

Algebraic Properties of Homotopies

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The notation and terminology used here are introduced in the following papers: [21], [9], [25], [1], [20], [14], [24], [22], [2], [5], [27], [6], [7], [18], [11], [19], [10], [17], [26], [8], [15], [23], [12], [4], [3], [16], and [13].

1. PRELIMINARIES

The scheme *ExFunc3CondD* deals with a non empty set \mathcal{A} , three unary functors \mathcal{F} , \mathcal{G} , and \mathcal{H} yielding sets, and three unary predicates \mathcal{P} , \mathcal{Q} , \mathcal{R} , and states that:

There exists a function f such that $\text{dom } f = \mathcal{A}$ and for every element c of \mathcal{A} holds if $\mathcal{P}[c]$, then $f(c) = \mathcal{F}(c)$ and if $\mathcal{Q}[c]$, then $f(c) = \mathcal{G}(c)$ and if $\mathcal{R}[c]$, then $f(c) = \mathcal{H}(c)$

provided the parameters meet the following conditions:

- For every element c of \mathcal{A} holds if $\mathcal{P}[c]$, then not $\mathcal{Q}[c]$ and if $\mathcal{P}[c]$, then not $\mathcal{R}[c]$ and if $\mathcal{Q}[c]$, then not $\mathcal{R}[c]$, and
- For every element c of \mathcal{A} holds $\mathcal{P}[c]$ or $\mathcal{Q}[c]$ or $\mathcal{R}[c]$.

Let n be a natural number. Observe that every element of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^n$ is function-like and relation-like.

Let n be a natural number. Observe that every element of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^n$ is finite sequence-like.

We now state a number of propositions:

- (1) The carrier of $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\} = \{[0, 1], [0, 1]\}$.

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- (2) For every real number x such that $x \leq \frac{1}{2}$ holds $2 \cdot x - 1 \leq 1 - 2 \cdot x$.
- (3) For every real number x such that $x \geq \frac{1}{2}$ holds $2 \cdot x - 1 \geq 1 - 2 \cdot x$.
- (4) For all real numbers x, a, b, c, d such that $a \neq b$ holds $\frac{d-c}{b-a} \cdot (x-a) + c = (1 - \frac{x-a}{b-a}) \cdot c + \frac{x-a}{b-a} \cdot d$.
- (5) For all real numbers a, b, x such that $a \leq x$ and $x \leq b$ holds $\frac{x-a}{b-a} \in$ the carrier of $[0, 1]_{\mathbb{T}}$.
- (6) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x \leq \frac{1}{2}$ holds $2 \cdot x$ is a point of \mathbb{I} .
- (7) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x \geq \frac{1}{2}$ holds $2 \cdot x - 1$ is a point of \mathbb{I} .
- (8) For all points p, q of \mathbb{I} holds $p \cdot q$ is a point of \mathbb{I} .
- (9) For every point x of \mathbb{I} holds $\frac{1}{2} \cdot x$ is a point of \mathbb{I} .
- (10) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x \geq \frac{1}{2}$ holds $x - \frac{1}{4}$ is a point of \mathbb{I} .
- (12)³ $\text{id}_{\mathbb{I}}$ is a path from $0_{\mathbb{I}}$ to $1_{\mathbb{I}}$.
- (13) For all points a, b, c, d of \mathbb{I} such that $a \leq b$ and $c \leq d$ holds $[[a, b], [c, d]]$ is a compact non empty subset of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$.

2. AFFINE MAPS

One can prove the following four propositions:

- (14) Let S, T be subsets of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$. Suppose $S = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \leq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ and $T = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \leq p_1\}$. Then $(\text{AffineMap}(1, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}))^\circ S = T$.
- (15) Let S, T be subsets of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$. Suppose $S = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \geq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ and $T = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \geq p_1\}$. Then $(\text{AffineMap}(1, 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}))^\circ S = T$.
- (16) Let S, T be subsets of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$. Suppose $S = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \geq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$ and $T = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \geq -p_1\}$. Then $(\text{AffineMap}(1, 0, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}))^\circ S = T$.
- (17) Let S, T be subsets of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$. Suppose $S = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \leq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$ and $T = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2: p_2 \leq -p_1\}$. Then $(\text{AffineMap}(1, 0, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}))^\circ S = T$.

