

**Basic Definitions:**  $\omega \in T^*M \Rightarrow \omega(v) : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p \mapsto \omega_p(v_p)$

$$\Omega^1(M) := \Gamma(T^*M)$$

$\mathcal{X}(M) = \Gamma(TM)$  = vector fields on  $M$ .

$$\Omega^k(M) := \Gamma(\Lambda^k(T^*M))$$

multi-index

$$d : \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M)$$

$$\Omega^k(M) = \text{span} \{ dx_I \} \quad \text{with } I = (i_1, \dots, i_k)$$

$$\omega = \omega_{\mu \dots \nu} dx^\mu \dots dx^\nu \mapsto (d\omega_{\mu \dots \nu}) \wedge dx^\mu \dots dx^\nu$$

$$df \in \Omega^1(M) \text{ for } f \in C^\infty(M) = \Omega^0(M), df = (\partial_\mu f) dx^\mu$$

- A form  $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$  is called:

Exact if  $\omega = d\tau$  for  $\tau \in \Omega^{k-1}(M)$  ( $\omega \in \text{im}(d)$ )

Closed if  $d\omega = 0$  ( $\omega \in \ker(d)$ )

- Since  $d^2 = 0$ ,  $\Omega^*(M) := \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} \Omega^k(M)$  forms a cochain complex:  
 $\dots \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^k(M) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^{k+1}(M) \rightarrow \dots$

- The cohomology of  $(\Omega^*(M), d)$  is called the de Rham cohomology:

$$H^k(M) := \ker(d : \Omega^k \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}) / \text{im}(d : \Omega^{k-1} \rightarrow \Omega^k)$$

= closed forms / exact forms

**The Wedge Product:** There is a natural map called the wedge product between the graded submodules of  $\Lambda^*(V)$ :  
defined by passing  
from  $\omega \otimes \tau$  to the  
quotient,  $[\omega \otimes \tau]$

$$\wedge : \Lambda^k(V) \times \Lambda^l(V) \rightarrow \Lambda^{k+l}(V), \quad (\omega, \tau) \mapsto \omega \wedge \tau$$

- On alternating functions  $f \in \Lambda^k(T_p^*M) = \Omega_p^k(M)$ ,  $g \in \Lambda^l(T_p^*M) = \Omega_p^l(M)$ , this amounts to:

$$(f \wedge g)(v_1, \dots, v_{k+l}) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{k+l}} \text{sgn}(\sigma) f(v_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, v_{\sigma(k)}) g(v_{\sigma(k+1)}, \dots, v_{\sigma(k+l)})$$

$$\omega \wedge \tau = (-1)^{\deg(\omega) \deg(\tau)} \tau \wedge \omega$$

$$\omega \wedge \tau = \omega_{\mu_I}(x) \tau_{\mu_J}(x) dx^{\mu_I} \wedge dx^{\mu_J}$$

- The wedge product is an antiderivation:

$$d(\omega \wedge \tau) = (d\omega) \wedge \tau + (-1)^{\deg(\omega)} \omega \wedge d\tau$$

thus drops to the deRham cohomology,  $\wedge: H^k(M) \otimes H^l(M) \rightarrow H^{k+l}(M)$

Pullbacks: Any map  $f: M \rightarrow N$  induces a cochain map

$f^*: \Omega^*(N) \rightarrow \Omega^*(M)$ . For  $\omega \in \Omega^k(N)$ , we define:

$$(f^*\omega)(v_1, \dots, v_k) := \omega(f_*v_1, \dots, f_*v_k)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{\quad} & f_*V \\ TM & \xrightarrow{f_*} & TN \\ \downarrow f^*\omega & & \downarrow \omega \\ R & & FR \end{array}$$

- The pullback is a cochain map (commutes w/d)

$\therefore$  it factors through  $\Omega^*(M)$ :

$$\dots \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow f^* \quad \uparrow f^* \quad \uparrow f^* \\ \dots \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(N) \rightarrow \Omega^k(N) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(N) \rightarrow \dots \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow f^*: H^k(N) \rightarrow H^k(M)$$

is well defined

- Locally on a coordinate chart  $(U, x^i)$  we can write any  $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$  as  $\omega = \omega_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_k}(x) dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_k}$  w/  $1 \leq \mu_1 < \dots < \mu_k \leq n$ , and on such an expression the pullback is:

$$f^*\omega = (\omega_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_k} \circ f) df^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge df^{\mu_k}$$

where  $df^\nu = d(x^\nu \circ f)$  is the  $\nu^{\text{th}}$  coordinate function of  $f$ .

- The pullback is a ring homomorphism:

$$f^*(\omega \wedge \tau) = f^*(\omega) \wedge f^*(\tau)$$

- This means on functions we can break it up,  $f^*(g\omega) = (g \circ f) f^*\omega$

• Mayer-Vietoris: Suppose  $M = U \cup V$  w/  $U, V$  open. Then applying  $\Omega^*$  to:

$$M \leftarrow U \sqcup V \xrightleftharpoons[\partial_1]{\partial_0} U \cap V$$

We get the sequence:

$$\Omega^*(M) \rightarrow \Omega^*(U) \oplus \Omega^*(V) \xrightarrow{\partial_0^*} \Omega^*(U \cap V)$$

$$\omega = (\alpha, \beta) \in \Omega^*(U) \oplus \Omega^*(V)$$

$$\partial_0^*: \Omega^*(U \sqcup V) \rightarrow \Omega^*(U \cap V)$$

$$\partial_0^* \omega_{\mu_I} dx^{\mu_I} = (\omega_{\mu_I} \circ \partial_0)(x) d(x^I \circ \partial_0)$$

$$= d_{\mu_I}(x)|_{U \cap V} dx^I|_{U \cap V}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U \cap V & \xrightarrow{\partial_0^*} & (\partial_0^* \omega)_{\mu_I} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ U \sqcup V & \xrightarrow{\omega_{\mu_I}} & \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

- Since  $\omega = (\alpha, \beta)$  w/  $\alpha \in \Omega^*(U)$ ,  $\beta \in \Omega^*(V)$ ,  $\partial_0^* \omega = \alpha|_{U \cap V}$   
as  $\partial_0$  sends us from  $U \cap V$  to  $U$ , and  $\alpha$  is the component of  $\omega$  on  $U$ .

The corollary of this is the **Mayer-Vietoris sequence**.

The following sequence is exact:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &\mapsto (\omega|_U, \omega|_V) \\ 0 \rightarrow \Omega^*(M) &\xrightarrow{f} \Omega^*(U) \oplus \Omega^*(V) \xrightarrow{g} \Omega^*(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0 \\ (\omega, \tau) &\mapsto (\tau - \omega)|_{U \cap V} \end{aligned}$$

which we get by subtracting the original two sequences.

- Exact @ middle: Clearly  $(\omega|_U, \omega|_V) \mapsto (\tau - \omega)|_{U \cap V} = 0$ . Conversely if  $\tau|_{U \cap V} = \omega|_{U \cap V}$ , then extending this to  $\alpha$  w/  $\alpha|_{U \cap V} = \omega|_{U \cap V}$ ,  $\alpha|_{V \setminus U} = \tau|_{V \setminus U}$ , and  $\alpha|_{U \setminus V} = \tau|_{U \setminus V} = \omega|_{U \setminus V}$ .

Note  $\omega|_V - \omega|_U = 0$ , so  $g \circ f = 0$ .

- The last joint is harder. It suffices to show this for  $*=0$ , i.e.  $f \in \Omega^0(U \cap V)$ . Take a partition of unity  $\{\rho_U, \rho_V\}$  subordinate to  $\{U, V\}$ . Then the map  $\bar{f} \in \Omega^0(U) \oplus \Omega^0(V)$  defined as:

$$\bar{f} := \begin{cases} -\rho_V f & \text{on } U \\ \rho_U f & \text{on } V \end{cases}$$

maps to  $f$ , as  $(\rho_U f - (-\rho_V f))|_{U \cap V} = (\rho_U + \rho_V)f|_{U \cap V} = f$  on  $U \cap V$

Note  $(\rho_V f)|_{U \cap V} = 0 = (\rho_U f)|_{V \setminus U}$ , which is good b/c  $f$  is only defined on  $U \cap V$ .

- This sequence explicitly gives a snake map:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & \cdots & & & & & \cdots \\ & \uparrow & & & & & \uparrow \\ 0 \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M) & \xrightarrow{\quad \quad} & \Omega^{k+1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k+1}(V) & \xrightarrow{\quad \quad} & \Omega^{k+1}(U \cap V) & \xrightarrow{\quad \quad} & 0 \\ \uparrow d & & \uparrow d & \uparrow & \uparrow d & \uparrow d & \uparrow \\ 0 \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) & \xrightarrow{\quad \quad} & \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V) & \xrightarrow{\quad \quad} & \Omega^k(U \cap V) & \xrightarrow{\quad \quad} & 0 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \cdots \end{array}$$

(d $\omega$ , d $\tau$ )  $\xrightarrow{\text{commutativity}}$   
 $\uparrow (\alpha, \beta)$   $\xrightarrow{\text{lift by exactness}}$   
 $\uparrow (\omega, \tau)$   $\xrightarrow{\text{lift by surjectivity}}$   
 $\uparrow \frac{1}{3}(ds=0)$

- Mayer Vietoris induces a long exact sequence in cohomology:

$$\boxed{\rightarrow H^{q+1}(M) \rightarrow H^{q+1}(U) \oplus H^{q+1}(V) \rightarrow H^{q+1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow \dots}$$

$$\dots \rightarrow H^q(M) \rightarrow H^q(U) \oplus H^q(V) \rightarrow H^q(U \cap V) \rightarrow \dots$$

where the **snake map**  $d^*$  is:

$$d^*[\omega] = \begin{cases} [-d(\rho_V \omega)] & \text{on } U \\ [d(\rho_U \omega)] & \text{on } V \end{cases}$$

- Can use this to show:

$$H^*(S^1) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} & * = 0, 1 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

• **Compact cohomology:**  $\Omega_c^k(M) := \{\omega \in \Omega^k(M) : \text{supp}(\omega) \text{ compact}\}$

-  $d: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k+1}(M)$  restricts to  $\Omega_c^*(M)$  since  $d\omega|_{M \setminus \text{supp}(\omega)} = 0$ , so  $(\Omega_c^*, d)$  is a cochain complex. Its cohomology is the **compact cohomology**:

$$H_c^*(M) := \ker(d: \Omega_c^*(M) \rightarrow \Omega_c^{*+1}(M)) / \text{im}(d: \Omega_c^{*-1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega_c^*(M))$$

-  $\Omega_c^*$  is not a contravariant functor per say, b/c compactly supported forms can pull back to non-compactly supported forms, ex any  $\omega$  under  $f: S^1 \xrightarrow{f} M$ .

- Instead we take:

i)  $\Omega_c^*(\cdot)$  contravariant under **proper** (inverse image of every compact set is compact)

ii)  $\Omega_c^*(\cdot)$  is covariant under inclusions of **open sets**, i.e. if  $U \subset V$  w/  $U$  open then  $\Omega_c^*(U) \subset \Omega_c^*(V)$

- For  $j: U \hookrightarrow V$  the inclusion,  $j_*: \Omega_c^*(U) \hookrightarrow \Omega_c^*(V)$  is defined by extending  $\omega$  by 0, i.e.  $(j_*\omega)|_U = \omega$  and  $(j_*\omega)|_{V \setminus U} = 0$ .

- Mayer-Vietoris for  $\Omega_c^*$  for open cover  $\{U, V\}$  swaps directions:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & (-j_*^U \omega, j_*^V \omega) & \longleftarrow & \omega \\ 0 & \leftarrow & \Omega_c^*(M) & \leftarrow & \Omega_c^*(U) \oplus \Omega_c^*(V) & \leftarrow & \Omega_c^*(U \cap V) \leftarrow 0 \\ & & \omega + \tau & \longleftarrow & (\omega, \tau) & & \end{array}$$

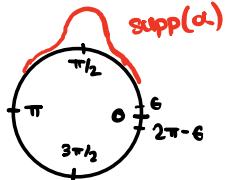
which induces the long exact sequence in compact cohomology:

$$\dots \leftarrow H_c^{k+1}(M) \leftarrow H_c^{k+1}(U) \oplus H_c^{k+1}(V) \leftarrow H_c^{k+1}(U \cap V) \leftarrow d_*$$

$$\boxed{H_c^k(M) \leftarrow H_c^k(U) \oplus H_c^k(V) \leftarrow H_c^k(U \cap V) \leftarrow \dots}$$

$$d_*[\omega] = [d(p_V \omega)] = [-d(p_U \omega)]$$

- **Cohomology of  $S^1$ :** Every 1-form  $\omega \in \Omega^1(S^1)$  is closed, since  $\dim(S^1) = 1$  and a form on a manifold must have degree  $\leq n = \dim(M)$ . Any non-exact 1-form  $\omega \notin \text{im}(d)$  will generate the cohomology  $H^1(S^1)$ . Consider:

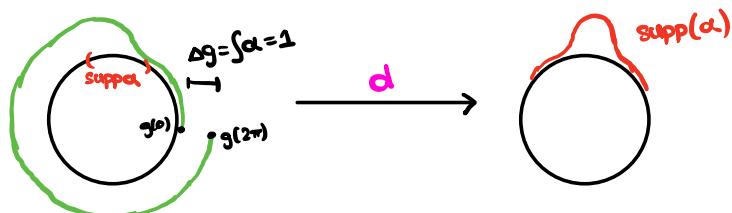


$\alpha \in \Omega^1(S^1)$ ,  $\alpha = f(x)dx$  where  $f(x)$  is a bump function.

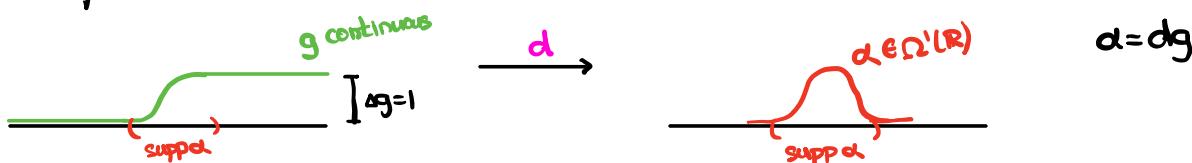
We claim  $\alpha$  generates  $H^1(S^1)$ . To show this, suppose  $\alpha$  is exact, so  $\alpha = dg$  w/  $g \in C^\infty(S^1)$ . Then:

$$g(2\pi - \epsilon) - g(\epsilon) = \int_{\epsilon}^{2\pi - \epsilon} \alpha = \int_{S^1} \alpha = 1 \quad \text{as } \text{supp } \alpha \cap (-\epsilon, \epsilon) = \emptyset$$

So the function  $g$  cannot be continuous: it looks like:

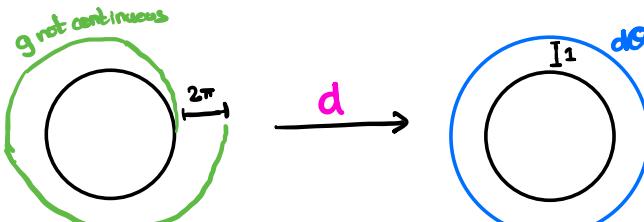


- On  $\mathbb{R}$ , this argument fails b/c  $\mathbb{R}$  is not compact and functions do not need to be periodic:



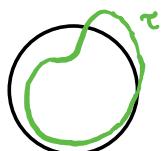
However when we consider  $H_c^1(S^1)$ , forms w/ compact support, then  $g$  cannot be used b/c  $\text{supp}(g)$  is not compact. Hence  $\alpha$  will generate  $H_c^1(\mathbb{R})$ .

- Another generator of  $H^1(S^1)$  is the constant 1-form  $d\theta \in \Omega^1(S^1)$ , by the same integral argument



Note  $d\theta$  is locally exact, since for  $U \subset S^1$  open + connected,  $\Theta|_U: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a smooth function in  $\Omega^0(U) = C^\infty(U)$ . However,  $d\theta$  is not globally exact since  $\Theta: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is not smooth globally on  $S^1$ . Thus  $[d\theta] \neq [0]$ , although the notation  $d\theta$  makes it look like  $d\theta$  is exact

- Since  $\alpha$  and  $d\theta$  both generate  $H^1(S^1)$ ,  $\text{span}\{[d\theta]\} = \text{span}\{[\alpha]\}$ , hence some multiple  $k d\theta$  must be cohomologous to  $\alpha$ , i.e. we can write  $k d\theta = d\tau - \alpha$ , as follows:

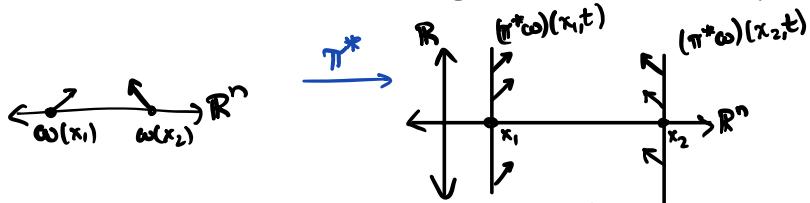


We can see by requiring  $\tau \in C^\infty(S^1)$  that  $0 = \int_S d\tau = \int_S k d\theta - \int_S \alpha \rightarrow k = \frac{1}{2\pi}$

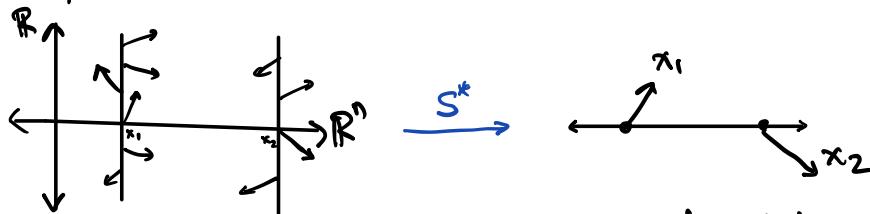
- $\pi: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $(x, t) \mapsto x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- $s: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \mapsto (x, 0)$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \pi^*: \Omega^*(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \Omega^*(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}), \omega_{\pi_x}(x) dx^i \mapsto (\omega_{\pi_x} \circ \pi)_x dx^i \\ s^*: \Omega^*(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \Omega^*(\mathbb{R}^n), \omega_{\pi_x} dx^i \mapsto (\omega_{\pi_x} \circ s)_x dx^i \end{array} \right.$$

-  $\pi^* \omega$  is the  $k$ -form on  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  which is constant on each fiber



-  $s^*$  picks out the zero section of each form.



• Note  $\pi \circ s = \text{id} \Rightarrow s^* \circ \pi^* = \text{id}$ .  $\pi^* \circ s^*$  is not id, but we will show it induces id on  $H^*$ .

• Show  $\pi^* \circ s^* = \text{id}$  by showing it is chain homotopic to id:

$$\dots \rightarrow \Omega^{n-1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^n(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^{n+1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\pi^* \circ s^* \downarrow \text{id} \quad \text{id} \quad \pi^* \circ s^* \downarrow \text{id} \quad \text{id} \quad \pi^* \circ s^* \downarrow \text{id}$$

$$\dots \rightarrow \Omega^{n-1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^n(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega^{n+1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \dots$$

So we want:

$$\pi^* \circ s^* - \text{id} = \pm (Kd \pm dK)$$

We will show  $K$  is indefinite integration along the fiber.

• Note on this bundle-like structure  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}$ , there are 2 types of forms:

i)  $(\pi^* \varphi) f(x, t)$

ii)  $(\pi^* \varphi) f(x, t) \wedge dt$

$$K \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 \\ (\pi^* \varphi) \int_0^t f(x, t') dt' \end{cases}$$

- Prop:  $\pi^*$  and  $s^*$  induce isomorphisms in cohomology:

$$H^*(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}) \xrightleftharpoons[s^*]{\pi^*} H^*(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

- Poincaré Lemma:

$$H^*(\mathbb{R}^n) = H^*(\text{pt}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} & * = 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- The same proof carries through to show for an arbitrary manifold  $M$ :

$$H^*(M \times \mathbb{R}) \cong H^*(M)$$

- Corollary (Homotopy invariance of  $H^*$ ): If  $f$  and  $g$  are homotopic, they induce equal maps on de Rham cohomology.

$$f \simeq g : M \rightarrow N \Rightarrow g^* = f^* : H^*(N) \rightarrow H^*(M)$$

- A homotopy is  $h : M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow N$  w/  $h(x, 0) = f(x), h(x, 1) = g(x)$ .

- Corollary: If  $M$  and  $N$  are homotopy equivalent, then

$$H^*(M) \cong H^*(N).$$

- If  $A \subset M$  and  $M$  deformation retracts onto  $A$ , then  $\Omega^*(M) = \Omega^*(A)$ .

- Use this for  $H^*(S^n)$ :

$$H^*(S^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} & * = 0, n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- Volume form on the sphere  $S^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , i.e.  $d^{n+1}x = dr \wedge \Omega$ :

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (-1)^{i+1} x_i dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \hat{dx}_i \wedge \dots \wedge dx_{n+1}$$

- Compact Poincaré lemma:  $\pi: M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  the projection, the pullback  $\pi^*: \Omega^*(M) \rightarrow \Omega^*(M \times \mathbb{R})$  does not restrict to compactly supported cohomology. Instead use a push-forward:

$$\pi_*: \Omega_c^*(M \times \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \Omega_c^*(M)$$

called integration along the fiber defined on type i/ii forms:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{i)} (\pi^* \varphi) f(x,t) & \xrightarrow{\pi_*} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \\ \varphi \int_{\mathbb{R}} dt f(x,t) \end{array} \right. \\ \text{ii)} (\pi^* \varphi) f(x,t) dt & \end{array}$$

here  $\varphi \in \Omega^*(M)$  doesn't need compact support, but  $f$  does.

