

# **Universal Coefficient Theorem Moore-Mayer-Vietoris Sequence for Homology of Ample Groupoids**

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# Topics

What are we going to talk about?

Ample groupoid homology.

Homology via the Moore chain complex of ample groupoids.

Universal coefficient theorem.

A universal coefficient theorem for discrete abelian groups.

Moore–Mayer–Vietoris sequence.

A Mayer–Vietoris type sequence for clopen saturated covers.

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**Boundary.** Since  $\mathcal{G}$  is étale, each face map  $d_i: \mathcal{G}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{n-1}$  is a local homeomorphism, hence the pushforward is well-defined:

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Fix  $g \in \mathcal{G}_n$ . Since  $A$  is discrete, the singleton  $\{f(g)\} \subseteq A$  is open. Therefore

$$U_g := f^{-1}(\{f(g)\})$$

is an open neighborhood of  $g$  in  $\mathcal{G}_n$ . If  $h \in U_g$ , then

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$(d_i)_* f \in C_c(\mathcal{G}_{n-1}, A)$ : it has compact support since

$$\text{supp}((d_i)_* f) \subseteq d_i(\text{supp}(f)),$$

and it is locally constant on  $\mathcal{G}_{n-1}$  when  $A$  is discrete, by local triviality of  $d_i$  over  $\text{supp}(f)$ .

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The identity  $\partial^2 = 0$ .

$\partial_{n-1}\partial_n = 0$ : By definition,

$$\partial_{n-1}\partial_n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{i+j} (d_i)_* \circ (d_j)_*.$$

For  $i < j$ , the simplicial identities give  $d_i d_j = d_{j-1} d_i$ , hence by functoriality of pushforward,

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Therefore the terms cancel in pairs and

$$\partial_{n-1}\partial_n = \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} (-1)^{i+j} \left( (d_i)_*(d_j)_* - (d_{j-1})_*(d_i)_* \right) = 0.$$

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$$0 \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{G}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} A \xrightarrow{\iota_n^{\mathcal{G}}} H_n(\mathcal{G}; A) \xrightarrow{\kappa_n^{\mathcal{G}}} \text{Tor}_1^{\mathbb{Z}}(H_{n-1}(\mathcal{G}), A) \rightarrow 0.$$

The sequence splits, though not canonically:

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Therefore the canonical map

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is surjective. It is injective: if  $\sum_{i=1}^m a_i \chi_{K_i} = 0$  with  $K_i$  pairwise disjoint compact open, then evaluating at any  $g \in K_i$  gives  $a_i = 0$ . Thus

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$$A := (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{O}_{\text{std}}),$$

$$\xi: X \rightarrow A, \quad x \mapsto x.$$

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Then  $\{\bullet\}$  is locally compact, totally disconnected, Hausdorff and compact open.

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$$C_c(\{\bullet\}, A) \cong A,$$

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Proof idea for  $H_n(\beta_\bullet)$ .

Let  $\kappa_i: \mathcal{G}|_{U_i} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{G}$  be the inclusion of reductions.

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Proof idea for  $\partial_n$ .

Assume a SES of Moore chain complexes

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Here  $\partial$  denotes the Moore boundary.

Let  $[c] \in H_n(\mathcal{G}; A)$  with  $\partial c = 0$  and choose  $b$  with  $\beta_n(b) = c$ .

Then  $\beta_{n-1}(\partial b) = \partial(\beta_n(b)) = \partial c = 0$ , hence

$$\partial b \in \ker(\beta_{n-1}) = \text{im}(\alpha_{n-1}).$$

Choose  $a \in C_c((\mathcal{G}|_{U_{12}})_{n-1}, A)$  with  $\alpha_{n-1}(a) = \partial b$  and define

$$\partial_n([c]) := [a] \in H_{n-1}(\mathcal{G}|_{U_{12}}; A).$$

Standard homological algebra:  $\partial_n$  is well-defined, independent of choices, and yields exactness at  $H_n(\mathcal{G}; A)$ .

