

Remark 2.5

- ① In fact $H_u: \pi_{n+1} X \rightarrow H_{n+1}(X; \mathbb{Z})$ is surjective
- ② When $n=1$, X path-connected, $H_u: \pi_1 X \rightarrow H_1(X; \mathbb{Z})$ is abelianization, $\text{Ker } H_u = [\pi_1 X, \pi_1 X]$.
- ③ There is a relative version for $(n-1)$ -connected pairs of 1-connected spaces (X, A) . Here $H_u: \pi_n(X, A) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_n(X, A; \mathbb{Z})$
- ④ For $n \geq 2$, one can construct Poincaré spaces $\Pi(A, n)$ with a single non-trivial reduced homology group, namely $H_n(\Pi(A, n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong A$. This can be realized as an $(n-1)$ -connected CW-cx of dimension $n+1$. The n -cells correspond to generators of A , $(n+1)$ relations in A .

Then we can construct $K(A, n) = \Pi(A, n)[n]$: indeed this is an $(n-1)$ -connected space, $\pi_n K(A, n) \cong \pi_n \Pi(A, n) \xrightarrow{H_u} H_n(\Pi(A, n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong A$. Ex: $\Pi(\mathbb{Z}/p, n) = S^n \cup e^{n+1}$

§ 3 Eilenberg-Mac Lane spaces and cohomology

Our objective is to compare in Top_* , $[-; K(A, n)]$ and $\tilde{H}^n(-; A)$. To compute the latter functor, take first your favorite chain complex for X (singular, cellular), say $\tilde{C}_*^{\text{cell}}(X)$ so that $\tilde{C}_n^{\text{cell}}(X) = \bigoplus_{n\text{-cells}} \mathbb{Z}$. Next construct a cochain complex by taking $\text{Hom}(\tilde{C}_*^{\text{cell}}(X); A) = \tilde{C}_{\text{cell}}^*(X; A)$. Then $\tilde{H}^n(X; A)$ is the n -th cohomology group of that cochain complex. reduced

Theorem 3.1

$[-; K(A, n)]$ is a contravariant, homotopy invariant, functor from Top_* to Ab which sends cofiber sequences $X \hookrightarrow Y \rightarrow Y/X$ to exact sequences. Moreover we have natural isos $[X; K(A, n)] \cong [EX; K(A, n+1)]$

proof. $[X, K(A, n)]$ is an abelian group because
 $K(A, n) = \Omega^2 K(A, n+2)$. The natural isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} \text{come from } [\Sigma X, K(A, n+1)] &\cong [X, \Omega K(A, n+1)] \\ &\stackrel{\text{adj}}{\Sigma - \Omega} \cong [X, K(A, n)] \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Together with the next lemma, this theorem says that the sequence $[-, K(A, n)]$, $n \geq 0$, satisfy the Eilenberg-Steenrod axioms for a reduced cohomology theory.

Lemma 3.2

$[-, K(A, n)]$ satisfies the wedge axiom, i.e.

$$[\bigvee_{i \in I} X_i, K(A, n)] \cong \prod_{i \in I} [X_i, K(A, n)]$$

proof. $[\bigvee X_i, K(A, n)] \cong \pi_0 \text{map}_* (\bigvee X_i, K(A, n)) \cong$
 $\cong \pi_0 \left(\prod \text{map}_* (X_i, K(A, n)) \right) = \prod \pi_0 = \prod [X_i, K(A, n)]$
 $\square$

$\vee$: coproduct in Top_*

Lemma 3.3

$$[S^k; K(A, n)] \cong \begin{cases} A & \text{if } k=n \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq n \end{cases} \cong \tilde{H}^n(S^k; A)$$

proof: The first iso is by definition of $K(A, n)$. The second one is by computation:

$$\tilde{C}_*^{\text{cell}}(S^k): \quad 0 \rightarrow \underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0$$

$$\tilde{C}_{\text{cell}}^*(S^k; A) \quad 0 \leftarrow \underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}; A)} \leftarrow 0 \leftarrow \dots$$

□

Lemma 3.4

$$H^n(K(A, n); A) \cong \text{Hom}(A; A)$$

proof. $\tilde{C}_*^{\text{cell}}(K(A, n))$: $\dots \xrightarrow{n+2} \underset{\text{relation}}{\oplus \mathbb{Z}} \xrightarrow{\partial} \underset{\text{gen}}{\oplus \mathbb{Z}} \xrightarrow{n} 0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0$
and $\text{Coker } \partial \cong A$.

