

LECTURE 18: QUOTIENT TOPOLOGY

"Quotient map"

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Defⁿ A continuous and onto map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called an identification if the open sets of Y are precisely the subsets $A \subseteq Y$ s.t. $f^{-1}(A)$ is open in X

This is stronger than continuity. Recall, $f: X \rightarrow Y$ continuous if for each open $V \subseteq Y$ we have $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X . If it is on the other hand, not as strong as the condition f is an open map. In fact, there exist identifications which are not open maps. (for example, #2 on p. 143 of Munkres

Remark: identifications can be characterized by closed sets just the same!
if the closed sets of Y are precisely the subsets $C \subseteq Y$ s.t. $f^{-1}(C)$ is closed in X then f is an identification

Defⁿ For $f: X \rightarrow Y$ continuous, $A \subseteq X$ is f -saturated whenever $x \in A, y \in X$ and $f(x) = f(y)$ imply $y \in A$. That is, f -saturated subsets of X are precisely those sets which arise as inverse images under f ; $A = f^{-1}(B)$ for some $B \subseteq Y$ means A is f -saturated

Manetti says on p. 87, "saying f is an identification amounts to saying the open sets in Y are exactly the images $f(A)$ of f -saturated sets A "

Ex Let A be cover of the space X and consider the disjoint union $\coprod \{A \mid A \in \mathcal{A}\} = Y$. Then $f: Y \rightarrow X$ given by $f(x) = x \ \forall x \in Y$ is a continuous surjection. For f to be an identification we need the open sets of X are precisely $A \subseteq X$ such that $f^{-1}(A)$ is open in Y . Notice $f^{-1}(A) = A$. Manetti claims f is an identification iff A is an identification cover. (See p. 72 for defⁿ of ident. cover)

Def 1 A closed identification is an identification and a closed map.
 An open identification is an identification and an open map.

Lemma: Suppose $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous surjection.

If f is closed, it is a closed identification. Likewise, if f is open, it is an open identification

Proof: f surjective implies $f(f^{-1}(A)) = A$ for any $A \subseteq Y$.

Suppose f is open and $A \subseteq Y$ is such that $f^{-1}(A)$ is open then $A = f(f^{-1}(A))$ is open $\therefore f$ is an identification. Likewise, if f is closed and $C \subseteq Y$ is such that $f^{-1}(C)$ is closed then $C = f(f^{-1}(C))$ is closed $\Rightarrow f$ is an identification. \square

E2 Consider $f: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow S^1 = \{ (x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1 \}$
 $f(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$

Since $[0, 2\pi]$ is closed and bounded, it's compact and S^1 is Hausdorff thus f is a closed map. (Cor. 4.52). Moreover, f is onto $\therefore f$ is closed identification.

Remark: $[0, 1)$ open in $[0, 2\pi]$ but $f[0, 1)$ not open in S^1 thus f not open, yet it is an identification.

E3 $\mathbb{R} = ([0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ and let $h = \pi_1|_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}}$ then

we can show h is neither open nor closed, but it is a quotient map. continuous ✓
 Munkres gives hint: $h^{-1}(U) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) = U \times \{0\}$ surjective ✓

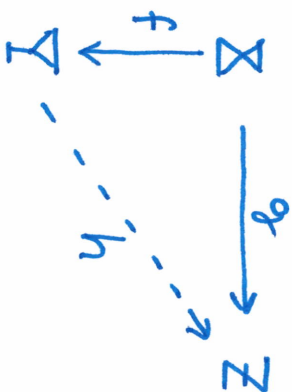
$$h = \pi_1|_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}} : ([0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

(left to reader)

Lemma (5.6) Universal Property of Quotient Maps

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Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an identification and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ a continuous map. There exists a continuous map $h : Y \rightarrow Z$ such that $g = h \circ f$ iff g is constant on the fibers of f



Proof: Assume $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is quotient map and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.

