

Thm: (Leray-Serre Spectral sequence)

[Denote fibers of $\pi: E \rightarrow B$ by $F_x := \pi^{-1}(x)$.]

$\pi: E \rightarrow B$ any Serre fibration. Then, \exists a spectral sequence $\{E_{p,q}^r, \partial_r\}$ defined for $r \geq 2$, with

$$E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(B; \{H_q(F_x)\}_{x \in B})$$

(B path connected & more generally local coeff. system is trivial $\Leftrightarrow \pi_1(B)$ acts trivially on $H_1(F)$)

homology w/ coefficients in the 'local coefficient system'
(bundle) of homologies of fibers.

(special case: if $\pi_1(B) = 0$ or local coeff. system is trivial $\Leftrightarrow \pi_1(B)$ acts trivially on $H_1(F)$)

$$\text{then } E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(B; H_q(F)) \xrightarrow[\text{fiberwise basepoint}]{} \xrightarrow[\text{UCT homology}]{} H_p(B) \otimes_k H_q(F),$$

if over a field k or under freeness hypothesis

converging to

$$E_{p,q}^\infty = G_p H_{p+q}(E) \quad (\text{for some filtration } F_p \text{ on } H_*(E)).$$

Pf sketch:

• "Singular method" (several ways to implement)

In special case of a trivial fibration $E \cong F \times B$, note $C_*(E) \xrightarrow{\text{? iso.}} C_*(B) \otimes C_*(F)$, Eilenberg-Zilber thm

RHS is the total cpx of a bicomplex, hence has a filtration by "degree in $C_*(B)$ "; get a S.S. on $C_*(B) \otimes C_*(F)$ or - by looking at image of filtration in $C_*(B)$ - on $C_*(E)$ as desired, or an analogue of $C_*(B) \otimes C_*(F)$.

For more general $E \rightarrow B$, can similarly put a filtration on $C_*(E)$ by restricting to chains "adapted" to $F \rightarrow \begin{matrix} E \\ \downarrow B \end{matrix}$ whose 'base degree' is $\leq p$; see [McClary], [MIT OCW notes]. has two filtrations!

[c.f., Dress's construction: build a homology theory for E from "singular product simplices" adapted to π : $\Delta^p \times \Delta^q \rightarrow E$. Bicomplex: one filtration \Rightarrow page 2 = $H_p(B; ? H_q(E))$]

• "Cellular" method:

Assume B is a CW complex (by CW replacement if needed).

Have $B^0 \subset B^1 \subset B^2 \subset \dots \subseteq B$
0-skel. 1-skel.

$B^p := p$ -skeleton, $C_*(E)$ chains on E .

Let $F_p C_*(E) := C_*(E|_{B^p})$. This gives a filtration on $C_*(E)$, and hence a spectral sequence $(E|_{B^0} \subseteq E|_{B^1} \subseteq \dots)$ induces $(F_p C_*(E) \subseteq F_{p+1} C_*(E) \subseteq \dots)$

$$(E|_{B^0} \subseteq E|_{B^1} \subseteq \dots) \text{ induces } (F_p C_*(E) \subseteq F_{p+1} C_*(E) \subseteq \dots)$$

The associated graded chain cpx. is by definition $C_*(E|_{B^p}) / C_*(E|_{B^{p-1}}) = C_*(E|_{B^p}, E|_{B^{p-1}})$, w/ ∂_0 = relative chains differential.

$$\Rightarrow E_{p,q} = H_{p+q}(E|_{B^p}, E|_{B^{p-1}}) \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha \text{ p-cells in } B} H_{p+q}(E|_{e_\alpha^p}, E|_{a_\alpha^p})$$

$$\underset{\substack{E \text{ trivial} \\ \text{over } e^p}}{\approx} \bigoplus_{\alpha \text{ p-cells}} H_p(e_\alpha^p, \partial e_\alpha^p) \otimes H_*(F_{x_\alpha})$$

↑
same point in α .

