

# Kenneth for Homology

Goal: understanding homology of product of spaces from their individual homologies.

## Part 1: CW Complexes

Thm If  $X \& Y$  are CW complexes, then  $X \times Y$  is a CW complex s.t.  $C_*^{CW}(X \times Y) \cong C_*^{CW}(X) \otimes C_*^{CW}(Y)$

Note: need to first define tensor product of chain complexes.

Given chain complexes  $C$  and  $D$ , can define their tensor product  $C \otimes D := \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (C \otimes D)_n$ , where  $(C \otimes D)_n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} C_p \otimes D_q$  with a boundary map given by

$$\begin{aligned} \bigoplus_{p+q=n} C_p \otimes D_q &\xrightarrow{\partial_{\otimes}} \bigoplus_{p+q=n-1} C_p \otimes D_q \\ \partial_{\otimes}(a \otimes b) &= \partial a \otimes b + (-1)^p a \otimes \partial b. \end{aligned}$$

! Should verify that  $\partial_{\otimes}$  is actually a boundary map, that is,  $\partial_{\otimes}^2 = 0$ . Works out b/c of signs!

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\otimes}(\partial_{\otimes}(a \otimes b)) &= \partial_{\otimes}(\partial a \otimes b + (-1)^p a \otimes \partial b) = \cancel{\partial^2 a \otimes b} + (-1)^{p-1} \partial a \otimes \partial b + (-1)^p \partial a \otimes \partial b + \cancel{(-1)^{2p} a \otimes \partial^2 b} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

To prove the theorem: not hard to see that  $X \times Y$  is a CW complex, with  $n$ -cells consisting of  $e_\alpha^i \times e_\beta^{n-i}$  for  $e_\alpha^i$  in  $X$  &  $e_\beta^{n-i}$  in  $Y$ . So  $n$ -skeleton is  $(X \times Y)_n = \bigcup_{p+q=n} X^p \times Y^q$ .

To see that  $C_*^{CW}(X \times Y) \cong C_*^{CW}(X) \otimes C_*^{CW}(Y)$ , define  $C_*^{CW}(X) \times C_*^{CW}(Y) \xrightarrow{x} C_*^{CW}(X \times Y)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} e_\alpha^p \times e_\beta^q & \mapsto & e_\alpha^p \times e_\beta^q \\ \in C_p^{CW}(X) \times C_q^{CW}(Y) & & \in C_{p+q}^{CW}(X \times Y) \end{array}$$

$x$  is clearly bilinear, so induces a map  $C_*^{CW}(X) \otimes C_*^{CW}(Y) \xrightarrow{x} C_*^{CW}(X \times Y)$

$$e_\alpha^p \otimes e_\beta^q \longmapsto e_\alpha^p \times e_\beta^q. \text{ Injectivity \& surjectivity are clear.}$$

need to show that the cellular boundary map  $C_n^{CW}(X \times Y) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_{n-1}^{CW}(X \times Y)$  satisfies the same Leibniz rule as  $\partial_{\otimes}$ , that is,  $\partial(e_\alpha^p \times e_\beta^q) = \partial e_\alpha^p \times e_\beta^q + (-1)^p e_\alpha^p \times \partial e_\beta^q$  for product cell in  $C_n^{CW}(X \times Y)$ .

This is hard!! We know how each cell is attached to  $X \& Y$  explicitly, but difficult to understand the attaching map of the product.

## Part 2: Cross Product Map on Singular Chain Complexes

When  $X \& Y$  are not CW complexes, we don't have an obvious map  $C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y) \xrightarrow{*} C_*(X \times Y)$ .  
 (We also don't have an isomorphism anymore, but we do have a chain homotopy equivalence.)

We should define a cross product map  $x$  (and then an inverse map  $\theta: C_*(X \times Y) \longrightarrow C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)$ ) such that  $x \circ \theta \simeq \text{id}_{C_*(X \times Y)}$  and  $\theta \circ x \simeq \text{id}_{C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)}$  where the homotopy equivalences are chain homotopy equivalences, i.e., there exists a sequence of maps  $\{D_n: C_n(X \times Y) \longrightarrow C_{n+1}(X \times Y)\}$  such that  $D_{n-1} \circ \partial + \partial \circ D_n = \text{id} - x \circ \theta$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C_n(X \times Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_{n-1}(X \times Y) \\ D_n \searrow & \downarrow \text{id} & \swarrow D_{n-1} \\ C_{n+1}(X \times Y) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & C_n(X \times Y) \end{array} \quad (\text{and a similar construction for } \theta \circ x).$$

Since chain homotopy equivalent chain complexes have isomorphic homology, such a construction would induce

$$** H_n(X \times Y) \cong H_n(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)) \text{ for all } n. **$$

and then our task would be to analyze the singular homology of  $C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)$ !

