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Introduction to Spectral Sequences

- (some references):
- Hutchings, "Notes on spectral sequences"
 - Bott & Tu, "Differential forms in algebraic topology"
 - Hatcher's "Spectral sequences in algebraic topology"
 - Griffiths + Harris, "Principles of Algebraic geometry"

- Our plan:
- Spectral sequences in homological algebra (today)
 - Spectral sequences arising in topology (focus on Leray-Serre spectral sequence of a fibration)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F \rightarrow E & & \text{in cohomology or homology} \\
 \downarrow & & \\
 B & &
 \end{array}$$
 describes way in which $H^*(E)$ is built out of, or related to $H^*(B)$ & $H^*(F)$.
 (+ some remarks)
 - Applications: computations, Hurewicz (+ Hurewicz mod e), other theoretical results...

Spectral sequence: an alg. gadget for successively 'approximating' a derived homology (co)homology group, starting from some chain-level information (e.g., a filtration) — generalizes LES associated to a SES as we'll see.

LES associated to a SES, revisited [will work w/ chain complexes, everything works for cochain complexes too].

C_* = (C_*, ∂) chain complex.

Say we have a subcomplex $A_* \subset C_*$, means $A_i \subset C_i \forall i$, and $\partial(A_i) \subset A_{i-1}$
 (i.e., $\partial(A_*) \subset A_*$)

call $A_* = F_0 C_*$.

\leadsto get a SES of chain complexes $0 \rightarrow F_0 C_* \rightarrow C_* \rightarrow C_*/F_0 C_* \rightarrow 0$.

Homological algebra \Rightarrow get a LES

$$\dots \rightarrow H_{i+1}(F_0 C_*) \xrightarrow{\delta} H_i(F_0 C_*) \rightarrow H_i(C_*) \rightarrow H_i(C_*/F_0 C_*) \xrightarrow{S} H_{i-1}(F_0 C_*) \rightarrow \dots$$

δ definition: Given $\alpha \in H_i(C_*/F_0 C_*)$,

- choose a cycle $x \in C_i/F_0 C_i$ w/ $[x] = \alpha$.
 (in $C_i/F_0 C_i$ in C_i)
- choose a lift $\tilde{x} \in C_i$ of x , so $\partial \tilde{x} = 0$ means $\partial \tilde{x} \in F_0 C_{i-1}$

• define $\delta\alpha := [\partial\tilde{x}] \in H_{i+1}(F_0 C_*)$

(δ uses chain-level information).

Suppose we want to compute $H_*(C_*)$ and we know $H_*(F_0 C_*)$ and $H_*(C_*/F_0 C_*)$.

By exactness, above LES splits into:

$$0 \rightarrow \text{coker } \delta / H_{i+1}(C_*/F_0 C_*) \rightarrow H_i(C_*) \rightarrow \text{ker } \delta / H_i(C_*/F_0 C_*) \rightarrow 0.$$

i.e., $0 \rightarrow \text{coker } \delta \rightarrow H_*(C_*) \rightarrow \text{ker } \delta \rightarrow 0$, (SES)

Modulo extension problems (i.e., failure of SES to split), this determines

$H_*(C_*)$ from $\text{coker } \delta$ & $\text{ker } \delta$. i.e., if SES splits, (e.g., say working over a field K) then $H_0(C_*) = \text{coker } \delta + \text{ker } \delta$.

In other words, the recipe to compute $H_*(C_*)$:

(a) first compute $H_*(F_0 C_*)$ and $H_*(C_*/F_0 C_*)$

(b) consider the 2-term chain complex

$$H_*(C_*/F_0 C_*) \xrightarrow{\delta} H_{*-1}(F_0 C_*),$$

denote its homology by

$$G_0 H_* = \text{coker } \delta \stackrel{\cong}{\underset{\text{LES}}{=}} \text{im}(H_i(F_0 C_*) \text{ in } H_i(C_*)).$$

$$G_1 H_* = \text{ker } \delta \stackrel{\cong}{\underset{\text{LES}}{=}} H_i(C_*) / \text{im}(H_i(F_0 C_*))$$

(note: $F_0 C_* \xrightarrow{i} C_*$ induces $H_*(F_0 C_*) \xrightarrow{[i]} H_*(C_*)$, & can define

$$F_0 H_*(C_*) = (i)_*(H_*(F_0 C_*)) \subset H_*(C_*).$$

(c) Have a SES

$$0 \rightarrow G_0 H_* \rightarrow H_*(C_*) \rightarrow G_1 H_* \rightarrow 0,$$

which modulo extensions, determines $H_*(C_*)$.

Filtrations (of modules, chain complexes): R any ring.