If $\pi_1(B)$ trivial or more generally $\{H_*(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ trivial, can identify each $H_*(F_{x_\alpha})$ w/ $H_*(F)$ by choosing any path x_α to basepoint, result independent of path, so get

$$\underset{\substack{C_p^{\text{cell}}(B; H_*(F))}}{\approx}$$

(more generally, should identify above w/ " $C_p^{\text{cell}}(B; \{H_*(F_x)\}_{x \in B})$ ".)

with some additional work, can show ∂ , on $E_{p,q}^1$ coincides w/ cellular differential (or a suitable version w/ local coefficients in general case)

$$\Rightarrow E_{p,2}^2 = H_p^{\text{cell}}(B; H_q(F)) \underset{\substack{\nabla B = 0 \text{ or } \{H_*(F_x)\}_{x \in B} \text{ trivial}}}{\approx} H_p(B; H_q(F)).$$

$$(\text{or more generally } = H_p^{\text{cell}}(B; \{H_q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \underset{\substack{}}{\approx} H_p(B; \{H_q(F_x)\}_{x \in B})) . \quad \blacksquare$$

First computations:

The existence of the Leray-Serre S.S. is enough to deduce a number of new computations. often if we know $H_k(B)$, $H_k(F)$, can deduce information about $H_*(E)$:

Ex: Compute $H_*(SU(4); \mathbb{Z})$.

Recall that $SU(n) = \{T \in GL(n, \mathbb{C}) \mid T T^* = \text{Id}, \det T = 1\}$.

$SU(1) = \{\text{Id}\}$ and in general observe for $n > 1$ that there's a fiber bundle (hence fibration)
"pt."

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & SU(n) & \text{with fiber } \cong \pi^{-1}(\vec{e}_1) \cong SU(n-1), \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \pi & (\text{thought of as acting on } \vec{e}_1^\perp \cong \mathbb{C}^{n-1}) \\ T(\vec{e}_1) \in S^{2n-1} & (\subseteq \mathbb{C}^n \text{ unit sphere}) & \end{array}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \exists \text{ ~fibration } \quad SU(n-1) \rightarrow SU(n) \quad \downarrow \quad n > 1. \quad \Rightarrow \text{since } SU(1) = \text{pt, } \boxed{SU(2) = S^3.}$$

First, let's compute $H_*(SU(3))$ using

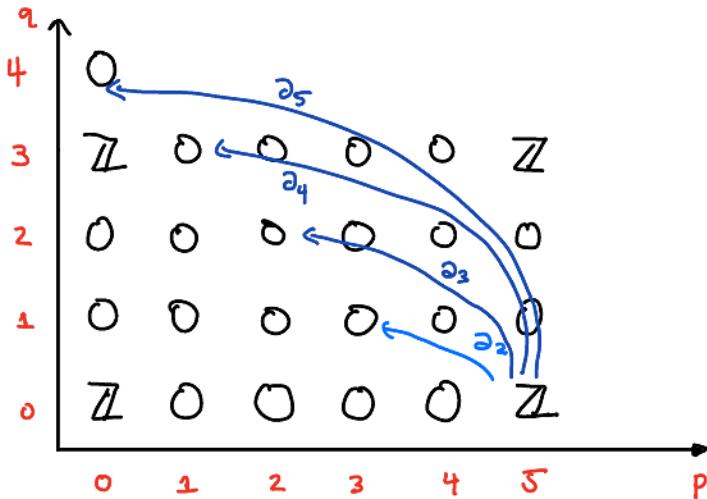
$$SU(2) = S^3 \rightarrow \begin{matrix} SU(3) \\ \downarrow \pi \\ S^5 \end{matrix}$$

By Lemaire-Serre, (S^5 simply connected) $\exists \sim$ spectral sequence converging to (graded abelian group) $H_*(\mathrm{SU}(3))$,

$$\text{w/ } E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(S^5; H_q(S^3)) \xrightarrow[\text{U.C.T.}]{\cong} H_p(S^5) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} H_q(S^3)$$

homology
(as $H_p(S^5)$ free)

Drawing $E_{p,q}^2$:



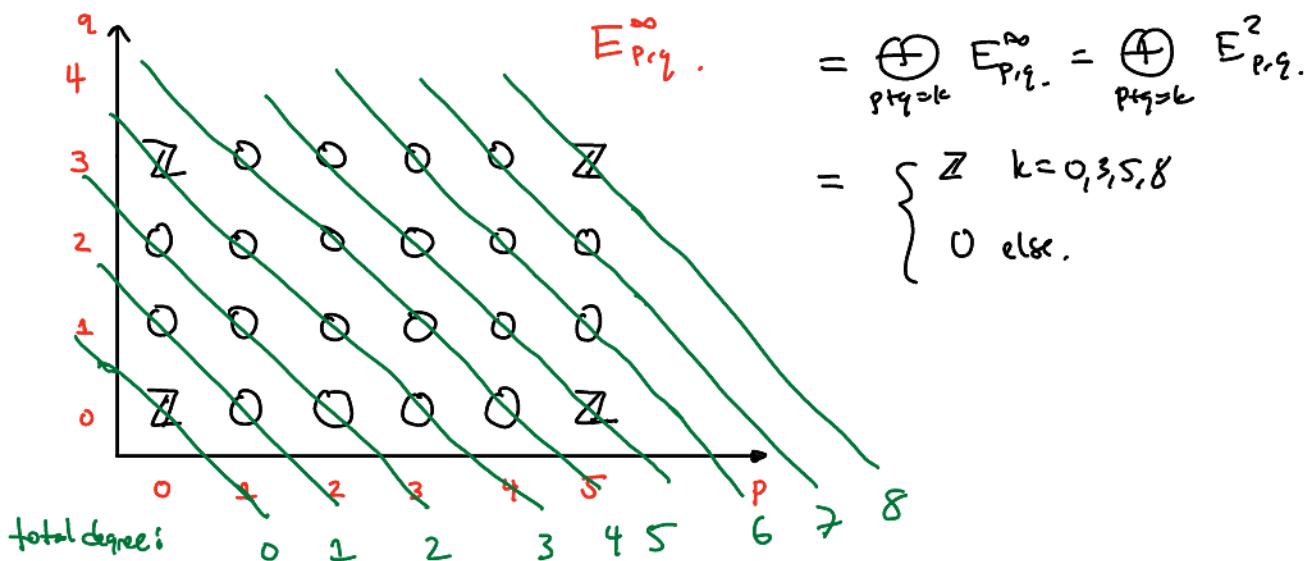
∂_r has bidegree $(-r, r-1)$

Note: $\partial_2 = 0$ (as domain or codomain of each $\partial_2 = 0$), so the 4 \mathbb{Z} 's all sum to $E_{p,q}^3$.

In fact, inductively each further $\partial_r: E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r, q-r+1}^r$ is zero; for all r .

(to go from \mathbb{Z} in position $(5,0)$ to $(0,3)$ would require bidegree $(-5, +3)$ which never happens)

\Rightarrow S.S. collapses, and $E_{p,q}^\infty = G_p H_{p+q}(\mathrm{SU}(3)) = E_{p,q}^2$. $\therefore \forall k \bigoplus_p G_p H_k(\mathrm{SU}(3))$



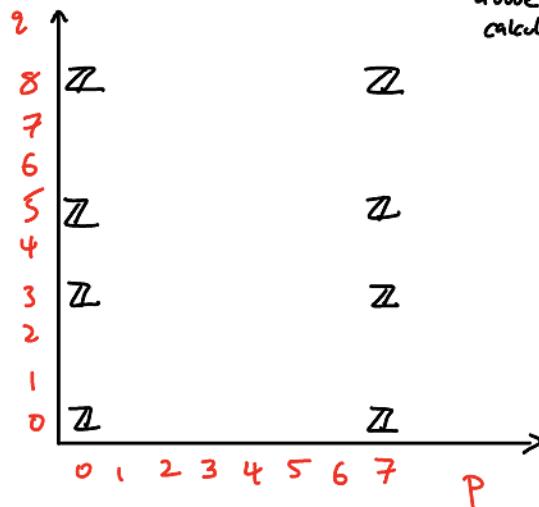
Since each group is free, no extension issues $\Rightarrow H_*(\mathrm{SU}(3); \mathbb{Z}) \cong H_*(S^3) \otimes H_*(S^5) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & k=0,3,5,8 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

$$\cong H_*(S^3 \times S^5).$$

Now, $SU(3) \rightarrow SU(4)$ induces a S.S. w/ $E_{pq}^2 \cong H_p(S^7; H_q(SU(3)))$

$$\downarrow \\ S^7$$

A rough picture of E_{pq}^2
(only showing non-zero groups).



$$\cong H_p(S^7) \otimes H_q(S^3 \times S^5)$$

(uct +
above
calculation)