(Natural question: Is  $H_n(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)) \cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^n H_i(X) \otimes H_{n-i}(Y)$ ? We'll see later that in general, the answer is no.)

Step 1: Define  $x: C_*(X) \times C_*(Y) \longrightarrow C_*(X \times Y)$

such that:

- (i)  $x$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -bilinear (hence induces linear map  $C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y) \longrightarrow C_*(X \times Y)$  by universal property of tensor products.)
- (ii) boundary map on  $C_*(X \times Y)$  commutes with that of tensor product, i.e.,

$$d(axb) = \partial a \times b + (-1)^{|a|} a \times \partial b$$

- (iii) cross product is natural: if  $f: X \rightarrow X'$  &  $g: Y \rightarrow Y'$  are maps,  $a \in C_p(X)$ ,  $b \in C_q(Y)$ , then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f_{\#}(a) \times g_{\#}(b) & = & (f \times g)_{\#}(a \times b) \\ \underbrace{f_{\#}(a)}_{\in C_p(X')} \times \underbrace{g_{\#}(b)}_{\in C_q(Y')} & & \underbrace{(f \times g)_{\#}(a \times b)}_{\in C_{p+q}(X' \times Y')} \\ & & \in C_{p+q}(X' \times Y') \end{array} \quad \text{where } f \times g \text{ is the cartesian product of maps } X \times Y \longrightarrow X' \times Y'.$$

(iv) normalization: given  $x \in X, y \in Y$  (viewed as 0-singular simplices)

$$\text{define } j_x: Y \rightarrow X \times Y \quad l_y: X \rightarrow X \times Y \\ y \mapsto (x, y) \quad x \mapsto (x, y).$$

if  $b \in C_q(Y)$ , define  $\underline{C_x^0} \times b := (j_x)_*(b)$ . if  $a \in C_p(X)$ , define  $\underline{a \times C_y^0} := (l_y)_*(a)$

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**Construction:** We construct this map inductively on  $p+q=n$ .

When  $p=0$  or  $q=0$  we're done by (iv) normalization. So  $(p, q) = (0, 0)$  is done.

Suppose  $p+q=1$  w/  $p=0, q=1$ . Define  $C_0(X) \times C_1(Y) \xrightarrow{x} C_1(X \times Y)$

$$\sum a_i x_i \times b = \sum a_i (j_{x_i})_*(b).$$

? Does the differential satisfy Leibniz?  $d(x_i \times b)$  should intuitively be  $x_i \times db$ , and indeed,  $d(x_i \times b) = d((j_{x_i})_*(b))$

Similar story holds for  $p=1, q=0$ .

Now suppose a map satisfying (i)-(iv) is constructed for  $p+q=n-1$ .

We need to define  $\sigma \times \tau \in C_{p+q}(X \times Y)$  for  $\sigma \in C_p(X)$ ,  $\tau \in C_q(Y)$  with  $p+q=n$ .

**Recall:**  $\sigma \in C_p(X)$  means  $\sigma$  is a linear combination of singular  $p$ -simplices on  $X$ , which are continuous maps from the standard  $p$ -simplex  $\Delta^p \rightarrow X$ . Without loss of generality we may assume  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  are themselves singular simplices (so  $\sigma: \Delta^p \rightarrow X$ ,  $\tau: \Delta^q \rightarrow Y$ ) and then extend the cross product definition bilinearly.

! It's tempting here to define  $\sigma \times \tau$  as the cartesian product  $\sigma \times \tau: \Delta^p \times \Delta^q \rightarrow X \times Y$ . But elements of  $C_{p+q}(X \times Y)$  are linear combinations of maps  $\Delta^{p+q} \rightarrow X \times Y$ , and while  $\Delta^p \times \Delta^q \cong \Delta^{p+q}$  homeo, there is no canonical identification of the two. Thus we need to appeal to another strategy.

**Strategy:** Use naturality. We have the  $p$ -singular simplex  $\iota_p: \Delta^p \rightarrow \Delta^p \in C_p(\Delta^p)$  which is simply the identity. We similarly have  $\iota_q: \Delta^q \rightarrow \Delta^q$ . Now  $\sigma = \sigma \uparrow (\iota_p) \in C_p(X)$  and  $\tau = \tau \uparrow (\iota_q) \in C_q(Y)$  — this is pretty tautological!

as a map  $C_p(\Delta^p) \rightarrow C_p(X)$

but naturality tells us that if we define  $\iota_p \times \iota_q$  as an element of  $C_{p+q}(\Delta^p \times \Delta^q)$ , then  $\sigma \times \tau := (\sigma \times \tau) \uparrow (\iota_p \times \iota_q)$ .

cartesian product of  
the maps  $\sigma: \Delta^p \rightarrow X$   
and  $\tau: \Delta^q \rightarrow Y$

Thus suffices to define  $\iota_p \times \iota_q$ ! The trick here is to notice that  $\Delta^p \times \Delta^q$  is contractible, hence has trivial reduced homology groups (so all cycles are boundaries).