A filtered R -module is an R -module A w/ a ^{filtration by submodules, i.e., an} increasing sequence of submodules

$$\left(\dots \subset F_{p-1} A \subset F_p A \subset F_{p+1} A \subset \dots \right) \subseteq A, \quad p \in \mathbb{Z}$$

with $\bigcup F_p A = A$ and $\bigcap F_p A = \{0\}$.

Sometimes indicate by $A, \{F_p A\}_{p \in \mathbb{Z}}$; sometimes just $F_p A$.

A single submodule $B \subset A$ induces a filtration by:

$$\dots \subseteq \{0\} \subseteq \{0\} \subseteq \{0\} \subset B \subset A \subseteq A \subseteq A \subseteq \dots$$

$\begin{matrix} F_{-1} A & F_0 A & F_1 A = A \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \\ \{0\} & & \end{matrix}$

More generally, a filtration is banded if $F_p A = 0$ for $p \ll 0$ and $F_p A = A$ for $p \gg 0$.

Given a filtered R -module $(A, \{F_p A\}_{p \in \mathbb{Z}}) \rightsquigarrow$ p th associated graded module, defined by

$$G_p A := F_p A / F_{p-1} A.$$

There's a natural SES by def'n:

$$0 \rightarrow F_{p-1} A \rightarrow F_p A \rightarrow G_p A \rightarrow 0.$$

In particular, modulo extension issues (e.g., R a field or all SES's as above split),

then $G_p A$ can be used to determine $F_p A$ from $F_{p-1} A$, o.g., in nice cases (such as when $F_0 A$ banded) the $G_p A$ groups inductively determine A .

(Ex of a filtered R -module: $A = C^{\text{ambly}}(\mathbb{R})$ \mathbb{R} -module, $F_p A = \{f \in A \mid f^{(i)}(0) = 0 \forall i \geq p+1\}$
 Note $F_{p+1} A \subseteq F_p A$. Then $G_p A \cong \mathbb{R}$
 $[f] \mapsto f^{(p)}(0)$).

(analogous for cochain cplx)

Def: A filtered chain complex ^(cover R) is a chain complex ^{of R -modules} (C_*, ∂) equipped w/ a filtration by submodules

$$\{F_p C_i\}_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{ (i.e., } F_p C_i \subset F_{p+1} C_i) \text{ s.t. } \partial(F_p C_i) \subset F_p C_{i-1},$$

i.e., $(F_p C_*, \partial|_{F_p C_*})$ is a subcomplex for each $p \in \mathbb{Z}$.

shorthand for $(\dots \rightarrow F_p C_i \xrightarrow{\partial} F_p C_{i-1} \rightarrow \dots)$.

In particular, ∂ induces a well-defined differential

$\partial: G_p C_i \rightarrow G_p C_{i-1}$ ($G_p C_i := F_p C_i / F_{p-1} C_i$)
 get associated graded complex $G_p C_*$. (SES $0 \rightarrow F_{p-1} C_i \rightarrow F_p C_i \rightarrow G_p C_i \rightarrow 0$)

The filtration $F_p C_*$ also induces a filtration on homology $H_*(C_*)$ (induced homological filtration) via:

$F_p H_i(C_*) = \{ \text{image of } (H_i(F_p C_*) \rightarrow H_i(C_*)) \text{ inside } H_i(C_*) \}$ *need not be injective!*
 $= \{ \alpha \in H_i(C_*) \mid \exists x \in F_p C_* \text{ cycle with } [x] = \alpha \text{ in } H_i(C_*) \}$

This induces associated graded pieces $\{G_p H_i(C_*)\}_{p \in \mathbb{Z}}$, which in nice cases (over a field, filtration is bounded) determines $H_i(C_*)$ (by above).

Say our goal is to compute $H_*(C_*)$, but it's easier to compute $H_*(G_p C_*)$ (differential cells be much simpler after $/F_{p-1}$!)
Does $H_*(G_p C_*)$ determine $G_p H_*(C_*)$?

(If so, in favorable cases we could compute $H_*(C_*)$ as above).

Case of a subcomplex:

$F_{-1} C_* \subseteq F_0 C_* \subseteq F_1 C_* = C_*$. we saw that $G_p H_*$ is the homology of
 $H_*(G_1 C_*) \xrightarrow{\partial} H_*(G_0 C_*)$

When there are more terms, we can similarly in nice cases get to $G_p H_i(C_*)$ (better $H_*(C_*)$) from $H_*(G_p C_*)$ by "successive approximations":

Homology gaps associated to a filtered chain complex

$F_p C_*$ a filtered chain complex.

Denote by $E_{p,q}^0 := G_p C_{p+q} = F_p C_{p+q} / F_{p-1} C_{p+q}$ associated graded module.