3. REAL-MEMBERED STRUCTURES

Let T be a 1-sorted structure. We say that T is real-membered if and only if:

- (Def. 1) The carrier of T is real-membered.

We now state the proposition

³The proposition (11) has been removed.

- (18) For every non empty 1-sorted structure T holds T is real-membered iff every element of T is real.

Let us mention that \mathbb{I} is real-membered.

One can verify that there exists a 1-sorted structure which is non empty and real-membered and there exists a topological space which is non empty and real-membered.

Let T be a real-membered 1-sorted structure. Note that every element of T is real.

Let T be a real-membered topological structure. Note that every subspace of T is real-membered.

Let S, T be real-membered non empty topological spaces and let p be an element of $[\![S, T]\!]$. One can check that p_1 is real and p_2 is real.

Let T be a non empty subspace of $[\![\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]\!]$ and let x be a point of T . One can check that x_1 is real and x_2 is real.

One can check that \mathbb{R}^1 is real-membered.

4. CLOSED SUBSETS OF EUCLIDEAN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

The following propositions are true:

- (19) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_T^2: p_2 \leq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ is a closed subset of \mathcal{E}_T^2 .
- (20) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_T^2: p_2 \geq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ is a closed subset of \mathcal{E}_T^2 .
- (21) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_T^2: p_2 \leq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$ is a closed subset of \mathcal{E}_T^2 .
- (22) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_T^2: p_2 \geq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$ is a closed subset of \mathcal{E}_T^2 .
- (23) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathcal{E}_T^2: p_2 \geq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1 \wedge p_2 \geq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ is a closed subset of \mathcal{E}_T^2 .
- (24) There exists a map f from $[\![\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^1]\!]$ into \mathcal{E}_T^2 such that for all real numbers x, y holds $f(\langle x, y \rangle) = \langle x, y \rangle$.
- (25) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\![\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^1]\!]: p_2 \leq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$ is a closed subset of $[\![\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^1]\!]$.
- (26) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\![\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^1]\!]: p_2 \leq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ is a closed subset of $[\![\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^1]\!]$.
- (27) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\![\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^1]\!]: p_2 \geq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1 \wedge p_2 \geq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ is a closed subset of $[\![\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^1]\!]$.
- (28) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\![\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]\!]: p_2 \leq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$ is a closed non empty subset of $[\![\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]\!]$.
- (29) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\![\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]\!]: p_2 \geq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1 \wedge p_2 \geq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ is a closed non empty subset of $[\![\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]\!]$.
- (30) $\{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\![\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]\!]: p_2 \leq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$ is a closed non empty subset of $[\![\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]\!]$.

- (31) Let S, T be non empty topological spaces and p be a point of $\{S, T\}$. Then p_1 is a point of S and p_2 is a point of T .
- (32) For all subsets A, B of $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}$ such that $A = [0, \frac{1}{2}]$, $[0, 1]$ and $B = [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, $[0, 1]$ holds $\Omega_{\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\} \upharpoonright A} \cup \Omega_{\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\} \upharpoonright B} = \Omega_{\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}}$.
- (33) For all subsets A, B of $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}$ such that $A = [0, \frac{1}{2}]$, $[0, 1]$ and $B = [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, $[0, 1]$ holds $\Omega_{\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\} \upharpoonright A} \cap \Omega_{\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\} \upharpoonright B} = \{\{\frac{1}{2}\}, [0, 1]\}$.

5. COMPACT SPACES

Let T be a topological structure. Note that \emptyset_T is compact.

Let T be a topological structure. Observe that there exists a subset of T which is empty and compact.