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How to use in practice:

Choose a clopen saturated cover.

$U_1, U_2 \subseteq \mathcal{G}_0$  so that reductions  $\mathcal{G}|_{U_1}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}|_{U_2}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}|_{U_{12}}$  are computable.

Compute integral homology.

$H_{\bullet}(\mathcal{G}|_{U_i})$ ,  $H_{\bullet}(\mathcal{G}|_{U_{12}})$ , then glue to  $H_{\bullet}(\mathcal{G})$  via MMV.

**Thank you.**

# **Homology of SFT Groupoids**

## Example: Diaconu–Renault Groupoid

Computing Homology with Moore–Mayer–Vietoris + UCT.

$A \in \text{Mat}(N \times N, \mathbb{N}_0)$  with no zero row and no zero column.

$(E_A^{(1)}, E_A^{(0)}, s_{E_A^{(1)}}, r_{E_A^{(1)}})$  a finite directed graph whose adjacency matrix is  $A$ .

The infinite path space is given by Sims 2021, 2.5:

$E_A^\infty = \left\{ (e_n)_{n \geq 1} \in (E_A^1)^\mathbb{N} \mid r_{E_A^{(1)}}(e_n) = s_{E_A^{(1)}}(e_{n+1}) \text{ for all } n \geq 1 \right\}$  with

$\sigma: E_A^\infty \rightarrow E_A^\infty, (e_0, e_1, e_2, \dots) \mapsto (e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots)$ .

$(\mathcal{G}_A)_0 = E_A^\infty$ .

$(\mathcal{G}_A)_1 = \{(x, n, y) \in E_A^\infty \times \mathbb{Z} \times E_A^\infty \mid \exists k, \ell \in \mathbb{N}_0 : n = k - \ell, \sigma^k(x) = \sigma^\ell(y)\}$ .

$s(x, n, y) = y, r(x, n, y) = x, 1_x = (x, 0, x),$

$(x, n, y)^{-1} = (y, -n, x), (x, n, y) \cdot (y, m, z) = (x, n+m, z) \text{ if } s(x, n, y) = r(y, m, z).$

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Homology of SFT-Groupoids is well known.

$\mathbf{1} - A^T$  acts on  $\mathbb{Z}^N$  and we have by Matui 2012, 4.14:

$$H_0(\mathcal{G}_A) \cong \text{coker}(\mathbf{1} - A^T),$$

$$H_1(\mathcal{G}_A) \cong \text{ker}(\mathbf{1} - A^T),$$

$$H_n(\mathcal{G}_A) = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 2.$$

Consider now:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = (3).$$

We compute the integral homology of  $\mathcal{G}_A$ ,  $\mathcal{G}_B$ , and  $\mathcal{G}_C$ .

## Example: Diaconu-Renault Groupoid

Computing Homology for  $\mathcal{G}_A$ .

For  $A$  we have

$$\mathbf{1} - A^T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \det(\mathbf{1} - A^T) = -2.$$

Hence  $\mathbf{1} - A^T$  has full rank over  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\ker(\mathbf{1} - A^T) = 0$ .

Moreover, the Smith normal form is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow -R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{C_2 \leftarrow C_2 - C_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

so  $\text{coker}(\mathbf{1} - A^T) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ .

We get  $H_0(\mathcal{G}_A) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_1(\mathcal{G}_A) = 0$ ,  $H_n(\mathcal{G}_A) = 0$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

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For  $B$  we have

$$\mathbf{1} - B^T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$(\mathbf{1} - B^T)(x, y)^T = 0 \Leftrightarrow -x - y = 0, \text{ hence } \ker(\mathbf{1} - B^T) \cong \mathbb{Z}.$$

The image is generated by  $(1, 1)$ , which is primitive in  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ , so

$$\text{coker}(\mathbf{1} - B^T) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2 / \langle (1, 1) \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}} \cong \mathbb{Z}.$$

Thus, we have for homology  $H_0(\mathcal{G}_B) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_1(\mathcal{G}_B) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) = 0$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

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Computing Homology for  $\mathcal{G}_C$ .

