

EXCISION THEOREMS ON THE PAIR OF MAPS

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Introduction. Let $E_f \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ be an extended fibration. Then the 1-1 and onto correspondence $\varepsilon_f^{-1}: \pi_1(V, f) \rightarrow \pi(V, E_f)$ is defined easily (section 2). Moreover, let Ψ be the pair-map $(g_1, g_2): f_1 \rightarrow f_2$ in (1.3); then the 1-1 and onto correspondence $\varepsilon_\Psi^{-1}: \pi_2(V, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, f_{1,2})$ is defined (section 3). The object of this paper is to establish excision theorems on the pair of maps by applying ε_f^{-1} and ε_Ψ^{-1} . These excision theorems are described in section 5.

1. Preliminaries. Throughout this paper we consider the category of spaces of the homotopy type of CW-complexes with base points denoted by $*$, and all maps and homotopies are assumed to preserve base points.

PX is the space of paths in X emanating from $*$, and ΩX is the loop space. If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is any map, $Y \cup_f CX$ is the space obtained by attaching to Y the reduced cone over X by means of f . X is embedded in CX by $x \rightarrow (x, 1)$, and ΣX is the reduced suspension. $X \times Y$ is the Cartesian product and $X \vee Y = X \times * \cup * \times Y$. Then the smash product $X \# Y$ is the quotient space $X \times Y / X \vee Y$.

By applying the mapping track functor, any map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is converted into a homotopy equivalent fibre map $p: E \rightarrow Y$,

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} E_f & \xrightarrow{j_f} & X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ \parallel & \simeq & \downarrow h \text{ comm.} & & \parallel \\ E_f & \xrightarrow{i} & E & \xrightarrow{p} & Y, \end{array}$$

where $E = \{(x, \eta) \in X \times Y^I \mid f(x) = \eta(1)\}$, $p(x, \eta) = \eta(0)$,
 $E_f = \{(x, \eta) \in X \times PY \mid f(x) = \eta(1)\}$, i = the inclusion map,
 $j_f(x, \eta) = x$, $h(x) = (x, \eta_x)$ and $\eta_x(t) = f(x)$ for $t \in I$,
 \simeq in the left diagram means homotopy commutativity.

Then the sequence $E_f \xrightarrow{j_f} X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ is called the extended fibration.

Dually, by applying the mapping cylinder functor, any map f is converted into a homotopy equivalent cofibre map $q: X \rightarrow M_f$.

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xrightarrow{q} & M_f & \xrightarrow{j} & C_f \\ \parallel & \text{comm.} & \downarrow k & \simeq & \parallel \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{i_f} & C_f \end{array}$$

where M_f = the mapping cylinder of f , $q(x) = (x, 0)$,
 $k(x, t) = f(x)$ for $(x, t) \in X \times I$ and $k(y) = y$ for $y \in Y$,

then the sequence $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{i_f} C_f$ is called the extended cofibration.

The join $X * Y$ of X and Y is the quotient space obtained from $X \times I \times Y$ by factoring out the relation: $(x, 0, y_1) \sim (x, 0, y_2)$ for all $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ and $(x_1, 1, y) \sim (x_2, 1, y)$ for all $x_1, x_2 \in X$. Let $F \xrightarrow{i} E \xrightarrow{p} B$ be a fibration and let $r: E \cup_i CF \rightarrow B$ be given by $r|E = p$ and $r(CF) = *$.

Then we obtain

PROPOSITION 1.2. [2; Theorem 1.1]. *There exists a weak homotopy equivalence $w: F * \Omega B \rightarrow F_r$, where F_r is the fibre of r and given by $F_r = \{(a, \beta) \in E \times PB \mid p(a) = \beta(1)\} \cup (CF \times \Omega B)$.*

We shall denote by j_0 the composite of w with the projection $F_r \rightarrow E \cup_i CF$; then the triple $F * \Omega B \xrightarrow{j_0} E \cup_i CF \xrightarrow{r} B$ may be regarded as a fibration [2]. We consider the diagram

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\ \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_2 \\ X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \end{array}$$

which is homotopy commutative (commutative). Such a pair of maps (g_1, g_2) is called a transformation of f_1 to f_2 . If (1.3) is commutative, (g_1, g_2) is called the pair-map and we write it as $(g_1, g_2): f_1 \rightarrow f_2$.

2. **The correspondence** $\varepsilon_f^{-1}: \pi_1(V, f) \rightarrow \pi(V, E_f)$. Let (g_1, g_2) be a transformation of f_1 to f_2 , and let $F_t: g_2 \circ f_1 \simeq f_2 \circ g_1$ be a fixed homotopy. And we consider the following diagram

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} E_{f_1} & \xrightarrow{j_{f_1}} & A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\ \downarrow g_{1,2} & & \downarrow g_1 \simeq & & \downarrow g_2 \\ E_{f_2} & \xrightarrow{j_{f_2}} & X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \end{array},$$

where $g_{1,2}: E_{f_1} \rightarrow E_{f_2}$ is defined by $g_{1,2}(a, \beta) = (g_1(a), \beta')$ for $a \in A, \beta \in PB$ with $f_1(a) = \beta(1)$, and $\beta' \in PY$ is given by

$$\beta'(s) = \begin{cases} g_2\beta(2s) & \text{for } 0 \leq s \leq 1/2, \\ F_{2s-1}(a) & \text{for } 1/2 \leq s \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then the left diagram in (2.1) is commutative.

Now let $E_f \xrightarrow{j_f} X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ be an extended fibration. Then we consider the correspondence $\varepsilon_f^{-1}: \pi_1(V, f) \rightarrow \pi(V, E_f)$ defined as follows:

For any element $\{(a_1, a_2)\} \in \pi_1(V, f), \bar{a}_2: V \rightarrow PY$ is defined by $\bar{a}_2(v)(s) = a_2(v, s)$; then $\varepsilon_f^{-1}\{(a_1, a_2)\} = \{U_{(a_1, a_2)}\}, U_{(a_1, a_2)}(v) = (a_1(v), \bar{a}_2(v))$. Thus defined ε_f^{-1} is well defined, and 1-1 and onto.

