

So we obtain:

THEOREM 8. - (The third normalization theorem for homotopies). Let S be a compact triangulable space, G a finite directed graph, C, D two finite decompositions of S and $e, f: S \rightarrow G$ two functions pre-cellular w.r.t. C and D respectively, which are completely o-homotopic. Then, from any finite cellular decomposition Γ_2 of $S \times \left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right]$ of suitable mesh which induces on the bases $S \times \left\{\frac{1}{3}\right\}$ and $S \times \left\{\frac{2}{3}\right\}$ decompositions \tilde{C} and \tilde{D} finer than C and D , we obtain a finite cellular decomposition Γ of $S \times I$ and a homotopy between f and g which is a Γ -pre-cellular function.

Proof. - Let $F: S \times I \rightarrow G$ be a complete o-homotopy between e and f . We define the complete o-homotopy $M: S \times I \rightarrow G$ between e and f as in the introduction of this paragraph. Then, if we consider the restriction of M to $S \times \left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right]$, we can determine the real number r , upper bound of the mesh. Now if Γ_2 is a finite cellular decomposition, satisfying the conditions of the theorem and with mesh $< r$, we can consider the cellular decomposition $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3$ of the cylinder $S \times I$, such that:
 i) Γ_1 is the product decomposition $\tilde{C} \times L_1$ of $S \times \left[0, \frac{1}{3}\right]$, where $L_1 = \left\{\left\{0\right\}, \left]0, \frac{1}{3}\left[, \left\{\frac{1}{3}\right\}\right\}$.
 ii) Γ_3 is the product decomposition $\tilde{D} \times L_3$ of $S \times \left[\frac{2}{3}, 1\right]$, where $L_3 = \left\{\left\{\frac{2}{3}\right\}, \left] \frac{2}{3}, 1\left[, \left\{1\right\}\right\}$.

Then we define the function $\hat{g}: S \times I \rightarrow G$, given by:

$$\hat{g}(\sigma) = \begin{cases} M(\sigma), & \forall \sigma \in \Gamma - \Gamma_2, \\ \text{a vertex of } H(\{M(\bar{\sigma})\}), & \forall \sigma \in \Gamma_2. \end{cases}$$

Afterwards, by Theorem 6, we construct the o-pattern \hat{h} of \hat{g} , by choosing as element of $H(\hat{g}(st^m(\sigma)))$, the value $\hat{g}(\sigma) = M(\sigma)$ if $\sigma \in \Gamma - \Gamma_2$. By construction \hat{h} is a Γ -pre-cellular function. Hence \hat{h} is the sought homotopy since $\hat{h}/_{S \times \{0\}} = e$ and $\hat{h}/_{S \times \{1\}} = f$. \square

REMARK. - The finite cellular decomposition Γ induces on the bases $S \times \{0\}$ and $S \times \{1\}$ the decompositions \tilde{C} and \tilde{D} .

5) *The second normalization theorem between pairs.*
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Given a set A , a non-empty subset A' of A , a finite graph G and a subgraph G' of G , we can generalize Definition 4, by considering function $f: A, A' \rightarrow G, G'$ which are quasi-constant w.r.t. a partition $P = \{X_j\}$, $j \in J$, of A . In this case it follows that the image of every X_j , such that $X_j \cap A' \neq \emptyset$, necessary is a vertex of G' . Moreover, if A is a topo

logical space and A' a subspace of A , we can also generalize the definition of weakly P -constant. So we have:

PROPOSITION 9. - Let S be a compact space, the filter \mathcal{W} the uniformity of S , S' a closed subspace of S , U a closed neighbourhood of S' , G a finite directed graph, G' a subgraph of G and $f: S, U \rightarrow G, G'$ a completely o -regular function. If we choose in $\overset{\circ}{U}$ a closed neighbourhood K of S' , we can determine a vicinity $W \in \mathcal{W}$ such that, for all the W -partitions $P = \{X_j\}$, $j \in J$, there exists a function $h: S, \overset{\circ}{K} \rightarrow G, G'$, which is completely o -regular, weakly P -constant and completely o -homotopic to $f: S, S' \rightarrow G, G'$.

