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Def

Let  $X$  be a space. Let

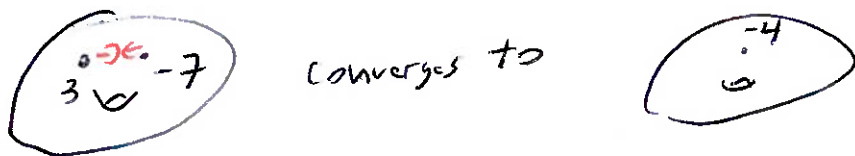
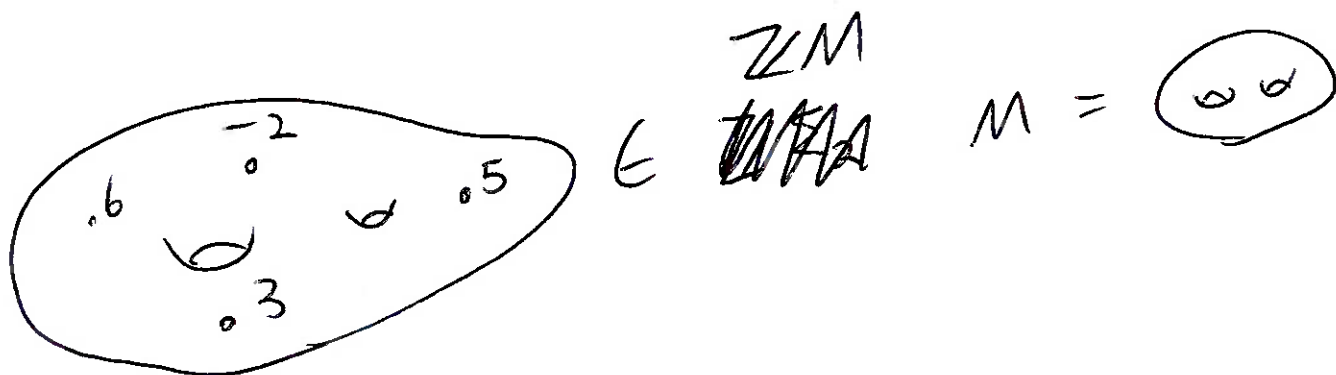
$$\mathbb{Z}X = \left( \bigsqcup_n X^n \times \mathbb{Z}^n \right) / \sim$$

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots; n_1, \dots) \sim (x_{\sigma(1)}, x_{\sigma(2)}, \dots; n_{\sigma(1)}, \dots)$$

$\sigma \in S_n$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots; n_1, n_2, \dots) \sim (x_1, x_3, \dots; n_1 + n_2, n_3, \dots)$$

if  $x_1 = x_2$ .



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Thm (Dold - Thom / Dold - Kan)

$$\pi_i(\mathbb{Z}X) = H_i(X).$$

Eilenberg - Steenrod axioms

$F_i$ : Pairs of spaces  $\rightarrow$  Ab

$$F_i(X, Y) \cong H_i(X, Y) \text{ if}$$

$$\partial: F_i(X, Y) \rightarrow F_{i-1}(Y)$$

1)  $F_i$  are homotopy invariant

2)  $F_i$  satisfy excision

$$3) F_i(\text{pt}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$4) F_i(\sqcup X_\alpha) = \bigoplus F_i(X_\alpha)$$

5) LES:

$$F_i(Y) \rightarrow F_i(X) \rightarrow F_i(X, Y) \rightarrow F_{i-1}(Y) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\text{Let } F_i^{(X, Y)} = \pi_i(\mathbb{Z}X / \mathbb{Z}Y)$$

for  $Y \subseteq X$ .

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s) follows from showing

$\mathbb{Z}X \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}X / \mathbb{Z}Y$  is a fibration.

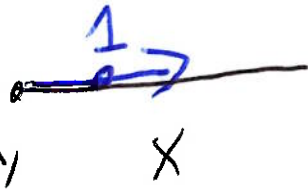
Ex

$$X = [0, 1]$$

$$Y = \{0\}$$

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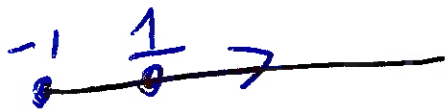
$$h: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}X / \mathbb{Z}Y$$



$$\tilde{h}_0 =$$



$$\tilde{h} =$$



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Cor

$$\mathbb{Z} D^n / \mathbb{Z} S^{n-1} \cong K(\mathbb{Z}, n)$$

Proof

$$\pi_i \mathbb{Z} D^n / \mathbb{Z} S^{n-1} = H_i(D^n, S^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i = n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

