

① INDEX VS DEGREE

PROP (1.32) SUPPOSE $p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0)$ IS A PATH CONNECTED COVER. THEN

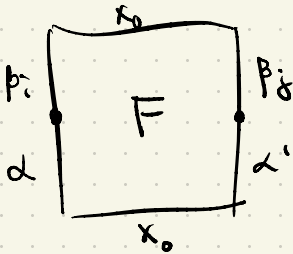
$$\text{deg}(p) = [\pi_1(X, x_0) : p_* (\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))]$$

PROOF: LET $\{\tilde{x}_i\}_i = p^{-1}(x_0)$. PICK [ARBITRARY] CHOICE! PATHS $\tilde{\beta}_i: I \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ FROM \tilde{x}_0 TO \tilde{x}_i . DEFINE $\beta_i = p \circ \tilde{\beta}_i$. NOTE $\beta_i \in \text{LOOPS}(X, x_0)$.

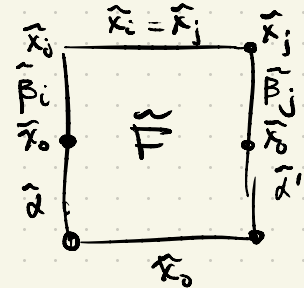
SET $G = \pi_1(X, x_0)$, $H = p_* (\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$. NOTE $[\beta_0] \in H$.

CLAIM (1): $H \cdot [\beta_i] = H \cdot [\beta_j]$ IFF $i=j$.

PROOF: SUPPOSE $H[\beta_i] = H[\beta_j]$. SO THERE ARE $\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\alpha}' \in \text{LOOPS}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$ SO THAT, TAKING $\alpha = p \circ \tilde{\alpha}$, $\alpha' = p \circ \tilde{\alpha}'$, WE HAVE $\alpha * \beta_i \stackrel{\cong}{=} \alpha' * \beta_j$ VIA F.



WE APPLY (1.32) TO OBTAIN



SKIP

SO $\tilde{x}_i = \tilde{x}_j$ BY UNIQUENESS OF LIFTING. SO $i=j$ ①

CLAIM (2) FOR ANY $[\alpha] \in G$, THERE IS i SO THAT $[\alpha] \in H[\beta_i]$.

PROOF: LIFT α TO $\tilde{\alpha}: I \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ WITH $\tilde{\alpha}(0) = \tilde{x}_0$.

SO $\tilde{\alpha}(1) \in p^{-1}(x_0)$. SO THERE IS SOME i WITH $\tilde{\alpha}(1) = \tilde{x}_i$. LET $\tilde{\gamma}$ BE THE REVERSE OF $\tilde{\beta}_i$.

SKIP

SO $\tilde{\alpha} * \tilde{\gamma} \in \text{LOOPS}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$. SO $[p \cdot (\tilde{\alpha} * \tilde{\gamma})] \in H$
 THAT IS $[\alpha][\beta]^{-1} \in H$ AND SO $[\alpha] \in H[p]$ ②

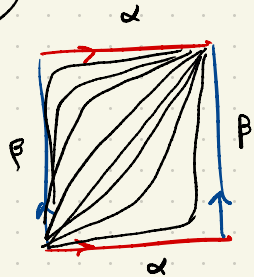
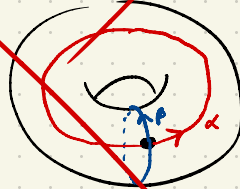
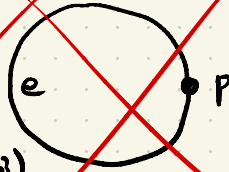
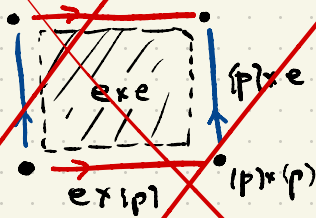
SO:
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p^{-1}(x_0) \longrightarrow H/G \\ \tilde{x}_i \longrightarrow H[p_i] \end{array} \right\} \text{ IS A BIJECTION.}$$

② OUR FRIEND THE TORUS

RECALL $T^2 = S^1 \times S^1$. WE WRITE S^1 AS A UNION OF A POINT p AND AN EDGE e

SO $T^2 = S^1 \times S^1 = (e \cup \{p\}) \times (e \cup \{p\})$
 $= (e \times e) \cup (e \times \{p\}) \cup (\{p\} \times e) \cup (\{p\} \times \{p\})$

SO GET



SO WE HAVE A HOMOTOPY: $\alpha * \beta \simeq \beta * \alpha$

SO $[\alpha], [\beta] \in \pi_1(T^2)$ AND $[\alpha][\beta] = [\beta][\alpha]$

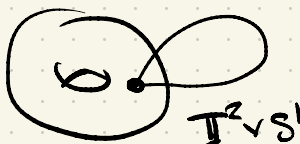
IN FACT: $\pi_1(T^2) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$ GENERATED BY $[\alpha], [\beta]$.