Apply $\text{Hom}(-; A)$

$$\text{Hom}(\underset{\text{rel}}{\oplus \mathbb{Z}}; A) \xleftarrow{\partial^*} \text{Hom}(\underset{\text{gen}}{\oplus \mathbb{Z}}; A) \leftarrow 0$$

$$H^n(K(A, n); A) = \text{Ker } \partial^* \underset{\text{left exact}}{\cong} \text{Hom}(\text{Coker } \partial, A) \cong \text{Hom}(A, A)$$

□

$$\text{Def 3.5} \quad T: [X, K(A, n)] \longrightarrow H^n(X; A)$$

$$f \longmapsto f^*(\text{id}_A).$$

$$f \text{ induces } f^*: H^n(K(A, n); A) \longrightarrow H^n(X; A)$$

$$\text{Hom}^{H^2}(A, A) \ni \text{id}_A \longmapsto T(f)$$

Proposition 3.6

T is an isomorphism on all finite dimensional CW-complexes

proof. First T is an isomorphism on all spheres.

$$T: [S^{\mathbb{R}}; K(A, n)] \longrightarrow H^n(S^{\mathbb{R}}; A)$$

Any chosen generator in A corresponds to a homomorphism

$$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{g} A \text{ and can be realized as } \gamma: S^n \xrightarrow{g \circ \gamma} VS^n \subset K(A, n)$$

$$T(\gamma) = \gamma^*(\text{id}_A) = g \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}, A) \stackrel{g \circ \gamma}{=} H^n(S^n; A)$$

The wedge axiom allows to extend this isomorphism to wedges of spheres.

To conclude we use the long exact sequences (cofiber sequences / Puppe) associated to $\bigvee_I S^n \rightarrow X^n \rightarrow X^{n+1} \rightarrow \bigvee_I S^{n+1}$

$$0 = [VS^{n+1}, K(A, n)] \rightarrow [X^{n+1}, K(A, n)] \rightarrow [X^n, K(A, n)] \rightarrow [VS^n, K(A, n)] \\ \cong \downarrow T \quad \quad \quad \cong \downarrow T \quad \quad \quad \text{induct} \cong \downarrow T \quad \quad \quad \cong \downarrow T$$

$$0 = H^n(VS^{n+1}; A) \rightarrow H^n(X^{n+1}; A) \rightarrow H^n(X^n; A) \rightarrow H^n(VS^n; A)$$

We conclude by the 5-Lemma (here X^n : n -skeleton). $\square$

§ 4. Derived functors of inverse limit

Let $(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$ be the category associated to the poset:

$$0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow \dots$$

The skeletal filtration gives a functor $X^\bullet: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \text{Top}_*$

Let now $A_\bullet: \mathbb{N}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Ab}$ be a tower of abelian

groups: $A_0 \xleftarrow{f_1} A_1 \xleftarrow{f_2} A_2 \xleftarrow{f_3} A_3 \leftarrow \dots$

Def 4.1 The limit of $A_\bullet$ is the subgroup of $\prod_{n \geq 0} A_n$ of $(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$ st $f_n(a_n) = a_{n-1}$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Remark 4.2 Elements in $\varprojlim A_n$ are compatible sequences in the tower. Therefore a homomorphism $B \xrightarrow{\beta} \varprojlim A_n$ corresponds to a commutative diagram of homomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & & L \\ B & \xrightarrow{\beta_n} & A_n \\ \text{id} \downarrow L & & \downarrow L f_n \\ B & \xrightarrow{\beta_{n-1}} & A_{n-1} \\ L & & L \\ & & \vdots \end{array}$$

So $\varprojlim$ is right-adjoint to $c: \text{Ab} \rightarrow \text{Tower}$

$$B \mapsto B \xleftarrow{\text{id}} B \xleftarrow{\text{id}} B \xleftarrow{\text{id}} \dots$$

Def 4.3 The shift map $sh: \varprojlim A_n \rightarrow \varprojlim A_n$

$$(a_n)_{n \geq 0} \mapsto (f_n(a_n))_{n \geq 1}$$

Since f_n is a group homomorphism, so is sh .

Lemma 4.4

$$\text{Ker}(id - sh) = \varprojlim A_n$$

proof: The kernel consists of sequences (a_n) st. $a_{n-1} = f_n(a_n)$ for all $n \geq 0$. $\square$

Def 4.5 $\lim^1 A_n = \operatorname{Coker}(\operatorname{id} - \operatorname{sh})$

Proposition 4.6

Let $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow B_n \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow 0$ be a short sequence of towers (i.e. $0 \rightarrow A_n \rightarrow B_n \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow 0$ is exact for all n).

Then there is a six term exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \lim A_n \rightarrow \lim B_n \rightarrow \lim C_n \rightarrow \lim^1 A_n \rightarrow \lim^1 B_n \rightarrow \lim^1 C_n \rightarrow 0$$

proof:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \rightarrow \lim A_n & \rightarrow & \lim B_n & \rightarrow & \lim C_n & \rightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 \rightarrow \pi A_n & \rightarrow & \pi B_n & \rightarrow & \pi C_n & \rightarrow & 0 \\
 \text{id} \downarrow \text{sh} & & \text{id} \downarrow \text{sh} & & \text{id} \downarrow \text{sh} & & \\
 0 \rightarrow \pi A_n & \rightarrow & \pi B_n & \rightarrow & \pi C_n & \rightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 & \rightarrow & \lim^1 A_n & \rightarrow & \lim^1 B_n & \rightarrow & \lim^1 C_n \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

Conclude by the Snake Lemma.

