

1. Let $S^n \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{p} B$ be a Serre fibration where B is a simply connected space. Use the Serre spectral sequence to show that there exists an exact sequence of the form

$$\cdots \rightarrow H_q(E) \rightarrow H_q(B) \rightarrow H_{q-n-1}(B) \rightarrow H_{q-1}(E) \rightarrow H_{q-1}(B) \rightarrow \cdots$$

This exact sequence is called the *Gysin sequence*.

2. Recall that the complex projective space \mathbb{CP}^n fits into a fibration sequence $S^1 \rightarrow S^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$. Use this to show that

$$H_q(\mathbb{CP}^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } q \text{ is even and } q \leq 2n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

3. Let $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{p} S^n$ be a Serre fibration for some $n \geq 2$. Use the Serre spectral sequence to show that there exists an exact sequence of the form

$$\cdots \rightarrow H_q(F) \rightarrow H_q(E) \rightarrow H_{q-n}(F) \rightarrow H_{q-1}(F) \rightarrow H_{q-1}(E) \rightarrow \cdots$$

This exact sequence is called the *Wang sequence*.

4. Let $f: S^2 \rightarrow S^2$ be a map of degree 2. Compute homology groups of the homotopy fiber of f .

5. Let $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{f} B$ be a Serre fibration where B is a simply connected space. Consider the Serre spectral sequence $E_{*,*}^r$ of this fibration. Notice that since all differentials terminating at groups $E_{p,0}^r$ are trivial, we obtain

$$H_p(B) = E_{p,0}^2 \subseteq E_{p,0}^3 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq E_{p,0}^{p+1} = E_{p,0}^\infty = H_p(E)/F_{p-1}H_p(E)$$

Show that the resulting homomorphism $H_p(B) \hookrightarrow H_p(E)/F_{p-1}H_p(E) \rightarrow H_p(E)$ coincides with the homomorphism $f_*: H_p(E) \rightarrow H_p(B)$.

6. Let $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{f} B$ be a Serre fibration where B is a simply connected space. Consider the Serre spectral sequence $E_{*,*}^r$ of this fibration. Notice that since all differentials that start at groups $E_{0,q}^r$ are trivial, the group $E_{q,0}^{r+1}$ is a quotient group of $E_{q,0}^r$. As a result we obtain a sequence of quotient homomorphisms:

$$H_q(F) = E_{0,q}^2 \rightarrow E_{0,q}^3 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow E_{0,q}^{q+2} = E_{0,q}^\infty = F_0H_q(E) \subseteq H_q(E)$$

Show that the resulting homomorphism $H_q(F) \rightarrow H_q(E)$ coincides with the homomorphism i_* induced by the inclusion of the fiber $i: F \hookrightarrow E$.