

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.

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

$$\text{then } E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(B; H_q(F)) \xrightarrow[\text{UCT homology}]{\cong} H_p(B) \otimes_k H_q(F)$$

(if over a field k or under freeness hypothesis)

converging to

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

Pf sketch:

• "Singular method" (several ways to implement)

In special case of a trivial fibration $E \cong F \times B$, note $C_*(E) \xrightarrow[\text{Eilenberg-Zilber thm}]{\cong} C_*(B) \otimes C_*(F)$.

RHS is the total cplx of a bicomplex, hence has a filtration by "degree in $C_*(B)$ "; get a S.S. on $C_*(B) \otimes C_*(F)$ or - by looking at image of filtration in $C_*(E)$ - on $C_*(E)$ as desired, or an analogue of $C_*(B) \otimes C_*(F)$.

For more general $E \rightarrow B$, can similarly put a filtration on $C_*(E)$ by restricting to chains 'adapted' to $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{\downarrow} B$ whose 'base degree' is $\leq p$; see [McLeary], [MIT OCW notes].

[c.f. Dress's construction: build a homology theory for E from "singular product simplices" adapted to π : $\Delta^p \times \Delta^q \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{\downarrow \text{proj}} \Delta^p \rightarrow B$. Bicomplex: one filtration \Rightarrow page 2 = $H_p(B; H_q(F))$ other filtration \Rightarrow page $\infty = H_{p+q}(E)$.] *has two filtrations!*

• "Cellular" method:

Assume B is a CW complex (by CW replacement if needed).

$$\text{Have } B^0 \subset B^1 \subset B^2 \subset \dots \subset B$$

\uparrow 0-skel. \uparrow 1-skel.

$B^p := p$ -skeleton, $C_*(E)$ chains on E .

Let $F_p C_*(E) := C_*(E|_{B^p})$. This gives a filtration on $C_*(E)$, and hence a spectral sequence

$$(E|_{B^0} \subset E|_{B^1} \subset \dots) \text{ induces } (F_0 C_*(E) \subset F_1 C_*(E) \subset \dots)$$

The associated graded chain cplx. is by definition $C_*(E|_{B^p}) / C_*(E|_{B^{p-1}}) = C_*(E|_{B^p}, E|_{B^{p-1}})$, w/ $\partial_0 =$ relative chains differential.

$$\Rightarrow E_{p,q}^1 = H_{p+q}(E|_{B^p}, E|_{B^{p-1}}) \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha \text{ p-cells in } B} H_{p+q}(E|_{e_\alpha^p}, E|_{\partial e_\alpha^p})$$

$$\cong \bigoplus_{\alpha \text{ p-cells}} H_p(e_\alpha^p, \partial e_\alpha^p) \otimes H_x(F_{x_\alpha})$$

\uparrow E trivial over e_α^p \uparrow same point in α .

If $\pi_1(B)$ trivial or more generally $\{H_x(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ trivial, can identify each $H_x(F_{x_\alpha})$ w/ $H_x(F)$ by choosing any path x_α to basepoint, result independent of path, so get

$$\cong C_p^{\text{cell}}(B; H_x(F)).$$

(more generally, should identify above w/ " $C_p^{\text{cell}}(B; \{H_x(F_x)\}_{x \in B})$ ".)

with some additional work, can show ∂_1 on $E_{p,1}^1$ coincides w/ cellular differential (or a suitable version w/ local coefficients in general case)

$$\Rightarrow E_{p,1}^2 = H_p^{\text{cell}}(B; H_1(F)) \cong H_p(B; H_1(F)).$$

\uparrow
 $\pi_1 B = 0$ or $\{H_1(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ trivial

$$(\text{or more generally } = H_p^{\text{cell}}(B; \{H_1(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \cong H_p(B; \{H_1(F_x)\}_{x \in B})), \quad \square$$

First computations:

The existence of the long-exact S.S. is enough to deduce a number of new computations. often if we know $H_*(B), H_*(F)$, can deduce information about $H_*(E)$: (w/o computing explicitly ∂_n).

Ex: Compute $H_*(SU(4); \mathbb{Z})$.

Recall that $SU(n) = \{T \in GL(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid \overline{T}^t T = Id, \det T = 1\}$.

analogy: many times just having LES in homology is enough to make new computations w/o computing explicitly connecting maps.

$SU(1) = \{\text{pt.}\}$ and in general observe for $n > 1$ that there's a fiber bundle (hence fibration)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & SU(n) & \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \pi & \\ T(\vec{e}_1) \in S^{2n-1} & & \end{array} \quad \text{with fiber } \cong \pi^{-1}(\vec{e}_1) \cong SU(n-1).$$

(thought of as acting on $\vec{e}_1^\perp \cong \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$)

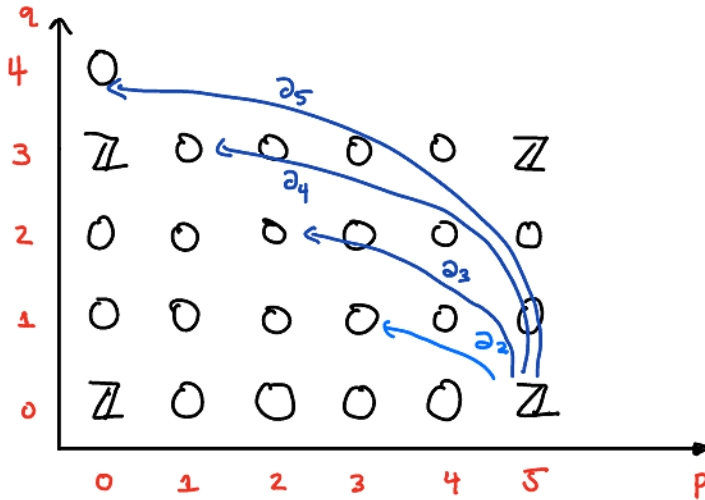
i.e., \exists a fibration $SU(n-1) \rightarrow SU(n) \rightarrow S^{2n-1}$ $n > 1$. \Rightarrow since $SU(1) = \text{pt.}$, $SU(2) = S^3$

First, let's compute $H_*(SU(3))$ using $SU(2) = S^3 \rightarrow SU(3) \rightarrow S^5$

By Leray-Serre, (S^5 simply connected) \exists spectral sequence converging to (graded of) $H_*(SU(3))$,

$$w/ E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(S^5; H_q(S^3)) \underset{\substack{\text{u.c.r.} \\ \text{homology} \\ \text{(as } H_p(S^k) \text{ free)}}}{\cong} H_p(S^5) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} H_q(S^3)$$

Drawing $E_{p,q}^2$:



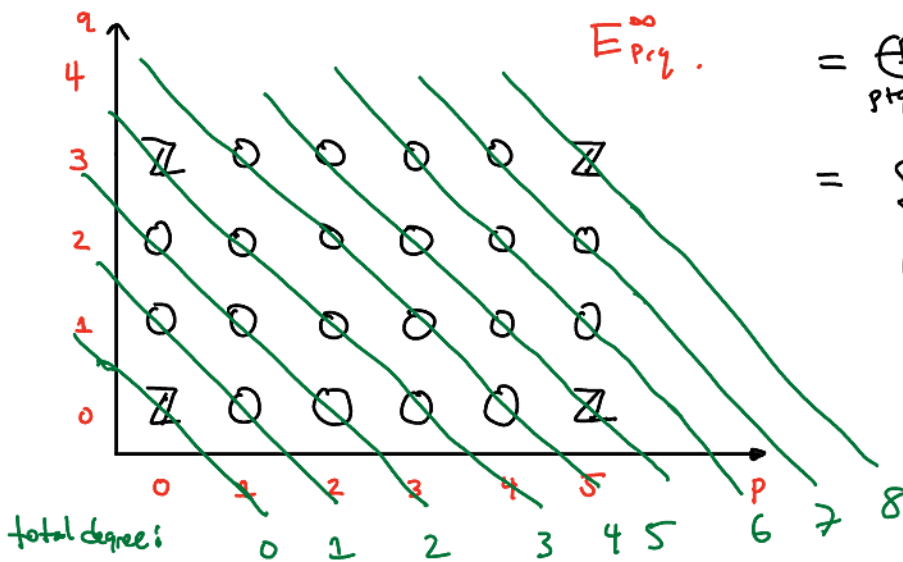
∂_r has bidegree $(-r, r-1)$

Note: $\partial_2 \equiv 0$ (as domain or codomain of each $\partial_2 = 0$), so the 4 \mathbb{Z} 's all survive to $E_{p,q}^3$.

