

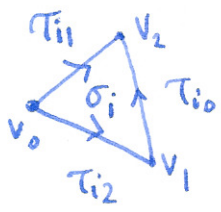
so $\sum \sigma_i = \sum \gamma_i \sigma_i \gamma_i^{-1} \sim \gamma_1 \sigma_1 \gamma_1^{-1} \dots \gamma_n \sigma_n \gamma_n^{-1}$ single loop in $\pi_1(X, x_0)$.
 therefore $\exists$ loop $\alpha \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$ s.t. $h(\alpha) \approx \sum \sigma_i$.

check $\ker(h) = [\pi_1(X), \pi_1(X)]$

$H_1(X)$ abelian, so $[\pi_1(X), \pi_1(X)] \subseteq \ker(h)$.

want to show, if $[f] \in \pi_1(X)$ s.t. $[f] \in \ker(h)$, then $[f] \in [\pi_1(X), \pi_1(X)]$

$[f] \in \ker(h) \Rightarrow [f]$ bounds a 2-chain $\sum u_i \sigma_i$, wlog each $u_i = \pm 1$.

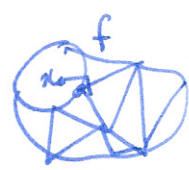


$$f = \partial(\sum u_i \sigma_i) = \sum u_i \partial(\sigma_i) = \sum_{i,j} (-1)^j u_i \tau_{ij}$$

so we can pair off all of the edges, except one corresponding to f .

we can identify the paired edges to form a 2-complex $K, \sigma: K \rightarrow X$.

we can homotope σ s.t. each vertex gets homotyped to x_0 .



e.g. take maximal tree T in 1-skeleton containing x_0 .

use: homotopy extension property

Defn (X, A) has the homotopy extension property if every map

$X \times \{0\} \cup A \times I \rightarrow Y$ can be extended to a map $X \times I \rightarrow Y$.

Propn If (X, A) is a CW-pair then (X, A) has the homotopy extension property $\square$.

so in $\pi_1(X)_{ab}$: $[f] = \sum_{i,j} (-1)^j u_i [\tau_{ij}] = \sum u_i \partial \sigma_i$

where $[\partial \sigma_i] = [\tau_{10} + \tau_{11} + \tau_{12}]$. σ_i gives a null homotopy of

$\tau_{10} - \tau_{11} + \tau_{12}$ (as loops!). $\Rightarrow [f] = 0$ in $\pi_1(X)_{ab}$. $\square$.

Fact we can match edges in pairs to form a surface (not just 2-complex),
 boundary of surface is a commutator. Exercise $f = \partial(\sum u_i \sigma_i)$ $u_i = \pm 1 \Rightarrow$ surface is orientable.

Homotopy invariance

Thm Homotopy equivalent spaces have isomorphic fundamental groups.

In fact: $f: X \rightarrow Y$ induces a homomorphism $f_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y)$ for each n , and $f \triangleq g \Rightarrow f_* = g_*$ as homomorphisms.

Proof. $f: X \rightarrow Y$ determines $f_{\#}: C_n(X) \rightarrow C_n(Y)$

$$(\sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow X) \mapsto f\sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow Y.$$

extend linearly: $\sum u_i \sigma_i \mapsto \sum u_i f\sigma_i$

note:

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

$$\downarrow f_{\#} \quad \downarrow f_{\#} \quad \downarrow f_{\#}$$

$$\dots \rightarrow C_{n+1}(Y) \rightarrow C_n(Y) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(Y) \rightarrow \dots \quad \text{commutes.}$$

$$f_{\#} \partial = \partial f_{\#}.$$

check:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\#} \partial(\sigma) &= f_{\#} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \sigma | [v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_n] \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i f\sigma | [v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_n] = \partial(f\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

Defn $f_{\#}: C_n(X) \rightarrow C_n(Y)$ is a chain map if $\partial f_{\#} = f_{\#} \partial$.

claim: $f_{\#}$ induces a homomorphism $f_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y)$.

$$C_{n+1}(X) \rightarrow C_n(X) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(X)$$

check: cycles $\mapsto$ cycles.

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$$C_{n+1}(Y) \rightarrow C_n(Y) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(Y)$$

i.e. $\partial \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \partial f_{\#} \alpha = 0$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \alpha & \xrightarrow{\partial} & 0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow f_{\#} \partial \\ f_{\#} \alpha & \xrightarrow{\partial} & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\partial f_{\#} \alpha = 0 \quad \checkmark$$