

## RELATIVE SELF-CLOSENESS NUMBERS

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ABSTRACT. We define the relative self-closeness number  $N\mathcal{E}(g)$  of a map  $g : X \rightarrow Y$ , which is a generalization of the self-closeness number  $N\mathcal{E}(X)$  of a connected CW complex  $X$  defined by Choi and Lee [1]. Then we compare  $N\mathcal{E}(p)$  with  $N\mathcal{E}(X)$  for a fibration  $X \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{p} Y$ . Furthermore we obtain its rationalized result.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{E}(X)$  be the group of the self-homotopy equivalence classes of a connected CW complex  $X$ . In 2015, H. W. Choi and K. Y. Lee [1] introduced the following concept:

**Definition 1.** For a connected CW complex  $X$ , the subset  $\mathcal{A}_{\#}^k(X)$  of  $[X, X]$  is defined by

$$\mathcal{A}_{\#}^k(X) = \{f \in [X, X] \mid f_{\#} : \pi_i(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_i(X) \text{ is an isomorphism for any } i \leq k\},$$

and the *self-closeness number*  $N\mathcal{E}(X)$  of  $X$  by

$$N\mathcal{E}(X) = \min\{k \mid \mathcal{A}_{\#}^k(X) = \mathcal{E}(X)\}.$$

In this paper, we define the relative version:

**Definition 2.** For a map  $g : X \rightarrow Y$  between connected CW complexes, let  $\mathcal{E}(g) := \{[f] \in \mathcal{E}(X) \mid g \circ f \simeq g\}$  (the group of relative self-homotopy equivalence classes) and

$$\mathcal{A}_{\#}^k(g) := \{f \in [X, X] \mid f_{\#} : \pi_i(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_i(X) \text{ is an isomorphism for any } i \leq k \\ \text{and } g \circ f \simeq g\}.$$

Then the relative self-closeness number of a map  $g$  is defined as

$$N\mathcal{E}(g) := \min\{k \mid \mathcal{A}_{\#}^k(g) = \mathcal{E}(g)\}.$$

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In [6], N. Oda and the author gived evaluations of self-closeness numbers in fibrations. We compare  $N\mathcal{E}(p)$  with  $N\mathcal{E}(X)$  for a fibration  $X \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{p} Y$  in §2. Furthermore we obtain its rationalized result by using Sullivan model [7] in §3. In this paper, we often confuse a map and its homotopy class.

### 2. An upper bound in a fibration

**Lemma 3.** (1) *It is a homotopy invariant, i.e.,  $N\mathcal{E}(g_1) = N\mathcal{E}(g_2)$  if  $g_1 \simeq g_2 : X \rightarrow Y$ .*

(2) *For any map  $g : X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $N\mathcal{E}(g) \leq N\mathcal{E}(X)$ . In particular,  $N\mathcal{E}(id_X) = 0$  for  $id_X : X \xrightarrow{=} X$  and  $N\mathcal{E}(c) = N\mathcal{E}(X)$  for the constant map  $c : X \rightarrow *$ .*

(3) *For maps  $g_i : X \rightarrow Y_i$ ,  $N\mathcal{E}(g_1) \leq N\mathcal{E}(g_2)$  if  $h \circ g_1 \simeq g_2$  for a map  $h : Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$ .*

*Proof.* (1) It is obvious from [1, Theorem 1] and the definition.

(2) It is obvious since  $\mathcal{A}_\#^k(g) \subset \mathcal{A}_\#^k(X)$ .

(3) Let  $N\mathcal{E}(g_2) = k$ . Suppose  $\pi_{\leq k}(f)$  is an isomorphism for a map  $f : X \rightarrow X$ . If  $g_1 \circ f \simeq g_1$ , then  $g_2 \circ f \simeq g_2$ . Then  $f \in \mathcal{E}(X)$  from the assumption. Thus we have  $N\mathcal{E}(g_1) \leq k$ .  $\square$

**Example 4.** (1) For the projection  $g : S^m \times S^n \rightarrow S^n$ ,  $N\mathcal{E}(g) = m$ .

(2) For the Hopf map  $\eta : S^3 \rightarrow S^2$ ,  $N\mathcal{E}(\eta) = 0$ .