~~Thm~~ Thm

$$\pi_0 \text{Map}(X, K(A, n)) = H^n(X; A)$$

$$\pi_i \text{Map}(X, K(A, n)) = H^{n-i}(X; A)$$

Proof

$$\pi_i \text{Map}(X, K(A, n)) \cong$$

$$\pi_0 \Omega^i \text{Map}(X, K(A, n)) \cong$$

$$\pi_0 \text{Map}(X, \Omega^i K(A, n)) \cong$$

$$\pi_0 \text{Map}(X, K(A, n-i)) \cong$$

$$H^{n-i}(X; A)$$

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Observation

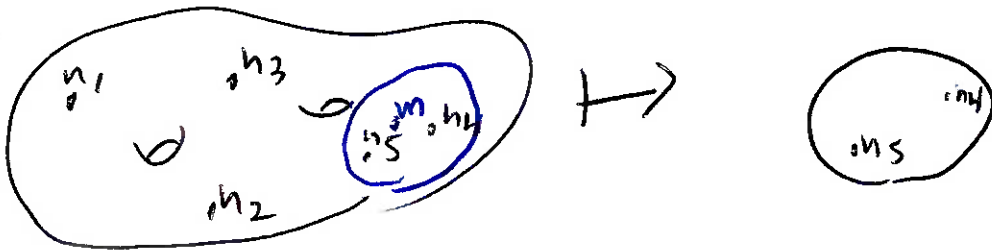
If  $M$  is a compact oriented  $n$ -manifold

$$\pi_1 \mathbb{Z}M = H_1(M) \cong H^{n-1}(M) = \pi_1(\text{Map}(M, K(\mathbb{Z}, n)))$$

$$\pi_1(\text{Map}(M, \mathbb{Z}D^n / \mathbb{Z}S^{n-1}))$$

$$S: \mathbb{Z}M \rightarrow \text{Map}(M, \mathbb{Z}D^n / \mathbb{Z}S^{n-1})$$

$$\mathbb{Z}M \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}D^n / \mathbb{Z}S^{n-1}$$



Can prove  $S: \mathbb{Z}M \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Map}(M, \mathbb{Z}D^n / \mathbb{Z}S^{n-1})$   
 same way as for configuration spaces.

~~Def Remark~~  
 For a commutative topological ab group  
 can define  $H_i(X; A)$

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Remark

For  $A$  a topological ab ~~group~~ <sup>monoid</sup>  
can define  $AX$ . For  $A$  discrete group

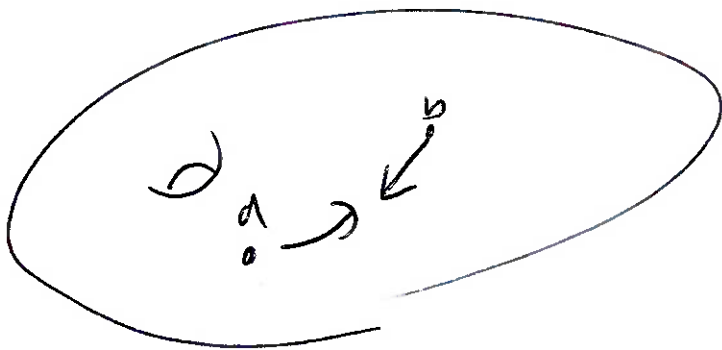
$$\pi_1(AX) \cong H_1(X; A).$$

Ex

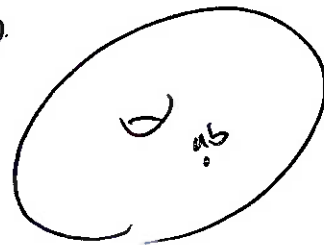
$$H_1(X; \mathbb{S}^1) = H_{1,-1}(X; \mathbb{Z}).$$

Question

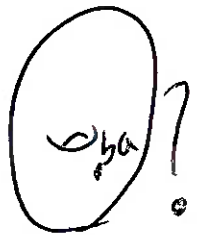
What about  $A$  non commutative?



converges to



or

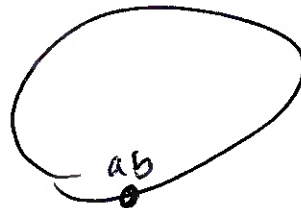


or

$\dim M = 1$



converges to



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For  $A$  ~~any~~ ~~monoid~~ <sup>monoids</sup>  $\dim M = 1$ ,  
can define  $AM$ . ~~AM~~ For  $M = S^1$ ,

related to Hochschild Homology

Interpolating between Associative and Commutative

Def

~~AM~~  $Emb^n =$  category of <sup>topological</sup>  $n$  <sup>smooth</sup> manifolds  
and <sup>smooth</sup> embeddings.

