

Lec 16 Recall last time:

- o for $f: X \rightarrow Y$ a map,
 $Z \subset Y$ subafd,

$$\dim X + \dim Z = \dim Y,$$

defined the mod 2 intersec number

$$I_2(f, Z) \in \{0, 1\},$$

assuming $f \pitchfork Z$.

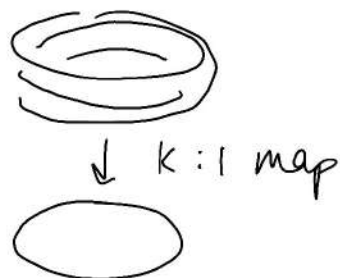
- o using the transversality techniques we developed, we proved that $I_2(f, Z)$ is invt under htopics of f .
- o in particular, have $I_2(X, Z)$ if $X, Z \subset Y$ are subafds of compl. afd; did some examples.
- o defined winding number and sketched that it computes the # of roots of a fctn inside a given domain

Next goal Oriented intersection thy.

Why? (One of) the aims of integer theory is to distinguish non-homotopic maps, and integer theory mod 2 is sometimes insufficient.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^1 & \xrightarrow{f_k} & S^1 \\ z & \mapsto & z^k \end{array}$$

$$S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z|=1\}$$



Then $\deg_2 f_k = I(f, \{p\}) = k \pmod{2}$.

Although f_k and f_ℓ are not homotopic when $k \neq \ell$, \deg_2 does not distinguish all of them!

Solution Define \mathbb{Z} -valued degree, $\deg f \in \mathbb{Z}$; we will then have

$$\deg f_k = k$$

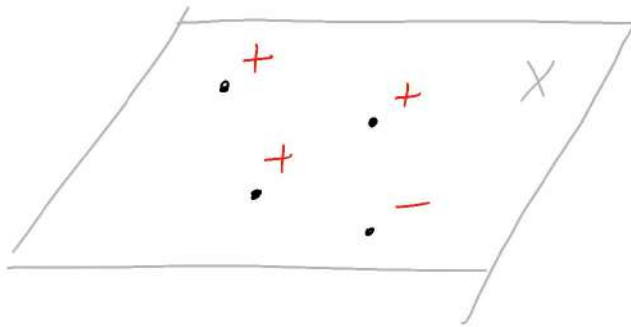
which distinguishes all the f_k up to homotopy.

Idea for the degree of $f: X^n \rightarrow Y^n$.

ⓐ Introduce notion of orientation on a manifold. Assume X, Y oriented.

② Taking $p \in Y$ regular point for f ,
recall that $f^{-1}(p)$ is a finite # of pts.

To each point $x \in f^{-1}(p)$, assign a sign: +
or
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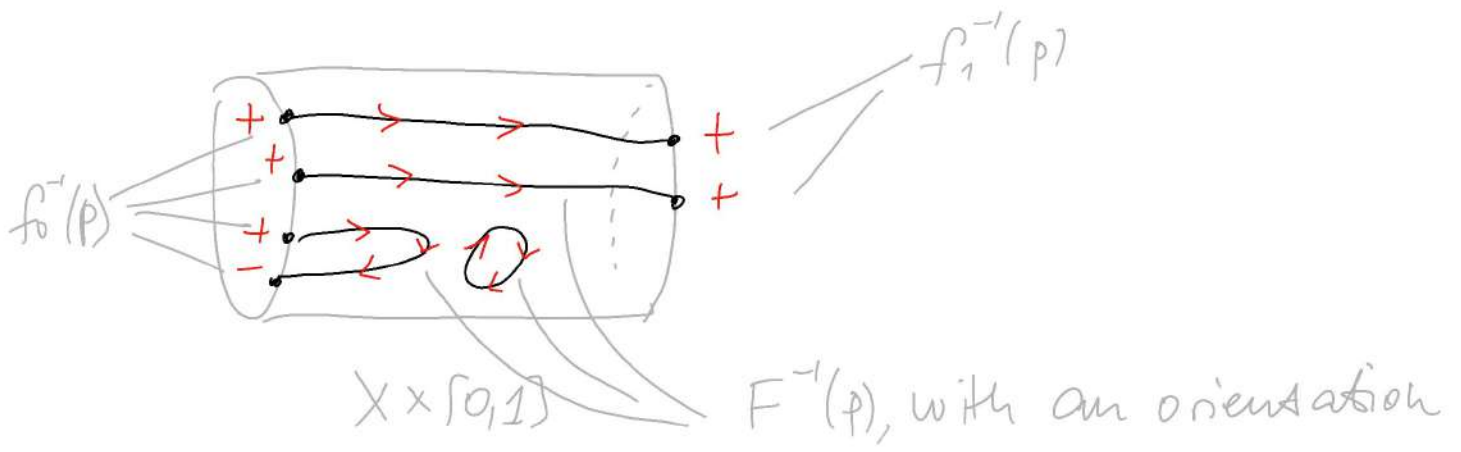
③ Count the points in $f^{-1}(p)$ with signs,
eg in the above picture: $+1+1+1-1 = 2 \in \mathbb{Z}$.
Define the degree
 $\deg f =$ the above signed sum

