

MAS435 Exam 16-17 - SOLUTIONS

1. (i) (a) A topological space is a set X , together with a set \mathcal{T} of subsets of X

- so that
- ① $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{T}$
 - ② $A, B \in \mathcal{T} \Rightarrow A \cap B \in \mathcal{T}$
 - ③ $A_i \in \mathcal{T}$ for $i \in I \Rightarrow \bigcup A_i \in \mathcal{T}$

Let $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ be the quotient map. The quotient topology on \mathcal{T} on Y is the collection of subsets $V \subseteq Y$ so that $\pi^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{T}$.

(b) If f is continuous then $f \circ \pi$ is continuous (being the composite of two continuous maps)

Conversely if $\pi \circ f$ is continuous & $V \subseteq Y$ is open then $(f \circ \pi)^{-1}(V) = \pi^{-1}(f^{-1}(V))$ is open. But this means (by defⁿ of the quotient topology) that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open as required.

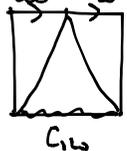
If X is compact and $\mathcal{V} = \{V_\alpha\}$ is an open cover of Y then $\pi^{-1}\mathcal{V} = \{\pi^{-1}(V_\alpha)\}$ is an open cover of X & hence has a finite subcover $\{f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_1}), \dots, f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_n})\}$. Hence $\{V_{\alpha_1}, \dots, V_{\alpha_n}\}$ is an open cover of Y .

The converse is false. For example the indiscrete equivalence relation has $Y = \text{pt}$ (which is compact), whilst there exist non compact spaces X (eg $X = \mathbb{R}$)

(ii) (a) A loop based at x_0 is a continuous function $\omega: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ with $\omega(0) = \omega(1) = x_0$

The reverse of ω is $\bar{\omega}$ def by $\bar{\omega}(s) = \omega(1-s)$

The concatenated loop $\omega \circ \bar{\omega}$ is defined by



$$H: [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$$

$$(s, t) \mapsto \begin{cases} \omega(2s) & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \omega(t) & \frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq 1 - \frac{1}{2} \\ \bar{\omega}(2s-1) & 1 - \frac{1}{2} \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

(c) We define $f: S^1 \rightarrow X$ & $\lambda: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$ by $z \mapsto \omega(s)$ & by $st \mapsto e^{2\pi i s}$

It is then immediate that $f \circ \lambda = \omega$ & $f_*[\lambda] = [f \circ \lambda] = [\omega]$

Any group homomorphism takes the identity to the identity so if $f_*([\lambda]) = [\omega] \neq e$ then $[A] \neq e$ & so $\pi_1(S^1) \neq 1$

Q2: (a) A covering map is a continuous function $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ so that every point $x \in X$ has a neighbourhood $U \subseteq X$ so that $p^{-1}(U) \cong \bigsqcup_{\alpha} \tilde{U}_{\alpha}$ & $p|_{\tilde{U}_{\alpha}}: \tilde{U}_{\alpha} \xrightarrow{\cong} U$

is a homeomorphism

Bookwork
 (b) Given a path $\omega: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ from x_0 to x_1 & a point $\tilde{x}_0 \in \tilde{X}$ with $p(\tilde{x}_0) = x_0$
 there is a unique $\tilde{\omega}: [0, 1] \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ so that $\tilde{\omega}(0) = \tilde{x}_0$ & $p \circ \tilde{\omega} = \omega$. **4**

To define $\ell: \pi_1(X, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$ by $\ell([\omega]) = [\tilde{\omega}]$ where $\tilde{\omega}$ is the unique lift of ω to a path from \tilde{x}_0 . **2**

ℓ is surjective if \tilde{X} is path connected **2**
 ℓ is injective if $\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) = 1$.

(ii) **Unseen**
 (a) For each pair i, j since \mathcal{V} is Hausdorff we may find open sets U_{ij}, U_{ji} with $U_{ij} \cap U_{ji} = \emptyset$

Now take $U_i = \bigcap_j U_{ij}$ which is open because the intersection is finite. **2**
 We have $y_i \in U_i$ & $U_i \cap U_j \subseteq U_{ij} \cap U_{ji} = \emptyset$. **2**

(b) **Unseen**
 Given any $x \in X$ we note x is the orbit $\{gy \mid g \in G\}$ of $y \in \mathcal{Y}$.
 Since \mathcal{V} is Hausdorff we may choose disjoint neighborhoods $V_g \ni gy$
 & take $V = \bigcap_{g \in G} g^{-1}V_g$. **2**

Now take $U = q(V)$ & observe it is evenly covered since $q^{-1}U = \bigsqcup_j g^{-1}qV = \bigsqcup_j V_g$. **2**

(c) Since G is a subgroup of $SU(n)$ it acts freely (since $gh = h$ implies $g = gh h^{-1} = h h^{-1} = e$)
 Hence $SU(n) \rightarrow SU(n)/G$ is a covering by the above. **2**

