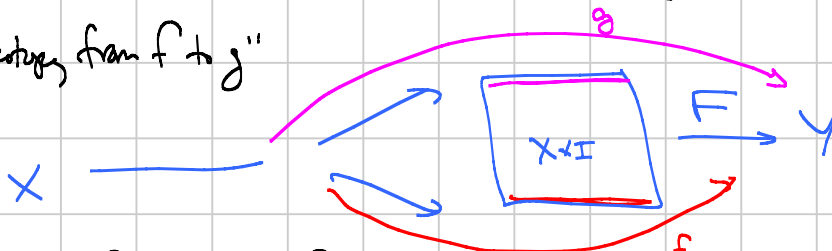


Homotopy — important technique for studying topological spaces.
 (cf. path independence of line integrals: $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \int_{\alpha} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_{\beta} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$)

Def $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$ continuous. Then f is homotopic to g , write $f \approx g$, if there is continuous $F: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$F(x, 0) = f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad F(x, 1) = g(x) \quad \forall x \in X.$$

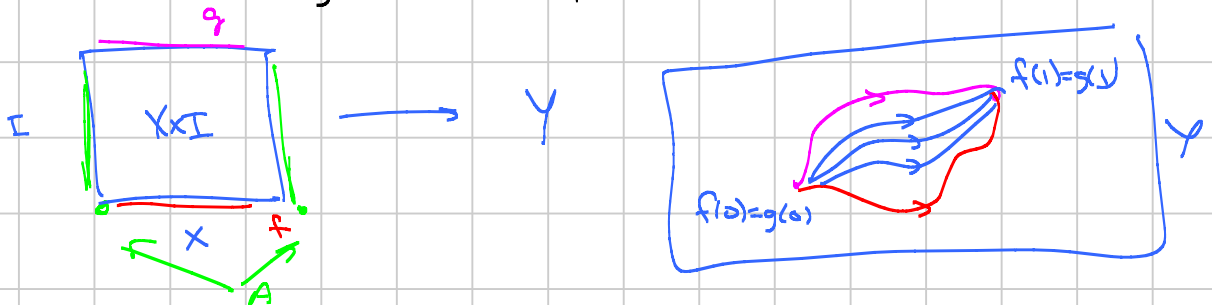
$F =$ "homotopy from f to g "



note: for $t \in [0, 1]$ get $f_t: X \rightarrow Y$, $f_t(x) = F(x, t)$, with $f_0 = f$ and $f_1 = g$, continuously varying.

For paths, need to also fix endpoints.

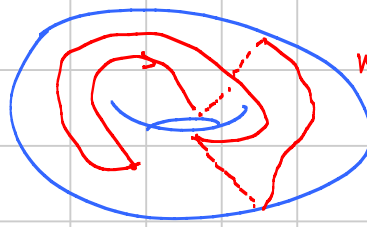
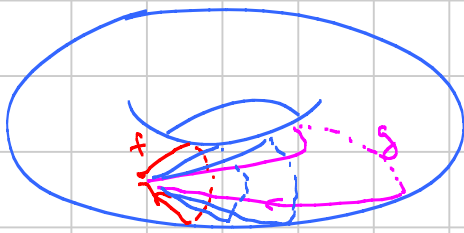
Def $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$ continuous, $A \subset X$, $f|_A = g|_A$. Then f is homotopic to g rel A if $\exists F: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ such that $F(x, 0) = f(x)$, $F(x, 1) = g(x)$, and $F(a, t) = f(a) = g(a) \quad \forall a \in A, t \in I$.



Def $f, g: [0, 1] \rightarrow Y$ are path homotopic if they're homotopic rel $\{0, 1\}$ (in particular, f, g have same endpoints): write $f \approx_p g$.

Special case: if $f(0) = f(1) = g(0) = g(1) = p$ then f, g are loops.

In particular, suppose $g(t) = p \quad \forall t$ (constant path); if $f \approx_p g$ then f is null-homotopic.



well-homotopic

Ex $Y = \mathbb{R}^n$. Any maps $f, g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ are homotopic via straight-line homotopy

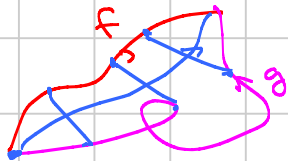
$$F(x, t) = (1-t)f(x) + tg(x)$$



(also works for convex subsets of \mathbb{R}^n : if $p, q \in Y$ then the line segment between p, q is in Y).

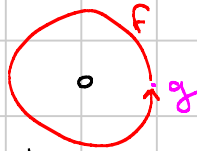
If $A \subset X$ and $f = g$ on A , then f, g are homotopic rel A .

ex: $f, g: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$: any paths in \mathbb{R}^n with same endpoints are path hompic.



Straight-line htpy doesn't work for arbitrary subsets of \mathbb{R}^n :

eg. $Y = \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$.



$$f(s) = (\cos 2\pi s, \sin 2\pi s) \quad g(s) = (1, 0)$$

Straight line htpy has $F(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = (0, 0) \notin Y$.

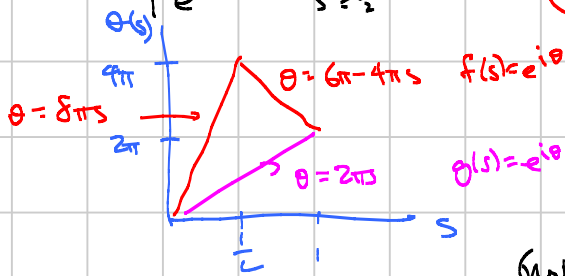
More involved ex of path homotopy: loops in S^1 .