④ To prove that $\deg f$ is homotopy invt,
prove that $\forall Z \subset Y$ submfd s.t. $f \pitchfork Z$,

the submanifold $f^{-1}(Z)$ carries a canonical orientation

In particular, if $F: X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow Y$ is a
homotopy between $f_0, f_1: X \rightarrow Y$,

$F^{-1}(p)$ is an oriented 1-mfld with Bdy



Then $F^{-1}(p)$ is a disjoint union of closed intervals $\bigsqcup_i I_i$, plus circles.

Using orientation theory, can show:

- o If an interval $I_i \subset F^{-1}(p)$ connects the same boundary comp. of $X \times \{0, 1\}$, ie $X \times \{0\}$ or $X \times \{1\}$, then

$$\partial I_i \subseteq f_0^{-1}(p) \text{ resp. } f_1^{-1}(p)$$

is a pair of points having opposite signs wrt. f_0/f_1 .

- o If an interval $I_i \subset F^{-1}(p)$ connects the opposite bdy comp. of $X \times \{0, 1\}$, ie ∂I_i has one pt $\in X \times \{0\}$ and another pt $\in X \times \{1\}$

then these two points have the same sign wrt. f_0 resp. f_1 .
(see picture above)

We will now develop orientation theory

Def let V be a finite-dim real vector space,

$$\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\},$$

$\beta' = \{v'_1, \dots, v'_n\}$ two ordered bases of V .

then $\exists!$ linear iso^m $A: V \rightarrow V$

such that $\beta' = A\beta$.

We say β, β' have the same orientation /
are equivalently oriented

if $\det A > 0$,

and β, β' are oppositely oriented if $\det A < 0$

Lemma (if $\dim V \neq 0$) V has exactly 2 equivalence classes of equivalently oriented bases:

$$\left| \{ \text{bases of } V / \text{equivalently oriented} \} \right| = 2$$

Proof let $\beta_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be any basis

and let $\beta_2 = \{-v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$

↪ changed sign of the first vector.

Then \forall basis β is either equiv. orient with β_1 or with β_2 . Indeed, let

$$A\beta = \beta_2$$

If $\det A > 0$, we are OK, otherwise

$$A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & +1 \end{pmatrix} \beta = \beta_2$$

and $\det (A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & +1 \end{pmatrix}) = -\det A > 0 \quad \square$

Def An orientation on V is a choice of one of the two equivalence classes of $\{\text{bases mod orientation equivalence}\}$.

Note There is no canonical choice if V is an abstract V -space and comes with no fixed basis. Of course, choosing a basis of V immediately defines an orientation (by taking the equiv. class of that basis).

Altngh If $V = \{0\}$, an orientation of V is an abstract choice of a sign: $+$ or $-$.

Def Let V be an oriented v. space, and β a basis of V . We say β is positively resp. negatively oriented if it belongs / does not belong to the equiv. class defined by the orientation on V .

Def Let $A: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear isomorphism btw. oriented v. spaces. Pick β a pos. oriented basis of V . We say f preserves / reverses orientation if $f\beta$ is a pos/neg. oriented basis of W .

Def let X be a mfd. An orientation on X is a smooth choice of orientations for all tangent spaces $T_x X$.