□

Lemma 4.7

If $A_\bullet$ is a tower s.t. $\exists R$ with $f_n: A_n \rightarrow A_{n-1}$ surjective for all $n > R$, then $\varinjlim^1 A_\bullet = 0$

proof: We prove that $\operatorname{Coker}(\operatorname{id} - sh) = 0 \iff \operatorname{id} - sh$ is surjective.

Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 0} \in \prod_{n \geq 0} A_n$. We are looking for $(b_n)_{n \geq 0}$

$$\text{s.t. } b_n - f_{n+1}(b_{n+1}) = a_n \quad \forall n. \quad (*)_n$$

Since f_{R+1} is surjective, choose b_{R+1} s.t. $b_{R+1} - f_{R+1}(b_{R+1}) = a_R$.
Then choose $b_R = 0$ so $(*)_R$ is satisfied and go downwards: $b_{R-1} = a_{R-1}$ so $(*)_{R-1}$ is satisfied, then $b_{R-2} = a_{R-2} + f_{R-1}(b_{R-1})$, etc. $\dots (*)_0$.

Finally move up: Since f_{R+2} is surjective, the equation $(*)_{R+1} \quad b_{R+1} - f_{R+2}(b_{R+2}) = a_{R+1}$ has a solution and conclude by induction. $\square$

Mittag-Leffler condition: For each R , $\exists j \geq R$ s.t.

$$\operatorname{Im}(A_i \rightarrow A_R) = \operatorname{Im}(A_j \rightarrow A_R) \text{ for all } i \geq j.$$

Then $\varinjlim^1 A_\bullet = 0$.

§ 5. Homology of CW-complexes

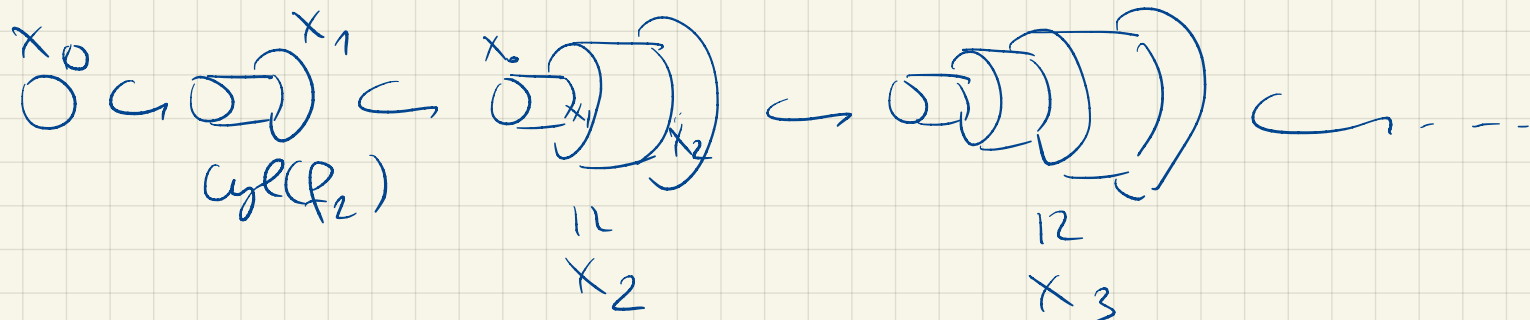
We wish to prove that $[X, K(A, n)] \cong H^n(X; A)$ for all CW-complexes X . We need to compute the value of such functors on $\bigcup_{n \geq 0} X^n$, where X^n is the n -skeleton. This is more general and let us assume that $X = \bigcup X_n$, where $X_n \subset X_{n+1}$ is a cofibration.

Proposition 5.1

Let $X_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} X_1 \xrightarrow{f_2} X_2 \rightarrow \dots$ be a diagram $\mathcal{N} \rightarrow \text{Top}_*$ for arbitrary maps f_n . The homotopy colimit of X can be computed as the strict colimit of a homotopy equivalent diagram where we turned every f_n into a cofibration.

no proof.

Remark 5.2 The standard model for the Poincaré complex is the telescope. Change f_1 into $X_0 \hookrightarrow \text{Cyl}(f_1)$ the f_2 into $\text{Cyl}(f_1) \hookrightarrow \text{Cyl}(f_1) \cup_{X_1} \text{Cyl}(f_2), \dots$



We write $Tel(X_*)$ for this construction.

By homotopy invariance of homotopy colimits, we have that the telescope of a diagram where all f_n 's are already cofibrations coincides with $\bigcup X_n$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 X_0 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & X_1 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & X_2 & \hookrightarrow & X_3 \cdots \bigcup X_n \\
 \text{id}_1 & & \uparrow_2 & & \uparrow_2 & & \uparrow_2 \\
 X_0 & \hookrightarrow & Cyl(f_2) & \hookrightarrow & Cyl(f_1) \cup_{X_1} Cyl(f_2) & \hookrightarrow & \cdots \\
 & & & & \text{Tel}(X_*) & &
 \end{array}$$