PROPOSITION 2.2. *Let (g_1, g_2) be a transformation of f_1 to f_2 with a fixed homotopy F_t or a pair-map. If g_1 and g_2 are homotopy equivalences then there exists a 1-1 and onto correspondence $\pi_1(V, f_1) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, f_2)$.*

PROOF. We consider the sequence

$$\pi_1(V, f_1) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{f_1}^{-1}} \pi(V, E_f) \xrightarrow{g_{1,2*}} \pi(V, E_{f_2}) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{f_2}} \pi_1(V, f_2),$$

where ε_{f_2} is the inverse correspondence of $\varepsilon_{f_2}^{-1}$. Since $g_{1,2}$ is the homotopy equivalence by [8; Lemma 6], $g_{1,2*}$ is 1-1 and onto. Hence $\varepsilon_{f_2} \circ g_{1,2*} \circ \varepsilon_{f_1}^{-1}$ is the desired correspondence. If (g_1, g_2) is the pair-map then we have $(g_1, g_2)* = \varepsilon_{f_2} \circ g_{1,2*} \circ \varepsilon_{f_1}^{-1}$.

If we now consider the pair-map $(1, g_2): f_1 \rightarrow f_2 = g_2 \circ f_1$ and $(g_1, 1): f_1 = f_2 \circ g_1 \rightarrow f_2$;

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{1} & A \\ \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow f_2 = g_2 \circ f_1 \\ B & \xrightarrow{g_2} & Y \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{g_1} & X \\ \downarrow f_1 = f_2 \circ g_1 & & \downarrow f_2 \\ B & \xrightarrow{1} & B \end{array},$$

then we have

COROLLARY 2.3. *If $g_2: B \rightarrow X$ is a homotopy equivalence, then*

$$(1, g_2)_* : \pi_1(V, f_1) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, g_1 \circ f_1)$$

is 1-1 and onto.

COROLLARY 2.4. *If $g_1: A \rightarrow X$ is a homotopy equivalence, then*

$$(g_1, 1)_* : \pi_1(V, f_2 \circ g) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, f_2)$$

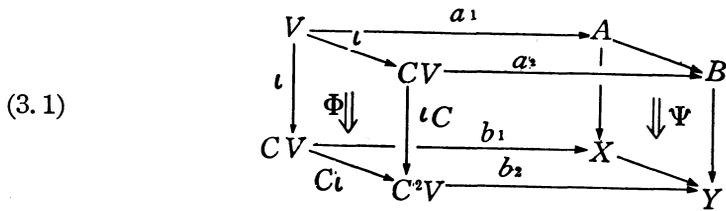
is 1-1 and onto.

COROLLARY 2.5. *If $f_1 \simeq f_2: A \rightarrow B$, then there exists a 1-1 and onto correspondence $\pi_1(V, f_1) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, f_2)$.*

REMARK. (i) Corollary 2.3 and 2.4 are extensions of Proposition 2.2 and 2.3 in [1], respectively.

(ii) We may define the dual 1-1 and onto correspondence $\varepsilon_f^{-1}: \pi_1(f, W) \rightarrow \pi(C_f, W)$.

3. The correspondence $\varepsilon_\Psi^{-1}: \pi_2(V, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, f_{1,2})$. We consider the pair-map $\Psi = (g_1, g_2): f_1 \rightarrow f_2$. Then any element $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \in \pi_2(V, \Psi)$ is represented by the commutative diagram



where $\iota C: CV \rightarrow C^2V$ and $C_i: CV \rightarrow C^2V$ are given by $(v, t) \rightarrow (v, t, 1)$ and $(v, s) \rightarrow (v, 1, s)$, respectively. Maps $\bar{b}_1: V \rightarrow PX$ and $\bar{b}_2: CV \rightarrow PX$ are defined by $\bar{b}_1(v)(s) = b_1(v, s)$ and $\bar{b}_2(v, t)(s) = b_2(v, t, s)$, respectively. The correspondences

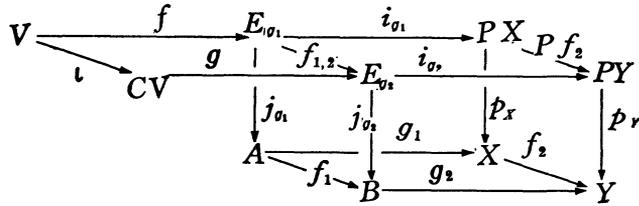
$$\varepsilon_\Psi^{-1}: \pi_2(V, \Psi) \longrightarrow \pi_1(V, f_{1,2}), \quad f_{1,2}: E_{\sigma_1} \longrightarrow E_{\sigma_2},$$

are defined as follows: $\varepsilon_\Psi^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \{ (U_{(a_1 b_1)}, U_{(a_2 b_2)}) \} \in \pi_1(V, f_{1,2})$, where $U_{(a_1 b_1)}(v) = (a_1(v), \bar{b}_1(v))$, $U_{(a_2 b_2)}(v, t) = (a_2(v, t), \bar{b}_2(v, t))$. Then the definition of ε_Ψ^{-1} is

well defined, and if $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} a'_1 a'_2 \\ b'_1 b'_2 \end{pmatrix}$ then $\varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a'_1 a'_2 \\ b'_1 b'_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$.

PROPOSITION 3.2. $\varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} : \pi_2(V, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi_1(V, f_{1,2})$ is 1-1 and onto.

PROOF. First we shall prove that ε_{Ψ}^{-1} is onto. For any $\{(f, g)\} \in \pi_1(V, f_{1,2})$ we consider the commutative diagram



where $i_{\sigma_1}(a, \omega) = \omega$ for $a \in A$, $\omega \in PX$ and $i_{\sigma_2}(b, \eta) = \eta$ for $b \in B$, $\eta \in PY$.

Then maps $a_1 : V \rightarrow A$, $a_2 : CV \rightarrow B$, $b_1 : CV \rightarrow X$ and $b_2 : C^2V \rightarrow Y$ are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_1 &= j_{\sigma_1} \circ f, & a_2 &= j_{\sigma_2} \circ g, \\
 b_1(v, s) &= (i_{\sigma_1} \circ f(v))(s) \\
 \text{and} & & b_2(v, t, s) &= (i_{\sigma_2} \circ g(v, t))(s).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then we may show that the diagram (3.1) is commutative, and we obtain $\varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \{(f, g)\}$. Thus ε_{Ψ}^{-1} is onto.

Next we shall see easily that ε_{Ψ}^{-1} is 1-1.

