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Theorem (Alexandroff, 1937)

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Example. Let $X = \{A, B, C, D\}$ and $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{A\}, \{B\}, \{A, B\}, \{C, A, B\}, \{D, A, B\}\}$. Then $U_A = \{A\}$, $U_B = \{B\}$, $U_C = \{C, A, B\}$ and $U_D = \{D, A, B\}$, which yields A < C, D and B < C, D.

Proposition

Let $f, g: X \to Y$ be continuous maps between finite spaces. Then f is homotopic to g if and only if there exists a finite sequence of continuous maps $f_1, ..., f_n: X \to Y$ such that $f(x) = f_1(x) \le f_2(x) \ge ... \le f_n(x) = g(x)$ for every $x \in X$.

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Order complex. Given a finite space X, the order complex of X, denoted by $\mathcal{K}(X)$, is the simplicial complex whose simplices are the non-empty chains of X.



Face poset. Given a simplicial complex *L*, the face poset of *L*, denoted by $\mathcal{X}(L)$, is the poset of simplices of *K* ordered by inclusion.



Theorem (McCord, 1966)

There exists a correspondence that assigns to each Alexandroff T_0 space a simplicial complex $\mathcal{K}(X)$ and a weak homotopy equivalence $f_X : |\mathcal{K}(X)| \to X$. Each continuous map $\varphi : X \to Y$ of Alexandroff T_0 -spaces is also a simplicial map $\mathcal{K}(\varphi) : \mathcal{K}(X) \to \mathcal{K}(Y)$, and $\varphi \circ$ $f_X = f_Y \circ \mathcal{K}(\varphi)$.



Theorem (McCord, 1966)

There exists a correspondence that assigns to each simplicial complex K an Alexandroff T_0 -space $\mathcal{X}(K)$ and a weak homotopy equivalence $f_K : |K| \to \mathcal{X}(K)$. Furthermore, to each simplicial map $\psi : K \to L$ is assigned a continuous map $\mathcal{X}(\psi) : \mathcal{X}(K) \to \mathcal{X}(L)$ such that $\mathcal{X}(\psi) \circ f_K$ is homotopic to $f_L \circ |\psi|$.



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There is a natural map $h: X^1 \to X$ given by $h(x_1 < ... < x_n) = x_n$. Then, we can consider $h_{n,m}: X_m \to X_n$ for every $m \ge n$.

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Example. Let us consider the unit interval *I*.



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Remark. The same result also holds for compact metric spaces.

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Definition

A dynamical system for a topological space X consists of a triad (\mathbb{T}, X, φ) , where \mathbb{T} is usually \mathbb{Z} or \mathbb{R} and $\varphi : \mathbb{T} \times X \to X$ is a continuous function satisfying

1.
$$\varphi(0, x) = x$$
 for every $x \in X$.

2.
$$arphi(t+s,x)=arphi(t,arphi(s,x))$$
 for all $s,t\in\mathbb{T}$ and $x\in X$.



Main Idea:



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Consider **Multivalued maps** to define dynamical systems.

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Example. Every homeomorphism is a Vietoris-like map. Indeed, $f: X \to X$ is a Vietoris-like map if and only if f is a homeomorphism.

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Some properties of Vietoris-like maps

Let $f : X \to Y$ and $g : Y \to Z$ be continuous maps between finite spaces.

- If f and g are Vietoris-like maps, then $g \circ f : X \to Z$ is a Vietoris-like map.
- If f and g o f are Vietoris-like maps, then g is a Vietoris-like map.
- The 2-out-of-3 property does not hold for Vietoris-like maps.

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Remark. $F_*: H_*(X) \to H_*(Y)$ is given by $q_* \circ p_*^{-1}$, where $q: \Gamma(F) \to Y$ is the projection onto the second coordinate.

Examples

- Let f : X → Y be a continuous map. If we consider f as a multivalued map, then f is a Vietoris-like multivalued map since p : Γ(f) → X is a homeomorphism. Moreover, f_{*} = q_{*} ∘ p_{*}⁻¹.
- If $f : X \to Y$ is a Vietoris-like map, then $F : Y \multimap X$ given by $F(y) = f^{-1}(y)$ is a Vietoris-like multivalued map.

A Coincidence theorem and consequences

Lefschetz number. Let $f : X \to X$ be a continuous map, where X is a finite space. The lefschetz number of f is given by

$$\Lambda(f) = \sum_{i=0} (-1)^i tr(f_* : H_i(X) \to H_i(X)),$$

where tr denotes the trace and f_* denotes the linear map induced by f on the torsion-free part of the homology of X.

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Let $f, g: X \to Y$ be continuous maps between finite spaces, where f is a Vietoris-like map. If $\Lambda(g_* \circ f_*^{-1}) \neq 0$, then there exists $x \in X$ such that f(x) = g(x)

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Remark. Not every multivalued map may be expressed as a composition of Vietoris-like multivalued maps.

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Corollary

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Therefore, we have



where $F_{n+1} = H_{n+1,n} \circ f_{n,n+1}$.

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Theorem

If $f : |K| \to |K|$ is a continuous map, where K is a simplicial complex, then f has a fixed point if and only if there exist a finite approximative sequence for f, $(X^n, h_{n,n+1})$, a sequence $\{x_{n+1}\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_{n+1} \in X^{n+1}$, $x_n = h_{n,n+1}(x_{n+1})$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x_{n+1} \in F_{n+1}(x_{n+1})$ for every $n+1 \ge m$.



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Goal. Generalize these results to compact metric spaces using more geometrical constructions.

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Steps
 Define the composition of spans. Solution: pull-backs. Define an equivalence relation between spans. Solution: define a new notion of homotopy that generalizes the usual notion of homotopy for single valued maps in the category of finite spaces.



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Topological degree

- 1. Let X and Y be finite models of S^n . In the usual category it is not possible to get that every integer number may be realized as the topological degree of a continuous map $f : X \to Y$.
- 2. In the localized category of finite spaces the above result is possible.

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Thanks for your attention! Any questions?