View $S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$. $f, g: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$

$$f(s) = \begin{cases} e^{8\pi i s} & s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ e^{-4\pi i s} & s \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$



$$g(s) = e^{2\pi i s}$$



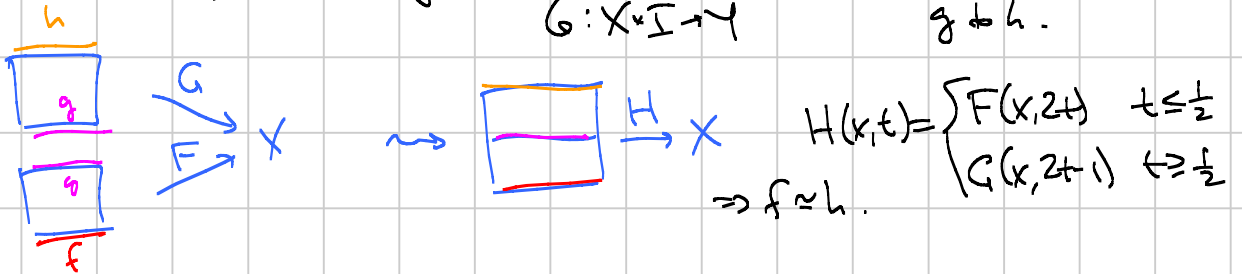
$$F(s, t) = \begin{cases} \exp(i((1-t)8\pi s + t \cdot 2\pi s)) & t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \exp(i((1-t)(6\pi - 4\pi s) + t \cdot 2\pi s)) & t \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

(note continuous by pasting lemma).

Lemma Homotopy (\simeq) is an equivalence relation, as is homotopy rel A if $A \subset X$.

PF Reflexive \checkmark Symmetric: given $F: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ htpy from f to g ,
 $G(x,t) = F(x, 1-t)$ is a htpy from g to f .

Transitive: Suppose $f \simeq g \simeq h$, $F: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ htpy from f to g
 $G: X \times I \rightarrow Y$ htpy from g to h .



If rel A: then for $a \in A$, $F(a,t) = f(a) = g(a)$, $G(a,t) = g(a) = h(a) \Rightarrow H(a,t) = f(a) = h(a)$. \square

Lemma $X \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{matrix} Y \xrightarrow{h} Z$ if $f \simeq g$ rel A then $h \circ f \simeq h \circ g$ rel A

$X \xrightarrow{f} Y \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{g} \\ \xrightarrow{h} \end{matrix} Z$ if $g \simeq h$ rel A then $g \circ f \simeq h \circ f$ rel $f^{-1}(A)$.

PF $f \simeq g$ with homotopy $F: X \times I \rightarrow Y \Rightarrow h \circ f \simeq h \circ g$ with htpy $h \circ F: X \times I \rightarrow Z$.
 and $(h \circ F)(a,t) = h(f(a)) = h(g(a))$.

$g \simeq h$ with homotopy $G: Y \times I \rightarrow Z \Rightarrow g \circ f \simeq h \circ f$ with htpy $H: X \times I \rightarrow Z$



Fundamental Group

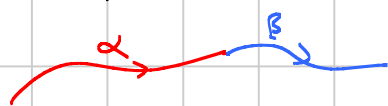
$X = \text{top. space}$, $p \in X$ "base point." A loop at p is a path whose endpoints are p .

Lemma \Rightarrow path homotopy = equiv. relation.

$\alpha = \text{loop} \rightsquigarrow [\alpha] = \text{equivalence class of } \alpha \text{ under path homotopy} = \text{homotopy class of } \alpha$.

Let $\pi_1(X, p) = \{ \text{equivalence classes of loops at } p \}$.

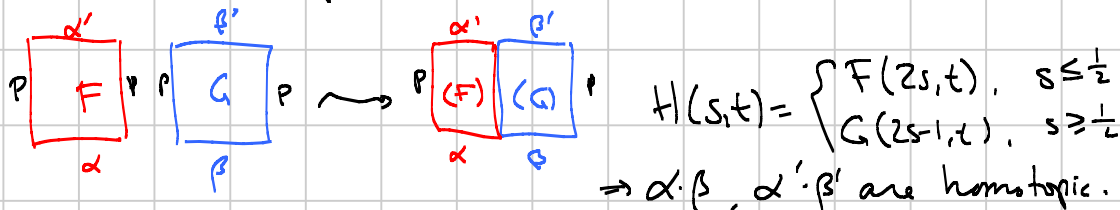
Multiplication of paths: $\alpha, \beta: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ with $\alpha(1) = \beta(0)$
 $\rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ defined by $(\alpha \cdot \beta)(t) = \begin{cases} \alpha(2t) & t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \beta(2t-1) & t \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$



In particular if α, β are loops at p ,
 so is $\alpha \cdot \beta$.

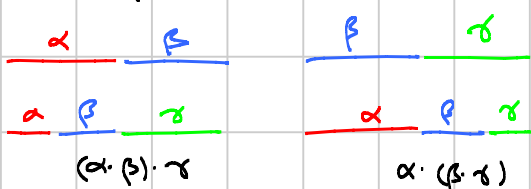


Claim 1 This descends to a map on homotopy classes $[\alpha] \cdot [\beta] = [\alpha \cdot \beta]$:
 need to check well-defined. Say α, α' homotopic, β, β' homotopic.

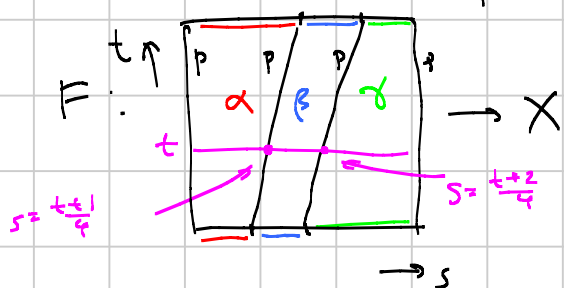


Claim 2 Multiplication is associative (important: on htpy class, not loops!)