For  $C$  we have  $\mathbf{1} - C^T = -2$ , so

$$\ker(\mathbf{1} - C^T) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{coker}(\mathbf{1} - C^T) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}.$$

Hence  $H_0(\mathcal{G}_C) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_1(\mathcal{G}_C) = 0$ ,  $H_n(\mathcal{G}_C) = 0$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

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The disjoint union groupoid.

We have  $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{G}_A \sqcup \mathcal{G}_B \sqcup \mathcal{G}_C$ , the disjoint union groupoid.

The nerve decomposes levelwise to  $\mathcal{G}_n = (\mathcal{G}_A)_n \sqcup (\mathcal{G}_B)_n \sqcup (\mathcal{G}_C)_n$ .

The Moore chain complex splits as a direct sum, thus

$$H_n(\mathcal{G}) \cong H_n(\mathcal{G}_A) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_C) \text{ for } n \geq 0.$$

In particular

$$H_0(\mathcal{G}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^2, \quad H_1(\mathcal{G}) \cong \mathbb{Z}, \quad H_n(\mathcal{G}) = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 2.$$

Define  $U_1 := (\mathcal{G}_A)_0 \sqcup (\mathcal{G}_B)_0$ ,  $U_2 := (\mathcal{G}_B)_0 \sqcup (\mathcal{G}_C)_0$ .

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The reduction groupoids.

The reductions are

$$\mathcal{G}|_{U_1} = \mathcal{G}_A \sqcup \mathcal{G}_B, \quad \mathcal{G}|_{U_2} = \mathcal{G}_B \sqcup \mathcal{G}_C, \quad \mathcal{G}|_{U_1 \cap U_2} = \mathcal{G}_B.$$

This yields the long exact sequence

$$\cdots \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} H_n(\mathcal{G}_A \sqcup \mathcal{G}_B) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_B \sqcup \mathcal{G}_C) \xrightarrow{\beta_n} \\ \xrightarrow{\beta_n} H_n(\mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} H_{n-1}(\mathcal{G}_B) \rightarrow \cdots .$$

## Example: Diaconu-Renault Groupoid

Explicit formulas for  $\alpha_n$ ,  $\beta_n$ ,  $\delta_n$

$$\alpha_n : H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{G}_A) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_C),$$

$$[b] \mapsto ([0], [b], [-b], [0]),$$

$$\beta_n : H_n(\mathcal{G}_A) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_C) \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{G}_A) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_B) \oplus H_n(\mathcal{G}_C),$$

$$([a], [b_1], [b_2], [c]) \mapsto ([a], [b_1 + b_2], [c]).$$

$\delta_n$  vanishes in this example by exactness  $\delta_n = 0 : H_n(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow H_{n-1}(\mathcal{G}_B)$ , since  $\beta_n$  is surjective and  $\ker(\beta_n) = \{([0], [b], [-b], [0]) \mid b \in H_n(\mathcal{G}_B)\} = \text{im}(\alpha_n)$ .

# Finite coefficients via UCT

Final homology groups for  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ .

Fix a prime  $p$ . Assume  $H_2(\mathcal{G}) = 0$ ,  $H_1(\mathcal{G}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_0(\mathcal{G}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^2$ .

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**Refine the cover:** For  $1 \leq k, r \leq \ell_j$  define  $W_{j,k} := U_{j,k} \setminus \bigcup_{r < k} U_{j,r}$ . Each  $W_{j,r}$  is compact open, as difference of compact open sets. Each  $W_{j,k}$  is compact open, being the difference of compact open sets. Moreover  $W_{j,j} \subset U_{j,k}$ , hence  $W_{j,k}$  is a bisection. The sets  $W_{j,1}, \dots, W_{j,\ell_j}$  are pairwise disjoint and satisfy  $S_j = \bigsqcup_{k=1}^{\ell_j} W_{j,k}$ , so  $\chi_{S_j}(g) = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell_j} \chi_{W_{j,k}}(g)$ . Therefore

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and hence a long exact Mayer–Vietoris sequence.