\Rightarrow) Suppose $\exists h : Y \rightarrow Z$ continuous with $g = h \circ f$. Let $y \in Y$ and suppose $x_1, x_2 \in f^{-1}(y)$ then $f(x_1) = y = f(x_2)$. Observe

$$g(x_1) = h(f(x_1)) = h(f(x_2)) = g(x_2) \quad \therefore g \text{ is constant on fibers of } f. \quad \parallel$$

\Leftarrow) Suppose g is constant on the fibers of f . Then if $x_1, x_2 \in f^{-1}(y)$ for some $y \in Y$ then $g(x_1) = g(x_2)$.

Suppose $y \in Y$ where $y = f(x)$ for some $x \in X$, define

$$h(y) = g(x) \quad \text{notice if } y = f(\bar{x}) \text{ then } x, \bar{x} \in f^{-1}(y) \text{ thus } g(x) = g(\bar{x})$$

and hence h is well-defined. Suppose $U \subseteq Z$ is open and notice

$$g = h \circ f \Rightarrow g^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(h^{-1}(U)) \text{ and } g^{-1}(U) \text{ is open by cont. of } g$$

whence $h^{-1}(U)$ is open so h is an identification. \parallel

Ex

$D^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x\| \leq 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ $D^1 = [-1, 1]$ $S^1 = \bigcirc$ (4)

$S^n = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \mid \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 = 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$



$f(x) = (2x \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}, 2\|x\|^2 - 1)$ ← continuous since f -la behaves nicely for $\|x\|^2 \leq 1$.

Onto? Consider $(a, b) \in S^n$ and seek $x \in D^n$ for which $f(x) = (a, b)$

$a = 2x \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}$ (a is in the x -direction)

$b = 2\|x\|^2 - 1 \Rightarrow \|x\|^2 = \frac{b+1}{2} \therefore \|x\| = \sqrt{\frac{b+1}{2}}$

Then use $x = \frac{a}{\|a\|} \sqrt{\frac{b+1}{2}}$ where $\|a\|^2 + b^2 = 1 \rightarrow \|a\| = \sqrt{1 - b^2}$

Check it, $f\left(\frac{a}{\|a\|} \sqrt{\frac{b+1}{2}}\right) = \left(2 \frac{a}{\|a\|} \sqrt{\frac{b+1}{2}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{b+1}{2}}, 2\left(\frac{b+1}{2}\right) - 1\right)$

$= \left(2 \frac{a}{\|a\|} \sqrt{\frac{b+1}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{1-b}{2}}, b\right)$

$= \left(a \frac{1}{\|a\|} \sqrt{1-b^2}, b\right)$



$\tilde{f}: \{x \in D^n \mid \|x\| < 1\} \rightarrow \{(x, y) \in S^n \mid y < 1\}$ is a homeomorphism

$f(\partial D^n) = \{(0, 1)\} \in S^n$

$f(0) = (0, -1)$
 $f(\partial D^n) = \{(0, 1)\}$
 $\partial D^n: \|x\| = 1$

" \tilde{f} contracts the boundary of the n -ball D^n to a point on the n -sphere"
 Since D^n compact and S^n Hausdorff $\Rightarrow \tilde{f}$ closed map, in-fact a closed quotient map.

Quotient Topology

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Defⁿ/ Let X, Y be topological spaces and consider $f: X \rightarrow Y$ an onto map. Then we define the Quotient Topology on X to be the only topology on X that makes f an identification, and the finest topology for which f is continuous.

What follows next is what I mainly think of when I think of Quotient Top.

Defⁿ/ Suppose \sim is an equivalence relation on X and let

$$\pi: X \rightarrow X/\sim \text{ be the natural map } \pi(x) = [x] = \{y \in X \mid x \sim y\}$$

Then the topological space X/\sim given the quotient topology in which

π is a quotient map is called Quotient Space

Proposition: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous map and \sim an equivalence relation on X and $\pi: X \rightarrow X/\sim$ the canonical quotient map $\pi(x) = [x]$. There exists a continuous mapping $g: X/\sim \rightarrow Y$ such that $g \circ \pi = f$ iff f is constant on \sim equivalence classes

[E] Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous then we can study the fiber equivalence given by $x \sim y$ iff $f(x) = f(y)$. Notice $f^{-1}(c) = \{x \in X \mid f(x) = c\} = [x]$ where $[x] = \{y \in X \mid x \sim y\} = \{y \in X \mid f(y) = f(x)\}$ By

The proposition above we induce from f a continuous 1-1 map on the quotient $\bar{f}: X/\sim \rightarrow Y$. We note \bar{f} is an identification iff \bar{f} is homeomorphism.