- $\pi_*$  is a chain map:

$$\dots \rightarrow \Omega_c^k(M \times \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega_c^{k+1}(M \times \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\downarrow \pi_* \qquad \qquad \qquad \downarrow \pi_*$$

$$\dots \rightarrow \Omega_c^{k-1}(M) \xrightarrow{d} \Omega_c^k(M) \rightarrow \dots$$

- $\pi_*: \Omega_c^*(M \times \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \Omega_c^{*-1}(M)$  has an inverse. Let  $e = e(t)dt$  be a compactly supported 1-form on  $\mathbb{R}$  w/  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} e = 1$ . Define:

$$e_*: \Omega_c^{*-1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega_c^*(M \times \mathbb{R})$$

$$e_*(\varphi) := (\pi^* \varphi) \wedge e$$

- $e_*$  is a chain map  $\therefore$  drops to  $H_c^*$ .  $\pi_* \circ e_*: H_c^*(M) \rightarrow H_c^*(M)$  clearly equals id since  $\int e = 1$ , so then wTS  $e_* \circ \pi_*$  is chain homotopic to id.

- Prp: The maps  $\pi_*$  and  $e_*$  are inverse isomorphisms on  $H_c^*$ :

$$H_c^*(M \times \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow[e_*]{\pi_*} H_c^*(M)$$

- Compact Poincaré Lemma:

$$H_c^*(\mathbb{R}^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} & * = n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$H_c^*(M \times \mathbb{R}^n) \cong H_c^{*-n}(M)$$

- The generator of  $H_c^n(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a bump form

$$\omega = a(x) dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n \text{ w/ } \int \omega = 1, \text{ i.e. } e_*^n(1).$$

- Good covers: A **good cover** of  $M$  is an open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}$  such that each finite nonempty intersection:

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^n U_{\alpha_k}$$

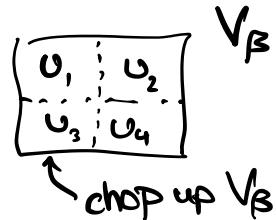
is diffeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  $M$  is called **finite type** if  $M$  admits a finite good cover

- Prp: Every manifold admits a good cover. Every compact manifold is of finite type.

- We'll prove most of the following results for finite type manifolds.

- An open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}$  is a **refinement** of  $\{V_\beta\}$  if each  $U_\alpha$  is contained in some  $V_\beta$ .

- The set of open covers forms a directed set under  $\leq$  refinement



- Prop: Any manifold of finite type has a finite dimensional cohomology  $H^q(M)$  and compact cohomology  $H_c^q(M)$ .
- Proofs in this section are all very similar: Induct on the cardinality of a good cover. Assume the result holds for any manifold which has a good cover  $\{U_1, \dots, U_p\}$ , then prove for  $M$  w/ good cover  $\{U_0, U_1, \dots, U_p\}$ .
- Wedge products and integration factor through  $H^*(M)$ .  
This gives a pairing ( $n = \dim M$ ):

$$\int : H^q(M) \times H_c^{n-q}(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad [\omega], [\tau] \mapsto \int_M \omega \wedge \tau$$

- Poincaré duality: This pairing is nondegenerate if  $M$  is orientable, hence defines an isomorphism:

$$H^q(M) \xrightarrow{\sim} [H_c^{n-q}(M)]^* \quad \omega \mapsto (\tau \mapsto \int_M \omega \wedge \tau)$$

- Corollary: If  $M$  is connected and orientable w/  $n = \dim(M)$ , then:

$$H_c^n(M) \cong \mathbb{R}$$

If  $M$  is also compact, then  $H^n(M) \cong H_c^n(M) \cong \mathbb{R}$ .

- The other way is not always true, i.e.  $H_c^n(M) \not\cong H^{n-q}(M)^*$  in some situations.

## Fiber bundles

- **Fiber bundle** with fiber  $F$  and structure group  $G$ :  
A triple  $(\pi, E, B)$  w/  $\pi: E \rightarrow B$  surjective and  $G$  acting on  $E$  from the left. **Local trivializations**  $\{(\mathbb{U}_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$  s.t.  $\{\mathbb{U}_\alpha\}$  is an open cover of  $B$  and:

$$\varphi_\alpha: E|_{\mathbb{U}_\alpha} \rightarrow \mathbb{U}_\alpha \times F$$

is a homeomorphism and the **transition functions**:

$$g_{\alpha\beta}(x) := \varphi_\alpha \varphi_\beta^{-1} \Big|_{\{x\} \times F} \rightarrow G$$

are  $G$ -valued maps  $g_{\alpha\beta}: \mathbb{U}_\alpha \cap \mathbb{U}_\beta \rightarrow G$ .

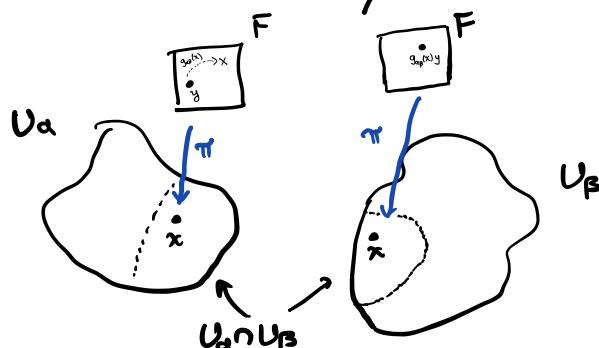
- So the transition fns are  $G$ -valued and satisfy the **cocycle condition**:

$$g_{\alpha\beta} \circ g_{\beta\gamma} = g_{\alpha\gamma}$$

- Given an open cover  $\{\mathbb{U}_\alpha\}$  of  $B$  w/ cocycles  $\{g_{\alpha\beta}: \mathbb{U}_\alpha \cap \mathbb{U}_\beta \rightarrow G\}$  acting on  $F$  we can construct a fiber bundle  $\pi: E \rightarrow B$  w/ transition maps  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ :

$$E := \coprod_\alpha (\mathbb{U}_\alpha \times F) / \sim$$

$$(x, y) \sim (x, g_{\alpha\beta}(x)y) \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{U}_\alpha \cap \mathbb{U}_\beta, y \in F.$$



- **Künneth formula**: The cohomology of a direct product  $M \times F$  is a tensor product of cochain complexes:

$$H^*(M \times F) \cong H^*(M) \otimes H^*(F)$$

where  $(C^* \otimes D^*)^n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} C^p \otimes D^q$  and the codifferential is:

$$d : (C^* \otimes D^*)^n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} C^p \otimes D^q \longrightarrow (C^* \otimes D^*)^{n+1} = \bigoplus_{p+q=n+1} C^p \otimes D^q$$

$$d(\omega \otimes \varphi) = d\omega \otimes \varphi + (-1)^{\deg(\omega)} \omega \otimes d\varphi$$

- The isomorphism is explicitly given by:

$$\psi : H^*(M) \otimes H^*(F) \longrightarrow H^*(M \times F)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \times F & \xrightarrow{\rho} & F \\ & \downarrow \pi & \\ & M & \end{array}$$

$$[\omega] \otimes [\varphi] \mapsto [(\pi^*\omega) \wedge (\rho^*\varphi)]$$

- **Leray-Hirsch**:  $\pi : E \rightarrow M$  a fiber bundle w/ fiber  $F$ ,  $M$  a finite good cover. Suppose there are global cohomology classes  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  in  $H^*(E)$  which generate  $H^*(F)$  when restricted to each fiber. Then:

$$H^*(E) \cong H^*(M) \otimes \mathbb{R}\{e_1, \dots, e_n\} \cong H^*(M) \otimes H^*(F)$$

1 free  $\mathbb{R}$  module generated by this basis

- The same formulas hold for compact cohomology.

- **Poincaré dual**:  $M$  oriented  $\dim n$ ,  $S \hookrightarrow M$  closed oriented submanifold of  $\dim k$ ,  $i: S \hookrightarrow M$  the inclusion. The Poincaré dual of  $S$  in  $M$  is a cohomology class  $[\eta_S] \in H_c^{n-k}(M)$  satisfying:

$$\int_S i^* \omega = \int_M \omega \wedge \eta_S \quad \text{for } \omega \in H_c^k(M)$$

To construct  $[\eta_S]$ , note we have a functional  $\int_S: H_c^k(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $[\omega] \mapsto \int_S i^* \omega$  well defined on  $H^k$  b/c  $S$  is closed,  $\int_S \epsilon(H_c^k(M))^* \equiv H^{n-k}(M)$ , so we get a class  $[\eta_S] \in H^{n-k}(M)$  such that the functional  $\int_S (\omega) = \int_S i^* \omega$  equals  $\omega \mapsto \int_S \omega \wedge \eta_S$ .

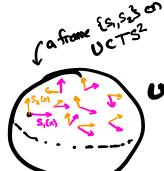
- **Compact Poincaré dual**: If  $S \subset M$  is compact, then there is a cohomology class  $[\eta'_S] \in H_c^{n-k}(M)$  such that

$$\int_S i^* \omega = \int_M \omega \wedge \eta'_S \quad \text{for } \omega \in H^k(M)$$

$\curvearrowleft \omega$  doesn't need compact support.

- As a form  $\eta'_S$  will equal  $\eta_S$ , but as a form it can differ since  $H^* \neq H_c^*$

- A **vector bundle of rank  $n$**  is a fiber bundle  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  with fiber  $F = \mathbb{R}^n$ . Naturally, as:  $\varphi_\alpha: \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $\varphi_\alpha \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1}: (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow (U_\alpha \cap U_\beta) \times \mathbb{R}^n$  are vector space automorphisms on each fiber and induce:  
 $g_{\alpha\beta}: U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{R}^n)$        $g_{\alpha\beta}(x) = \varphi_\alpha \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1}|_{\{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^n}$   
hence  $\pi$  has **structure group  $G = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{R}^n) = GL(\mathbb{R}, n)$**   
 $\Gamma(U, E) :=$  space of sections on  $U \subset M$ .  
 $= \{S: U \rightarrow E : \pi \circ S = \text{id}_U\}$
- A set of  $n$  sections  $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\} \subset \Gamma(U, E)$  is a **frame** on  $U$  if  $\forall x \in U$ ,  $\{s_1(x), \dots, s_n(x)\}$  is a basis for  $\pi^{-1}(\{x\})$
- Two cocycles  $\{g_{\alpha\beta}\}$  and  $\{g'_{\alpha\beta}\}$  are **equivalent** ( $g_{\alpha\beta} \sim g'_{\alpha\beta}$ ) if there are maps  $\lambda_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow GL(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\lambda_\beta: U_\beta \rightarrow GL(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t:  

$$g_{\alpha\beta}(x) = \lambda_\alpha(x) g'_{\alpha\beta}(x) \lambda_\beta(x)^{-1} \quad \forall x \in U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$$

  - If  $\{\varphi_\alpha\}$  and  $\{\varphi'_\alpha\}$  are two local trivializations w/ cocycles  $\{g_{\alpha\beta}\}$  and  $\{g'_{\alpha\beta}\}$ , then  $g_{\alpha\beta} \sim g'_{\alpha\beta}$
- A **bundle map  $f: E \rightarrow E'$**  is a morphism of vector bundles, and it is a fiber-preserving smooth map which is linear on each fiber.
- If the cocycle  $\{g_{\alpha\beta}\}$  for a vector bundle  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  is equivalent to a cocycle  $\{h_{\alpha\beta}\}$  w/ values in  $H \subset GL(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we say the structure group of  $G$  may be **reduced** to  $H$ .
  - $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  is **orientable** if its structure group can be reduced to  $GL(\mathbb{R}^n)^+$
- A trivialization  $\{(\varphi_\alpha, U_\alpha)\}$  is **oriented** if the cocycle  $g_{\alpha\beta}(x) \in GL(\mathbb{R}^n)^+$ .

- **Orientations**: We say two trivializations  $\{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$  and  $\{(U_\beta, \varphi_\beta)\}$  are equivalent if  $\forall x \in U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ ,  $\varphi_\alpha(x) \circ \varphi_\beta(x)^{-1} \in GL(\mathbb{R}^n)$  has positive determinant. This is an equiv. relation and partitions the oriented trivializations into two equivalence classes. Each class is called an **orientation** on  $E$ .



- The structure group of any vector bundle **may be reduced to  $O(n)$**  by endowing it w/ a Riemannian metric. For  $E$  orientable, it may be reduced to  **$SO(n)$** .
- **Bundle operations**: Taking fiberwise operations for two bundles  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  and  $\pi': E' \rightarrow M$  gives:

Sum:  $(E \oplus E')_x = E_x \oplus E'_x$   
↑ fiber @  $x \in M$

$$g_{\alpha\beta}^{E \oplus E'}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} g_{\alpha\beta}^E(x) & 0 \\ 0 & g_{\alpha\beta}^{E'}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

Product:  $(E \otimes E')_x = E_x \otimes E'_x$

$$g_{\alpha\beta}^{E \otimes E'}(x) = g_{\alpha\beta}^E(x) \otimes g_{\alpha\beta}^{E'}(x)$$

Dual:  $(E^*)_x = (E_x)^*$

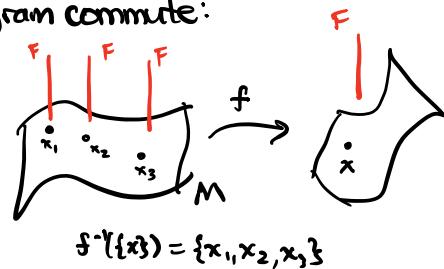
$$g_{\alpha\beta}^{E^*}(x) = [g_{\alpha\beta}^E(x)^T]^{-1}$$

- **Pullback bundle**:  $\pi: E \rightarrow N$ ,  $f: M \rightarrow N$   $C^\infty$ . The **pullback bundle  $f^{-1}E$**  is a bundle over  $M$  which is the maximal subset of  $M \times E$  making the pullback diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f^{-1}E & \longrightarrow & E \\ \downarrow \pi' & & \downarrow \pi \\ M & \xrightarrow{f} & N \end{array}$$

$$f^{-1}E = \{(m, e) \in M \times E : f(m) = \pi(e)\}$$

$$(f^{-1}E)_x = E_{f(x)}$$



- **Theorem:** Let  $Y$  be compact/paracompact. Homotopic maps induce isomorphic pullback bundles, i.e. if  $f_0, f_1: Y \rightarrow X$  are homotopic and  $\pi: E \rightarrow X$  is a vector bundle, then:

$$f_0^* E \cong f_1^* E$$

- **Corollary:** Any vector bundle over a contractible manifold is trivial.

- **Notation:**  $\text{Vect}_k$  is a functor from  $\text{DiffMan}$  to  $\text{PtSet}$ , which associates w/ each  $M$  a pointed set w/ base point the trivial  $k$ -bundle over  $M$ . The other elements of  $\text{Vect}_k(M)$  are the nontrivial  $k$ -bundles over  $M$ .

— The corollary implies for  $M$  contractible,  $\text{Vect}_k(M) \cong \{\ast\}$ .

- **Theorem:** Let  $E \rightarrow M$  be a vector bundle. Then:

$$H^*(E) \cong H^*(M)$$

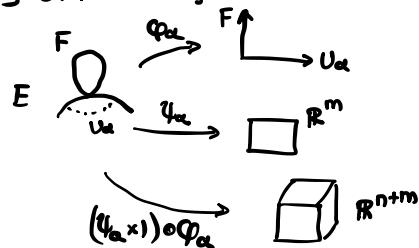
Furthermore if  $E$  is orientable and  $M$  is of finite type, then:

$$H_c^*(E) \cong H_c^{*-n}(M)$$

where  $n$  is the rank of the bundle.

- **Local product orientation:** For  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  an oriented rank  $n$  vector bundle,  $\{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$  a local triv.,  $\{(U_\alpha, \psi_\alpha)\}$  an atlas, then a chart for  $E$

$$\{(\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha), (\psi_\alpha \times 1) \circ \varphi_\alpha)\}$$



**Vertical Cohomology:**  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  a rank  $n$  vector bundle

- A  $k$ -form  $\omega \in \Omega^k(E)$  has **compact support in the vertical direction** if for each compact set  $K \subset M$ ,  $\pi^{-1}(K) \cap \text{supp}(\omega)$  is compact. We denote these forms on  $E$  by:

$$\Omega_{cv}^*(E)$$

and this is a cochain complex w/ cohomology  $H_{cv}^*(E)$

- A form on  $E$  is a lin. combo of two types of forms:

$$\begin{aligned} i) & (\pi^*\varphi) f(x, t_1, \dots, t_n) dt_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dt_{i_r} \\ ii) & (\pi^*\varphi) f(x, t_1, \dots, t_n) dt_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dt_n \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varphi$  is a form on the base.

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r = n \\ \varphi \in \Omega^{k-r}(M) \end{array}$$

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$$\varphi \in \Omega^{k-n}(M)$$

- **Integration along the fiber:** A map  $\pi_*: \Omega_{cv}^*(E) \rightarrow \Omega_{cv}^{*-n}(M)$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_*: & (\pi^*\varphi) f dt_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dt_{i_r} \mapsto 0 \\ & (\pi^*\varphi) f dt_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dt_n \mapsto \varphi \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x, t_1, \dots, t_n) dt_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dt_n \end{aligned}$$

where the coordinates are taken on a local trivialization, and this is independent of coordinate chart

- **Prop:** Integration along the fiber  $\pi_*$  is a cochain map.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \Omega_{cv}^{k-1}(E) & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega_{cv}^k(E) & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega_{cv}^{k+1}(E) \xrightarrow{\quad} \dots \\ & & \downarrow \pi_* & & \downarrow \pi_* & & \downarrow \pi_* \\ \dots & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \Omega^{k-n-1}(M) & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^{k-n}(M) & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^{k-n+1}(M) \xrightarrow{\quad} \dots \end{array}$$

- For proofs, typically assume  $E$  is a product bundle  $M \times \mathbb{R}^n$  so we can define the form  $\omega$  globally.

- Prove this for  $\rho_a \omega = \omega_\alpha$ , where  $\{\rho_\alpha\}$  is a partition of unity subordinate to a trivialization  $\{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$ . Then  $\rho_a \omega$  is  $\cong$  a form on  $M \times \mathbb{R}^n$

- Projection formulas:**  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  oriented rank  $n$  vector bundle,  $\tau \in \Omega^*(M)$ ,  $\omega \in \Omega_{cv}^*(E)$ .

$$i) \pi_*((\pi^*\tau) \wedge \omega) = \tau \wedge (\pi_*\omega) \quad \leftarrow \omega \wedge \tau \text{ a top form on } E$$

$$ii) \text{ If } \dim(M) = m \text{ and } \omega \in \Omega_{cv}^q(E), \tau \in \Omega^{m+n-q}(M), \text{ then:}$$

$$\int_E (\pi^*\tau) \wedge \omega = \int_M \tau \wedge (\pi_*\omega) \quad (\pi_* \text{ is an adjoint to } \pi^* \text{ under the pairing } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = \int \cdot \wedge \cdot)$$

- Theorem (Thom isomorphism):**  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  orientable rank  $n$  vector bundle:

$$\pi_*: H_{cv}^*(E) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^{*-n}(M)$$

defines an isomorphism.

- For  $M \times \mathbb{R}^n$ , this gives  $H_{cv}^*(M \times \mathbb{R}^n) \cong H^{*-n}(M)$ .

- We will denote the inverse of  $\pi_*$  w/  $\tau$ :

$$H_{cv}^*(E) \xrightleftharpoons[\pi_*]{\tau} H^{*-n}(M)$$

- The function  $1 \in C^\infty(M) = H^0(M)$  has image under  $\tau$  defined to be the **Thom class**

$$\underline{\Phi} \in H_{cv}^n(E)$$

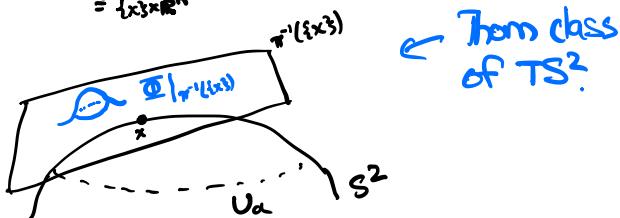
$$\underline{\Phi} := \tau(1) \quad \Rightarrow \pi_* \underline{\Phi} = 1 \quad (\underline{\Phi} \text{ is like a bump n form on each fiber})$$

- Using  $\pi_*(\pi^*\omega) \wedge \underline{\Phi} = \omega \wedge \pi_* \underline{\Phi} = \omega \wedge 1 = \omega$ , we see:

$$\tau(\omega) = \pi^*(\omega) \wedge \underline{\Phi}, \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega^*(M)$$

- This means that when restricted to each fiber,

$$\underline{\Phi} \Big|_{\pi^{-1}(x)} \underset{\cong \mathbb{R}^n}{\underset{\cong \{x\} \times \mathbb{R}^n}{\sim}} \text{ generates } H_c^n(\mathbb{R}^n)$$



$$\underline{\Phi} = \alpha(x,t) dt \wedge \dots \wedge dt_n$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \alpha(x,t) dt = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \underline{\Phi} = 1$$

- The Thom isomorphism lifts a form from  $M$  to being a form on  $E$  by pulling it up to  $E$  w/  $\pi^*$  and wedging w/  $\Phi$
- Under direct sums w/ we see:

$$\Phi(E \oplus F) = \pi_1^*(\Phi(E)) \wedge \pi_2^*(\Phi(F))$$

- Ex: For two  $\mathbb{R}^k$  bundles,  $\Phi(E)$  and  $\Phi(F)$  are each bump 1-forms, and  $\pi_1^*(\cdot) \wedge \pi_2^*(\cdot)$  is a bump two form

- Normal bundles:** For  $S \subset M$ ,  $k = \dim(S)$  and  $n = \dim(M)$ , the normal bundle  $N_{S/M}$  is defined by making:

$$0 \rightarrow TS \rightarrow TM|_S \rightarrow N_{S/M} \rightarrow 0$$

exact (i.e.  $N_{S/M}$  is the quotient @ each point  $T_p M / T_p S$ ). A **tubular neighborhood**  $T$  of  $S$  in  $M$  is an open neighborhood of  $S$  in  $M$  which is diffeomorphic to a rank  $n-k$  vector bundle over  $S$  st.  $S$  embeds as the zero section.

