

# Math 8307 Lecture 4 (W 26.01.05)

## A local Test for a cofibration

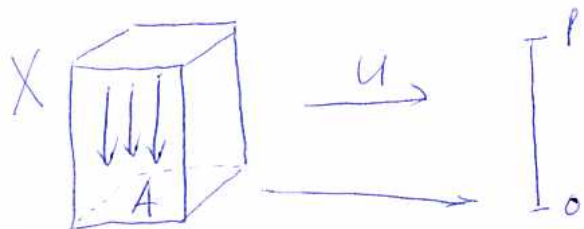
$(A, X)$  pair:  $A \hookrightarrow X$   
a subspace of a space

Def. 1 A pair  $(X, A)$  is an NDR-pair (neighbourhood deformation retract) if  $\exists u: X \rightarrow I: u^{-1}(0) = A$  and a homotopy  $h: X \times I \rightarrow X$

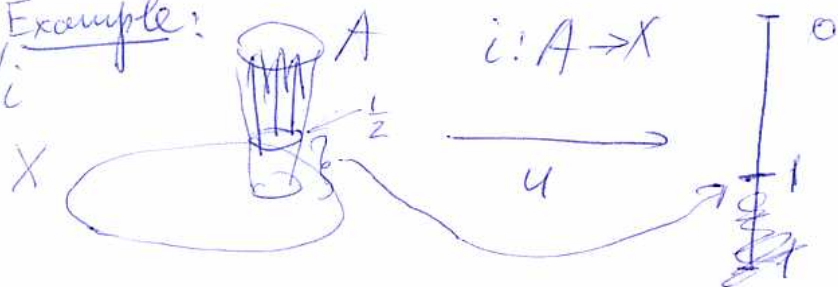
$h_0 = \text{id}, h(a, t) = a \quad \forall a \in A, t \in I$

$h(x, 1) \in A$  if  $u(x) < 1$ .

2.  $(X, A)$  is a DR-pair if  $u(a) < 1$   
 $\forall x \in X$  in addition to the above.



Example:  
 $M_i$



$A$  is an NDR of  $M_i$   
(i.e.,  $(M_i, A)$  is an NDR-pair)

We'll see this implies  $A \hookrightarrow M_i$  is a cofibration.

Lemma Suppose  $(X, A), (Y, B)$  are NDR-pairs via  $(u, h), (v, j)$ , resp. Then  $(X \times Y, X \times B \cup A \times Y)$  is an NDR-pair via  $(w, k)$  with  $w(x, y) = \min(u(x), v(y))$

$$k(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} (h(x, t), j(y, t \circ \sigma(y))) & \text{if } \sigma(y) \geq u(x) \\ (h(x, t \circ \sigma(y))u(x), j(y, t)) & \text{if } u(x) \geq \sigma(y) \end{cases}$$

Idea of proof: First, check  $k$  is well defined and continuous: when  $\sigma(y) = 0$  and  $\sigma(y) \geq u(x)$ , then  $u(x) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x \in A, y \in B$ . Then  $k(x, y, t) = (x, y)$  and this also implies continuity of  $k$   $\square$

Lemma: If in the previous lemma  $(X, A)$  or  $(Y, B)$  is a DR-pair, then  $(X \times Y, X \times B \cup A \times Y)$  is also a DR-pair (via the same maps).

Example.  $(I, \{0\})$  is a DR-pair.

$$I \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{I^1} \\ \xrightarrow{I_0} \\ \xrightarrow{I_0} \end{array} I^{\frac{1}{2}} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ I_0 \end{array}$$

If  $(X, A)$  is an NDR-pair, then  $X \times I, X \times \{0\} \cup A \times I$  is a DR-pair  $i: A \hookrightarrow X$   $M_i$

Theorem. Let  $A \subset X$  be a closed subspace. Then

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the following are equivalent.

wlog without loss of generality,

(i)  $(X, A)$  is an NDR-pair

(ii)  $(X \times I, X \times \{0\} \cup A \times I)$  is a DR-pair  $M_i$

(iii)  $M_i = X \times \{0\} \cup A \times I$  is a retract of  $X \times I$ ,

(iv)  $i: A \hookrightarrow X$  is a cofibration.

Proof: (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) by Lemma

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) trivially.

(iii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv) done test space ( $M_i$  is a universal test space for  $i$  to be a cofibration).

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  i Suppose  $r: X \times I \rightarrow M_i$  is a retraction.

$$(M_i \hookrightarrow X \times I \xrightarrow{id} M_i)$$

Let  $\pi_1: X \times I \rightarrow X, \pi_2: X \times I \rightarrow I$

Define  ~~$u$~~   $u: X \rightarrow I$  by

$$u(x) = \sup \{ t - \pi_2 r(x, t) \mid t \in I \} \in I$$

$$\text{and } h(x, t) = \pi_1 r(x, t).$$

Then  $u^{-1}(0) = A$  because

$u(x) = 0 \Rightarrow r(x, t) \in A \times I$  for  $t \geq 0$ .

because  $\forall t, t - \pi_2 r(x, t) \leq 0$

$$\pi_2 r(x, t) \geq t > 0.$$

$$\text{so } \pi_2 r(x, t) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r(x, t) \in A \times I \hookrightarrow M_i \quad \forall t > 0$$

$\Rightarrow r(x, t) \in A \times I$  for  $t=0$  as well,

because  $A \times I \hookrightarrow X \times I$  is closed.

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but  $r(x,0) = (x,0)$ , because  $(x,0) \in M_i$

$\Rightarrow x \in A$ .

The rest is simple  $\square$ .