Here, smooth choice means:

$\forall x \in X^k \quad \exists$ a parametrisation:

$$U \subset_{\text{open}} \mathbb{R}^k, \quad \varphi: U \rightarrow X, \\ \varphi(U) \text{ contains } x$$

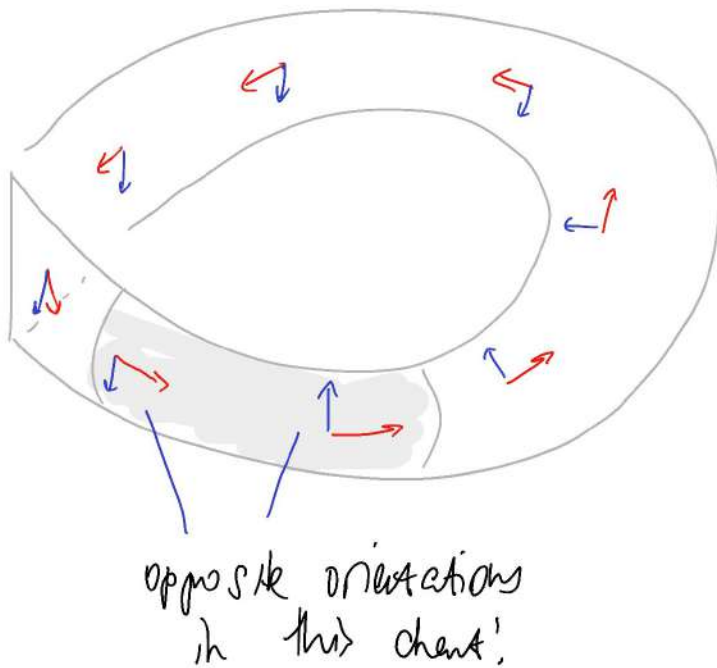
such that $d\varphi_u: \mathbb{R}^k \xrightarrow{\cong} T_{\varphi(u)} X$

is orientation-preserving w.r.t. the std orientation on \mathbb{R}^k and the chosen orientations on $T_{\varphi(x)}X$.

Note X can have ∂X ; the defn still works.

Not all mfd's are orientable!

Example Mobius strip.



Thm (without proof) \forall simply-connected mfd is orientable.

I.e If X is non-orientable, \exists loop $\gamma \subset X$ s.t. "orientation gets reversed along γ "
 $\Leftarrow \gamma$ has to be non-contractible.

Prop A connected, orientable mfd (maybe w. bdy) X has exactly 2 orientations.

Proof Take two orientations on X ; will prove:
the set where they agree/disagree are both open.
(Clearly, this proves Prop.)

let $x \in X$, and take parametrisations:

$$h : \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{R}^k \\ \cup \text{open} \\ U \end{array} \rightarrow X$$

$$\tilde{h} : \tilde{U} \rightarrow X \quad \begin{array}{l} h(u), h(u') \ni x \\ \text{wlog. assume } h(u) = \tilde{h}(\tilde{u}). \end{array}$$

such that dh preserves the first orient. on X ,
and $d\tilde{h}$ preserves the second one

The two orientations on $T_x X$ agree

$$\begin{array}{c} \Downarrow \\ d(h^{-1} \circ \tilde{h})_0 : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k \end{array}$$

preserves orientation ie has $\det > 0$.

then $d(h^{-1} \circ \tilde{h})$ has $\det > 0$ in an open nbhd of 0
so the orientations on X agree/disagree
simultaneously at any point in nbhd of x . \square

Def An oriented mfd is a manifold with a chosen orientation.

Observe Oriented mfd \leadsto orientation has been fixed.
Orientable mfd \leadsto orientation can be chosen, but we have not fixed one

Lemma If X, Y are oriented then $X \times Y$ has a canonical orientation.

Proof $T_{(x,y)}(X \times Y) = T_x X \times T_y Y$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \qquad \downarrow \\ \alpha \qquad \beta \end{array}$$

choose pos. oriented bases α, β

Then $\alpha \times \beta$ is a basis for $T_x X \times T_y Y$, and it gives the desired orientation. \square

Lemma If X is oriented, then ∂X has a canonical orientation.

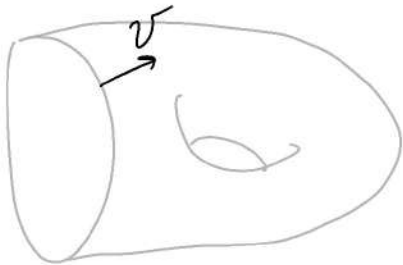
Proof Let $x \in \partial X$. Recall:

- $T_x(\partial X) \subset T_x X$ is codim 1
- \exists uniquely defined unit vector $v \in T_x X$

such that $v \perp T_x(\partial X)$

and v "points inwards" into X .

(see prev. ex. sheet).



To define a (canonical) orientation on $T_x(\partial X)$,
pick any basis β of $T_x(\partial X)$
such that

$\beta \cup \{v\}$ is a pos. oriented basis for $T_x X$

(wrt the orientation on X). \square

Eg