Again inductively for every r , supposing E_{pq}^r looks like the above, note there is no (p,q) s.t. the domain and codomain of ∂_r on E_{pq}^r are both non-zero for degree reasons $\Rightarrow \partial_r = 0 \quad \forall r \geq 2$. \Rightarrow collapse at E_{pq}^2 .

$$\Rightarrow H_*(SU(4)) \cong H_*(S^7) \otimes H_*(S^3 \times S^5) \cong H_*(S^3 \times S^5 \times S^7) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{deg } 0, 3, 5, \\ & 7, 8, 10, 12, 15 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

again
no extension
issues

Rank: It turns out $H_*(SU(n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong H_*(S^3 \times S^5 \times \dots \times S^{2n-1}; \mathbb{Z})$ even though when $n \geq 2$, these spaces aren't homeomorphic (in fact have different homotopy groups, so not htpy equivalent).

Ex: Compute $H_*(\Omega S^n)$ for $n \geq 1$. (for $n=1$, note $\Omega S^1 \cong \mathbb{Z}$, a discrete space, by covering based loop space (fix a basepoint *), space arguments).

This computation is a nice example of how sometimes, from known information about $H_*(E) \otimes H_*(B)$ we can learn about $H_*(F)$.

We will use the Serre fibration $\Omega S^n \rightarrow PS^n \xrightarrow{\pi} S^n$

paths $\gamma: I \rightarrow S^n$ w/ $\gamma(0) = *$ (no constraint
on $\gamma(1)$)

$\int \pi_* \circ \pi: \gamma \mapsto \gamma(1)$

(means have a Serre fibration $PS^n \rightarrow S^n$, fibres all htpy equiv. to ΩS^n ; observe $\pi^{-1}(*) = \Omega S^n$).

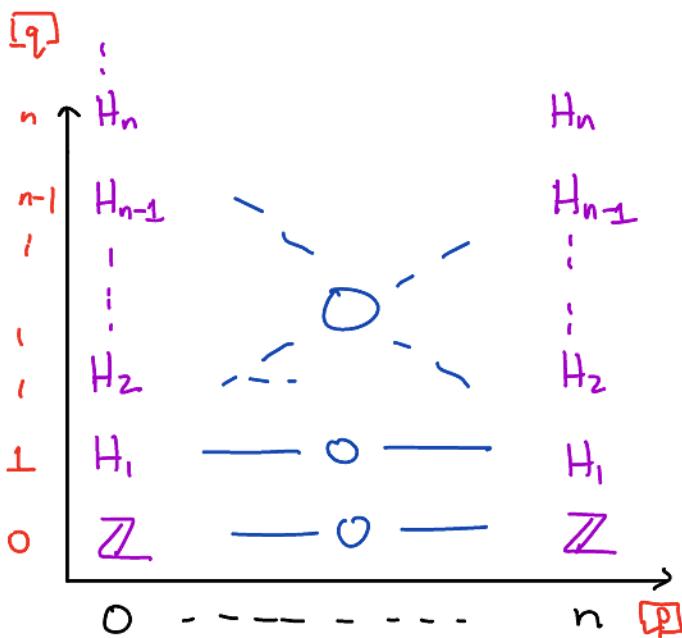
Fact: The total space PS^n is contractible. $\Rightarrow H_i(PS^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=0 \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

(exercise).

\Rightarrow in the Leray-Serre spectral sequence, we must have $E_{p,q}^\infty = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & (p,q) = (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

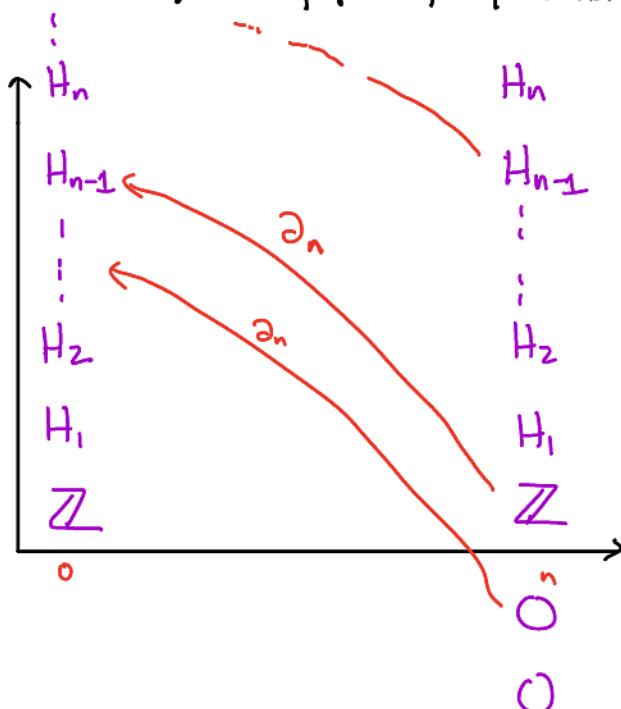
On the other hand, denoting by $H_i := H_i(\Sigma S^n)$, we know $E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(S^n) \otimes H_q(\Sigma S^n) = H_p(S^n) \otimes H_q$. unknown quantity of interest.

