



Fundamental Groupoids for Orbifolds

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Orbifolds

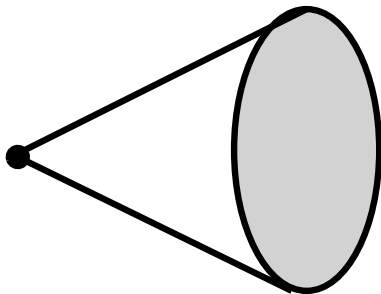
An orbifold is:

- a generalization of a manifold
- a space that is locally modelled by quotients of \mathbb{R}^n by actions of finite groups
- allows controlled singularities

Example 0: A Manifold (with boundary)



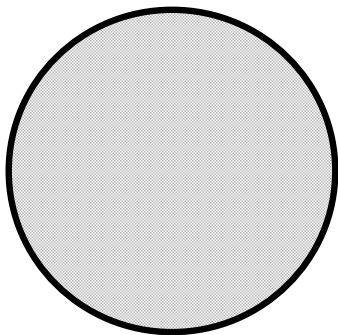
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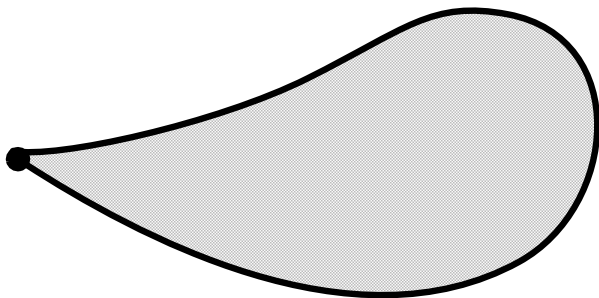
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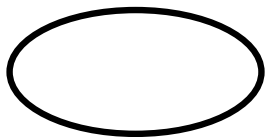
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$Z/3$ Isotropy

Orbifolds via Atlases (Effective Edition)

We can represent an orbifold using charts making up an atlas:

- \tilde{U} is a connected open subset of \mathbb{R}^n ;
- G is a finite group acting *effectively* on \tilde{U} ;
- $\pi : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ is a continuous and surjective map that induces a homeomorphism between U and \tilde{U}/G

Orbifolds via Atlases (Effective Edition)

Charts creating an atlas:

- A collection of charts \mathcal{U} such that the quotients cover the underlying space, and all chart embeddings between them.
- The charts are required to be locally compatible: for any two charts for subsets $U, V \subseteq X$ and any point $x \in U \cap V$, there is a neighbourhood $W \subseteq U \cap V$ containing x with a chart $(\widetilde{W}, G_W, \pi_W)$ in \mathcal{U} , and chart embeddings into $(\widetilde{U}, G_U, \pi_U)$ and $(\widetilde{V}, G_V, \pi_V)$.

Orbifolds via Atlases (Effective Edition)

For any μ_{ji} in $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{U})$, the set $\text{Emb}(\mu_{ji})$ forms an atlas bimodule

$$\text{Emb}(\mu_{ji}) : G_i \rightrightarrows G_j.$$

with actions given by composition. If $i = j$ the atlas bimodule $\text{Emb}(\mu_{ii})$ is isomorphic to the trivial bimodule G_i associated to the group G_i . Furthermore, these define a pseudofunctor

$$\text{Emb} : \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{U}) \longrightarrow \text{GroupMod},$$

with $\text{Emb}(U_i) := G_i$ on objects, and $\text{Emb}(\mu_{ji}) : G_i \rightrightarrows G_j$ on morphisms.

Orbifolds via Atlases (General Edition)

Let U be a non-empty connected topological space; an *orbifold chart* (also known as a *uniformizing system*) of dimension n for U is a quadruple $(\tilde{U}, G, \rho, \pi)$ where:

- \tilde{U} is a connected and simply connected open subset of \mathbb{R}^n ;
- G is a finite group;
- $\rho : G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\tilde{U})$ is a (not necessarily faithful) representation of G as a group of smooth automorphisms of \tilde{U} ; we set $G^{\text{red}} := \rho(G) \subseteq \text{Aut}(\tilde{U})$ and $\text{Ker}(G) := \text{Ker}(\rho) \subseteq G$;
- $\pi : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ is a continuous and surjective map that induces a homeomorphism between U and \tilde{U}/G^{red} .

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An *orbifold atlas* of dimension n for X is:

1. a collection $\mathcal{U} = \{(\widetilde{U}_i, G_i, \rho_i, \pi_i)\}_{i \in I}$ of orbifold charts, of dimension n , connected and simply connected, such that the reduced charts $\{(\widetilde{U}_i, G_i^{\text{red}}, \pi_i)\}_{i \in I}$ form a Satake atlas for X ; let $(\text{Con}, \gamma): \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{U}) \rightarrow \text{GroupMod}$ be the induced pseudofunctor
2. a pseudofunctor

$$\text{Abst} : \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{U}) \longrightarrow \text{GroupMod}$$

such that for each $i \in I$, $\text{Abst}(U_i) = G_i$ and for each μ_{ji} in $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{U})$, $\text{Abst}(\mu_{ji})$ is an atlas bimodule $G_i \rightleftarrows G_j$, (i.e., the left action of G_j is free and transitive and the right action of G_i is free).

Orbifolds via Atlases (General Edition)

(3) an oplax transformation

$\rho = (\{\rho_i\}_{i \in I}, \{\rho_{ji}\}_{i,j \in I, U_i \subseteq U_j})$: $\text{Abst} \Rightarrow \text{Con}$: each ρ_i is a group homomorphism from G_i to G_i^{red} , hence it induces a bimodule $\rho_i : G_i \twoheadrightarrow G_i^{\text{red}}$ forming the components of the transformation. We further require that:

- the ρ_{ji} are surjective maps of bimodules;
- (transitivity on the kernel) whenever $\rho_{ji}(e_j^{\text{red}} \otimes \lambda) = \rho_{ji}(e_j^{\text{red}} \otimes \lambda')$ for $\lambda, \lambda' \in \text{Abst}(\mu_{ji})$, there is an element $g \in G_i$ such that $\lambda \cdot g = \lambda'$ (here e_j^{red} is the identity element of G_j^{red}).