α, β, γ loops at $p \Rightarrow [(\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma] = [\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma)]$



$[\alpha, \beta, \gamma]: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ $(\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma(s) = \begin{cases} \alpha(4s) & s \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ \beta(4s-1) & \frac{1}{4} \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \gamma(4s-2) & s \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$



$F(s,t) = \begin{cases} \alpha\left(\frac{s}{(t+1)/4}\right) & s \leq \frac{t+1}{4} \\ \beta\left(\frac{s - \frac{t+1}{4}}{1/4}\right) & \frac{t+1}{4} \leq s \leq \frac{t+2}{4} \\ \gamma\left(\frac{s - \frac{t+2}{4}}{1 - \frac{t+2}{4}}\right) & \frac{t+2}{4} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$

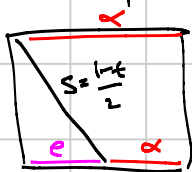
Def A group is a set G with a binary operation $\cdot: G \times G \rightarrow G$ satisfying

1. associative: $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$
2. identity: $\exists \text{ elem } e \in G$ s.t. that $a \cdot e = e \cdot a = a \quad \forall a \in G$
3. inverse: $\forall a \in G \exists b \in G$ such that $a \cdot b = b \cdot a = e$ (write $b = a^{-1}$).

Thm X top space, $p \in X$. The set of htpy classes of loops at p , with the above multiplication, forms a group: $\pi_1(X, p)$.

Pf Identity: define $e: [0,1] \rightarrow X$ by $e(s) = p$. Then

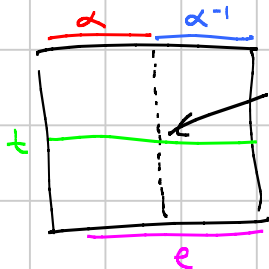
$$[e \cdot \alpha] = [\alpha \cdot e] = [\alpha]:$$



$$F(s,t) = \begin{cases} p & s \leq \frac{1-t}{2} \\ \alpha\left(\frac{s-\frac{1-t}{2}}{-\frac{1-t}{2}}\right) & s \geq \frac{1+t}{2} \end{cases}$$

Inverse: define α^{-1} by $\alpha^{-1}(s) = \alpha(1-s)$.

Then $[\alpha \cdot \alpha^{-1}] = [\alpha^{-1} \cdot \alpha] = [e]$:



$$F(s,t) = \begin{cases} \alpha(2st) & s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha((2-2s)t) & s \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \quad \square$$

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Def A homomorphism between groups G, H is a map $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ such that

$$\varphi(g_1 \cdot g_2) = \varphi(g_1) \cdot \varphi(g_2) \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G \quad (\text{follows that } \varphi(e) = e \text{ and } \varphi(g^{-1}) = \varphi(g)^{-1})$$

An isomorphism is a homomorphism $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ that is bijective (follows that φ^{-1} is a homomorphism). write $G \cong H$.

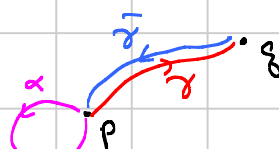
Thm If p, q are in the same path component of X , then $\pi_1(X, p) \cong \pi_1(X, q)$.

Pf Let γ = path from p to q , $\bar{\gamma}$ = opposite path from q to p : $\bar{\gamma}(t) = \gamma(1-t)$.

Define $\varphi: \pi_1(X, p) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, q)$

$$[\alpha] \mapsto [\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \gamma]$$

Munkres calls this " $\bar{\gamma}$ "



If α, α' are homotopic then so are $\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \gamma, \bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha' \cdot \gamma$ so this is well-defined.

phi is a homomorphism: $\varphi([\alpha] \cdot [\beta]) = \varphi([\alpha \cdot \beta]) = [\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \beta \cdot \gamma]$

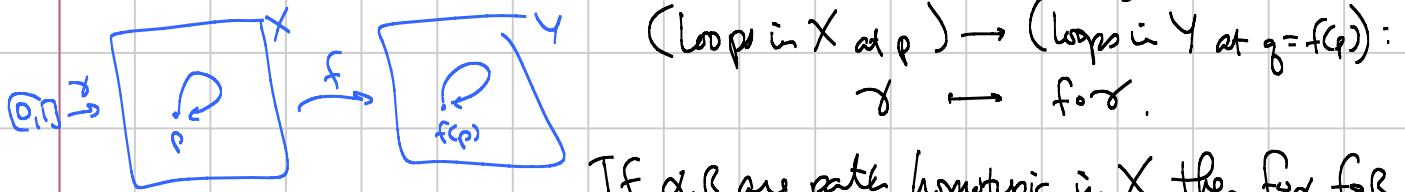
$$\varphi([\alpha]) \cdot \varphi([\beta]) = [\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \gamma] \cdot [\bar{\gamma} \cdot \beta \cdot \gamma] = [\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \gamma \cdot \bar{\gamma} \cdot \beta \cdot \gamma]$$

and $\gamma \cdot \bar{\gamma} \cong$ constant path at p so $\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot (\gamma \cdot \bar{\gamma}) \cdot \beta \cdot \gamma \cong \bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot e \cdot \beta \cdot \gamma \cong \bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \beta \cdot \gamma$.

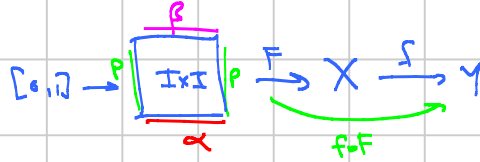
phi is bijective: the inverse map $\varphi^{-1}: \pi_1(X, q) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, p)$ is

$$[\alpha] \mapsto [\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \bar{\gamma}]. \quad \square$$

Next: Suppose we have a continuous map $f: X \rightarrow Y$. This gives a map



If α, β are path homotopic in X then $f \circ \alpha, f \circ \beta$ are path homotopic in Y :
 with homotopy $f \circ F$.