We've shown/mentioned that ∂ on $\{F_p C_k\}$ induces a differential

$\partial_0: [\partial]: E_{p,q}^0 \rightarrow E_{p,q-1}^0$

Denote by $E_{p,q}^1 = H_{p+q}(G_p C_*, \partial_0) = H_q(E_{p,*}^0, \partial_0)$.

"first order approximation to $H_*(C_*)$, or rather to $G_p H_*(C_*)$."

Next? Now, we can define

$$\partial_1: E_{p,q}^1 \longrightarrow E_{p-1,q}^1.$$

by (analogue of way δ was defined above):

any $\alpha \in E_{p,q}^1$ can be represented by a cycle $\tilde{x} \in G_p C_{p+q}$ for $\partial_0 = [\partial]$, lift to a chain $x \in F_p C_{p+q}$ with $\partial x \in F_{p-1} C_{p+q-1}$.

$$\text{Now, define } \partial_1(\alpha) := (\partial x) \in H_{p+q-1}(F_{p-1} C_{p+q-1} / F_{p-2} C_{p+q-1}) = H_{p+q-1}(G_{p-1} C_{p+q-1})$$

check: $\partial^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \partial_1$ is well-defined and

$$\partial_1^2 = 0.$$

$$\parallel \\ E_{p-1,q}^1.$$

Now, consider the homology again:

$$E_{p,q}^2 := \frac{\ker(\partial_1: E_{p,q}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-1,q}^1)}{\text{im}(\partial_1: E_{p+1,q}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,q}^1)}$$

(when have a 2-step filtration i.e., subplx $F_0 C_0 \subset F_1 C_0 = C_0$, $\partial_1 = \delta$ & we saw $E_{p,q}^2 = G_p H_{p+q}(C_*)$, but in general this may not be true),

In general, for each non-negative integer r , define the " r th order approximation" to $G_p H_{p+q}(C_*)$ by:

$Z_{p,q}^{r-1}$ "cycles to order $(r-1)$ "; i.e., $x \in F_p$ st. ∂x vanishes mod F_{p-r} .

$$(*) \quad E_{p,q}^r = \frac{\{x \in F_p C_{p+q} \mid \partial x \in F_{p-r} C_{p+q-1}\}}{F_{p-1} C_{p+q} + \partial(F_{p+r-1} C_{p+q+1})}.$$

$$F_{p-1} C_{p+q} \sim Z_{p,q}^{r-1}$$

$$B_{p,q}^{r-1} = \partial(F_{p+r-1} C_{p+q+1}) \sim Z_{p,q}^{r-1}$$

"elements of $Z_{p,q}^r$ which are ∂ (something in F_{p+r-1})"

"order $(r-1)$ cycles in F_p that happen to live in F_{p-1} " \leftrightarrow "order $(r-2)$ cycles in F_{p-1} ".

Comment: $\frac{A}{B}$ above means $\frac{A}{B \cap A}$; shorthand used above (i.e., B need not lie in A)

Lemma: Let $(F_p C_*, \partial)$ be a filtered complex, & define $E_{p,q}^r$ as above. Then,

(a) ∂ on $F_p C_*$ induces a map

$$\partial_r : E_{p,q}^r \longrightarrow E_{p-r, q+r-1}^r \quad w/ \quad \partial_r^2 = 0.$$

(b) The homology of ∂_r is $E_{p,q}^{r+1}$ as defined above. i.e.,

$$\frac{\ker(\partial_r : E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r, q+r-1}^r)}{\text{im}(\partial_r : E_{p+r, q-r+1}^r \rightarrow E_{p,q}^r)} \cong E_{p,q}^{r+1}$$

(warning: ∂^{r+1} on $E_{p,q}^{r+1}$ is not determined by $(E_{p,q}^r, \partial^r)$, need to use chain-level information from $(F_p C_*, \partial)$ to define ∂_r).

(c) $E_{p,q}^1$ (as above) is simply $H_{p+q}(G_p C_*)$.

(d) If filtration $F_p C_i$ is bounded for all i , then $\forall p, q$, for any $r \gg 0$ (relative to p, q)

$$E_{p,q}^r = G_p H_{p+q}(C_*) \text{ and } \partial_r \equiv 0 \text{ on } E_{p,q}^r.$$

In this case say $E_{p,q}^r = "E_{p,q}^\infty"$

Pf: Idea of defining ∂_r on $E_{p,q}^r$. Given $\bar{x} \in E_{p,q}^r$, lift to

$$x \in Z_{p,q}^{r-1} = \{y \in F_p C_{p+q} \mid \partial y \in F_{p-r} C_{p+q-1}\} \xrightarrow{\partial} F_{p-r} C_{p+q-1}$$

$$\text{and map } x \longmapsto \partial x.$$

check that ∂x induces a well-defined element in $Z_{p-r, q+r-1}^{r-1} / (\dots) = E_{p-r, q+r-1}^r$; call it $\partial_r \bar{x}$, check well-defined & $\partial_r^2 = 0$.