We outline two ways to define  $\iota_p \times \iota_q$ :

### Method 1: Acyclic Models

If  $\iota_p \times \iota_q$  were defined, we know what its boundary should be: " $d(\iota_p \times \iota_q) = d\iota_p \times \iota_q + (-1)^p \iota_p \times d\iota_q$ ".

Note that the right hand side is a well-defined element of  $C_{n-1}(\Delta^p \times \Delta^q)$  by the inductive hypothesis.

We can actually check that the right hand side of " $d(l_p \times l_q)$ " is a cycle:  $d(d(l_p \times l_q) + (-1)^p (l_p \times d(l_q))) = 0$  (see above computation for  $\partial^2 = 0$ ). Thus  $d(l_p \times l_q + (-1)^p l_p \times d(l_q))$  is a well-defined element of  $H_{n+1}(\Delta^p \times \Delta^q) = 0$  for  $n \geq 2$  (and we may assume  $n \geq 2$  since we explicitly constructed the base cases of  $n=0, n=1$ ).

So  $d(l_p \times l_q + (-1)^p l_p \times d(l_q))$  is actually the boundary of some element  $\beta \in C_n(\Delta^p \times \Delta^q)$ , and we can define  $l_p \times l_q$  to be this  $\beta$ . Note that there is a non-canonical choice being made here, since in theory there could be several  $\beta$  for which  $d\beta$  gives  $d(l_p \times l_q + (-1)^p l_p \times d(l_q))$ .

Now  $\sigma \times \tau := (\sigma \times \tau)_\#(l_p \times l_q)$  and we verify that the boundary map works as expected:

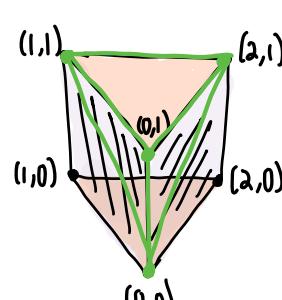
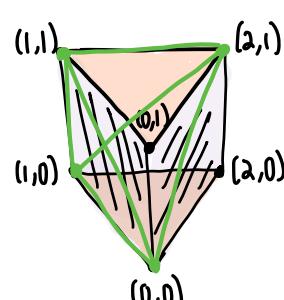
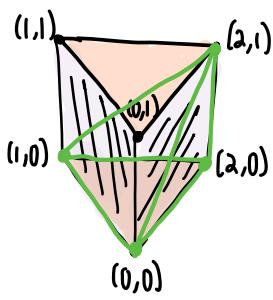
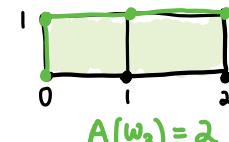
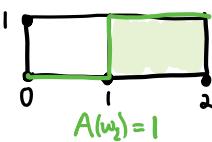
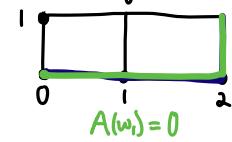
$$\begin{aligned}
 d(\sigma \times \tau) &= d((\sigma \times \tau)_\#(l_p \times l_q)) \\
 &= (\sigma \times \tau)_\#(d(l_p \times l_q)) \quad (\text{chain maps commute with boundaries}) \\
 &= (\sigma \times \tau)_\#(dl_p \times l_q + (-1)^p l_p \times dl_q) \\
 &= (\sigma \times \tau)_\#(dl_p \times l_q) + (-1)^p (\sigma \times \tau)_\#(l_p \times dl_q) \quad (\text{linearity}) \\
 &= \sigma_\#(dl_p) \times \tau_\#(l_q) + (-1)^p (\sigma_\#(l_p) \times \tau_\#(dl_q)) \quad (\text{naturality in the case of } p+q=n-1, \text{ by inductive hypothesis}) \\
 &= d\sigma_\#(l_p) \times \tau_\#(l_q) + (-1)^p \sigma_\#(l_p) \times d\tau_\#(l_q) \\
 &= d\sigma \times \tau + (-1)^p \sigma \times d\tau. \quad (\text{chain maps commute with boundaries})
 \end{aligned}$$

**Method 2: Explicit Construction via Eilenberg-Zilber Chain** (due to Eilenberg & MacLane, description appears in 1940 paper by Eilenberg & Moore).