- Every submanifold  $S \subset M$  has a tubular neighborhood  $T$ , and in fact  $T$  is diffeomorphic to  $N_{S/M}$ .

- For  $S \subset M$  a closed submanifold and  $T$  a tubular neighborhood of  $S$ , we get:

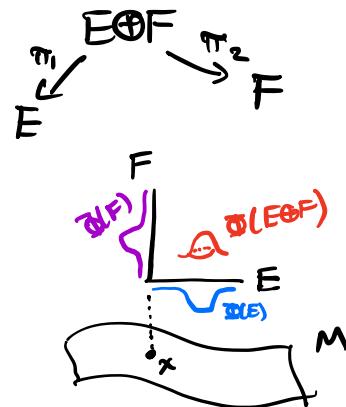
$$H^*(S) \xrightarrow{\tau} H^{*+n-k}_{\text{ev}}(T) \xrightarrow{j_*} H^{*+n-k}(M)$$

where  $\tau(\omega) = (\pi^*\omega) \wedge \Phi$  is the Thom map and  $j_*$  is extension by 0. The **Poincaré dual** of  $S$  in  $M$  is the image of  $[e] \in H^0(S)$ :

$$[\eta_S] = j_*(\Phi) \in H^{n-k}(M)$$

where recall this class satisfies:

$$\int_S \tau^* \omega = \int_M \omega \wedge \eta_S \quad \forall \omega \in H_c^k(M).$$



- **Prop:** The Poincaré dual of a closed oriented submanifold  $S \subset M$  and the Thom class of the normal bundle  $N_{S/M}$  can be represented by the same forms.
- Intuitively this is saying that  $\int_M \omega \wedge \Phi$  is equal to  $\int_S \omega$  and wedging w/  $\Phi$  lets you "factor" the integral w/  $1 = \int_F \Phi = \pi_* \Phi$
- **Prop:** The support of the Poincaré dual of  $S$  may be shrunk into any open neighborhood of  $S$ .
- Two submanifolds  $R, S \subset M$  intersect transversally if:

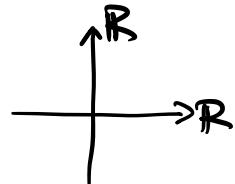
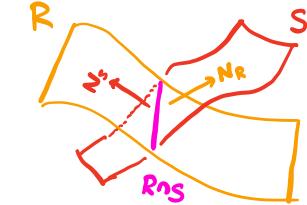
$$T_x R + T_x S = T_x M \quad \forall x \in R \cap S$$

In this case the normal bundle splits as a sum  $N_{R \cap S} = N_R \oplus N_S$ , so the Thom class on  $R \cap S$  factors as

$$\Phi(N_{R \cap S}) = \pi_1^* \Phi(N_R) \wedge \pi_2^* \Phi(N_S). \text{ Hence the Poincaré dual satisfies:}$$

$$\eta_{R \cap S} = \eta_R \wedge \eta_S$$

- We can evidently see this for the 2 dim case, as  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}$  w/ each copy of  $\mathbb{R}$  intersecting transversally.



- **Orientation of forms:** The top forms on  $M$ ,  $\Omega^n(M)$  split into two classes which are related by multiplication by a positive function  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ .

A top form in the orientation class of  $M$  is called **positive**.

Negative orientation $-dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n$ $-f(x) dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n$	Positive orientation $dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n$ $f(x) dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n$ $t > 0$
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- Orientation on  $S^{n-1}$ : A form  $\sigma \in H^{n-1}(S^{n-1})$

is positive (and defines the orientation on  $S^{n-1}$ ) if  $dr \wedge \pi^* \sigma \in H^n(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\})$  is positive w.r.t. the standard orientation  $dx_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

- **Angular form:** On  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ , the angular form is:

$$\psi = \pi^* \sigma \in H^{n-1}(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\})$$

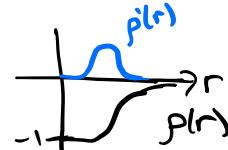
where  $\sigma \in H^{n-1}(S^{n-1})$  is a positive generator of  $H^{n-1}(S^{n-1})$

- Note this is essentially of the form  $\psi(\theta^i) d\theta^i$ ,  
↑ sphere coords  
 and  $d\psi = 0$  since  $d\sigma = 0$ .

- Let  $p(r)$  be a fn on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  
 $\text{supp}(p'(r)) \not\ni 0$  and  $\int p'(r) dr = \int dp = 1$ .  
(so  $dp = p'(r) dr$  is a bump 1-form). Then:

$$dp \wedge \psi = d(p \wedge \psi) \in H_c^n(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

generates the compact cohomology of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .



- **Global angular form:** Given a rank  $n$  vector bundle, endow it w/ a metric to give a radial fn  $r$  on each fiber. Let  $E^\circ$  be the complement of the zero section of  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  ( $E^\circ \cong E \setminus M$ ). The global angular form  $\psi$  on  $E^\circ$  is a form which restricts to the angular form  $\pi^* \sigma$

on each fiber of  $E^o \cong \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ .

- Rank 2 case: Trivialize  $E$  w/ an open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}$  of  $M$ . On each  $E^o|_{U_\alpha}$ , we can put polar coords s.t. coords on  $E^o|_{U_\alpha}$  are  $(\pi^*x_1, \dots, \pi^*x_n, r_\alpha, \theta_\alpha)$  where  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  are coordinates on  $U_\alpha$ .
  - On each  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ ,  $r_\alpha$  will be the same as  $r_\beta$  (as the two charts inherit  $r$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ) but  $\theta_\alpha$  and  $\theta_\beta$  will be different (how  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is stitched onto  $M$ ). So we define  $\varphi_{\alpha\beta}: U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as the difference:

$$\pi^* \varphi_{\alpha\beta} = \theta_\beta - \theta_\alpha \quad \text{on } U_\alpha \cap U_\beta.$$

$P_\beta \varphi_{\alpha\beta}$  does @  
boundary of  $U_\alpha$

We define one forms  $\xi_\alpha$  on each  $U_\alpha$  as:

$$\xi_\alpha := \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_\gamma p_\gamma d\varphi_{\gamma\alpha} \quad (\text{clearly a well defined form on } U_\alpha)$$

where  $\{p_\gamma\}$  is a partition of unity subordinate to  $\{U_\gamma\}$ .

$$d\varphi_{\alpha\beta} = \xi_\beta - \xi_\alpha$$

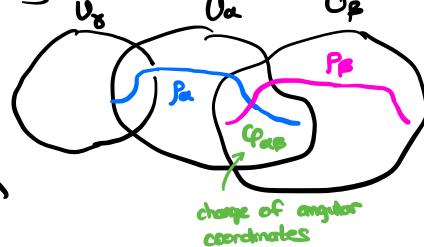
on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ . This gives  $d\xi_\alpha = d\xi_\beta$  on

$U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , so we get a global 2-form

$e$  on  $M$  whose cohomology class is called the Euler class  $e(E) \in H^2(M)$ :

$$e|_{U_\alpha} = d\xi_\alpha$$

- The Euler class  $e(E) \in H^2(M)$  will be studied for rank  $n$  vector bundles later. It measures the "twisting" of a vector bundle by quantifying how hard it is to put angular coordinates on each fiber  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \cong E^o|_{\pi^{-1}(p_\beta)}$



- On a rank 2 vector bundle, the global angular form can be patched together on each chart:

$$\psi|_{U_\alpha} := \frac{d\theta_\alpha}{2\pi} - \pi^* \xi_\alpha$$

- On each fiber,  $\psi|_{\pi^{-1}(x_3)} = \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$  is just the angular form on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ .  
The important part is that  $\psi$  is no longer closed:

$$d\psi = -\pi^* e$$

hence  $e$  measures the failure to patch together a set of global angular coordinates on  $E^\circ$ .

- From  $\psi$ , we again can show the Thom class is:

$$\Phi = d(\rho(r) \cdot \psi)$$

- If  $s: M \rightarrow E$  is the zero section:

$$s^* \Phi = e$$

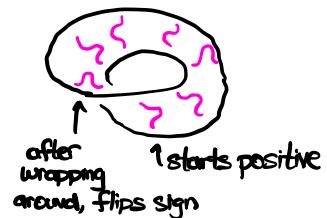
- The Euler class is functorial in the sense that:

$$e(f^{-1}E) = f^* e(E)$$

- Non-orientable case: For the Möbius strip there is no Thom class b/c a bump form on the fiber @  $\theta=0$  with  $\int_{F_0} \alpha = 1$  will have its integral at  $\theta=2\pi$  become  $-1$ .

- Are there any good examples of a vector bundle which is oriented and has a nontrivial Euler class? If so, what does its Thom/Euler class look like?

$\rho(r) \cdot \psi$  is not a global cohomology class on  $E$  b/c it is not defined @  $r=0$ , but  $d(\rho(r) \psi)$  is, so  $\Phi$  is not necessarily trivial in cohomology.



## Applications to Physics

- Most applications to physics require a metric  $g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$ . Mathematically, this is only required to be a **pseudo-metric**. A pseudometric is a form  $g \in \Omega^2(M)$  which is symmetric and non-degenerate; unlike a full metric, it need not be positive definite. A pair  $(M, g)$  for  $g$  a pseudo-metric is called a **pseudo-Riemannian manifold**.

- Lorentz spacetime  $M = \mathbb{R}^4$  with  $g = dt^2 - d\vec{x}^2$  is not a Riemannian manifold, but rather a pseudo-Riemannian manifold.
- A pseudometric  $g_{\mu\nu}$  is symmetric and nondegenerate  $\Rightarrow$  real nonzero eigenvalues. If  $i$  and  $j$  are the # of positive and negative eigenvalues, then  $(i, j)$  is called the **index** of  $g$ .
- A manifold is **Riemannian** if  $j=0$ , and **Lorentzian** if  $j=1$ .

- For a pseudo-metric, we can define the **Hodge Star**

$$*: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{n-k}(M)$$

$$*(dx^{\mu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\mu_k}) = \frac{\sqrt{|g|}}{(n-k)!} \epsilon^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_{n-k}} dx^{\nu_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{\nu_{n-k}}$$

The  $*$  can be used to define a symmetric bilinear form on  $\Omega^k(M)$  as:

$$\langle \omega, \tau \rangle = \int_M \omega \wedge * \tau$$

where  $g = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j = g_{ii} dx^i \otimes dx^i$  is taken to be diagonal. Note:

$$*1 = \text{Vol}$$

$$**\omega = \begin{cases} (-1)^{k(n-k)} \omega & \text{g Riemannian} \\ (-1)^{1+k(n-k)} \omega & \text{g Lorentzian} \end{cases}$$

- With this bilinear form  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , there is a natural chain map adjoint to  $d$ :

$$\delta: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \quad \delta\omega = \begin{cases} (-1)^{n(k+1)+1} *d* \omega & \text{g Riemannian} \\ (-1)^{n(k+1)} *d* \omega & \text{g Lorentzian} \end{cases}$$

and  $\delta = 0$  for  $k=0$ . Since  $*^2 = (-1)^\#$ ,  $\delta^2 = (-1)^\# *d^2 * = 0$ , hence  $\delta$  is a chain map. We have:

$$\langle d\omega, \tau \rangle = \langle \omega, \delta\tau \rangle$$

$\delta$  will often be denoted by  $d^+$  as well.

- Hodge duality**: The **Laplace deRham operator** is defined as  $\Delta: \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^k(M)$  by:

$$\Delta = d\delta + \delta d$$

We have  $\Delta\omega = 0$  iff  $d\omega = \delta\omega = 0$ , and we call such forms **harmonic** and denote the space of harmonic  $k$ -forms by  $\mathcal{H}^k(M)$ . For any  $\omega \in \Omega^k(M)$ ,  $\exists!$  decomposition:

$$\omega = d\alpha + \delta\beta + \gamma$$

with  $\alpha \in \Omega^{k-1}(M)$ ,  $\beta \in \Omega^{k+1}(M)$ , and  $\gamma \in \mathcal{H}^k(M)$ .

- On 0-forms  $f \in \Omega^0(M)$ ,  $\Delta f = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_\nu (\sqrt{|g|} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu f) = \partial^2 f$  if we use a flat metric. Similarly for  $k=1$  in flat Euclidean space,  $\Delta \omega = -(\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \omega_\nu) dx^\nu$

- The Hodge star explicitly gives an isomorphism between the  $S$ -homology and the  $d$ -cohomology:

$$*: H_d^*(M) \rightarrow H_{8-n}(M)$$

- Now we turn to the physics. In Minkowski space:

$$g = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu \otimes dx^\nu = dt^2 - d\vec{x}^2$$

has index( $g$ ) = 1.

- In electromagnetism, quantities are naturally differential forms. We first work in 3 dimensions, then move to 4. In 3d:

$$*1 = dx \wedge dy \wedge dz = V_0$$

$$*dx = dy \wedge dz$$

$$*(dx \wedge dy) = dz$$

$$*(dx \wedge dy \wedge dz) = 1$$

$$*dy = dz \wedge dx$$

$$*(dz \wedge dx) = dy$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$*dz = dx \wedge dy$$

$$*(dy \wedge dz) = dx$$

where  $\text{index}(g) = 0$ . Note that we have the correspondences to vector calculus:

Vector calc

functions  $f$

Vector fields  $A^i \vec{e}_i$

gradient  $\nabla f$

curl  $\nabla \times \vec{F}$

div  $\nabla \cdot \vec{F}$

Differential forms

0 forms  $f$  or 3 forms  $f dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$

1 forms  $A_i dx^i$  or 2 forms  $\epsilon_{ijk} A_i dx^j \wedge dx^k = A_i (*dx^i)$

$d$  of a 0 form  $f \in \Omega^0(M)$

$d$  of a 1 form  $F_i dx^i \in \Omega^1(M)$  (note  $dF \in \Omega^2$ , and  $*dF \in \Omega^1$ )

$d$  of a 2 form  $F_i dy \wedge dz + \dots$ , or  $\delta = *d*$  of a 1 form  $F_i dx^i$

- If we wish, the  $*$  lets us take our identification to be with 0 and 1 forms.

- We see explicitly here that when  $\Delta = dS + Sd$  acts on 0 forms  $f$ , we get a Laplacian:

$$\Delta f = (dS + Sd)f = Sdf = *d*d f = \nabla \cdot \nabla f = \nabla^2 f$$

- The electric field  $E$  is treated as a 1-form, while the magnetic field  $B$  is a 2-form:

$$E = E_1 dx + E_2 dy + E_3 dz$$

$$B = B_1 dy \wedge dz + B_2 dz \wedge dx + B_3 dx \wedge dy$$

- This encodes how  $E \mapsto -E$  and  $B \mapsto B$  under parity. In general in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , vectors are 1-forms in  $\Omega^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$  and pseudovectors are 2 forms in  $\Omega^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , since  $dx^i \mapsto -dx^i$  but  $dx^i \wedge dy^j \mapsto dx^i \wedge dy^j$  under parity.

- Since  $B$  is a closed 2form ( $dB = \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ ), the Poincaré lemma for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  implies it is exact:

$$B = dA$$

$$A = A_i dx^i \in \Omega^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$$

$$(\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A})$$

- The electric field is closed when  $\partial_t B = 0$ , and the Poincaré lemma applies. More generally:

$$dE + \partial_t B = 0 \stackrel{\text{Poincaré lemma}}{\Rightarrow} E - \partial_t A = d\Phi, \quad \Phi \in \Omega^0(\mathbb{R}^3) \quad (\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\partial_t \vec{B}/\partial t)$$

- We combine these into a 2-form  $F \in \Omega^2(M)$ , where  $(M, g) = (\mathbb{R}^4, \text{Minkowski})$  is spacetime:

$$F = B + E \wedge dt$$

- In 4d, the  $*$  acts differently, both b/c  $n=4$  and b/c the index of  $g$  becomes  $(3,1)$ :

$$*(dt) = dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$$

...

$$*(dz) = dt \wedge dx \wedge dy$$

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$$*(dt \wedge dz) = dx \wedge dy$$

$$*(dy \wedge dz) = -dt \wedge dx$$

$$*(dz \wedge dx) = -dt \wedge dy$$

$$*(dx \wedge dy) = -dt \wedge dz$$

- For the 2 forms, if  $\omega$  contains  $dt$  then there will be an extra - sign (b/c  $g$  is a pseudometric)

- Finally, we define the current  $J \in \Omega^3(M)$ :

$$J := g_{\mu\nu} j^\mu * (dx^\nu)$$

$$\rho dx \wedge dy \wedge dt - j_x dt \wedge dy \wedge dz - j_y dt \wedge dz \wedge dx - j_z dt \wedge dx \wedge dy$$

- Maxwell's eqns can be succinctly combined into the assertion that  $F$  is a closed form, and  $*F$  is closed except in the presence of an external field:

$$dF = 0$$

$$(\text{contains } \nabla \cdot B = 0, \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t})$$

$$d*F = J$$

- When in the presence of no background field,  $F$  and  $*F$  pass to the cohomology.

## Čech cohomology

- Formulate Mayer-Vietoris w/ a **double complex**  $K^{**} = C^*(U, \Omega^*)$ , where  $U = (U, V)$  is an open cover of  $M$ .

$$K^{0,0} := C^0(U, \Omega^0) := \Omega^0(U) \oplus \Omega^0(V)$$

$$K^{1,0} := C^1(U, \Omega^0) := \Omega^0(U \cap V)$$

$$K^{p,0} := 0 \text{ for } p > 1$$

- We get two distinct cochain maps:

$$d: K^{p,0} \rightarrow K^{p,0+1}$$

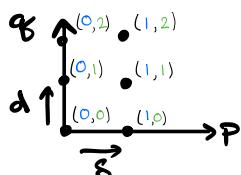
$$\omega \mapsto d\omega$$

$$\delta: K^{p,0} \rightarrow K^{p+1,0}$$

$$\omega \mapsto \begin{cases} \omega|_V - \omega|_U & p=0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

so we can represent these on a

commutative grid:



- Given a double complex  $(K^{**}, d, \delta)$  w/ commuting differentials, we can form a single complex  $(K^*, D)$  with:

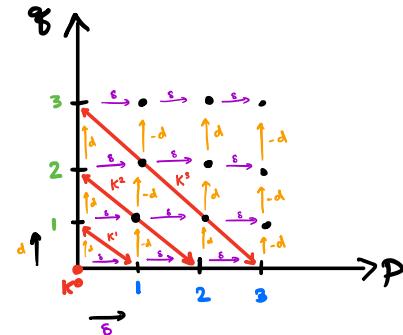
$$K^n := \bigoplus_{p+q=n} K^{p,q} \quad D := \delta + (-1)^p d$$

- Theorem: The  $D$ -cohomology of  $C^*(U, \Omega^*)$  is isomorphic to the deRham cohomology of  $M$ .

$$H_D(C^*(U, \Omega^*)) \cong H_{DR}(M)$$

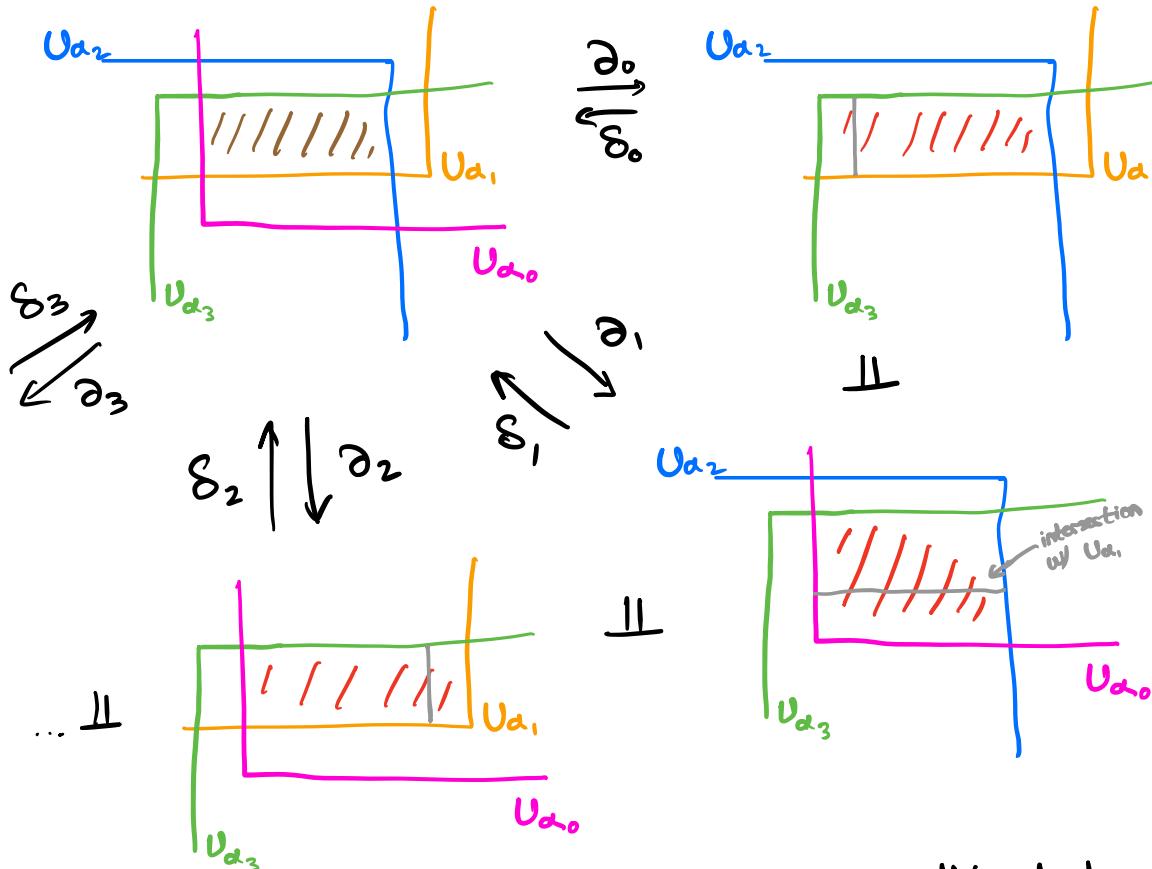
To show this, show  $r: \Omega^*(M) \rightarrow \Omega^*(U) \otimes \Omega^*(V) = C^0(U, \Omega^*) \subset [C^*(U, \Omega^*)]^q$ ,  $\omega \mapsto (\omega|_U, \omega|_V)$  is a chain map and drops to a cohomology isomorphism.