Rest: (technical) exercise.



Def'n: A (homological) spectral sequence consists of:

- An R -module $E_{p,q}^r$ defined for each $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ and each $r \geq r_0, r_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$.
- Differentials $\partial_r: E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r, q+r-1}$ s.t. $\partial_r^2 = 0$ and

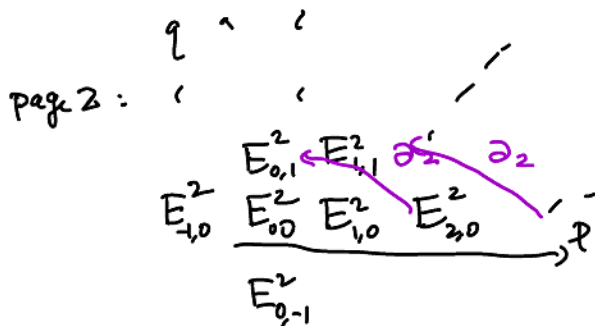
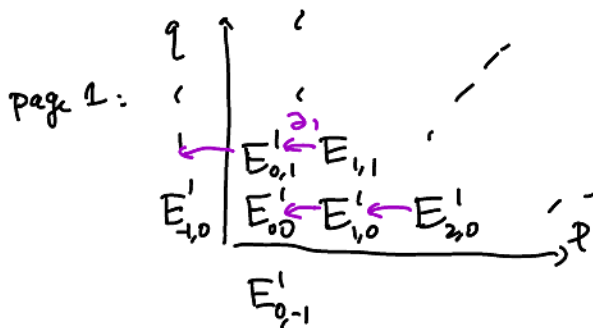
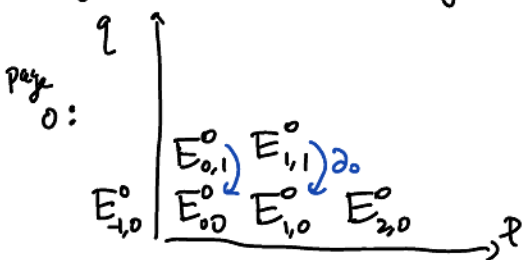
$$E_{p,q}^{r+1} = \frac{\ker(\partial_r: E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r, q+r-1})}{\text{im}(\partial_r: E_{p+r, q-r+1}^r \rightarrow E_{p,q}^r)}.$$

A spectral sequence converges if, for any p, q for $r \gg 0$ (rel. p, q)

$\partial_r \equiv 0$ on $E_{p,q}^r$ and on $E_{p+r, q-r+1}^r \Rightarrow E_{p,q}^r$ independent of r for $r \gg 0$ (maybe depending on p, q), denote this limiting R -module (if it exists) by

$E_{p,q}^\infty$. A spectral sequence collapses or degenerates at page r if on every $r_0 \geq r, \partial_{r_0} \equiv 0$ on $E_{p,q}^{r_0} \Rightarrow E_{p,q}^{r_0} = E_{p,q}^\infty$.

We call $\{E_{p,q}^r, \partial_r\}$ the " r th page" of spectral sequence, & we can draw a given page at a time in a grid:



What we've shown today is:

Prop: Let $(F_p(x), \partial)$ be a filtered complex. Then \exists a spectral sequence (S.S.) $(E_{p,q}^r, \partial_r)$ defined for $r \geq 0$ with $E_{p,q}^1 = H_{p+q}(G_p(x))$.

If filtration is bounded, the S.S. converges to $E_{p,q}^{\infty} = G_p H_{p+q}(C_*)$.

— **Bonus material**: constructing the S.S. of a filtration via exact couples (c.f., [Hatcher-S-S], [Bot+Tu]).

Another way to think about how to construct such a spectral sequence is via exact couples [Massey].

An exact couple is a pair A, B of R -modules along with a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & A \\ & \swarrow k & \searrow j \\ & B & \end{array} \quad \text{which is exact at each entry. (i.e., } \text{im } i = \text{ker } j, \text{ etc.)}$$

$$\Rightarrow d := jk : B \rightarrow B \text{ satisfies } d^2 = jkjk = 0.$$

Given an exact couple, we can define a new exact couple, called the derived exact couple:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A' & \xrightarrow{i'} & A' \\ & \swarrow k' & \searrow j' \\ & B' & \end{array}$$

$$\text{via: } B' = H(B, d=jk). \quad A' = i(A) \subset A.$$

$$\bullet \ i'(\underbrace{ia}_{A'}) := i(ia)$$

• Given $a' \in A'$, pick $a \in A$ w/ $ia = a'$. Now $ja \in B$ satisfies $d(ja) = jkja = 0$, hence is a cycle for d . Define $j'(a') := [ja]$. (Well-defined? (if \bar{a} w/ $i\bar{a} = a'$, then $i(a-\bar{a}) = 0$, so $(a-\bar{a}) = k(s)$. Hence $j(a-\bar{a}) = jks = ds$ i.e., $ja = j\bar{a} + ds$ i.e., $[ja] = [j\bar{a}]$).