Next we state three propositions:

- (34) For every topological structure T holds \emptyset is an empty compact subset of T .
- (35) Let T be a topological structure and a, b be real numbers. If $a > b$, then $[a, b]$ is an empty compact subset of T .
- (36) For all points a, b, c, d of \mathbb{I} holds $[a, b], [c, d]$ is a compact subset of $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}$.

6. CONTINUOUS MAPS

Let a, b, c, d be real numbers. The functor $L_{01}(a, b, c, d)$ yielding a map from $[a, b]_T$ into $[c, d]_T$ is defined by:

$$\text{(Def. 2)} \quad L_{01}(a, b, c, d) = L_{01}(c_{[c,d]_T}, d_{[c,d]_T}) \cdot P_{01}(a, b, 0_{[0,1]_T}, 1_{[0,1]_T}).$$

The following propositions are true:

- (37) For all real numbers a, b, c, d such that $a < b$ and $c < d$ holds $(L_{01}(a, b, c, d))(a) = c$ and $(L_{01}(a, b, c, d))(b) = d$.
- (38) For all real numbers a, b, c, d such that $a < b$ and $c \leq d$ holds $L_{01}(a, b, c, d)$ is a continuous map from $[a, b]_T$ into $[c, d]_T$.
- (39) Let a, b, c, d be real numbers. Suppose $a < b$ and $c \leq d$. Let x be a real number. If $a \leq x$ and $x \leq b$, then $(L_{01}(a, b, c, d))(x) = \frac{d-c}{b-a} \cdot (x - a) + c$.
- (40) Let f_1, f_2 be maps from $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}$ into \mathbb{I} . Suppose f_1 is continuous and f_2 is continuous and for every point p of $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}$ holds $f_1(p) \cdot f_2(p)$ is a point of \mathbb{I} . Then there exists a map g from $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}$ into \mathbb{I} such that
- (i) for every point p of $\{\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}\}$ and for all real numbers r_1, r_2 such that $f_1(p) = r_1$ and $f_2(p) = r_2$ holds $g(p) = r_1 \cdot r_2$, and
 - (ii) g is continuous.

- (41) Let f_1, f_2 be maps from $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ into \mathbb{I} . Suppose f_1 is continuous and f_2 is continuous and for every point p of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ holds $f_1(p) + f_2(p)$ is a point of \mathbb{I} . Then there exists a map g from $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ into \mathbb{I} such that
- (i) for every point p of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ and for all real numbers r_1, r_2 such that $f_1(p) = r_1$ and $f_2(p) = r_2$ holds $g(p) = r_1 + r_2$, and
 - (ii) g is continuous.
- (42) Let f_1, f_2 be maps from $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ into \mathbb{I} . Suppose f_1 is continuous and f_2 is continuous and for every point p of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ holds $f_1(p) - f_2(p)$ is a point of \mathbb{I} . Then there exists a map g from $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ into \mathbb{I} such that
- (i) for every point p of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ and for all real numbers r_1, r_2 such that $f_1(p) = r_1$ and $f_2(p) = r_2$ holds $g(p) = r_1 - r_2$, and
 - (ii) g is continuous.

7. PATHS

We follow the rules: T denotes a non empty topological space and a, b, c, d denote points of T .

The following three propositions are true:

- (43) For every path P from a to b such that P is continuous holds $P \cdot L_{01}(1_{[0,1]_T}, 0_{[0,1]_T})$ is a continuous map from \mathbb{I} into T .
- (44) Let X be a non empty topological structure, a, b be points of X , and P be a path from a to b . If $P(0) = a$ and $P(1) = b$, then $(P \cdot L_{01}(1_{[0,1]_T}, 0_{[0,1]_T}))(0) = b$ and $(P \cdot L_{01}(1_{[0,1]_T}, 0_{[0,1]_T}))(1) = a$.
- (45) Let P be a path from a to b . Suppose P is continuous and $P(0) = a$ and $P(1) = b$. Then $-P$ is continuous and $(-P)(0) = b$ and $(-P)(1) = a$.