- Generalization:  $U := \{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in J}$  a countable open cover of  $M$ , denote  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap \dots \cap U_\gamma = U_{\alpha, \beta, \dots, \gamma}$ . We get inclusions



$$M \xleftarrow{\partial} \coprod_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} \xleftarrow{\partial_0} \coprod_{\alpha < \beta} U_{\alpha\beta} \xleftarrow{\partial_0} \coprod_{\alpha < \beta < \gamma} U_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \xleftarrow{\quad} \dots$$

where  $\partial_i: \coprod_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_i \dots \beta} U_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_i \dots \beta} \rightarrow \coprod_{\alpha_0 \dots \beta} U_{\alpha_0 \dots \beta}$  are inclusions



These induce restrictions on forms which pull back to:

$$\Omega^*(M) \xrightarrow{\delta} \prod_{\alpha} \Omega^*(U_{\alpha}) \xrightarrow{\delta_0} \prod_{\alpha < \beta} \Omega^*(U_{\alpha\beta}) \xrightarrow{\delta_0} \prod_{\alpha < \beta < \gamma} \Omega^*(U_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \xrightarrow{\quad} \dots$$

If  $\omega \in \prod_{d_i < d_{i+1}} \Omega^*(U_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_p})$ ,  $\omega$  has components  $\omega_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_p} \in \Omega^*(U_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_p})$ ,

and we can define a cochain map  $\delta: \prod_{d_i < d_{i+1}} \Omega^*(U_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_p}) \rightarrow \prod_{d_i < d_{i+1}} \Omega^*(U_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_{p+1}})$

$$(\delta\omega)_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_{p+1}} := \sum_{i=0}^{p+1} (-1)^i \omega_{\alpha_0 \dots \hat{\alpha}_i \dots \alpha_{p+1}}$$

$\leftarrow$  (This is a generalization  
of Mayer-Vietoris  
w/ a 2 piece cover  $\{U, V\}$ )

- This defines a cochain complex:

$$\delta^2 = 0$$

much like what we get in simplicial cohomology. The alternating nature of the sum is what forces  $\delta^2$  to 0.

- We define  $\omega_{\dots \beta \dots \alpha} = -\omega_{\dots \alpha \dots \beta}$  when  $\alpha < \beta$

- Generalized Mayer-Vietoris:** This is exact:

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^*(M) \xrightarrow{r} \prod_{\alpha} \Omega^*(U_\alpha) \xrightarrow{\delta} \prod_{\alpha_1 < \alpha_2} \Omega^*(U_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2}) \xrightarrow{\delta} \dots$$

i.e. the  $\delta$ -cohomology of this cochain complex vanishes, so each  $\delta$ -cocycle is a  $\delta$ -coboundary.

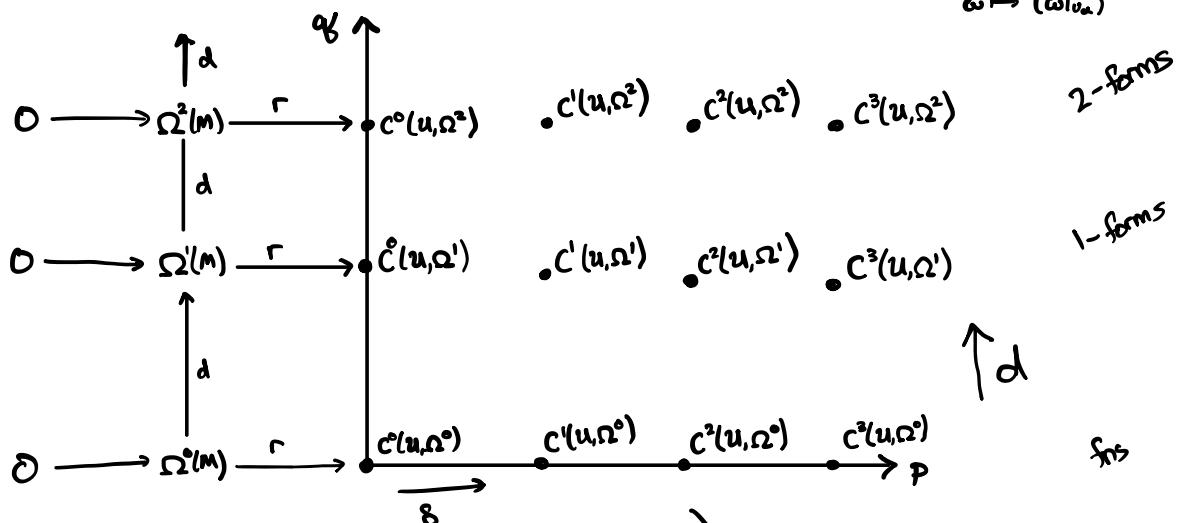
$$\begin{aligned} C^0(U, \Omega^q) &= \bigoplus_{\alpha_0} \Omega^q(U_{\alpha_0}) \\ C^1(U, \Omega^q) &= \bigoplus_{\alpha_1 < \alpha_2} \Omega^q(U_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2}) \end{aligned}$$

- Terminology: Let:

$$C^p(U, \Omega^q) := K^{p,q} := \prod_{\alpha_0 < \dots < \alpha_p} \Omega^q(U_{\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_p}) \quad (\text{Note } C^0 = \prod_{\alpha_0} \Omega^q(U_{\alpha_0}))$$

This is an extension of the previous double graded complex.

$r$  = restriction,  
 $\omega \mapsto (\omega|_{U_\alpha})$



Let  $\omega \in C^p(U, \Omega^q)$ . We call  $\omega$ :

- i) A **cocycle** if  $\delta\omega = 0$
- ii) A **coboundary** if  $\omega = \delta\tau$
- iii) A **closed form** if  $d\omega = 0$
- iv) An **exact form** if  $\omega = d\tau$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (C^*(U, \Omega^q), \delta) \\ \text{cohomology} \end{array} \right.$   
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (C^p(U, \Omega^q), d) \\ \text{cohomology} \end{array} \right.$

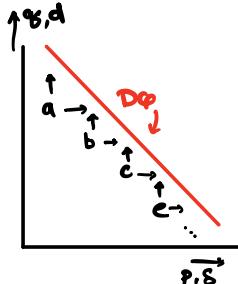
$C^*(U, \Omega^*) := \bigoplus_{p, q \geq 0} C^p(U, \Omega^q)$  is the **Cech-deRham complex**.

This is formed into a single cochain complex as before:

$$[C^*(U, \Omega^*)]^n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} C^p(U, \Omega^q) \quad D = \delta + (-1)^p d$$

- Note if  $\varphi$  is a cocycle,  $D\varphi = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = da + (da - db) + (\delta b + dc) + (\delta c - de) + \dots$ . Since each of these terms live in their own gradings, they must be 0, i.e.  $da = 0, \delta a = db, \delta b = -dc, \delta c = de, \dots$

$\varphi \in [C^*(U, \Omega^*)]^n$   
has  $\varphi = a + b + c + d + \dots$   
w/ each element in  
a grading  $(p, q)$  w/  
 $p+q=n$ .



- Rows of a double complex exact  $\Rightarrow$  vertical  $d$ -cohomology  $\cong D$ -cohomology

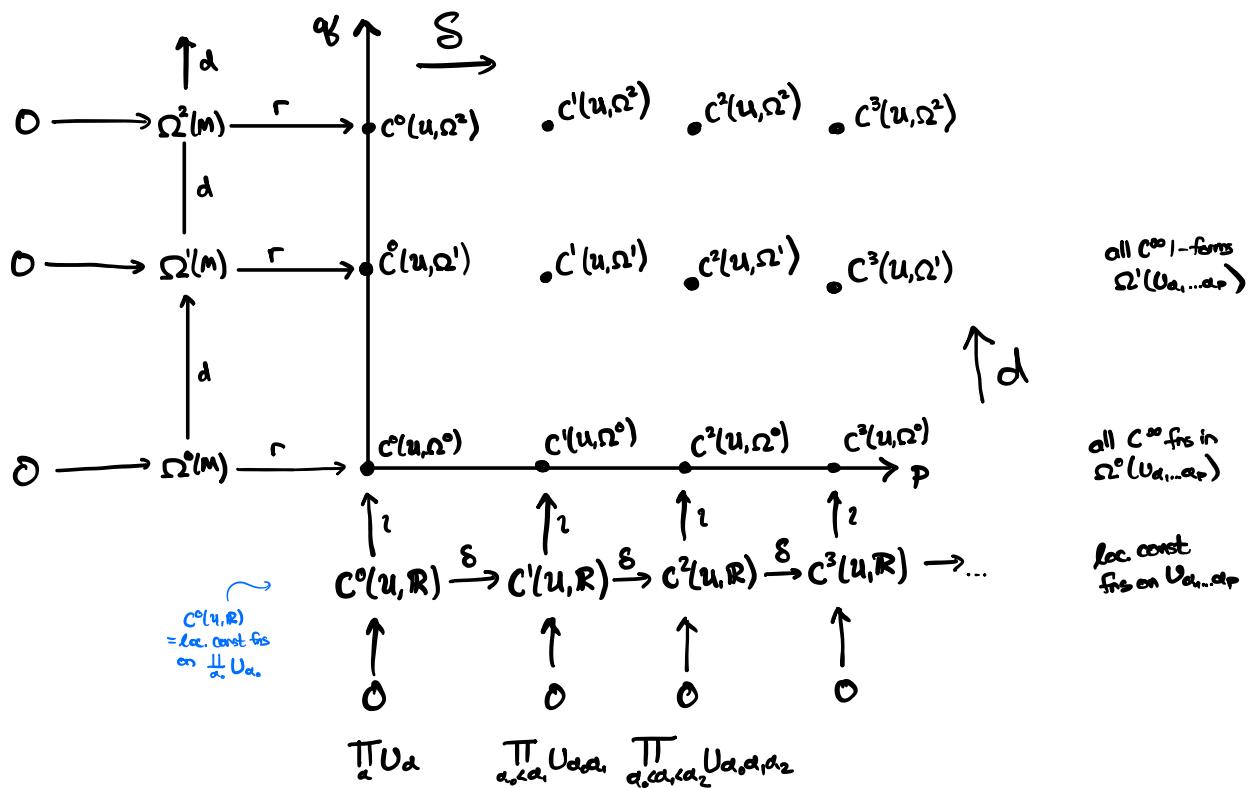
- Vice versa if the columns are exact, we get  $H_D^* \cong H_S^*$ .

- In this case one can show each cocycle is cohomologous to a cocycle w/ only a top component, i.e.  $D\varphi = 0 \Rightarrow \varphi = \varphi' + D\gamma$  w/  $\varphi' \in C^0(U, \Omega^k)$ .

- Generalized Mayer-Vietoris then implies:

$$H_{dR}^*(M) \cong H_D^*(C^*(U, \Omega^*))$$

- Augment the complex  $C^*(U, \Omega^*)$  with spaces  $C^p(U, \mathbb{R})$  of the locally constant functions on  $\prod_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p} U_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p}$ . Then we can extend the double complex:



- Note although the bottom joint is exact, the exactness of the columns  $(C^p(U, \Omega^*), d)$  is measured by:

$$\prod_{\substack{q \geq 1 \\ \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q}} H^q(U_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q})$$

$p$ -cochain = element of  $C^p(U, \mathbb{R})$

- The  $\delta$  cohomology of  $(C^*(U, \mathbb{R}), \delta)$  is called the  $\check{\text{C}}\text{ech cohomology}$  of the cover  $U$ ,  $\check{H}^*(U)$

- If the columns of the double complex are exact (equivalently  $\prod_{\substack{q \geq 1 \\ \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p}} H^q(U_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p})$  vanishes) then  $\check{H}^*(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong H_D^*(C^*(U, \Omega^*))$ , and thus:

$$\check{H}^*(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong H_{dR}^*(M)$$

- When does this happen? For **good covers**  $U$  of  $M$ .

- **Theorem:** If  $M$  has a good cover  $U$ , then  $\check{H}^*(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong H_{dR}^*(M)$

- Recall every manifold has a good cover. If  $M$  is of finite type, this is easier to work with.

- **Corollary:** The  $\check{\text{C}}\text{ech cohomology}$  is the same for all good covers  $U$  of  $M$ .

- **Corollary:** If  $M$  is compact or of finite type, the deRham cohomology of  $M$  is finite dimensional.

- The  $\check{\text{C}}\text{ech complex}$   $C^*(U, \mathbb{R})$  quantifies the intersections of the cover  $U$ . If  $U$  is a good cover, all its intersections  $\cong \mathbb{R}^n$  and are connected, so in the  $\check{\text{C}}\text{ech complex}$  each intersection will contribute  $\cong \mathbb{R} = \text{Locally const-fns on } \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then each  $C^q(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n(q)}$ , where  $n(q) = \# \text{ of nonzero } q\text{-intersections of the good cover } U$ .

- The **nerve** of a cover  $U$ ,  $N(U)$ , is a simplicial complex constructed by:

- To each  $U_\alpha \in U$ , associate a vertex  $v_\alpha$ .
- For each nonzero  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , attach the 0-cells  $v_\alpha$  and  $v_\beta$  w/ a 1-cell ( $\text{line}$ )  $\ell_{\alpha\beta}$
- For each nonzero  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma$ , attach  $\ell_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $\ell_{\beta\gamma}$ , and  $\ell_{\gamma\alpha}$  w/ a 2 cell  $\sigma_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$  ( $\text{filling}$ ).
- Continue for higher dimensionality.

- **The Collating Formula:** The explicit isomorphism between  $H_{dR}^*$  and  $H_D^*$  is induced by  $r: \Omega^*(M) \rightarrow C^*(U, \Omega^*)$ ,  $\omega \mapsto (\omega|_{U_\alpha})_\alpha$ . The inverse isomorphism:

$$f: C^*(U, \Omega^*) \rightarrow \Omega^*(M)$$

$$f(\alpha) := \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} (-D''K)^i \alpha_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} K(-D''K)^{i-1} \beta_i \in C^*(U, \Omega^*)$$

where  $D\alpha = \beta = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \beta_i$  w/  $\beta_i \in C^i(U, \Omega^{n+i-i})$ .

-  $f$  essentially takes all the pieces of  $\alpha$  and  $D\alpha$  and moves them to the top component of the cochain, which stitches together to a global form (that is not obvious).

-  $f$  satisfies:

i)  $f \circ r = \text{id}$

ii)  $r \circ f$  is chain homotopic to  $\text{id}$ .

hence  $f, r$  induce inverse isomorphisms in cohomology  $H_{dR}^*(M) \xrightleftharpoons{r} H_D^*(C^*(U, \Omega^*))$ .

- If we have a  $D$ -cochain  $\omega_\alpha \in C^0(U, \Omega^*)$ , we can extend  $[\omega_\alpha]$  to a global cohomology class  $[rf(\omega)]$  if we can extend  $\omega_\alpha$  to a  $D$ -cochain in  $C^*(U, \Omega^*)$ .

- Given a cover  $U$ , there is a natural homotopy operator:

$$K: C^p(U, \Omega^\infty) \rightarrow C^{p-1}(U, \Omega^\infty)$$

$\{\rho_\alpha\}$  partition of unity  
subordinate to  $\{U_\alpha\} = U$

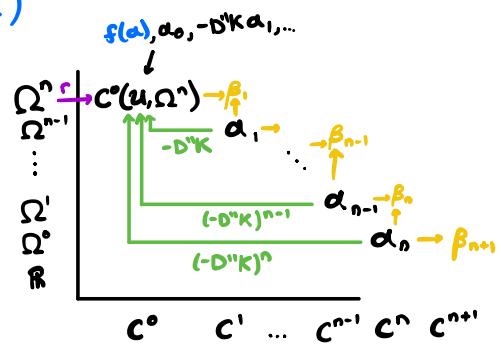
$$(K\omega)_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}} := \sum_\alpha \rho_\alpha \omega_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}}$$

- This map is chain homotopic to  $\delta$ ,  $K\delta + \delta K = \text{id}$ , and can be used in the case of  $U$  being a good cover to explicitly give the isomorphism between Čech and de Rham cohomology for a good cover  $U$  of  $M$ :

$$f: \check{H}^n(U, \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{dR}^n(M)$$

$$D'' = (-1)^p d = \text{vertical differential}$$

$$[\eta] \mapsto [(-1)^n (D''K)^n \eta]$$



- A presheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on a topological space  $X$  is a map assigning to each open  $U \subset X$  an abelian group  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  s.t. for any inclusion  $i_U: V \rightarrow U$  there is a restriction map  $\mathcal{F}(i_U): \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(V)$  satisfying (let  $p_U^V = \mathcal{F}(i_U)$ )
  - i) Identity,  $p_U^U = \text{id}_{\mathcal{F}(U)}$
  - ii) Transitivity,  $p_W^V \circ p_V^U = p_W^U \quad \forall W \subset V \subset U$ .

- A presheaf homomorphism  $f: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  preserves the restriction making this commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{F}(U) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}(V) \\ f_U \downarrow & & \downarrow f_V \\ \mathcal{F}(V) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}(V) \end{array}$$

where  $f$  is formally a collection of maps  $f_U: \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)$ .

- Categorically a presheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  is a contravariant functor from  $\text{Open}(X)$  to  $\text{Ab}$ , where  $\text{Open}(X)$  has objects being the open sets of  $X$  and whose morphisms are inclusions  $i_U: V \rightarrow U$

- Presheaf homomorphisms are natural transformations  $f: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$

- The constant presheaf w/ group  $G$  is the presheaf which assigns to each open  $U$  the space of constant functions  $U \rightarrow G$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{const}} = \{f: U \rightarrow G \mid f \text{ is constant}\}$

- For Čech cohomology, since we are looking at  $C^p(U, \mathbb{R}) = \text{locally const. functions on } \coprod_{a_0 \dots a_p} U_{a_0 \dots a_p}$ , we see there is a relation btwn  $C^p(U, \mathbb{R})$  and the constant presheaf w/ group  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a presheaf on  $X$ , w/  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha\}$  an open cover of  $X$ . We define the  $p$ -cochains on  $\mathcal{U}$  with values in  $\mathcal{F}$  to be:

$$C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) := \prod_{a_0 \dots a_p} \mathcal{F}(U_{a_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{a_p})$$

- Our previous dfn of  $C^p(U, \mathbb{R})$  matches this, where  $\mathcal{F}$  is the locally const. presheaf valued in  $\mathbb{R}$ , since  $x \in C^p(U, \mathcal{F})$  means  $x$  is a product of constant fns  $U_{a_0 \dots a_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , which matches our dfn of  $C^p(U, \mathbb{R})$

- Given an inclusion  $U_{a_0 \dots a_p} \xrightarrow{\partial_i} U_{a_0 \dots \hat{a}_i \dots a_p}$ , we get a restriction  $\mathcal{F}(\partial_i): \mathcal{F}(U_{a_0 \dots a_p}) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U_{a_0 \dots \hat{a}_i \dots a_p})$ , so applying  $\mathcal{F}$  to the sequence  $U_a \xrightarrow{\partial_i} U_{a \setminus i} \subseteq U_{a \setminus i+1} \subseteq \dots$  we can define a differential:

$$\delta: C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow C^{p+1}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$$

$$(\delta \omega)_{a_0 \dots a_{p+1}} := \sum_{i=0}^{p+1} (-1)^i \mathcal{F}(\partial_i)(\omega_{a_0 \dots \hat{a}_i \dots a_{p+1}}) = \sum_{i=0}^{p+1} (-1)^i P_{a_0 \dots \hat{a}_i \dots a_{p+1}}^{\alpha_0 \dots \hat{\alpha}_i \dots \alpha_{p+1}} \omega_{a_0 \dots \hat{a}_i \dots a_{p+1}}$$

The Čech cohomology of the cover  $\mathcal{U}$  w/ values in  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $H^*(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$  is the cohomology of  $(C^*(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F}), \delta)$ .

- A cover  $B := \{V_\beta\}_{\beta \in J}$  is a **refinement** of  $U = \{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  if there is a map  $\varphi: J \rightarrow I$  such that  $V_\beta \subset U_{\varphi(\beta)}$  for each  $\beta \in J$ . We write  $U < B$ . Given a refinement  $\varphi$ , there is a canonical map:

$$\varphi^*: C^p(U, \mathbb{F}) \rightarrow C^p(B, \mathbb{F})$$

$$(\varphi^* \omega)_{\beta_1 \dots \beta_p} := \omega_{\varphi(\beta_1) \dots \varphi(\beta_p)}$$

(we can drop a cochain from the coarser cover  $U$  to a refinement  $B$  naturally since each  $V_\beta \in B$  is a subset of a  $U_\alpha \in U$ )



- In the picture, a cochain  $\omega \in C^p(U, \mathbb{F})$  induces a cochain  $\varphi^* \omega$  on  $C^p(V, \mathbb{F})$  by restriction: if  $M = U_1 \cup U_2$  and  $\omega = (\omega_1, \omega_2) \in C^0(U, \mathbb{F})$  w/  $\omega_i$  forms on  $U_i$ , then  $\varphi^* \omega = (\bar{\omega}_1, \bar{\omega}_2, \bar{\omega}_3, \bar{\omega}_4, \bar{\omega}_5, \bar{\omega}_6)$  w/  $\bar{\omega}_i = \omega_i|_{V_i}$ ,  $\bar{\omega}_2 = \omega_1|_{V_2}, \dots, \bar{\omega}_6 = \omega_2|_{V_6}$ .
- $\varphi^*$  is a cochain map and drops to cohomology
- If  $\varphi, \psi: J \rightarrow I$  are two refinement maps, then:

$$\begin{aligned} K: C^q(U, \mathbb{F}) &\rightarrow C^{q-1}(B, \mathbb{F}) \\ (K\omega)|_{\beta_1 \dots \beta_{q-1}} &:= \sum_i (-1)^i \omega_{\varphi(\beta_1) \dots \varphi(\beta_i) \psi(\beta_{i+1}) \dots \psi(\beta_{q-1})} \end{aligned}$$

$\varphi: 1, 2, 3, 4 \mapsto 1$   
 $5, 6 \mapsto 2$

is a chain homotopy between  $\varphi^*$  and  $\psi^*$ , hence a refinement  $U < B$  induces a unique map  $\check{H}^q(U, \mathbb{F}) \rightarrow \check{H}^q(B, \mathbb{F})$

- Let  $X$  be a topological space. The collection  $\{U\}$  of open covers of  $X$  is a directed set under refinement b/c given  $U_1, U_2 \in \{U\}$ , we can form  $B := \{U_1 \cap U_2 : U_i \in U_i\}$  which is a refinement of both. Hence we can take the **direct limit**:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \check{H}^*(\{x\}, \mathbb{F}) & \rightarrow \dots & \rightarrow \check{H}^*(U, \mathbb{F}) & \rightarrow \dots & \rightarrow \check{H}^*(B, \mathbb{F}) & \rightarrow \dots \\ & & \downarrow & & & & \\ & & \varprojlim_u \check{H}^*(U, \mathbb{F}) & & & & \end{array}$$

and we define this limit to be the **Čech cohomology of  $X$** :

$$\check{H}^*(X, \mathbb{F}) := \varprojlim_u \check{H}^*(U, \mathbb{F})$$

- If we let  $\mathbb{R}$  denote the constant presheaf w/ values in  $\mathbb{R}$ , then for any manifold  $M$ :  
 $\check{H}^*(M, \mathbb{R}) \cong H_{dR}(M)$
- In  $\varprojlim_u$ , since good covers are cofinal in the directed system, one is allowed to compute  $\varprojlim_u$  using only the case when  $U$  is a good cover.
  - By cofinal, we mean for any cover  $U$ ,  $\exists$  a good cover  $B$  s.t.  $U < B$ .