• Given $b' \in B'$, pick $b \in B$ with $db = 0$, $[b] = b'$. i.e., $jk b = 0$. Hence $kb = i(s)$ (exactness), i.e., $kb \in i(A) = A'$, so define $k'(b') := kb$.

(well-defined? if have another \bar{b} with $[\bar{b}] = b'$, then

$$\bar{b} = b + d\tau = b + jk\tau \Rightarrow k\bar{b} = kb + \cancel{kjk\tau} \Rightarrow k\bar{b} = kb.$$

Lemma: If $\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & A \\ & \swarrow k & \searrow j \\ & B & \end{array}$ exact couple, then the derived couple $\begin{array}{ccc} A' & \xrightarrow{i'} & A' \\ & \swarrow k' & \searrow j' \\ & B' & \end{array}$ is also exact.

(Pf: homological algebra argument) exercise or see [Hatcher] [Bot+Tu].

In particular can iterate to get exact couples $\begin{array}{ccc} A^r & \xrightarrow{i^r} & A^r \\ & \swarrow k^r & \searrow j^r \\ & B^r & \end{array}$ with $B^r = H^0(B^{r-1}, d^{r-1} = j^{r-1}k^{r-1})$

Given a filtered chain complex $(F_p C_*, \partial)$, consider

$$A^0 = \bigoplus_p F_p C_* \quad , \quad B^0 = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} G_p C_* \quad ,$$

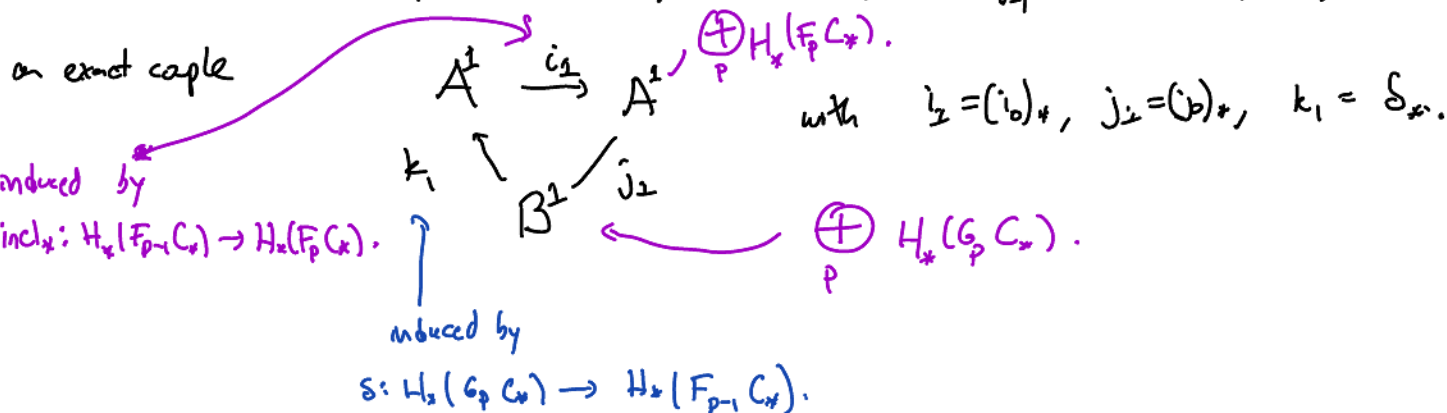
and $i_0: A^0 \rightarrow A^0$ induced by $F_{p-1} C_* \xrightarrow{\text{incl.}} F_p C_*$.
domain A_0 range A_0

\exists a SES of chain complexes

$$0 \rightarrow (A^0)_* \xrightarrow{i_0} (A^0)_* \xrightarrow{j_0} (B^0)_* \rightarrow 0 \quad ;$$

inducing a LES:

$$\dots \rightarrow H_1(A^0) \xrightarrow{i_* = i_1} H_0(A^0) \xrightarrow{(j_0)_* = j_1} H_0(B^0) \xrightarrow{\delta_* = k_1} H_{-1}(A^0) \rightarrow H_{-1}(A^0) \dots \text{ i.e.,}$$



Now, we can iteratively derive to get $A^r \xrightarrow{i_r} A^r$;

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^r & \xrightarrow{i_r} & A^r \\ \swarrow k_r & & \searrow j_r \\ B^r & & \end{array}$$