Orbifolds via G -spaces

We can represent some (most?) orbifolds via group actions

- the orbifold is the quotient space of a (compact Lie) group acting on a manifold
- if the group is finite, the orbifold is a global quotient
- unknown whether all orbifolds are representable this way

Orbifolds via Topological Groupoids

- A **topological groupoid** has a space of object \mathcal{G}_0 and a space of arrows \mathcal{G}_1 , where all structure maps are continuous
- \mathcal{G} is **étale** when s (and hence t) is a local homeomorphism
- \mathcal{G} is **proper** when the diagonal,

$$(s, t): \mathcal{G}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_0 \times \mathcal{G}_0,$$

is a proper map (i.e., closed with compact fibers).

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Definition

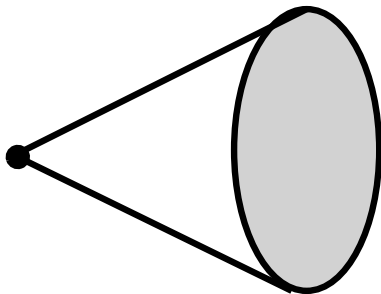
- A topological groupoid is an **orbifold** if it is both étale and proper.
- All isotropy groups are finite.
- The quotient space,

$$\mathcal{G}_1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{s} \\ \xrightarrow{t} \end{array} \mathcal{G}_0 \twoheadrightarrow X_{\mathcal{G}}$$

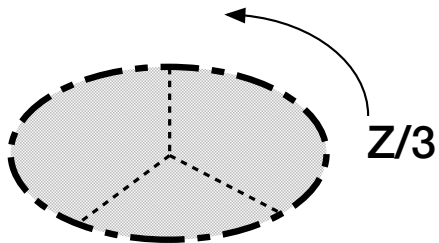
is also called the **underlying space** of the orbifold.

- This space is an orbifold.

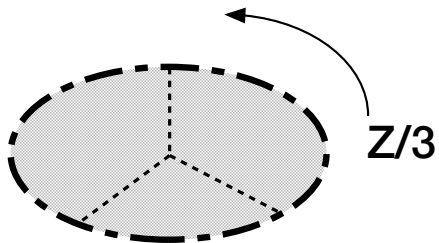
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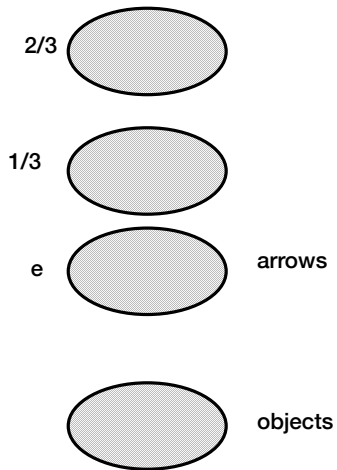
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Example 1: A Cone Point as a G -space