- We previously defined the global angular form  $\eta \in H^1(E^\circ)$  for a rank 2 vector bundle  $E$  ( $w/ E^\circ = E \setminus \text{zero section}$ ). Since  $\eta|_{\text{fiber}}$  generates  $H^1(S^1)$ , if  $\eta$  is closed we can apply Leray Hirsch and  $H^*(E^\circ) = H^*(S^1) \otimes H^*(M)$ . We also have  $d\eta = -\pi^*e$  w/  $[e] \in H^2(M)$  the Euler class, so  $[e] = 0 \in H^2(M)$  implies  $H^*(E^\circ) = H^*(S^1) \otimes H^*(M)$ .
- **Orientation of a sphere bundle  $E \rightarrow M$ :**  $E$  is **orientable** if @ each fiber  $F_x \cong S^n$  w/  $x \in M$ , we can choose a generator  $[\sigma_x] \in H^n(F_x)$  satisfying **local compatibility**: At each  $x \in M$ ,  $\exists U \subset M$  open and  $[\sigma_u] \in H^n(E|_U)$  generating the cohomology s.t. @ each  $p \in U$ ,  $[\sigma_u|_{F_p}] = [\sigma_p]$ .
  - Equivalently we can find an open cover  $\{U_\alpha\}$  and generators  $[\sigma_\alpha] \in H^n(E|_{U_\alpha})$  s.t.  $[\sigma_\alpha] = [\sigma_\beta]$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ .
  - Each fiber has  $H^n(F_x) \cong \mathbb{R}$  and 2 possible generators,  $\pm [\alpha]$ , where  $\alpha$  is a bump  $n$ -form on  $S^n$ .
- Let  $E \rightarrow M$  be a rank  $n+1$  vector bundle w/ a Riemannian metric + structure group  $O(n+1)$ . The **sphere bundle  $S(E)$**  is the subbundle with fibers  $\tilde{F}_x := \{v \in F_x : \|v\|=1\}$  with structure group  $O(n+1)$ .
  - A vector bundle  $E$  is orientable iff  $S(E)$  is orientable.
  - Recall the dfn of orientability for  $E$  is if its structure group may be reduced to  $SO(n+1)$ .
- Some extra facts:
  - i) A line bundle is orientable iff it is trivial
  - ii) Every vector bundle over a simply connected base space is orientable
  - iii) Every simply connected manifold is orientable
    - This follows from ii b/c  $M$  is orientable iff  $TM$  is orientable as a bundle. Note  $TM$  is always orientable as a manifold.
- **Construction of the Euler class** for an  $S^1$  bundle  $E \rightarrow M$ : Pick a good cover  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha\}$  of  $M$ ,  $[\sigma_\alpha^\circ] \in H^1(E|_{U_\alpha})$  a generator. Assume  $E$  is orientable and each  $[\sigma_\alpha^\circ]$  is in the same orientation class.
 

**Goal:** Because  $H_{\text{dR}}^*(E) \cong H_0(C^*(\pi^*U, \Omega^*))$ , extending  $[\sigma_\alpha^\circ]$  to a  $D$ -cocycle will yield a global cohomology class which restricts to  $[\sigma_\alpha^{0,1}]$  on each  $U_\alpha$  (collating formula).

  - i) Find  $\sigma^{1,0}$  st.  $\delta\sigma^{0,1} = d\sigma^{1,0}$ . We have  $[\delta\sigma_{ab}^{0,1}] = [\sigma_\beta^{0,1}] - [\sigma_\alpha^{0,1}] = 0$  b/c  $\{\sigma_\alpha^\circ\}$  define the orientation of  $E$ 

$$\Rightarrow \delta\sigma^{0,1} = d\sigma^{1,0} = -D''\sigma^{1,0} \quad \text{for } \sigma^{1,0} \in C^1(\pi^*U, \Omega^0)$$
  - ii)  $\sigma^{0,1} + \sigma^{1,0}$  is almost a  $D$ -cocycle:
 
$$D(\sigma^{0,1} + \sigma^{1,0}) = d\sigma^{0,1} + (\delta\sigma^{0,1} - d\sigma^{1,0}) + \delta\sigma^{1,0} = \delta\sigma^{1,0}$$
  - iii) Does  $\delta\sigma^{1,0} = 0$ ? We see  $d\delta\sigma^{1,0} = \delta d\sigma^{1,0} = \delta^2\sigma^{0,1} = 0$ , so  $\delta\sigma^{1,0} = 2\varepsilon$  for  $\varepsilon \in C^2(\pi^*U, \mathbb{R})$  by exactness of  $\rightarrow \rightarrow$ . We can consider  $\varepsilon \in C^2(U, \mathbb{R})$  since  $C^2(\pi^*U, \mathbb{R}) \cong C^2(U, \mathbb{R})$  b/c
 

$\Omega^2$	$\circ$
$\uparrow \alpha$	$\uparrow \alpha$
$\Omega^1$	$\sigma^{0,1} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon}$
$\uparrow \alpha$	$\uparrow \alpha$
$\Omega^0$	$\sigma^{1,0} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon}$
$\uparrow \beta$	$\uparrow \beta$
$\mathbb{R}$	$\varepsilon$
$C^2$	$\xrightarrow{\varepsilon}$
$C^1$	$\xrightarrow{\varepsilon}$
$C^0$	$\varepsilon$

const. fns on  $U$  and  $\pi^{-1}U$  are equivalent, and  $S\epsilon = \delta(S\sigma^{0,1}) = 0 \Rightarrow \epsilon$  defines a cohomology class:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^2(U, \mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & H^2_{\text{dR}}(M) \\ \downarrow \epsilon & & \downarrow \epsilon \\ E & \longmapsto & e(E) \end{array}$$

$e(E) = \text{Euler class}$

IV)  $S\sigma^{0,1} = 0$  iff  $[\epsilon] = 0$  in  $H^2(U, \mathbb{R})$ , so we can extend  $[\sigma^{0,1}]$  to a D-cocycle iff  $e(E)$  vanishes.

- This same construction defines the Euler class  $e(E)$  for any sphere bundle. We have no trouble in intermediate steps b/c @any middle step,

$$dS\sigma^{k,n-k} = S(S\sigma^{k-1,n-k+1}) = 0, \text{ and for } k \neq 0, n \quad H^{n-k}(El_{U_0 \cup \dots \cup U_k}) \cong H^{n-k}(S^n) \\ = 0, \text{ so } S\sigma^{k,n-k} = d\sigma^{k+1,n-k-1}$$

-  $e(E)$  will live in  $H^n(M)$ , and  $e(E) = (-D^n K)^{n+1} \epsilon$

$$\begin{array}{c} \sigma^{0,n} \xrightarrow{\epsilon} \\ \sigma^{1,n-1} \xrightarrow{\epsilon} \\ \vdots \\ \sigma^{n,n} \end{array}$$

- $e(E)$  is well defined, independent of choice of generator  $[\sigma_\alpha^{0,n}] \in H^n(El_{U_\alpha})$  and of choice of good cover.

- Summary: On a sphere bundle  $E$ , there is a global form  $\sigma \in H^n(E)$  which restricts to a generator of each fiber iff:

i)  $E$  is orientable

ii)  $[e(E)] \in H^n(M)$  vanishes

- $e(E)$  for any trivial bundle vanishes b/c  $S\sigma^{0,n} = 0$

- Since  $E = M \times S^n$ , on a good cover  $\{U_\alpha\}$  of  $M$ , we can take  $[\sigma_\alpha^{0,n}] \in H^n(U_\alpha \times S^n)$  to restrict to the same generator on each fiber,  $[\sigma_\alpha^{0,n}|_x] = [\sigma_\beta^{0,n}|_y] \in H^n(S^n)$  for  $\forall \alpha, \beta, x \in U_\alpha, y \in U_\beta$ . This means  $(S\sigma^{0,n})_{\alpha\beta} = \sigma_\beta^{0,n} - \sigma_\alpha^{0,n} = 0$  everywhere, so the construction stops @ the first level.

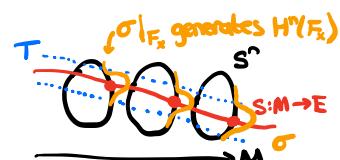
- Theorem: If an oriented  $S^n$  bundle  $E \rightarrow M$  has a global section, then  $e(E) = 0$

- However, the converse is not true: If  $e(E)$  vanishes  $E$  may not have a section.

- The intuition for this is similar to that for a trivial bundle, because intuitively a global section  $M \rightarrow E$  yields a well defined form  $\sigma \in H^n(E)$  s.t.  $\sigma|_{F_x}$  generates  $H^n(S^n)$ .

If  $s$  is a section, create a cylindrical neighborhood  $T$  of  $s(M)$  in  $E$ . Then on each fiber, define  $\sigma|_{F_x}$  to be a bump form w/ support in  $T \cap F_x$ . Taking  $\sigma|_{F_x}$  to be smooth as we vary  $x$ , we see there is a "correspondence" b/w:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{global sections} \\ s: M \rightarrow E \end{array} \right\} \xleftrightarrow{\sim} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Forms } \sigma \in H^n(E) \text{ which restrict} \\ \text{to a generator of } H^n(F_x) \end{array} \right\}$$



- Given a vector bundle  $E \rightarrow M$ , its Euler class is the Euler class of  $E^\circ = E \setminus s(M)$  where  $s: M \rightarrow E$  is the zero section.

- Relation to the previous  $e(E)$  construction for  $n=1$ :

- Recall previously we had a good cover  $\{U_\alpha\}$  on  $M$  w/ polar coordinates  $(r_\alpha, \theta_\alpha)$ , and the map  $\varphi_{\alpha\beta}: U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\varphi_{\alpha\beta} = \theta_\beta - \theta_\alpha$ . Note that  $\frac{\pi^* \varphi_{\alpha\beta}}{2\pi} \in \bigcup_{\alpha, \beta} \Omega^0(U_{\alpha\beta}) = C^1(U, \Omega^0)$  and  $\frac{d\theta_\alpha}{2\pi} \in \bigcup_\alpha \Omega^1(U_\alpha) = C^0(U, \Omega^1)$  generates  $H^1(E|_{U_\alpha})$ . So, taking:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma_\alpha^{0,1} = \frac{d\theta_\alpha}{2\pi} \\ \sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{1,0} = \frac{\pi^* \varphi_{\alpha\beta}}{2\pi} \end{array} \right.$$

We see everything we did previously works as:

$$(\delta \sigma^{0,1})_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{d\theta_\beta}{2\pi} - \frac{d\theta_\alpha}{2\pi} = d\left(\frac{\pi^* \varphi_{\alpha\beta}}{2\pi}\right) = d\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{1,0}$$

- Note that  $-\pi^* \varepsilon$  satisfies:

$$(-\pi^* \varepsilon)_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \delta\left(\frac{\pi^* \varphi}{2\pi}\right)_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \left(\frac{\delta \varphi}{2\pi}\right)_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \frac{1}{2\pi} (\varphi_{\beta\gamma} - \varphi_{\alpha\gamma} + \varphi_{\alpha\beta})$$

- Using the isomorphism  $H^n \xrightarrow{\sim} H^n_{\text{dR}}$ , we see the Euler class is:

$$[e(E)] = [(-D^n K)^2 \varepsilon] = [-dK dK \varepsilon]$$

- Since  $\delta K \pm K \delta = \text{id}$ ,  $K$  is almost an inverse of  $\delta$ , namely that  $\varepsilon = -\frac{\delta \varphi_{\alpha\beta}}{2\pi}$  implies  $(K\varepsilon)_{\alpha\beta} = -\varphi_{\alpha\beta}/2\pi + \delta \tau$ . Then defining:

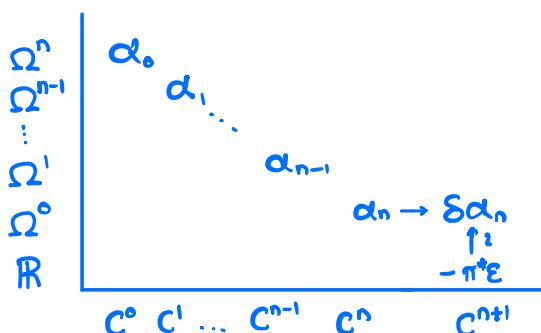
$$\tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha := -(K d K \varepsilon)_\alpha = K \frac{d \varphi_{\alpha\beta}}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_\beta \rho_\beta d \varphi_{\beta\alpha}$$

We see the Euler class is:

$$[e(E)] = [\tilde{\varepsilon}]$$

because  $dK d\delta \tau = \delta d\alpha$  with  $\alpha = K d\tau \in \Omega^1(M)$  a global form, so  $[dK d\delta \tau] = [d\delta \alpha] = 0$ .

- The Euler class on a rank  $n$  sphere bundle is thus defined by this diagram:



$\alpha^0 = \sigma^{0,n}$  = orientation form in the orientation class of  $E$ .

$$[e(M)] = [(-D^n K)^{n+1} \varepsilon] \in H^{n+1}(M)$$

for an  $S^n$ -bundle/rank  $n+1$  vector bundle

- **Global angular form:** If  $\alpha = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i \in [C^*(\pi^* u, \Omega^*)]^n$ , then:

$$D\alpha = -\delta \pi^* \varepsilon$$

$$D = S + (-1)^p d$$

Since at every level  $S\alpha_i = -D\alpha_{i+1}$ . Recall the Euler class is:

$$e(M) = (-D^K)^n \varepsilon$$

$K$  is a chain map and commutes w/  $\pi^*$ . We can use the collating formula to construct a global form on  $E$  from  $\alpha$ , our  $D$ -cocycle:

$$\eta := \sum_{i=0}^n (-D^K)^i \alpha_i + (-1)^{n+1} K(D^K)^n (-\pi^* \varepsilon)$$

This form  $\eta \in H^n(E)$  is a global form which satisfies:

$$d\eta = -\pi^* e$$

and  $\eta$  is called the **global angular form**. When restricted to each fiber,  $D^K(-\pi^* \varepsilon)$  vanishes since  $K\pi^* \varepsilon$  is const on each fiber, and b/c  $(D^K)^i \alpha_i$  is  $d$ -exact on each fiber:

$$[4|_{F_x}] \text{ generates } H^n(F_x) = H^n(S^n)$$

Ex:  $S^3$  as an  $S^1$  bundle  
over  $S^2$ .

- Again, we see if  $e(E)$  vanishes,  $\eta$  is closed and Leray-Hirsch applies.

- Let  $E \rightarrow M$  be an oriented  $(k-1)$  sphere bundle over a compact  $k$ -manifold  $M$ . Note  $H^k(M) \cong H_c^k(M) \cong H^k(M)^* \cong \mathbb{R}$ . We define the **Euler number of  $E$**  to be:

$$\int_M e(E)$$

For a general manifold  $M$  its **Euler number** is defined as the Euler number for  $E = S(TM)$ .

- If the structure group of such a sphere bundle is  $O(k)$ , we can take  $E$  to be the unit sphere bundle  $S(E')$  for a vector bundle  $E' \rightarrow M$ .
- Let  $E \rightarrow M$  be a sphere bundle as above. Then  $E$  has a section over  $M \setminus \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$  for a finite set  $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ , called a **partial section**.
- Recall the **degree** of a proper map  $f: N \rightarrow M$  is defined as:

$$\deg(f) := \int_M f^* \alpha$$

where  $\alpha \in H_c^k(M)$  generates the top cohomology. The degree essentially tells you how many copies of a point the pullback makes.

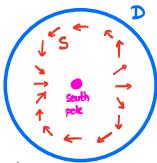


- For the sphere bundle above and for any partial section over  $M \setminus \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ , the **Euler number is the sum of local degrees of  $s$  at  $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$** .

- Given a finite set  $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\} \subset M$ , we can always take the Euler class to have support away from each  $x_i$ .

- For a section  $s: M \rightarrow E$  of a vector bundle, a zero  $x$  of  $s$  has **multiplicity** defined as the local degree of the partial section  $s/\|s\|: M \rightarrow S(E)$  at  $x$ .
- For such a section w/ a finite number of zeros  $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$  the Euler class is the Poincaré dual of the  $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ , counted w/ their multiplicities.

- We are typically concerned w/ finding sections of sphere bundles. Let  $E \rightarrow M$  be a vector bundle w/ unit sphere bundle  $S(E)$ . Then a global section of  $S(E)$  is exactly a nowhere zero section of  $E$ .
- This lets us translate info about the Euler class to vector bundles: if there is a nowhere zero section of a vector bundle, it must have vanishing  $e(E)$ .
- **The Euler class of  $TS^2$** : A nonzero partial section of  $S^2 \setminus \{\text{south pole}\}$  is given by parallel transporting a vector  $v \in T_p S^2 \setminus \{0\}$ . Locally at a disc  $D$  around the south pole, the partial section looks like:



This partial section winds twice hence has degree 2 (the zero of the section  $S^2 \rightarrow TS^2$  has multiplicity 2) so the Euler number is:

$$\int_{S^2} e(TS^2) = 2$$

- For an even dimensional orientable sphere bundle  $E \rightarrow M$  with fibers  $F_x \cong S^{2n}$ :  
 $e(E) = 0$

hence:

$$H^*(E) \cong H^*(M) \otimes H^*(S^{2n})$$

- **Euler characteristic**: For a CW complex  $M$  with  $k_n$   $n$ -cells, the Euler characteristic is:  
 $\chi(M) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n k_n$

- This is independent of CW structure. Ex:  $M = S^2$ , can take:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of } S^2 \\ k_0=1 \\ k_1=1 \\ k_2=2 \end{array} \Rightarrow \chi(S^2)=2$$

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- Even without a CW structure, the Euler characteristic is defined as the alternating sum of Betti numbers  $b_g := \dim H^g(M)$ :

$$\chi(M) = \sum_{g=0}^{\infty} (-1)^g \dim H^g(M)$$

- Let  $M$  be compact, w/ basis  $\{\omega_i\}$  for  $H^*(M)$  and dual basis  $\{\tau_j\}$  for  $H^*(M)$ ,  $\int_M \omega_i \wedge \tau_j = \delta_{ij}$ . We may write the Poincaré dual of the diagonal  $\Delta = \text{im}(x \mapsto (x, x)) \subset M \times M$  as  $\eta_\Delta = \sum_i (-1)^{\deg(\omega_i)} \pi_1^* \omega_i \wedge \pi_2^* \tau_i$ , and by regarding  $\eta_\Delta$  and  $\Theta(N_\Delta)$  (the Thom class of the normal bundle to  $\Delta$ ) as equal, we get:

$$\int_M e(TM) = \chi(M)$$

for any compact oriented manifold.

- Theorem (Hopf index): For a vector field  $V \in \mathcal{E}(M)$  with isolated zeros, the index of  $V$  at a zero  $u \in M$  is the local degree of  $V/||V||$  as a section of  $S(TM)$ . The sum of the indices of a vector field  $V$  on  $M$  equals  $\chi(M)$ .

- Note the degree is equivalently an amount of "wrapping" of a map.

- Thom isomorphism: We have a Thom isomorphism for vector bundles which are not orientable. Let  $\mathcal{H}_{cv}^q$  be the presheaf on  $M$ :

$$\mathcal{H}_{cv}^q(U) := H_{cv}^q(\pi^{-1}U)$$

- If  $U$  is contractible (if we look @  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , a good cover) then  $\mathcal{H}_{cv}^q(U) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} & q=n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

- The  $d$ -cohomology of  $C^*(\pi^{-1}U, \Omega_{cv}^*)$  can be written:

$$H_d^{p,q}(C^*(\pi^{-1}U, \Omega_{cv}^*)) = C^p(U, \mathcal{H}_{cv}^q)$$

- For a fixed  $q_f$ ,  $H_d^{*,q_f}(C^*(\pi^{-1}U, \Omega_{cv}^*)) = C^*(U, \mathcal{H}_{cv}^q)$  is a cochain complex in  $p$ , and the  $p$ -cohomology of this is written as:

$$H_d^{p,q} H_d = H^p(H_d^{*,q_f}(C^*(\pi^{-1}U, \Omega_{cv}^*))) = H^p(C^*(U, \mathcal{H}_{cv}^q))$$

- Since  $\mathcal{H}_{cv}^q$  vanishes unless  $q_f=n$ ,  $H_d^{p,q} H_d$  is only nonzero in the row w/  $q_f=n$ .

