$ is inverse to $[f]$, namely $e_x \simeq_p f * \bar{f}$ and $e_y \simeq_p \bar{f} * f$. Indeed:

$F(s, t) = \begin{cases} f(2ts) & s \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ f(2t(1-s)) & s \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$

for given t this runs forward along f from $f(0) = x$ to $f(t)$ at $s = \frac{1}{2}$

then backwards to $f(0) = x$ at $s = 1$. For $t = 0$ get e_x

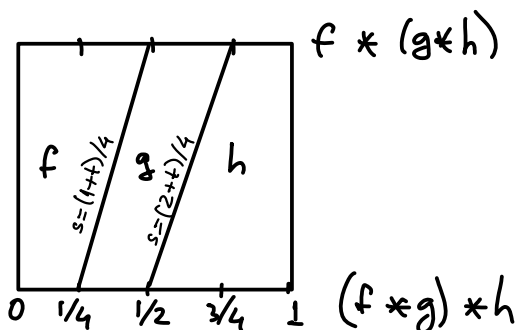
(Similarly for $e_y \simeq_p \bar{f} * f$).

$$t = 1 \quad f * \bar{f}$$

* Associativity: given paths f, g, h with $f(1) = g(0)$ and $g(1) = h(0)$, claim

$(f * g) * h \simeq_p f * (g * h)$. Both run along f then g then h , but with

different parametrizations. The homotopy comes from adjusting for this:



$$\text{Let } F(s, t) = \begin{cases} f(\frac{4s}{1+t}) & s \in [0, \frac{1+t}{4}] \\ g(4s - (1+t)) & s \in [\frac{1+t}{4}, \frac{2+t}{4}] \\ h(\frac{4s - (2+t)}{2-t}) & s \in [\frac{2+t}{4}, 1] \end{cases}$$