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $X \xrightarrow{j} E \xrightarrow{p} Y$  be a fibration. Then  $N\mathcal{E}(X) + 1 \geq N\mathcal{E}(p)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $k := N\mathcal{E}(X)$ . Suppose that  $f \in [E, E]$  with  $p \circ f \simeq p$  and  $\pi_{\leq k+1}(f)$  isomorphic. Then there is the restriction map  $f'$  of  $f$  in the homotopy commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xrightarrow{j} & E & \xrightarrow{p} & Y \\ \downarrow f' & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow = \\ X & \xrightarrow{j} & E & \xrightarrow{p} & Y \end{array}$$

in which  $\pi_{\leq k}(f')$  is isomorphic from the five lemma about the commutative diagram between homotopy exact sequences:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \pi_{i+1}(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{i+1}(p)} & \pi_{i+1}(Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_i(X) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(j)} & \pi_i(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(p)} & \pi_i(Y) \\ \pi_{i+1}(f) \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow = & & \pi_i(f') \downarrow & & \pi_i(f) \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow = \\ \pi_{i+1}(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{i+1}(p)} & \pi_{i+1}(Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_i(X) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(j)} & \pi_i(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(p)} & \pi_i(Y) \end{array}$$

for  $i \leq k$ . From the definition of  $k$ ,  $f' \in \mathcal{E}(X)$ . Then  $f_{\sharp} : \pi_*(E) \rightarrow \pi_*(E)$  is isomorphic from the five lemma about the commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 \pi_{i+1}(Y) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{i+1}(p)} & \pi_i(X) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(j)} & \pi_i(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(p)} & \pi_i(Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_{i-1}(X) \\
 \downarrow = & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow & & \downarrow = & & \downarrow \cong \\
 \pi_{i+1}(Y) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{i+1}(p)} & \pi_i(X) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(j)} & \pi_i(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_i(p)} & \pi_i(Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_{i-1}(X)
 \end{array}$$

for all  $i$ . Thus we have  $f \in \mathcal{E}(E)$  from Whitehead theorem. That means  $k + 1 \geq N\mathcal{E}(p)$ . □

### 3. The rationalized version

In this section, we assume that a space is a simply connected CW complex of finite type. Let  $X_0$  be the rationalization of a space  $X$  [5]. Then  $\pi_*(X_0) = \pi_*(X) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  and  $H_*(X_0; \mathbb{Z}) = H_*(X; \mathbb{Q})$ . We assume familiarity with rational homotopy theory as in the text [2].

Let  $M(X) = (\Lambda V, d)$  be the Sullivan minimal model of a space  $X$  [7]. It is a free commutative differential graded algebra over  $\mathbb{Q}$  (DGA) with a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -graded vector space  $V = \bigoplus_{i>1} V^i$  where  $\dim V^i < \infty$  and a decomposable differential, namely  $d(V^i) \subset (\Lambda^+ V \cdot \Lambda^+ V)^{i+1}$  and  $d \circ d = 0$ . Here  $\Lambda^+ V$  is the ideal of  $\Lambda V$  generated by elements of positive degree. The degree of a homogeneous element  $x$  of a graded algebra is denoted by  $|x|$ . Then  $xy = (-1)^{|x||y|}yx$  and  $d(xy) = d(x)y + (-1)^{|x|}x d(y)$ . Note that  $M(X)$  determines the rational homotopy type of  $X$ . In particular,  $V^n \cong \text{Hom}(\pi_n(X), \mathbb{Q})$  for all  $n$  and  $H^*(\Lambda V, d) \cong H^*(X; \mathbb{Q})$  as graded  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebras.