(Sym monoidal with disjoint union)

$Disk^n \subseteq Emb^n$  subcategory

on objects  $\bigsqcup_n \mathbb{D}^n$  open  $n$  disk.

~~AM~~  $A$  ~~AM~~  $Disk^n$ -algebra  $A$  is a strong  
monoidal functor

$A : Disk^n \rightarrow Top$

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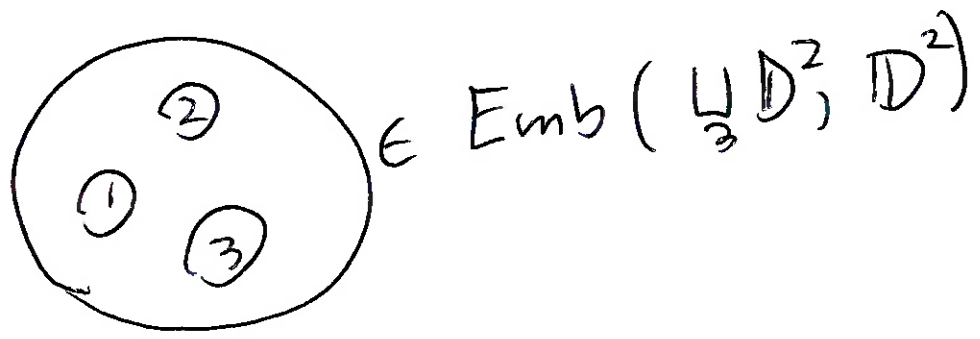
conflate ~~man~~  $A(\mathbb{D}^n)$  and  $A$

$$A\left(\bigsqcup_k \mathbb{D}^n\right) = A(\mathbb{D}^n)^k = A^k$$

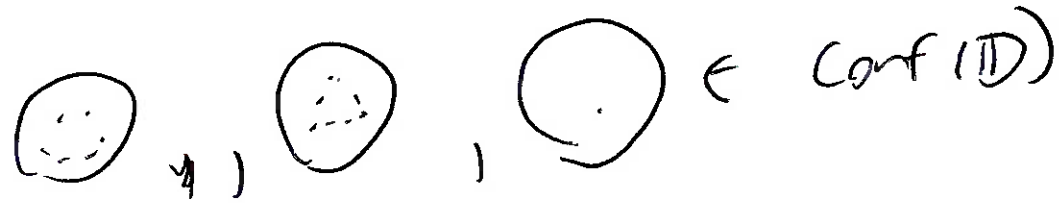
$$\text{Emb}\left(\bigsqcup_k \mathbb{D}^n, \mathbb{D}^n\right) \times A^k \rightarrow A$$

Ex

$$A = \text{Conf}(\mathbb{D})$$



x



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Ex  
 $A = \mathbb{Z}$

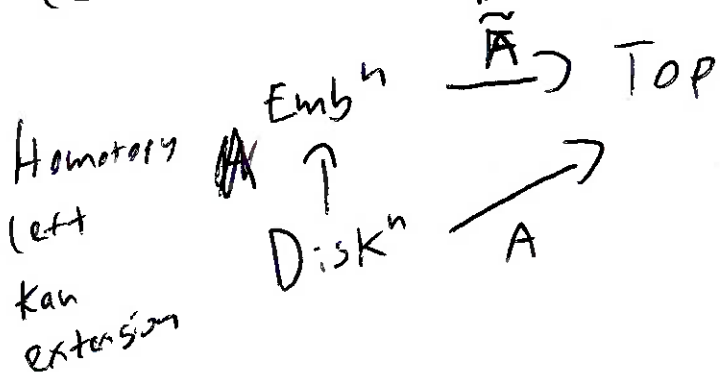
$$\times (7, -10) \mapsto -3$$

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Def

For  $A$  an  $n$ -disk alg

$$\text{let } AM = \tilde{A}M$$



Ex  $A = \text{Conf}(\mathbb{D})$

$$AM = \text{Conf}(M)$$

Ex  $A = \mathbb{Z}$

$$\mathbb{Z}M = \mathbb{Z}M$$

Thm (Thurston, <sup>Salvatore</sup> ~~Wang~~, Lurie) ~~...~~

$$AM \simeq \Gamma_C \left( \begin{array}{c} E^{AA} \\ \downarrow \\ M \end{array} \right) \text{ if } \pi_0 A \text{ is a group.}$$

$E^A$  a bundle with fibers  $A D^n / AS^{n-1}$ .

~~Im/Wang~~ Gauder and I proved Seifert and stability if  $\pi_0 A$  is not a group.