In fact, inductively each further $\partial_r: E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r, q-r+1}^r$ is zero, for all r .

(to go from \mathbb{Z} in position $(5,0)$ to $(0,3)$ would require bidegree $(-5, +3)$ which never happens)

\Rightarrow S.S. collapses, and $E_{p,q}^\infty = G_p H_{p+q}(SU(3)) = E_{p,q}^2 \Rightarrow \forall k \bigoplus_p G_p H_k(SU(3))$



$E_{p,q}^\infty$

$$= \bigoplus_{p+q=k} E_{p,q}^\infty = \bigoplus_{p+q=k} E_{p,q}^2$$

$$= \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & k=0,3,5,8 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Since each group is free, no extension issues $\Rightarrow H_*(SU(3); \mathbb{Z}) \cong H_*(S^3) \otimes H_*(S^5) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & k=0,3,5,8 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

$$\cong H_*(S^3 \times S^5).$$

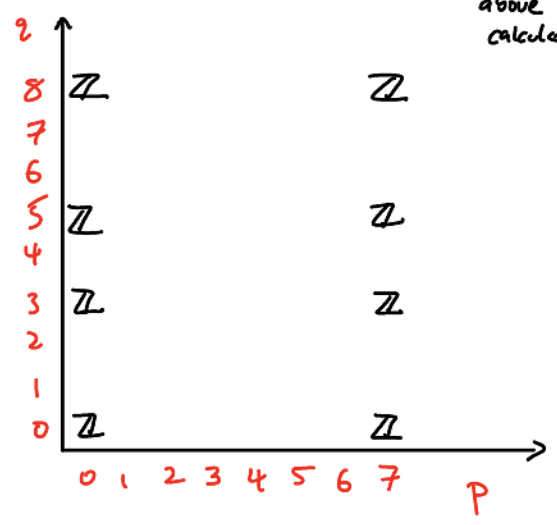
Now, $SU(3) \rightarrow SU(4)$ induces a S.S. $v/ E_{p,q}^2 \cong H_p(S^7; H_q(SU(3)))$



$$\cong H_p(S^7) \oplus H_q(S^3 \times S^5)$$

(UCT+ above calculation)

A rough picture of $E_{p,q}^2$
(only showing non-zero groups)



Again inductively for every r , supposing $E_{p,q}^r$ looks like the above, note there is no (p,q) s.t. the domain and codomains of ∂_r on $E_{p,q}^r$ are both non-zero for degree reasons $\Rightarrow \partial_r \equiv 0 \forall r \geq 2 \Rightarrow$ collapse at $E_{p,q}^2$.

$$\Rightarrow H_*(SU(4)) \cong H_*(S^7) \oplus H_*(S^3 \times S^5) \cong H_*(S^3 \times S^5 \times S^7) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{deg } 0, 3, 5, \\ & 7, 8, 10, 12, 15 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

again no extension issues

Rmk: It turns out $H_*(SU(n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong H_*(S^3 \times S^5 \times \dots \times S^{2n-1}; \mathbb{Z})$ even though when $n \geq 2$, these spaces aren't homotopic (in fact have different homotopy groups, so not homotopy equivalent)

Ex: Compute $H_*(\Omega S^n)$ for $n \geq 1$. (for $n=1$, note $\Omega S^1 \cong \mathbb{Z}$, a discrete space, by covering based loop space (fix a basepoint *), space arguments).

This computation is a nice example of how sometimes from known information about $H_*(E) \otimes H_*(B)$ we can learn about $H_*(F)$.

We will use the Serre fibration $\Omega S^n \rightarrow PS^n \rightarrow S^n$

paths $\gamma: I \rightarrow S^n$ w/ $\gamma(0) = *$ (no constraint on $\gamma(1)$)

$\downarrow \pi \leftarrow \pi \circ \gamma \mapsto \gamma(1)$

S^n

(means have a Serre fibration $PS^n \rightarrow S^n$, fibres all homotopy eq. to ΩS^n ; observe $\pi^{-1}(*) \cong \Omega S^n$).

Fact: The total space PS^n is contractible. $\Rightarrow H_i(PS^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=0 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$
(exercise).

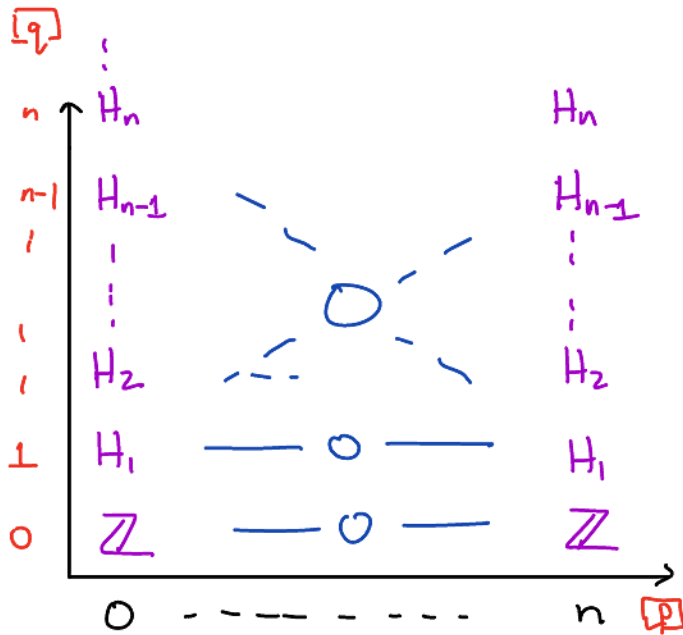
\Rightarrow in the Leray-Serre spectral sequence, we must have $E_{p,q}^\infty = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & (p,q) = (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

On the other hand, denoting by $H_i := H_i(\Omega S^n)$, we know

$$E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(S^n) \otimes H_q(\Omega S^n) = H_p(S^n) \otimes H_q.$$

← unknown quantity of interest.

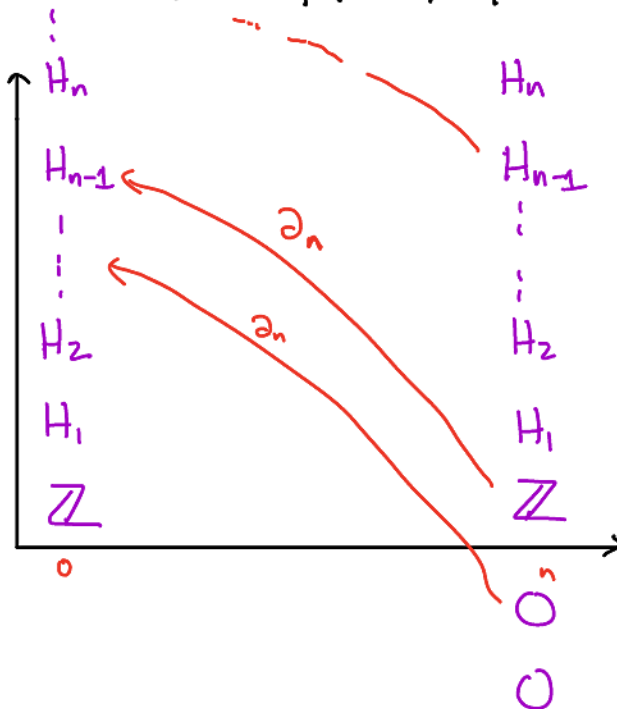
Picture of $E_{p,q}^2$:



All groups aside from $E_{0,0}^2$ must be killed by some ∂_r , given we know $E_{p,q}^\infty = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & (p,q) = (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

On the other hand, the only possible non-zero differential on this picture, on any page of S.S., is ∂_n , as it lowers the degree of p precisely by n . Hence, ∂_n must be an isomorphism, except

when domain or codomain is $E_{q,0}^n = \mathbb{Z}$.



Note: for $1 \leq i \leq n-2$,

$$\partial_n: E_{n, i-n+1}^n \xrightarrow{\cong} E_{0,i}^n = H_i$$

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(b/c $i-n+1 < 0$).