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Find necessary and sufficient hypotheses on  $\mathcal{G}$  and  $A$  giving a natural isomorphism

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and determine the correct geometric realization, that restores comparison in cases where  $B\mathcal{G}$  fails. In that sense, answer when there is a natural transformation from Moore–homology to  $H_{\bullet}^{\text{sing}}(B\mathcal{G}; A)$ .

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$$\dots \xrightarrow{id} C(X, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{0} C(X, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{id} C(X, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{0} C(X, \mathbb{Z}).$$

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$$\bigoplus_{x \in X} \mathbb{Z} = \left\{ a : X \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \mid |\{x \in X \mid a(x) \neq 0\}| < \infty \right\}.$$

$$\delta : X \rightarrow \bigoplus_{x \in X} \mathbb{Z}, \quad x \mapsto \delta_x, \quad \delta_x(y) = \begin{cases} 1, & y = x, \\ 0, & y \neq x. \end{cases}$$

$$\delta \text{ injective} \Rightarrow \left| H_0^{\text{sing}}(B\mathcal{G}; \mathbb{Z}) \right| = \left| \bigoplus_{x \in X} \mathbb{Z} \right| \geq |X| = 2^{\aleph_0}.$$

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$\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are well defined and continuous, and  $\Phi\Psi = \text{id}$ ,  $\Psi\Phi = \text{id} \Rightarrow |\mathcal{G}_\bullet| \cong X \times |\Delta^\bullet|$ .

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For every simplicial  $\theta : \Delta^m \rightarrow \Delta^n$  define  $\theta' : \Delta^{m+1} \rightarrow \Delta^{n+1}$  by

$$\theta'(u_0, \dots, u_m, u_{m+1}) = (\theta(u_0, \dots, u_m), u_{m+1}).$$

Then  $\theta'$  is simplicial and for all  $t \in \Delta^m$ ,  $s \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$\tilde{H}(\theta(t), s) = \theta'(\tilde{H}(t, s)) \Rightarrow \tilde{H}(\theta(t), s) \approx \tilde{H}(t, s).$$

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Hence  $\tilde{H}$  descends to a continuous homotopy

$$H: |\Delta^\bullet| \times [0, 1] \rightarrow |\Delta^\bullet|, \quad H([t], s) := [h_n(t, s)] \text{ for } t \in \Delta^n,$$

$$H([t], 0) = [t], \quad H([t], 1) = [(0, \dots, 0, 1)].$$

Choose  $\theta: \Delta^0 \rightarrow \Delta^{n+1}$  with  $\theta(1) = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$ . Then  $\theta(1) \approx (1)$ , hence

$$H([t], 1) = [(0, \dots, 0, 1)] = [(1)] = *, \quad H([t], 0) = [t],$$

so  $H$  contracts  $|\Delta^\bullet|$  to  $*$ .

Let  $p: X \times |\Delta^\bullet| \rightarrow X$  be the projection and  $s: X \rightarrow X \times |\Delta^\bullet|$  be  $s(x) = (x, *)$ . Then  $p \circ s = \text{id}_X$  and the homotopy

$$K: (X \times |\Delta^\bullet|) \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X \times |\Delta^\bullet|, \quad K((x, u), t) := (x, H(u, t))$$

satisfies  $K(-, 0) = \text{id}_{X \times |\Delta^\bullet|}$  and  $K(-, 1) = s \circ p$ . Hence  $s \circ p \simeq \text{id}_{X \times |\Delta^\bullet|}$ .

Thus  $p$  is a homotopy equivalence and  $\mathcal{BG} \simeq X$ .

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