δ by convention $(B^r, d_r) =: (E^r, \partial_r)$

All of these split into graded pieces $A^r_{p,q}$ where $A^1_{p,q} = H_{pq}(F_p C_*)$,
 $B^1_{p,q} = H_{pq}(G_p C_*)$; note $k_1: B^1_{p,q} \rightarrow A^1_{p-1,q}$, $i_1(A^1_{p,q}) \subset A^1_{p+1,q-1}$, j_1 preserves (p,q) .

$$\Rightarrow \dots \text{ inductively, } A^{r+1}_{p,q} = i_r(A^r_{p,q}) \quad , \quad E^{r+1}_{p,q} = B^{r+1}_{p,q} = \frac{\ker(d_r: B^r_{p,q} \rightarrow B^r_{p-r,q+r-1})}{\text{im}(d_r: B^r_{p+r,q-r+1} \rightarrow B^r_{p,q})} \quad , \quad d_{r+1} = j_r k_r$$

Inductively, if $k_r: B^r_{p,q} \rightarrow B^r_{p-r,q+r-1}$, $i_r: A^r_{p,q} \rightarrow A^r_{p+1,q-1}$, $j_r: A^r_{p,q} \rightarrow A^r_{p,q}$.

$$k_{r+1}(s) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{pick } x \in \ker(d_r) \subset B^r_{p,q} \text{ w/ } [x] = s, \text{ and take } k_r(s) \in A^r_{p-r,q+r-1}. \text{ This is } \\ \text{in the image of } i_r, \text{ so lands in } i_r(A^r_{p-r-1,q+r}) = A^{r+1}_{p-(r+1),q+(r+1)-1} \end{array} \right\}$$

This ensures $d_r = \partial_r$ has bidegree $(-(r+1), r)$ as desired.

Last time:

Prop: Let $(F_p(x, \partial))$ be a filtered complex. Then \exists a spectral sequence (S.S.) $(E_{p,q}^r, \partial_r)$ defined for $r \geq 0$ with $E_{p,q}^1 = H_{p+q}(G_p C_*)$.

If filtration is bounded, the S.S. converges to $E_{p,q}^\infty = G_p H_{p+q}(C_*)$.

determines $H_*(G)$ in nice cases (e.g., over a field or if no extension problems, e.g., if every $G_p H_{p+q}$ is free, every SES splits)

Example: using spectral sequences, can prove that cellular homology = singular homology.

X CW cplx. Define a filtration $F_p C_*(X) := C_*(X^p)$ (note: sub module of $C_*(X)$)
 $(X^0 \subset X^1 \subset X^2 \subset \dots) \subseteq X$.
 \uparrow
 p -skeleton

\rightarrow associated graded (on chain level):

$$E_{p,q}^0 = G_p C_{p+q}(X) = C_{p+q}(X^p) / C_{p+q}(X^{p-1}) = C_{p+q}(X^p, X^{p-1}), \text{ with}$$

$\partial_0 :=$ usual ∂ on relative chains.

Take homology of ∂_0 :

$$E_{p,q}^1 := H_{p+q}(X^p, X^{p-1}) = \begin{cases} C_p^{\text{cell}}(X) & q=0 \\ 0 & q \neq 0 \end{cases} = \bigoplus_{\alpha \text{ } p\text{-cells in } X} \mathbb{Z} \langle e_\alpha^p \rangle$$

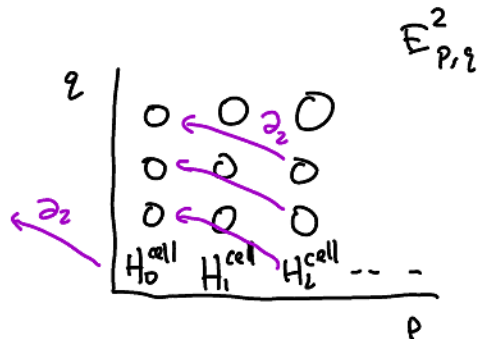
The cellular differential

$$\partial_{\text{CW}}: C_p^{\text{cell}}(X) \rightarrow C_{p-1}^{\text{cell}}(X) \text{ is the map } H_p(X^p, X^{p-1}) \rightarrow H_{p-1}(X^{p-1}, X^{p-2})$$

is the map induced by the LES of the triple (X^p, X^{p-1}, X^{p-2}) (can compute it using e.g. degrees of attaching maps).

Check from definitions: $\partial_{\text{CW}} = \partial_1$ on $E_{p,q}^1$. (exercise.)

$$\Rightarrow E_{p,q}^2 = \begin{cases} H_p^{\text{cell}}(X) & q=0 \\ 0 & q \neq 0. \end{cases}$$



$E_{p,q}^2$ is therefore supported in a single row (and hence so is $E_{p,q}^r$ which is a quotient of a subgroup of $E_{p,q}^{r-1}$ which is \dots $E_{p,q}^2$) whereas ∂_r for $r \geq 2$ goes up in row number

⇒ for $r \geq 2$ the domain or codomain of ∂_r is always 0.