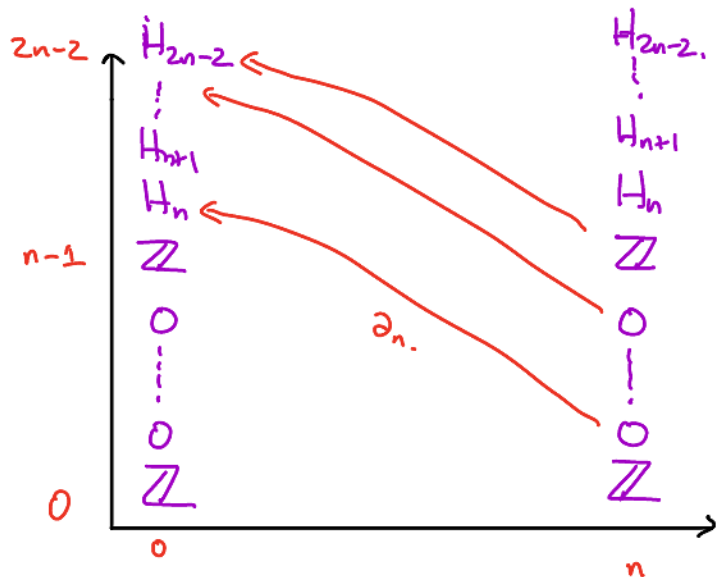
$$\Rightarrow H_i(\Omega S^n) = 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n-2.$$

Next, when $i=n-1$,

$$\partial_n: \mathbb{Z} = E_{n,0}^n \xrightarrow{\cong} E_{0,n-1}^n = H_{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{H_{n-1}(\Omega S^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}}$$

So the picture looks like this:



$$\Omega S^1 = \mathbb{Z}$$

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$$H_0(\Omega S^1) = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}$$

exercise: see this using L.S.S.S.
w/ page 2 := twisted coefficients.

\Rightarrow we see $H_n = 0, H_{n+1} = 0, \dots, H_{2n-3} = 0, H_{2n-2} = \mathbb{Z}$.

Inductively repeating, get

$$H_i(\Omega S^n) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i = k(n-1) \quad k \geq 0. \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Neutrality of spectral sequences:

General algebraic setting: $(C_*, F_p C_*)$, $(C'_*, F_p C'_*)$ two filtered chain complexes.

A map $f: C_* \rightarrow C'_*$ is a filtered chain map if chain map β $f(F_p C_*) \subset F_p C'_*$ for all p .

LEM/Exercise: check from definitions that such an f induces maps

$$f_*^r: E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E'_{p,q}^r, \text{ chain map for } \partial_r \text{ (i.e., } f_*^r \circ \partial_r = \partial_r \circ f_*^r \text{)},$$

s.t., f_*^{r+1} on $E_{p,q}^{r+1}$ is the map on homology induced by f_*^r .

(call such f_*^r a morphism of spectral sequences).

e.g., $f_x^0 = (Gf): G_p C_{ptq} \rightarrow G'_p C'_{ptq}$ (well-defined b/c f sends $F_p \cup F_{p-1}$ to $F'_p \cup F'_{p-1}$).

Cor: If any f_x^r is an isomorphism (for all p, q), (if filtrations bdd) then f induces a homology isomorphism $f_*: H_*(C_x) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_*(C'_x)$. e.g., if $f_*^*: H_{ptq}(G_p(C_x)) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{ptq}(G'_p(C'_x))$.

Pf: If so, then $f_{*0}^* = G_p[f]: G_p H_{ptq}(C_x) \xrightarrow{\cong} G_p H_{ptq}(C'_x)$ for all p, q .

But \exists a commutative diagram of SESs.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & F_{p-1} H_{ptq}(C_x) & \rightarrow & F_p H_{ptq}(C_x) & \rightarrow & G_p H_{ptq}(C_x) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow [f]_{F_{p-1}} & & \downarrow [f]_{F_p} & & \downarrow G_p[f] \\ 0 & \rightarrow & F_{p-1} H_{ptq}(C'_x) & \rightarrow & F_p H_{ptq}(C'_x) & \rightarrow & G_p H_{ptq}(C'_x) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

\Rightarrow inductively using 5-lemma (using F_p bounded) get that $[f]: H_*(C_x) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_*(C'_x)$. \square

Turning to fibrations, if we have a map of fibrations, in the sense of

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F & \xrightarrow{f_F} & F' \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ E & \xrightarrow{f_E} & E' \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi' \\ B & \xrightarrow{f_B} & B' \end{array}$$

then len: Such a map between fibrations induces a morphism between the associated Leray-Serre spectral sequences, which on page 2 agrees with the map

$$H_*(B, \{H_*(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \longrightarrow H_*(B', \{H_*(F'_x)\}_{x \in B'})$$

induced by f_B and $\{f_{F_x}\}_{x \in B}$.

(both B, B' simply connected or associated local coefficient systems trivial: the map $H_*(B; H_*(F)) \rightarrow H_*(B'; H_*(F'))$ induced by f_F and f_B).

Idea of proof: If B, B' CW complexes (as used in construction of spectral sequence above), can

replace f_B up to htpy w/ a cellular map i.e., it respects skeletal filtration of B, B'

hence induces a filtered chain map from $C_*(E)$ to $C_*(E')$. Now check on page 2... \square

Using this, can prove a sort of '5-lemma' for maps between fibrations:

Prop (Hatcher - SS, Prop 1.12): Say have a map of fibrations as above, & let's just assume $\pi_1 B = \pi_1 B' = \{*\}$ OR local coeff. systems trivial in both cases (for simplicity). Then, if two out of the three maps $F \xrightarrow{f_F} F'$, $E \xrightarrow{f_E} E'$, $B \xrightarrow{f_B} B'$ induce homology isos for $H_*(-; R)$ \leftarrow PID, then so does the third. (no UCT for chain complex applies).

Pf:

Simplest case is say $(f_F)_* \& (f_B)_*$ are isos. A map of fibrations induces a morphism of L-S spectral sequences,

hypotheses $\Rightarrow f_2^* : E_{p,q}^2 \xrightarrow{\cong} E_{p,q}^{2'}$. By alg. corollary above, this implies f_∞^* , and hence

$(f_E)_*$ are isomorphisms.

one of the other two cases spelled out in [Hatcher - S.S.]

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Remk: Using morphisms of spectral sequences associated to maps of fibrations can help compute differentials, see e.g., [McCleary, Example 5.4].

Cohomological spectral sequences and products

• A cohomological spectral sequence is defined in basically the same way but with all arrows reversed. i.e., have R -modules $\{E_r^{p,q}\}$, defined for all $r \geq r_0$ & differentials $\delta^r : E_r^{p,q} \rightarrow E_r^{p+r, q-r+1}$, with $E_{r+1} = H^*(E_r, \delta_r)$.

• A co-chain complex (C^*, δ) w/ a decreasing filtration $F_p C^* \supseteq F_{p+1} C^* \supseteq \dots$ of co-chain complexes gives a spectral sequence with

$$E_r^{p,q} = \frac{\{x \in F_p C^{p+q} \mid \delta x \in F_{p+r} C^{p+q+1}\}}{F_{p+1} C^{p+q} + \delta(F_{p-r+1} C^{p+q-1})}$$

again $\frac{A}{B} := \frac{A}{A \cap B}$.

(again $E_i^{p,q} = H^{p+q}(G_p C^*)$, where G_p means F_p / F_{p+1}), converging (if filtration bounded) to $G_p H^{p+q}(C^*)$.

We can now also consider products. Suppose the filtered cochain complex $(C^*, F_p C^*)$ is equipped with a product:

$$\star : C^i \times C^j \longrightarrow C^{i+j},$$

such that

- \star satisfies Leibniz rule, i.e., if $\alpha \in C^i$, $\beta \in C^j$ then $\delta(\alpha \star \beta) = \delta\alpha \star \beta + (-1)^i \alpha \star \delta\beta$ (where $\deg(\alpha) = i$)
 $(\Rightarrow \star$ descends to cohomology)

- \star is filtered i.e., it respects the filtration, in the sense that

$$F_p C^\star \otimes F_{p'} C^\star \xrightarrow{\star} F_{p+p'} C^\star.$$

Then \star induces a well-defined product on associated graded complexes (also satisfying Leibniz):

$$\star_0: \frac{F_p C^\star}{F_{p+1} C^\star} \otimes \frac{F_{p'} C^\star}{F_{p'+1} C^\star} \longrightarrow \frac{F_{p+p'} C^\star}{F_{p+p'+1} C^\star}$$

More generally, it's easy to see that \star induces a well-defined map

$$\star_r: E_r^{p,q} \otimes E_r^{p',q'} \longrightarrow E_r^{p+p',q+q'}$$

sending $[x] \otimes [y] \longmapsto [x \star y]$.