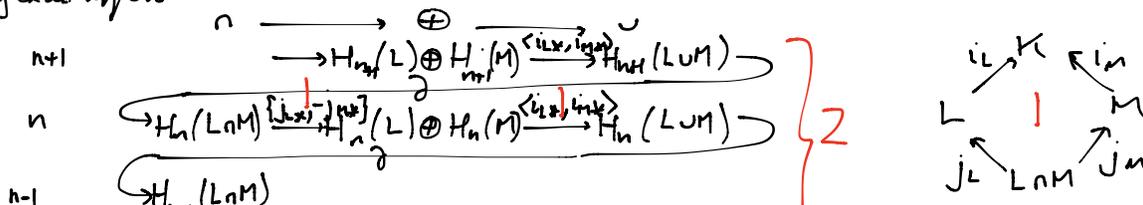
Since $SU(n)$ is simply connected $\ell: \pi_1(SU(n)/G) \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_1(p^{-1}p) = G$ is a bijection **1**

It was proved in lectures that it also preserves the group operation. **1**

A3: (i) A chain complex is a sequence $\dots \rightarrow A_{n+1} \xrightarrow{d_{n+1}} A_n \xrightarrow{d_n} A_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots$ of abelian groups & group homs so that $d_{n-1} \circ d_n = 0$ for all n . **Bookwork** **2**

The homology of a chain complex (A, d) is $H_n(A, d) = \frac{\ker(d_n: A_n \rightarrow A_{n-1})}{\text{im}(d_{n+1}: A_{n+1} \rightarrow A_n)}$. **2**

Mayer-Vietoris Theorem: If $K = L \cup M$ (union of simplicial complexes) then there is a long exact sequence



(11)(a) The P-cone on K is defined by $C_P K = K \cup \{[P, \sigma] \mid \sigma \in K\} \cup \{P\}$.  2
Proofwork

We show there is a chain homotopy $h: C_n(C_P K) \rightarrow C_{n+1}(C_P K)$

$$\sigma \mapsto \begin{cases} P\sigma & P \notin \sigma \\ 0 & P \in \sigma \end{cases} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{if } \sigma = \langle v_0, \dots, v_n \rangle \\ \text{then } P\sigma = \langle P, v_0, \dots, v_n \rangle \end{array} \right)$$
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We claim $h: id \simeq \varepsilon_P$ i.e. $hd + dh = id - \varepsilon_P$ where $\varepsilon_P: C_n(C_P K) \rightarrow C_n(C_P K)$ is zero unless $n=0$ when $\langle v \rangle \mapsto \langle P \rangle$
 From degree 0 we have $(hd + dh)\langle v \rangle = dh\langle v \rangle = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v=P \\ d\langle P, v \rangle & \text{if } v \neq P \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \langle P \rangle - \langle P \rangle & \text{if } v=P \\ \langle v \rangle - \langle P \rangle & \text{if } v \neq P \end{cases} = (id - \varepsilon_P)\langle v \rangle$

If $P \notin \sigma$ we find $(hd + dh)(\sigma) = h(d\sigma) + d(P\sigma) = Pd\sigma + \sigma - Pd\sigma = \sigma$ 2

If $P \in \sigma$ we find $(hd + dh)(P\sigma) = h(d(P\sigma)) + 0 = h(\sigma - Pd\sigma) = P\sigma - 0 = P\sigma$ 2

Since $id \simeq \varepsilon_P$, we see $C_0(C_P K) \simeq C_0(P)$ & $H_*^X(C_P K) \simeq H_*^X(P)$ as required. 1

(b) let $K = \Sigma L = C_N L \cup C_S L$. Thus $C_N L \simeq N$ & $C_S L \simeq S$ 2
Unusual
 Thus the Mayer-Vietoris sequence reads

$$H_{i+1}(C_N L) \oplus H_{i+1}(C_S L) \rightarrow H_{i+1}(\Sigma L) \rightarrow H_i(C_N L \cup C_S L) \rightarrow H_i(C_N L) \oplus H_i(C_S L) \rightarrow$$

If $i \geq 1$ $H_i(C_N L) = H_{i+1}(C_N L) = 0$ & similarly for $C_S L$ 2
 hence ∂ is an iso
 $H_{i+1}(\Sigma L) \simeq H_i(L)$ as required.