REMARK. Also we may define the dual 1-1 and onto correspondence $\varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} : \pi_2(\Psi, W) \rightarrow \pi_1(f'_{1,2}, W)$, where $f'_{1,2} : C_{\sigma_1} \rightarrow C_{\sigma_2}$.

4. Transposition. We recall the notation of the transpose of a map [1; p. 291]. In the diagram (1.3), the transpose of the pair-map $\psi = (g_1, g_2) : f_1 \rightarrow f_2$ is the map $\Psi^T = (f_1, f_2) : g_1 \rightarrow g_2$. Then the 1-1 correspondence between maps $\Phi \rightarrow \Psi$ and maps $\Phi^T \rightarrow \Psi^T$ is given by the transposition $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_1 \\ a_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix}$, where $\Phi = (\iota, \iota C)$ (c.f. (3.1)).

This correspondence induce a 1-1 and onto correspondence $\tau_0 : \pi(\Phi, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi(\Phi^T, \Psi^T)$. Let $u : C^2V \rightarrow C^2V$ be the homeomorphism given by $u(v, t, s) = (v, s, t)$; then $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & u \end{pmatrix}$ induces a 1-1 and onto correspondence $\tau_1 : \pi(\Phi, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi(\Phi^T, \Psi)$, where $\Phi = (\iota, \iota C)$. And we get the 1-1 and onto correspondence $\tau = \tau_0 \tau_1 : \pi_2(V, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi_2(V, \Psi^T)$ given by $\tau \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_1 \\ a_2 b_2 u \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ for $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$\in \pi_2(V, \Psi)$.

Now we consider the following diagram induced from (1.3):

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 E_{f_{1,2}} & \xrightarrow{j_{f_{1,2}}} & E_{g_1} & \xrightarrow{f_{1,2}} & E_{g_2} \\
 \downarrow j_{g_{1,2}} & & \downarrow j_{g_1} & & \downarrow j_{g_2} \\
 E_{f_1} & \xrightarrow{j_{f_1}} & A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\
 \downarrow g_{1,2} & & \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_2 \\
 E_{f_2} & \xrightarrow{j_{f_2}} & X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y
 \end{array}$$

where $E_{f_{1,2}} = \{((a, \omega), (\beta, \rho)) \in E_{g_1} \times PE_{g_2} \mid g_1(a) = \omega(1), f_1(a) = \beta(1), f_2(\omega(s)) = \rho(1, s) \text{ and } \rho(s, 1) = g_2(\beta(s))\}$,
 $E_{g_{1,2}} = \{((a, \beta), (\omega, \bar{\rho})) \in E_{f_1} \times PE_{f_2} \mid g_1(a) = \omega(1), f_1(a) = \beta(1), f_2(\omega(s)) = \bar{\rho}(s, 1) \text{ and } \bar{\rho}(1, s) = g_2(\beta(s))\}$,

$\rho, \bar{\rho}: I \# I \rightarrow Y_2$, and maps set as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{1,2}(a, \omega) &= (f_1(a), \omega') \text{ for } a \in A, \omega \in PX \text{ with } \omega'(s) = f_2(\omega(s)), \\
 g_{1,2}(a, \beta) &= (g_1(a), \beta') \text{ for } a \in A, \beta \in PB \text{ with } \beta(s) = g_2(\beta(s)), \\
 j_{f_1}(a, \beta) &= a, j_{f_2}(x, \eta) = x, j_{f_{1,2}}((a, \omega), (\beta, \rho)) = (a, \omega), \\
 j_{g_1}(a, \omega) &= a, j_{g_2}(b, \eta) = b, j_{g_{1,2}}((a, \beta), (\omega, \bar{\rho})) = (a, \beta).
 \end{aligned}$$

Maps $d: E_{f_{1,2}} \rightarrow E_{g_{1,2}}$ and $d': E_{g_{1,2}} \rightarrow E_{f_{1,2}}$ defined by

$$d((a, \omega), (\beta, \rho)) = ((a, \beta), (\omega, \rho\sigma)) \text{ and } d'((a, \beta), (\omega, \bar{\rho})) = ((a, \omega), (\beta, \bar{\rho}\sigma)),$$

respectively, are homeomorphisms, where $\sigma: I \# I \rightarrow I \# I$ is defined by $\sigma(s, t) = (t, s)$.

PROPOSITION 4.1. $d_*: \pi(V, E_{f_{1,2}}) \rightarrow \pi(V, E_{g_{1,2}})$ is equivalent to $\tau: \pi_2(V, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi_2(V, \Psi^T)$ in the sense that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \pi(V, E_{f_{1,2}}) & \xrightarrow{d_*} & \pi(V, E_{g_{1,2}}) \\
 \uparrow \varepsilon_{f_{1,2}}^{-1} & & \uparrow \varepsilon_{g_{1,2}}^{-1} \\
 \pi_1(V, f_{1,2}) & & \pi_1(V, g_{1,2}) \\
 \uparrow \varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} & & \uparrow \varepsilon_{\Psi^T}^{-1} \\
 \pi_2(V, \Psi) & \xrightarrow{\tau} & \pi_2(V, \Psi^T)
 \end{array}$$

is commutative.

PROOF. For any element $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \in \pi_2(V, \Psi)$ we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{\sigma_{1,2}}^{-1} \circ \varepsilon_{\Psi^T}^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} &= \varepsilon_{\sigma_{1,2}}^{-1} \circ \varepsilon_{\Psi^T}^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_1 \\ a_2 b_2 u \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \varepsilon_{\sigma_{1,2}}^{-1} \{ (U_{(a_1, a_2)}, U_{(b_1, b_2 u)}) \} \\ &= \{ U_{(a_1, a_2), \sigma_{(b_1, b_2 u)}} \}, \end{aligned}$$

where $U_{(a_1, a_2), \sigma_{(b_1, b_2 u)}}(v) = (U_{(a_1, a_2)}(v), \bar{U}_{(b_1, b_2 u)}(v))$, $\bar{U}_{(b_1, b_2 u)}(v)(s) = (b_1(v, s), \bar{b}_2 u(v, s))$, and $\bar{b}_2 u(v, s)(t) = b_2(v, t, s)$.