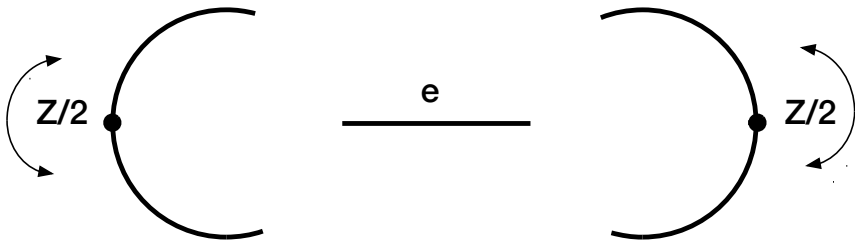
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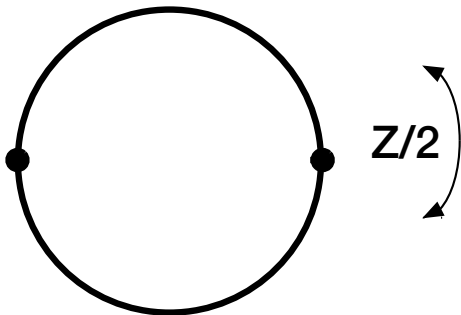
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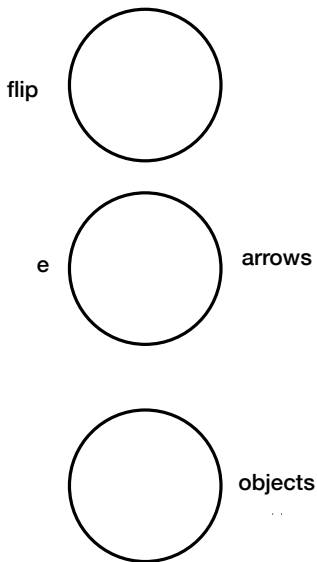
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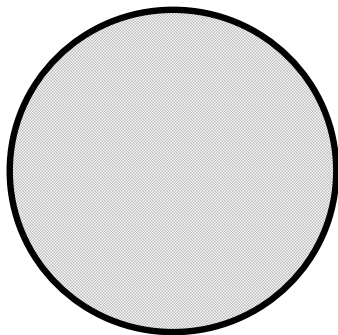
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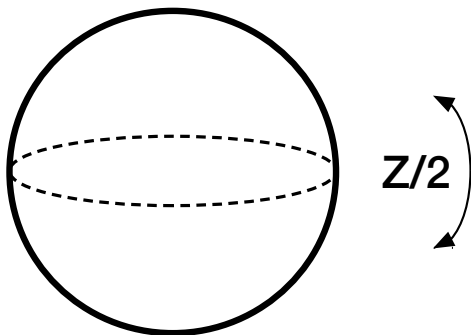
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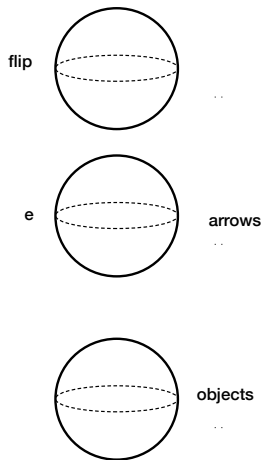
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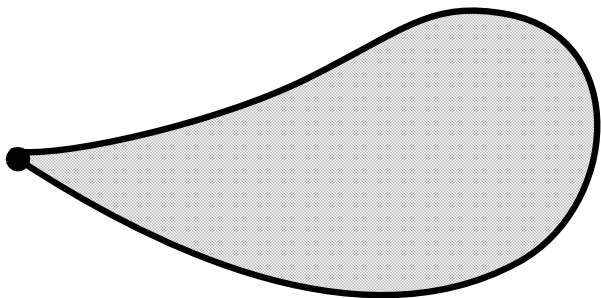
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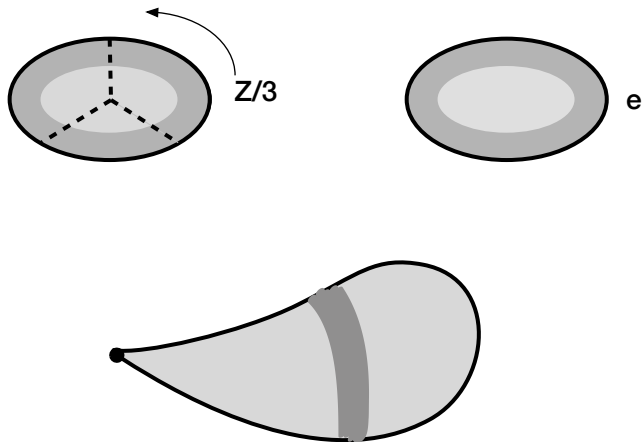
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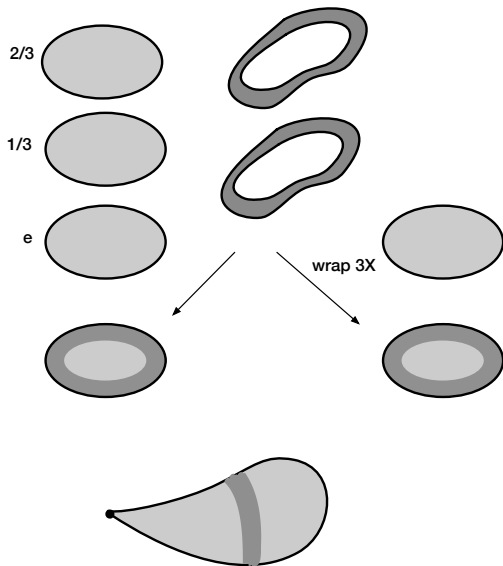
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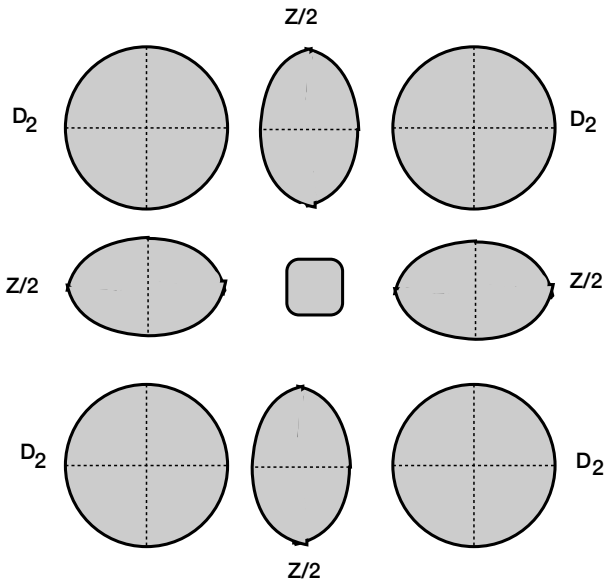
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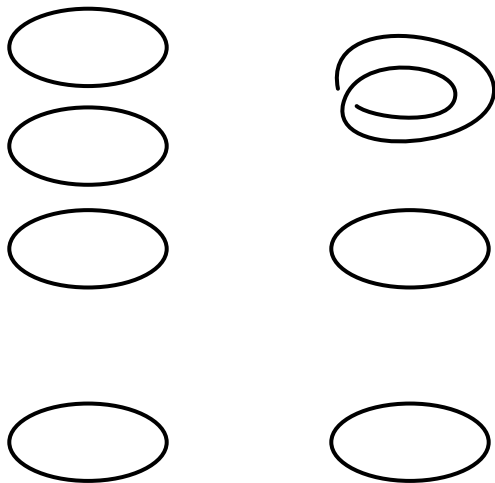
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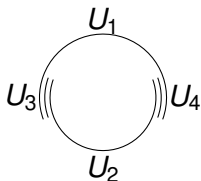
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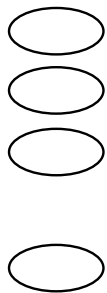


$G_{U_i} = \mathbb{Z}/3$ and $G_{U_i}^{\text{red}} = \{e\}$. For each inclusion $\mu_{ji} : U_i \hookrightarrow U_j$, we need a module M_{ji} and a map of bimodules ρ_{ji} as follows:

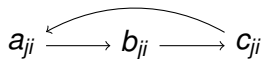
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{Z}/3 = \{e, \omega_i, \omega_i^2\} & \xrightarrow{\text{Abst}(\mu_{ji})=M_{ji}} & \mathbb{Z}/3 = \{e, \omega_j, \omega_j^2\} \\
 \rho_i \downarrow & \swarrow \rho_{ji} & \downarrow \rho_j \\
 \{e\} & \xrightarrow{\text{Con}(\mu_{ji})=\{\lambda_{ji}\}} & \{e\}
 \end{array}$$

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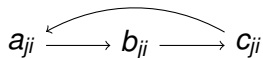
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left multiply by ω_j

$$a_{ji} \longrightarrow b_{ji} \longrightarrow c_{ji}$$


right multiply by ω_i

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Example 6: Ineffective $\mathbb{Z}/3$ Action



M_{13}, M_{14} and M_{23} as before, M_{24} with action given by

left multiply by ω_j

$$a_{ji} \xrightarrow{\quad} b_{ji} \xrightarrow{\quad} c_{ji}$$

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(Borel) Fundamental Group

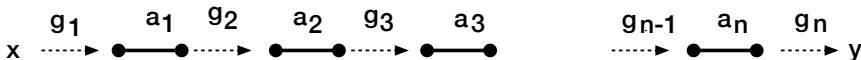
If \mathcal{G} is a groupoid representing an orbifold, we can define a fundamental group by:

- $\pi_1(B\mathcal{G})$
- Haefliger paths
- deck transformation of universal cover
- homotopy classes of maps $I \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$

Haefliger paths

Let \mathcal{G} be a Lie groupoid. A path from x to y in \mathcal{G}_0 is:

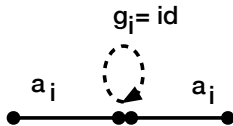
- a subdivision $0 = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 \dots t_n = 1$
- a sequence $(g_0, \alpha_1, g_1, \dots, \alpha_n, g_n)$
- $g_i \in \mathcal{G}_1$ such that $s(g_0) = x, t(g_n) = y$
- $\alpha_i : [t_{i-1}, t_i] \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_0$ is a path from $t(g_{i-1})$ to $s(g_i)$



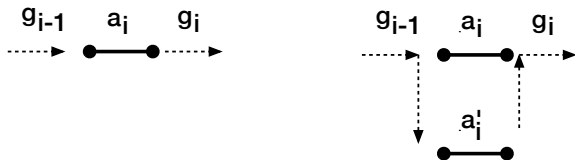
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Two paths are equivalent if:

- we add a new point to the subdivision with an identity g_i :



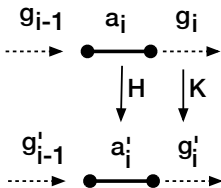
- we have homotopy $h : [t_{i-1}, t_i] \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1$ with $s \circ h_i = \alpha_i$ and $t \circ h_i = \alpha'_i$ and we replace $(\dots g_{i-1}, \alpha_i, g_i, \dots)$ by $(\dots h(t_{i-1})g_{i-1}, \alpha', g_i h(t_i)^{-1}, \dots)$



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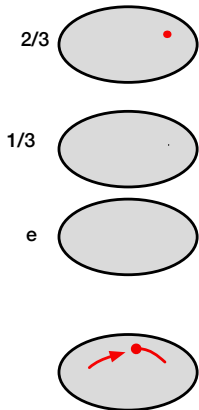
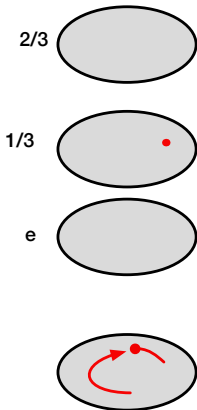
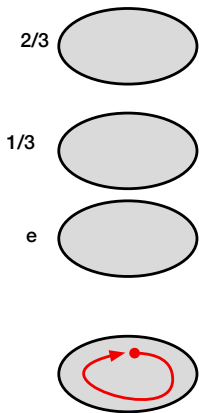
Two paths are homotopic if:

- we have homotopies $h : [t_{i-1}, t_i] \times I \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_0$ with $h(t, 0) = \alpha_i$ and $h(t, 1) = \alpha'_i$
- we have compatible homotopies $K : I \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1$ with $K(0) = g_i$ and $K(1) = g'_i$

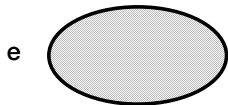
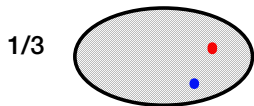
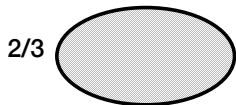


We define the orbifold fundamental groupoid as the homotopy classes of these paths.