Prop: Given a \star as above, the induced products satisfy:

- δ_r is a derivation w.r.t. \star_r : $\delta_r(\alpha \star_r \beta) = (\delta_r \alpha) \star_r \beta + (-1)^{p+q} \alpha \star_r \delta_r(\beta)$ (where $\alpha \in E_r^{p,q}$)
- \star_{r+1} is the product on cohomology (of E_r, δ_r) induced by \star_r .
- If filtration banded (so S.S. converges), the limiting product

$$\star_\infty: G_p H^i \otimes G_{p'} H^j \longrightarrow G_{p+p'} H^{i+j}$$

Call $\{E_r^{p,q}\}, \delta_r, \star_r$ a spectral sequence of algebras (or multiplicative S.S.)

is the top associated graded piece of the product $[\star]: F_p H^i \otimes F_{p'} H^j \longrightarrow F_{p+p'} H^{i+j}$.

Pf: exercise.

Warning: even if \exists extra problems, so $\{G_p H^{p+q}\}_{p,q}$ determines $\{H^k\}_k$, \star_∞ may not determine \star !
 (examples: Hatcher-S.S. Ex. 1.17, McCleary Ex. 1.5). Here's a very special case when it always does:
Lem (McCleary Ex. 1.6): If $E_{\infty}^{\star,\star} \cong G_\star H^\star$, $G_\star H^\star$ is a free, graded commutative, bigraded algebra, then $H^\star \cong \bigoplus_{\star} \bigoplus_{i+j=\star} E_{\infty}^{i,j}$ as algebras. (for $x \in E_{\infty}^{p,q}, y \in E_{\infty}^{r,s}$, $x \cdot y = (-1)^{(p+q)(r+s)} y \cdot x$)

N.B. As before, this construction is suitably natural in $(F_p C_\star, \star)$.

Cohomological Leray - Serre spectral sequence

$F_p C_\star$ chain cplx w/ increasing (banded) filtration. Then dualizing $C^\star := \text{Hom}(C_\star, R)$,

the dual co-complex inherits a (bounded) decreasing filtration:

$$F_p \text{Hom}(C_x, R) := \text{Ann}(F_{p-1} C_x) = \{ \phi: C_x \rightarrow R \mid \phi|_{F_{p-1} C_x} \equiv 0 \}$$

If $F_{p-1} C_x$ is free inside $F_p C_x$, then

$$G_p \text{Hom}(C_x, R) = \frac{\text{Ann}(F_{p-1} C_x)}{\text{Ann}(F_p C_x)} \cong \text{Hom}(G_p C_x, R)$$

\Rightarrow obtain a cohomological spectral sequence converging to $G_p H^{p+q}(\text{Hom}(C_x, R))$ with

$$E_1^{p,q} = H^{p+q}(\text{Hom}(G_p C_x, R)),$$

δ \mathcal{D}_2 induced by applying $\text{Hom}(-, R)$ to the differential ∂_1 on $E_{p,q}^1$ page of the homological S.S. for C_x .

$\pi: E \rightarrow B$ Serre fibration, then applying $\text{Hom}(-, R)$ to the filtration on $C_x(E)$ inducing homological

Leray-Serre S.S. gives a cohomological version of the Leray-Serre spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} = \underbrace{H^p(B; \{H^q(F_x; R)\}_{x \in B})}_{(*)} \text{ converging to } E_\infty^{p,q} = G_p H^{p+q}(E; R)$$

Can check: the cup product \cup on $C^*(E; R)$ respects the filtration.

\Rightarrow get a spectral sequence of algebras $(E_r^{p,q}, \mathcal{D}_r, \mathcal{A}_r)$ (i.e., \mathcal{A}_r derivation, $H^*(\mathcal{A}_r) = \mathcal{A}_{r+1}$)

What is \mathcal{A}_2 on $E_2^{p,q}$? Can be described in terms of the 'usual' cup product on $(*)$.

For simplicity, let's assume the local coefficient system $\{H^q(F_x; R)\}_{x \in B}$ is trivial (e.g., if $\pi_1 B = \{*\}$, B path con.) and working over a field.

()** $\Rightarrow E_2^{p,q} = H^p(B) \otimes H^q(F)$. In this case for α of bidegree (p, q) , β of bidegree (p', q') ,

$$\boxed{\alpha \mathcal{A}_2 \beta := (-1)^{q p'} \alpha \cup \beta} \in H^{p+p'}(B) \otimes H^{q+q'}(F) \text{ means, cup in } B \text{ and cup in } F.$$

"Koszul sign for moving the $H^q(F)$ part of α tensor past $H^{p'}(B)$ part of β tensor to cup."

In general: For any local coeff. systems $\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Y}'$, \exists cup product $H^*(B; \mathcal{Y}) \otimes H^*(B; \mathcal{Y}') \rightarrow H^*(B; \mathcal{Y} \otimes \mathcal{Y}')$

if $\mathcal{Y} = \{H^q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$, $\mathcal{Y}' = \{H^{q'}(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ applying above canonical cup product plus fibrewise cup product $H^q(F_x) \otimes H^{q'}(F_x) \rightarrow H^{q+q'}(F_x)$ gives

$\cup: H^p(B; \{H^q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \otimes H^{p'}(B; \{H^{q'}(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \rightarrow H^{p+p'}(B; \{H^{q+q'}(F_x)\}_{x \in B})$, which

[coincides w/ \star_2 up to the same sign $(-1)^{qP}$.

In some cases, knowing there's a product structure drastically simplifies computations using the Leray-Serre spectral sequence. Idea: the fact that \star_r is a derivation determines $S_r(\alpha \star_r \beta)$ in terms of $S_r \alpha, S_r \beta, \star_r, \alpha, \beta$.
 \Rightarrow can compute more of S_r !

Also, can use it to compute ring structures (of $H^*(F)$ or $H^*(B)$, or $H^*(E)$ given caveats/warnings above).

Examples:

Ex: Compute $H^*(U(n); \mathbb{Z})$ as a ring.

Claim: $H^*(U(n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong \bigwedge [x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1}]$ w/ $|x_{2k-1}| = 2k-1$. as rings.

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 means exterior algebra on x_1, x_3, \dots i.e., $x_{2k-1} x_{2l-1} = -x_{2l-1} x_{2k-1}$
 $(\mathbb{Z}\langle x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1} \rangle / \langle x_i^2 = 0, x_i x_j = -x_j x_i \rangle)$ $(x_{2k-1})^2 = 0$.

note: equivalently, this is the free graded commutative algebra over \mathbb{Z}

on $x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1}$. Graded commutativity $\Rightarrow (x_{2k-1})^2 = -(x_{2k-1})^2 \Rightarrow x_{2k-1}^2 = 0$, etc.
 $x \cdot y = (-1)^{|x||y|} y \cdot x$.

(i.e., $H^*(U(n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong H^*(S^1) \otimes H^*(S^3) \otimes \dots \otimes H^*(S^{2n-1}) \cong H^*(S^1 \times S^3 \times \dots \times S^{2n-1})$ as rings).

Pf: $n=1$: $U(1) = S^1$ so result is true.

Inductively, assume true for $n-1$. \exists a fibration

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U(n-1) & \rightarrow & U(n) \\ & & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ & & S^{2n-1} \quad T(\mathbb{R}^2) \end{array}$$

\uparrow unit sphere in \mathbb{C}^n . (simply connected as $n > 1$).

\Rightarrow get L.S. s.s. of algebras with

$$(E_2, \star_2) = H^*(S^{2n-1}; H^*(U(n-1))) \cong_{u.c.T.} H^*(S^{2n-1}) \otimes H^*(U(n-1)) \cup$$

total degree k part is $\bigoplus_{i+j=k} E_2^{i,j}$

$$\cong_{\substack{\text{induction} \\ + \text{K\"unnet}}} H^*(S^1 \times S^3 \times \dots \times S^{2n-1}) \cong \bigwedge [x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1}].$$

as graded rings, using total degree on E_2 , & usual degree on RHS.

Now, note that S_2 (and more generally each S_r) increases total degree by 1 (bidegree $(r, -(n-1))$)
 Since every non-unit element in E_2 (and inductively E_r) is in odd degree,

$\Rightarrow \delta_r \equiv 0$ for all $r \geq 2 \Rightarrow$ collapse at \mathbb{F}_2 .