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} d_* \circ \varepsilon_{f_{1,2}}^{-1} \circ \varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_2 \\ b_1 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} &= d_* \circ \varepsilon_{f_{1,2}}^{-1} \{ (U_{(a_1, b_1)}, U_{(a_2, b_2)}) \} \\ &= d_* \{ U_{(a_1, b_1), \sigma_{(a_2, b_2)}} \} \\ &= \{ d \circ U_{(a_1, b_1), \sigma_{(a_2, b_2)}} \}, \end{aligned}$$

and $U_{(a_1, b_1), \sigma_{(a_2, b_2)}}(v) = (U_{(a_1, b_1)}(v), \bar{U}_{(a_2, b_2)}(v)) = ((a_1(v), \bar{b}_1(v)), (\bar{a}_2(v), \bar{b}_2(v)))$ where $\bar{b}_1: V \rightarrow PX$, $\bar{a}_2: V \rightarrow PB$, $\bar{b}_2: V \rightarrow P(PY)$ and $\bar{b}_2: CV \rightarrow PY$ are maps such that $\bar{b}_1(v)(s) = b_1(v, s)$, $\bar{a}_2(v)(t) = a_2(v, t)$, $\bar{b}_2(v)(t) = \bar{b}_2(v, t)$ and $\bar{b}_2(v, t)(s) = b_2(v, t, s)$.

There exists a homeomorphism $\theta: Y^{t\#t} \approx (Y^t)^t$ defined by $\theta(f)(t)(s) = f(t, s)$, and hence $\bar{b}_2(v)$ may be replaced by $\theta^{-1} \bar{b}_2(v)$ such that $(\theta^{-1} \bar{b}_2(v))(t, s) = (\bar{b}(v))(t)(s)$. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} d \circ U_{(a_1, b_1), \sigma_{(a_2, b_2)}}(v) &= d((a_1(v), \bar{b}_1(v)), (\bar{a}_2(v), \theta^{-1} \bar{b}_2(v))) \\ &= ((a_1(v), \bar{a}_2(v)), (\bar{b}_1(v), \theta^{-1} \bar{b}_2(v) \sigma)) \end{aligned}$$

such that $(\theta^{-1} \bar{b}_2(v) \sigma)(s, t) = (\theta^{-1} \bar{b}_2(v))(t, s) = \bar{b}_2(v)(t)(s) = \bar{b}_2(v, t)(s) = b_2(v, t, s)$. Therefore we have the desired result.

5. The excision theorems. In this section we consider the excision theorems on pair of maps. Let Ψ, Ψ' be pair-maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\ \downarrow g_1 & \Downarrow \Psi & \downarrow g_2 \\ X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A' & \xrightarrow{f'_1} & B' \\ \downarrow g'_1 & \Downarrow \Psi' & \downarrow g'_2 \\ X' & \xrightarrow{f'_2} & Y' \end{array},$$

and let $\begin{pmatrix} l_1 & l_2 \\ m_1 & m_2 \end{pmatrix}$ be a map from Ψ to Ψ' .

PROPOSITION 5.1. *If $\Lambda = (l_1, l_2): f_1 \rightarrow f_1'$ and $\Theta = (m_1, m_2): f_2 \rightarrow f_2'$, and l_1, l_2, m_1 and m_2 are homotopy equivalences, then $(\Lambda, \Theta)_* = \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & l_2 \\ m_1 & m_2 \end{pmatrix}_* : \pi_2(V, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi_2(V, \Psi')$ is 1-1 and onto.*

PROOF. We consider the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E_{\sigma_1} & \xrightarrow{n_1} & E_{\sigma_1'} \\ \downarrow f_{1,2} & & \downarrow f_{1,2}' \\ E_{\sigma_2} & \xrightarrow{n_2} & E_{\sigma_2'} \end{array} ,$$

where $f_{1,2}$ and $f_{1,2}'$ are defined as before by f_1, f_2 and f_1', f_2' , respectively, and n_1 and n_2 are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} n_1(a, \omega) &= (l_1(a), \bar{\omega}) \quad \text{for } a \in A, \omega \in PX \quad \text{with } \bar{\omega}(s) = m_1(\omega(s)), \\ n_2(b, \eta) &= (l_2(b), \bar{\eta}) \quad \text{for } b \in B, \eta \in PY \quad \text{with } \bar{\eta}(s) = m_2(\eta(s)). \end{aligned}$$

Then n_1 and n_2 are homotopy equivalences by the assumptions and we obtain the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1(V, f_{1,2}) & \xrightarrow{(\Lambda, \Theta)_*} & \pi_1(V, f_{1,2}') \\ \uparrow \varepsilon_\Psi^{-1} & & \uparrow \varepsilon_{\Psi'}^{-1} \\ \pi_2(V, \Psi) & \xrightarrow{(\Lambda, \Theta)_*} & \pi_2(V, \Psi') \end{array} ,$$

and $(n_1, n_2)_*$ is 1-1 and onto by Proposition 2.2; hence $(\Lambda, \Theta)_*$ is 1-1 and onto.

COROLLARY 5.2. *In Proposition 5.1, if l_1, l_2 are the identity maps and m_1, m_2 are homotopy equivalences, then $(1, \Theta)_* : \pi_2(V, \Psi) \rightarrow \pi_2(V, \Theta \circ \Psi)$ is 1-1 and onto.*

Similarly we have

COROLLARY 5.3. *In Proposition 5.1, if m_1, m_2 are the identity maps and l_1, l_2 are homotopy equivalences, then $(\Lambda, 1)_* : \pi_2(V, \Psi' \circ \Lambda) \rightarrow \pi_2(V, \Psi')$ is 1-1 and onto.*

REMARK. Corollary 5.2 and 5.3 are extensions of Proposition 6.2 and 6.3 in [1].

