

Algebraic topology!

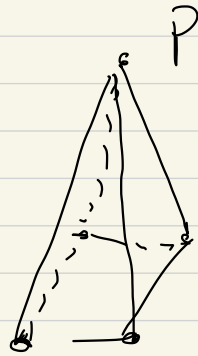
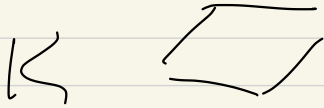
① Claim:

Betti; $\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{diagram of a square with arrows indicating a cycle} \end{array} \right) \sim$ independent of the cycle length

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Principle! Any 2 simplicial complexes that are homeomorphic have the same homology groups & Betti numbers.

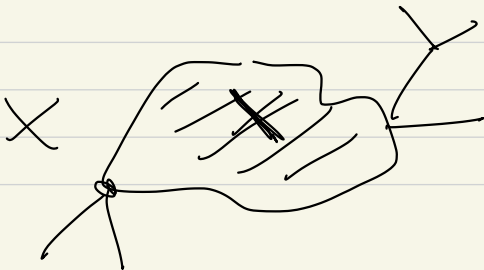
② Any cone:



$$\text{Betti}_i(\text{Any cone}) = \text{Betti}_i(\bullet)$$

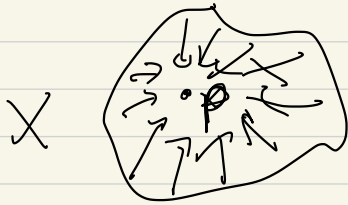
$$= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Definition $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$



We say that
X is
contractible

if there's a continuous map:



$$X \times [c, 1] \rightarrow X$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$
 $\uparrow$
 real
 interval

s.t.

$$X \times \{c\} \xrightarrow{\text{identity}} X$$

$$X \times \{1\} \longrightarrow \bullet p$$

More formally, there is $p \in X$
and a map (continuous)

$$f: X \times [c, 1] \rightarrow X$$

$$\underbrace{\bigcap \mathbb{R}^h \times \bigcap \mathbb{R}}_{\bigcap \mathbb{R}^{h+1}} \quad \bigcap \mathbb{R}^h$$

sit.

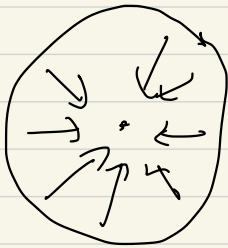
$$f(x, 0) = x$$

$$f(x, 1) = p$$

Example 1: Ball of radius 1
about $(0,0)$ in $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$\{ (x_1, x_2) \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1 \} = X,$$

$$p = (0,0)$$

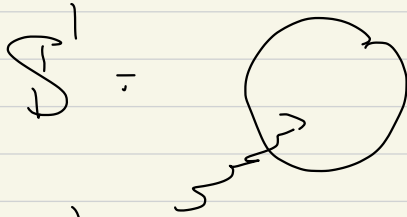


$$f(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{x} (1-t)$$

Example 2:

$$\mathbb{S}^n = \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid x_1^2 + \dots + x_{n+1}^2 = 1 \}$$

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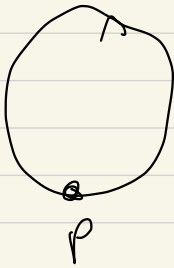


$$\subset \mathbb{R}^2$$

without
interior

$$(\beta_1 = 1)$$

not $\emptyset$



$$S^1 = X, \quad p \in X$$

$$S^2 =$$



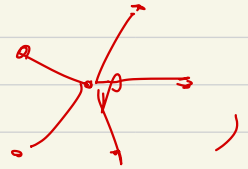
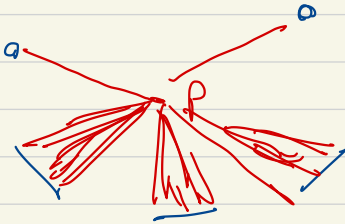
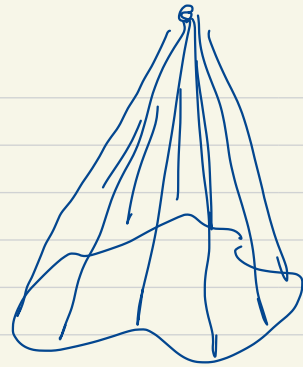
$$\subset \mathbb{R}^3$$

Example 3

$$(\beta_2 = 1, \text{ not } \emptyset)$$

Example 4!