⇒ $\partial_r \equiv 0$ for $r \geq 2$ \mathcal{B} s.s. collapses / degenerates at page 2.

⇒ $E_{p,q}^\infty = \begin{cases} H_p^{\text{cell}}(X) & q \neq 0 \\ 0 & q = 0 \end{cases}$. If X is finite dim so filtration bounded, then

⇒ (up to extension issues which can be solved in this case) $H_p(X) = \bigoplus_{i+j=p} E_{i,j}^\infty = H_p^{\text{cell}}(X)$

(Then, additional arguments, i.e., taking direct limits ⇒ $H_p^{\text{cell}}(X) = H_p(X) \quad \forall$ CW spaces X).

Example: A bi-complex is a collection of R -modules $\{C_{p,q}\}_{p,q \in \mathbb{Z}}$.

$\forall d_1: C_{p,q} \rightarrow C_{p-1,q}, d_2: C_{p,q} \rightarrow C_{p,q-1}$ each satisfying $(d_1)^2 = (d_2)^2 = 0$,
and further: $d_1 d_2 + d_2 d_1 = 0$

(sub-ex: C_*, D_* chain complexes ⇒ a bi-complex $\{C_p \otimes D_q\}_{p,q} \quad \forall d_1 = \partial_{C_*} \otimes \text{id}_{D_*},$
 $d_2(\alpha \otimes \beta) = (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)} \alpha \otimes \partial_{D_*} \beta$ i.e., $d_2 = (-1)^{\deg(-)} \text{id} \otimes \partial_{D_*}$).

There's an associated total chain complex C_* :

$C_k := \bigoplus_{i+j=k} C_{i,j}$ with differential $\partial = d_1 + d_2$. (note $\partial^2 = d_1^2 + d_1 d_2 + d_2 d_1 + d_2^2 = 0$).

(in sub-ex: this gives the "tensor product chain complex" of C_* & D_* ,

i.e., $C_* \otimes D_*, \partial_{C_*} \otimes \text{id} + (-1)^{\deg(-)} \text{id} \otimes \partial_{D_*} = \partial_{C_* \otimes D_*}$).

The fact that C_* come from a bi-complex can be used to define a filtration:

$F_p C_k := \bigoplus_{\substack{i+j=k \\ i \leq p}} C_{i,j}$. Note $(G_p C_k, \partial|_{G_p C_k}) = (C_{p, k-p}, d_2)$.

($\partial = d_1 + d_2$ preserves $F_p C_*$)

⇒ get a spectral sequence converging (under boundedness hypotheses) to $(G_p H_{p+q}(C_*))$ w/ $E_{p,q}^1 = H_q(C_{p,*}, d_2)$,
and $\partial_1 = [d_1]$.

Rank: there's another filtration, filtering by the other complex; often useful to use both spectral sequences giving another spectral sequence!

Case of $C_* \otimes D_*$: $d_2 = (-1)^{\deg(-)} \text{id} \otimes \partial_{D_*}$, so $E_{p,q}^1 = C_p \otimes H_q(D_*)$. (UCT for homology, say C_* free or over field)

with $\partial_1 = \partial_{C_*} \otimes \text{id}_{H_q(D_*)}$, so can further compute that

$$E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(C_* \otimes H_q(D_*)) \xrightarrow[\text{(over field)}]{\text{UCT homology}} H_p(C_*) \otimes H_q(D_*)$$

Now an elt. of $E_{p,q}^2$ can be represented by a sum of elements of the form

$\alpha \otimes \beta$ where α cycle in C_p , β cycle in D_q . $\Rightarrow \alpha \otimes \beta$ gives a cycle for

$$\partial_{\text{tot}} = \partial_{C_x} \otimes \text{id}_{D_x} + (-1)^{\text{deg}(\alpha)} \text{id}_{C_x} \otimes \partial_{D_x}$$

\Rightarrow all ∂_r (induced by ∂_{tot}) on such elements vanish, so S.S. collapses at E^2 .

$$\Rightarrow E_{p,q}^\infty = E_{p,q}^2 \text{ \& the obvious map } \bigoplus_{p+q=k} H_p(C_x) \otimes H_q(D_x) \rightarrow H_k(C_x \otimes D_x)$$

is an isomorphism over a field. (Algebraic Künneth theorem).

The Leray-Serre spectral sequence of a fibration

As an application of the above algebraic machinery for extracting spectral sequences for fibrations, we'll sketch:

generalization of fiber bundle $\pi: E \rightarrow B$ where one just requires HLP to hold (also only for maps from disks).

