

Notebook

Spectral Sequence

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SS 1

Recall For X space, $H^*(X)$ is a graded ring via cup product

$$H^*(X) = \bigoplus_n H^n(X), \quad x \in H^n(X), y \in H^m(X) \Rightarrow xy \in H^{n+m}(X)$$

In fact, it's graded commutative: $xy = (-1)^{|x||y|} yx$

If $A \hookrightarrow X$ a CW pair, we have

$$0 \longrightarrow C_*(A) \longrightarrow C_*(X) \longrightarrow C_*(X, A) \longrightarrow 0$$

\Rightarrow long exact sequence in homology:

$$\dots \longrightarrow H_n(A) \longrightarrow H_n(X) \longrightarrow H_n(X, A) \xrightarrow{\partial} H_{n-1}(A) \longrightarrow \dots$$

$\sim H_n(X/A)$

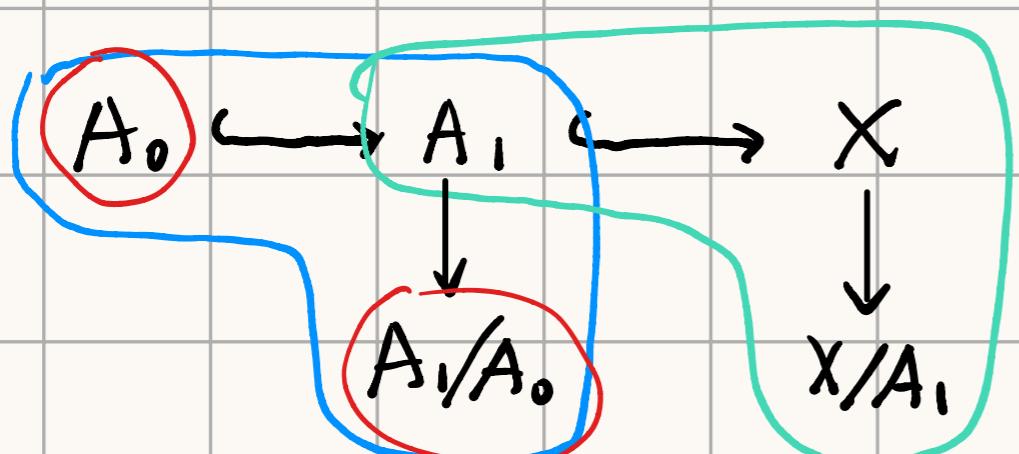
also in cohomology:

$$\dots \leftarrow H^n(A) \leftarrow H^n(X) \leftarrow H^n(X, A) \xleftarrow{\delta} H^{n-1}(A) \leftarrow \dots$$

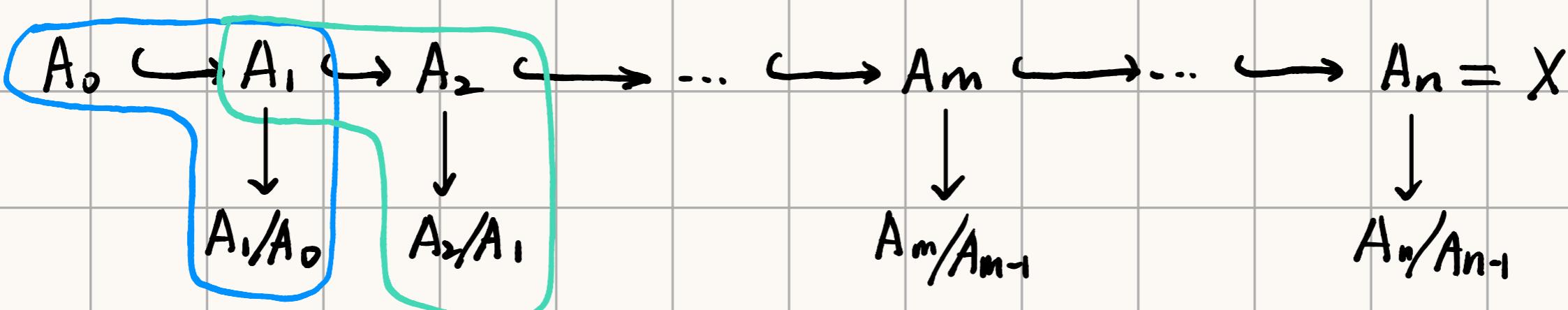
We often try to compute $H^*(X)$ from A and X/A .