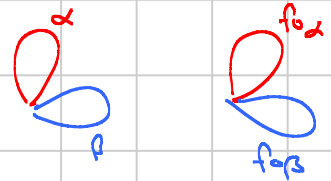
Thus we get a map $f_*: \pi_1(X, p) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, q)$.

This is a homomorphism:

$$[\alpha] \mapsto [f \circ \alpha]$$

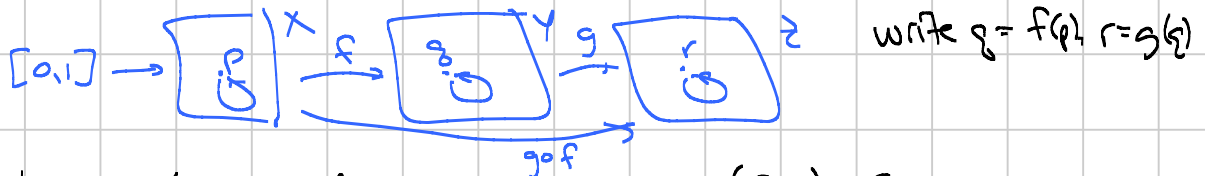
$$f_*([\alpha] \cdot [\beta]) = f_*([\alpha \cdot \beta]) = f \circ (\alpha \cdot \beta)$$

$$f_*[\alpha] \cdot f_*[\beta] = (f \circ \alpha) \cdot (f \circ \beta) = f \circ (\alpha \cdot \beta)$$



So: $f: X \rightarrow Y$ gives $f_*: \pi_1(X, p) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, q)$ homomorphism.

Furthermore: Suppose we have $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$.



If $\gamma = \text{loop in } X \text{ at } p$ then $(g \circ f) \circ \gamma = g \circ (f \circ \gamma)$ So:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \pi_1(X, p) & \xrightarrow{f_*} & \pi_1(Y, q) & \xrightarrow{g_*} & \pi_1(Z, r) \\ \downarrow [\gamma] & & \downarrow [f \circ \gamma] & & \downarrow [g \circ (f \circ \gamma)] \\ & & & \searrow (g \circ f)_* & \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{(g \circ f)_* = g_* \circ f_*}$$

Special case: suppose X, Y are homeomorphic, $X \xrightleftharpoons[g]{f} Y$, $p \in X, q = f(p) \in Y$.

This gives homomorphisms $\pi_1(X, p) \xrightleftharpoons[g_*]{f_*} \pi_1(Y, q)$.

$$g \circ f = \text{id}_X \Rightarrow g_* \circ f_* = (\text{id}_X)_* = \text{id}_{\pi_1(X, p)} \Rightarrow f_* \text{ is an isomorphism}$$

$$f_* \circ g_* = (\text{id}_Y)_* = \text{id}_{\pi_1(Y, q)}$$

Homeomorphic spaces have isomorphic fundamental groups.

Def If X is path connected and $\pi_1(X, p) \cong \{e\}$ then X is simply connected.

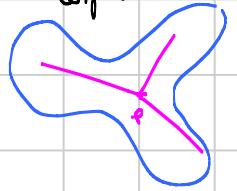
Notes: • Doesn't depend on the point p


• this means: any loop at p is homotopic to the constant loop.

Ex. \mathbb{R}^n , or any convex or star-convex subset of \mathbb{R}^n :

Use straight-line homotopy.

What isn't simply connected?



Then $\pi_1(S^1, p) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ← \mathbb{Z} with "multiplication" given by +. take $p=1$: 

For $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, define $\tilde{\gamma}_n: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $\tilde{\gamma}_n(s) = ns$. $\pi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow S^1$
 $\gamma_n: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$ $\gamma_n = \pi \circ \tilde{\gamma}_n$ $\pi(x) = \exp(2\pi i x)$.

Then define $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \pi_1(S^1, 1)$. This: this is an isomorphism.
 $n \mapsto [\gamma_n]$.

- 3 parts:
1. ϕ is a homomorphism.
 2. ϕ is onto
 3. ϕ is one-to-one.

Idea: given a loop $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$, write $\gamma(s) = \exp(i\theta(s))$ and plot $\theta(s)$.

If γ is a loop at p then define $\theta(0) = 0$: $\theta(2\pi) = 2\pi n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.



n is called the degree of γ , and the inverse of ϕ maps $[\gamma]$ to n .

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1. $\phi = \text{homon.}$: need $[\gamma_m] \cdot [\gamma_n] = [\gamma_{m+n}]$ ie $\gamma_m \cdot \gamma_n \cong \gamma_{m+n}$.

Define $\tilde{\gamma}: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by  so $\gamma_m \cdot \gamma_n = \pi \circ \tilde{\gamma}$.

Now $\tilde{\gamma}$ and $\tilde{\gamma}_{m+n}$ are both $[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and agree on endpoints, so $\tilde{\gamma} \cong \tilde{\gamma}_{m+n}$ rel $\{0, 1\} \Rightarrow \gamma_m \cdot \gamma_n = \pi \circ \tilde{\gamma} \cong \pi \circ \tilde{\gamma}_{m+n} = \gamma_{m+n}$ rel $\{0, 1\}$. \square

2. ϕ is onto: Say $\gamma = \text{loop in } S'$.

Path-lifting lemma $\gamma = \text{path in } S', \gamma(0)=1$. Then $\exists!$ path $\tilde{\gamma}: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\tilde{\gamma}(0)=0$ and $\gamma = \pi \circ \tilde{\gamma}$.

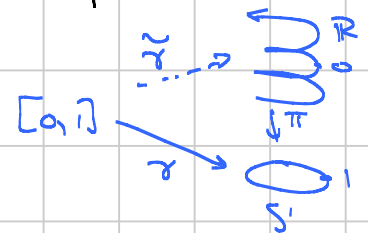
Given this: lift γ to $\tilde{\gamma}: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Then $\tilde{\gamma}(1) = n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $\tilde{\gamma}, \tilde{\gamma}_n: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

have same endpoints so $\tilde{\gamma} \simeq \tilde{\gamma}_n$ (path homotopic) $\Rightarrow \gamma \simeq \gamma_n$.