A4 (i)(a) $\Lambda(\theta) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \text{trace}(\theta: C_i \rightarrow C_i)$ *Proofwork* 2

(b) We have $C_n \supseteq \mathbb{Z}_n \supseteq B_n$ & we may choose basis b_1^n, \dots, b_n^n of B_n & extend by z_1^n, \dots, z_n^n to give a basis of \mathbb{Z}_n & extend by c_1^n, \dots, c_n^n to give a basis of C_n 2
Proofwork

Furthermore we choose these bases for decreasing n , starting with the top nonzero ac.
 Then we take

$b_n^i = d(C_{n+1}^i)$ & θ_n has matrix $(\theta)_n = \begin{pmatrix} P_n & ? & ? \\ ? & Q_n & ? \\ ? & ? & R_n \end{pmatrix}$ 2

Thus $\text{tr}(\theta_n) = \text{tr}(P_n) + \text{tr}(Q_n) + \text{tr}(R_n)$
 & since $(\theta)_n$ is a chain map

$$R_{n+1} = P_n$$

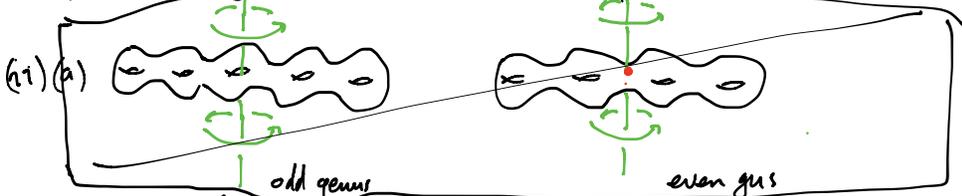
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \chi(\theta) &= \sum (-1)^i \text{tr}(\theta_i) = \sum (-1)^i [\text{tr}(P_i) + \text{tr}(Q_i) + \text{tr}(R_i)] \\ &= \sum (-1)^i \text{tr}(Q_i) = \chi(\theta_X) \end{aligned}$$

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(c) Lefschetz Fixed Point Theorem.

If X is triangulable & $f: X \rightarrow X$ has $\chi(f_X) \neq 0$ then f has a fixed point.

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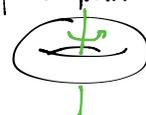


$$(a) H_i(M(g)) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=0 \\ \mathbb{Z}^{2g} & i=1 \\ \mathbb{Z} & i=2 \\ 0 & \text{or} \end{cases}$$

All individual statements seen - but perhaps not in this combination!

If $f \simeq id$
 $\chi(f) = \chi(id) = 1 - 2g + 1 = 2 - 2g$
 Hence, by LFPT, if $g \neq 1$ there is a fixed point
 For $g=1$ we may use rotation R_θ

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$t \mapsto R_{\theta t}$ defines a homotopy
 $id = R_0 \simeq R_\theta$ & R_θ has no fixed pt.

Unseen.

(b) If f has exactly one fixed point p we suppose F is the sub complex of simplices it lies in. This is a cone on p & hence contractible. Let $X = M(g) \setminus F$.
 Now f maps F to F & hence $f|_X$ is a self map of X . & by construction it has no fixed point.



However $H_i(X) = H_i(M(g))$ for $i=0,1$ (either use $M-V$ & $M(g) = X \cup F$, or use $X \simeq \bigvee_{i=1}^{2g} S^1$).

So $\chi(f|_X) = 1 - 2g \neq 0 \nexists$ LFPT.

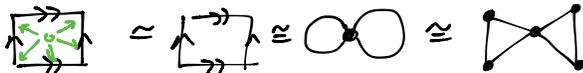
In all cases, 2 for correct answer, 3 with some reason

A5: (i) True. Since $H_*(\mathbb{R}P^2; \mathbb{Q}) = H_*(pt; \mathbb{Q})$, $\chi(f) = 1$ for any $f: \mathbb{R}P^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^2$.
 The statement follows from the Lefschetz Fixed Point Theorem [seen example]

(ii) False. If $\mathbb{R}^2 \simeq \mathbb{R}^3$ then $S^1 \simeq \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{pt\} \simeq \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{pt\} \simeq S^2$.
 However $S^1 \not\simeq S^2$, either since $\pi_1(S^1, x) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \neq 1 = \pi_1(S^2, y)$
 or since $H_1(S^1) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \neq 0 = H_1(S^2)$ [Argument seen]
 [only one pt up to H_1 & H_2]

(iii) False. $\pi_1(\mathbb{T}, x) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ is not a subgroup of $\pi_1(S^2, y) = 1$. [Unseen]

(iv) True. $T^2 \setminus pt \simeq S^1 \vee S^1$



[Homotopy equivalence seen]

(v) False. $H_2 S^2 \simeq \mathbb{Z}$ these are not isomorphic. [In both cases one can use MV or simply triangulate & (since \mathbb{Z} = dim) find]

$$H_2 = \ker(C_2 \xrightarrow{d_1} C_1).$$

Take $X = S^2 \cup \bar{B}^2$. Homology of S^1 & S^2 known &
 $S^2 \cap \bar{B}^2 = S^1_E$ top of M-V sequence reads

$$\begin{array}{c} n \rightarrow \oplus \rightarrow \cup \\ \textcircled{2} \quad 0 \rightarrow H_2 S^2 \oplus 0 \rightarrow H_2(X) \\ \textcircled{1} \quad \hookrightarrow H_1(S^1_E) \rightarrow 0 \oplus 0 \end{array}$$