

Recall: $E \xrightarrow{p} B$ is a fibre bundle (loc. trivial fibration) with fibre F

if $\forall b \in B \exists U \ni b$ open s.t.

$$p^{-1}(U) \cong U \times F$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \cong & \\ p|_{p^{-1}U} \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow p^{-1}u \\ & U & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C \times_B E = p^* E & \xrightarrow{p^* E} & E \\ \downarrow p^* c & \lrcorner & \downarrow p \\ C & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$

pullback, $C \times_B E = \{(c, e) \in C \times E \mid f(c) = p(e)\}$

Univ. prop.: if X is a space with maps $X \xrightarrow{\alpha} E, X \xrightarrow{\beta} C$ s.t.

$p\alpha = f\beta$ then $\exists! X \xrightarrow{\varphi} C \times_B E$ s.t. $p^* E \circ \varphi = \alpha, p^* C \circ \varphi = \beta$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & E \\ \exists! \varphi \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow p \\ p^* E & \xrightarrow{p^* E} & E \\ p^* C \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow p \\ C & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$

If $p: E \rightarrow B$ is a fibre bundle with fibre F then $C \times_B E \xrightarrow{p^* C} C$ is also a fibre bundle with fibre F (shown last week):

$\forall c \in C \exists U: f(c) \in U$ and $p^{-1}(U) \cong U \times F$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \cong & \\ p \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow p^{-1}u \\ & U & \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow c \in f^{-1}(U), \quad p^* C^{-1}(f^{-1}(c)) \cong f^{-1}(U) \times F$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \cong & \\ p^* C \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow p^* f^{-1}(U) \\ & f^{-1}(U) & \end{array}$$

We will use this to show that every fibre bundle is a Serre fibration.

Lemma. If $p: E \rightarrow I^n$ is a fibre bundle with fibre F then p is trivial

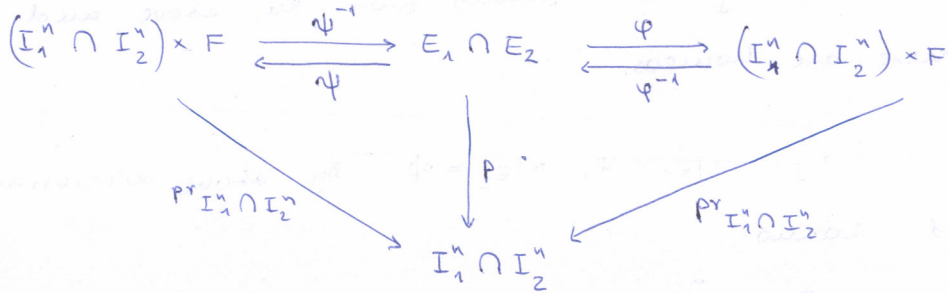
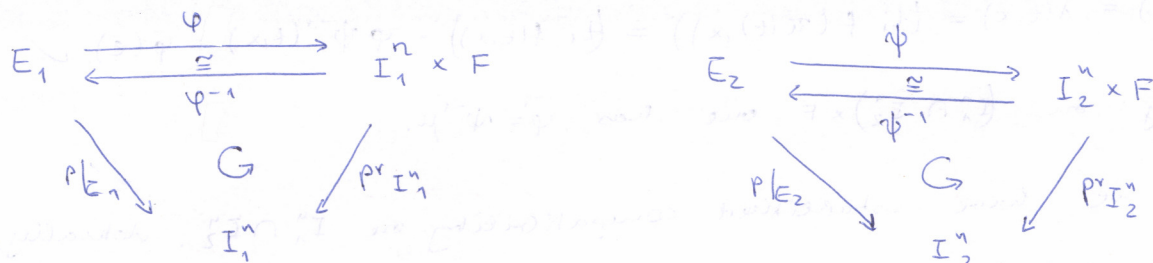
i.e. $E \cong I^n \times F$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \cong & \\ p \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow p^* I^n \\ & I^n & \end{array}$$

Pf. Notation: $I_1^n := \{(t_1, \dots, t_n) \in I^n \mid 0 \leq t_n \leq \frac{1}{2}\}$

$I_2^n := \{(t_1, \dots, t_n) \in I^n \mid \frac{1}{2} \leq t_n \leq 1\}$

Claim. Let $E_1 := p^{-1}(I_1^n)$, $E_2 := p^{-1}(I_2^n)$. If $p|_{E_1}$ and $p|_{E_2}$ are trivial then $p: E \rightarrow B$ is trivial.



clutching data

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \psi\psi^{-1}(t,x) &= (t, f(t,x)) \quad \text{for some } f: (I_1^n \cap I_2^n) \times F \rightarrow F \\ \psi\psi^{-1}(t,x) &= (t, g(t,x)) \quad \text{for some } g: (I_1^n \cap I_2^n) \times F \rightarrow F \end{aligned} \right\} \text{clutching functions}$$

These f and g are the obstructions to gluing the two trivializations together.