Let Ψ be a weak fibration (i.e., g_1 and g_2 are fibrations) with fibre $f_{X,R}$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F_X & \xrightarrow{f_{X,R}} & F_Y \\
 \downarrow j_X & \Downarrow \Pi & \downarrow j_Y \\
 A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\
 \downarrow g_1 & \Downarrow \Psi & \downarrow g_2 \\
 X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y
 \end{array}$$

Then there are excision correspondences

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varepsilon_{1,\Psi} : \pi_1(V, f_{X,R}) &\longrightarrow \pi_2(V, \Psi), \\
 \varepsilon_{2,\Pi} : \pi_2(V, \Pi) &\longrightarrow \pi_2(V, f_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

defined as follows: Let Π_* and Ψ^* be pair-maps such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F_X & \xrightarrow{f_{X,R}} & F_Y \\
 \downarrow & \Downarrow \Pi_* & \downarrow \\
 * & \longrightarrow & *
 \end{array}, \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 * & \longrightarrow & * \\
 \downarrow & \Downarrow \Psi^* & \downarrow \\
 X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y
 \end{array}$$

For any element $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ * & * \end{pmatrix} \right\} \in \pi_2(V, \Pi_*) = \pi_1(V, f_{X,R})$, $\varepsilon_{1,\Psi} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ * & * \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} j_X a_1 & j_Y a_2 \\ * & * \end{pmatrix} \right\} \in \pi_2(V, \Psi)$, and for any element $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \in \pi_2(V, \Pi)$, $\varepsilon_{2,\Pi} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ g_1 b_1 & g_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \in \pi_2(V, \Psi^*) = \pi_2(V, f_2)$.

We consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & F_X & \xrightarrow{j_X} & A & \xrightarrow{g_1} & X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \\
 & & \downarrow f_{X,R} & & \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow g_2 & & \downarrow f_2 \\
 & & F_Y & \xrightarrow{j_Y} & B & \xrightarrow{g_2} & Y & & \\
 & & \downarrow e_X & & \downarrow e_Y & & \downarrow & & \\
 X & \xrightarrow{\partial_{\sigma_1}} & E_{\sigma_1} & \xrightarrow{j_{\sigma_1}} & A & \xrightarrow{g_1} & X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \\
 & \searrow \Omega f_2 & \downarrow \partial_{\sigma_1} & & \downarrow j_{\sigma_2} & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & E_{\sigma_2} & \xrightarrow{j_{\sigma_2}} & B & \xrightarrow{g_2} & Y & &
 \end{array}$$

where $e_x(a) = (j_x(a), *)$ for $a \in F_x$, $e_r(b) = (j_r(b), *)$ for $b \in F_r$,
 $\partial_{\omega_1}(\omega) = (*, \omega)$ for $\omega \in \Omega X$, $\partial_{\eta_1}(\eta) = (*, \eta)$ for $\eta \in \Omega Y$,

and e_x, e_r are homotopy equivalences [2]. Then we have the commutative diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1(V, f_{x,r}) & \xrightarrow{(e_x, e_r)_*} & \pi_1(V, f_{1,2}) & \pi_2(V, \Pi) & \xrightarrow{(\Lambda, 1)_*} & \pi_1(V, \Pi') \\ \downarrow \varepsilon_{1,\Psi} & & \uparrow \varepsilon_{\Psi}^{-1} & \downarrow \varepsilon_{2,\Pi} & & \uparrow \varepsilon_{1,\Pi'} \\ \pi_2(V, \Psi) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \pi_2(V, \Psi) & , & \pi_2(V, f_2) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \pi_1(V, \Omega f_2) . \end{array}$$

where $\Lambda = (e_x, e_r): f_{x,r} \rightarrow f_{1,2}$ and $\Pi' = (j_{\sigma_1}, j_{\sigma_2}): f_{1,2} \rightarrow f_1$.

In the above diagrams, since ε_{Ψ}^{-1} and $(e_x, e_r)_*$ are 1-1 and onto we get that $\varepsilon_{1,\Psi}$ is 1-1 and onto, and since Π' is a weak fibration with fibre Ωf_2 the excision correspondence $\varepsilon_{1,\Pi'}$ is 1-1 and onto, and also $(\Lambda, 1)_*$ is 1-1 and onto by Corollary 5.3. Hence $\varepsilon_{2,\Pi}$ is 1-1 and onto.

The results obtained above are summarized as follows:

THEOREM 1. *If Ψ is a weak fibration as before, then the excision correspondences*

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{1,\Psi}: \pi_1(V, f_{x,r}) &\longrightarrow \pi_2(V, \Psi), \\ \varepsilon_{2,\Pi}: \pi_2(V, \Pi) &\longrightarrow \pi_2(V, f_2) \end{aligned}$$

are 1-1 and onto.

REMARK 1. Theorem 1 is an extension of the dual Theorem 6.5* in [1].

REMARK 2. Note that Theorem 1 and results in the preceding sections can be dualized.

Eckmann and Hilton defined homology groups of maps and pair-maps [1], [3]. If f and Ψ are a map and a pair-map, $H_q(f)$ and $H_q(\Psi)$ are defined and Abelian for all q .

Now let $P \xrightarrow{f} Q \xrightarrow{p} F$ be a cofibration; then the homology excision homomorphism $\varepsilon_{2,f}^H: H_q(f) \rightarrow H_q(F)$ is given by

$$\varepsilon_{2,f}^H(x, y) = py \text{ for } x \in C_{q-1}(P), y \in C_q(Q),$$

hereafter we use the same symbol for a map and the chain map which it

induces. It is well known that $\varepsilon_{2,f}^H$ is an isomorphism for all q .

Next let $P \xrightarrow{f} Q \xrightarrow{i_f} C_f$ be the extended cofibration, where f is any map. Then by (1.1') we obtain the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 H_q(P) & \xrightarrow{f_{\#}} & H_q(Q) & \xrightarrow{J_f} & H_q(f) \\
 \parallel & & \uparrow k_{\#} & & \uparrow (1, k)_{\#} \\
 H_q(P) & \xrightarrow{q_f_{\#}} & H_q(M_f) & \xrightarrow{J_{q_f}} & H_q(q_f) \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow k_{\#} & & \downarrow \varepsilon_{2,q_f}^H \\
 H_q(P) & \xrightarrow{f_{\#}} & H_q(Q) & \xrightarrow{i_{f\#}} & H_q(C_f) \quad ,
 \end{array}$$

where each row is homology exact sequence and $k_{\#}$ is an isomorphism and $P \xrightarrow{q_f} M_f \xrightarrow{j_{q_f}} C_f$ is the cofibration. By the five lemma we deduce that $(1, k)_{\#}$ is an isomorphism, and we have easily

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,f}^H = \varepsilon_{2,q_f}^H \circ (1, k)_{\#}^{-1} : H_q(f) \cong H_q(C_f) \quad \text{for all } q,$$

where $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,f}^H$ is defined by $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,f}^H(x, z) = i_f z$ for $x \in C_{q-1}(P)$, $z \in C_q(Q)$.