Hence $(E_{\infty}, \star_{\infty}) \cong \Delta[x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1}] \cong \left(\bigoplus_p G_p H^*(U(n)), G_{\cup} \right)$

This is a free (bigraded) if one tracks (e, q) \mathbb{Z} -graded commutative algebra

$\Rightarrow H^*(U(n)) \cong \Delta[x_1, \dots, x_{2n-1}]$ as rings.
 Remark above [cf, McCleary ex 1.4]

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Ex: compute $H^*(\Omega S^n; \mathbb{Z})$ as a ring, $n \geq 1$.

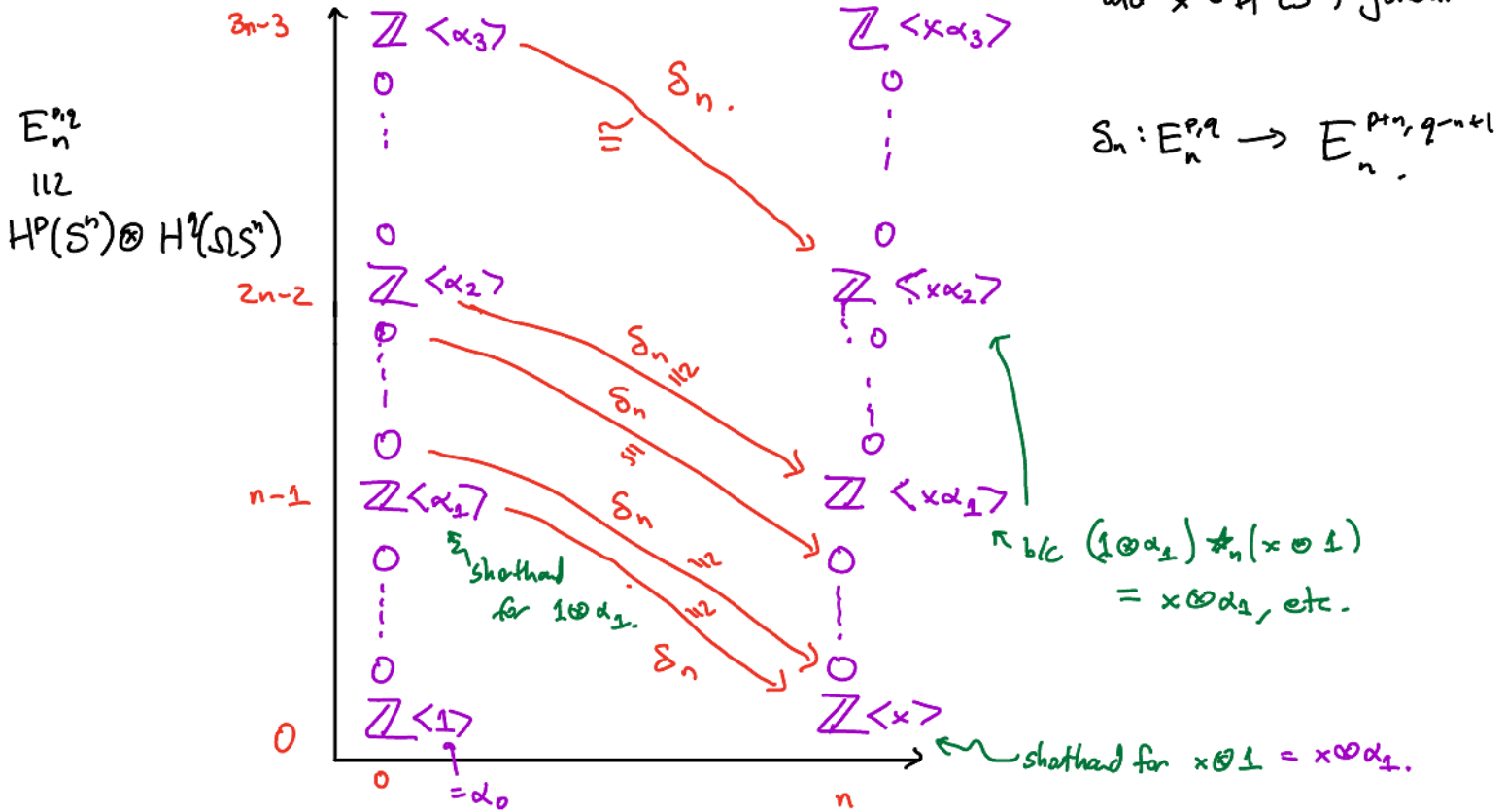
We revisit the path-space loop-space fibration:

$\Omega S^n \rightarrow PS^n \rightarrow S^n$, look at the \downarrow S^n *contractible*

Leray-Serre S.S. again, this time for cohomology:

The same arguments as before imply $H^j(\Omega S^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & j = k(n-1) \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$, \odot n^{th} page looks like:

with all δ_n *in picture* isomorphisms (except one to/from $E_n^{0,0}$) Call α_k the generator of $H^{k(n-1)}(\Omega S^n)$, $(\alpha_0 = 1)$ and $x \in H^n(S^n)$ generator



Can wlog choose generators x, α_i s.t. $\delta_n: \alpha_k \mapsto x\alpha_{k-1}$. ($\delta_n: \alpha_1 \mapsto x$)

Note: by derivation property of \star_n , we learn that

$\delta_n(\alpha_i^2) = \delta_n(\alpha_i \star_n \alpha_i) = (-1)^{n-1} \alpha_i \delta_n \alpha_i + (\delta_n \alpha_i) \alpha_i$

$= \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ even} \\ 2x\alpha_i & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$

get. for group α_i^2 lives in \downarrow (know: $\delta_n \cong$ and $\delta_n: \alpha_2 \mapsto x\alpha_1$)

We deduce that (as $\delta_n \cong \cdot$) $\alpha_1^2 = 2\alpha_2$ n odd, and $\alpha_1^2 = 0$ n even.

More generally,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_n(\alpha_1 \alpha_k) &= \delta_n(\alpha_1) \alpha_k + (-1)^{n-1} \alpha_1 \delta_n \alpha_k \\ &= x \alpha_k + (-1)^{n-1} \alpha_1 x \alpha_{k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_n(\alpha_k \alpha_l) &= \delta_n(\alpha_k) \alpha_l + (-1)^{k(n-1)} \alpha_k \delta_n(\alpha_l) \\ &= x \alpha_{k-1} \alpha_l + (-1)^{k(n-1)} x \alpha_k \alpha_{l-1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_k \alpha_l = \text{preimage under } \delta_n \text{ of } \begin{cases} x(\alpha_{k-1} \alpha_l + \alpha_k \alpha_{l-1}) & k \text{ even or odd.} \\ x(\alpha_{k-1} \alpha_l - \alpha_k \alpha_{l-1}) & k \text{ odd and even.} \end{cases}$$

n odd:

$$\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = \delta_n^{-1}(x(\alpha_2 + \alpha_1^2)) = \delta_n^{-1}(3x \alpha_2) = 3 \alpha_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1^3 = 2\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = 3! \alpha_3.$$

Inductively, one sees $\alpha_1^k = k! \alpha_k$, i.e., $H^*(\Omega S^n) = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha, \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2, \frac{1}{3!}\alpha^3, \dots, \frac{1}{k!}\alpha^k, \dots]$ ^{deg. (n-1)}
 $= \Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}(\alpha)$ is a divided power algebra.
 (rationally, just polynomials in α).

n even:

$\alpha_1^k = k! \alpha_{2k}$ so $\alpha_2, \alpha_4, \alpha_6, \dots$ generate a divided power algebra $\Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}[\beta]$ $|\beta| = 2n-2$.

$$\alpha_1^2 = 0, \quad \delta(\alpha_1 \alpha_2) = x(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1^2) = x \alpha_2 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \alpha_2 = \alpha_3$$

Inductively, can similarly show $\alpha_1 \alpha_{2k-1} = 0$ and $\alpha_1 \alpha_{2k} = \alpha_{2k+1}$

$$\Rightarrow H^*(\Omega S^n) \cong \Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}[\beta] \otimes \Lambda[\alpha]$$

$\beta = \alpha_2, \text{ deg } 2(n-1)$ $\alpha = \alpha_1, \text{ deg } n-1$. (e.g., $\alpha_{2k+1} = \alpha_1 \alpha_{2k} = \alpha_1 \cdot \frac{1}{k!} \alpha_2^k = \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{k!} \beta^k$).