Defⁿ Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and consider the "smallest" equivalence relation on \mathbb{R}^n taking A as an equivalence class

$$x \sim y \iff x = y \text{ or } x, y \in A$$

We denote \mathbb{R}^n / \sim by \mathbb{R}^n / A .

[E6] Consider $f: S^{n-1} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow D^n$ where $f(x, t) = tx$

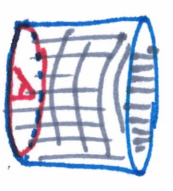
observe this map is continuous and onto. Since $S^{n-1} \times [0, 1]$ is compact and D^n is Hausdorff we have f is closed map and thus f is a closed identification. Notice f is not injective, but its fibers are solutions of $tx = y$ where $y \in D^n$ and $(x, t) \in S^{n-1} \times [0, 1]$

Notice $x \in S^{n-1}$ gives $\|x\| = 1$ thus $\|tx\| = |t|\|x\| = \|y\| \implies |t| = \|y\|$ but $t \in [0, 1]$ thus $|t| = t \implies t = \|y\|$ and $\|y\|x = y \implies x = \frac{y}{\|y\|}$ hence

we calculate $f^{-1}\{y\} = \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{\|y\|} y, \|y\| \right) \right\}$ provided $y \neq 0$. However, $f^{-1}\{0\} = S^{n-1} \times \{0\}$ (which is where injectivity is lost)

In summary, for $A = S^{n-1} \times \{0\}$ we have $z \sim w$ iff $z = w$ or $z, w \in A$ hence

$$\bar{f}: \mathbb{R}^n / \sim \rightarrow Y \implies \bar{f}: \frac{S^{n-1} \times [0, 1]}{S^{n-1} \times \{0\}} \rightarrow D^n \text{ homeomorphism}$$



$S^{1} \times [0, 1]$



D^2

- If we contract the base $S^{1} \times [0, 1]$ of the cylinder to a point then the contracted space is homeomorphic to disk D^2
- Don't ask me for the picture when $n \geq 3$.

$\square E7$ $\Sigma = [0,1]^n \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ has boundary $\partial \Sigma = [0,1]^{n-1} \cup (0,1)^n$. Let $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{I}^n$ (7)
 The quotient space $\mathcal{I}^n / \partial \mathcal{I}^n$ is interesting to study. $\mathcal{I} = [0,1]$

Recall $\mathcal{I}^n \cong D^n$ and in $\square E4$ on (4) $f: D^n \rightarrow S^n$ was an identification

which induced a homeomorphism $\tilde{f}: \underbrace{\{x \in D^n \mid \|x\| < 1\}}_{\text{this is } \cong D^n / \partial D^n} \rightarrow \{ (x,y) \in S^n \mid y < 1 \} = S^{n-1} \cup \{ (0,1) \}$

$(0,1) = (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{n\text{-fold}}, 1)$

$f: \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{I}$ continuous and f an identification then

$\tilde{f}: \Sigma / \sim \rightarrow \mathcal{I}$ is a homeomorphism

$f(x) = (2x \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}, 2\|x\|^2 - 1)$

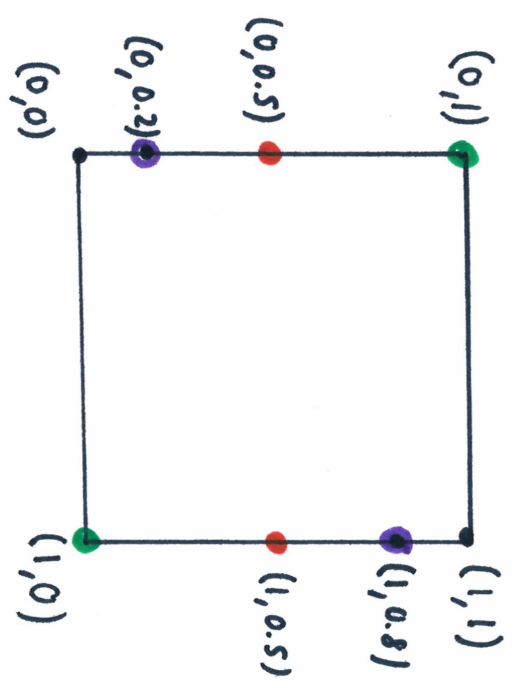
$x \sim y \Leftrightarrow (2x \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2}, 2\|x\|^2 - 1) = (2y \sqrt{1 - \|y\|^2}, 2\|y\|^2 - 1) \Leftrightarrow \|x\| = \|y\| \ \& \ x \sqrt{1 - \|x\|^2} = y \sqrt{1 - \|y\|^2} \Leftrightarrow \|x\| = \|y\| \ \& \ x = y \text{ where } \|x\| \neq 1$