Let $\pi: I_2^n \rightarrow I_1^n \cap I_2^n$ be the projection to the "middle hyperplane"

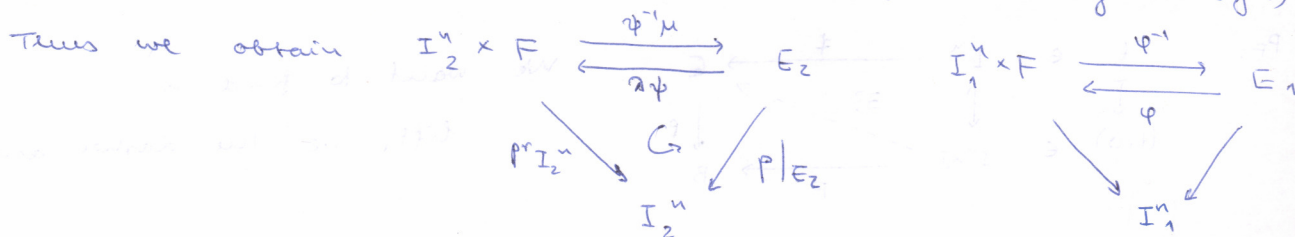
$$(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mapsto (t_1, \dots, t_{n-1}, \frac{1}{2})$$

This gives us maps $I_2^n \times F \xrightleftharpoons[\mu]{\lambda} I_1^n \times F$

$$(t,x) \mapsto f(\pi(t), x)$$

$$(t, g(\pi(t)), x) \mapsto (t,x)$$

and λ, μ are mutually inverse to each other. (Checking this is not hard, one just has to use how f and g are def'd.)



compatibility on $I_1^n \cap I_2^n$.

Let $e \in E_1 \cap E_2$, thus $\psi(e) \in (I_1^n \times I_2^n) \times F$ since ψ is compat w/ projections.

WTC: $\lambda\psi(e) = \varphi(e)$

$\psi(e) = (t, x) \in I_2^n \times F \quad \forall t \in I_1^n \times I_2^n$

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Similarly: on $(I_1^n \cap I_2^n) \times F$ one has $\varphi^{-1} = \psi^{-1}\mu$.

Thus we have established compatibility on $I_1^n \cap I_2^n$. Actually, this is not even necessary: this follows from the above and the fact that these are homeos.

Define $E \xrightarrow{\alpha} I^n \times F$ by $\alpha|_{E_1} = \varphi, \alpha|_{E_2} = \psi$. By above discussion α is a well-defined homeo

Similarly one has $E \xrightleftharpoons[p]{\alpha} I^n \times F$. This proves the Claim. □

Generally, given $p: E \rightarrow I^n$ fibre bundle:

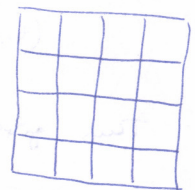
cover I^n by U_1, \dots, U_k where $p|_{U_i}$ is trivial $\forall i$, i.e. $p^{-1}U_i \cong U_i \times F$



Use Lebesgue number of this cover: let this be $\epsilon > 0$,

i.e. $\forall A \subseteq I^n$ with $\text{diam}(A) < \epsilon: A \subseteq U_i$ for some i .

Subdivide I^n into small cubes with diameters $< \epsilon$.

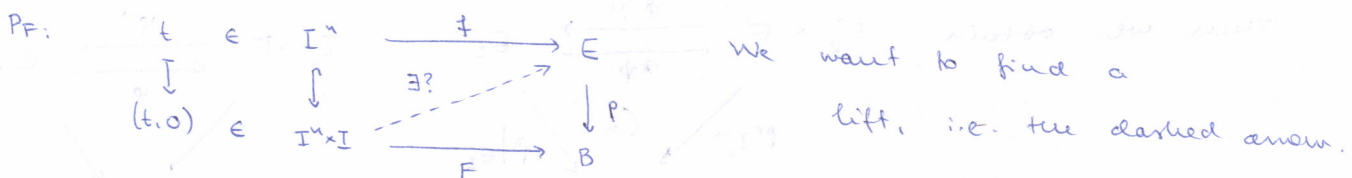


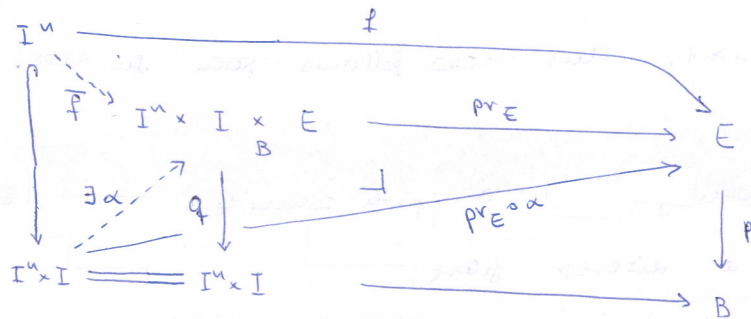
Then p is trivial on every small cube because of

the property of ϵ and the triviality of $p|_{U_i}$.