Goal is to triangulate the prism: find simplices  $\Delta^{p+q}$  inside of  $\Delta^p \times \Delta^q$ , assign to each simplex a coefficient as follows:

- simplices are indexed by order-preserving injections  $w: [p+q] \rightarrow [p] \times [q]$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  since  $w$  is injective, we know  $w(0) = (0,0)$  and  $w(p+q) = (p,q)$ .
- each  $w$  can be depicted as a right-up staircase in  $[0,p] \times [0,q]$ , and we define  $A(w)$  to be the area under this staircase. Then define  $l_p \times l_q := \sum_w (-1)^{A(w)} w$

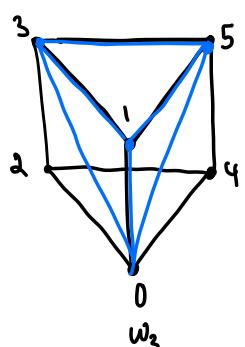
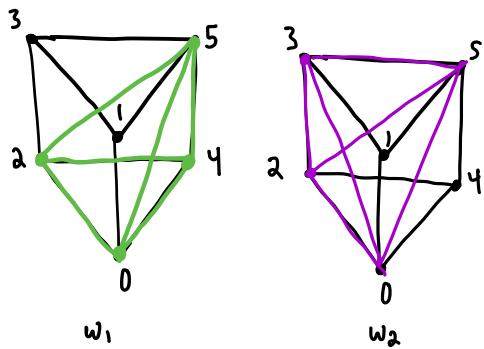
**EX**  $p=2, q=1$ . Looking for  $\Delta^3$ 's in  $\Delta^2 \times \Delta^1$ .



Then  $l_2 \times l_1$  is defined as  $\sum_{i=1}^3 (-1)^{A(w_i)} w_i = w_1 - w_2 + w_3$  where each  $w_i$  is the 3-simplex depicted above, respectively.

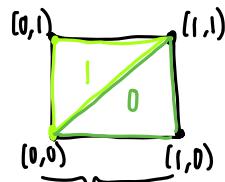
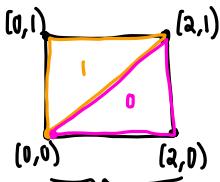
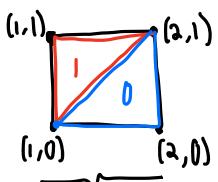
What is the boundary of  $l_2 \times l_1$ ? Assign lexicographic order to vertices (total order).

Relabel:  $(0,0) \mapsto 0 \quad (0,1) \mapsto 1 \quad (1,0) \mapsto 2 \quad (1,1) \mapsto 3 \quad (2,0) \mapsto 4 \quad (2,1) \mapsto 5$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial(w_1) &= [2 \ 4 \ 5] - [0 \ 4 \ 5] + [0 \ 2 \ 5] - [0 \ 2 \ 4] \\
 \partial(w_2) &= [2 \ 3 \ 5] - [0 \ 3 \ 5] + [0 \ 2 \ 5] - [0 \ 2 \ 3] \\
 \partial(w_3) &= [1 \ 3 \ 5] - [0 \ 3 \ 5] + [0 \ 1 \ 5] - [0 \ 1 \ 3] \\
 \Rightarrow \partial(l_2 \times l_1) &= \partial w_1 - \partial w_2 + \partial w_3 \\
 &= [2 \ 4 \ 5] - [0 \ 4 \ 5] - [0 \ 2 \ 4] - [2 \ 3 \ 5] + [0 \ 2 \ 3] \\
 &\quad + [1 \ 3 \ 5] + [0 \ 1 \ 5] - [0 \ 1 \ 3]
 \end{aligned}$$

What is  $d(l_2 \times l_1 + l_2 \times d(l_1))$ ?  $d(l_2 \times l_1) = [1 \ 2] \times l_1 - [0 \ 2] \times l_1 + [0 \ 1] \times l_1 + l_2 \times \{1\} - l_2 \times \{0\}$



$$\{l_2 \times \{1\}\} = [1 \ 3 \ 5]$$

$$\{l_2 \times \{0\}\} = [0 \ 2 \ 4]$$

*in vertex labels above*

$$d(l_2 \times l_1 + l_2 \times d(l_1)) = [2 \ 4 \ 5] - [2 \ 3 \ 5] - [0 \ 4 \ 5] + [0 \ 1 \ 5] + [0 \ 2 \ 3] - [0 \ 1 \ 3] + [1 \ 3 \ 5] - [0 \ 2 \ 4] = d(l_2 \times l_1) !$$



### Part 3: Dual Product

We need to define a map  $\theta: C_*(X \times Y) \rightarrow C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)$  which is a chain homotopy inverse of  $x$ .