Let T be a topological structure and let a, b be points of T . We say that a, b are connected if and only if:

- (Def. 3) There exists a map f from \mathbb{I} into T such that f is continuous and $f(0) = a$ and $f(1) = b$.

Let T be a non empty topological space and let a, b be points of T . Let us notice that the predicate a, b are connected is reflexive and symmetric.

We now state several propositions:

- (46) If a, b are connected and b, c are connected, then a, c are connected.
- (47) For every arcwise connected topological structure T and for all points a, b of T holds a, b are connected.
- (48) For every path A from a to a holds A, A are homotopic.
- (49) If a, b are connected, then for every path A from a to b holds A, A are homotopic.
- (50) If a, b are connected, then for every path A from a to b holds $A = --A$.

- (51) Let T be a non empty arcwise connected topological space, a, b be points of T , and A be a path from a to b . Then $A = --A$.
- (52) If a, b are connected, then every path from a to b is continuous.

8. REEXAMINATION OF A PATH CONCEPT

Let T be a non empty arcwise connected topological space, let a, b, c be points of T , let P be a path from a to b , and let Q be a path from b to c . Then $P + Q$ can be characterized by the condition:

- (Def. 4) For every point t of \mathbb{I} holds if $t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then $(P + Q)(t) = P(2 \cdot t)$ and if $\frac{1}{2} \leq t$, then $(P + Q)(t) = Q(2 \cdot t - 1)$.

Let T be a non empty arcwise connected topological space, let a, b be points of T , and let P be a path from a to b . Then $-P$ can be characterized by the condition:

- (Def. 5) For every point t of \mathbb{I} holds $(-P)(t) = P(1 - t)$.

9. REPARAMETRIZATIONS

Let T be a non empty topological space, let a, b be points of T , let P be a path from a to b , and let f be a continuous map from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{I} . Let us assume that $f(0) = 0$ and $f(1) = 1$ and a, b are connected. The functor $\text{RePar}(P, f)$ yields a path from a to b and is defined by:

- (Def. 6) $\text{RePar}(P, f) = P \cdot f$.

Next we state two propositions:

- (53) Let P be a path from a to b and f be a continuous map from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{I} . Suppose $f(0) = 0$ and $f(1) = 1$ and a, b are connected. Then $\text{RePar}(P, f)$, P are homotopic.
- (54) Let T be a non empty arcwise connected topological space, a, b be points of T , P be a path from a to b , and f be a continuous map from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{I} . If $f(0) = 0$ and $f(1) = 1$, then $\text{RePar}(P, f)$, P are homotopic.

The map 1^{st}RP from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{I} is defined as follows:

- (Def. 7) For every point t of \mathbb{I} holds if $t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then $(1^{\text{st}}\text{RP})(t) = 2 \cdot t$ and if $t > \frac{1}{2}$, then $(1^{\text{st}}\text{RP})(t) = 1$.

Let us note that 1^{st}RP is continuous.

One can prove the following proposition

- (55) $(1^{\text{st}}\text{RP})(0) = 0$ and $(1^{\text{st}}\text{RP})(1) = 1$.

The map 2^{nd}RP from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{I} is defined by:

- (Def. 8) For every point t of \mathbb{I} holds if $t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then $(2^{\text{nd}}\text{RP})(t) = 0$ and if $t > \frac{1}{2}$, then $(2^{\text{nd}}\text{RP})(t) = 2 \cdot t - 1$.

One can verify that 2ndRP is continuous.

One can prove the following proposition

(56) $(2^{\text{nd}}\text{RP})(0) = 0$ and $(2^{\text{nd}}\text{RP})(1) = 1$.

The map 3rdRP from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{I} is defined by the condition (Def. 9).