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Example: Let's recompute $H^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty; \mathbb{Z})$ as a ring using L-S. S.S. Denote $H^p := H^p(\mathbb{C}P^\infty)$

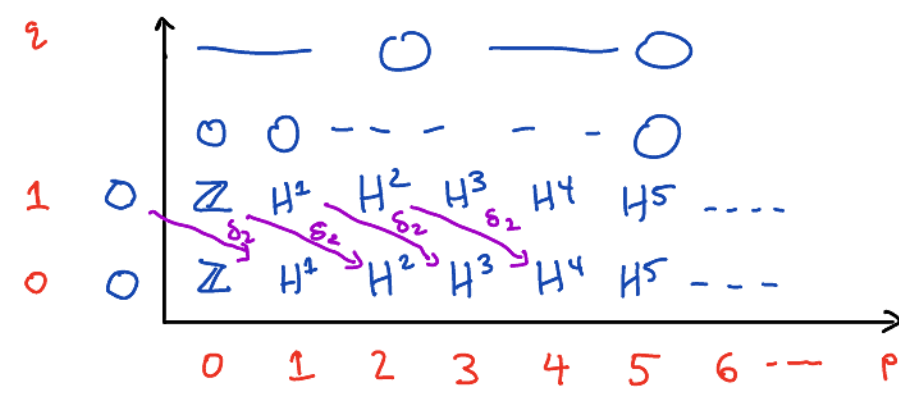
the fibration $S^1 \rightarrow \bigcup_{k \geq 0} S^{2k+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^k$ (unit sphere in \mathbb{C}^{k+1}) induces (taking $k \rightarrow \infty$) a fibration $S^1 \rightarrow \bigcup_{k \geq 0} S^\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^\infty$. [$H^0 = \mathbb{Z}$]
unknown.

$\pi_1(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) = \{x\}$, and S^∞ contractible \Rightarrow the associated L-S. S.S. has

$$E_{2,q}^{p,2} = H^p(\mathbb{C}P^\infty; H^q(S^1)) \cong \begin{cases} H^p & \text{when } q=0,1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\checkmark \bigoplus_{i,j,k} E_{i,j,k}^{\infty} = \bigoplus_p G_p H_k(S^\infty) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & k=0 \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$
 i.e., $E_{\infty}^{p,q} = \mathbb{Z}$ if $(p,q)=(0,0)$ and 0 otherwise.

Picture:
of $E_{p,q}^2$:



($H^0 = \mathbb{Z}$).

Since $E_{\infty}^{p,q} = 0$ except at $(0,0)$, every other group must eventually become zero.

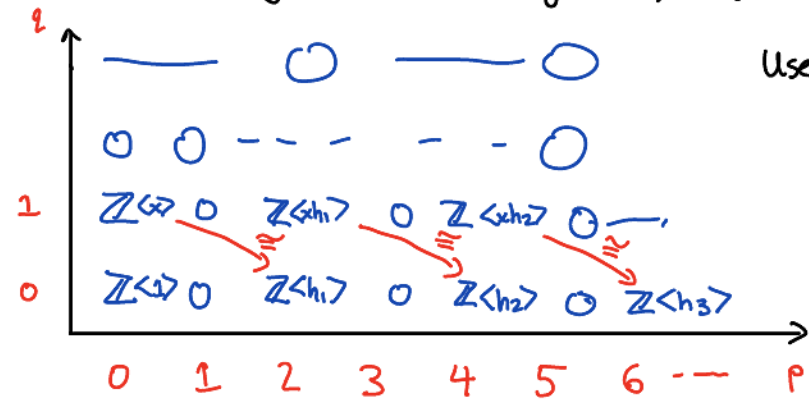
The only page with possibly non-zero differential is page 2 (every other δ_r decreases q degree by ≥ 1 so has either domain or codomain 0).

\Rightarrow must have $\delta_2: E_2^{p,1} \cong E_2^{p+2,0}$ provided $p \neq -2$;

So, $H^1 = 0$, $H^2 \cong H^3 = 0$, & inductively $H^{2k+1} \cong 0$. $\forall k$.

and $H^0 \cong H^2$, so $H^2 \cong \mathbb{Z}$, $H^2 \cong H^4$ so $H^4 \cong \mathbb{Z}$, inductively $H^{2k} = \mathbb{Z} \forall k$

Algebra structures: Denoting $x \in H^1(S^1)$ a generator, $h_i \in H^{2i}$ generator ($\wedge / h_0 = 1$):



Use shorthand $1 := 1 \otimes 1$.

x for $x \otimes 1$

h_i for $1 \otimes h_i$

$x h_i$ for $x \otimes h_i$ (note

$x h_i = (x \otimes 1) \wedge_2 (1 \otimes h_i)$

inductively after choosing h_i .
 WLOG choose h_{i+1} s.t. $\delta_2(xh_i) = h_{i+1}$. (*)

Leibniz rule for the algebra structure on $E_2^{p,q} \Rightarrow$

(Leibniz rule tells us in fact that a higher degree $\delta_2(ab)$ in terms of $\delta_2(a), \delta_2(b), a, b$ products)

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_2(xh_1) &= \delta_2(x)h_1 + x\delta_2(h_1) \quad (\text{using } \star_2 : ab \text{ means } a \star_2 b) \\ &= h_1 \circ h_1 = h_1^2. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, $\delta_2(xh_1) = h_2 \Rightarrow h_1^2 = h_2$. Inductively, assuming $h_1^k = h_k$, we

$$\text{discover } \delta_2(xh_k) \stackrel{\text{inductively}}{=} \delta_2(xh_1^k) \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{=} h_1^{k+1}.$$

$$\text{(*)} \parallel$$

$$\delta \delta_2(h_1) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow h_1^{k+1} = h_{k+1}$. So inductively $h_1^m = h_m$ for all m , and $H^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) \cong \mathbb{Z}[h]$, $|h| = +2$.

h_1 above

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Additional properties of, and applications of, the Leray-Serre Spectral Sequence

Let's return to the (homological) Leray-Serre spectral sequence. A few groups & maps between them in the spectral sequence have particularly clear significance in terms of the original fibration.

For what follows assume we have a fibration $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$ w/ trivial local coefficient system

$\{H_q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ (e.g., if B path connected & $\pi_1(B) = \{*\}$).

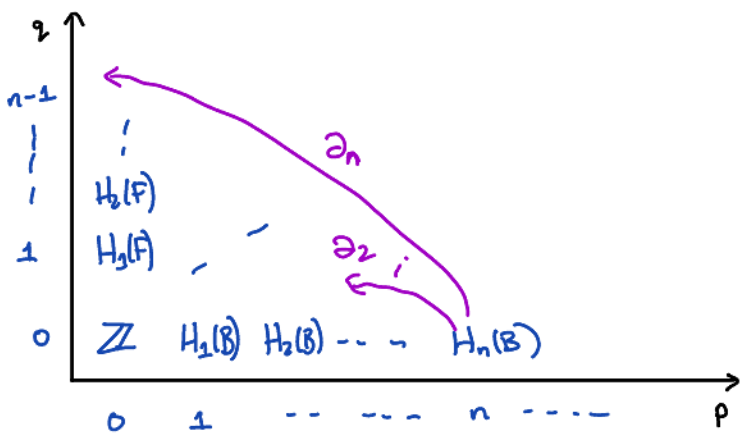
$$\Rightarrow \text{L-S. S.S. for } H_*(E) \text{ has } \boxed{E_{p,2}^2 \cong H_p(B, H_q(F))}$$

• Edge homomorphisms

Further assume fibers F are connected, as is B .

Note the bottom edge of E^2 is canonically $\cong H_*(B)$ ($E_{p,0}^2 = H_p(B, H_0(F)) \cong H_p(B)$)

(similarly left vertical edge is canonically $\cong H_*(F)$ — ($E_{0,q}^2 = H_0(B, H_q(F)) \cong H_q(F)$)).



Being at the bottom of a first quadrant spectral sequence, no differentials can hit any $E_{n,0}^r$.

$$\Rightarrow E_{n,0}^{n+1} = \ker(\partial_r : E_{p,0}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r,r-1}^r) \subseteq E_{n,0}^r.$$

And the last page k for which ∂_k can be non-zero on $E_{n,0}^k$ is $k=n$, as

$$\partial_{n+1} : E_{n,0}^{n+1} \rightarrow E_{-1,n} \equiv 0 \text{ (first quadrant S.S.)}$$

So $E_{n,0}^{n+1} = E_{n,0}^\infty$, and we have a chain of inclusions

$$G_n H_n(E) = E_{n,0}^\infty = E_{n,0}^{n+1} \subseteq E_{n,0}^n \subseteq E_{n,0}^{n-1} \subseteq \dots \subseteq E_{n,0}^2 = H_n(B).$$

Now observe that $G_s H_{n-s+(n-s)}(E) = E_{s,n-s}^\infty \equiv 0$ for $s > n$.

$$\Rightarrow H_n(E) \cong F_n H_n(E). \quad (\text{an explanation for this is that all of } H_n(E) \text{ is seen by } E|_{\beta^n} \xrightarrow{\text{ind.}} E; \text{ the image in homology is precisely } F_n H_n(E), \text{ which is therefore all of } H_n(E).)$$

Hence there is a projection map

$$H_n(E) = F_n H_n(E) \xrightarrow{(*)} \frac{F_n H_n(E)}{F_{n-1} H_n(E)} = G_n H_n(E) = E_{n,0}^\infty \hookrightarrow E_{n,0}^2 = H_n(B),$$

[(*) is]

called an edge homomorphism. (an alg. version exists for any first quadrant S.S. induced by a filtration).