- Lemma: For any double complex, if  $H_s H_d$  vanishes along all but one row or column, then  $H_d^* \cong \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H_d^{p,q} H_d$

- This implies the general Thom isomorphism:

$$H_{cv}^*(E) \cong H^{*-n}(U, \mathcal{H}_{cv}^n)$$

where  $\mathcal{U}$  is a good cover of  $M$ .

- We can use this construction to prove generally that for an oriented vector bundle, the Thom class is:

$$\Theta = d(\rho(r)\eta) \in \Omega_{cv}^n(E)$$

where  $\eta$  is the pullback of the global angular form  $\eta_s$  on the bundle  $S(E)$  to  $E$ .

- The Euler class is the pullback of  $\Theta$  under the zero section  $s: M \rightarrow E$ .

- This means the Euler class respects direct sums:

$$e(E \oplus F) = e(E) \wedge e(F)$$

- Cech cohomology for compactly supported forms: For  $\Omega_c^*(U_{a_0 \dots a_p})$ , our differential  $S$  goes the other way:

$$S: \bigoplus_{a_0 \dots a_p} \Omega_c^*(U_{a_0 \dots a_p}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}} \Omega_c^*(U_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}})$$

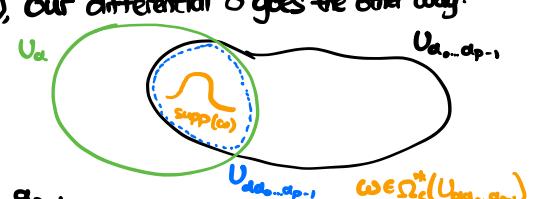
$$(S\omega)_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}} := \sum_a \omega_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}}$$

where  $\omega_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}}$  is the extension by zero of itself to  $U_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}}$ .

- This forms a Mayer-Vietoris generalization, which is exact:

$$0 \leftarrow \Omega_c^*(M) \xleftarrow{\text{sum}} \bigoplus_{a_0} \Omega_c^*(U_{a_0}) \xleftarrow{S} \dots \xleftarrow{S} \bigoplus_{a_0 \dots a_p} \Omega_c^*(U_{a_0 \dots a_p}) \leftarrow \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} q \uparrow & S \rightarrow & S \rightarrow \\ n & C^q(U, \mathbb{R}) & C^1(U, \mathbb{R}) & C^2(U, \mathbb{R}) \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & & \end{array} \rightarrow p$$



$$\omega \in \Omega_c^*(U_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}})$$

for  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha\}$  any locally finite open cover.

- This allows us to form a double complex w/ p negative:

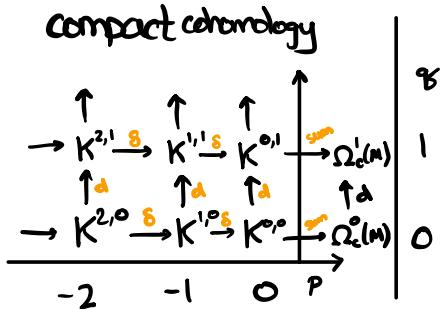
$$K^{-P,\Psi} := C^P(u, \Omega_*^\Psi)$$

- By studying this complex, we get a more general version of Poincaré duality.

- **Poincaré duality**:  $M$  n-dimensional,  $\mathcal{U}$  a locally finite ( $\forall \alpha, \exists$  finite  $\beta$  w/  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ) good cover of  $M$ . Then:

$$H_c^*(M) \cong H_{*-n}(u, \mathcal{C}_c^n)$$

where  $\check{H}_*$  is the Čech homology and  $\mathcal{C}_c^n$  is the functor assigning to each  $U$   $\mathcal{C}_c^n(U) = H_c^n(U)$  and to  $i: U \hookrightarrow V$  the extension by  $O_{i*}$ .



## Spectral Sequences

- An **exact couple** is an exact sequence of Abelian groups:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & A \\ k \uparrow & /j & \\ B & & \end{array} \quad d: B \rightarrow B$$

$d = j \circ k$

w/ this defn,  $d^2 = 0$ , so we can define its homology  $H(B) = \ker(d)/\text{im}(d)$ . From an exact couple we can define a new exact couple, called the **derived couple**, as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A' & \xrightarrow{i'} & A' \\ k' \uparrow & /j' & \\ B' & & \end{array}$$

- i)  $A' = i(A)$
- ii)  $B' = H(B)$
- iii)  $i' = i|_A$

- iv) For  $a' \in A'$ ,  
 $j'a' := [ja]$
- v) For  $[b] \in B' = H(B)$ :  
 $k'[b] := kb$

- A **subcomplex** of a cochain complex  $(K, D)$  is a subgroup  $K' \subset K$  s.t.  $DK' \subset K'$ . A sequence of subcomplexes  $\{K_p\}_{p \geq 0}$  s.t.  $K_{q-p} = K$  for  $q \geq 0$  and:

$$K = K_0 \supset K_1 \supset K_2 \supset \dots$$

is a **filtration** on  $K$ . The associated **graded complex** is:

$$GK = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} K_p / K_{p+1}$$

- Ex: For double complex  $K^{*,*}$  w/  $D = \delta + (-1)^p d$ , a filtration of  $(K, D)$  is:

$$K_p := \bigoplus_{i \geq p} \bigoplus_{q \geq 0} K^{i,q}$$

- Given a filtration  $K = K_0 \supset K_1 \supset K_2 \supset \dots$ , define:

$$A := \bigoplus_p K_p$$

$A$  comes equipped w/ a map  $i: A \rightarrow A$  by summing each inclusion  $i_{p+1}: K_{p+1} \rightarrow K_p$ .

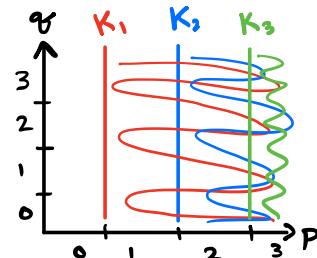
We define  $B$  to be the quotient  $B := A/\text{im}(i)$ , so:

$0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{i} A \xrightarrow{j} B \rightarrow 0$   
is exact, w/  $j = \pi: A \rightarrow B$ . Note that  $B = GK$ , since at each step in the filtration  $(A/\text{im}(i))_p = K_p / K_{p+1}$ . Then this induces a LES in cohomology (in the graded case,  $A$  is  $A^*$  and  $H(A)$  is  $H^*(A)$ ):

$$\dots \rightarrow H^k(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} H^k(A) \xrightarrow{j_*} H^k(B) \xrightarrow{k_*} H^{k+1}(A) \rightarrow \dots$$

where here  $i_*: H(A) \rightarrow H(A)$ ,  $j_*: H(A) \rightarrow H(B)$ , and  $k_*: H(B) \rightarrow H(A)$  are chain maps, and we have an exact couple:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_1 & \xrightarrow{i_1} & A_1 \\ k_1 \uparrow & /j_1 & \uparrow \\ B_1 & & H(B) \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & A & & & & \\ K_0 & \xrightarrow{i_0} & i_0 K_0 \subset K_0 & \xrightarrow{\pi} & A / \text{im}(i) & & \\ K_1 & \xrightarrow{i_1} & i_1 K_1 \subset K_1 & \xrightarrow{\pi} & i_1 K_1 / K_0 & = & \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} K_p / K_{p+1} \\ K_2 & \xrightarrow{i_2} & i_2 K_2 \subset K_2 & \xrightarrow{\pi} & i_2 K_2 / K_1 & = & GK \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots & & \end{array}$$

- We can then consider the sequence of derived couples to this exact couple:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_r & \xrightarrow{i_r} & A_r \\ k_r \uparrow & /j_r & \uparrow \\ B_r & & H(B) \end{array}$$

where  $(A_{r+1}, B_{r+1})$  is derived from  $(A_r, B_r)$

- Note  $H(A)$  is the sum  $\bigoplus_p H(K_p)$  and the induced  $i_*$  maps  $H(K_{p+1}) \hookrightarrow H(K_p)$  for  $p \geq 0$  and is id for  $p < 0$ .

We also have:

$$A_{r+1} = i(A_r)$$

$$B_{r+1} = H(B_r) =: E_{r+1}, E_r = H(B_r)$$

for each  $r$  by the dfn of the derived couple.

- Suppose the filtration stops at some finite value  $q_f$  (i.e.  $K_q \neq \emptyset = K_{q+1} = K_{q+2} = \dots$ ),  $\{A_r\}$  will become stationary for  $r > q_f$ :

$$A_1 = \bigoplus (H(K) \hookrightarrow H(K_1) \hookleftarrow H(K_2) \hookleftarrow \dots \hookleftarrow H(K_{q_f}) \hookleftarrow 0)$$

$$A_2 = \bigoplus (H(K) \supset iH(K_1) \hookleftarrow iH(K_2) \hookleftarrow \dots \hookleftarrow iH(K_{q_f}) \hookleftarrow 0) = i(A_1)$$

$$A_3 = \bigoplus (H(K) \supset iH(K_1) \supset iiH(K_2) \hookleftarrow \dots \hookleftarrow iiH(K_{q_f}) \hookleftarrow 0) = i(A_2)$$

$$\vdots \quad \text{↑ } iH(K_i) \subset H(K) \text{ and } i:H(K) \rightarrow H(K) \text{ is id, moving it up by } \Delta p = 1$$

$$A_{q_f+1} = \bigoplus (H(K) \supset iH(K_1) \supset iiH(K_2) \supset \dots \supset i^q H(K_{q_f}) \hookleftarrow 0) = i(A_{q_f-1})$$

$$A_{q_f+2} = A_{q_f+1} \quad \text{↑ Filtration of } H(K)$$

$iiH(K_i)$  is the induction of  $H(K_i)$  into  $H(K)$ , as is  $iH(K_i)$ . Thus  $iH(K_i) = iiH(K_i) \subset H(K)$ , and likewise for  $r \geq p$ ,  $i^r H(K_p) = \underbrace{i^p H(K_p)}$

Filtration  $F_p$  of  $H(K)$

- We define this stationary value to be  $A_\infty := A_{q_f+1} = A_{q_f+2} = \dots$

- Looking @ the derived couple, for  $r > q_f$ ,  $i: A_r \rightarrow A_r$  is the identity cycle, so by exactness  $K_r$  must be the 0 map,  $\therefore d: B_r \rightarrow B_r$  is 0, thus  $B_{r+1} = H(B_r) = B_r =: B_\infty$  is stationary.

$\Rightarrow$  for  $r > q_f$ ,  $A_r = A_\infty$  and  $B_r = B_\infty$

- We define the image of each  $H(K_p)$  in  $K$  to be  $F_p := i^p H(K_p)$ , so  $A_\infty = \bigoplus_p F_p$ . Then  $B_r = A_\infty / \text{im}(i)$ , so  $B_\infty = \bigoplus_p F_p / F_{p+1}$ .

- The filtration:

$$H(K) = F_0 \supset F_1 \supset F_2 \supset \dots$$

is called the induced filtration on  $H(K)$ , and we see  $B_\infty = GH(K)$  w/ this filtration.

- We will usually write  $E_r$  for  $B_r$ .

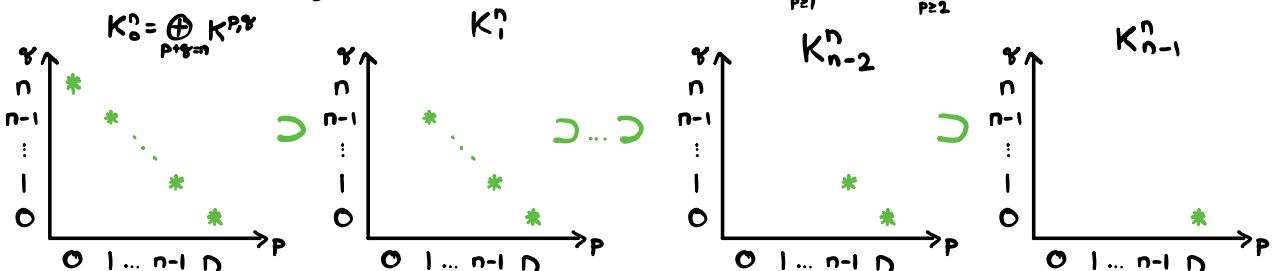
- A spectral sequence is a sequence of cochain complexes  $\{(E_r, dr)\}$  s.t. each  $E_r$  is the cohomology of its predecessor,  $E_{r+1} = H(E_r)$ .

- If  $\{(E_r, dr)\}$  becomes stationary w/ value  $(E_\infty, d_\infty)$  and if  $E_\infty$  is the graded complex of some group  $H$ ,  $E_\infty = GH$ , we say  $\{(E_r, dr)\}$  converges to  $H$ .

- The idea of spectral sequence is to approximate the cohomology of  $E_\infty$  w/ the other parts of the sequence

- Suppose  $K$  is graded w/ grading  $K = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} K^n$  ( $K^n$  has dimension  $n$ ). A filtration  $K_p$  induces a filtration  $K^n = K_0^n \supset K_1^n \supset K_2^n \supset \dots$  of  $K^n$ , where  $K_p^n := K^n \cap K_p$ .

- For the double complex, we get a filtration of  $K^n := \bigoplus_{p \leq q \leq n} K^{p,q} \supset \bigoplus_{p \leq q \leq n} K^{p,q} \supset \bigoplus_{p \leq q \leq n} K^{p,q} \supset \dots$



- Theorem:**  $\{K_p\}$  a graded filtered complex w/ differential  $D$  s.t. for each dimension  $n$ , the filtration  $K_0 \supset K_1 \supset K_2 \supset \dots$  has finite length. Then the SES:

$$0 \rightarrow \bigoplus K_{p+1} \xrightarrow{i} \bigoplus K_p \rightarrow GK \rightarrow 0$$

induces a spectral sequence which converges to  $H^*(K)$ , i.e.  $H_D(K) = E_\infty$ .

- This induces the spectral sequence from the exact couple (LES in cohomology):

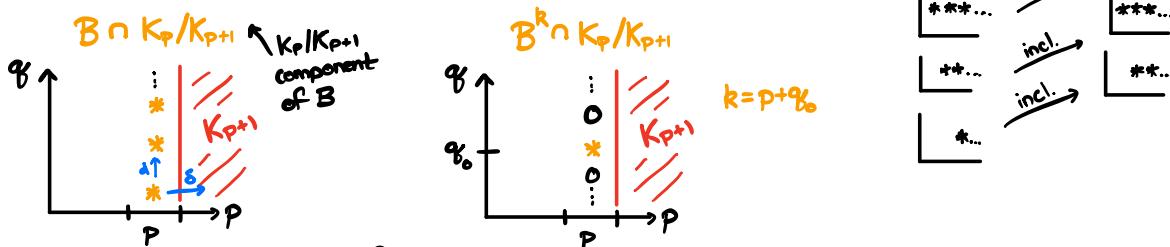
$$\dots \rightarrow \bigoplus_p H^k(K_{p+1}) \xrightarrow{i} \bigoplus_p H^k(K_p) \rightarrow \bigoplus_p H^k(K_{p+1}/K_p) \rightarrow \bigoplus_p H^{k+1}(K_{p+1}) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \bigoplus H(K_{p+1}) \\ k, \uparrow \\ \bigoplus H(K_p) \\ \downarrow j_* \\ \bigoplus H(K_{p+1}/K_p) \end{array} =: \begin{array}{c} A_1 \\ \uparrow \\ E_1 \\ \downarrow j_* \\ A_1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} A_r = \bigoplus_p i^{r-1} H(K_p) \\ E_r = H(E^{r-1}), E_1 = H(GK) \end{array}$$

- Note  $k$  increases the dimension by 1.

- The double complex  $K^{p,q}$ :** Take the filtration  $K = K_0 \supset K_1 \supset K_2 \supset \dots$  as before, w/  $K_p = \bigoplus_{q \geq p} K^{p,q}$  and the grading  $K^n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} K^{p,q}$ . Then  $A = \bigoplus_p K_p$  and  $B = A/\text{im}(i) = \bigoplus_p K_p/K_{p+1} = GK$ .

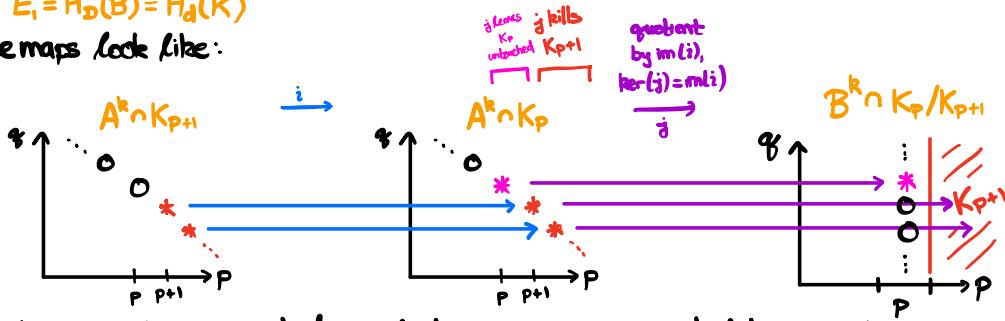
Each  $K_p/K_{p+1}$  is a vertical strip and  $D$  acts on  $K_p/K_{p+1}$  as  $(-1)^p d$ .



- Thus  $(B^*, D) = (B, D')$ , where  $D' = (-1)^p d$ , so:

$$E_i = H_D(B) = H_d(K)$$

- The maps look like:



- To determine the associated spectral sequence, we must determine  $k_r : H_r(B) \rightarrow H_r(A)$ . This is the associated snake map induced from  $0 \rightarrow A^* \xrightarrow{i} A^* \xrightarrow{j} B^* \rightarrow 0$ . We can look at what  $k$  does to each degree  $p$  of the filtration:  $0 \rightarrow A^{n+1} \cap K_{p+1} \xrightarrow{i} A^n \cap K_p \xrightarrow{j} B^n \cap (K_p/K_{p+1}) \rightarrow 0$  induces the map  $k_r : H^n(B) \rightarrow H^{n+1}(A)$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \cdots & \cdots & & & \\ & & k_r[b] & & & & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & A^{n+1} \cap K_{p+1} & \xrightarrow{i} & A^{n+1} \cap K_p & \xrightarrow{j} & B^{n+1} \cap (K_p/K_{p+1}) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \uparrow b & & \uparrow b & & \uparrow b \\ 0 & \rightarrow & A^n \cap K_{p+1} & \xrightarrow{i} & A^n \cap K_p & \xrightarrow{j} & B^n \cap (K_p/K_{p+1}) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

since determining  
the map on  
cohomology

- Via the usual diagram chase, let  $[b] \in H^n(B \cap (K_p/K_{p+1}))$ , so  $b \in B^n \cap K_p/K_{p+1}$  is a cocycle,  $D_b = 0 = (-1)^p db$ .

Then  $Db$  (in  $A^{n+1} \cap K_p$ ) equals  $Sb + (-1)^p db = Sb$ , so lifting  $Db = Sb$  via  $i$  to  $A^{n+1} \cap K_{p+1}$  gives

$$k_r : H^n(B \cap (K_p/K_{p+1})) \rightarrow H^{n+1}(A \cap K_{p+1})$$

note  $i$  doesn't do anything to the form  $Sb$  but  
change where it lives:  $Sb \in A^{n+1} \cap K_{p+1}$ , or  $Sb \in A^{n+1} \cap K_p$   
 $\xrightarrow{i} (K_p/K_{p+1})$

$$k_1[b] = [8b]$$

- Here the 8 augments the dimension by 1, and pictorially is on the right. Since  $E_i = B_i = H(B)$  and  $d_i = j_i \circ k_i$ , we have:

$$E_i = H_d(K)$$

$$d_i = 8$$

- Then  $E_2$  is the cohomology of  $(H_d(K), S)$ , so:

$$E_2 = H_S H_d(K)$$

To compute  $d_2$ , we need  $k_2 : E_2 = H(E_1) \rightarrow A_2 = i(A_1)$ . An element of  $H(E_1) = H_S H_d(K)$  is represented by a cocycle  $b$  w/:

$$\begin{aligned} db &= 0 \\ 8b &= -D^*c \end{aligned}$$

- We need to compute  $d_2 = j_2 k_2$ :

$$d_2[b_2] = j_2 k_2[b_2] = j_2(k_1[b_1])$$

$$\leftarrow (k_{r+1}[b]_{r+1} = k_r[b]_r \in i(A_r) \text{ by dfn})$$

where  $[ \cdot ]_r$  denotes the class of  $\cdot$  in  $E_r$ . Since for  $a' = ia \in i(A_r) = A_{r+1}$ ,  $j_{r+1}a' = j_r a$ , we need to find  $a \in A^{k+1} \cap K_{p+2}$  s.t.  $k_r[b]_r = i[a]$ . This is done by lifting  $[b]$ , via  $j_r$  to  $b+c$ , since  $c \in A^{k+1} \cap K_{p+1}$  killed by  $j_1$ .

increases grading by 1, and sends  $[b]$  to  $H(K_{p+1})$

$$A^{k+1} \cap K_{p+1} \quad A^{k+1} \cap K_{p+2}$$

$$i(A_r) \xrightarrow{j_2} i(A_1)$$

$$k_2 \uparrow \quad /j_2$$

$$H_S H_d(K)$$

- Upon taking  $D(b+c)$  and pulling back via  $i$ , we get  $D(b+c) = Sc = i(8c)$ , so evidently  $a = 8c$ .

- Why do we lift the cocycles differently for  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , i.e. first lift  $[b]$  to just  $b$  and next lift  $[b]$  to  $b+c$ ?

- First case: determine  $d_1, k_1$  on  $E_1$ .  $[b] \in E_1 = H_d(K)$ , so the form  $b \in A^k \cap K_p$  has  $db = 0$ , as  $b$  represents a cocycle in  $E_1$ .