Now we recall ‘‘DGA-homotopy’’ in [3, Chapter X]: In general, two maps  $f : M(Y) \rightarrow M(X)$  and  $g : M(Y) \rightarrow M(X)$  are DGA-homotopic (denote as  $f \simeq g$ ) if there is a DGA-map  $H : M(Y) \rightarrow M(X) \otimes \Lambda(t, dt)$  such that  $H|_{t=0, dt=0} = f$  and  $H|_{t=1, dt=0} = g$ . Here  $|t| = 0$  and  $|dt| = 1$  with  $d(t) = dt$ ,  $d(dt) = 0$ . Then we have  $[X_0, Y_0] \cong [M(Y), M(X)]$  as homotopy sets. Let  $\text{Aut}M$  be the group of DGA-automorphisms of a DGA  $M$ . For a nilpotent space  $X$  and the model  $M(X)$ , there is a group isomorphism  $\mathcal{E}(X_0) \cong \mathcal{E}(M(X)) := \text{Aut}M(X)/\sim$ , which is the group of self-DGA-homotopy equivalence classes of  $M(X)$ . Thus we have the *rational self-closeness number* of  $X$  as  $N\mathcal{E}(X_0) = N\mathcal{E}(M(X))$ .

A fibration  $p : E \rightarrow Y$  with fibre  $X$  has a minimal model which is a DGA-map  $M(p) : M(Y) \rightarrow M(E)$ . It is induced by a relative or Koszul-Sullivan (KS-)model

$$i : M(Y) = (\Lambda W, d_Y) \rightarrow (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D),$$

where  $D|_W = d_Y$  and  $(\Lambda V, \bar{D}) = (\Lambda V, d_X) = M(X)$  and there is a quasi-isomorphism  $\rho_E : M(E) = (\Lambda U, d_E) \xrightarrow{\sim} (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D)$  such that  $\rho_E \circ M(p) \simeq i$ . Let  $D_1$  be the indecomposable part of  $D$ .

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $\xi : X \xrightarrow{j} E \xrightarrow{p} Y$  be a fibration of simply connected complexes. Then  $N\mathcal{E}(X_0) \geq N\mathcal{E}(p_0)$ . In particular,  $N\mathcal{E}(X_0) = N\mathcal{E}(p_0)$  if  $\xi$  is rationally fibre-trivial.*

*Proof.* Let  $k := N\mathcal{E}(X_0) = N\mathcal{E}(\Lambda V, d_X)$ . Suppose that  $f \in [E_0, E_0]$  with  $p_0 \circ f = p_0$  and  $\pi_{\leq k}(f)$  isomorphic. Let  $F : (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D) \rightarrow (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D)$  be the corresponding DGA-map for  $f$  and let  $\rho_E : (\Lambda U, d_E) \rightarrow (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D)$  a minimal model. Then

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (\Lambda W, d_Y) & \xrightarrow{i} & (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V^{\leq k}, D) & \xleftarrow{\rho_E} & (\Lambda U^{\leq k}, d_E) \\ \downarrow = & & \downarrow F & & \cong \downarrow M(f) \\ (\Lambda W, d_Y) & \xrightarrow{i} & (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V^{\leq k}, D) & \xleftarrow{\rho_E} & (\Lambda U^{\leq k}, d_E) \end{array}$$

induces that  $V^{\leq k} \xrightarrow{F} \Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V^{\leq k} \xrightarrow{\text{proj.}} V^{\leq k}$  is isomorphic. Indeed, for  $V_2 := \ker(D_1|_V)$  and a decomposition  $V = V_1 \oplus V_2$  with  $D_1(V_1) \subset W$ , we obtain  $\rho_E : U \cong W_2 \oplus V_2$  with a decomposition  $W = D_1(V_1) \oplus W_2$ . Then  $\text{proj.} \circ F|_{V_1^{\leq k}} : V_1^{\leq k} \rightarrow V_1^{\leq k}$  is isomorphic from the above left commutative diagram and  $\text{proj.} \circ F|_{V_2^{\leq k}} : V_2^{\leq k} \rightarrow V_2^{\leq k}$  is isomorphic from the right homotopy commutative diagram.