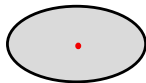
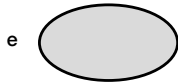
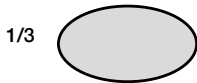
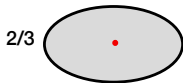
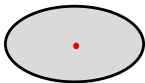
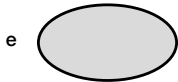
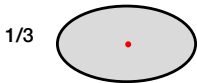
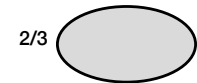
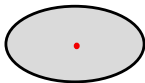
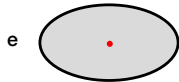
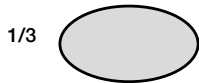
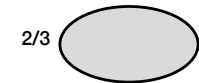
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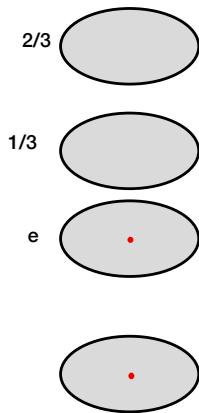
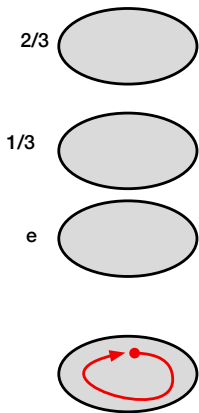
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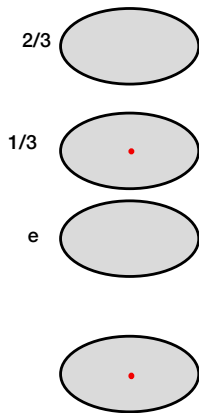
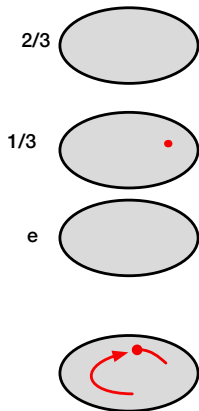
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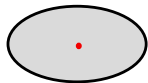
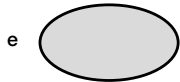
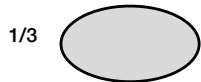
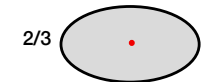
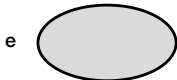
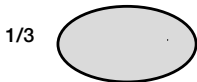
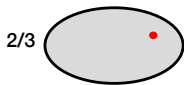
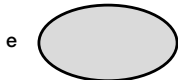
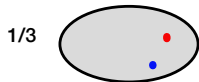
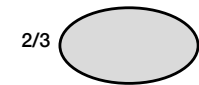
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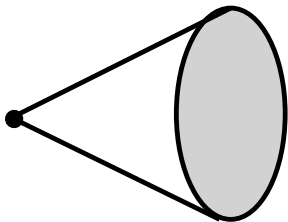
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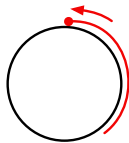
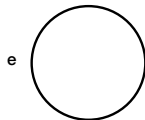
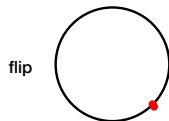
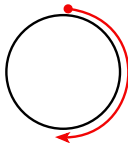
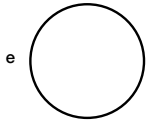
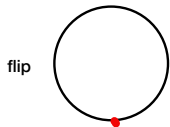
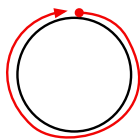
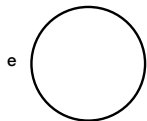
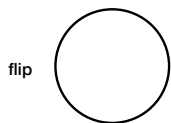


Order 3 Cone



$$\pi_1(\mathcal{G}) = \mathbb{Z}/3$$

Silvered Interval

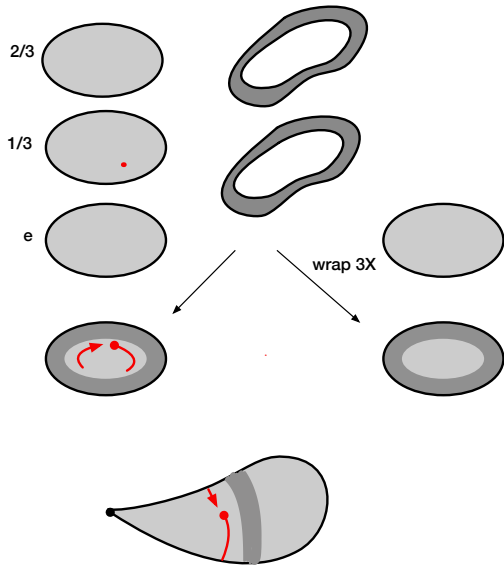


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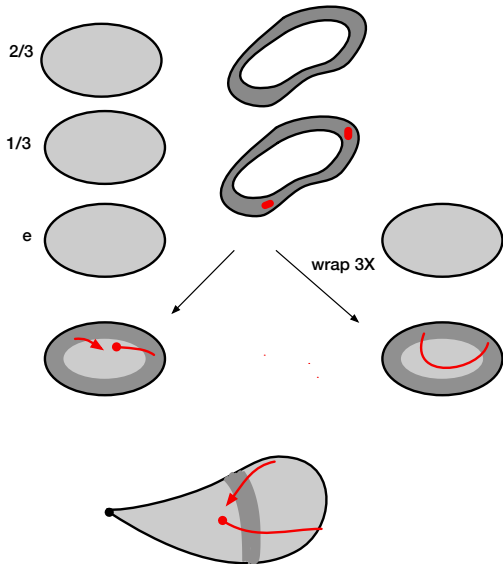


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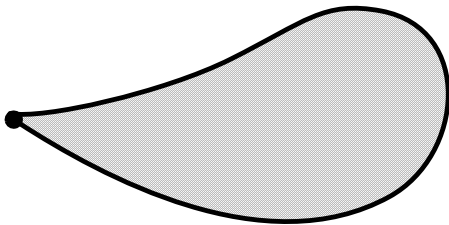
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(Borel) Fundamental Group

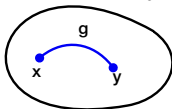
Recall we can define $\pi_1(\mathcal{G})$ by:

- $\pi_1(B\mathcal{G})$
- Haefliger paths
- deck transformation of universal cover
- homotopy classes of maps $I \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$

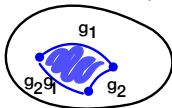
(Borel) Fundamental Group

$B\mathcal{G}$ defined by the geometric realization of the nerve of \mathcal{G} :

- Δ^0 for every $x \in \mathcal{G}_0$
- Δ^1 for every $g \in \mathcal{G}_1$ attached to $s(g)$ and $t(g)$



- Δ^2 for every composable (g_1, g_2) attached by g_1, g_2, g_2g_1



- higher simplices attached but do not affect π_1

(Borel) Fundamental Group

$\pi_1(B\mathcal{G})$ is the Haefliger group

- a path in $\pi_1(B\mathcal{G})$ can follow a line in $B\mathcal{G}$ corresponding to $g \in \mathcal{G}_1$, giving a hop
- paths can be homotopic over triangles corresponding to equivalence of Haefliger paths

