

# Review of cohomology

More info: Hatcher, Chapter 3.

① Definition  $\rightarrow C_i(X, G) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_{i-1}(X, G) \rightarrow \dots$   
 Your favourite (cellular, singular, simplicial...) chain complex computing  $H_*(X, G)$  with coefficients in  $G$ . Define  $\partial^2 = 0$

$$C^i(X, G) = C_i(X, G)^\vee = \text{Hom}(C_i(X, G), G)$$

$$\rightarrow C^{i-1}(X, G) \xrightarrow{\partial^*} C^i(X, G) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$(\partial^*)^2 = (\partial^2)^* = 0 \Rightarrow \text{complex}$$

$H^i(X, G) = \text{homology of } (C^i(X, G), \partial^*) =$   
cohomology of  $(X, G)$ .

Ex  $X = \mathbb{R}P^2, G = \mathbb{Z}$  cell

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} C_2 & \rightarrow & C_1 & \rightarrow & C_0 \\ \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{2} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{0} & \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

$$H_2 = 0 \quad H_1 = \mathbb{Z}_2 \quad H_0 = \mathbb{Z}$$

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$$H^2 = \mathbb{Z}_2 \quad H^1 = 0 \quad H^0 = \mathbb{Z}$$

Ex  $X = \mathbb{R}P^n, G = \mathbb{Z}_2$  cell

$$C_*: \mathbb{Z}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{2} \mathbb{Z}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}_2$$

Dual:

$$C^*: \mathbb{Z}_2 \xleftarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}_2 \leftarrow \dots \xleftarrow{2} \mathbb{Z}_2 \xleftarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$C_*: \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{max. } C^*: \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \dots \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}$$

$(2=0)$   $H_i(X, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$   $H^i(X, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$

Ex  $X = \mathbb{C}P^n$ ,  $G = \mathbb{Z}$  even dimensional cells  $i=0, 1, \dots, n$

$$C_*: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$C^*: \mathbb{Z} \leftarrow 0 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z} \leftarrow 0 \leftarrow \dots \leftarrow \mathbb{Z} \leftarrow 0 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$H^i(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathbb{Z}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & i=0, 2, 4, \dots, 2n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

② Properties:

• Functoriality  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \quad f^* = H^i(Y) \rightarrow H^i(X)$

• Cup product:  $\alpha \in H^i(X), \beta \in H^j(X)$   
 $\alpha \cup \beta \in H^{i+j}(X)$

Associative, supercommutative

$$\beta \cup \alpha = (-1)^{ij} \alpha \cup \beta$$

Functorial:  $f^*(\alpha \cup \beta) = f^*\alpha \cup f^*\beta$

• Poincaré duality

$\forall X = \text{smooth } n\text{-dimensional compact manifold}$

$$PD: H^i(X, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{n-i}(X, \mathbb{Z})$$

$$PD: H(X, \mathbb{Z}_2) \rightarrow H_{n-i}(X, \mathbb{Z}_2)$$

$v_2$ : all of the above + oriented

$$PD: H^i(X, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{n-i}(X, \mathbb{Z}).$$

If  $X$  is connected then  $H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}_2) \simeq H_0(X, \mathbb{Z}_2)$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $\mathbb{Z}_2$

If  $X$  is connected and oriented then  $H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq H_0(X, \mathbb{Z})$   
 $\simeq \mathbb{Z}$ .

Fundamental class  $[X] \in H_n(X, \mathbb{Z})$  if oriented

$$1 \in H^0(X) \xleftrightarrow{PD} [X] \in H_n(X) \quad H_n(X, \mathbb{Z}) \text{ any.}$$

(3) Computations  $X$  smooth,  $\dim X = n$

$Y \subset X$  smooth subvariety  $\dim Y = d_1$   
 $\neq \emptyset$   $\dim Z = d_2$

$$i_Y: Y \rightarrow X$$

$[Y] = i_{Y*}[Y] \in H_{d_1}(X)$  fund. class of  $Y$

$$[Z] \in H_{d_2}(X)$$

$$d = PD[Y] \in H^{n-d_1}(X)$$

( $\mathbb{Z}_2$  set /  $\mathbb{Z}$  if orientable)

$$\beta = PD[Z] \in H^{n-d_2}(X)$$

Fact Assume  $Y$  and  $Z$  are transversal. Then

$$\alpha \cup \beta = PD[Y \cap Z]$$

$$a \cup \dots = 1 + \dots \cup$$

$\downarrow$   
 $d_1 + d_2 - n$

Thm (a)  $H^*(\mathbb{R}P^n, \mathbb{Z}_2) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2[a] / (a^{n+1} = 0) \quad a \in H^1$   
 as a ring

(b)  $H^*(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}[b] / (b^{n+1} = 0) \quad b \in H^2$

Pf: We do (b), (a) is similar.

$$H^{2i}(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \overset{PD}{=} H_{2n-2i}(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

$PD[Y_{n-i}] \longleftrightarrow$  spanned by  $(n-i)$  plane  $Y_{n-i}$

$H^2 \longleftrightarrow H_{2n-2}(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathbb{Z})$  spanned by  
 $\langle b \rangle$  a hyperplane  $H$

$$b = PD[H]$$

$$b^i = b \cup \dots \cup b = PD(H \cap H \cap \dots \cap H) =$$

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 with transverse, perturb

$$= PD(H_1 \cap \dots \cap H_i) =$$

$\uparrow$   
 i transverse hyperplanes

$$= PD(Y_{n-i}) = \text{generator of } H^{2i}$$

So  $b^i \neq 0$  for  $i=0, \dots, n$  and generates  $H^{2i}(\mathbb{C}P^n)$ .