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Der *Brouwersche Abbildungsgrad*, der ursprünglich für stetige Abbildungen von *simplicialen Mannigfaltigkeiten* definiert wurde, wird hier allgemeiner für abgeschlossene “topologische” Mannigfaltigkeiten (Dieser Ausdruck rührt von *H. Hopf* [vgl. das folgende Referat] her. Verf. verwendet hierfür die Bezeichnung: “lokal simpliciale Mannigfaltigkeit”) erklärt, d. h. für kompakte zusammenhängende topologische Räume, die ein System von Umgebungen besitzen, deren jede mit dem Innern einer Euklidischen  $n$ -dimensionalen Kugel homöomorph ist. Die Frage, ob sich derartige Räume “triangulieren lassen”, also selbst simpliciale Mannigfaltigkeiten sind, ist bekanntlich offen. Die wesentlichen Eigenschaften des Abbildungsgrades – in erster Linie die Multiplikation der Abbildungsgrade bei Zusammensetzung von mehreren Abbildungen – bleiben bei dieser Verallgemeinerung erhalten.

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### References:

- [1] Brouwer, über Abbildung von Mannigfaltigkeiten?, *Math. Annalen* 71, p. 97; this work is referred to in the sequel as ?A. v. M.?
- [2] ?A. v. M.?, p. 97. By  $n$ -dimensional element is understood the topological image of  $n$ -dimensional simplex and by a simplex star of  $R^n$  a finite number of simplexes dense in a neighbourhood of a common vertex  $O$ , no two of which have inner points in common and any two of which have a common  $(n-1)$ -dimensional face but no further common point.
- [3] ?Beweis der Invarianz des  $n$ -dimensionalen Gebiets?, *Math. Annalen* 71, p. 305 and 306; the definition there given is here completed in accordance with a verbal communication from Prof. Brouwer.
- [4] ?A. v. M.?, p. 97-98.
- [5] ?A. v. M.?, p. 100.
- [6] ?A. v. M.?, p. 101.
- [7] Hausdorff, ?Grundzüge der Mengenlehre? (1914), p. 213; this work is referred to in the sequel by ?Hausdorff?.
- [8] Hausdorff, ?Grundzüge der Mengenlehre? (1914), p. 260.
- [9] Such manifolds have been defined by Weyl, ?Die Idee der Riemannschen Fläche? (1913), p. 17-18; Tibor Radó, über den Begriff der Riemannschen Fläche?, *Acta litt. scient. Reg. Univ. Franc. Jos.*, 2, Fasc. II (1925), who proves that a closed, locally simplicial, 2-dimensional manifold is simplicial; and v. Kerékjártó, ?Vorlesungen über Topologie I? (1923), Einleitung, p. 5-6.
- [10] These remarks have been suggested to me by Prof. Brouwer.
- [11] ?Zum Metrisationsproblem?, *Math. Annalen* 94, p. 310, Hauptsatz; extended by Tychonoff to regular spaces, *Math. Annalen* 95.
- [12] ?A. v. M.?, p. 106, Satz 1; in the above terminology this theorem may be written: If a closed, two-sided,  $n$ -dimensional, simplicial manifold  $M$  be uniquely and continuously represented on a simplicial  $n$ -dimensional manifold  $N$ , there exists a finite whole number, invariant under continuous modification of the representation, with the property that the image of  $M$  covers every region of  $N$  altogether  $c$  times positively; if  $M$  be one-sided or open  $c$  is always zero. This number  $c$  is called the degree of the representation.
- [13] As with simplicial manifolds, Brouwer, ?A. v. M.?, p. 100, assign to each element of a locally simplicial manifold, a regular Euclidean simplex of fixed length of edge as its ?representative simplex?, and let there be a topological correspondence between the element and its representative simplex; then by a segment, segment path, component simplex,  $(n-1)$ -dimensional simplex in  $E^n$ , is understood the image of a segment, segment path, component simplex,  $(n-1)$ -dimensional simplex respectively, in the representative simplex of  $E^n$ .
- [14] Brouwer, ?Beweis des  $n$ -dimensionalen Jordanschen Satzes?, *Math. Annalen* 71, p. 317, footnote.
- [15] Brouwer ?Beweis des  $n$ -dimensionalen Jordanschen Satzes?, *Math. Annalen* 71, p. 314.
- [16] By an  $(n-1)$ -dimensional sphere of  $E^n$  is understood the image in  $E^n$  of an  $(n-1)$ -dimensional sphere in the representative simplex of  $E^n$ .
- [17] ?A. v. M.?, p. 101.
- [18] ?A. v. M.?, p. 100.