Goal: Extend this technique.

$A \hookrightarrow X \longrightarrow X/A$ cofiber sequence. \longrightarrow long exact sequence



\Rightarrow use two les to bootstrap up to $H^*(X)$



\Rightarrow use a spectral sequence (lots of les's sewn together) to bootstrap to $H^*(X)$.

SS2 - Graded rings and modules.

Let R be a ring.

Category of graded R -modules

Objects: $A_* = \bigoplus_n A_n$ (indexed on any set, usually \mathbb{Z})

elements of A_n are homogeneous of degree n

morphisms : $\text{Hom}(A_*, B_*) = \prod_n \text{Hom}(A_n, B_n)$

degree preserving maps

tensors : $(A_* \otimes B_*)_n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} (A_p \otimes B_q)$

adjoint

hom : $\text{Hom}^k(A_*, B_*) = \prod_n \text{Hom}(A_n, B_{n+k})$

i.e. sequence of maps raising degree by k .

Def. A graded ring A_* is a graded abelian group with a degree zero map $A_* \otimes A_* \rightarrow A_*$ (+ associative, unital)
 $\iff A_* = \bigoplus_n A_n$ for A_n abelian group and $A_m A_n \subseteq A_{m+n}$

(We can define graded algebra with abelian group in the above definition replaced by R -module)

Ex $H^*(X)$

Def. A differential graded algebra (dga) A_* is a graded ring with a degree $\begin{cases} +1 & (\text{cohomological}) \\ -1 & (\text{homological}) \end{cases}$ map $d: A_* \rightarrow A_*$ s.t.

1) $d \circ d = d^2 = 0$; 2) Leibniz rule: $d(xy) = d(x)y + (-1)^{|x|} x d(y)$

Ex $C^*(X)$ - singular cochain complex.

Def. A filtration of an R -module m is a sequence of submodules
 $0 \subseteq \dots \subseteq F_{-1}m \subseteq F_0 m \subseteq F_1 m \subseteq \dots \subseteq m = \bigcup_n F_n m$

For us, usually bounded below ($F_{-n} m = 0$ for some n)

Def. The associated graded module of a filtered module m is the graded module $\text{Gr}(m)$ with $\text{Gr}_n(m) = F_n m / F_{n-1} m$.
 $\text{Gr}(m)$ approximates m , but we're left with extension problems.

Ex. If $\text{Gr}_0(m) = \mathbb{Z}$, $\text{Gr}_1(m) = \mathbb{Z}/2$ and $\text{Gr}(m)$ has no negative part, then

$$0 \rightarrow F_0 m \hookrightarrow F_1 m \rightarrow F_1 m / F_0 m \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{ses. could be}$$

- 1) $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0$, trivial extension.
- 2) $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot 2} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0$, nontrivial extension.

Rmk. If m is a K -module for K a field, then all extensions are trivial. Same holds if $\text{Gr}_n(m)$ are free R -modules. $\forall n$.

SS 3. Spectral sequence definition

Def. A cohomological spectral sequence is a sequence of bigraded R -modules $E_r^{p,q}$, $r \geq 1$, $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ together with differentials $d_r : E_r^{p,q} \rightarrow E_r^{p+r, q-r+1}$ s.t. $d_r^2 = 0$ (d_r has bidegree $(r, -r+1)$, total degree 1) and $E_{r+1} = H^{*,*}(E_r, d_r)$. i.e.

$$E_{r+1}^{p,q} = \ker d_r : E_r^{p,q} \rightarrow E_r^{p+r, q-r+1} / \text{Im}(d_r : E_r^{p-r, q+r-1} \rightarrow E_r^{p,q})$$

$$\text{Let } E_\infty = \varinjlim_r E_r.$$

Def. We say the SS (spectral sequence) converges to the graded R -module m_x and we write $E_r^{p,q} \Rightarrow m_{p+q}$ if

- a) For each (p, q) there exists an r_0 s.t. $d_r^{p,q} = 0$ for $r \geq r_0$
- b) There is a filtration of m_x so that for each n ,

$E_\infty^{p,n-p} = \varinjlim_r E_r^{p,n-p}$ is isomorphic to the associated graded module $\text{Gr}(m_x)_n$.