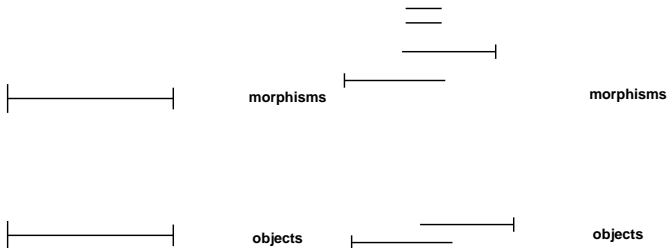
(Borel) Fundamental Group

Defined via deck transformations (topos)

Defined via homotopy classes of maps $I \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$:

Morita Equivalence

- The following two groupoids both represent the unit interval as orbispace



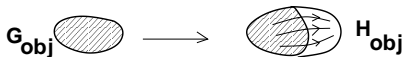
- They are not isomorphic in the category of orbifold groupoids and groupoid homomorphisms.
- However, the groupoid homomorphism from the second to the first is an **essential equivalence**.

Essential Equivalences

- A morphism $f: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is an **essential equivalence** when it is essentially surjective and fully faithful.
- It is **essentially surjective** when $\mathcal{G}_0 \times_{\mathcal{H}_0} \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1$ is an **open surjection**.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{G}_0 \times_{\mathcal{H}_0} \mathcal{H}_1 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{H}_1 & \xrightarrow{t} & \mathcal{H}_0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow s & & \\
 \mathcal{G}_0 & \xrightarrow{f_0} & \mathcal{H}_0 & &
 \end{array}$$

is an **open surjection**.



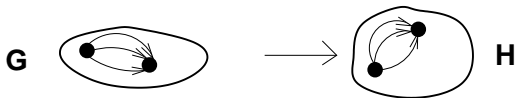
f may not be onto the objects of \mathcal{H} , but every object in \mathcal{H}_0 is isomorphic to an object in the image of \mathcal{G}_0 .

Essential Equivalences

The morphism $f: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is **fully faithful** when

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G_1 & \xrightarrow{\phi} & H_1 \\ (s,t) \downarrow & & \downarrow (s,t) \\ G_0 \times G_0 & \xrightarrow{\phi \times \phi} & H_0 \times H_0 \end{array}$$

is a **pullback**,



The local isotropy structure is preserved.

Morita Equivalence

- The equivalence relation generated by the essential equivalences is called **Morita Equivalence**
- Orbigroupoids represent the same orbispace if and only if they are Morita equivalent
- To define a category of orbispaces, we use a **bicategory of fractions** to invert the essential equivalences

Generalized Maps

- Maps are **generalized maps** defined by spans

$$\mathcal{G} \xleftarrow{v} \mathcal{K} \xrightarrow{\varphi} \mathcal{H}$$

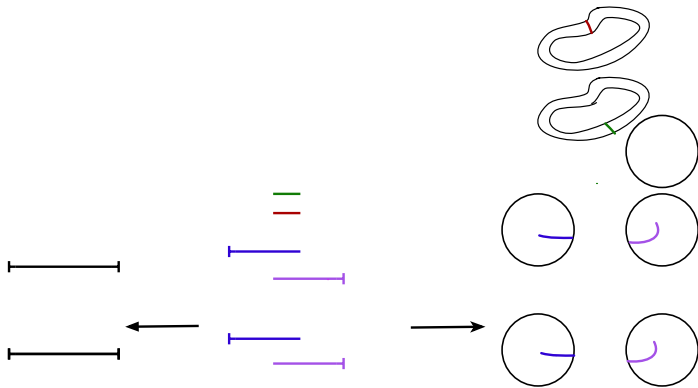
where v is an essential equivalence

- A **2-cell** between two generalized maps is an (equivalence class of) diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \mathcal{K} & & \\ & \swarrow v & & \searrow \varphi & \\ \mathcal{G} & & \mathcal{L} & & \mathcal{H} \\ & \swarrow \alpha_1 \Downarrow & & \searrow \alpha_2 \Downarrow & \\ & & \mathcal{K}' & & \\ & \swarrow v' & & \searrow \varphi' & \end{array}$$

where $v v_1$ is an essential equivalence.

Example

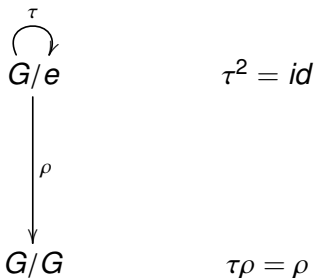


Equivariant Homotopy Perspective

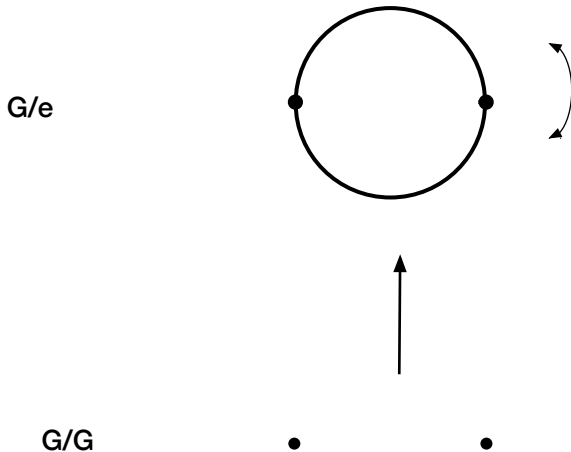
- Fix a group G , let X be a G -space.
- A 'point' $x \in X$ comes with a whole orbit $\{gx \mid g \in G\}$
- Define the fixed set $X^H = \{x \in X \mid hx = x \forall h \in H\}$
- A G -map $x : G/H \rightarrow X$ is equivalent to a point in X^H :
 $x \longleftrightarrow x(eH)$.
- we think of G -spaces as diagrams of fixed sets
- organized by O_G : category with
 - objects G/H
 - morphisms G -maps