Particularly, let $P \xrightarrow{f} Q \xrightarrow{p} F$ be the cofibration as before; then $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,f}^H = \varepsilon_{2,q_f}^H \circ (1, k)_{\#}^{-1} = \tilde{k}_{\#}^{-1} \circ \varepsilon_{2,f}^H$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_q(f) & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{2,f}^H} & H_q(F) \\
 \uparrow (1, k)_{\#} & & \uparrow \tilde{k}_{\#} \\
 H_q(q_f) & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{2,q_f}^H} & H_q(C_f) \quad ,
 \end{array}$$

where \tilde{k} is determined by 1 and k , and a homotopy equivalence [3; Corollary 3.7].

Let $\Psi = (g_1, g_2) : f_1 \rightarrow f_2$ be a weak cofibration with cofibre $\bar{f}_{X,Y}$ or an extended weak cofibration with cofibre f_c (Ψ is any pair-map):

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\
 \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_2 \\
 X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \\
 \downarrow i_1 & & \downarrow i_2 \\
 \bar{F}_{\sigma_1} & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_{X,Y}} & \bar{F}_{\sigma_1} \quad ,
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\
 \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_2 \\
 X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \\
 \downarrow i_{\sigma_1} & & \downarrow i_{\sigma_1} \\
 C_{\sigma_1} & \xrightarrow{f_c} & C_{\sigma_1} \quad ,
 \end{array}$$

where $i_{\sigma_1}(i_{\sigma_2})$ is an inclusion map and f_c is given by $f_c(x) = f_2(x)$ for $x \in X \subset C_{\sigma_1}$ and $f_c(a, t) = (f_1(a), t)$ for $a \in A$.

If Ψ is the weak cofibration, the homology excision homomorphism

$$\varepsilon_{2,\Psi}^H : H_q(\Psi) \longrightarrow H_q(\bar{f}_{X,Y})$$

is defined by $\varepsilon_{2,\Psi}^H(a, b, x, y) = (i_1x, i_2y)$ for $a \in C_{q-2}(A)$, $b \in C_{q-1}(B)$, $x \in C_{q-1}(X)$, $y \in C_q(Y)$.

If Ψ is the extended weak cofibration, the excision homomorphism

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,\Psi}^H : H_q(\Psi) \longrightarrow H_q(f_c)$$

is defined by $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,\Psi}^H(a, b, x, y) = (i_{\sigma_1}x, i_{\sigma_2}y)$ for $a \in C_{q-2}(A)$, $b \in C_{q-1}(B)$, $x \in C_{q-1}(X)$, $y \in C_q(Y)$.

THEOREM 2. (i) *If $\Psi = (g_1, g_2) : f_1 \rightarrow f_2$ is the weak cofibration with cofibre $\bar{f}_{X,Y}$ then*

$$\varepsilon_{2,\Psi}^H : H_q(\Psi) \cong H_q(\bar{f}_{X,Y}) \text{ for all } q.$$

(ii) *If Ψ is the weak cofibration with cofibre f_c then*

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,\Psi}^H : H_q(\Psi) \cong H_q(f_c) \text{ for all } q.$$

PROOF. (i) Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \longrightarrow & H_q(g_1) & \xrightarrow{(f_1, f_2)_\#} & H_q(g_2) & \xrightarrow{J} & H_q(\Psi^T) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_{q-1}(g_1) & \longrightarrow \\ & \cong \downarrow \varepsilon_{2,\sigma_1}^H & & \cong \downarrow \varepsilon_{2,\sigma_2}^H & & \downarrow \varepsilon_{2,\Psi^T}^H & & \cong \downarrow \varepsilon_{2,\sigma_1}^H & \\ \longrightarrow & H_q(\bar{F}_{\sigma_1}) & \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_{X,Y}\#} & H_q(\bar{F}_\sigma) & \xrightarrow{J} & H_q(\bar{f}_{X,Y}) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_{q-1}(\bar{F}_{\sigma_1}) & \longrightarrow \end{array}$$

where the upper and lower rows are exact sequences of Ψ^T and $\bar{f}_{X,Y}$, respectively, and ε_{2,Ψ^T}^H is defined by $\varepsilon_{2,\Psi^T}^H(a, x, b, y) = (i_1x, i_2y)$ for $a \in C_{q-2}(A)$, $x \in C_{q-1}(X)$, $b \in C_{q-1}(B)$, $y \in C_q(Y)$. Then by using the five lemma we obtain that ε_{2,Ψ^T}^H is an isomorphism for all q . The chain map $\tau : C_q(\Psi) \rightarrow C_q(\Psi^T)$ is defined by $\tau(a, b, x, y) = (-a, x, b, y)$ and a chain isomorphism; hence τ induces a homology isomorphism $\tau_\# : H_q(\Psi) \cong H_q(\Psi^T)$ for all q (see [1], [3]). Since $\varepsilon_{2,\Psi}^H = \varepsilon_{2,\Psi^T}^H \circ \tau_\#$, $\varepsilon_{2,\Psi}^H$ is an isomorphism for all q .

(ii) We consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc}
 \longrightarrow & H_q(g_1) & \xrightarrow{(f_1, f_2)\#} & H_q(g_2) & \xrightarrow{J} & H_q(\Psi^T) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_{q-1}(g_1) & \xrightarrow{(f_1, f_2)\#} & H_{q-1}(g_2) & \longrightarrow \\
 & \cong \downarrow \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \sigma_1}^H & & \cong \downarrow \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \sigma_2}^H & & \downarrow \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Psi^T}^H & & \cong \downarrow \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \sigma_1}^H & & \cong \downarrow \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \sigma_2}^H & \\
 \longrightarrow & H_q(C_{\sigma_1}) & \xrightarrow{f_{c\#}} & H_q(C_{\sigma_2}) & \xrightarrow{J} & H_q(f_c) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_{q-1}(C_{\sigma_1}) & \xrightarrow{f_{c\#}} & H_{q-1}(C_{\sigma_2}) & \longrightarrow
 \end{array}$$

where the upper and lower rows are exact sequences of Ψ^T and f_c , respectively, and $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Psi^T}^H$ is defined similarly as $\varepsilon_{2, \Psi^T}^H$. Then $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \sigma_1}^H$ and $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \sigma_2}^H$ are isomorphisms, and hence by the five lemma $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Psi^T}^H$ is isomorphism for all q . And since $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Psi}^H = \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Psi^T}^H \circ \tau_{\#}$, $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Psi}^H$ is an isomorphism for all q .