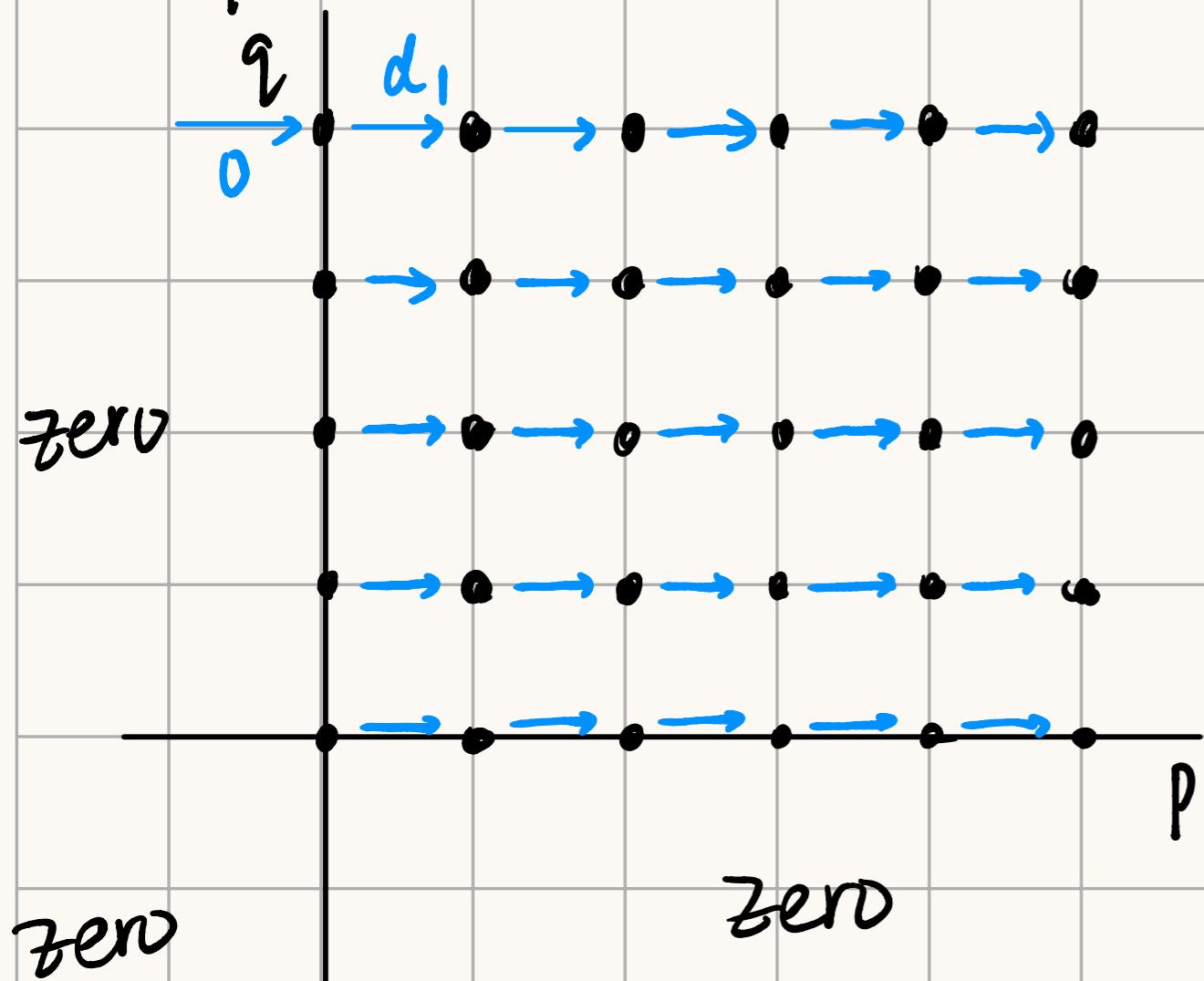
Everything here is almost the same for a homological SS.