- [19] ?A. v. M.?, p. 108. The indicatrix of the  $(n-1)$ -dimensional simplex  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  considered as a face of the simplex  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_{n+1}$  is defined to be  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  where  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  is the indicatrix of  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_{n+1}$ .
- [20] Brouwer, ??ber Jordansche Mannigfaltigkeiten?, Math. Annalen 71, p. 323, ? 4.
- [21] Brouwer, ??ber Jordansche Mannigfaltigkeiten?, Math. Annalen 71, p. 323, ? 4, Satz 4; we have above used a particular case of this theorem.
- [22] Such an element exists when  $E^?$  and  $E^?$  have inner points in common Hausdorff, Axiom (B).
- [23] We are here using Brouwer's generalized indicatrix, ??ber Jordansche Mannigfaltigkeiten?, p. 324, ? 5; for the extension of the indicatrix conception to locally simplicial manifolds I am indebted to Prof. Brouwer personally.
- [24] See remark 2 above.
- [25] ?A. v. M.?, p. 101-105.
- [26] W. Wilson, ?Representation of a simplicial manifold on a locally simplicial manifold?, Amsterdam Proceedings 29 (1926), p. 1129 sqq.; for the leading idea of the proof there given the writer was indebted to a remark on Prof. Brouwer.
- [27] ?A. v. M.?, p. 106.
- [28] ?A. v. M.?, p. 106, Satz 1; in the above terminology this theorem may be written: If a closed, two-sided,  $n$ -dimensional, simplicial manifold  $\Sigma$  be uniquely and continuously represented on a simplicial  $n$ -dimensional manifold  $\Sigma'$ , there exists a finite whole number  $c$ , invariant under continuous modification of the representation, with the property that the image of  $\Sigma$  covers every region of  $\Sigma'$  altogether  $c$  times positively; if  $\Sigma$  be one-sided or open  $c$  is always zero see footnote 13) above.
- [29] Tibor Rad?, loc. cit. ??ber den Begriff der Riemannschen Fl?che?, Acta litt. scient. Reg. Univ. Franc. Jos., 2, Fasc. II (1925), Hilfsatz 1; see also remark 2 in the introduction.
- [30] That is,  $V_i(2)$  is a simplex of  $E^2$  with the same vertices as  $V_i$ ; we recall (footnote 14) as with simplicial manifolds, Brouwer, ?A. v. M.?, p. 100, assign to each element of a locally simplicial manifold, a regular Euclidean simplex of fixed length of edge as its ?representative simplex?, and let there be a topological correspondence between the element and its representative simplex; then by a segment, segment path, component simplex,  $(n-1)$ -dimensional simplex in  $E^?$ , is understood the image of a segment, segment path, component simplex,  $(n-1)$ -dimensional simplex respectively, in the representative simplex of  $E^?$ . above) that a simplex of  $E^2$  is the image in  $E^2$  of a simplex in the representative simplex of  $E^2$ .
- [31] By the boundary of a set of simplexes among which the incidence relations are assigned is understood the set of those  $(n-1)$ -dimensional faces which are incident with only one simplex.
- [32] Use is being here made of the ?gemischte Zerlegung? of Brouwer, ?Erweiterung des Definitionsbereichs einer stetigen Funktion?, Math. Annalen 79, p. 210.
- [33] This multiplication of elements was suggested by the duplication of elements used by Brouwer. ?Transformations of Projective Spaces?, Amsterdam Proceedings 29 (1926), No. 6.
- [34] Since the values of  $p_j$  and  $q_j$  on different sides of  $F$  differ by unity, and on that side of  $F$  not in  $X_j$  both numbers  $p_j$  and  $q_j$  are zero.
- [35] Such a chain of simplexes shall be referred to briefly as a chain of simplexes or merely as a chain.
- [36] By  $\{U_i(k)\}$  is understood the set of all simplexes  $U_i(k)$ , i. e., the suffix  $i$  takes all values for which the vertices of  $U_i$  are all in  $E^k$ ; e. g. in  $\{U_i(1)\}$  the summation is extended over a different set of the suffixes  $i$  from that in  $\{U_i(2)\}$ ; similarly with  $\{V_i(k)\}$ .
- [37] This is the ?regular subdivision? of Veblen, Analysis Situs, p. 85-86.
- [38] In the sense of Hausdorff, ?Grundz?ge der Mengenlehre?, p. 260-261
- [39] By  $\{U_{ij}(1)\}$  is understood the set of all component simplexes of  $\{U_i(1)\}$ , and, as in previous paragraphs, by  $\{U_i(1)\}$  the set of all existing simplexes  $U_i(1)$ ; similarly for  $\{V_{ij}(1)\}$ .
- [40] As in ? 9, by  $\{U_{ij}(2)\}$  is understood the set of all component simplexes of  $\{U_i(2)\}$ ; similarly for  $\{V_{ij}(2)\}$ .
- [41] ??ber Jordansche Mannigfaltigkeiten?, Math. Annalen 71, p. 320, ?? 5 and 6.
- [42] Brouwer, ??ber Jordansche Mannigfaltigkeiten?, p. 324 and the remarks on p. 598.
- [43] Brouwer, op. cit. ??ber Jordansche Mannigfaltigkeiten?, p. 324, footnote.
- [44] Brouwer, op. cit. ??ber Jordansche Mannigfaltigkeiten?, Satz 6.

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