

The injectivity portion of combinatorial cuspidalization for FC-admissible outer automorphisms

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Recall: The homotopy ext seq

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induces an outer representation

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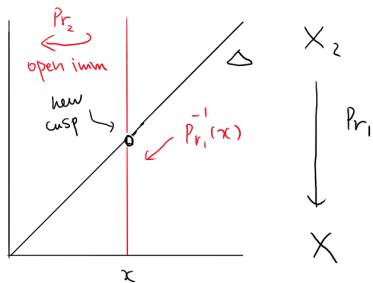
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$$\{1\} = K_n \subseteq K_{n-1} \subseteq \cdots \subseteq K_1 \subseteq K_0 = \Pi_n.$$



Note: We have the following commutative diagram

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Today, for simplicity, we consider the proof of the injectivity of ϕ_1 .

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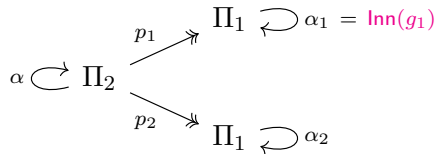
Then the injection (cf. the *center-freeness* of Π_2)

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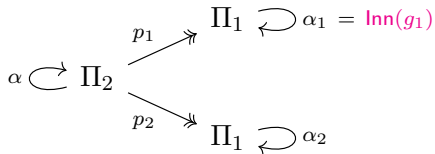
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Observe: Let $\mathbb{D} \subseteq \Pi_2$ be a decomposition group assoc. to the **diagonal** $\subseteq X \times_k X$. Then it holds that

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(cf. our assumption that α is **FC-admissible**).

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Then since

- $p_2 : \Pi_2 \rightarrow \Pi_1$ is induced by the open immersion



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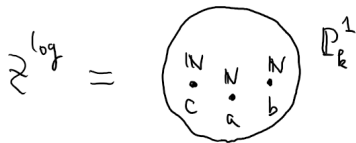
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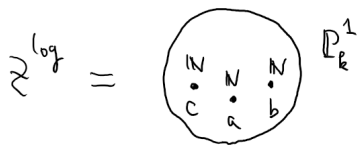
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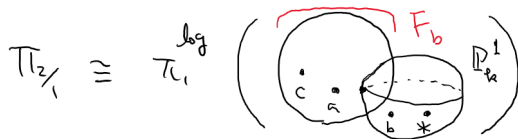
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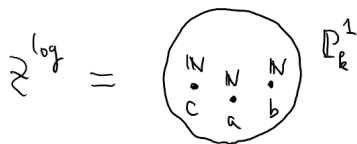
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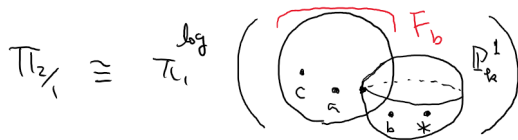
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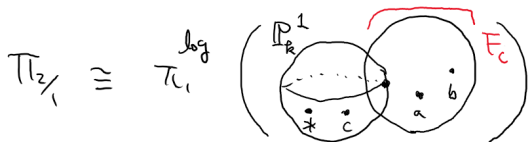
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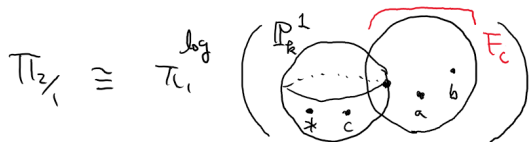
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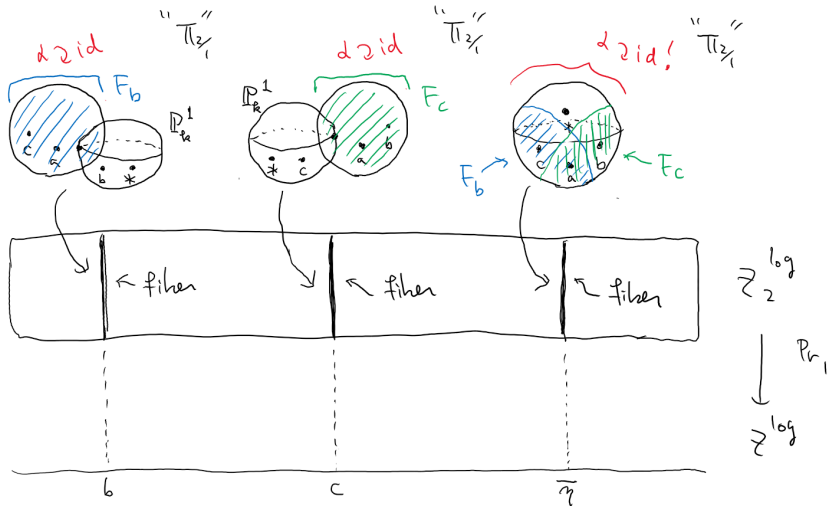
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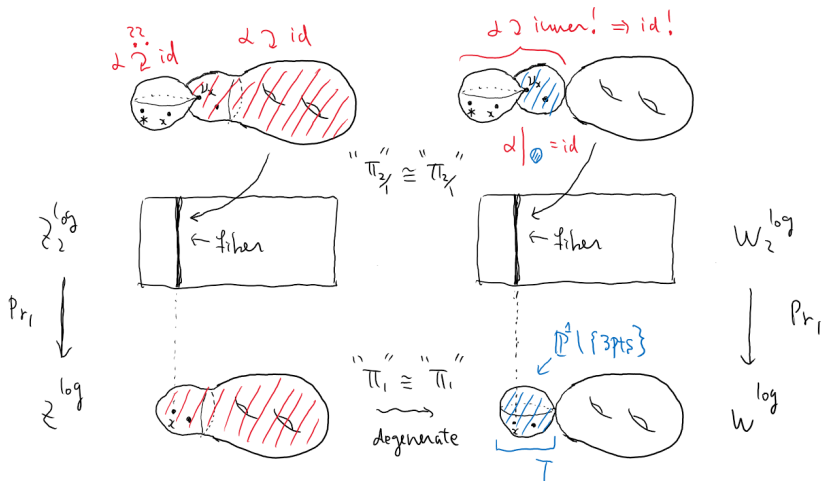
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This completes the proof of the tripod case of Prop 1.



