MATH 612 (HOMEWORK 3)

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Exercise. (3.1.11) Using the cellular homology, we obtain

$$\tilde{H}_i(X) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} & (i=n) \\ 0 & (i \neq n). \end{cases}$$
$$\tilde{H}^i(X) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} & (i=n+1) \\ 0 & (i \neq n+1). \end{cases}$$

From previous homework,

$$\tilde{H}^{i}(X/S^{n}) = \tilde{H}_{i}(S^{n+1}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & (i = n+1) \\ 0 & (i \neq n+1). \end{cases}$$

Thus the map on $\tilde{H}_i(-;\mathbb{Z})$ is the zero map for each i. On the other hand, the long exact sequence of a pair gives us $\tilde{H}^{n+1}(X,S^n;\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{q^*} \tilde{H}^{n+1}(X;\mathbb{Z}) \to \tilde{H}^{n+1}(S^n;\mathbb{Z})$ where $\tilde{H}^{n+1}(S^n;\mathbb{Z}) = 0$, so q^* is surjective. Therefore, it is nontrivial because $\tilde{H}^{n+1}(X;\mathbb{Z}) \neq 0$.

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}(H_n(X); \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^{n+1}(X; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}(H_{n+1}(X); \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}(H_n(X/S^n); \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^{n+1}(X/S^n; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}(H_{n+1}(X/S^n); \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow 0$$
is
$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$0 \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow 0.$$

This splitting is not natural because the middle term in the first sequence is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}_m \oplus 0$ and the second one is $0 \oplus \mathbb{Z}$.

The long exact sequence of a pair gives us $\tilde{H}_n(S^n;\mathbb{Z}) \to \tilde{H}_n(X;\mathbb{Z}) \to \tilde{H}_n(X,S^n;\mathbb{Z}) = \tilde{H}_n(S^{n+1};\mathbb{Z}) = 0$ which implies the surjectivity of the induced map. Since $\tilde{H}_n(X;\mathbb{Z}) \neq 0$, the induced map is nonzero.

The map induced on $\tilde{H}^i(-;\mathbb{Z})$ is the zero map for any i because at least one of $\tilde{H}^i(S^n;\mathbb{Z})$ or $\tilde{H}^i(X;\mathbb{Z})$ is 0 for each i.

Exercise. (3.1.13)

Exercise. (3.2.1)

Exercise. (3.2.2) Suppose X is the union of contractible open sets A_1, \dots, A_n . Since each A_i is contractible, $H^k(X, A_i; R) = H^k(X; R)$ for all $k \ge 1$.

$$H^{k_1}(X, A_1; R) \times \cdots \times H^{k_n}(X, A_n; R) \longrightarrow H^{k_1 + \cdots + k_n}(X, A_1 \cup \cdots \cup A_n; R)$$

$$\downarrow \cong \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$H^{k_1}(X; R) \times \cdots \times H^{k_n}(X; R) \longrightarrow f \longrightarrow H^{k_1 + \cdots + k_n}(X; R).$$

This diagram commutes by the naturality of a cup product. $H^{k_1+\cdots+k_n}(X,\bigcup_i A_i;R)=H^{k_1+\cdots+k_n}(X,X;R)=0$ for all $k+l\geq 1$. By the commutativity of this diagram, the function f must be 0.

Exercise. (3.2.3(a)) Suppose otherwise. Let $f: \mathbb{R}P^n \to \mathbb{R}P^m$ be such a function. Then f induces a map on $f^*: H^*(\mathbb{R}P^m) \to H^*(\mathbb{R}P^n)$. In other words, $f^*: \mathbb{Z}_m[\alpha]/(\alpha^{m+1}) \to \mathbb{Z}_n[\beta]/(\beta^{n+1})$ where α, β are generators of $H^1(\mathbb{R}P^m)$ and $H^1(\mathbb{R}P^n)$. $H^1(\mathbb{R}P^m; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, \alpha\}$ and $H^1(\mathbb{R}P^n; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, \beta\}$. Since f induces a nontrivial map $H^1(\mathbb{R}P^m; \mathbb{Z}_2) \to H^1(\mathbb{R}P^n; \mathbb{Z}_2)$, $f^*(\alpha) = \beta$. However, $f^*(0) = f^*(\alpha^{m+1}) = (f^*(\alpha))^{m+1} = \beta^{m+1} \neq 0$ because m < n. This is a contradiction, so such a function does not exist.

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Exercise. (3.2.3(b))

Exercise. (3.2.6)

Exercise. (3.2.7)