Picture of $E_{p,q}^2$:



All graphs aside from $E_{0,0}^2$ must be killed by some ∂_r , given we know $E_{p,q}^\infty = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & (p,q) = (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

On the other hand, the only possible non-zero differentials on this picture, on any page of S.S., is ∂_n , as it lowers the degree of p precisely by n . Hence, ∂_n must be an isomorphism, except



when domain or codomain is $E_{q,0}^n = \mathbb{Z}$.

Note: for $1 \leq i \leq n-2$,

$$\partial_n : E_{n,i-n+1}^n \xrightarrow{\cong} E_{0,i}^n = H_i$$

\Downarrow

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(b/c $i-n+1 < 0$).

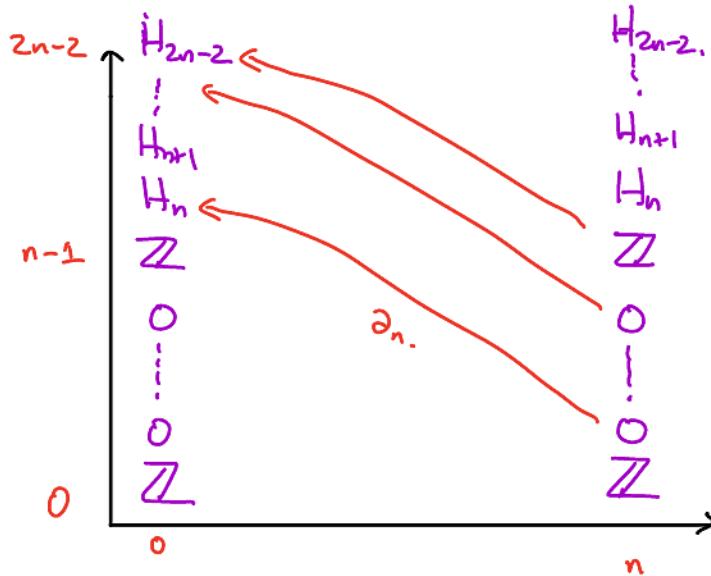
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{H_i(\Sigma S^n) = 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n-2.}$$

Next, when $i=n-1$,

$$\partial_n: \mathbb{Z} = E_{n,0}^n \xrightarrow{\cong} E_{0,n-1}^n = H_{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{n-1}(\Omega S^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}.$$

So the picture looks like this:



$\Omega S^1 = \mathbb{Z}$
 $\dots \circ \circ \circ \circ \circ \dots$
 $H_0(\Omega S^1) = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}$

exercise: see this using L-S.S.S.
w/ page 2 := twisted coefficients.

\Rightarrow we see $H_n = 0, H_{n-1} = 0, \dots, H_{2n-3} = 0, H_{2n-2} = \mathbb{Z}$.

Inductively repeating, get

$$H_i(\Omega S^n) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i = k(n-1) \quad k \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Naturality of spectral sequences:

General algebraic setting: $(C_*, F_p C_*)$, $(C'_*, F'_p C'_*)$ two filtered chain complexes.

A map $f: C_* \rightarrow C'_*$ is a filtered chain map if chain map $\& f(F_p C_*) \subset F'_p C'_*$ for all p .

Lemma/Exercise: check from definitions that such an f induces maps

$$f_*^r: E_{p,q}^r \longrightarrow E'_{p,q}^r, \text{ chain map for } \partial_r \quad (\text{i.e., } f_*^r \circ \partial_r = \partial'_r \circ f'_*),$$

s.t., f_*^{r+2} on $E_{p,q}^{r+2}$ is the map on homology induced by f_*^r .