③ POINTED UNION: SUPPOSE $\{(X_\alpha, x_\alpha)\}_\alpha$ IS A COLLECTION OF POINTED SPACES. WE DEFINE THE ONE-POINT UNION

$$\bigvee_\alpha (X_\alpha, x_\alpha) = \left(\bigsqcup_\alpha X_\alpha, [x_\alpha] \right)$$
 WHEN THERE ARE JUST TWO SPACES WRITE $X \vee Y$.

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GOAL: UNDERSTAND $\pi_1(\text{'SYS'}) \cong \mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z} = F_2$

THE FREE GROUP of RANK TWO

(4) FREE PRODUCTS: SUPPOSE $\{G_\alpha\}_\alpha$ IS A COLLECTION OF GROUPS. WE MUST DEFINE $* G_\alpha$ THE FREE PRODUCT OF THE G_α [JUST WRITE $G * H$ IF ONLY TWO G'S]

DEF: A WORD w OVER $\{G_\alpha\}_\alpha$ IS A FINITE LIST

$w = [g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n]$ WHERE FOR ALL i THERE IS

$\alpha(i)$ SO THAT $g_i \in G_{\alpha(i)}$

WE CALL $n = |w|$ THE LENGTH OF w .

THE TRIVIAL WORD [DENOTED $\epsilon = []$] IS THE

UNIQUE WORD OF LENGTH ZERO. [ALSO CALLED EMPTY WORD]

SUPPOSE $u = [g_1, \dots, g_m]$ $v = [h_1, \dots, h_n]$

ARE WORDS. DEFINE $u * v = [g_1, \dots, g_m, h_1, \dots, h_n]$

THE CONCATENATION OF THE WORDS.

EXERCISE: IF u, v, w ARE WORDS THEN

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| (i) $(u * v) * w = u * (v * w)$ | } HOWEVER:
$u * v \neq v * u$ (GENERALLY)
AND WE DON'T HAVE
INVERSES... |
| (ii) $u * \epsilon = \epsilon * u = u$ | |
| (iii) $ u * v = u + v $ | |

(4) REDUCTIONS

[DEFINE, FOR $u = [g_1, \dots, g_n]$, $\bar{u} = [g_1^{-1}, \dots, g_n^{-1}]$
THIS "WANTS TO BE u^{-1} "]

DEF: SUPPOSE $u = [g_1, \dots, g_n]$ IS A WORD OVER $\{G_\alpha\}_\alpha$

SUPPOSE $g_i \in G_{\alpha(i)}$ FOR $i = 1, \dots, n$. WE SAY u IS REDUCED IF

(i) $g_i \neq 1_{\alpha(i)}$ [IDENTITY IN $G_{\alpha(i)}$]

(ii) $\alpha(i) \neq \alpha(i+1)$

REDUCTION: IF $u = [g_1, \dots, g_n]$ IS NOT REDUCED THEN EITHER

(i) SOME $g_i = 1_{\alpha(i)}$: THEN DEFINE

$$u' = [g_1, \dots, g_{i-1}, g_{i+1}, \dots, g_n] \quad \text{OR}$$

(ii) SOME $\alpha(i) = \alpha(i+1)$: THEN DEFINE

$$u' = [g_1, g_2, \dots, g_i \circ g_{i+1}, \dots, g_n]$$

NOTE $|u'| = |u| - 1$.

EXAMPLE: $G \cong \mathbb{Z} = \langle a \rangle$, $H \cong \mathbb{Z} = \langle b \rangle$

USE $\bar{a} = a^{-1}$, $\bar{b} = b^{-1}$. WORD $u = [a, \bar{a}, b, \bar{b}, 1_a, a]$

$[a, \bar{a}, b, \bar{b}, 1_a, a] \rightarrow [a\bar{a}, b, \bar{b}, a]$
 $\rightarrow [1_a, b, \bar{b}, a]$
 $\rightarrow [1_a, 1_b, a]$
 $\rightarrow [1_b, a]$
 $\rightarrow [a]$ REDUCED.

[GAVE PART of LATTICE of REDUCTIONS.]

NOTE: $\varepsilon = []$ IS REDUCED, AS IS $[g_i]$ IF $g_i \neq 1_{\alpha(i)}$

LEMMA: THE RESULT of REDUCTION IS UNIQUE [INDEPENDENT of CHOICES].

PROOF: NONTRIVIAL INDUCTION. [DISJOINT REDUCTIONS] [OVERLAPPING "] \square

WE WILL GIVE A GROUP STRUCTURE TO

* $G_d = \{ \text{REDUCED WORDS OVER } \{G_i\} \}$. NEXT TIME!