Proof. - At first there exists a closed neighbourhood K of S' , included in U , since S is normal. Then, by following the proof of Theorem 3, we determine a vicinity $V \in \mathcal{W}$ such that $V(A_1^f) \cap \dots \cap V(A_n^f) = \emptyset$, $\forall n$ -tuple a_1, \dots, a_n non-headed of G . Moreover, if \mathcal{W}' is the trace filter of \mathcal{W} on $U \times U$, we obtain, as before, a vicinity $Z' \in \mathcal{W}'$ such that $Z'(A_1^{f'}) \cap \dots \cap Z'(A_m^{f'}) = \emptyset$, $\forall m$ -tuple a'_1, \dots, a'_m non-headed of G' . Since $Z' \in \mathcal{W}'$, necessarily it is $Z' = V_1 \cap (U \times U)$, where $V_1 \in \mathcal{W}$. Then we choose a symmetric vicinity $W \in \mathcal{W}$ such that $W \circ W \subseteq V \cap V_1$ and $W(K) \subset U$. Now, given a W -partition $P = \{X_j\}$, $j \in J$, of S , we define a relation $g: S, \overset{\circ}{K} \rightarrow G, G'$, by putting, for every X_j , $j \in J$, the constant value:

$$g(X_j) = \begin{cases} \text{a vertex of } H_G(\{f(X_j)\}) & \text{if } X_j \cap K = \emptyset, \\ \text{a vertex of } H_{G'}(\{f'(X_j)\}) & \text{if } X_j \cap K \neq \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

We verify that g satisfies the following conditions:

i) g is a function. In fact it results:

a) $\forall X_j / X_j \cap K = \emptyset$, the set $\{f(X_j)\}$ is headed in G . For proving this we go on as in i) of the proof of Theorem 3.

b) $\forall X_j / X_j \cap K \neq \emptyset$, the set $\{f'(X_j)\}$ is headed in G' . At first we prove that $X_j \subseteq U$. Let $z \in X_j \cap K$, $\forall y \in X_j$ it is $(z, y) \in X_j \times X_j \subseteq W$, i.e.: $X_j \subseteq W(z) \subseteq W(K) \subseteq U$. Then, if we go on as in i) of Theorem 3, we obtain that $\{f'(X_j)\}$ is headed in G' . Moreover, we remark that the vertex $g(x)$, chosen in $H_{G'}(\{f'(X_j)\})$, is also an element of $H_G(\{f(X_j)\})$, since $f(X_j) = f'(X_j)$.

From a) and b) it follows that there exists $g(x)$, for every $x \in S$; hence g is a function.

ii) and iii) The function $g: S, \overset{\circ}{K} \rightarrow G, G'$ and the homotopy $F: S \times I, \overset{\circ}{K} \times I \rightarrow G, G$ between f and g given by:

$$F(x, t) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \forall x \in S, \quad \forall t \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right[\\ g(x) & \forall x \in S, \quad \forall t \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right] \end{cases}$$

are completely quasi-regular functions.

a) $g: S \rightarrow G$ and $F: S \times I \rightarrow G$ are c. quasi-regular functions. We obtain this result as in ii) and iii) of Theorem 3.

b) The restrictions $g': \overset{\circ}{K} \rightarrow G'$ and $F': \overset{\circ}{K} \times I \rightarrow G'$ are c. quasi-regular. At first we observe that, by the definition of g , it is $g(K) \subset G'$ and then $F(K \times I) \subset G'$. Secondly we go on as in ii) and iii) of Theorem 3, by choosing, $\forall x' \in \overset{\circ}{K}$, the neighbourhood $W(x') \cap \overset{\circ}{K}$, rather than $W(x')$, and by using the vicinity Z' rather than V . Then, for example, if we suppose that the m -tuple $a'_1, \dots, a'_m \in \langle g'(x') \rangle$ is non-headed, we obtain the contradiction $x' \in Z'(A'_1)^{f'_1} \cap \dots \cap Z'(A'_m)^{f'_m}$.

From a) and b) it follows ii) and iii).

Now if we consider any o-pattern h of g , we obtain the sought function. In fact we have:

i') $h: S, \overset{\circ}{K} \rightarrow G, G'$ is completely o-regular (see [5], Proposition 15).

ii') h is weakly P -constant by the definition of o-pattern of a quasi-constant function.

iii') h is completely o-homotopic to $f: S, S' \rightarrow G, G'$. Since the homotopy $F: S, \overset{\circ}{K} \rightarrow G, G'$ is c. quasi-regular by iii) and $\overset{\circ}{K}$ is open, there exists an o-pattern E (which is c.o-regular by [5], Proposition 15) of F . We can choose E such that $E(x, 0) = f(x)$ and $E(x, 1) = h(x)$, $\forall x \in S$, for f and g are c.o-regular i.e.:

a) $f(x) \in H_G(\langle f(x) \rangle) = H_G(\langle F(x, 0) \rangle)$ and $h(x) \in H_G(\langle g(x) \rangle) = H_G(\langle F(x, 1) \rangle)$,
 $\forall x \in S$.

b) $f'(x) \in H_{G'}(\langle f'(x) \rangle) = H_{G'}(\langle F'(x, 0) \rangle)$ and $h'(x) \in H_{G'}(\langle g(x) \rangle) =$
 $= H_{G'}(\langle F'(x, 1) \rangle)$, $\forall x \in \overset{\circ}{K}$.