(Def. 9) Let x be a point of \mathbb{I} . Then

- (i) if $x \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then $(3^{\text{rd}}\text{RP})(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot x$,
- (ii) if $x > \frac{1}{2}$ and $x \leq \frac{3}{4}$, then $(3^{\text{rd}}\text{RP})(x) = x - \frac{1}{4}$, and
- (iii) if $x > \frac{3}{4}$, then $(3^{\text{rd}}\text{RP})(x) = 2 \cdot x - 1$.

Let us note that 3rdRP is continuous.

We now state four propositions:

(57) $(3^{\text{rd}}\text{RP})(0) = 0$ and $(3^{\text{rd}}\text{RP})(1) = 1$.

(58) Let P be a path from a to b and Q be a constant path from b to b . If a, b are connected, then $\text{RePar}(P, 1^{\text{st}}\text{RP}) = P + Q$.

(59) Let P be a path from a to b and Q be a constant path from a to a . If a, b are connected, then $\text{RePar}(P, 2^{\text{nd}}\text{RP}) = Q + P$.

(60) Let P be a path from a to b , Q be a path from b to c , and R be a path from c to d . Suppose a, b are connected and b, c are connected and c, d are connected. Then $\text{RePar}(P + Q + R, 3^{\text{rd}}\text{RP}) = P + (Q + R)$.

10. DECOMPOSITION OF THE UNIT SQUARE

The subset LowerLeftUnitTriangle of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ is defined as follows:

(Def. 10) For every set x holds $x \in \text{LowerLeftUnitTriangle}$ iff there exist points a, b of \mathbb{I} such that $x = \langle a, b \rangle$ and $b \leq 1 - 2 \cdot a$.

We introduce IAA as a synonym of LowerLeftUnitTriangle.

The subset UpperUnitTriangle of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ is defined by:

(Def. 11) For every set x holds $x \in \text{UpperUnitTriangle}$ iff there exist points a, b of \mathbb{I} such that $x = \langle a, b \rangle$ and $b \geq 1 - 2 \cdot a$ and $b \geq 2 \cdot a - 1$.

We introduce IBB as a synonym of UpperUnitTriangle.

The subset LowerRightUnitTriangle of $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ is defined as follows:

(Def. 12) For every set x holds $x \in \text{LowerRightUnitTriangle}$ iff there exist points a, b of \mathbb{I} such that $x = \langle a, b \rangle$ and $b \leq 2 \cdot a - 1$.

We introduce ICC as a synonym of LowerRightUnitTriangle.

The following propositions are true:

(61) $\text{IAA} = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]: p_2 \leq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$.

(62) $\text{IBB} = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]: p_2 \geq 1 - 2 \cdot p_1 \wedge p_2 \geq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$.

(63) $\text{ICC} = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } [\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]: p_2 \leq 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$.

One can check the following observations:

- * IAA is closed and non empty,

- * IBB is closed and non empty, and
- * ICC is closed and non empty.

Next we state a number of propositions:

- (64) $IAA \cup IBB \cup ICC = \{ [0, 1], [0, 1] \}$.
- (65) $IAA \cap IBB = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathbb{I}; p_2 = 1 - 2 \cdot p_1\}$.
- (66) $ICC \cap IBB = \{p; p \text{ ranges over points of } \mathbb{I}; p_2 = 2 \cdot p_1 - 1\}$.
- (67) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x \in IAA$ holds $x_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}$.
- (68) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x \in ICC$ holds $x_1 \geq \frac{1}{2}$.
- (69) For every point x of \mathbb{I} holds $\langle 0, x \rangle \in IAA$.
- (70) For every set s such that $\langle 0, s \rangle \in IBB$ holds $s = 1$.
- (71) For every set s such that $\langle s, 1 \rangle \in ICC$ holds $s = 1$.
- (72) $\langle 0, 1 \rangle \in IBB$.
- (73) For every point x of \mathbb{I} holds $\langle x, 1 \rangle \in IBB$.
- (74) $\langle \frac{1}{2}, 0 \rangle \in ICC$ and $\langle 1, 1 \rangle \in ICC$.
- (75) $\langle \frac{1}{2}, 0 \rangle \in IBB$.
- (76) For every point x of \mathbb{I} holds $\langle 1, x \rangle \in ICC$.
- (77) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x \geq \frac{1}{2}$ holds $\langle x, 0 \rangle \in ICC$.
- (78) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x \leq \frac{1}{2}$ holds $\langle x, 0 \rangle \in IAA$.
- (79) For every point x of \mathbb{I} such that $x < \frac{1}{2}$ holds $\langle x, 0 \rangle \notin IBB$ and $\langle x, 0 \rangle \notin ICC$.
- (80) $IAA \cap ICC = \{ \langle \frac{1}{2}, 0 \rangle \}$.