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Similarly, no differentials can emanate from } E_{0,n}^r, \text{ so each } E_{0,n}^{n+1} = E_{0,n}^r / \text{im}(\partial_r : E_{r,n-r+2}^r \rightarrow E_{0,n}^r) \\ \text{with } E_{r,n-r+2}^r \equiv 0 \text{ for } r > n+2 \text{ and } F_1 = 0 \text{ b/c } B^1 = \emptyset. \\ H_n(F) = E_{0,n}^2 \Rightarrow E_{0,n}^3 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow E_{0,n}^{n+1} \rightarrow E_{0,n}^{n+2} = E_{0,n}^\infty = G_0 H_n(E) = F_0 H_n(E) \hookrightarrow H_n(E) \end{array} \right]$$

edge homomorphism

Prop: The edge homomorphism of the L.S. S.S. $H_n(E) \rightarrow H_n(B)$ coincides with $\pi_* : H_n(E) \rightarrow H_n(B)$.

[Similarly, the edge homomorphism $H_n(F) \rightarrow H_n(E)$ coincides w/ i_* , where $i : F \hookrightarrow E$ ind. of a fiber.]

Pf sketch: Let's do (the case of $H_n(E) \rightarrow H_n(B)$, other case exercise).

Consider first the trivial fibration $* \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{\pi} B$, Claim: the edge hom $H_n(B) \rightarrow H_n(B)$ associated to the L-S. S.S. for this fibration is just $\text{id}_{H_n(B)}$. (exercise).

Next, for a general $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$ as above, there is a map of fibrations

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F & \xrightarrow{\quad} & * \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ E & \xrightarrow{\pi} & B \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \text{id} \\ B & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & B \end{array}$$

project to point.

which induces, by naturality of the L-S. S.S., a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_n(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_*} & H_n(B) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ H_n(B) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & H_n(B) \end{array}$$

(edge hom. for $* \rightarrow B \rightarrow B$) = $\text{id}_{H_n(B)}$ by claim above.

(edge hom. for $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$)

\Rightarrow this edge homomorphism is just π_* .

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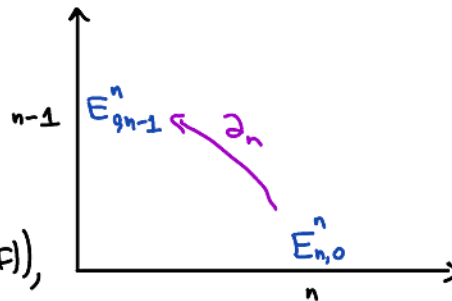
Transgression: $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$ fibration.

Again, assume F, B path connected & $\{H_q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ trivial (e.g., if $\pi_1(B) = \{*\}$).

In the L-S. S.S., the differentials

$$\partial_n: E_{n,0}^n \longrightarrow E_{0,n-1}^n$$

map the bottom horizontal edge (a subgroup of $H_n(B)$) to the left vertical edge (a quotient of $H_{n-1}(F)$),



and are called transgressions.

$$\partial_2: \begin{array}{c} E_{2,0}^2 \\ \parallel \\ H_2(B) \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} E_{0,1}^2 \\ \parallel \\ H_1(F) \end{array}$$

so in this case get a homomorphism from base to fiber. In general,

$$H_n(B) = E_{n,0}^n \supseteq E_{n,0}^n \xrightarrow{\partial_n} E_{0,n-1}^n \longleftarrow E_{0,n-1}^n = H_{n-1}(F).$$

An element $x \in E_{n,0}^n = H_n(B)$ that survives to $E_{n,0}^n$ (i.e., $\partial_2 x = 0, \partial_3 x = 0, \dots, \partial_{n-1} x = 0$) is called transgressive.

The basic claim is that the subgroup of transgressive elts. & the transgression map have a topological interpretation, as a fibration analogue of a connecting homomorphism.

How? Consider

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_n(E, F) & \xrightarrow{\partial_*} & H_{n-1}(F) \\
 \downarrow \pi_* & \swarrow \text{fiber over} & \\
 H_n(B) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & H_n(B, b)
 \end{array}$$

basepoint b .

↑ iso. for $n > 0$.

$(\pi : (E, F) \rightarrow (B, b))$
 where $F := \text{fiber over } b$.

$(\pi_* : H_n(E, F) / \ker \pi_* \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{im } \pi_*)$

This induces a map from a subgroup of $H_n(B)$ to a quotient of $H_{n-1}(F)$ via:

(subgroup of $H_n(B)$) (quotient of $H_{n-1}(F)$)

$$(\star) \quad H_n(B) \cong H_n(B, b) \cong \text{im}(\pi_*) \xrightarrow[\cong]{(\pi_*)^{-1}} H_n(E, F) / \ker \pi_* \xrightarrow{\partial_*} \frac{H_{n-1}(F)}{\partial_*(\ker \pi_*)} \longleftarrow H_{n-1}(F).$$

τ_*

Prop: The map τ_* coincides with the transgression $\partial_n : E_{n,0}^n \rightarrow E_{0,n-1}^n$, meaning:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E_{n,0}^n & \cong & \text{im}(\pi_*) \\
 \partial_n \downarrow & \hookrightarrow & \downarrow \tau_* \\
 E_{0,n-1}^n & \cong & H_{n-1}(F) / \partial_*(\ker \pi_*)
 \end{array}$$

(moreover $E_{n,0}^2 = H_n(B)$, $E_{0,n-1}^2 = H_{n-1}(F)$)

(moreover $E_{n,0}^1 = \text{im } \pi_*$, $E_{0,n-1}^1 = H_{n-1}(F) / \partial_*(\ker \pi_*)$)

We call τ_* the transgression hom. associated to the fibration; it coincides w/ transgression of the L.S.S. by Prop.

Pf omitted (see [Hatcher-SS., Prop 1.13]), but to state, how to identify $\text{im}(\pi_*) \cong E_{n,0}^n$ as in \star ?

Consider map of fibration pairs: \exists L.S.S. for a 'fibration pair' as below B naturally gives

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F & \rightarrow & (F, F) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 E & \rightarrow & (E, F) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 B & \rightarrow & (B, b)
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 E_{p,1}^* & \rightarrow & \bar{E}_{p,2}^*
 \end{array}$$

(Rule: can setup L.S.S. for fibration pairs in same way)

Now $H_0(B, b) = 0$, so $\bar{E}_{0,1}^* \cong 0 \Rightarrow \bar{E}_{n,0}^n = \bar{E}_{n,0}^\infty$ (as $\partial_n : \bar{E}_{n,0}^n \rightarrow \bar{E}_{0,n-1}^n = 0$ is 0).

\Rightarrow (by edge hom. prop.): the image of the inclusion $\bar{E}_{n,0}^n \hookrightarrow \bar{E}_{n,0}^2$ is just $\text{im}(\pi_*) \subseteq H_n(B, b)$

Now for $n > 0$, $H_n(B, b) \cong H_n(B)$, hence we learn

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{im}(\pi_*) \subset H_n(B, b) & , & \text{which implies } \star. \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 \bar{E}_{n,0}^n & \hookrightarrow & \bar{E}_{n,0}^2 \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 E_{n,0}^n & \hookrightarrow & E_{n,0}^2 \\
 & & \parallel \\
 & & H_n(B)
 \end{array}$$

Using this, we can sketch a proof of the Hurewicz theorem (the mod 2 version is similar but requires slightly more elaborate arguments):

Thm (Hurewicz): Say X $(n-1)$ -connected, i.e., $\pi_i(X) = 0$ for $i < n-1$, $n \geq 2$. Then $\tilde{H}_i(X) = 0$ for $i < n-1$, and the Hurewicz map $h : \pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X)$ is an isomorphism. (Recall: $h : \pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X)$ [f: $S^n \rightarrow X$] $\mapsto f_*[S^n]$).