- For the next case,  $b$  represents a cocycle in  $E_2 = H(E_1) = H_S H_d(K)$ . Thus in addition to  $db = 0$ ,  $b$  is also extendable to the zig-zag:

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \uparrow \\ b \rightarrow * \\ \uparrow \\ c \end{array}$$

-  $k_2[b]_2 = k_1[b]_1$  is determined by  $k_1[b]_1 = i[a]$ . In determining  $k_1[b]_1$ , before for  $E_1$ , we did not have this additional constraint on it living in  $i(A_1) = i(H(A))$ , only that it was in  $H(A)$ . I would assume this extra condition is b/c we are looking in  $E_2$  now, not  $E_1$ —only certain elements of  $E_1$  will remain  $E_2$ -cocycles.

- If we lift  $[b]$  to  $b \in A^k \cap K_p$ , the resulting  $k_1[b]_1$  will not be in  $i(A_1)$ , hence will not help us to define  $k_2$ , and we see this b/c  $8b \in A^{k+1} \cap (K_{p+1} \setminus K_{p+2})$ , so we can't write  $8b = ia$  with  $a \in K_{p+2}$ . Thus we need more: we lift  $[b]$  to  $b+c$  instead, b/c although it must generate the same image in  $E_1$ , i.e.  $[8b]_1 = [8c]_1$ , independent of lift, only  $Sc$  will give us a valid dfn for  $k_2$ .

\* An important point: For different  $(E_r, d_r)$ , the forms we study are the same—they live in  $K^{p,q}$ . However for different  $r$ , the forms which are in  $E_r = H(E_{r-1})$  change: a form  $b$  represents an element  $[b]_r$  of  $E_r$  iff it is in  $H(E_{r-1})$ , i.e. iff  $d_{r-1}b = 0$ .

- A form  $[b]_r \in E_r$  also represents an element of  $E_k$  for  $k < r$ , as in the example for  $k=2$ ; we can look at the same form  $b$  in each different  $E_k$  as a different cohomology class  $[b]_k \in E_k$  for each  $k$ .

- This is exactly the statement that if  $d_r b = 0$ ,  $d_k b = 0$  for  $k < r$ . This holds b/c  $E_r = H(E_{r-1}) = \dots = H \dots H(E_1)$ , so at each step  $d_k b = 0$  for  $b$  to represent  $[b]_k \in \underbrace{H \dots H(E_1)}_{k \text{ times}}$ .

• In general for the double complex:

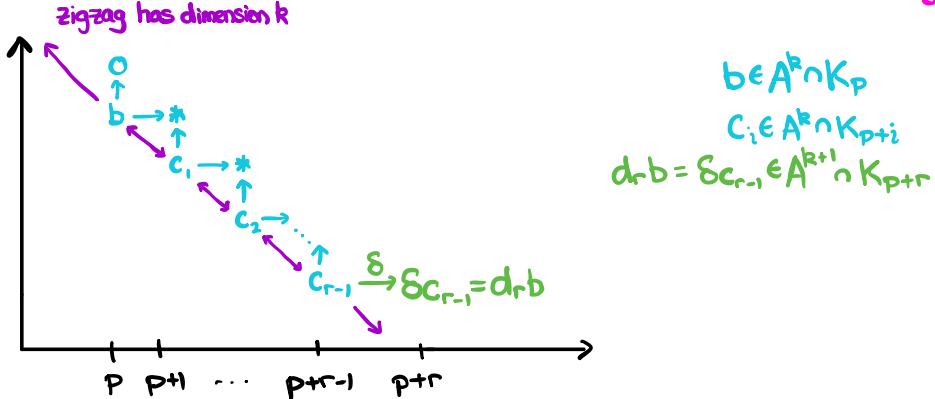
- An element  $b \in K$  lives in  $E_r$  if it represents a cohomology class in

$E_r = H(E_{r-1})$ .  $b$  lives in  $E_r$  iff  $b$  is a cocycle in  $E_{r-1}, E_{r-2}, \dots, E_1$ , equivalently:

$$d_{r-1}b = 0$$

(this implies  $d_k b = 0$  for  $k < r-1$ )

- For  $r=1$  and 2, we saw  $b$  lives in  $E_r$  iff it can be extended to a zigzag, and  $d_r b$  is  $\delta$  (lowest part of the zigzag). This holds generally:  $b$  lives in  $E_r$  iff it can be extended to a zigzag of length  $r$ :



The differential on an element  $[b]_r \in E_r$  is the  $\delta$  of the tail of its zigzag:

$$dr[b]_r = [\delta c_{r-1}]_r$$

• Ex: Let us determine what a form  $b \in K^{p, q}$  must look like if it represents a cohomology class  $[b]_3$  in  $E_3$ .

- Lemma: If  $[a]_2 = 0$  in  $H^q H_d(K)$ , then  $\exists a' \text{ s.t. } a = da'$ .

For  $b$  to live in  $E_3$ , it must live in  $E_2$ , so we can write it as a 2-zigzag:

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \uparrow \\ b \rightarrow * \\ \uparrow \\ c_1 \end{array}$$

Since  $E_3 = H(E_2)$ ,  $b$  lives in  $E_3 = H(E_2)$  iff  $d_2[b_2] = 0$ . Since  $d_2[b_2] = [\delta c_1]_2 = 0$  and  $E_2 = H^q H_d(K)$ , the lemma implies we can lift  $\delta c_1$  to  $c_2$  with  $D$ , i.e. we can extend  $b$  to a 3-zigzag:

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \uparrow \\ b \rightarrow * \\ \uparrow \\ c_1 \rightarrow * \\ \uparrow \\ c_2 \end{array}$$

By lifting  $b$  w/ the snake map to  $b + c_1 + c_2$ , we get  $D(b + c_1 + c_2) = \delta c_2 \in H^q(A_2) = H^q(K_{p+1}) = H^q(K_{p+3})$ , so:

$$d_3[b]_3 = [c_2]_3$$

- For  $b$  living in  $E_3$ , we claimed it lives in  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  as well. We have:

$$[d_1 b]_1 = [\delta b]_1 = [dc_1]_1 = [dc_1]_d = 0 \quad (E_1 = H_d(K), \text{ so } dc_1 \text{ equals } 0 \text{ in } E_1)$$

$$[d_2 b]_2 = [\delta c_1]_2 = [dc_2]_2 = [dc_2]_{sd} = 0 \quad (\text{by lemma})$$

- We let  $E_r = \bigoplus_{p,q} E_r^{p,q}$  have the same bidegree as  $K^{p,q}$  (so if  $b$  lies in  $E_r^{p,q}$ , as a form  $b \in K^{p,q}$ ) and  $d_r$  is a map:

$$d_r : E_r^{p,q} \rightarrow E_r^{p+r+1, q-r}$$

that maps the bidegree  $(p, q) \mapsto (p+r+1, q-r)$  and increases the grading dimension by 1.

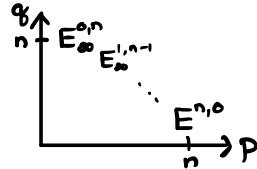
- For grading dimension  $K^n$ , the filtration induced by  $K^{p,q}$  has length  $n$  as seen in the picture above. This means:

$$A_\infty^n = \bigoplus \{ H^n(K_0) \supset i^* H^n(K_1) \supset ii^* H^n(K_2) \supset \dots \supset i^{n-1} H^n(K_{n-1}) \}$$

$$F_p^n = i^p H^n(K_p)$$

Since  $H^n(K) = (H^n \cap F_0) \supset (H^n \cap F_1) \supset \dots$ , we define  $E_\infty^{p,q} := H^{p+q} \cap (F_p / F_{p+1})$  such that:

$$E_\infty^n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} E_\infty^{p,q} = A_\infty^n / \text{im}(i)$$



- Note  $E_\infty^n = GH_D^n(K)$ , so  $\{(E_r, d_r)\}$  converges to  $H^n(K)$ .

- Summary:** For a double complex  $K^{p,q}$ , there is a spectral sequence  $\{(E_r, d_r)\}$  with bidegreeing  $E_r^{p,q}$  such that:

- $d_r : E_r^{p,q} \rightarrow E_r^{p+r+1, q-r}$
- $E_1^{p,q} = H_d^{p,q}(K)$
- $E_2^{p,q} = H_d^{p,q} H_d(K)$

- A spectral sequence is **degenerate at  $E_r$**  if  $d_r = d_{r+1} = \dots = 0$ , and for a degenerate spectral sequence  $E_r = E_{r+1} = \dots = E_\infty$ .

- If  $K$  is a vector space, then:

$$H_D^n(K) \cong GH_D^n(K) \cong E_\infty^n = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} E_\infty^{p,q}$$

Since  $V \cong W$  iff  $\dim V = \dim W$ .

- This is not true for an arbitrary abelian group  $K$ . This is the **extension problem**: for the SES  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ , knowledge of  $A$  and  $C$  does not determine  $B$ .

- Leray's theorem:** For a fiber bundle  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  and a good cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $M$ , let  $\mathcal{H}^q$  be the locally constant presheaf  $\mathcal{H}^q(U) = H^q(\pi^{-1}U)$  for each  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . Then there is a spectral sequence  $\{(E_r, d_r)\}$  converging to  $H^*(E)$ , so:

$$H^*(E) \cong \bigoplus_{p+q=*} E_\infty^{p,q}$$

such that:

- $E_1^{p,q} = C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{H}^q)$
- $E_2^{p,q} = H_d(E_1) = \check{H}^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{H}^q)$

Furthermore, if  $M$  is simply connected and  $H^q(F)$  is finite dimensional, then:

$$E_\infty^{p,q} = E_2^{p,q} = H^p(M) \otimes H^q(F)$$

- For a  $S^n$ -bundle  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$ , let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a good cover of  $M$  and  $\{(E_r, d_r)\}$  the spectral sequence converging to  $H^*(E)$  in Leray's thm, let  $\sigma \in E_1^{0,n} = C^0(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{H}^n(S^n))$  be a local angular form. Then  $E$  is orientable iff there is a  $\sigma$  which can be extended to a  $D$ -cocycle  $\leftrightarrow$  global form, so such a form has  $d_1[\sigma] = [\delta\sigma] = 0 \Rightarrow \sigma$  lives in  $E_2, \dots$ , lives in  $E_n$ , and then the Euler class is:

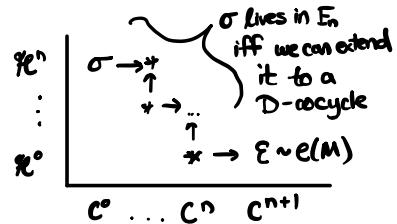
$$e(M) = f(d_n[\sigma]_n) \in H^{n+1}(M)$$

where  $f$  is the isomorphism  $\check{H}^{n+1}(U, \mathbb{K}^*) \rightarrow H^{n+1}(M)$

- The **cup product**: The cup product is a pairing on the Čech complex:

$$u: C^p(U, \Omega^q) \otimes C^r(U, \Omega^s) \rightarrow C^{p+r}(U, \Omega^{q+s})$$

$$(\omega \cup \tau)|_{U_{a_1 \dots a_p + r}} := (-1)^{qr} \omega|_{U_{a_1 \dots a_p}} \wedge \tau|_{U_{a_{p+1} \dots a_{p+r}}}$$



This is an antiderivation on the double complex  $(C^*(U, \Omega^*), D)$ , i.e.  $D(\omega \cup \tau) = (\partial \omega) \cup \tau + (-1)^{\deg(\omega)} \omega \cup D\tau$ , where  $\deg(\omega)$  is the bidegree  $p+q$ :

- Restricted to  $\check{C}^p(U, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $\cup$  induces an antiderivation w.r.t. the Čech complex  $(\check{C}^p(U, \mathbb{R}), S)$ , so this is a graded algebra.
- The isomorphism  $f: \check{H}^p(U, \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{dR}^p(M)$  is an isomorphism of algebras

$$(\check{H}^*(U, \mathbb{R}), S, \cup) \leftrightarrow (H_{dR}^*(M), d, \wedge)$$

- Simplicial homology: For a topological space  $X$ , we define (if  $G = \mathbb{Z}$ , we omit  $G$ ):

$$\text{Sing}_q(X) := \{\text{continuous maps } \Delta^q \rightarrow X\} \quad (\text{q-simplices})$$

$$S_q(X; G) := G \text{Sing}_q(X) \quad (\text{q-chains})$$

where  $\Delta^q \subset \mathbb{R}^{q+1}$  is the  $q$ -dimensional simplex  $\Delta^q = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^q t_i e_i \in \mathbb{R}^{q+1} : \sum_{i=0}^q t_i = 1 \right\}$  and  $G$  is an abelian group.

- Define face maps which embed  $\Delta^{q-1}$  into  $\Delta^q$ :

$$\partial_q^i: \Delta^{q-1} \rightarrow \Delta^q$$

$$\partial_q^i \left( \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} t_j e_j \right) := \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} t_j e_j + \sum_{j=i+1}^q t_j e_j$$

for  $i \in \{0, \dots, q\}$ . The alternating sum defines a boundary map when extended by linearity to the singular chains:

$$\partial: S_q(X; G) \rightarrow S_{q-1}(X; G)$$

$$\partial \sigma := \sum_{i=0}^q (-1)^i \sigma \circ \partial_q^i$$

where  $\sigma \in \text{Sing}_q(X; G)$  are  $q$ -simplices  $\sigma: \Delta^q \rightarrow X$  and  $\partial$  naturally extends by linearity. The homology of the chain complex:

$$\dots \xrightarrow{\partial} S_{q+1}(X; G) \xrightarrow{\partial} S_q(X; G) \xrightarrow{\partial} S_{q-1}(X; G) \xrightarrow{\dots}$$

is called the simplicial homology of  $X$  with values in  $G$  and denoted:

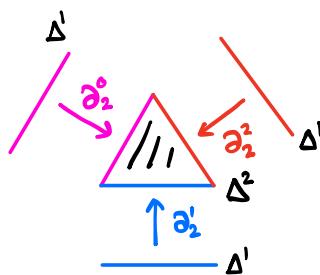
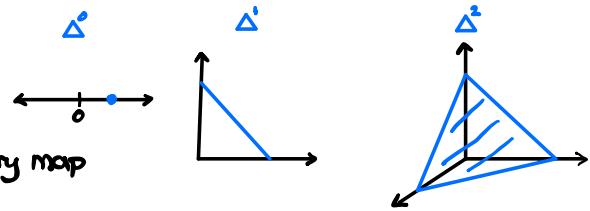
$$H_*(X; G) = \ker(\partial: S_q \rightarrow S_{q-1}) / \text{im}(S_{q+1} \rightarrow S_q)$$

- The rank (recall for an abelian group  $A = \mathbb{Z}^r \oplus (\text{torsion})$  the rank is  $r$ ) of  $H_0(X; \mathbb{Z})$  is the number of path components of  $X$ :

$$\text{rank}(H_0(X; \mathbb{Z})) = \# \text{path components of } X$$

- The simplicial homology of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is:

$$H_q(\mathbb{R}^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & q=0 \\ 0 & q>0 \end{cases}$$



- Mayer-Vietoris for singular chains: Define a Čech boundary operator:

$$\delta: \bigoplus_{a_0 < a_p} S_q(U_{a_0 \dots a_p}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{a_0 < a_{p-1}} S_q(U_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}})$$

$$(\delta\sigma)_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}} := \sum_a \sigma_{a_0 \dots a_{p-1}}$$

where  $\sigma_{a_0 \dots a_j \dots} = -\sigma_{a_j \dots a_i \dots}$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a cover of  $X$ , and let  $S_*^u(X)$  be the set of  $\mathcal{U}$ -small  $q$ -chains on  $X$ , which is the subset of  $S_q(X)$  generated by  $q$ -simplices  $\Delta^q \hookrightarrow X$  s.t.  $\sigma(\Delta^q) \subset U_\alpha$  for some  $U_\alpha \in \mathcal{U}$ . Note by subdivision,  $H_*(S_*^u(X)) \cong H_*(S_*(X))$ . Let  $\varepsilon: \bigoplus_a S_q(U_a) \rightarrow S_*^u(X)$  be the sum  $\varepsilon\sigma = \sum_a \sigma_a \in S_*^u(X)$ . Then this sequence is exact:

$$0 \leftarrow S_*^u(X) \xleftarrow{\varepsilon} \bigoplus_{a_0} S_q(U_{a_0}) \xleftarrow{\varepsilon} \dots \xleftarrow{\varepsilon} \bigoplus_{a_0 < a_p} S_q(U_{a_0 \dots a_p}) \xleftarrow{\varepsilon} \dots$$

- Corollary: For an open cover  $\{U, V\}$  of  $X$ , there is a long exact sequence in homology:

$$\dots \rightarrow H_q(U \cap V) \xrightarrow{f} H_q(U) \oplus H_q(V) \xrightarrow{g} H_q(U \cup V) \xrightarrow{\text{snake}} H_{q-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow \dots$$

induced by the SES  $0 \leftarrow S_*^u(X) \leftarrow S_*(U) \oplus S_*(V) \leftarrow S_*(U \cap V) \leftarrow 0$ . Here  $f$  is induced by  $a \mapsto (a, -a) \in S_*(U) \oplus S_*(V)$  and  $g$  is induced by  $(a, b) \xrightarrow{f} a+b$ .

- A singular cochain on  $X$  is a functional  $S_q(X; G) \rightarrow G$ , denoted by:

$$S^q(X; G) := \text{Hom}_G(S_q(X; G), G)$$

The boundary operator  $\partial: S_{q+1} \rightarrow S_q$  induces a coboundary operator on  $S^q$ :

$$d: S^q(X; G) \rightarrow S^{q+1}(X; G)$$

$$d(\omega)(\sigma) := \omega(\partial\sigma)$$

for  $\sigma \in S_{q+1}(X; G)$ . This turns  $(S^q(X; G), d)$  into a cochain complex.

- Suppose  $\omega \in S^0(X)$  is a 0-cocycle. Then  $d\omega = 0$ , so  $\omega(\partial\sigma) = 0$  for each  $\sigma \in S_1(X)$ , i.e.  $\omega$  sends the boundary of a 1-chain  $\circlearrowleft$  to 0  $\Rightarrow \omega$  is constant on each path component of  $X$ , hence  $\text{rank } H_0 = \text{rank } H^0 = \# \text{path components of } X$ .

- We can dualize the Mayer-Vietoris sequence in homology to get one in cohomology:

$$0 \rightarrow S_u^*(X) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} \bigoplus_{a_0} S^*(U_{a_0}) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} \dots \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} \bigoplus_{a_0 < a_p} S^*(U_{a_0 \dots a_p}) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} \dots$$

which is exact. Here  $\varepsilon^*$  is the alternating difference:

$$(\varepsilon^*\omega)_{a_0 \dots a_p} = \sum_{i=0}^p (-1)^i \omega_{a_0 \dots \hat{a}_i \dots a_p}$$

- Together with  $d$ ,  $\varepsilon^*$  turns:

$$C^p(u, S^q) := \bigoplus_{a_0 < a_p} S^q(U_{a_0 \dots a_p})$$

into a double graded complex, like the Čech-de Rham complex

- Because Mayer-Vietoris is exact (note at the first slot  $S_u^*(X)$ , the map  $\varepsilon^*$  is injective), however  $\varepsilon^*: S_u^*(X) \rightarrow C^0(u, S^*)$  is not and has  $\ker(\varepsilon^*) = S_u^*(X)$ ,  $H_{\varepsilon^*}(C^*(u, S^*))$  is only nonzero in column 0, so:

$$H^*(C^*(u, S^*)) \cong H_d^*(H_{\varepsilon^*}(C^*(u, S^*))) \cong H_{\text{sing}}^*(X)$$

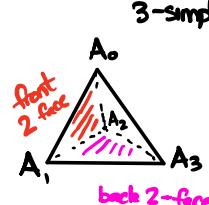
$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ C^0(u, S^2) \rightarrow C^1(u, S^2) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} \\ \downarrow \\ C^0(u, S^1) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} C^1(u, S^1) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} \dots \\ \downarrow \\ C^0(u, S^0) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} C^1(u, S^0) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon^*} \dots \end{array}$$

- If  $X$  is triangulizable, then the singular cohomology of  $X$  is isomorphic to its Čech cohomology with  $\mathbb{Z}$ -coefficients. For a good cover  $U$ :

$$H_{\text{sing}}^*(X) \cong H^*(U, \mathbb{Z}) \cong H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})$$

- On singular cohomology, there is a corresponding cup product: For a simplex  $\sigma = (A_0 \dots A_p)$ , its front  $r$ -face is  $(A_0 \dots A_r)$  and its back  $r$ -face is  $(A_{p-r} \dots A_p)$ . For  $\omega \in S^p(X)$  and  $\eta \in S^r(X)$ , we define  $\omega \cup \eta \in S^{p+r}(X)$  by extending the following dfn through linearity:

$$(\omega \cup \eta)(A_0 \dots A_{p+r}) := \omega(A_0 \dots A_p) \eta(A_{p-r} \dots A_p)$$



- This is an antiderivation and makes  $(S^*(X), d, S^*, \cup)$  a double complex with a graded algebra structure.
- Note we can use  $\cup$  if  $G$  is a ring. Most of the theorems we proved previously for de Rham cohomology hold in singular cohomology if the cohomology is freely generated as a  $G$ -module; otherwise we must also include torsion.
- Leray's thm (Singular cohomology):** If  $E \rightarrow X$  a fiber bundle,  $A$  a CRng. Then there is a spectral sequence converging to  $H^*(E; A)$  with  $E_2$  term:

$$E_2^{p,q} = \check{H}^p(U, \mathcal{H}^q(F; A))$$

where  $\mathcal{H}^q(F; A)$  is the loc. const presheaf assigning  $U \mapsto H^q(F; A)$ . For  $X$  simply connected:

$$E_2^{p,q} = \check{H}^p(X, H^q(F; A))$$

and if  $H^*(F; A)$  is a free finitely generated  $A$ -module:

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^*(X; A) \otimes H^*(F; A)$$

- Ext and Tor:** Let  $A$  be abelian with  $\{a_i\} \subset A$  a set of generators. Let  $F := \langle a_i \rangle$  be the free group on these letters. Then for the natural map  $p: F \rightarrow A$  with kernel  $R$ ,

$$0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{i} F \xrightarrow{p} A \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. Note  $R$  is also free, so this is a free resolution of  $A$ . For any  $G$ , the sequences:

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A, G) \xrightarrow{p^*} \text{Hom}(F, G) \xrightarrow{i^*} \text{Hom}(R, G)$$

$$R \otimes G \xrightarrow{i \otimes 1} F \otimes G \xrightarrow{p \otimes 1} A \otimes G \rightarrow 0$$

are exact b/c  $\text{Hom}(\cdot, G)$  and  $\cdot \otimes G$  are right exact. We define:

$$\text{Ext}(A, G) := \text{coker}(i^*)$$

$$\text{Tor}(A, G) := \ker(i \otimes 1)$$

- Ext measures the failure of  $\text{Hom}(\cdot, G)$  to be exact, and Tor does the same for  $\cdot \otimes G$ . If Ext vanishes,  $\text{Hom}(\cdot, G)$  is exact when applied to a free resolution of  $A$ , and likewise for Tor. For  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ :

	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$
$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/\text{gcd}(n,m)\mathbb{Z}$

	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$
$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0
$\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$	0	$\mathbb{Z}/\text{gcd}(n,m)\mathbb{Z}$

- **Universal coefficient theorem:** For any space  $X$  and group  $G$ :

i) The homology of  $X$  with  $G$  coefficients splits as:

$$H_q(X; G) = (H_q(X) \otimes G) \oplus \text{Tor}(H_{q-1}(X), G)$$

ii) The cohomology splits as:

$$H^q(X; G) = \text{Hom}(H_q(X), G) \oplus \text{Ext}(H_{q-1}(G), G)$$

- For  $G = \mathbb{Z}$ , this implies  $H^q(X) = F_q \oplus T_{q-1}$ , where  $F_q$  is free and  $T_{q-1}$  is torsion. When we study dR cohomology, we lose all info about the torsion piece.