[lemma If $\gamma, \gamma': [0,1] \rightarrow X$ are path homotopic and $f: X \rightarrow Y$,
then $f \circ \gamma, f \circ \gamma': [0,1] \rightarrow Y$ are path homotopic.]

Pf of path-lifting lemma: (uses Lebesgue lemma) see Munkres Lemma 54.1.



3. ϕ is one-to-one:

Homotopy-lifting lemma $F: I \times I \rightarrow S'$ htpy of loops in S' :

$F(0,t) = F(1,t) = 1 \forall t$. Then $\exists!$ $\tilde{F}: I \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\tilde{F}(0,t) = 0 \forall t$ and $\pi \circ \tilde{F} = F$.

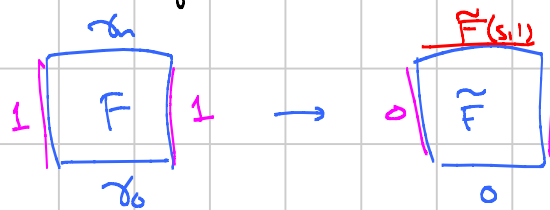


(See Munkres Lemma 54.2 for proof.)

Then: if $\phi(n) = \phi(n') \Rightarrow \phi(n-n') = \phi(n) \cdot \phi(-n') = \phi(n) \cdot \phi(n')^{-1} = e = \text{constant loop } [\gamma_0]$.

So it suffices to show if $\gamma_n \simeq \gamma_0$ then $n=0$.

A homotopy F between γ_0 and γ_n lifts to a homotopy $\tilde{F}: I \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.



Note $\{\tilde{F}(1,t)\} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$ must be connected,
and $\tilde{F}(1,0) = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{F}(1,t) = 0$ for all t .

Now $\tilde{F}(s,1)$ is a lift of $\gamma_n \rightarrow$ by path lifting, it's equal to $\tilde{\gamma}_n$, so $\tilde{F}(s,1) = \tilde{\gamma}_n \Rightarrow n=0$. \square

Other facts about π_1 . (we won't prove).

Prop For $n \geq 2$, S^n is simply connected.

(Special case of Van Kampen's Thm).

Prop X, Y path-connected. Then $\pi_1(X \times Y) \cong \pi_1(X) \times \pi_1(Y)$.

(G, H groups $\Rightarrow G \times H = \{ (g, h) \mid g \in G, h \in H \}$, mult. given by
 $(g_1, h_1) \cdot (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 g_2, h_1 h_2)$, $e = (e, e)$)

Applications:

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



$$\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}) \cong \pi_1(S^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}) \cong \pi_1(S^{n-1}) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & n \geq 2 \\ \mathbb{Z} & n = 2 \end{cases}$$

\uparrow
 $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ homeo to $S^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}$

Homotopy Type

π_1 is invariant under not just homeomorphism but something more general.

Def X, Y have the same homotopy type if there are maps

$$X \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xleftarrow{g} \end{array} Y \quad \text{such that } g \circ f \simeq \text{id}_X, f \circ g \simeq \text{id}_Y. \text{ Write } X \simeq Y.$$

Ex 1. homeomorphic \Rightarrow same htpy type

2. $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ convex or star-convex $\Rightarrow X \simeq \text{pt}$: X is "contractible".

$$X \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xleftarrow{g} \end{array} Y = \{p\} \quad \text{define } f(x) = p \forall x \in X; g(p) = p \text{ for some } p \in X.$$

Then $f \circ g = \text{id}_Y$, and $g \circ f \simeq \text{id}_X$ since any maps to X are homotopic.

3. $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \simeq S^{n-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x\| = 1\}$. $f(x) = \frac{x}{\|x\|}$, $g(y) = y$.

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xleftarrow{g} \end{array} \quad f \circ g = \text{id}, \quad g \circ f(x) = \frac{x}{\|x\|}.$$



$g \circ f \simeq \text{id}_X$ on $X = \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$: homotopy $F: X \times I \rightarrow X$

$$F(x, t) = (1-t)x + t \frac{x}{\|x\|} \quad \text{so } F(x, 0) = x, F(x, 1) = \frac{x}{\|x\|}.$$

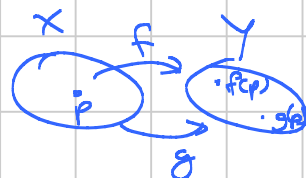
"ks"
 \mathbb{Z}

Prop \simeq is an equivalence relation.

Pf $X \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{f_1} \\ \xleftarrow{g_1} \end{matrix} Y \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{f_2} \\ \xleftarrow{g_2} \end{matrix} Z \rightsquigarrow X \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{f_2 \circ f_1} \\ \xleftarrow{g_1 \circ g_2} \end{matrix} Z$

$f_2 \circ f_1 \circ g_1 \circ g_2 : Z \rightarrow Z$ is $\simeq f_2 \circ \text{id}_Y \circ g_2 = f_2 \circ g_2 \simeq \text{id}_Z$
 and similarly $g_1 \circ g_2 \circ f_2 \circ f_1 \simeq \text{id}_X$. \square

Prop Suppose $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$ are homotopic maps giving



$\pi_1(X, p) \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{f_*} \\ \xrightarrow{g_*} \end{matrix} \pi_1(Y, f(p)) \xrightarrow{\hat{\gamma}} \pi_1(Y, g(p))$

Then there is an isom. $\hat{\gamma} : \pi_1(Y, f(p)) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, g(p))$ such that $g_* = \hat{\gamma} \circ f_*$.

