

- (• Review simplicial homology w/ \mathbb{Z}_2 coefficients + examples
 - (• Discuss other coefficients
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Simplicial homology w/ \mathbb{Z}_2 coefficients:

Recall: C_k : group of k -chains: elements are a sum of simplices

boundary map: $\partial_k: C_k \rightarrow C_{k-1}$ $\partial_k(\sigma) = \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i (v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_k)$

$\sigma = (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k)$

ex) $\sigma = [v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3]$, then $\partial_3(\sigma) = [0, 1, 2] + [0, 1, 3] + [0, 2, 3] + [1, 2, 3]$

Linear algebra format:

Can put boundary maps into matrix form:

if C_2 has basis $\{\underline{[0,1,2]}, \underline{[0,1,3]}, \underline{[1,2,3]}\}$ and C_1 has basis $\{\underline{[0,1]}, \underline{[0,2]}, \underline{[0,3]}, \underline{[1,2]}, \underline{[1,3]}, \underline{[2,3]}\}$ then:

$$\partial_2: C_2 \rightarrow C_1$$

$$\partial_2 = \begin{matrix} \begin{matrix} \underline{[0,1]} \\ \underline{[0,2]} \\ \underline{[0,3]} \\ \underline{[1,2]} \\ \underline{[1,3]} \\ \underline{[2,3]} \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{[0,1,2]} & \underline{[0,1,3]} & \underline{[1,2,3]} \\ \downarrow & & \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall: $H_k(X) = \ker \partial_k / \text{Im } \partial_{k+1}$

ex) let $X = S^n$ (n-sphere) for $n \geq 1$. We know S^n is homeomorphic to all faces of $(n+1)$ -simplex:

ex: $S^1 \cong \triangle$ when $n=1$

S^2

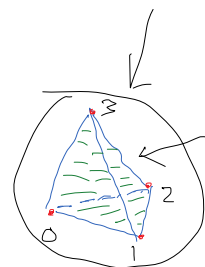
Lets compute $H_k(S^2; \mathbb{Z}_2)$ with linear algebra approach.

basis for: $C_3(S^2): \emptyset$ (basis)

$C_2(S^2): \{\underline{[0,1,2]}, \underline{[0,1,3]}, \underline{[0,2,3]}, \underline{[1,2,3]}\}$ (shorthand 012)

$C_1(S^2): \{\underline{[0,1]}, \underline{[0,2]}, \underline{[0,3]}, \underline{[1,2]}, \underline{[1,3]}, \underline{[2,3]}\}$

$\partial_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$



$$C_1(S^2) = \{\underline{01}, \underline{02}, \underline{03}, \underline{12}, \underline{13}, \underline{23}\}$$

$$C_0(S^2) = \{\underline{0}, \underline{1}, \underline{2}, \underline{3}\}$$

$$H_2(S^2; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \ker d_2 / \text{im } d_3 = 0$$

$$= \ker d_2$$

$$D_3 = 0$$

$$D_2 =$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 01 \\ 02 \\ 03 \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 23 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 012 & 013 & 023 & 123 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{Z}_2 \\ 2 \rightarrow 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$D_1 =$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 01 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 01 & 02 & 03 & 12 & 13 & 23 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \ker(D_0) = \text{span}(\underline{0}, \underline{1}, \underline{2}, \underline{3})$$

perform column reduction:

$$D_2' : \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow 01 \\ \rightarrow 02 \\ 03 \\ \rightarrow 12 \\ 13 \\ 23 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 012 & 013+012 & 023+013+012 & 123+023+013+012 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\ker d_2$$

$$\text{im}(d_2) \subseteq C_1$$

$$\ker(d_2) = \text{span}(012 + 013 + 023 + 123)$$

$$\ker(\partial_2) = \text{span}(\{012 + 013 + 023 + 123\})$$

$$\text{im}(\partial_2) = \text{span}(\{01 + 02 + 12, 02 + 03 + 12 + 13, 12 + 13 + 23\})$$

$$\ker(\partial_2) / \text{im}(\partial_3) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 = H_2(S^2; \mathbb{Z}_2)$$