$X = \text{Cone } A$



etc

Claim: Any "cone"

is contractible...

Back to "thinking geometrically"
and "topological spaces"

For $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, a neighbourhood
of $\vec{x}$ is a set $N \subset \mathbb{R}^n$
s.t.

$$\text{Ball}_p(x) \subset N$$

for some $p > 0$,

$$\text{Ball}_p^{\text{closed}}(x) = \{x' \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - x'\| \leq p\}$$

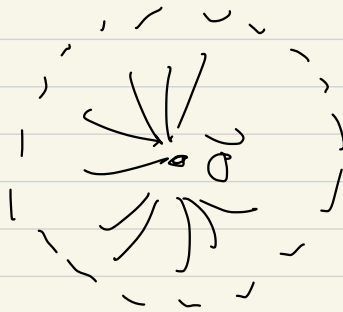
$$\text{Ball}_p^{\text{open}}(x) = \{x' \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - x'\| < p\}$$

A subset $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open if

(1) for every $\vec{x} \in U$, $\bar{U}$ is a neighbourhood of $\vec{x}$

e.g.

$$B_{\vec{0}}^{\text{open}}(\vec{0}) =$$



is open,

$(a, b) \subset \mathbb{R}$ open interval, $a < b$



and

$$B_3^{\text{closed}}(a) =$$

outside



not
open

and

$[a, b]$ closed interval

Theorem:

If $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, then

- f is continuous iff

- for every open subset $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$,

$f^{-1}(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open

Thm: $f: X \rightarrow Y$

$\cap \quad \cap$
 $\mathbb{R}^n \quad \mathbb{R}^m$,

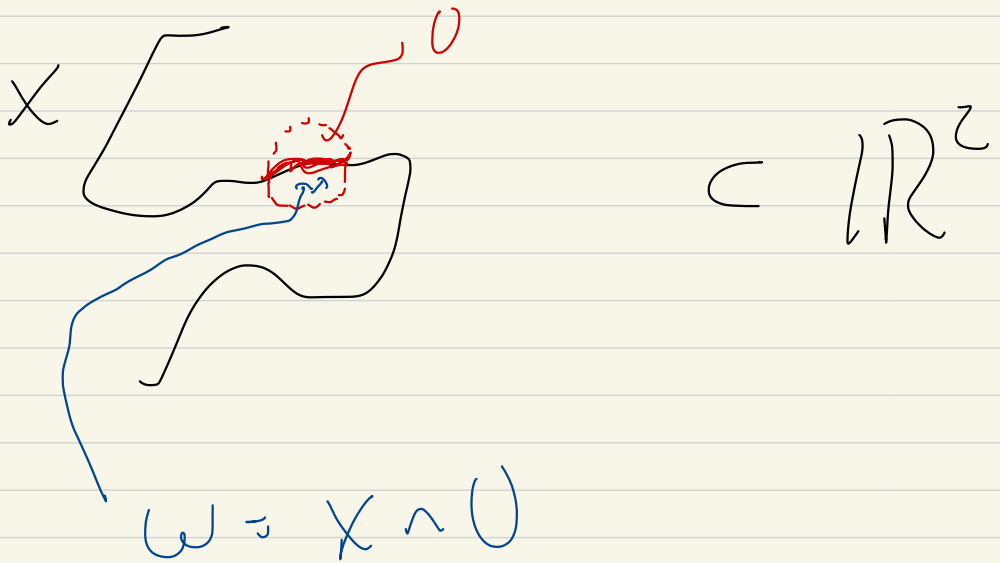
we say $W \subset X$ is relatively

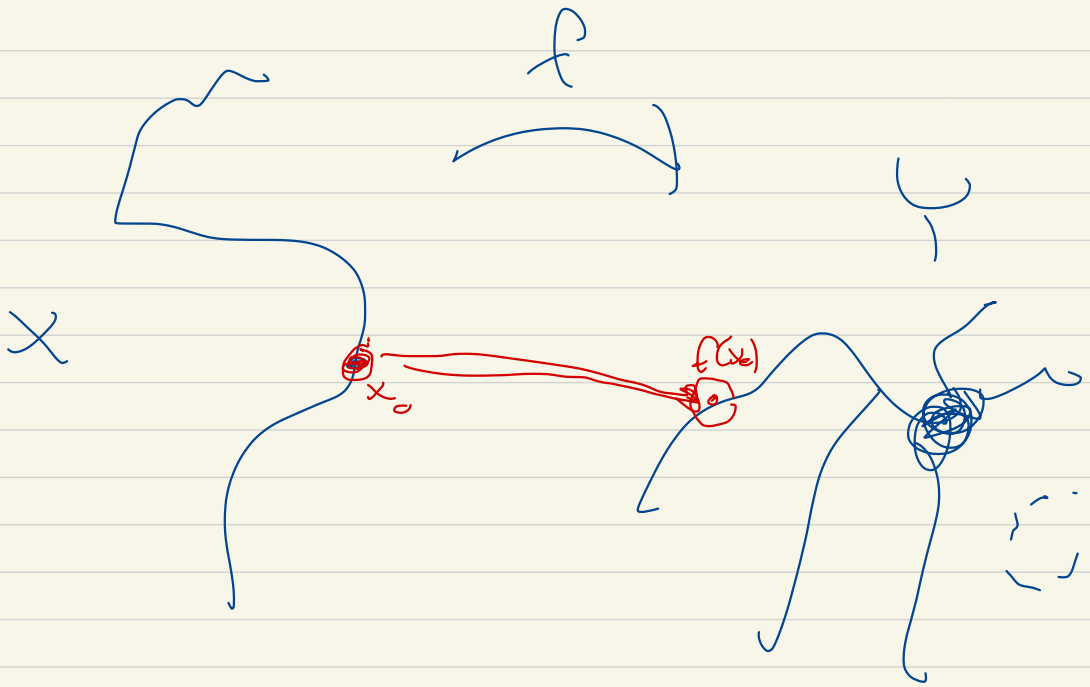
open in X (as $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$)

means

ω can be written as $X \cap U$

where U is open in $\mathbb{R}^n$





f is continuous iff

for any relatively open set

W_Y , $f^{-1}(W_Y)$ is

open in X .

Def! A topological space is a pair $(X, \mathcal{O})$ where

- X is a set
- $\mathcal{O}$ is a collection of subsets of X (we call "open sets")

such that!

$$(1) \quad \emptyset, X \in \mathcal{O}$$

$\emptyset, X$ are open

$$(2) \quad \text{if } U_1, U_2 \in \mathcal{O}, \quad U_1 \cap U_2 \in \mathcal{O}$$

(3) If $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ and

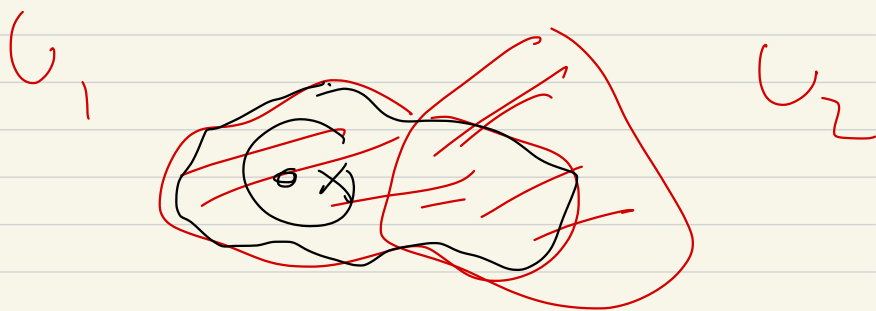
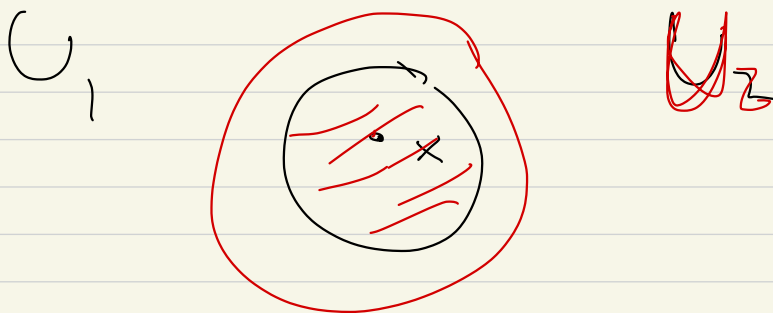
each $U_i \in \mathcal{O}$, then

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} U_i \in \mathcal{O}$$

$\Rightarrow$

Claim:

- Open subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n$ have
properties (1) - (3)



Exercise: $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, then
 $\{ \text{relatively open subset of } X \}$
 else (1) - (3)