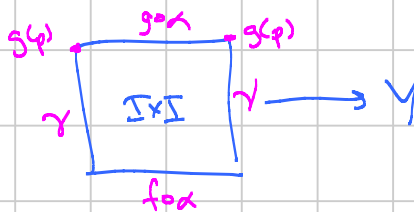
More precisely: $X \times I \xrightarrow{F} Y$ gives a path γ in Y from $f(p)$ to $g(p)$:
 $\gamma(t) = F(p, t)$.

Then $\hat{\gamma}$ is as before: $\hat{\gamma}([\alpha]) = [\bar{\gamma} \cdot \alpha \cdot \gamma]$.



Pf Let $\alpha = \text{loop at } p$. Want $[g_* \alpha] = g_* [\alpha] \stackrel{?}{=} \hat{\gamma} f_* [\alpha] = [\bar{\gamma} \cdot (f_* \alpha) \cdot \gamma]$.

Define $G: I \times I \rightarrow Y$ by
 $G(s, t) = F(\alpha(s), t)$

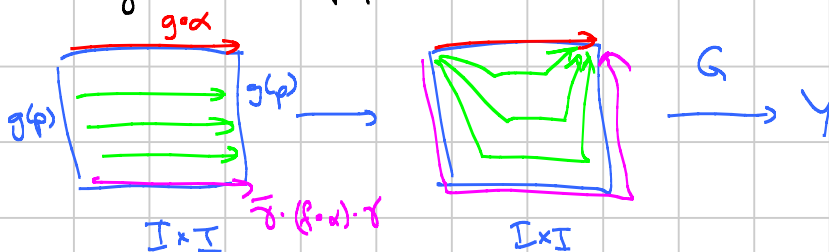


$G(s, 0) = F(\alpha(s), 0) = f(\alpha(s))$

$G(s, 1) = F(\alpha(s), 1) = g(\alpha(s))$

$G(0, t) = G(1, t) = F(p, t) = \gamma(t)$

Then we get a homotopy $H: I \times I \rightarrow Y$ from $\bar{\gamma} \cdot (f_* \alpha) \cdot \gamma$ to $g_* \alpha$



as desired. \square

Prop If X, Y are path connected and $X \simeq Y$ then $\pi_1(X) \cong \pi_1(Y)$.

Prf $X \xrightleftharpoons[f]{f} Y$ claim: $f_*: \pi_1(X, p) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, f(p))$ is \cong .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{g} & X & \xrightarrow{g \circ f} & X \\
 p & & f(p) & & g(f(p)) & & g(f(p))
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \pi_1(X, p) & \xrightarrow{f_*} & \pi_1(Y, f(p)) & \xrightarrow{g_*} & \pi_1(X, g(f(p))) \\
 & & \searrow^{(g \circ f)_*} & \nearrow_{g_* \circ f_*} &
 \end{array}$$

$g \circ f, id_X$ are homotopic maps $X \rightarrow X$

\Rightarrow by previous prop, $\exists \hat{\gamma}$ with

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \pi_1(X, p) & \xrightarrow{id} & \pi_1(X, p) \\
 \searrow^{(g \circ f)_*} & & \downarrow \cong \\
 & & \pi_1(X, g(f(p)))
 \end{array}$$

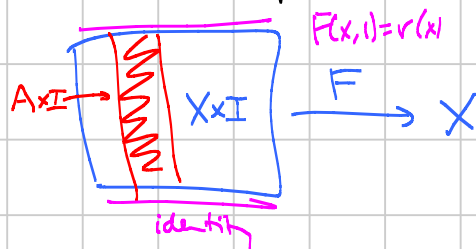
So $g_* \circ f_* = (g \circ f)_* = \hat{\gamma}$ is an ism $\Rightarrow f_*$ is one-to-one.

Similarly $f_* \circ g_*$ is an isom $\Rightarrow f_*$ is onto. \square

Important example of homotopy equiv: deformation retract.

Def $A \subset X$. A deformation retract of X onto A is a homotopy rel A , between $id: X \rightarrow X$ and a retraction $r: X \rightarrow A$: i.e., a map $F: X \times I \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\begin{cases}
 F(x, 0) = x \\
 F(x, 1) \in A \quad \forall x \in X \\
 F(a, t) = a \quad \forall a \in A, t \in I.
 \end{cases}$$



Observation: if \exists def. retract then $X \simeq A$:

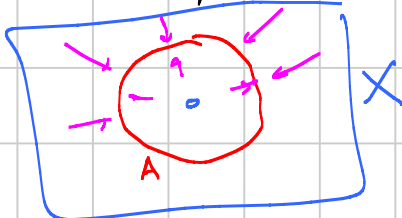
$$r \circ i = id_A; \quad i \circ r: X \rightarrow X \text{ is hompic to } id: X \rightarrow X.$$

$x \mapsto F(x, 1)$ $x \mapsto F(x, 0)$

$$A \xrightleftharpoons[i]{i} X$$

Ex $A = S^{n-1}, X = \mathbb{R}^n - \{0\}$

$F: X \times I \rightarrow X \quad F(x, t) = (1-t)x + t \frac{x}{\|x\|}$



Other deformation retracts:

cylinder $S^1 \times I$



Möbius band



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$$\Rightarrow \pi_1(\text{Cylinder}) \cong \pi_1(\text{Möbius}) \cong \mathbb{Z}.$$

Application: Fundamental Theorem of Algebra.

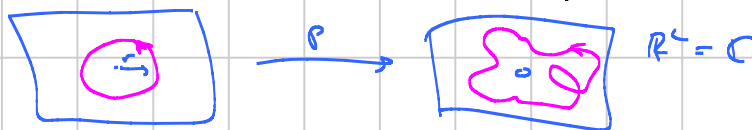
FTA Any nonconstant polynomial with complex coefficients has at least one root in \mathbb{C} .

(\Rightarrow any poly of degree n has n roots, with multiplicity).

