

Lecture 3

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CW Complexes

Def. $A \subseteq X$ is called a subcomplex if A is closed and it's a union of cells in X .

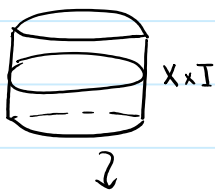
- CW pair (X, A) : CW complex X together with a subcomplex A .
- X, Y CW complex $\Rightarrow X \times Y$ CW complex
- CW pair $(X, A) \Rightarrow X/A$ inherits a CW complex str. from X .

Cells in X/A : Cells in $X - A$ together with one new 0-cell for A .


e_α^n : n cell in $X - A$ i.e. $\Phi_\alpha^n: D_\alpha^n \rightarrow X^n$ s.t. $\Phi_\alpha^n|_{\text{int}(D_\alpha^n)} \subset X^n - A$
 $\varphi_\alpha^n: S^{n-1} \rightarrow X^{n-1} \rightarrow X^{n-1}/A \cap X^{n-1}$

Ex  $T/A \cong S^2$ $\frac{X^n}{X^{n-1}} \cong \bigvee_\alpha S_\alpha^n$
 (X^{n-1} connected)

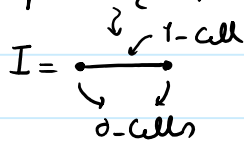
Def Suspension X top space \Rightarrow Suspension of X , SX



$$SX = \frac{X \times I}{(x \times \{0\} \cup x' \times \{0\}, x \times \{1\} \cup x' \times \{1\}) \mid \text{for all } x, x' \in X}$$

SX :  $\cong CX := \frac{X \times I}{X \times \{0\}}$ Cone of X

- X is a CW complex $\Rightarrow X \times I$ is a CW complex & $X \times \{0\}$ and $X \times \{1\}$ are subcomplexes



$\Rightarrow CX$ and SX are CW complexes.

- Reduced suspension: Consider X together with a fixed pt $x_0 \in X$.

$$x_0 \times I: \text{embedded line seg. in } SX \rightsquigarrow \Sigma X := \frac{SX}{x_0 \times \{I\}}$$


- If X is a CW complex and $x_0 \in X$ is a 0-cell $\Rightarrow \Sigma X$ inherits a CW complex str.

Ex Wedge sum, If X and Y are CW Complexes and x_0 and y_0 are 0-cells in X and Y then $X \vee Y$ inherits a CW Complex str. from X and Y .

Def Smash product: X, Y top spaces, together with fixed pts $x_0 \in X$ and $y_0 \in Y$.

$$X \vee Y \cong \{x_0\} \times Y \cup X \times \{y_0\} \subset X \times Y \Rightarrow X \wedge Y = \frac{X \times Y}{X \vee Y}$$

Similarly, if X and Y are CW Complexes and x_0 and y_0 are 0-cells in X and Y then $X \wedge Y$ inherits a Cell Complex str. from X and Y .

Ex  $S^1 \wedge S^1 \cong S^2$ in general $S^m \wedge S^n \cong S^{m+n}$

Properties of CW Complexes:

① CW Complexes are Hausdorff.

② $A \subseteq X$ Compact Subspace, X : CW Complex $\Rightarrow A$ lies in a finite subcomplex of X .

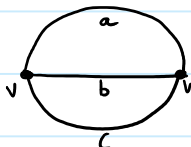
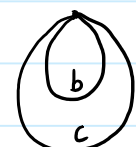
Cor: Closure of each cell intersects only finitely many other cells.

(Closure-finiteness)

Weak topology \Rightarrow CW Complex

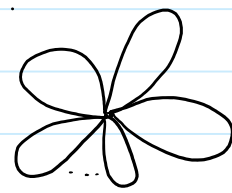
③ Any Subcomplex $A \subseteq X$ satisfies HEP.

Cor For any Contractible subcomplex $A \subseteq X$, $X \cong X/A$

Ex $X =$ "Theta graph"  $A = a \cup \{v, w\}$: closed subcomplex $\Rightarrow X \cong X/A$  $S^1 \vee S^1$

In general, any Connected graph with finitely many vertices and edges i.e. Finite CW Complex X s.t. $X = X^1$ is homotopy equiv. to $S^1 \vee S^1 \dots \vee S^1$

(Collapse any edge with distinct vertices)



Ex X CW Complex and $x_0 \in X$ 0-Cell $\Rightarrow SX \simeq \Sigma X$.

④ To determine homotopy type of CW Complex we only need attaching maps up to homotopy.

$S^{n-1} \subset D^n$ has HEP, thus changing attaching maps up to homotopy doesn't change the homotopy type of X^n .

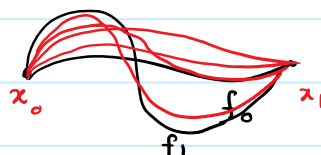
Fundamental group :

based top space $(X, x_0) \Rightarrow \pi_1(X, x_0)$: Fundamental group of X
 ($\pi_n(X, x_0)$: homotopy groups)

Def A path in X , $f: I \rightarrow X$, f is a loop if $f(0) = f(1)$.

Def A homotopy of paths in X is a homotopy $f_t: I \rightarrow X$ such that
 $f_t(0) = x_0$
 $f_t(1) = x_1$
 are independent of t .

If f_t is a homotopy of paths, then f_0 and f_1 are called homotopic: $f_0 \simeq f_1$.



Prop \simeq is an equivalence relation.

(Consequence of homotopy being an equivalence relation)

• $f \simeq f$ via $f_t = f$

• $f \simeq g$ via $f_t \rightsquigarrow g_t = f_{1-t} \rightsquigarrow g_0 = g, g_1 = f$

• $f \simeq g, g \simeq h \Rightarrow f \simeq h$

$f_t: f_0 = f, f_1 = g \Rightarrow h_t = \begin{cases} f_{2t} & 0 \leq t \leq 1/2 \\ g_{2t-1} & 1/2 < t \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad h_0 = f, h_{1/2} = g$

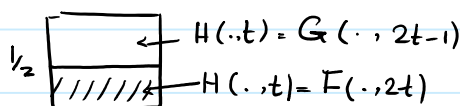
$g_t: g_0 = g, g_1 = h$



$H: I \times I \rightarrow X$

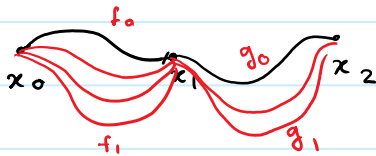
$H(\cdot, t) = h_t(\cdot)$

is Contin. follows from the fact that f_t and g_t are homotopies.



Composition of paths

$f, g: I \rightarrow X$ s.t. $f(1) = g(0) \Rightarrow$ composition of f and g , $f \circ g: I \rightarrow X$



$$f \circ g(t) = \begin{cases} f(2t) & 0 \leq t \leq 1/2 \\ g(2t-1) & 1/2 \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

• $f_0 \underset{f_t}{\simeq} f_1$, $g_0 \underset{g_t}{\simeq} g_1 \Rightarrow f_0 \circ g_0 \simeq f_1 \circ g_1$
 $\Rightarrow f_t \circ g_t$: homotopy b/n $f_0 \circ g_0$ and $f_1 \circ g_1$

Def Let (X, x_0) be a based topological space. $\Pi_1(X, x_0)$: the set of all homotopy classes of loops at $x_0 \in X$ i.e. $f: I \rightarrow X$ s.t. $f(0) = f(1) = x_0$

Prop $(\Pi_1(X, x_0), \cdot)$ is a group, called fundamental group of X at the base pt x_0 .