Let  $\bar{F} : (\Lambda V, d_X) \rightarrow (\Lambda V, d_X)$  be the induced map of  $F$ . From the assumption,  $\bar{F}$  is isomorphic since  $\text{proj.} \circ \bar{F} : V^{\leq k} \rightarrow V^{\leq k}$  is isomorphic. Then the commutative diagram between the KS-models of  $\xi$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (\Lambda W, d_Y) & \xrightarrow{i} & (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D) & \longrightarrow & (\Lambda V, d_X) \\ \downarrow = & & \downarrow F & & \cong \downarrow \bar{F} \\ (\Lambda W, d_Y) & \xrightarrow{i} & (\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D) & \longrightarrow & (\Lambda V, d_X) \end{array}$$

induces that  $E_2$ -terms of the Serre spectral sequences are isomorphic, i.e.,  $id_{\Lambda W}^* \otimes \bar{F}^* : H^*(Y; \mathbb{Q}) \otimes H^*(X; \mathbb{Q}) \cong H^*(Y; \mathbb{Q}) \otimes H^*(X; \mathbb{Q})$ , we have  $f^*(= F^*) : H^*(E; \mathbb{Q}) \cong H^*(E; \mathbb{Q})$ . Thus  $f : E_0 \rightarrow E_0$  is a homotopy equivalence. That means  $k \geq N\mathcal{E}(p_0)$ .

Furthermore, if  $\xi$  is rationally fibre-trivial, i.e.,  $D = d_Y + d_X$ , we have  $F \equiv id_{\Lambda W} \otimes \bar{F} \pmod{\Lambda^+ W \otimes \Lambda V}$ , where  $\Lambda^+ W$  is the positive degree elements' subspace of  $\Lambda W$ . Then  $F \in \mathcal{E}(\Lambda W \otimes \Lambda V, D)$  if and only if  $\bar{F} \in \mathcal{E}(\Lambda V, d_X)$ . Thus  $N\mathcal{E}(p_0) = N\mathcal{E}(X_0) = k$ .  $\square$

**Example 7.** Let  $X = S^3 \times S^5 \times S^9$ . Of course  $N\mathcal{E}(X_0) = 9$ . Let  $M(X) = (\Lambda(v_1, v_2, v_3), 0)$  with  $|v_1| = 3, |v_2| = 5, |v_3| = 9$ . Note that  $[X_0, X_0] = [(\Lambda(v_1, v_2, v_3), 0), (\Lambda(v_1, v_2, v_3), 0)] \cong \mathbb{Q}^{\times 3}$  and  $\mathcal{E}(X_0) \cong (\mathbb{Q}^*)^{\times 3}$  with  $\mathbb{Q}^* = \mathbb{Q} - 0$  by  $f(v_i) = a_i v_i$  ( $a_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ ) for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . In the following, we see that there are 3-types' rationally free circle actions on  $X$  from [4]. When a KS-model

$$(\mathbb{Q}[t], 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{Q}[t] \otimes \Lambda(v_1, v_2, v_3), D) \rightarrow (\Lambda(v_1, v_2, v_3), 0)$$

with  $|t| = 2$  induces  $\dim H^*(\mathbb{Q}[t] \otimes \Lambda(v_1, v_2, v_3), D) < \infty$ , there is a rationally free  $S^1$ -action on  $X$  where the rational Borel fibration is given by the model [4]. Note that the DGA-map  $f : (\Lambda(t, v_1, v_2, v_3), D) \rightarrow (\Lambda(t, v_1, v_2, v_3), D)$  preserving  $t$  ( $f(t) = t$ ) is given by

$$f(v_1) = a_1v_1, f(v_2) = a_2v_2 + b_1v_1t, f(v_3) = a_3v_3 + b_2v_2t^2 + b_3v_1t^3$$

with  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then from  $D \circ f = f \circ D$  we obtain

- (1) When  $Dv_1 = Dv_2 = 0$  and  $Dv_3 = v_1v_2t + t^5$ , then  $N\mathcal{E}(p_0) = 0$ .
- (2) When  $Dv_1 = Dv_2 = 0$  and  $Dv_3 = t^5$ , then  $N\mathcal{E}(p_0) = 5$ .
- (3) When  $Dv_1 = t^2$  and  $Dv_2 = Dv_3 = 0$ , then  $N\mathcal{E}(p_0) = 9$ .
- (4) When  $Dv_1 = 0$ ,  $Dv_2 = t^3$  and  $Dv_3 = 0$ , then  $N\mathcal{E}(p_0) = 9$ .

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