Def. A first quadrant SS has $E_r^{p,q} = 0$ whenever $p < 0$ or $q < 0$

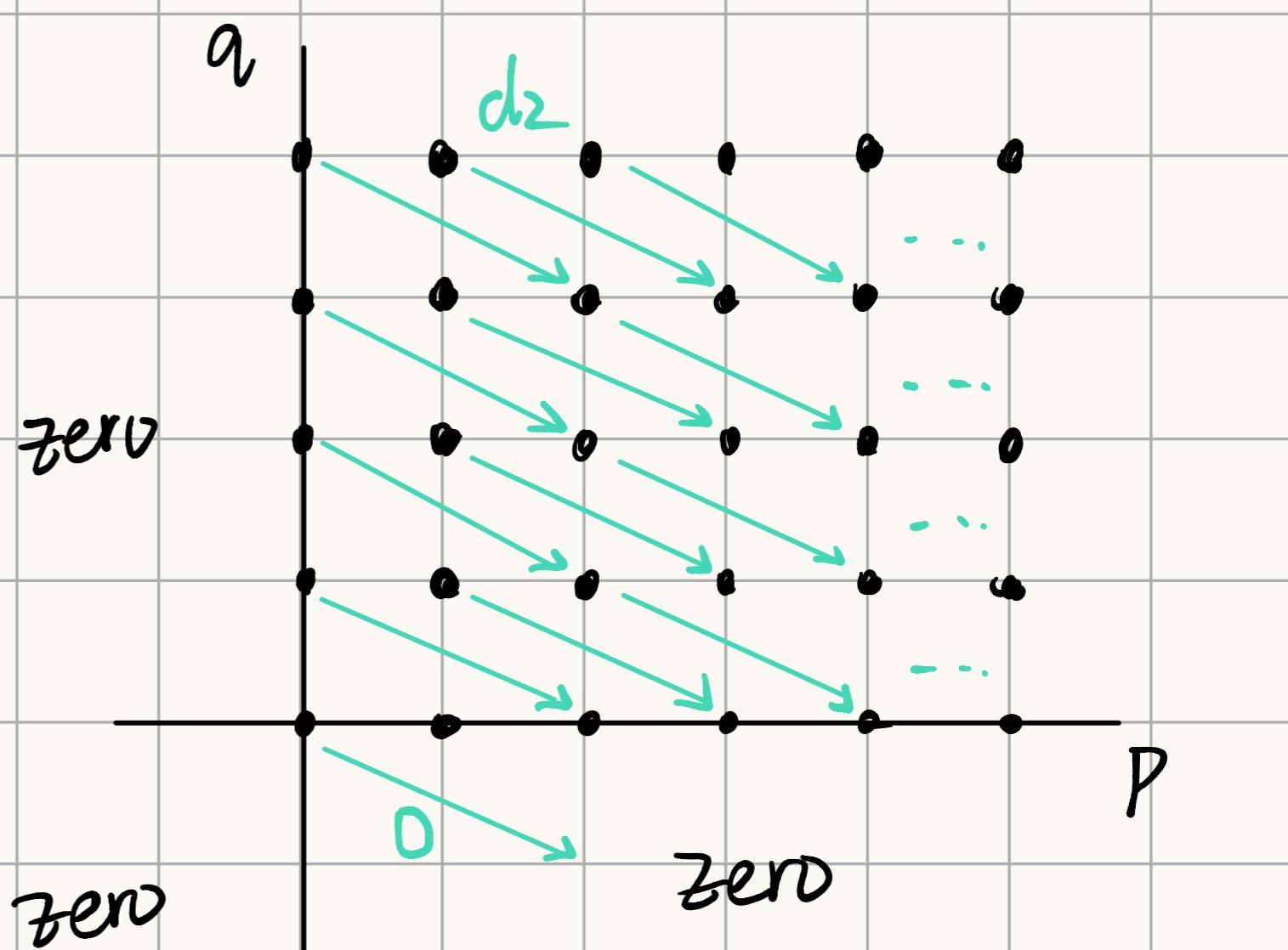
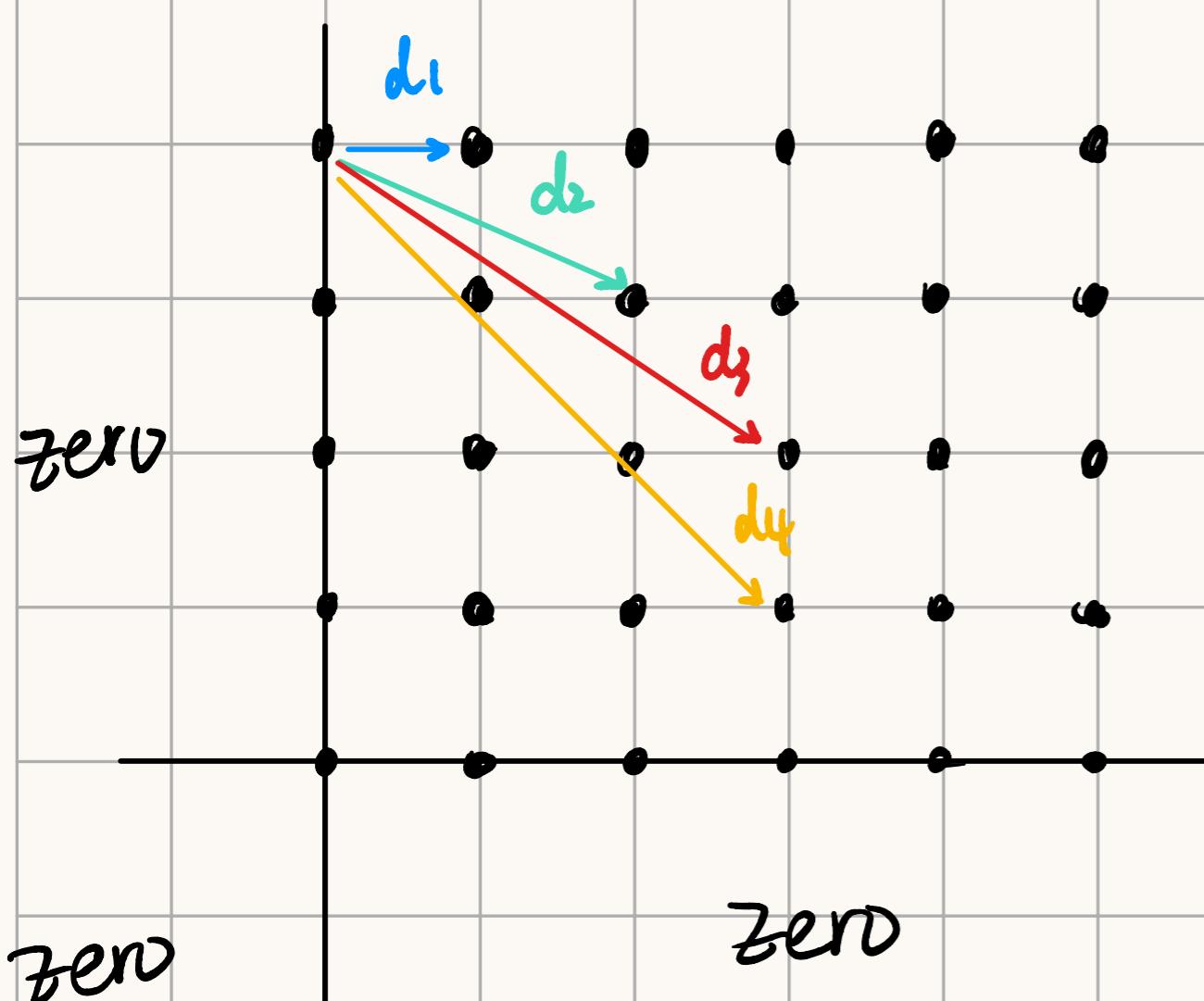
Rmk. A 1st quadrant SS converges in a stronger way. For each (p,q) there exists r_0 s.t. $E_r^{p,q} = E_{\infty}^{p,q}$ for all $r \geq r_0$.