**Strategy:** Again using acyclic models — define  $\theta$  on “model simplices”  $d_n: \Delta^n \rightarrow \Delta^n \times \Delta^n$  given by diagonal inclusion.  $v \mapsto (v, v)$ .

Recall in proof of  $x$  map, it was useful that  $\tilde{H}_n(\Delta^p \times \Delta^q) = 0$  for all  $n$ .

Here it will be useful to have that  $\tilde{H}_k(C_*(\Delta^n) \otimes C_*(\Delta^n)) = 0$  for all  $k$ .

This is not as trivial! We need the following lemma:

**Lemma:** (acyclic models) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are contractible spaces, then  $H_n(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)) \cong \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq 0 \\ \mathbb{Z} & n=0 \end{cases}$ .

**Proof:** We wish to construct a chain homotopy between the chain maps  $\text{id} \otimes \text{id}$  and  $E \otimes E$ , where  $E$  is the augmentation map on  $C_*(X)$  which is 0 in  $\deg > 0$  and  $C_0(X) \xrightarrow{E} C_0(X)$   
 $\sum n_i \sigma_i \mapsto \sum n_i x_0$

If we can show this, then because homotopic chain maps yield same maps on homology  $\Rightarrow H_*(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y))$  may be calculated via  $E \otimes E$ , which is trivial except in degree 0.

Since  $X$  is contractible, the identity map is null homotopic; call this null homotopy  $F$ , so  $F_0 = \text{id}$ ,  $F_1 = f_{X, 0}$ .

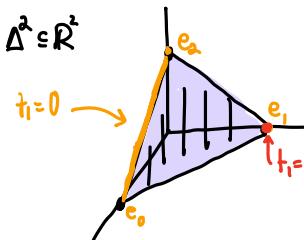
We claim that the identity chain map induced by  $\text{id}$  is chain homotopic to the augmentation chain map  $E$  given above.

Recall:  $\Delta^n = \{ \sum_{i=0}^n t_i e_i \mid \sum_{i=0}^n t_i = 1, t_i \geq 0 \}$ , where  $e_i$  is  $(i+1)$ 'st basis vector of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .

We can thus view an  $n$ -simplex  $\sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow X$  as a map on the Barycentric coordinates  $(t_0, \dots, t_n)$ .

The faces of  $\Delta^n$  are given by  $t_i = 0$  for  $i=0, \dots, n$   
 — vertices —  $t_i = 1$  —

[EX]  $\Delta^2 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$



Given an  $n$ -simplex  $\sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow X$ , define  $D_n(\sigma)$  to be the  $(n+1)$ -simplex  $D_n(\sigma)(t_0, \dots, t_{n+1}) = F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \dots, \frac{t_{n+1}}{1-t_0}))$   
 (Check:  $\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} t_i = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{t_i}{1-t_0} = \frac{1}{1-t_0} (1-t_0) = 1$ .)

Let's look at an example.

Suppose  $\sigma: \Delta^2 \rightarrow X$ . Then  $D_1(\partial\sigma) = D_1\left(\sum_{i=0}^2 (-1)^i \sigma^i\right) = \sum_{i=0}^2 (-1)^i D_1(\sigma^i)$ .

Recall that  $\sigma^i$  is the restriction of  $\sigma$  to its  $i^{\text{th}}$  face, which is opposite of vertex  $e_i$ . Hence  $\sigma^0 = \sigma|_{[e_0, e_2]} \in C_1(X)$ .  
 Then  $D_1(\sigma^0)$  is a map  $\Delta^2 \rightarrow X$  which takes in the Barycentric coordinates  $t_0, t_1$  and spits out  $F_{t_0}(\sigma^0(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0}))$ .  
 We see that this corresponds to the point  $(0, \frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})$  in the original 2-simplex  $\Delta^2$ .