For $\|x\|=1$, $f^{-1} \{x\} = \{x \in D^n \mid \|x\|=1\} = \partial D^n$ $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$

$\tilde{f}: D^n / \partial D^n \rightarrow S^n$ is homeomorphism

Then $\mathcal{I}^n / \partial \mathcal{I}^n \cong D^n / \partial D^n \cong S^n$

E8 Möbius Strip

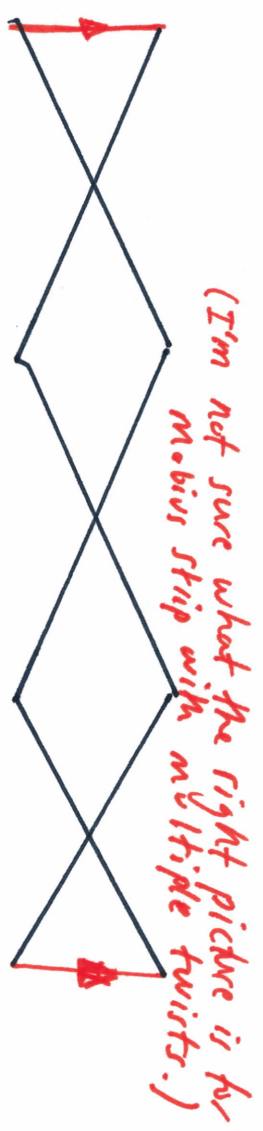
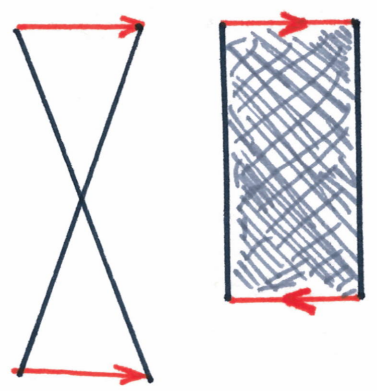


$\Sigma = [0,1]^2$ and form the following equivalence, every pt $[P] = \{P\}$ except for

$(0,y) \sim (1,1-y)$ for each $y \in [0,1]$

this means Σ/\sim glues the ends top/bottom and bottom/top

↪ another method to visualize the Möbius strip



E9 Klein Bottle

$[0,1] \times [0,1]$

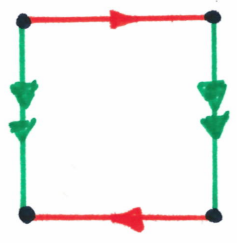
where $(0,y) \sim (1,1-y)$ and $(x,0) \sim (x,1)$ for all $x,y \in [0,1]$

twist and glue the vertical ends

glue the top/base

$(0,0) \sim (1,1)$
 $(0,1) \sim (1,0)$
 $(0,0) \sim (0,1)$
 $(1,0) \sim (1,1)$

In total $(0,0) \sim (0,1) \sim (1,0) \sim (1,1)$



Remark: Quotient of compact space is compact, Quotient of connected space is likewise connected... Hausdorff... not so nice,

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Th^m Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an identification, where X is compact and Hausdorff. TFAE,
(1.) Y is Hausdorff
(2.) f is closed identification
(3.) $K = \{ (x_1, x_2) \in X \times X \mid f(x_1) = f(x_2) \}$ is closed in the product.

Proof: see Munkres pg. 91.