Example: $\mathbb{Z}/2$

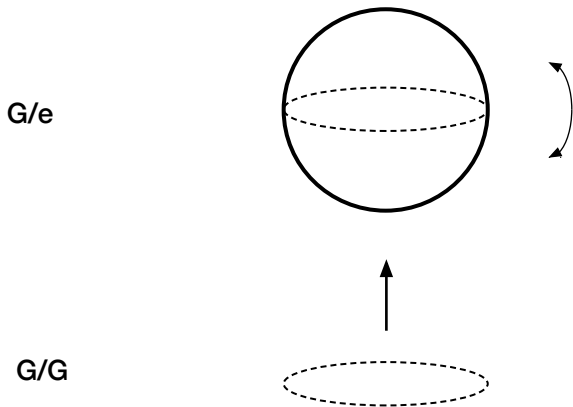
- Example: $G = \mathbb{Z}/2$, O_G has two objects, G/G and G/e two non-identity maps:
projection $G/e \rightarrow G/G$
a non-trivial self-map $G/e \rightarrow G/e$.



Silvered interval as $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -space



Mirrored disk as $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -space

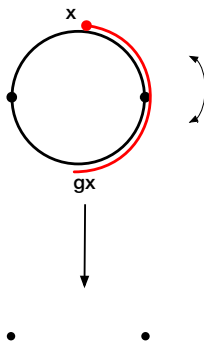


tom Dieck Fundamental Category

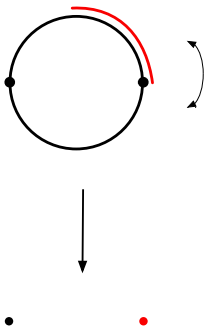
The equivariant fundamental category $\Pi_G(X)$:

- look at the functor $O_G \rightarrow \mathit{Gpds}$ defined by $\Pi(X^H)$
- define the Grothendieck colimit $\int_{O_G} \Pi(X^-)$
- objects are given by $(G/H, x)$ where $x \in X^H$
- arrows: $(G/H, x)$ to $(G/K, y)$ is given by (α, γ) where $\alpha : G/H \rightarrow G/K$ in O_G and γ is a path with $\gamma_0 = x$ and $\gamma_1 = y\alpha$

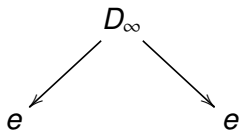
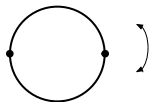
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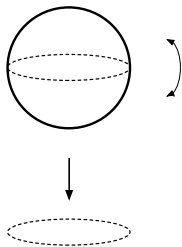
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Silvered interval as $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -space



Mirrored disk as $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -space



$$e \downarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

tom Dieck fundamental group for orbifolds

- The Borel fundamental groupoid gives the tom Dieck Π_G at G/e
- We want a category that has all of it
- Challenges
 - Local structures can be for different groups - how to patch together to get a global \mathcal{O}_G category?
 - Morita invariance

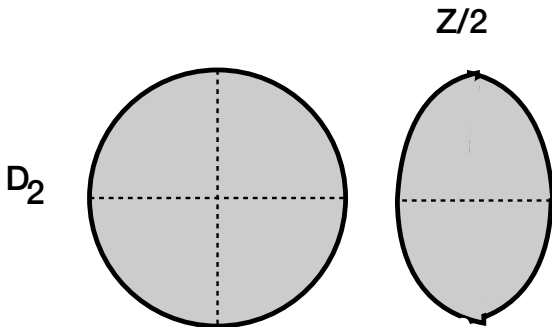
Idea: Representable Orbifolds

- many (maybe all?) orbifolds can be represented as quotients of compact Lie group actions
- we can define the tom Dieck \coprod_G for these
- it will not be Morita invariant
- however, a discrete version is

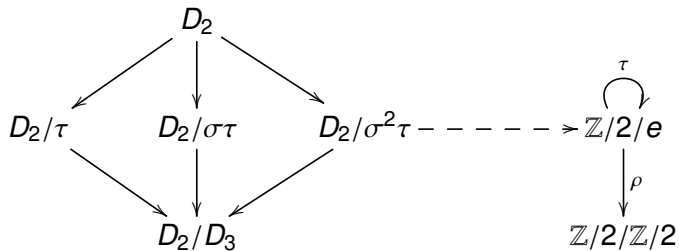
Idea: van Kampen

- Use a van Kampen to define a pushout of the local categories?
- Problem: we seem to be getting Cech information included