By Theorem 2 (ii) we have easily

COROLLARY 5.4. *If Ψ is the extended weak cofibration, then the sequence*

$$\longrightarrow H_q(f_1) \xrightarrow{(g_1, g_2)\#} H_q(f_2) \xrightarrow{(i_{\sigma_1}, i_{\sigma_2})\#} H_q(f_c) \xrightarrow{\partial_{f_c}} H_{q-1}(f_1) \longrightarrow$$

is exact, where $\partial_{f_c} = \partial_{\Psi} \circ \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Psi}^{H^{-1}}$.

The Whitehead theorem [5; p. 167] may be rewritten as follows:

LEMMA 5.5 (Whitehead). *In the sequence $E_r \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y \longrightarrow C_r$, (i) if X and Y are arcwise connected and E_r is $(n-1)$ -connected ($n > 0$), then C_r is homology n -connected. (ii) If X and Y are simply connected and C_r is homology n -connected, then E_r is $(n-1)$ -connected.*

LEMMA 5.6 [7; Theorem 2.1]. *Let Ψ be the pair-map $(g_1, g_2): f_1 \rightarrow f_2$ in (1.3) such that A, B, X and Y are 1-connected, $\pi_q(g_1) = 0$ for $0 < q < m$ ($m > 1$), and $\pi_q(f_2) = 0$ for $0 < q < n$ ($n > 1$). Let (A) and (B) be the following statements:*

$$(A) \ H_q(\Psi) = 0 \text{ for } q \leq r, \quad (B) \ \pi_q(\Psi) = 0 \text{ for } 1 < q \leq r.$$

Then if $1 < r \leq m+n-2$, (A) implies (B), and if $1 < r \leq m+n-1$, (B) implies (A).

Let Ψ be a weak fibration with fibre $f_{X,r}$ as before, and we assume that A, B, X and Y are 1-connected, g_1 is m -connected ($m > 1$), f_2 is n -connected ($n > 1$), Y is $(r-1)$ -connected ($r > 1$), and $\pi_q(\Psi) = 0$ for $q \leq l$ ($l > 1$).

Consider the following diagram

$$(5.7) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} F_X * \Omega X & \xrightarrow{f_{X,Y} * \Omega f_2} & F_Y * \Omega Y \\ \downarrow j_0 & & \downarrow j'_0 \\ C_{j_X} & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} & C_{j_Y} \\ \downarrow r_X & \Downarrow \Xi & \downarrow r_Y \\ X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \end{array} ,$$

where j_0, j'_0, r_X and r_Y are maps given in section 1 [2], and $\tilde{f} = f \cup C f_{X,Y}$.

Then the upper diagram is homotopy commutative (c.f. [2; Proposition 1.3]) and the lower diagram is commutative.

PROPOSITION 5.8. $f_{X,Y} * \Omega f_2$ is $\text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1)$ -connected.

PROOF. Since $f_{X,Y} * \Omega f_2 = (1 * \Omega f_2) \circ (f_{X,Y} * 1)$, we shall prove that $1 * \Omega f_2$ and $f_{X,Y} * 1$ are $(m+n)$ -connected and $(l+r-1)$ -connected, respectively.

Now we introduce the homotopy commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F_X * \Omega X & \xrightarrow{1 * \Omega f_2} & F_X * \Omega Y \\ \downarrow w_X & & \downarrow w_Y \\ \Sigma(F_X \# \Omega X) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma(1 \# \Omega f_2)} & \Sigma(F_X \# \Omega Y) \longrightarrow \Sigma(F_X \# \Omega Y) \cup_{\Sigma(1 \# \Omega f_2)} C\Sigma(F_X \# \Omega X) \end{array} ,$$

where w 's are maps defined in [9; p.134] and these maps are homotopy equivalences by Proposition 1.2, and the lower row in the diagram is the extended cofibration. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma(F_X \# \Omega Y) \cup_{\Sigma(1 \# \Omega f_2)} C\Sigma(F_X \# \Omega X) &= \Sigma((F_X \# \Omega Y) \cup_{1 \# \Omega f_2} C(F_X \# \Omega X)) \\ &= \Sigma(F_X \# (\Omega Y \cup_{\Omega f_2} C\Omega X)) \quad (\text{c.f. [10]}) \\ &\equiv F_X * (\Omega Y \cup_{\Omega f_2} C\Omega X) \end{aligned}$$

where $X \equiv Y$ implies that X and Y have the same homotopy type. Since $\Omega Y \cup_{\Omega f_2} C\Omega X$ is homology $(n-1)$ -connected (see Lemma 5.5) and simply connected, we see that $\Omega Y \cup_{\Omega f_2} C\Omega X$ is $(n-1)$ -connected, and also F_X is $(m-1)$ -connected. Hence $F_X * (\Omega Y \cup_{\Omega f_2} C\Omega X)$ is $(m+n)$ -connected. On the other hand, we get $H_q(1 * \Omega f_2) \cong H_q(\Sigma(1 \# \Omega f_2)) \cong H_q(F_X * (\Omega Y \cup_{\Omega f_2} C\Omega X))$ for all q . Hence

$1 * \Omega f_2$ is homology $(m+n)$ -connected, and the Whitehead theorem [5] we deduce that $1 * \Omega f_2$ is $(m+n)$ -connected. Similarly, $f_{X,Y} * 1$ is $(l+r-1)$ -connected. Therefore we have the desired result.