Sketch: Fact from homotopy theory: any fibration $F \rightarrow E$ induces a LES in homotopy groups.

\Rightarrow for $\Omega X \rightarrow PX \xrightarrow{\text{contractible}} X$ have $\dots \rightarrow \pi_i(PX) \rightarrow \pi_i(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_*} \pi_{i-1}(\Omega X) \rightarrow \pi_{i-1}(PX)$

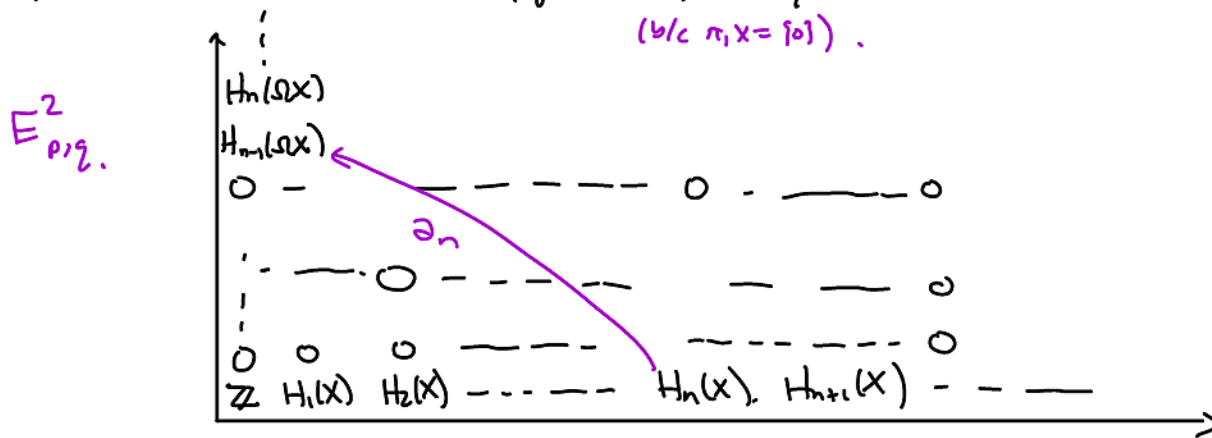
(LES in homotopy groups)

$\Rightarrow \pi_i(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_{i-1}(\Omega X)$. ΩX is therefore $(n-2)$ -connected; we want to inductively use fact that

(e.g., $\pi_0(\Omega_* X) \cong \pi_1(X, *)$ by def'n)

Hurewicz holds for ΩX . (base case: $n=2 \Rightarrow$ use π_1 Hurewicz $\pi_1(\Omega X) \xrightarrow{h} H_1(\Omega X)$, which holds as stated b/c $\pi_1(\Omega X) \cong \pi_2(X)$ is abelian.)

In homology, we have the L-S. S.S. w/ page 2 $H_p(X; H_q(\Omega X))$; by induction $H_q(\Omega X) = 0$ $q \leq n-2$.
(for $\Omega X \rightarrow PX \rightarrow X$) (as ΩX is $(n-2)$ -connected).
(b/c $\pi_1 X = \{0\}$).



$\Rightarrow H_1(X) = H_2(X) = \dots = H_{n-1}(X) = 0$ (as no ∂_i from it can be non-zero, & $E_{p,q}^\infty = 0$ for (p,q) non-zero),

In this case, $\partial_i = 0$ on $H_n(X)$ for each $i < n$, so all of $H_n(X)$ is transgressive, & the transgression ∂_n gives an iso. $H_n(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{n-1}(\Omega X)$. (all survives to page n).

Using the above Prop. comparing ∂_n to τ_* , & def'n of $\partial_*: \pi_n(X) \rightarrow \pi_{n-1}(\Omega X)$ in LES, construct a commutative diagram (exercise) for such X :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_n(X) & \xrightarrow{\partial_*} & \pi_{n-1}(\Omega X) \\ \downarrow h & & \downarrow h \\ H_n(X) & \xrightarrow{\tau_*} & H_{n-1}(\Omega X) \end{array}$$

iso. by induction (as ΩX $(n-2)$ connected); works even when $n=2$ b/c $\pi_1 \Omega X$ abelian.
(usually π_i Hurewicz only gives an iso. $\pi_i(X) \xrightarrow{h} H_i(X)$).

$\Rightarrow h: \pi_n(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_n(X)$. \square

Can use the L-S. S-S to reprove the Gysin exact sequence (in more generality for arbitrary spherical fibrations), the Leray-Hirsch theorem, build other exact sequences, & prove many structural results.

(e.g., using above interplay between L-S. S.S. & LES in homotopy groups, can learn a lot of information about homotopy groups too).

E.g., Wang sequence

Say have a fibration

$$F \rightarrow E$$

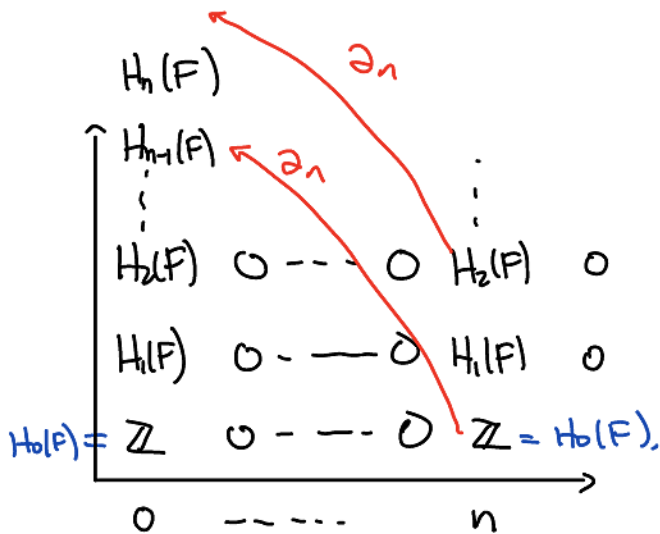
$$\downarrow$$

$$S^n$$

$n > 1$. (Say path-connected fiber).

L-S. S-S has, as its E^2 page $\{H_p(S^n; H_q(F))\}_{(p,q)} = \begin{cases} H_q(F) & p=0, n \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

$E^2_{p,q}$



$\partial_i \equiv 0$ for $i < n$, so all terms survive to E^n . The only possible non-zero differential is

$$\partial_n: H_i(F) \longrightarrow H_{i+n-1}(F), \text{ i.e., } E^{n+1} = E^\infty = H^0(\partial_n)..$$

$E_{n,i}^\infty$ $E_{0,i+n-1}^n$

So, there's a SES: $0 \rightarrow E_{n,i}^\infty \xrightarrow{*} H_i(F) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} H_{i+n-1}(F) \xrightarrow{**} E_{0,i+n-1}^\infty \rightarrow 0.$

In turn, $E_{n,i}^\infty = G_n H_{i+n}(E)$, $E_{0,i+n-1}^\infty = G_0 H_{i+n-1}(E) = F_0 H_{i+n-1}(E)$.

$H_{i+n}(E)/F_0 H_{i+n}(E) = H_{i+n}(E)/F_{n-1} H_{i+n}(E) \leftarrow H_{i+n}(E)$ \downarrow
 $H_{i+n-1}(E)$

(note $S^n = e^0 \cup e^n$, so skeletal filtration is $F_0 \cup (E) = F_1 = F_2 = \dots = F_{n-1} \subseteq F_n \cup (E) = G_n(E) = G_n(E)$).

i.e., \exists a SES $0 \rightarrow F_0 H_*(E) \rightarrow H_*(E) \rightarrow (H_{i+n}(E)/F_{n-1} H_{i+n}(E)) \rightarrow 0$

i.e., a SES $0 \rightarrow G_0 H_*(E) \xrightarrow{(\alpha)} H_*(E) \xrightarrow{(\beta)} G_n H_*(E) \rightarrow 0. (**)$

In particular, we can splice these SES's together to get:

$$\dots \rightarrow H_{i+n}(E) \xrightarrow{(\alpha)} G_n H_{i+n}(E) \xrightarrow{(\beta)} H_i(F) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} H_{i+n-1}(F) \xrightarrow{(\alpha)} G_0 H_{i+n-1}(E) \xrightarrow{(\beta)} H_{i-1}(F) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} \dots$$

(exactness at $H_k(E)$ follows from $(**)$),

This is called the Wang LES.