Similarly:  $D_1(\sigma^1)(t_0, t_1, t_2) = F_{t_0}(\sigma^1(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) = F_{t_0}(\sigma|_{[e_0, e_2]}(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) = F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, 0, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0}))$   
 $D_1(\sigma^2)(t_0, t_1, t_2) = F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0}, 0))$

Thus:  $D_1(\partial\sigma)(t_0, t_1, t_2) = F_{t_0}(\sigma^0(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) - F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, 0, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) + F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0}, 0))$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{On the other hand, } \partial D_2(\sigma)(t_0, t_1, t_2) &= \sum_{i=0}^3 (-1)^i D_2(\sigma)^i(t_0, t_1, t_2) \\ &= D_2(\sigma)|_{[e_0, e_1, e_3]}(t_0, t_1, t_2) - D_2(\sigma)|_{[e_0, e_2, e_3]}(t_0, t_1, t_2) + D_2(\sigma)|_{[e_0, e_1, e_2]}(t_0, t_1, t_2) \\ &\quad - D_2(\sigma)|_{[e_0, e_1, e_2]}(t_0, t_1, t_2) \\ &= D_2(\sigma)(0, t_0, t_1, t_2) - D_2(\sigma)(t_0, 0, t_1, t_2) + D_2(\sigma)(t_0, t_1, 0, t_2) - D_2(\sigma)(t_0, t_1, t_2, 0) \\ &= F_0(\sigma(t_0, t_1, t_2)) - F_{t_0}(\sigma(0, \frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) + F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, 0, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) - F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0}, 0)) \\ &= \sigma(t_0, t_1, t_2) - F_{t_0}(\sigma(0, \frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) + F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, 0, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0})) - F_{t_0}(\sigma(\frac{t_1}{1-t_0}, \frac{t_2}{1-t_0}, 0)) \end{aligned}$$

since  $F_0 = \text{id}$ .

We see that  $D_1(\partial\sigma) + \partial(D_2(\sigma)) = \sigma$ , so  $D_1 \circ \partial + \partial \circ D_2 = \text{id}$ .

More generally:  $D_{n-1} \circ \partial + \partial \circ D_n = \text{id}$  for  $n \geq 1$ .

When  $n=0$ , one can check that  $\partial D_0(\sigma) + x_0 = \sigma$ , so  $\partial D_0(\sigma) = \sigma - x_0 = \sigma - E(\sigma)$

This shows that  $D \circ \partial + \partial \circ D = \text{id} - E$ , so  $\text{id}$  &  $E$  are chain homotopic.  $\square$

We have such a chain homotopy for  $Y$  too. We wish to combine these into a chain homotopy of  $\text{id} \otimes \text{id}$  and  $E \otimes E$ .

Define  $Q: (C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y))_n \rightarrow (C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y))_{n+1}$   
 $Q(a \otimes b) = (\partial \otimes E)(a \otimes b) + (-1)^{|a|} (\text{id} \otimes \partial)(a \otimes b).$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \partial \otimes Q + Q \partial &= \partial \otimes (\partial \otimes E(a \otimes b) + (-1)^{|a|} (\text{id} \otimes \partial)(a \otimes b)) + Q(\partial a \otimes b + (-1)^{|a|} a \otimes \partial b) \\ &= \partial \otimes (\partial(a) \otimes E(b) + (-1)^{|a|} a \otimes \partial(b)) + Q(\partial a \otimes b) + (-1)^{|a|} Q(a \otimes \partial b) \\ &= (\partial \partial + \partial \partial) \otimes E(a \otimes b) + \text{id} \otimes (\partial \partial + \partial \partial)(a \otimes b) \\ &= ((\text{id} - E) \otimes E + \text{id} \otimes (\text{id} - E))(a \otimes b) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial \otimes Q + Q \partial = \text{id} \otimes \text{id} - E \otimes E. \quad \square$$

We are now set to actually define our dual chain map!

**Step 2:** Define a map  $\theta: C_*(X \times Y) \rightarrow C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)$  such that

(i) on 0-chains  $\theta$  is obvious:  $\theta(x, y) = \underset{\substack{\Delta^0 \rightarrow Y \\ \text{viewed as a} \\ 0\text{-simplex}}}{x \otimes y} \underset{\Delta^0 \rightarrow X}{\leftarrow}$

(ii)  $\partial \otimes \theta = \theta \circ \partial$

(iii) naturality: if  $f: X \rightarrow X'$ ,  $g: Y \rightarrow Y'$  are continuous maps, then  $\theta \circ (f \times g)_\# = (f_\# \otimes g_\#) \circ \theta$

cartesian product

proof: induction & use of acyclic models :

Case  $n=0$  is done by map in (i).

Now suppose  $\theta: C_k(X \times Y) \rightarrow (C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y))_k$  has been defined for chains of deg  $k \leq n-1$ .

Consider  $d_n: \Delta^n \rightarrow \Delta^n \times \Delta^n$  diagonal inclusion (so  $d_n \in C_n(\Delta^n \times \Delta^n)$ ).

