

# Homotopy Invariance

Goal:  $f: X \rightarrow Y \rightsquigarrow f_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y)$

&  $f$  a hom. eq.  $\Rightarrow f_*$  an isom.

First:  $f \rightsquigarrow f_\# : C_n(X) \rightarrow C_n(Y)$

$$\sigma \mapsto f \circ \sigma$$

Have:  $f_\# \partial = \partial f_\#$

$$\dots \xrightarrow{\partial} C_{n+1}(X) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_n(X) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_{n-1}(X) \xrightarrow{\partial} \dots$$

$$\dots \xrightarrow{\partial} C_{n+1}(Y) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_n(Y) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_{n-1}(Y) \xrightarrow{\partial} \dots$$

$f_\#$  called a chain map. It takes cycles to cycles,  $\partial$  to  $\partial$

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$\rightsquigarrow$  induced map

$$f_* : H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y).$$

Facts.  $(fg)_* = f_* g_*$

$$\text{id}_* = \text{id}$$

Thm.  $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$  homotopic

$$\Rightarrow f_* = g_*$$

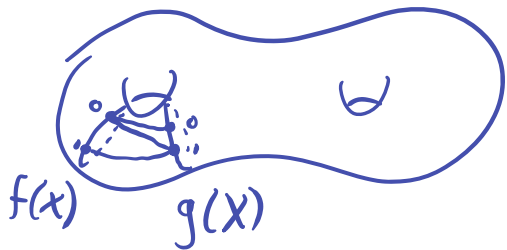
Cor.  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  hom eq

$$\Rightarrow f_* \text{ is } \cong$$

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Idea.  $X = S^1$   $Y = M_2$

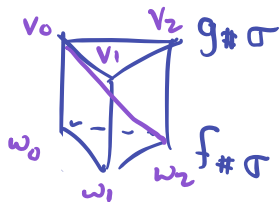


$f_* = g_*$  means  $f_*(S^1) - g_*(S^1)$

is a boundary. In the example, it is the boundary of a cylinder.

Call this sum  $P(\sigma)$

Pf. For  $\sigma$  any singular  $n$ -simplex in  $X$ . The homotopy gives a prism in  $Y$



Label the vertices on top by  $v_0, \dots, v_n$   
bot by  $w_0, \dots, w_n$

$\Delta^n \times I$  decomposes as sum of

$$[v_0, \dots, v_i, w_i, \dots, w_n]$$

Check  $\partial(\Delta^n \times I) = \text{top} - \text{bottom}$ .



Algebraically: We just defined a

$$\text{map } P: C_n(X) \rightarrow C_{n+1}(Y)$$

$$\sigma \rightarrow P(\sigma)$$

$$\text{with } \partial P = g_{\#} - f_{\#} - P\partial$$

$\uparrow$  top    $\uparrow$  bot    $\uparrow$  sides

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \dots & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_{n+1}(X) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_n(X) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_{n-1}(X) \rightarrow \dots \\
 & & \downarrow f_{\#} & \swarrow P & \downarrow f_{\#} & \swarrow P & \downarrow f_{\#} \\
 \dots & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_{n+1}(Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_n(Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_{n-1}(Y) \rightarrow \dots
 \end{array}$$

$\uparrow$  Chain homotopy.

The thm follows:

If  $\alpha \in C_n(X)$  is a cycle then

$$g_{\#}(\alpha) - f_{\#}(\alpha) = \partial P(\alpha) + P\partial(\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow (g_{\#} - f_{\#})(\alpha) \text{ is a } \partial$$

$$\Rightarrow g_*(\alpha) = f_*(\alpha).$$

□

Four goals

- ① Contracting subcomplex
- ①' Long-ex seq for a pair
- ② Excision
- ③ Mayer-Vietoris.

# ① Collapsing a Subcomplex

Thm.  $(X, A)$  is a CW pair

There is an exact seq.

$$\dots \rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} \tilde{H}_n(X) \xrightarrow{q_*} \tilde{H}_n(X/A)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_{n-1}(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} \tilde{H}_{n-1}(X) \xrightarrow{q_*} \tilde{H}_{n-1}(X/A)$$

$$\dots \xrightarrow{q_*} \tilde{H}_0(X/A) \rightarrow 0$$

where  $i: A \hookrightarrow X$

$q: X \rightarrow X/A$

$\partial = ?$

Cor.  $\tilde{H}_i(S^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Pf. Take  $X = D^n$   
 $A = S^{n-1} \rightsquigarrow X/A = S^n$

Induction on  $n$ .

$\tilde{H}_0(S^0) = \mathbb{Z}$ .

Let  $n > 0$ . By Thm:

~~$\dots \rightarrow \tilde{H}_i(D^n) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_i(S^n) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_{i-1}(S^{n-1}) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_{i-1}(D^n)$~~

$0 \Rightarrow \tilde{H}_i(S^n) \cong \tilde{H}_{i-1}(S^{n-1}) \quad 0$

## Application

### Brouwer Fixed Pt Thm

Any map  $f: D^n \rightarrow D^n$   
has a fixed pt

Pf. Assume  $f$  has no  
fixed pt

→ retraction

$$r: D^n \rightarrow S^{n-1}$$



retraction means:

$$S^{n-1} \xrightarrow{i} D^n \xrightarrow{r} S^{n-1} \quad \text{compos. is id}$$

$$\Rightarrow r_* i_* = \text{id.}$$

$$\text{but } \tilde{H}_{n-1}(D^n) = 0 \quad \text{contrad.} \quad \square$$

Same as  $n=2$  case

with  $\pi_1$  replaced by  $H_{n-1}$ .

Will prove an alternate version  
of the theorem first: (1')

## Relative Homology

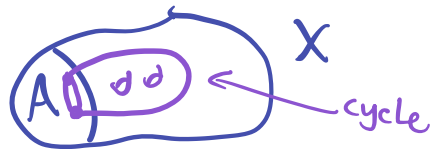
$$A \subseteq X \rightsquigarrow C_n(X, A) = C_n(X) / C_n(A)$$

Since  $\partial$  takes  $C_n(A)$  to  $C_{n-1}(A)$  have:

$$\dots \rightarrow C_n(X, A) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(X, A) \rightarrow \dots$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  relative homology gps  $H_n(X, A)$ .

Elt's of  $H_n(X, A)$  are relative cycles:



Will show:  $H_n(X, A) \cong H_n(X/A)$

Thm 1'. Long ex. seq.

$$\begin{aligned} \dots &\rightarrow H_n(A) \rightarrow H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X, A) \\ &\rightarrow H_{n-1}(A) \rightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

Proof is "diagram chasing"

Thm 1'. Long ex. seq.

$$\begin{aligned} \dots \rightarrow H_n(A) &\xrightarrow{i_*} H_n(X) \xrightarrow{q_*} H_n(X,A) \\ \downarrow \partial & \rightarrow H_{n-1}(A) \rightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

