

# Alg Geo I PS 4

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1. Firstly we compute the Eilenberg-MacLane space  $K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 3)$ . To do that first we look at the path-loop fibration  $K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 1) \rightarrow * \rightarrow K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 2)$ . For simplicity we denote  $K_n = K(\mathbb{Z}_2, n)$ . As  $K_1 = \mathbb{R}P^\infty$ , the first few homology and cohomology groups are as follows,

$$H_*(K_1; \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$H^*(K_1; \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0$$

$$H_*(K_1; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$H^*(K_1; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$H_*(K_2; \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0$$

$$H^*(K_2; \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$H_*(K_2; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2, 0$$

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We know that  $H^*(K_1; \mathbb{Z}_2) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$  the polynomial ring on one generator. Thus by UCT we can see that  $H^p(K_2; H^q(K_1; \mathbb{Z}_2)) = H^p(K_2; \mathbb{Z}_2) \otimes H^q(K_1; \mathbb{Z}_2)$ . The cohomological Serre spectral sequence on  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  of the fibre sequence,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & H^3 & H^4 & H^5 \\
 & & \searrow & & & & \\
 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & H^3 & H^4 & H^5 \\
 & & \searrow & & & & \\
 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & H^3 & H^4 & H^5 \\
 & & \searrow & & & & \\
 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & H^3 & H^4 & H^5 \\
 & & \searrow & & & & \\
 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & H^3 & H^4 & H^5
 \end{array}$$

Take the generator  $x \in E_2^{0,1}$  of  $H^*(K_1; \mathbb{Z}_2)$ ,  $x$  is a transgressive element and by vanishing at  $E_\infty$  page,  $H^2(K_2; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2$  with generator  $y = d_2(x)$ . Then  $x^2 \in E_2^{0,2}$ ,  $x^4 \in E_2^{0,4}$  are both transgressive hence  $d_2(x^2) = d_2(x^4) = 0$  and  $d_2(x^3) = yx^2$ ,  $d_2(x^5) = yx^4$ . Also the multiplicative structure  $E_2^{2,q} = \mathbb{Z}_2$  is generated by  $yx^q$ . Hence  $E_2^{2,2}$ ,  $E_2^{2,4}$  vanish at

the  $E_\infty$  page. By the transgression,  $E_2^{2,1}, E_2^{2,3}, E_2^{2,5}$  do not vanish at the  $E^3$  page, but  $d_2(yx) = y^2$ ,  $d_2(yx^3) = y^2x^2$ ,  $d_2(yx^5) = y^2x^4$ . In particular  $E_2^{4,0}$  has a subgroup generated by  $y^2$ . Note that  $y$  has degree 2, so we take the 2nd order Steenrod square such that  $\text{Sq}^2(y) = y^2$ . Similarly,  $x$  has degree one and so  $\text{Sq}^1(x) = x^2$  so  $z = d_3(x^2) = \text{Sq}^1(d_3(x)) = \text{Sq}^1(y)$  and hence again  $E_2^{3,0}$  contains  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  generated by  $\text{Sq}^1(y)$ . By a similar process,  $E_2^{5,0}$  is  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  generated by  $\text{Sq}^2\text{Sq}^1(y)$ .

For the integral co-homological sequence;

$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0		0			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0		0			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		$d_3$					
$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	$H^5$	$H^6$	

Which converges to the  $E^\infty$  page which vanishes everywhere except  $E_{0,0}^\infty = \mathbb{Z}$ . Note that  $E_{4,0}^2$  vanishes as there is no nontrivial differential to it. Looking at the multiplicative structure, the generator  $x \in E_{0,2}^2 = \mathbb{Z}_2$  maps to the generator  $y = d_3(x) \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $d_3(x^2) = 2xy$  so  $d_3 : E_{0,4}^2 \rightarrow E_{3,2}^2$  is not an isomorphism and so for vanishing at the  $E^\infty$  page  $H^6$  must be non-empty. Note further that  $d_3(xy) = d_3(x)y = y^2$  so it is clear that  $H^6 = \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

From UCT we have an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow H^3(K_2; H^2(K_1)) = H^3(K_2; \mathbb{Z}_2) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow 0$ . Also there is a  $d_5$  differential  $d_5 : \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow H^5(K_2)$  so  $H^5(K_2) = \mathbb{Z}_4$ . From this we can find the homology groups  $H_*(K_2) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

Similarly we do this for  $K_2 \rightarrow * \rightarrow K_3$ . We already have that  $H_*(K_3) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, H^*(K_3) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0$ . Again as before  $H^4(K_3; H^3(K_2)) = \mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes \mathbb{Z}_2$

$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0		0
$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0		0
0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes \mathbb{Z}_2$	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0

Similarly to before we get that the only differential hitting  $E_2^{0,5}$  is  $d_6 : E_2^{0,5} = \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow E_2^{6,0}$  and since both these vanish at the  $E_\infty$  page, it is an isomorphism, thus  $H^6(K_3, \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ . Finally, we can apply UCT again to get homology groups  $H_*(K_3) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

Since  $S^3$  is CW and 2-connected, there exists a Whitehead tower up to degree 4

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 3) & & K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) & & \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
X_4 & \longrightarrow & X_3 & \longrightarrow & X_2 = S^3
\end{array}$$