§3 Proof of Prop1 — the affine case



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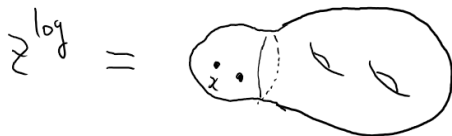
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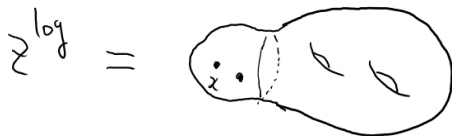
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The diagram shows a genus-2 surface (a torus with two handles) enclosed in large parentheses. A point x is marked on the leftmost torus with an asterisk $*$. A dashed line represents a neighborhood E_x around x . A larger neighborhood F_x is indicated by a bracket above the surface, extending across the first two tori.

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Step 2 (group-theoretic argument)

Observe: We have an exact sequence

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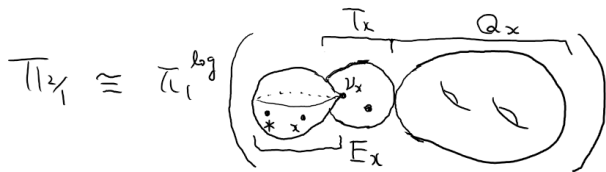
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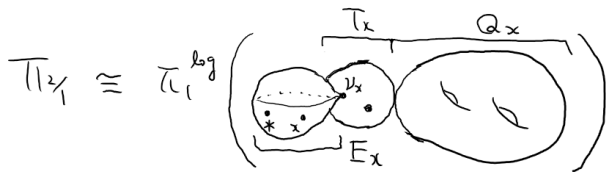
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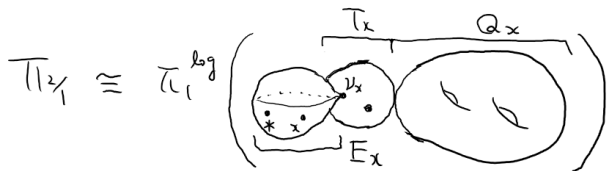


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(cf. §2). Thus, we conclude that $\alpha_{2/1}|_{\Pi_{2/1}^{\text{tpd}}}$ is a $\Pi_{2/1}^{\text{tpd}}$ -inner.

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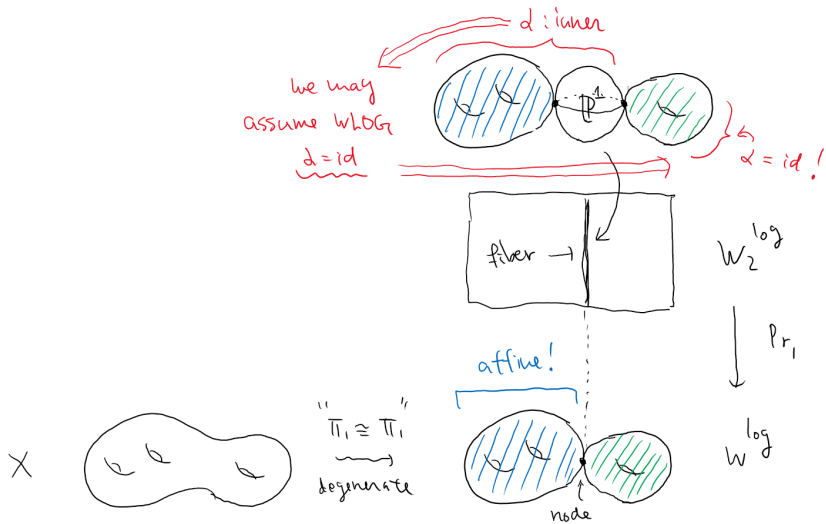
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§4 Proof of Prop1 — the proper case



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ρ_I is of **NN-type** $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff}$

- (1) $I \cong \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}$.
- (2) For every $\tilde{v} \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$, the image of $I_{\tilde{v}} \hookrightarrow \Pi_I \twoheadrightarrow I$ is **open**.
- (3) For every $\tilde{e} \in \text{Node}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$, the natural inclusions $I_{\tilde{v}_1}, I_{\tilde{v}_2} \subseteq I_{\tilde{e}}$ — where \tilde{e} abuts to $\tilde{v}_1, \tilde{v}_2 \in \text{Vert}(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$ — induces an **open injection** $I_{\tilde{v}_1} \times I_{\tilde{v}_2} \hookrightarrow I_{\tilde{e}}$.

Theorem 3 (CmbGC for outer rep'ns of NN-type)

$\rho_I : I \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{G})$, $\rho_J : J \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{H})$: outer rep'ns of PSC-type

$\alpha : \Pi_{\mathcal{G}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Pi_{\mathcal{H}}$: an isom. which fits into a comm. diag.

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— where $I \xrightarrow{\sim} J$ is an isomorphism. Suppose that

- (i) ρ_I, ρ_J are of NN-type.
- (ii) $\text{Cusp}(\mathcal{G}) \neq \emptyset$ and α is group-theoretically cuspidal.

Then α is graphic.