Exercise: find ∂_1 , use to compute $H_1(S^2; \mathbb{Z}_2)$, $H_0(S^2; \mathbb{Z}_2)$

Impact of Coefficients

• benefits of \mathbb{Z}_2 coefficients:

- Simplicity of operations

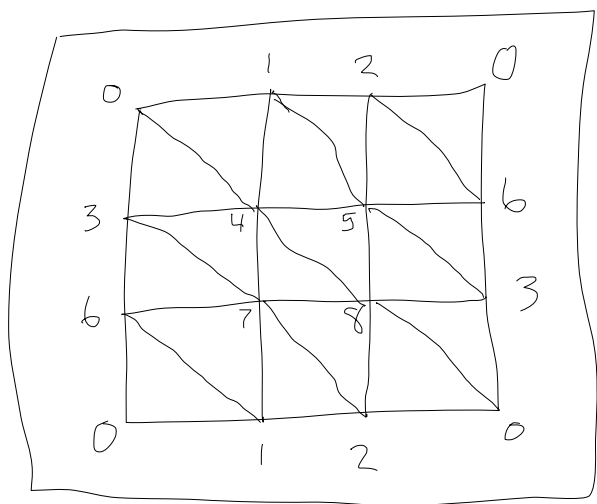
geometric interpretation: boundary of a simplex is sum of its proper faces

• if homology uses non- \mathbb{Z}_2 coefficients, we must orient (order) simplices, and this affects boundary maps.

Now:

$$\partial_k([v_0, \dots, v_k]) = \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i \langle \overbrace{v_0, \dots, v_i}^{\neq 1}, \dots, \overbrace{v_i, \dots, v_k}^{\neq 1} \rangle$$

$\nearrow [0, 1, 2]$
 $\searrow [0, 2, 1]$



basis for $C_2(K) : \{ [0,1,4], [0,3,4], [1,2,5], [1,4,5], [0,2,6], [2,5,6], [3,4,7], [3,6,7], [4,5,8], [4,7,8], [5,6,3], [5,8,3], [0,1,6], [1,6,7], [2,7,8], [4,2,7], [0,3,8], [0,2,8] \}$

basis for $C_1(K) : \{ [0,1], [0,2], [0,3], [0,4], [0,6], [1,2], [1,4], [1,5], [1,6], [1,7], [2,5], [2,6], [2,7], [2,8], [3,4], [3,5], [3,6], [3,7], [3,8], [4,5], [4,7], [4,8], [5,6], [5,8], [6,7], [7,8] \}$

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• with \mathbb{Z}_2 vs. \mathbb{Z}_3 coefficients, computations change.

ex) in \mathbb{Z}_2 coefficients: $\partial_2([0,1,4] + [0,3,4]) = 0,1 + 0,4 + 1,4 + 0,3 + 3,4 + 0,4 = \underline{0,1 + 1,4 + 0,3 + 3,4}$

in \mathbb{Z}_3 " : $\partial_2([0,1,4] + [0,3,4]) = 0,1 + 1,4 + 0,3 + 3,4 + 2(0,4) = \underline{0,1 + 1,4 + 0,3 + 3,4} - \underline{0,4}$

(can compute simplicial homology to get:

$\dim(H_2(K; \mathbb{Z}_2)) = 1$ but $\dim(H_2(K; \mathbb{Z}_3)) = 0$

$$\underline{\dim(H_1(K; \mathbb{Z}_2)) = 2} \quad \text{but} \quad \underline{\dim(H_1(K; \mathbb{Z}_3)) = 1}$$

$$\dim(H_2(S^2; \mathbb{Z}_2)) = 1 \quad \dim(H_2(S^2; \mathbb{Z}_3))$$