Rmk. Sometimes convergence is even better. We say SS collapses at E_{r_0} if $\exists r_0$ s.t. $\forall (p,q)$ and $r \geq r_0$, $E_r^{p,q} = E_{\infty}^{p,q}$

1st quadrant SS:



E_1



E_2 (the nts are different from E_1 's since they're $H^{*,*}(E_1)$)

often draw all pages at once, but remember the nts change every time).

Def. $E^{*,*}$ is a SS of algebras if $(E_r^{*,*}, dr)$ is a dga (use total degree to specify Leibniz rule) and $E_{r+1}^{*,*} = H^{*,*}(E_r)$ as algebras.

SS 5 Homology 1st quadrant SS

Refs: Hatcher Ch.5, Mosher + Tangora Ch.7

Recall A 1st quadrant homological SS has $E_{p,q}^r = 0$ if $p < 0$ or $q < 0$

and $d^r: E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r, q+r-1}^r$ has bidegree $(-r, r-1)$

The E^∞ -page will be an associated graded for a filtration of some module we're interested in $\text{Gr}(m)$

SS 6 Unraveled exact couple

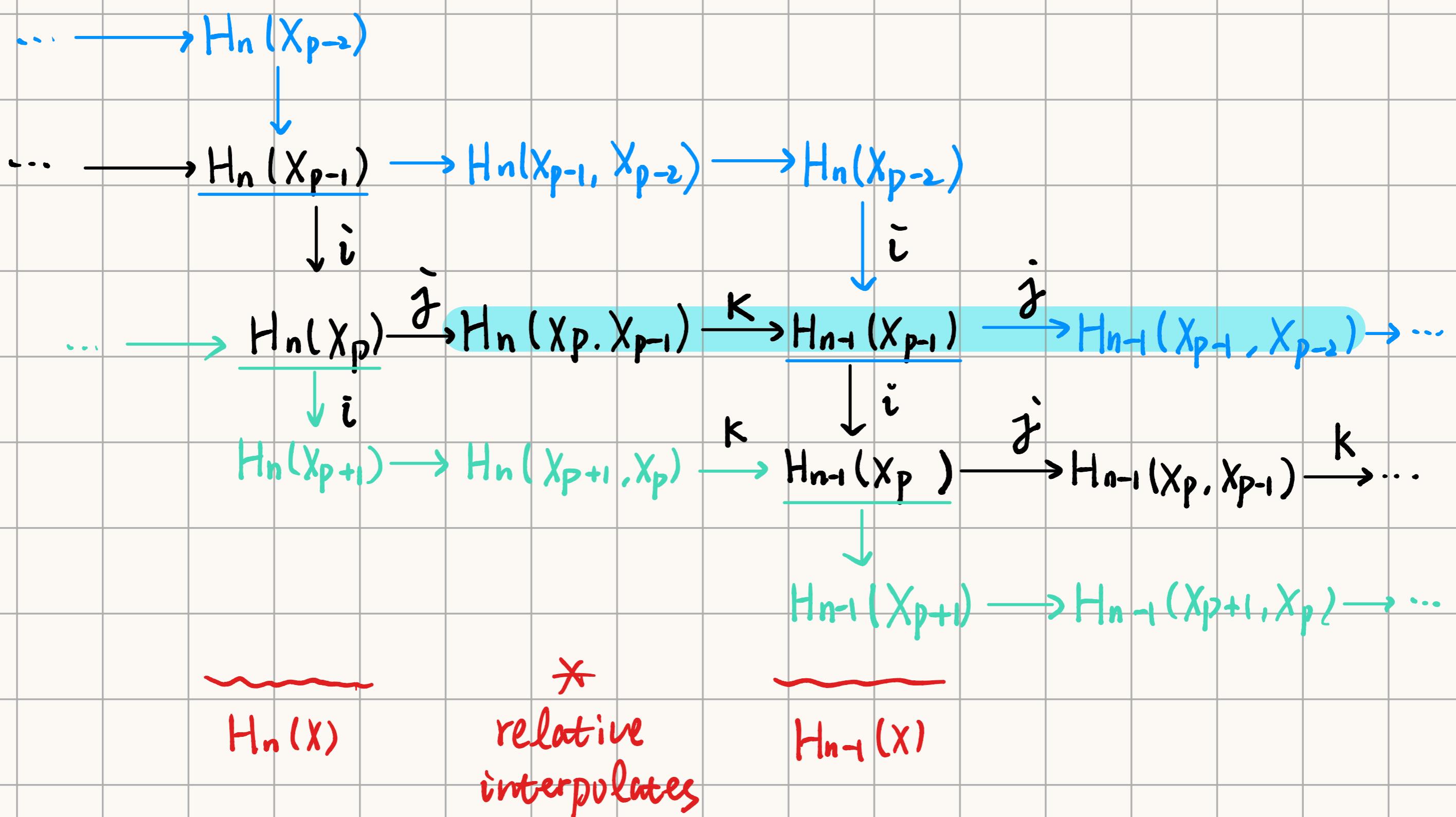
Let X a CW complex. $\emptyset = X_{-1} \subseteq X_0 \subseteq X_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq X$ a filtration