(call such f_* a morphism of spectral sequences).

e.g., $f_*^o = (Gf): G_p C_{p+q} \rightarrow G'_p C'_{p+q}$ (well-defined b/c f sends $F_p \rightarrow F'_p$).
 $F_{p-1} \rightarrow F'_{p-1}$

Cor: If any f_p^* is an isomorphism (for all $p \geq 1$), (8 if filtrations bnd) then finds
a homology isomorphism $f_*: H_*(C_*) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_*(C'_*)$.

e.g., if
 $f_*^*: H_{p+q}(G_p C_*) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{p+q}(G'_p C'_*)$.

Pf: If so, then $f_{\infty}^* = G_p[f]: G_p H_{p+q}(C_*) \xrightarrow{\cong} G_p H_{p+q}(C'_*)$ for all p, q .

But \exists a commutative diagram of SES's.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & F_{p-1} H_{p+q}(C_*) & \rightarrow & F_p H_{p+q}(C_*) & \rightarrow & G_p H_{p+q}(C_*) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow [f] |_{F_{p-1}} & & \downarrow [f] |_{F_p} & & \downarrow G_p[f]. \\ 0 & \rightarrow & F_{p-1} H_{p+q}(C_*) & \rightarrow & F_p H_{p+q}(C_*) & \rightarrow & G_p H_{p+q}(C'_*) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

\Rightarrow inductively using 5-Lemma (using F_p bnd) get that $[f]: H_*(C_*) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_*(C'_*)$. \square .

Turning to fibrations, if we have a map of fibrations, in the sense of

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} F & \xrightarrow{f_F} & F' & & \\ \downarrow & \searrow & \downarrow & & \\ E & \xrightarrow{f_E} & E' & & \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi' & & \\ B & \xrightarrow{f_B} & B' & & \end{array}$$

then lem: Such a map between fibrations induces a morphism between the associated Leray-Serre spectral sequences, which on page 2 agrees with the map

$$H_*(B, \{H_x(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \longrightarrow H_*(B', \{H_x(F'_{x'})\}_{x' \in B'})$$

induced by f_B and $\{f_{F_x}\}_{x \in B}$.

(both B, B' simply connected or associated local coefficient systems trivial): the map $H_x(B; H_*(F)) \rightarrow H_x(B'; H_*(F'))$ induced by f_F and f_B .

Idea of proof: If B, B' CW complexes (as used in construction of spectral sequence above), can replace f_B up to homotopy w/ a cellular map i.e., it respects skeletal filtration of B, B' hence induces a filtered chain map from $C_*(E)$ to $C_*(E')$. Now check on page 2... \square

Using this, can prove a sort of '5-lemma' for maps between fibrations:

Prop (Hatcher - SS, Prop 1.12): Say have a map of fibrations as above, & let's just assume

$\pi_1 B = \pi_1 B' = \{*\}$ OR local coeff. systems trivial in both cases (for simplicity). Then, if two out of the three maps $F \xrightarrow{f_F} F'$, $E \xrightarrow{f_E} E'$, $B \xrightarrow{f_B} B'$ induce homology isos for $H_*(\text{ }; R) \xrightarrow{\text{PID}} R$, then so does the third. (so UCT for chain complex applies).

Pf:

Simplest case is say $(f_F)_*$ & $(f_B)_*$ are isos. A map of fibrations induces a morphism of L-s spectral sequences,

hypotheses $\Rightarrow f_2^*: E_{p,q}^2 \xrightarrow{\cong} E_{p,q}^{2'}$. By alg. corollary above, this implies f_∞^* , and hence $(f_E)_*$ are isomorphisms.

one of the other two cases spelled out in [Hatcher - S.S.]

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Rank: Using morphisms of spectral sequences associated to maps of fibrations can help compute differentials, see e.g.,
— (McClay, Example 5-H).

Cohomological spectral sequences and products

- A cohomological spectral sequence is defined in basically the same way but with all arrows reversed i.e., have R -modules $\{E_r^{p,q}\}$, defined for all $r \geq r_0$ & differentials $S^r: E_r^{p,q} \rightarrow E_{r+1}^{p+r, q-r+1}$, with $E_{r+1} = H^*(E_r, S_r)$.
- A co-chain complex (C^*, δ) w/ a decreasing filtration $F_p C_* \supseteq F_{p+1} C_* \supseteq \dots$ of co-chain complexes gives a spectral sequence with

$$E_r^{p,q} = \frac{\{x \in F_p C^{p+q} \mid \delta x \in F_{p+r} C^{p+r+1}\}}{F_{p+1} C^{p+q} + \delta(F_{p-r+1} C^{p+q-1})}$$

again $\frac{A}{B} := \frac{A}{A \cap B}$.