11. PROPERTIES OF A HOMOTOPY

We use the following convention: X denotes a non empty arcwise connected topological space and a_1, b_1, c_1, d_1 denote points of X .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (81) Let P be a path from a to b , Q be a path from b to c , and R be a path from c to d . Suppose a, b are connected and b, c are connected and c, d are connected. Then $(P + Q) + R, P + (Q + R)$ are homotopic.
- (82) Let P be a path from a_1 to b_1 , Q be a path from b_1 to c_1 , and R be a path from c_1 to d_1 . Then $(P + Q) + R, P + (Q + R)$ are homotopic.
- (83) Let P_1, P_2 be paths from a to b and Q_1, Q_2 be paths from b to c . Suppose a, b are connected and b, c are connected and P_1, P_2 are homotopic and Q_1, Q_2 are homotopic. Then $P_1 + Q_1, P_2 + Q_2$ are homotopic.
- (84) Let P_1, P_2 be paths from a_1 to b_1 and Q_1, Q_2 be paths from b_1 to c_1 . Suppose P_1, P_2 are homotopic and Q_1, Q_2 are homotopic. Then $P_1 + Q_1, P_2 + Q_2$ are homotopic.

- (85) Let P, Q be paths from a to b . Suppose a, b are connected and P, Q are homotopic. Then $-P, -Q$ are homotopic.
- (86) For all paths P, Q from a_1 to b_1 such that P, Q are homotopic holds $-P, -Q$ are homotopic.
- (87) Let P, Q, R be paths from a to b . Suppose P, Q are homotopic and Q, R are homotopic. Then P, R are homotopic.
- (88) Let P be a path from a to b and Q be a constant path from b to b . If a, b are connected, then $P + Q, P$ are homotopic.
- (89) For every path P from a_1 to b_1 and for every constant path Q from b_1 to b_1 holds $P + Q, P$ are homotopic.
- (90) Let P be a path from a to b and Q be a constant path from a to a . If a, b are connected, then $Q + P, P$ are homotopic.
- (91) For every path P from a_1 to b_1 and for every constant path Q from a_1 to a_1 holds $Q + P, P$ are homotopic.
- (92) Let P be a path from a to b and Q be a constant path from a to a . If a, b are connected, then $P + -P, Q$ are homotopic.
- (93) For every path P from a_1 to b_1 and for every constant path Q from a_1 to a_1 holds $P + -P, Q$ are homotopic.
- (94) Let P be a path from b to a and Q be a constant path from a to a . If b, a are connected, then $-P + P, Q$ are homotopic.
- (95) For every path P from b_1 to a_1 and for every constant path Q from a_1 to a_1 holds $-P + P, Q$ are homotopic.
- (96) For all constant paths P, Q from a to a holds P, Q are homotopic.

Let T be a non empty topological space, let a, b be points of T , and let P, Q be paths from a to b . Let us assume that P, Q are homotopic. A map from $[\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{I}]$ into T is said to be a homotopy between P and Q if it satisfies the conditions (Def. 13).

- (Def. 13)(i) It is continuous, and
- (ii) for every point s of \mathbb{I} holds $it(s, 0) = P(s)$ and $it(s, 1) = Q(s)$ and for every point t of \mathbb{I} holds $it(0, t) = a$ and $it(1, t) = b$.

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