Hence the o-pattern $h(x) = E(x, 1)$ is c.o-homotopic to f by E . \square

REMARK. - If S is a compact metric space, we can determine a positive real number r and choose partitions P with mesh $< r$. In fact, we put $\varepsilon_1 = \inf(enl(A_1^f, \dots, A_n^f))$, $\forall n$ -tuple a_1, \dots, a_n non-headed of G and $\varepsilon_2 = \inf(enl(A_1^{f'}, \dots, A_m^{f'}))$, $\forall m$ -tuple a'_1, \dots, a'_m non-headed of G' and we choose ε_3 such that $W^{\varepsilon_3}(K) \subset U$. Then the real number r is given by $\inf(\frac{\varepsilon_1}{2}, \frac{\varepsilon_2}{2}, \varepsilon_3)$.

THEOREM 10. - (The second normalization theorem between pairs). Let S be a compact space, the filter \mathcal{W} the uniformity of S , S' a closed subspace of S , G a finite directed graph, G' a subgraph of G and $f: S, S' \rightarrow G, G'$ a completely o-regular function. Then we can determine a closed neighbourhood K of S' and a vicinity $W \in \mathcal{W}$ such that, for all the W -partitions $P = \{X_j\}$, $j \in J$, there exists a function $h: S, \overset{\circ}{K} \rightarrow G, G'$, which is completely o-regular, weakly P -constant and completely o-homotopic

to f .

Proof. - By Proposition 28 of [5] and Theorem 16 of [4] there exists a closed neighbourhood U of S' and an extension $k: S, U \rightarrow G, G'$ which is c.o-regular and such that $k: S, S' \rightarrow G, G'$ is c.o-homotopic to f . Then we obtain the result by using Proposition 9 for the function $k: S, U \rightarrow G, G'$.

REMARK. - If G is an undirected graph, the function g can be chosen quasi-constant. Moreover if S is a compact metric space, we have only to consider the couples of vertices rather than the n -tuples and to determine $\varepsilon_1 = \inf(d(A_i^f, A_j^f))$, \forall couple a_i, a_j of non-adjacent vertices of G , $\varepsilon_2 = \inf(d(A_r^{f'}, A_s^{f'}))$, \forall couple a_r, a_s of non-adjacent vertices of G' . Then, if we put $r' = \inf(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$, as in Remark 3 to Theorem 3, we can choose a covering $P = \{X_j\}$, $j \in J$, with mesh $< \frac{r'}{4}$ (see [8], Corollary 8).

6) *The third normalization theorem between pairs.*

Now we consider pairs of spaces given by a finite cellular complex C and by a subcomplex C' of C ; it follows that $|C'|$ is a closed subspace of $|C|$. Since we use completely o-regular functions $f: |C|, |C'| \rightarrow G, G'$ balanced by the open set $|st(C')|$ (see [5], Definitions 6 and 12), we put:

DEFINITION 12. - Let C be a finite complex, C' a subcomplex of C , G a finite graph and G' a subgraph of G . A function $f: |C|, |C'| \rightarrow G, G'$ is called pre-cellular w.r.t. C, C' or C, C' -pre-cellular if:

- i) $f: |C|, |st(C')| \rightarrow G, G'$ is completely o-regular.
- ii) $f: |C| \rightarrow G$ is properly C -constant.
- iii) $f: |C| \rightarrow G$ is properly C -constant in C' .

THEOREM 11. - (The third normalization theorem between pairs). Let S be a compact triangulable space, S' a closed triangulable subspace of S , G a finite directed graph, G' a subgraph of G and $f: S, S' \rightarrow G, G'$ a completely o-regular function. Then for every finite cellular decomposition C, C' of the pair S, S' , with suitable mesh, there exists a function $h: S, S' \rightarrow G, G'$ which is C, C' -pre-cellular and completely o-homotopic to f .

Proof. - By proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 10, at first we