By long exact sequences on the fibrations  $K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 3) \rightarrow X_4 \rightarrow X_3$  and  $K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \rightarrow X_3 \rightarrow S^3$ ,  $\pi_5(S^3) = \pi_5(X_4)$  and by Hurewicz  $\pi_5(X_4) = H_5(X_4)$  so it suffices to compute the fifth homology group of  $X_4$ . First we look at  $X_3$ , i.e the fibration  $K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \rightarrow X_3 \rightarrow S^3$ . Note  $\mathbb{C}P^\infty = K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$  so  $H^q(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \dots$ . Then cohomological Serre spectral sequence has  $E_2$ -page  $E_2^{p,q} = H^p(S^3, H^q(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))) \implies H^{p+q}(X_3)$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc}
& & \mathbb{Z} & 0 & 0 & \mathbb{Z} & 0 \\
& & \searrow & & & & \\
& 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\
& & \mathbb{Z} & 0 & 0 & \mathbb{Z} & 0 \\
& & \searrow & & & & \\
& 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\
& & \mathbb{Z} & 0 & 0 & \mathbb{Z} & 0 \\
& & \searrow & & & & \\
& 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\
& & \mathbb{Z} & 0 & 0 & \mathbb{Z} & 0
\end{array}$$

Non-trivial differentials are all  $d_3$  then if  $x \in E_2^{0,2} = H^2(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)) = \mathbb{Z}$  is a generator then  $y = d_3(x)$  is a generator for  $E_2^{3,0} = H^3(S^3)$ . By the multiplicative structure  $xy$  generates  $E_2^{3,2}$  and as  $d_3(x^2) = d_3(x)x + xd_3(x) = 2xy$  so  $x^2$  is twice a generator of  $E_2^{0,4} = H^4(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))$ . Similarly  $x^3$  is thrice a generator of  $H^6(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))$  since  $d_3(x^3) = 3x^2y$ .

As there are no more larger degree differentials after this  $E_4 = E_\infty$ , and so the first four cohomology group are easily seen to be  $H^n(X_3) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0$  and due to the maps  $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\times 2, \times 3} \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H^4(X_3) = 0$ ,  $H^5(X_3) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $H^6(X_3) = 0$  and  $H^7(X_3) = \mathbb{Z}_3$ . Then by UCT we see that the first few homology groups are  $H_n(X_3) = \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0, \mathbb{Z}_2, 0, \mathbb{Z}_3$ .

Now looking at the homological Serre spectral sequence for  $K(\mathbb{Z}_2, 3) \rightarrow X_4 \rightarrow X_3$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
& & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
& & \nwarrow & & & & \\
& 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
& & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\
& & \nwarrow & & & & & \\
& 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
& & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
& & \nwarrow & & & & & \\
& \mathbb{Z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_3
\end{array}$$

Since the only morphism  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  is the trivial map, it follows that at the

$E^\infty$ -page  $H_5(X_4) = E_{0,5}^\infty = \mathbb{Z}_2$ . Hence  $\pi_5(S^3) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

2. Let  $X = \text{map}(S^1, S^3)$ , take base-point  $* \in S^1$  and consider the evaluation map  $\text{ev}_* : X \rightarrow S^3$ ,  $f \mapsto f(*)$ . Take base-point  $b \in S^3$  and fibre sequence  $F := \text{ev}_*^{-1}(b) \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_*} S^3$ . Note that  $F$  is just the loop space on  $S^3$ . Every map  $S^1 \rightarrow S^3$  is null-homotopic,  $X$  is path connected. From the fibre sequence, there is a long exact sequence of homotopy groups. Since  $\pi_0(S^3) = \pi_1(S^3) = \pi_2(S^3) = 0$  and the loop-space  $F$  is simply connected (in fact contractible),  $\pi_1(X) = 0$ . Looking at the long exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow \pi_3(F) \rightarrow \pi_3(X) \rightarrow \pi_3(S^3) = \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \pi_2(F) \rightarrow \pi_2(X) \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots$$

$\text{ev}_0$  has a right inverse  $\sigma : S^3 \rightarrow X$  taking  $x \in S^3$  to the constant map to  $x$ . Hence the map  $\pi_3(X) \rightarrow \pi_3(S^3)$  is surjective, so  $\pi_3(S^3) \rightarrow \pi_2(F)$  is the zero map. Therefore  $\pi_2(X) = \pi_2(F)$  (also follows from splitting) and as  $F \cong \Omega(S^3)$ ,  $\pi_2(\Omega(S^3)) \cong \pi_3(S^3) = \mathbb{Z}$ . By Hurewicz then  $H_2(X) = H_2(F) = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $H^2(X) = H^2(F) = \mathbb{Z}$  from UCT. We know that  $H^*(F)$  is the divided power algebra on one generator  $\Gamma(x)$  so looking at the cohomological Serre spectral sequence,

	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0

We see the only non-trivial differentials are  $d_3 : H^0(S^3; H^{2k}(F)) \rightarrow H^3(S^3; H^{2k-2}(F))$ .

The case  $k = 1$  must be the zero map as  $H^3(X) \cong E_{\infty}^{3,0} \cong H^3(S^3)/\text{im}(d_3)$  so the map  $H^3(S^3) \rightarrow H^3(X)$  induced by the right inverse from before is injective (since it has left inverse  $\text{ev}_*$ ).

Then as  $H^*(F)$  is the divided power algebra on one generator  $\Gamma(x)$ , the multiplicative structure shows inductively that all  $d_3$  are zero maps. Hence we get

$$H^n(X) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n = 1 \\ \mathbb{Z} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$