Again we compute the formal boundary " $\partial \otimes \theta(d_n) = \theta(\partial d_n)$ " by property (ii), and  $\theta$  is defined for  $k=n-1$ .  
 $\in C_{n-1}(\Delta^n \times \Delta^n)$

Now the right hand side is a cycle since  $\partial \otimes (\theta(\partial d_n)) = \theta(\partial \partial d_n) = \theta(0) = 0$ . By the lemma, we know that  $H_n(C_*(\Delta^n) \otimes C_*(\Delta^n)) = 0$  for  $n \geq 1$  since  $\Delta^n$  is contractible. So  $\theta(\partial d_n) \in H_{n-1}(\Delta^n \times \Delta^n) = 0$  for  $n \geq 2$  (what happens for  $n=1$ ?).

Thus  $\theta(\partial d_n)$  is the boundary of some  $\beta \in (C_*(\Delta^n) \otimes C_*(\Delta^n))_n$ , and we define  $\theta(d_n) = \beta$ .

More generally: if  $\sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow X \times Y$  is an  $n$ -simplex, we have  $\pi_X \circ \sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow X$  and  $\pi_Y \circ \sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow Y$ , so

$(\pi_X \circ \sigma \times \pi_Y \circ \sigma)_\# : C_n(\Delta^n \times \Delta^n) \rightarrow C_n(X \times Y)$ .

Then as an  $n$ -simplex,  $\sigma$  is given by  $(\pi_X \circ \sigma \times \pi_Y \circ \sigma)_\#(d_n)$ , so by naturality we have  $\theta(\sigma) = \theta((\pi_X \circ \sigma \times \pi_Y \circ \sigma)_\#(d_n))$   
 $\in C_n(\Delta^n \times \Delta^n)$   
 $= (\pi_X \circ \sigma)_\# \otimes (\pi_Y \circ \sigma)_\#(\theta(d_n))$ .

Similar computation as that for  $x$  shows that  $\partial \otimes \theta(\sigma) = \theta(\partial \sigma)$ .  $\square$

Lemma:  $x$  and  $\theta$  are chain-homotopy inverses.

Proof: (skipped).

#### Part 4: Künneth Theorem for Homology

Note:  $x$  takes cycles  $\otimes$  cycles to cycles and cycles  $\otimes$  boundaries to boundaries :

- if  $\partial a = 0 \wedge \partial b = 0$ , then  $\partial(a \times b) = \partial a \times b + (-1)^{|a|} a \otimes \partial b = 0$ .
- if  $\partial a = 0 \wedge b = \partial c$ , then  $a \times b = a \times c + a \times \partial c = (-1)^{|a|} \partial(a \times c)$

Thus  $x$  induces a well-defined map on homology :

$$x: H_p(X) \otimes H_q(Y) \longrightarrow H_{p+q}(X \times Y)$$

$[\sigma] \otimes [\tau] \longmapsto [\sigma \times \tau]$  (independent of choices: for instance, if  $\sigma'$  differs from  $\sigma$  by a boundary  $\partial\gamma$ , then  $\sigma \times \tau - \sigma' \times \tau = \partial\gamma \times \tau = \partial(\gamma \times \tau)$  since  $\partial\tau = 0$ .)

Now we may apply this component-wise? to  $\bigoplus_{p+q=n} H_p(X) \otimes H_q(Y) \longrightarrow H_n(X \times Y)$ . What can we say about this map?

**Thm (Kunneth-Algebraic):** let  $R$  be a PID,  $R$ -modules  $C_i$  are free, then for each  $n \exists$  natural SES

$$0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_i H_i(C) \otimes_R H_{n-i}(C') \longrightarrow H_n(C \otimes C') \rightarrow \bigoplus_i \text{Tor}_R(H_i(C), H_{n-i-1}(C')) \rightarrow 0$$

which splits (although not naturally).

Proof: Special case first where boundary maps of  $C$  are all 0. Then  $H_i(C) \cong C_i$ . Also then  $C_p \otimes C'_q \xrightarrow{\delta} C_p \otimes C'_{q-1}$  since  $\delta(C \otimes C') = (-1)^p C \otimes \delta C'$ .

Hence  $C \otimes C'$  is the direct sum of complexes  $C_i \otimes C'$ .

Now  $\bigoplus_i C_i \otimes C'_{n-i+1} \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \delta} \bigoplus_i C_i \otimes C'_{n-i} \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \delta} \bigoplus_i C_i \otimes C'_{n-i-1}$  and for a fixed  $i$ , get  $C_i \otimes C'_{n-i+1} \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \delta} C_i \otimes C'_{n-i}$ .

Thus  $H_n(C_i \otimes C') \cong C_i \otimes H_{n-i}(C') = H_i(C) \otimes H_{n-i}(C')$ .