- Ex: Cohomology of  $S(TS^2)$ . Since  $\pi_1(S^2) = \mathbb{O}$ , Leray's thm implies:

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p(S^2) \otimes H^q(S')$$

and b/c  $d_3 = d_4 = \dots = 0$  as we cannot extend zigzag,  $E_\infty = E_3$ .

- For  $\pi: E \rightarrow M$  an oriented  $S^n$  bundle, let  $\sigma$  be an angular form. Then b/c  $\pi$  is orientable,  $d_*\sigma = 0$ , so  $\sigma$  can be chosen to be in  $C^0(U, \mathcal{C}^n(S^n))$  and  $[d_k \sigma]_k = 0$  for  $k < n$ , so:

$$d_n \sigma_n = \pm e(M)$$

by the construction of the Euler class in a previous section.

- On  $S(TS^2)$ , this means  $d_2[\alpha] = 2[\alpha]$  since  $[e(S^2)] = 2[\sigma]$  for  $[\sigma]$  a generator of  $H^2(S^2)$ .

We have  $E_3 = \ker(d_2)/\text{im}(d_2)$ , so:

$$H^*(SO(3)) \cong H^*(S(TS^2)) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & * = 0, 3 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & * = 2 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

because  $S(TS^2) \cong SO(3) \cong RP^3$ .

- **Cohomology of  $CP^n$ :** Let  $S^{2n+1} := \{(z_0, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} : \sum_i |z_i|^2 = 1\}$  and act  $S^1$  on  $S^{2n+1}$  by multiplication,  $\lambda \cdot z := (\lambda z_0, \dots, \lambda z_n)$ .  $CP^n$  is defined as the orbit space:

$$CP^n := S^{2n+1}/\sim$$

where  $\sim$  are the equivalence classes of the action. Note this is the extension of identifying antipodal points on the real  $n$ -sphere.  $CP^n$  can be shown to be simply connected and gives  $S^{2n+1}$  the fibering:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^1 & \rightarrow & S^{2n+1} \\ & \downarrow & \\ & CP^n & \end{array}$$

Since  $CP^n$  is the base and is simply connected, there is a spectral sequence conv. to  $H^*(E)$  w/  $E := S^{2n+1}$  st:

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p(S^1) \otimes H^q(CP^n)$$

We don't know  $H^*(CP^n)$ , but it is 4 dim over  $\mathbb{R}$  as a manifold, and since  $H^p(S^1) = 0$  for  $p > 1$ , we have:

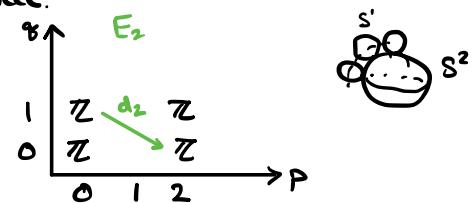
$$E_2 = \begin{array}{c|cccccc} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 0 & A & B & C & D & 0 \\ 0 & R & A & B & C & D & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & p \end{array} \xrightarrow{d_2}$$

The two rows are equal b/c  $H^0(S^1) = \mathbb{R} = H^1(S^1)$ , and  $\mathbb{R} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} H^q(CP^n) = H^q(CP^n)$ . Now specialize to  $n=2$ .

Since  $d_3, d_4, \dots$  move an element 3 rows down,  $d_3 = d_4 = \dots = 0$ , hence  $\{E_r, d_r\}_3$  degenerates at  $E_3$ , and so:

$$E_3^* = E_\infty^* = H^*(S^5) = \begin{array}{c|cccccc} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & R & 0 \\ 0 & R & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & p \end{array}$$

(since  $H^*(S^5) = H_{\text{dR}}^*(S^5)$  is only nonzero in degree 5,  $p+q=5$  for nonzero  $E_3^{p,q}$ , and the only spot allowed to be nonzero by dimensions is  $p=4, q_f=1$ )



- Since  $E_2^{p,q} = \ker(d_2) / \text{im}(d_2)$ ,  $0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$ ,  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ , and  $0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  are exact, establishing isomorphisms  $R \cong B$ ,  $A \cong C \cong 0$ . For  $D$ ,  $R = \ker(d_2) / \text{im}(d_2)$ , and  $\text{im}(d_2 : D \rightarrow 0) = 0$ , so  $\ker(d_2 : D \rightarrow D) = R$ , hence  $D = R$ . Thus:

$$H^*(\mathbb{C}P^2) = \begin{cases} R & * = 0, 2, 4 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

This extends to  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ :

$$H_{\text{vir}}^*(\mathbb{C}P^n) = \begin{cases} R & * = 0, 2, \dots, 2n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- Looking at the algebra structure of  $\mathbb{C}P^2$ , we let  $a \in H^1(S^1) = H^0(\mathbb{C}P^2) \otimes H^1(S^1) = E_2$  be a generator. Then  $x := d_2 a \in H^2(\mathbb{C}P^2)$  generates  $H^2(\mathbb{C}P^2)$ .  $x \wedge a \in E_2^{2,1}$  is a generator, so  $d_2(x \wedge a)$  must generate  $H^4(\mathbb{C}P^2)$ . But  $d_2(x \wedge a) = x^2$ , so  $x^2$  generates  $H^4(\mathbb{C}P^2)$ , where  $x = [\omega]$  is a generator of  $H^2(\mathbb{C}P^2)$ . As a ring, we see:

$$H^*(\mathbb{C}P^2) \cong \mathbb{R}[x]/(x^3)$$

where the isomorphism sends a generator  $[\omega]$  of  $H^2(\mathbb{C}P^2)$  to  $x$ . In general:

$$H^*(\mathbb{C}P^n) \cong \mathbb{R}[x]/(x^{n+1})$$

$$[\omega] \in H^2(\mathbb{C}P^n) \xrightarrow{\sim} x \in \mathbb{R}[x]/(x^{n+1})$$

## Characteristic Classes

- A **complex line bundle** is a complex vector bundle of rank 1. By dropping the algebra structure on  $\mathbb{C}$ , we identify any complex line bundle w/ a real vector bundle of rank 2. For a complex line bundle  $L$ , we define its **first Chern class** to be the Euler class of this plane bundle  $L_{\mathbb{R}}$ :

$$c_1(L) := e(L_{\mathbb{R}})$$

- For a line bundle by properties of  $e(M)$ :

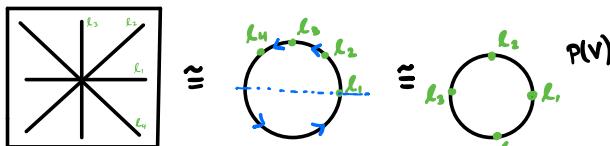
$$i) c_1(L_1 \otimes L_2) = c_1(L_1) + c_1(L_2)$$

$$ii) c_1(L^*) = -c_1(L), \text{ where } L_p^* = (L_p)^* = \text{Hom}(L_p, \mathbb{C}).$$

- The projectivization  $P(V)$  of  $V$ : For a complex vector space  $V$ , define:

$$P(V) := \{1 \text{ dim subspaces } L \subset V\}$$

- For example, for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  the result is  $\mathbb{RP}^1 = S^1$ :

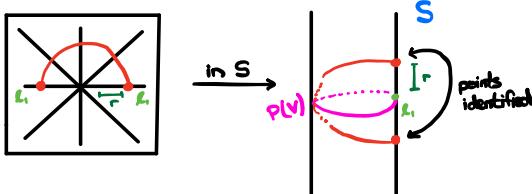


- Given  $P(V)$ , we can construct the universal subbundle  $S$ :

$$S := \{(L, v) \in P(V) \times V : v \in L\}$$

The fiber above a point  $L$  is  $L$  itself, but viewed as a subspace of  $V$ .

- As we wrap around the origin, this will give us some twisting:



$S$  comes equipped w/ a projection called the **quadratic transformation**  $\sigma$ :

$$\sigma: S \hookrightarrow P(V) \times V \rightarrow V$$

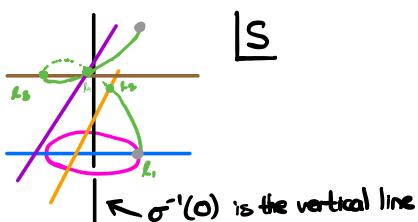
$$\sigma((L, v)) = v$$

$\sigma$  is a natural map sending a point in the fiber above  $L$  to its point in  $V$ .  $\sigma^{-1}$  is almost injective:

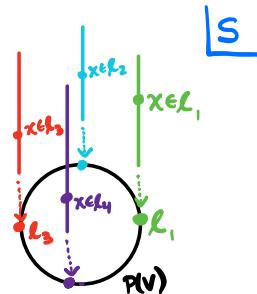
$$\sigma^{-1}(v) = \{(L, v) : v \in L\}$$

i.e.  $\sigma^{-1}(v)$  sends  $v$  to the single point  $(L, v) \in S$  for nonzero  $v$ . For  $v=0$ ,  $\sigma^{-1}(0) = P(V) \setminus S$ , since  $\forall L \in P(V), 0 \notin L$ .

- We can visualize  $S$  as separating out all the lines in  $V$ , since we attach each line to a point in  $P(V)$  representing the line:



- The gray points are identified, so the curve in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  lifts to a curve in  $S$ .

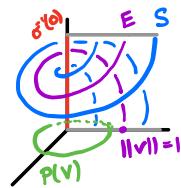


- Cohomology of  $P(V)$ :** Note  $\sigma^{-1}(0) = \{(\ell, 0) : \ell \in P(V)\} \subset S$  is the zero section of  $S$ . Let  $E$  be the unit sphere bundle of  $S$ ,  $E = \{(\ell, v) : v \in \ell, \|v\|=1\}$ . B/c of the identification after wrapping  $\mathbb{O}$  (the gray line),  $S \setminus \sigma^{-1}(0) \cong V \setminus \{0\}$ , and so  $E \cong S^{2n-1}$ . This gives us a fibering:

$$S^1 \rightarrow S^{2n-1} \cong E = \text{unit sphere bundle of } S$$

$\downarrow$

$P(V)$



This looks much like  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ , and indeed the cohomologies are the same:

$$H^*(P(V)) \cong \mathbb{R}[x]/(x^n) \quad n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} V$$

where the isomorphism sends the Euler class of the circle bundle  $E$  to  $x$ :

$$[c(S)] = [e(E)] \in H^2(P(V)) \mapsto -x \in \mathbb{R}[x]/(x^n)$$

The generator  $x$  is chosen like this so  $x \leftrightarrow c_1(S^*)$

- Dimensions: For  $n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} V$ , note  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} P(V) = n-1$ .  $S$  is a vector bundle over  $P(V)$  of rank (over  $\mathbb{C}$ ) of 1, and  $e(E) = c_1(S) \in H^2(P(V))$ . Since  $E = \{(\ell, v) : v \in \ell, \|v\|=1\}$ , each fiber is  $\cong$  unit sphere of  $\mathbb{C}$  w/ base space  $P(V)$ . Dimensions of  $H^*(P(V))$ ? Note dR cohomology is over  $\mathbb{R}$ , so  $H^*(P(V))$  can be nonzero for  $*=0, \dots, \dim_{\mathbb{R}} P(V) = 2(n-1)$ . Sending  $e(E)$  to  $x$  satisfies this, as  $x^{n-1} = [e(M)]^{n-1} \in H^{2(n-1)}(P(V))$  and  $x^n = 0$  as we quotient by  $(x^n)$ .

- For a manifold  $M$ , we define its **Poincaré Series**  $P_t(M)$  to be:

$$P_t(M) := \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \dim(H^i(M)) t^i$$

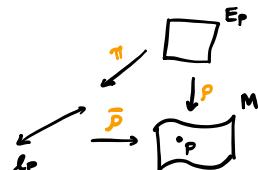
For  $P(V)$ , we get:

$$P_t(P(V)) = 1 + t^2 + t^4 + \dots + t^{2(n-1)} = \frac{1-t^{2n}}{1-t^2}$$

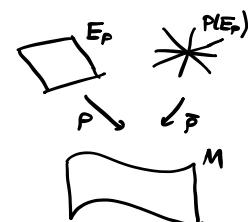
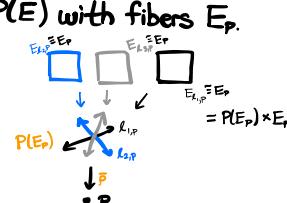
- Given a vector bundle  $p: E \rightarrow M$  w/ structure fns  $g_{ap}: U_a \cap U_p \rightarrow GL(\mathbb{C}^n)$ , the **projectivization  $P(E)$**  of  $E$  is  $\pi: P(E) \rightarrow M$ , w/ fibers  $P(E_p)$ , and structure fns  $\bar{g}_{ap}: U_a \cap U_p \rightarrow PGL(\mathbb{C}^n)$  induced by  $g_{ap}$ , where  $PGL(V) = GL(V)/\{\text{scalar matrices}\}$

There are multiple natural vector bundles one can consider having  $P(E)$  as the base space.

The **pullback bundle**  $\pi^{-1}E$  is the vector bundle over  $P(E)$  with fibers  $E_p$ .



$$(\pi^{-1}E)_{E_p} = E_p$$

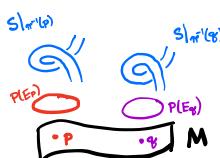


Restricted to  $\pi^{-1}(\{p\})$ ,  $(\pi^{-1}E)|_{P(E_p)}$  is trivial, i.e.  $\pi^{-1}E|_{P(E_p)} = P(E_p) \times E_p$

- The **universal subbundle  $S$  over  $P(E)$**  is the subbundle of  $\pi^{-1}E$  defined as:

$$S := \{(\ell_p, v) \in \pi^{-1}E : v \in \ell_p \subset E_p\}$$

This is essentially the same as in the vector space case, but now the  $P(E_p)$  have an additional fiber bundle structure. At one  $p \in M$ ,  $S|_{\pi^{-1}(\{p\})}$  is just like  $S$  constructed for the vector space  $E_p$ .



- Chern classes:** Let  $\rho: E \rightarrow M$  be a vector bundle,  $P(E)$  its projectivization, and  $S$  the universal subbundle. Let  $x := c_1(S^*) \in H^2(P(E))$ . If we restrict  $S$  to  $P(E_p)$  for  $p \in M$ , we get the universal subbundle  $\tilde{S} = S|_{P(E_p)}$  of the vector space  $P(E_p)$ , and  $c_1(\tilde{S})$  is the restriction of  $c_1(S) = -x$  to  $P(E_p)$  by the functoriality of the Euler class. As such,  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-1}\}$  are global cohomology classes on  $P(E)$  which generate the cohomology of each fiber  $P(E_p)$  when restricted. Thus Leray-Hirsch implies  $H^*(P(E))$  is freely generated by  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-1}\}$  as a module over  $H^*(M)$ . We can thus define the Chern classes of  $E$  to be the coefficients of  $x^n$  w.r.t. this basis:

$$x^n + c_1(E)x^{n-1} + c_2(E)x^{n-2} + \dots + c_n(E) = 0$$

$$c_i(E) \in H^{2i}(M)$$

where the product here is  $\wedge$  and  $c_i(E)$  is really  $\pi^*c_i(E)$ . The total Chern class is:

$$C(E) := 1 + c_1(E) + \dots + c_n(E) \in H^*(M)$$

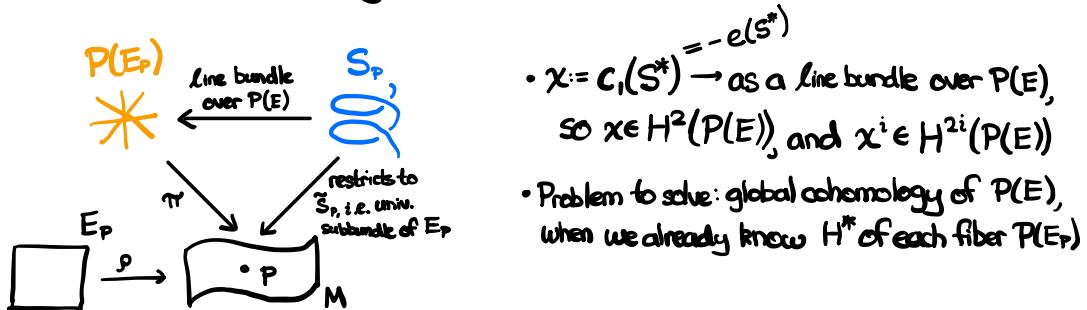
Using the defn of Chern classes, we see:

$$H^*(P(E)) = H^*(M) / (x^n + c_1(E)x^{n-1} + \dots + c_n(E))$$

w/  $n = \text{rank}(E)$ , and the cohomology splits as a product:

$$H^*(P(E)) = H^*(M) \otimes H^*(P^{n-1}) \quad P^{n-1} := P(C^n), \quad H^*(P^{n-1}) \cong \mathbb{R}[x]/(x^n)$$

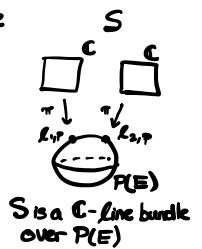
- $S$  has a line bundle structure over  $P(E)$ , and a fiber bundle structure over  $M$ , where each fiber over  $p \in M$  is  $\tilde{S}_p$ , the univ. subbundle of the vector space  $E_p$ , and looks like the space  $E_p$  where we separated out the 1D subspaces  $\cong \mathbb{C}$ .
- To summarize, we have many fiber bundle structures here:



- $x := c_1(S^*) = -e(S^*)$
- $x := c_1(S^*) \rightarrow$  as a line bundle over  $P(E)$ , so  $x \in H^2(P(E))$ , and  $x^i \in H^{2i}(P(E))$
- Problem to solve: global cohomology of  $P(E)$ , when we already know  $H^*$  of each fiber  $P(E_p)$

- Prior to this, we only knew the cohomology of each fiber  $H^*(P(E_p)) \cong \mathbb{R}[x]/(x^n)$ . When we stitch the fibers together, the classes  $\{1, x, \dots, x^{n-1}\}$  generate each fiber's cohomology, and  $x^n \neq 0$  as a global cohomology class. But, because of Leray-Hirsch, we can write  $x^n = -\sum_{i=1}^n c_i(E) \wedge x^{n-i}$ , so the relation  $x^n + \sum c_i x^{n-i} = 0$  defines the ring structure on  $H^*(P(E))$ .
- We care about the bundle  $S \rightarrow P(E)$  b/c its first Chern class (the Euler class of its realization) gives us the form  $x \in H^2(P(E))$  which is used to generate the cohomology of the whole vector bundle.
- The Poincaré series of  $P(E)$  is:

$$P_t(P(E)) = P_t(M) \frac{1-t^{2n}}{1-t^2}$$



- Let  $L \rightarrow M$  be a complex line bundle. Then  $P(L) = M$ , so  $S = L$ , and  $x = e(S^*) = e(L^*)$   
 $= -e(L_R)$ , so  $x^2 = -e(L_R) \wedge x \Rightarrow x^2 + e(L_R)x = 0$ . This means the identification of  $c_i(L)$  as  $e(L_R)$   
is well defined - in the construction above we could have used  $e(S_R^*)$  instead of  $c_i(S^*)$  and everything would  
be identical.
- Trivial bundle: For  $E = M \times V$ ,  $P(E) = M \times P(V)$ , so  $x^n = 0$  b/c it is the same on all fibers. Thus:  
 $c_i(M \times V) = 0$
- Naturality: If  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  and  $E \rightarrow X$  is a complex vector bundle, then:  
 $c_i(f^{-1}E) = f^*c_i(E)$   
This implies isomorphic vector bundles have the same Chern classes.
- Whitney Product formula: For two vector bundles  $E \rightarrow M \leftarrow E'$ :  
 $c_i(E \oplus E') = c_i(E)c_i(E')$
- If  $n = \text{rank}_C(E)$ , we define  $c_i(E) := 0$  for  $i > n$ .
- If  $E$  has a nowhere vanishing section, then the top Chern class vanishes,  $c_n(E) = 0$ .  
- This can be seen immediately from the next statement.
- The top Chern class  $c_n(E) \in H^{2n}(M)$  is the Euler class of the realization of  $E$ :  
 $c_n(E) = e(E_R) \in H^{2n}(M)$        $n = \text{rank } E$