Use the Claim & induction \Rightarrow the assertion follows. □

Prop. Let $E \xrightarrow{p} B$ be a fibre bundle with fibre F . Then p is a Serre fibration.





Then q is a fibre bundle, $p \circ f = F \circ \text{id}$

By the previous lemma: q is trivial. (q is homeomorphic to the projection of a Cartesian product) $\Rightarrow q$ is a Serre fibration.

Applications

$$S^1 \longrightarrow S^3 \xrightarrow{\mu} S^2$$

$$(z_0, z_1) \longmapsto \frac{z_0}{z_1}$$

where $S^2 =$ Riemann sphere,
 $S^3 \subseteq \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$

and μ is the Hopf map. This is a fibre bundle with fibre S^1 . (In general it is common to write $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{p} B$ for fibrations) We have a les

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \pi_3 S^1 & \longrightarrow & \pi_3 S^3 & \longrightarrow & \pi_3 S^2 & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_2 S^1 & \longrightarrow & \pi_2 S^3 & \longrightarrow & \pi_2 S^2 & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_1 S^1 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \\ 0 & & \mathbb{Z} & & ? & & 0 & & 0 & & \mathbb{Z} & & \mathbb{Z} & & \end{array}$$

(Hurewicz)

$\Rightarrow \pi_3 S^2 \cong \mathbb{Z}$. Moreover we have $\pi_i S^3 \cong \pi_i S^2 \quad \forall i \geq 3$

since $\pi_{i-1} S^1 = \pi_i S^1 = 0 \quad \forall i \geq 3$.

As $\mathbb{C}P^1 \cong S^2$, one can generalise this as $S^1 \rightarrow S^{2n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^n$

Corollary: $\forall i \geq 3: \pi_i S^{2n+1} \cong \pi_i \mathbb{C}P^n$

This fails for $i=2: \pi_2 S^3 = 0$ but $\pi_2 \mathbb{C}P^1 \cong \pi_2 S^2 \cong \mathbb{Z}$.

Taking the limit, one has a fibre bundle $S^1 \rightarrow S^\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^\infty$.

$$S^\infty \cong *, \quad 0 \rightarrow \pi_2 \mathbb{C}P^\infty \xrightarrow{\partial} \pi_1 S^1 \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_i \mathbb{C}P^\infty = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=2 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^\infty = K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$ Eilenberg-MacLane space

Another way: $\pi_i \mathbb{C}P^0 \cong \pi_i \mathbb{C}P^n$ for $n \geq 0$.

Similarly: $\pi_2 \mathbb{C}P^n \cong \mathbb{Z} \quad \forall n \geq 1$. This also follows from Exercise.

If $E \xrightarrow{p} B$ is a covering space, B path-connected then $E \xrightarrow{p} B$ is a fibre bundle with a discrete fibre.

$$\Rightarrow \pi_i E \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_i B \quad \forall i \geq 2, \quad \pi_i S^n \cong \pi_i \mathbb{R}P^n \quad \forall i \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi_i \mathbb{R}P^0 = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2 & i=0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad \mathbb{R}P^\infty = K(\mathbb{Z}/2, 1)$$

Example. G a Lie group, $H \leq G$ a closed subgroup ($\Rightarrow H$ is a Lie subgroup).

$G \xrightarrow{p} G/H$ is a fibre bundle w/ fibre H . (PO)

G/H is the so-called homogeneous space

One can show that p is a submersion, i.e. the derivative is surjective.

Submersion thm. $\Rightarrow p$ has a local section at every point:

$$\forall x \in G/H, x \in U, \quad s: U \rightarrow G \quad \text{section of } p$$

$$H \times U \rightarrow p^{-1}(U)$$

$$(h, x) \mapsto h \cdot s(x)$$

$$SO(n-1) \hookrightarrow SO(n) \longrightarrow SO(n)/SO(n-1) \cong S^{n-1}$$

$$A \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is a fibre bundle (PO)

$$\Rightarrow \pi_i SO(n-1) \cong \pi_i SO(n) \quad \forall i < n-1 \quad \text{by les (use } \pi_i S^{n-1} = 0.)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } n \geq 0: \pi_i SO(n) \text{ stabilises and } \pi_i SO(n) \cong \pi_i SO$$

$$\text{where } \underline{SO} := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} SO(n)$$

(Bott also computes these)

$$\text{Similarly: } U(n-1) \hookrightarrow U(n) \longrightarrow U(n)/U(n-1)$$

$\Rightarrow \pi_i U(n)$ is independent of n for $n \geq 0$

$$\underline{U} := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} U(n) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_i U \cong \pi_i U(n) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & 2i \\ 0 & 2i+1 \end{cases} \quad (\text{Bott})$$

Note that $\pi_i S^n$ also stabilizes in a certain range:

$$\pi_{k+n} S^n \quad \text{if } k < n$$