Now we introduce the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \pi_{q+1}(r_X) & \xrightarrow{\Xi_*^T} & \pi_{q+1}(r_Y) \\
 \downarrow \varepsilon_{r_X}^{-1} & & \downarrow \varepsilon_{r_Y}^{-1} \\
 \pi_q(E_{r_X}) & \xrightarrow{u_*} & \pi_q(E_{r_Y}) \\
 \uparrow w_{r_X} & & \uparrow w_{r_Y} \\
 \pi_q(F_X * \Omega X) & \xrightarrow{(f_{X,Y} * \Omega f_2)_*} & \pi_q(F_Y * \Omega Y) \quad ,
 \end{array}$$

where $\Xi^T = (\tilde{f}, f_2) : r_X \rightarrow r_Y$, and u is determined by \tilde{f} and f_2 , and w 's are maps given by section 1 [2]. Then $\varepsilon_{r_X}^{-1}$, $\varepsilon_{r_Y}^{-1}$, w_{r_X} and w_{r_Y} are isomorphisms, and $f_{X,Y} * \Omega f_2$ is $\text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1)$ -connected, Ξ^T is $\text{Min.}((m+n, l+r-1)+1)$ -connected; hence so is $\Xi = (r_X, r_Y) : \tilde{f} \rightarrow f_2$. Since f_2 is n -connected and r_X is $(m-2)$ -connected [2], and $\text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1) + 1 < m+n+2$, we may apply Lemma 5.6 to the pair-map Ξ in (5.7), and we have $\Xi_{\#} = (r_X, r_Y)_{\#} : H_q(\tilde{f}) \rightarrow H_q(f_2)$ is monomorphic for $q \leq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1)$ and epimorphic for $q \leq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1) + 1$.

Now the homology excision homomorphism $\varepsilon_{2, \Pi}^H : H_q(\Pi) \rightarrow H_q(f_2)$ defined by $\varepsilon_{2, \Pi}^H(x, y, a, b) = (g_1 a, g_2 b)$ for $x \in C_{q-2}(F_X)$, $y \in C_{q-1}(F_Y)$, $a \in C_{q-1}(A)$, $b \in C_q(B)$. If we consider the extended weak cofibration Π with cofibre \tilde{f} , then $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Pi}^H : H_q(\Pi) \rightarrow H_q(\tilde{f})$ is isomorphic for all q , and we have $\varepsilon_{2, \Pi}^H = \Xi_{\#} \circ \bar{\varepsilon}_{2, \Pi}^H$. Thus the results obtained above is described as follows.

THEOREM 3. *Let Ψ be a weak fibration with fibre $f_{X,Y}$:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F_X & \xrightarrow{f_{X,Y}} & F_Y \\
 \downarrow j_X & \Downarrow \Pi & \downarrow j_Y \\
 A & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B \\
 \downarrow g_1 & \Downarrow \Psi & \downarrow g_2 \\
 X & \xrightarrow{f_2} & Y \quad ,
 \end{array}$$

and we assume that

A, B, X and Y are 1-connected, g_1 is m -connected ($m > 1$),
 f_2 is n -connected ($n > 1$), Y is $(r-1)$ -connected ($r > 1$),
 $\pi_q(\Psi) = 0$ for $q \leq l$ ($l > 1$).

Then the excision homomorphism

$$\mathcal{E}_{2,\Pi}^H: H_q(\Pi) \longrightarrow H_q(f_2)$$

is isomorphic for $q \leq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1)$ and epimorphic for $q \leq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1) + 1$.

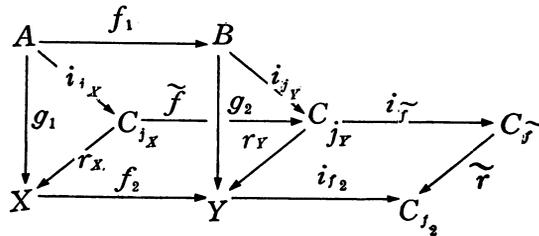
LEMMA 5.9 [6; Lemma 4.1]. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map, and if the induced homomorphism $f_{\#}: H_q(X) \rightarrow H_q(Y)$ is isomorphic for $q < N$ and epimorphic for $q = N$, then $f^*: \pi(Y, W) \rightarrow \pi(X, W)$ is 1-1 for $\pi_q(W) = 0, q \geq N+1$ and onto for $\pi_q(W) = 0, q \geq N$.

COROLLARY 5.10. Under the assumptions of Theorem 3, the excision correspondence

$$\mathcal{E}_{2,\Pi}: \pi_1(f_2, W) \longrightarrow \pi_2(\Pi, W)$$

is 1-1 for $\pi_q(W) = 0, q \geq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1)+2$ and onto for $\pi_q(W) = 0, q \geq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1) + 1$.

PROOF. We consider the following commutative diagram



where $C_{j_z} = C_{j_x} \cup_{f_{j_x}} C_{j_y}$ and $C_{j_x} = Y \cup_{f_2} CX$, and $\tilde{f} = f_1 \cup C f_{x,y}$ and $\tilde{r} = r_y \cup C r_x$.
 Then we obtain the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} H_q(\Pi) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}_{2,\Pi}^H} & H_q(\tilde{f}) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}_{2,\tilde{f}}^H} & H_q(C_{j_z}) \\ \parallel & & \downarrow \Xi_{\#} & & \downarrow \tilde{r}_{\#} \\ H_q(\Pi) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}_{2,\Pi}^H} & H_q(f_2) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}_{2,f_2}^H} & H_q(C_{j_x}) \end{array}$$

Since $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,\Pi}^H, \bar{\varepsilon}_{2,\tilde{f}}^H$ and $\bar{\varepsilon}_{2,f_2}^H$ are isomorphic we obtain $\tilde{r}_\#$ is monomorphic for $q \leq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1)$ and epimorphic for $q \leq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1) + 1$. Hence by Lemma 5.9 we get $r^*: \pi(C_{f_2}, W) \rightarrow \pi(C_{\tilde{f}}, W)$ is 1-1 for $\pi_q(W) = 0, q \geq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1) + 2$ and onto for $\pi_q(W) = 0, q \geq \text{Min.}(m+n, l+r-1) + 1$.

Next if we consider the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \pi_2(\Pi, W) & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{\Pi}^{\prime-1}} & \pi_1(\tilde{f}, W) & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{\tilde{f}}^{\prime-1}} & \pi(C_{\tilde{f}}, W) \\
 \parallel & & \uparrow \Xi^* & & \uparrow \tilde{r}^* \\
 \pi_2(\Pi, W) & \xleftarrow{\varepsilon_{2,\Pi}^{\prime}} & \pi_1(f_2, W) & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{f_2}^{\prime-1}} & \pi(C_{f_2}, W) ,
 \end{array}$$

then $\varepsilon_{\Pi}^{\prime-1}, \varepsilon_{\tilde{f}}^{\prime-1}$ and $\varepsilon_{f_2}^{\prime-1}$ are 1-1 and onto (see remarks of section 2 and 3). Therefore we have the desired result.

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