Thm: (Leray-Serre Spectral sequence)

denote fibers of $\pi: E \rightarrow B$ by $F_x := \pi^{-1}(x)$.

$\pi: E \rightarrow B$ any Serre fibration. Then, \exists a spectral sequence $\{E_{p,q}^r, \partial_r\}$ defined for

$r \geq 2$, with

$$E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(B; \{H_q(F_x)\}_{x \in B})$$

'homology w/ coefficients in the 'local coefficient system' (bundle) of homologies of fibers.'

focus on special case: if $\pi_1(B) = 0$ or 'local coeff. system is trivial' \Leftrightarrow ' $\pi_1(B)$ acts trivially on $H_2(F)$ ' (B path connected).

then,

$$E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(B; H_q(F)) \cong_{\text{UCT homology}} H_p(B) \otimes_k H_q(F)$$

(if over a field k)

converging to

$$E_{p,q}^\infty = G_p H_{p+q}(E) \text{ (for some filtration } F_p \text{ on } H_*(E)\text{)}$$

Interlude on local coefficient systems:

X top. space, $\pi_1 X :=$ fundamental groupoid of X (category)

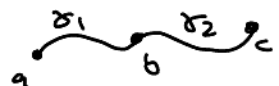
$$\text{ob } \pi_1 X = \{x \in X\}$$

$$\text{hom}(x,y) = \{ \text{homotopy classes } [\gamma] \mid \gamma: I \rightarrow X \}$$

rel. end points

composition: concatenation of paths.

i.e., $\text{hom}(x,x) = \pi_1(X,x)$ w/ its group str. induced by composition.



A local coefficient system (or local system of abelian gps.) is

$$[\gamma_1] \circ [\gamma_2] = [\gamma_1 \circ \gamma_2]$$

a functor $F: \pi X \rightarrow Ab$ ← *cat. of abelian groups*

e.g. $x \longmapsto G_x := F(x)$ 'fiber over x of F '

$[\gamma]: x \rightarrow y \longmapsto G_x \xrightarrow{F([\gamma])} G_y$ 'parallel transport homomorphism' (compat. w/ composition).

$[\text{const}_x] \longmapsto G_x \xrightarrow{\text{id}} G_x$

F is trivial if it's constant; (on objects & morphisms.)

meaning $F(x) = \text{some fixed } G \forall x$
 $F([\gamma]) = \text{id}: G \rightarrow G \forall [\gamma]$.

Lemma: X path connected, $*$ $\in X$ basepoint, then

$$\{\text{local coeff. systems}\} \xrightarrow{\cong} \{\text{modules over } \mathbb{Z}[\pi_1(X, *)]\}$$

(or abelian gps. w/ action of $\pi_1(X, *)$)

$$F \longmapsto \begin{matrix} F(*) \\ \cong \\ G \end{matrix}, \text{ w/ action } \text{hom}(x, *) = \pi_1(X, *) \xrightarrow{F} \text{hom}(G, G).$$

This is an equivalence bc when X is path-connected, the subcat. $\{*\}$ is equivalent to πX . (i.e., any $p \in X$ is isample in πX to $*$).

exercise.

Def: Given a local coeff. system $\pi X \xrightarrow{F} Ab$, written shorthand as $\mathcal{G} = \{G_x\}_{x \in X}$ can define $H_* (X; \mathcal{G})$ homology w/ local coefficients.

↑ abuse of notation, need to remember $F([\gamma]) \neq [\gamma]$!

$$C_p(X; \mathcal{G}) := \bigoplus_{\sigma: \Delta^p \rightarrow X} G_{\sigma([1, \dots, 0])} \langle \sigma \rangle;$$

↑ element here is $g \langle \sigma \rangle$.

can define differential by observing that if $\sigma: \Delta^p \rightarrow X$, then

$$\partial_i \sigma \langle \underline{\vec{e}_0}, \dots, \vec{e}_i, \dots, \vec{e}_p \rangle = \begin{cases} \sigma \langle [0, 1, 0, \dots, 0] \rangle & i \neq 0 \\ \sigma \langle [1, \dots, 0] \rangle & i \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

↑ in face

If γ denotes the straight-line path in Δ^p from \vec{e}_0 to \vec{e}_i , can define

$$\partial(g \langle \sigma \rangle) = \underbrace{F([\sigma \circ \gamma])}_{\uparrow} (g) \langle \partial_0 \sigma \rangle + \sum_{i > 0} (-1)^i g \langle \partial_i \sigma \rangle$$

call $p_g := \tilde{g}_1$.

check: independent of choices up to homotopy etc. using further H.L.P.'s.

(we've shown the desired property for fibrations, but can get (Cor) about $\{H_x(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ being a local coeff. system for some fibrations too. Eg., by CW replacement at various stages, recalling that some fibrations have relative HLP for all CW pairs (X, A) .)