Each inclusion $X_{p-1} \hookrightarrow X_p$ induces a les in homology

$$\dots \rightarrow H_n(X_{p-1}) \xrightarrow{i} H_n(X_p) \xrightarrow{\tilde{j}} H_n(X_p, X_{p-1}) \xrightarrow{\partial = K} H_{n-1}(X_{p-1}) \rightarrow \dots$$

↪ sew these all together.

Unraveled exact couple

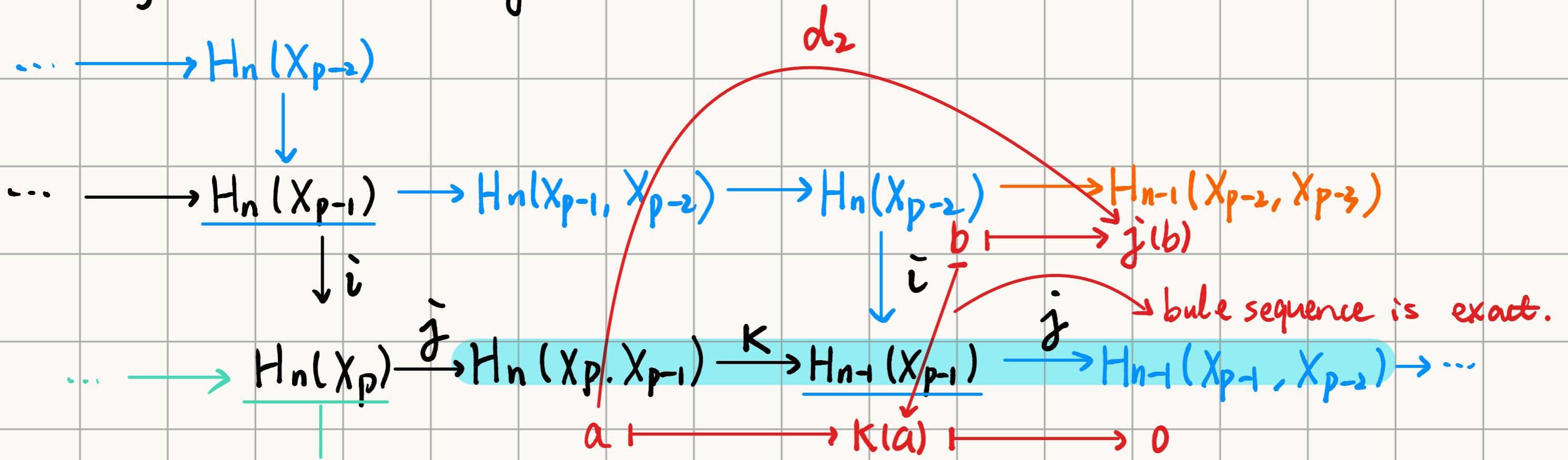


Claim. There's a SS of the form $(n = p+q)$

$$E'_{p,q} = H_{p+q}(X_p, X_{p-1}) \implies H_{p+q}(X), \quad d' = jk$$

Let $E_{p,q}^2 = \ker d'/\text{Im } d'$ $d^2 = ?$

If $d'(a) = 0$ then $j'k(a) = 0$



Should have $d^2 : E_{p,q}^2 \rightarrow E_{p+2, q+2-1}^2$. Why is d^2 well-defined?

Why is $d^2(a) \in E_{p-2,q+2-1}^2 = \underline{\ker(d')}/\underline{\text{Im}(d')}$? ...

If $a \in \text{Im } d'$, then $K(a) = 0$, so well-defined.

$d^2(a) = j(b)$. So $d'(j(b)) = jkj(b) = 0$ and so $j(b) \in \ker d'$

d^3 - same idea, lift through i again ... $d^{r+1} = j(i^{-1})^r i$