PF Suffices to consider monic poly, $p(z) = z^n + a_{n-1}z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1z + a_0$.

Assume $p(z) \neq 0 \forall z$. For any $r \geq 0$, define

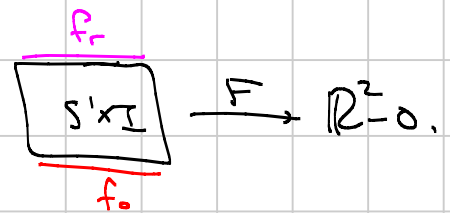
$f_r: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ by $f_r(z) = p(rz)$. ($z \in S^1 = \text{unit circle in } \mathbb{C}$; $p(rz) \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$)



Note $f_0(z) = p(0)$ is a constant loop.

Claim 1 $f_0 \simeq f_r$ for any r .

PF. $F(z, t) = p(tz)$ is a homotopy



Claim 2 Define $g: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 - 0$ by $g(z) = z^n$.

For $r > 0$, $fr \approx g$.

PF Define $g_r: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 - 0$ by $g_r(z) = (rz)^n$; then $g_r \approx g$ by straight-line homotopy. Need $fr \approx g_r$. Define

$$G: S^1 \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 - 0 \quad \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f_r} \\ \boxed{S^1 \times I} \xrightarrow{G} \mathbb{R}^2 - 0 \end{array} \quad G(z, t) = (rz)^n + t(a_{n-1}(rz)^{n-1} + \dots + a_1(rz) + a_0)$$

For this to work, need G to miss 0 .

Choose r sufficiently large that $\left| \frac{a_{n-1}}{r} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{r^{n-1}} + \frac{a_0}{r^n} \right| < 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| t(a_{n-1}(rz)^{n-1} + \dots + a_1(rz) + a_0) \right| &= |tr^n| \left| \frac{a_{n-1}}{r} z^{n-1} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{r^{n-1}} z + \frac{a_0}{r^n} \right| \\ t \leq 1, |z| = 1 &\longrightarrow \leq r^n \left(\left| \frac{a_{n-1}}{r} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{r^{n-1}} + \frac{a_0}{r^n} \right| \right) \\ &< r^n = |(rz)^n| \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow G(z, t) \neq 0$ for all $t \leq 1, |z| = 1$.

Claim 3 $g \neq \text{constant map}$.

PF.
$$S^1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{g} \mathbb{R}^2 - 0 \xrightarrow{p} S^1 \\ \xrightarrow{\text{const}} \mathbb{R}^2 - 0 \xrightarrow{c} S^1 \end{array} \quad (p(z) = \frac{z}{|z|})$$

Define $h = p \circ g$, $h(z) = z^n$: in polar coordinates, $h(\theta) = n\theta$.

If $g \approx \text{const}$ then $h = p \circ g \approx p \circ \text{const} = c$ (constant map). So:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z} \cong \pi_1(S^1) & \xrightarrow{h_*} & \pi_1(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \\ & \searrow c_* & \downarrow \cong \\ & & \pi_1(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

But c_* is the zero map while $h_*(1) = [h \circ \gamma_1] = [\gamma_n] = n$. \square

Borsuk-Ulam Thm

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(we didn't do this)

B-U Thm $f: S^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ continuous, $n \geq 1$. Then there is $x \in S^n$ with $f(x) = f(-x)$.

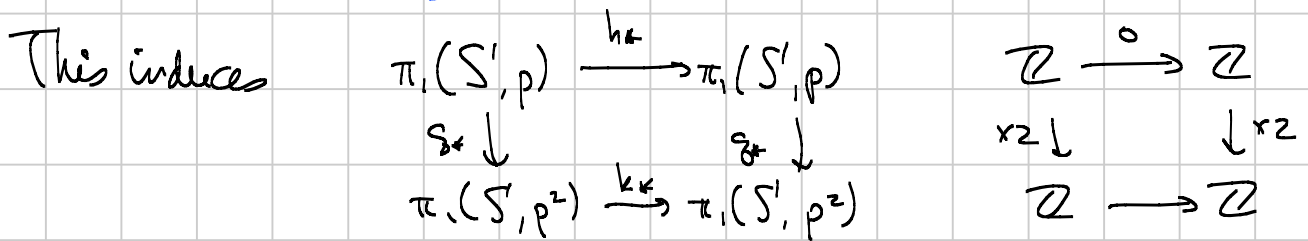
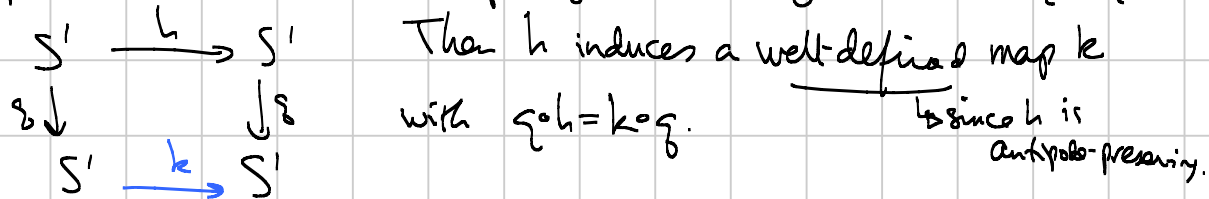
(for $n=1$ this was on the midterm)

We'll prove for $n=2$.

Def $f: S^n \rightarrow S^m$ is antipode-preserving if $f(-x) = -f(x) \forall x \in S^n$.
(f sends antipodal pts to antipodal pts)

Lemma Any antipode-preserving, continuous map $S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ is not null homotopic.

Pf Say $h: S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ is antipode-preserving. Fix $p \in S^1$; can assume $h(p) = p$ (or else compose h with a rotation). Define $g: S^1 \rightarrow S^1$, $g(z) = z^2$; note $g(z) = g(-z)$.