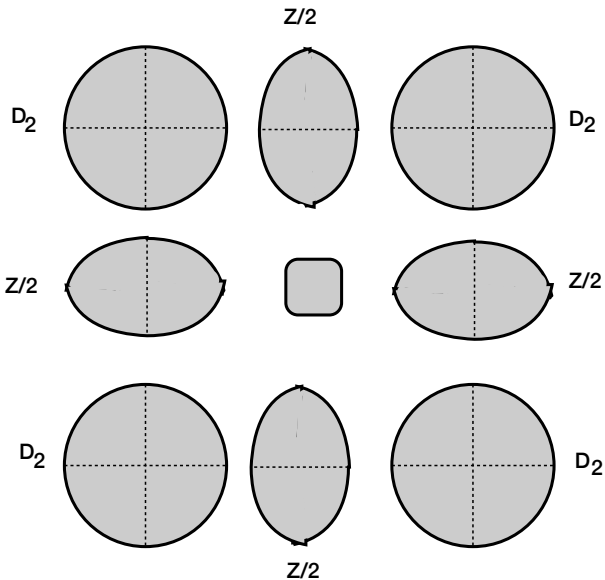
Example 5: The Billiard Table



Idea: van Kampen



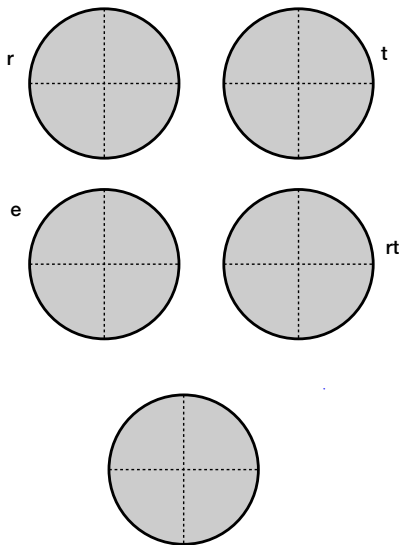
Our category wraps around



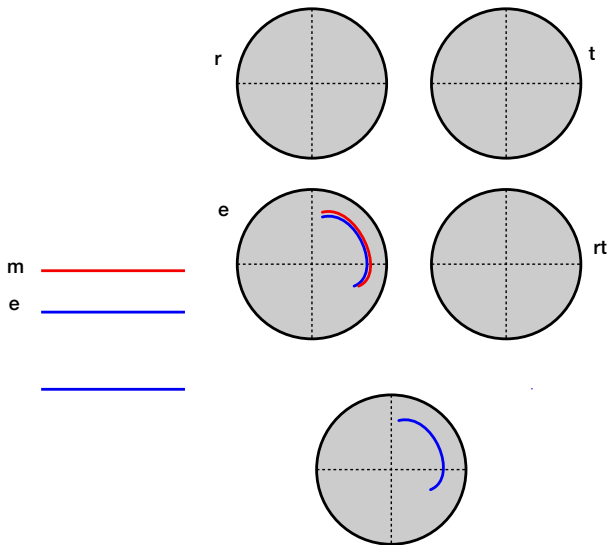
Idea: Use generalized maps

- the Borel group is given by generalized maps $[I, \mathcal{G}]$
- try defining $[I_K, \mathcal{G}]$
- this seems to get the fixed point data, but not the connections between the strata?

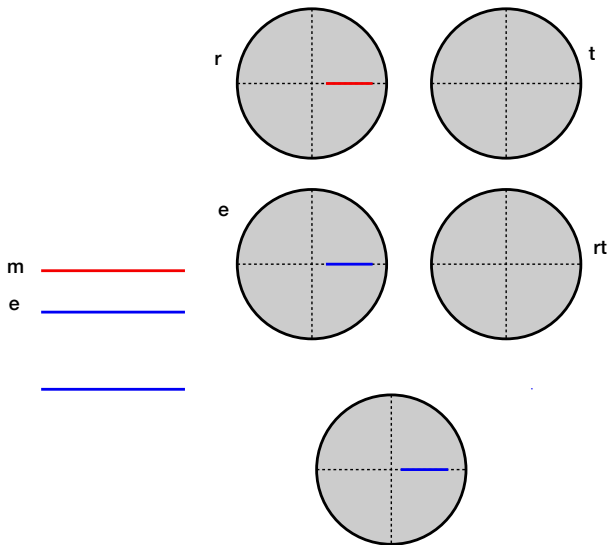
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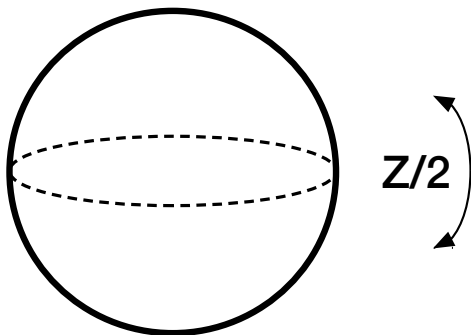
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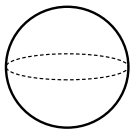
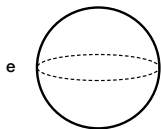
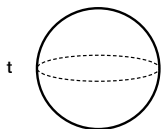
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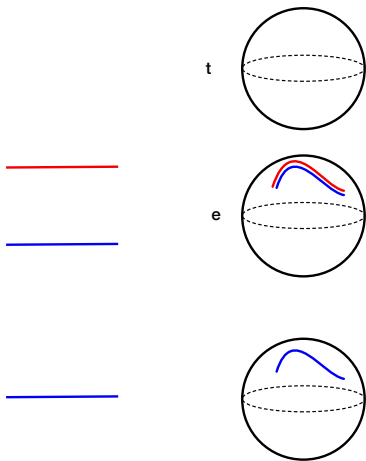
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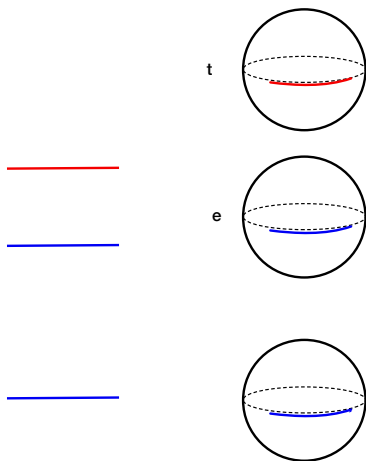
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$$[I_{\mathbb{Z}/2}, \mathcal{G}] = e \coprod \mathbb{Z}$$

Sectors

- $\Lambda\mathcal{G}$ is the inertia groupoid $\Lambda\mathcal{G} = \{g \in \mathcal{G}_1 \mid s(g) = t(g)\}$
- $[I_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathcal{G}] = \pi_1(\Lambda\mathcal{G})$
- $[I_{\mathbb{Z} \star \mathbb{Z} \star \mathbb{Z} \dots}, \mathcal{G}] = \pi_1(\tilde{\Lambda}\mathcal{G})$ where $\tilde{\Lambda}\mathcal{G}$ is the multisectors
- $\tilde{\Lambda}\mathcal{G}$ has all the fixed sets
- but both of these produce disjoint components