So  $H_n(C \otimes C') \cong H_n(\bigoplus_i C_i \otimes C') \cong \bigoplus_i H_i(C) \otimes H_{n-i}(C')$  and since free modules are flat,  $\text{Tor}(H_i(C), H_{n-i-1}(C')) = 0 \forall i$ .

General case: Let  $Z_i \subset C_i$  &  $B_i \subset C_i$  denote kernel & image of boundary hom. for  $C$ .

Obtain subchain complexes

$$\rightarrow Z_n \rightarrow Z_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots$$

$\rightarrow B_n \rightarrow B_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots$  with trivial boundary maps (boundary of cycle is 0, boundary of boundary is 0).

Get a SES of chain complexes  $0 \rightarrow Z_i \rightarrow C_i \xrightarrow{\delta} B_{i-1} \rightarrow 0$  which splits since  $B_{i-1}$  is a submodule of a free  $R$ -module over a PID.

Because this splits, tensor with  $C'$  and remains split exact:

$$0 \rightarrow Z_* \otimes C' \rightarrow C \otimes C' \rightarrow B_{*-1} \otimes C' \rightarrow 0$$

and from a SES of chain complexes we know we get a long exact sequence in homology:

$$\rightarrow H_{n+1}(B_{*-1} \otimes C') \rightarrow H_n(Z_* \otimes C') \rightarrow H_n(C \otimes C') \rightarrow H_n(B_{*-1} \otimes C') \rightarrow H_{n-1}(Z_* \otimes C') \rightarrow$$

The connecting homomorphism is given by  $l \otimes \text{id}$  where  $l$  is the inclusion of  $B_i \hookrightarrow Z_i$ .

By the special case, since  $Z_*$  &  $B_*$  are trivial complexes, we know  $H_n(Z_* \otimes C') \cong \bigoplus_i Z_i \otimes H_{n-i}(C')$   
 $H_n(B_{*-1} \otimes C') \cong \bigoplus_i B_i \otimes H_{n-i-1}(C')$ .

So our LES of homology becomes

$$\xrightarrow{i_n \otimes \text{id}} \bigoplus_i Z_i \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \xrightarrow{j} H_n(C \otimes C') \xrightarrow{l} \bigoplus_i B_i \otimes H_{n-i-1}(C') \xrightarrow{i_{n-1}}$$

which yields the SES

$$0 \rightarrow \text{coker } i_n \hookrightarrow H_n(C \otimes C') \rightarrow \ker i_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\text{im } l} 0.$$

Now  $\text{coker } i_n = \bigoplus_i Z_i \otimes H_{n-i}(C') / \text{im } i_n \cong \bigoplus_i H_i(C) \otimes H_{n-i}(C')$  since  $0 \rightarrow B_{i+1} \rightarrow Z_i \rightarrow H_i(C) \rightarrow 0$  exact  
 $\Rightarrow B_{i+1} \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \xrightarrow{i_n} Z_i \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \rightarrow H_i(C) \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \rightarrow 0$  exact

It thus suffices to compute  $\ker i_{n-1}$ .

By definition, Tor completes an exact sequence

$$B_{i+1} \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \xrightarrow{i_n} Z_i \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \rightarrow H_i(C) \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \rightarrow 0$$

to an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Tor}_R(H_i(C), H_{n-i}(C')) \rightarrow B_{i+1} \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \xrightarrow{i_n} Z_i \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \rightarrow H_i(C) \otimes H_{n-i}(C') \rightarrow 0$$

So summing over  $i$ ,  $\ker i_{n-1} = \bigoplus_i \text{Tor}_R(H_i(C), H_{n-i-1}(C'))$ .  $\square$

### Consequence (Topological Künneth)

We showed  $H_*(X \times Y) \cong H_*(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y))$ .

Thus over PIDs  $R$ , we have a natural SES which splits (non-naturally):

$$0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_i H_i(X; R) \otimes H_{n-i}(Y; R) \rightarrow H_n(X \times Y; R) \rightarrow \bigoplus_i \text{Tor}_R(H_i(X; R), H_{n-i-1}(Y; R)) \rightarrow 0.$$

Corollary 1: If  $R$  is a field, all  $R$ -modules are free (every vector space has a basis) so  $\text{Tor}$  vanishes, obtain "desired" isomorphism.

Corollary 2: If  $C$  is the chain complex  $0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow G$ , then algebraic Künneth yields, for each  $n$ ,

$$0 \rightarrow H_n(X) \otimes G \rightarrow H_n(C \otimes G) \longrightarrow \text{Tor}_e(H_{n-1}(C), G) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\text{split exact}).$$

yielding the universal coefficient theorem for homology.