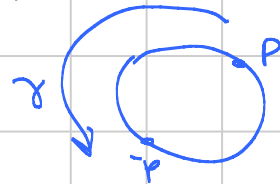
g has degree 2 (see HW) so g_* maps n to $2n$.

If h is null-homotopic then $h_* = \text{trivial (0) map} \Rightarrow k_* = \text{trivial map}$.

Now let $\gamma = \text{path in } S^1 \text{ from } p \text{ to } -p$.

$\Rightarrow h \circ \gamma = \text{path in } S^1 \text{ from } p \text{ to } -p$

$\rightarrow g \circ \gamma, g \circ (h \circ \gamma) = \text{loops in } S^1 \text{ at } p^2, \text{ winding around } S^1 \text{ an odd \# of times.}$



$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \pi_1(S^1, p^2) & \xrightarrow{k_*} & \pi_1(S^1, p^2) & \cong & \mathbb{Z} \\
 [\gamma \circ \gamma] & \longrightarrow & [k \circ \gamma \circ \gamma] = [g \circ h \circ \gamma] & \rightarrow & \text{this is odd \# of times} \neq 0. \quad \square
 \end{array}$$

Lemma There is no continuous, antipode-preserving map $S^2 \rightarrow S^1$.

PF Suppose $\exists g: S^2 \rightarrow S^1$ continuous, antipode-preserving.

Equator $= S^1$ so g restricts to antipode-preserving $f: S^1 \rightarrow S^1$.



Now f is nullhomotopic: $f_0 = f, f_1 = \text{constant map}$.



This contradicts previous lemma. \square

PF of B.U. for $n=2$.

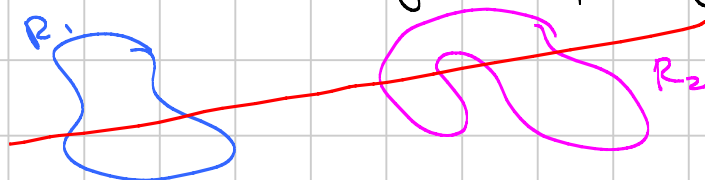
Suppose $\exists f: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ with $f(x) \neq f(-x) \forall x$. Define

$$g: S^2 \rightarrow S^1 \text{ by } g(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{\|f(x) - f(-x)\|}. \text{ Note } g(-x) = -g(x):$$

So g is a continuous, antipode-preserving map $S^2 \rightarrow S^1 \Rightarrow \square$

Consequences 1. At any time, there are two antipodal points on earth with same temp + pressure.

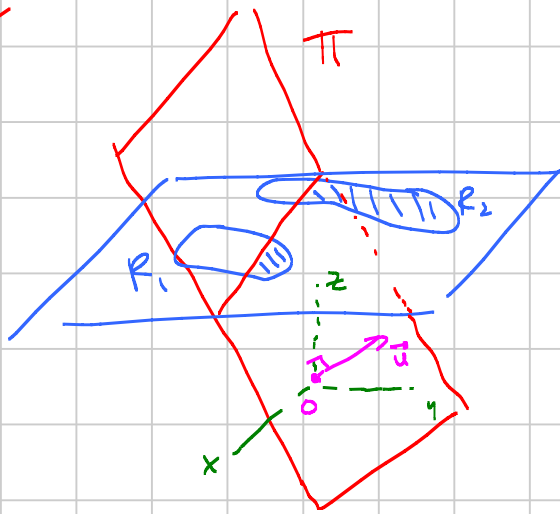
2. Bisection theorem: Given two regions $R_1, R_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ of finite area, there is some line that bisects each region into pieces of equal area.



PF View \mathbb{R}^2 as $\{z=1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. Any point in S^2 is a unit vector \vec{u} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Let $\Pi =$ plane through $0 \perp$ to u . Define $f_i: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, i=1,2:$

$f_i(\vec{u}) =$ area of the portion of R_i lying on the side of Π that \vec{u} lies in.



$f = (f_1, f_2): S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ so by B-U, \exists
 $\bar{u} \in S^2$ with $f(\bar{u}) = f(-\bar{u})$
 $\Rightarrow f_1(u) = f_1(-u), f_2(u) = f_2(-u)$.

For this u , Π intersects $\{z=1\}$ in a line
 and this is the line we want. \square

Rank Borsuk-Ulam for $n=3$ similarly gives:

Ham Sandwich Thm For three regions R_1, R_2, R_3 in \mathbb{R}^3 ,
 there is a plane bisecting each region into regions of equal volume.

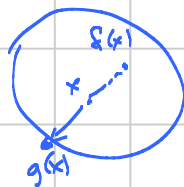
Brouwer Fixed Point Thm Every continuous function $f: \bar{B}^n \rightarrow \bar{B}^n$, $n \geq 1$,
 must have a fixed point (x st. $f(x) = x$).

(important for differential equations etc.)

$n=1$: $\bar{B}^1 = [-1, 1]$: this was done in class.

We'll prove $n=2$. Suppose $f: \bar{B}^2 \rightarrow \bar{B}^2$ has no fixed points, $S' = \text{Bd } \bar{B}^2$.

Define $g: \bar{B}^2 \rightarrow S'$ by: $x \in \bar{B}^2 \Rightarrow$ draw ray from $f(x)$ to x ; this
 intersects S' in $g(x)$.



- g is continuous (write in coordinates)
- if $x \in S'$ then $g(x) = x$.

Thus g is a retraction from \bar{B}^2 to S' , contradicting:

Lemma There is no retraction from \bar{B}^2 to S' .

Pf $r: \bar{B}^2 \rightarrow S' \Rightarrow r_*: \pi_1(\bar{B}^2) \rightarrow \pi_1(S')$ is a surjection: but
 $\pi_1(\bar{B}^2) \cong \{e\}$ $\pi_1(S') \cong \mathbb{Z}$. \square