(again $E_1^{p,q} = H^{p+q}(G_p C^*)$, where G_p means F_p / F_{p+1}), converging (if filtration bounded) to $G_p H^{p+q}(C^*)$.

We can now also consider products. Suppose the filtered cochain complex $(C^*, F_p C^*)$ is equipped with a product:

$$\star: C^i \times C^j \longrightarrow C^{i+j}$$

such that

- \star satisfies Leibniz rule, i.e., if $\alpha \in C^i$, $\beta \in C^j$ then $S(\alpha * \beta) = S\alpha * \beta + (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)} \alpha * S\beta$
 $(\Rightarrow \star \text{ descends to cohomology})$

- \star is filtered i.e., it respects the filtration, in the sense that

$$F_p C^* \otimes F_{p'} C^{*'} \xrightarrow{*} F_{p+p'} C^{*+*'}.$$

Then \star induces a well-defined product on associated graded complexes (also satisfying Leibniz):

$$\star_0: \frac{F_p C^*}{F_{p+1} C^*} \otimes \frac{F_{p'} C^{*'}}{F_{p'+1} C^{*'}} \longrightarrow \frac{F_{p+p'} C^{*+*'}}{F_{p+p'+1} C^{*+*'+1}}$$

More generally, it's easy to see that \star induces a well-defined map

$$\star_r: E_r^{p,q} \otimes E_r^{p',q'} \longrightarrow E_r^{p+p', q+q'}$$

sending $[x] \otimes [y] \longmapsto [x * y]_-$

Prop: Given a \star as above, the induced products satisfy:

- S_r is a derivation w.r.t. \star_r : $S_r(\alpha * \beta) = (S_r \alpha) * \beta + (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)} \alpha * S_r(\beta)$
- \star_{r+s} is the product on cohomology (of E_r, S_r) induced by \star_r .
- If filtration bounded (so s.s. converges), the limiting product

$$\star_\infty: G_p H^i \otimes G_p H^j \longrightarrow G_{p+p'} H^{i+j}$$

is the top associated graded piece of the product $[\star]: F_p H^i \otimes F_p H^j \longrightarrow F_{p+p'} H^{i+j}$.

Pf: exercise.

Warning: even if \exists exten. problems, so $\{G_p H^{p+q}\}_{p,q}$ determines $\{H^k\}_k$, \star_∞ may not determine \star !

(examples: Hatcher-S.S. Ex. 1.17, McCleary Ex. 1.5). Here's a very special case when it always does:

Lem (McCleary Ex 1.K): If $E_\infty^{*,*}, \star_\infty \cong G_* H^*$, G_* is a free, graded commutative, bigraded algebra, then

$$H^* \cong \bigoplus_{x,y} \bigoplus_{i+j=x} E_\infty^{i,j} \text{ as algebras.} \quad \text{for } x \in E_\infty^{p,q}, y \in E_\infty^{p',q'} \\ x \circ y = (-1)^{(p+q)(p'+q')} y \circ x$$

N.B. As before, this construction is suitably natural in $(F_p C_*, \star)$.

Cohomological Leray-Serre spectral sequence

$F_p C_*$ chain cplx w/ increasing (bounded) filtration. Then dualizing $C^* := \text{Hom}(C_*, R)$,

the dual co-chains inherits a (banded) decreasing filtration:

$$F_p \text{Hom}(C_x, R) := \text{Ann}(F_{p-1} C_x) = \{\phi: C_x \rightarrow R \mid \phi|_{F_{p-1} C_x} = 0\}$$

If $F_{p-1} C_x$ is free inside $F_p C_x$, then

$$G_p \text{Hom}(C_x, R) = \frac{\text{Ann}(F_{p-1} C_x)}{\text{Ann}(F_p C_x)} \cong \text{Hom}(G_p C_x, R),$$

\Rightarrow obtain a cohomological spectral sequence converging to $G_p H^{p+q}(\text{Hom}(C_x, R))$ with

$$E_1^{p,q} = H^{p+q}(\text{Hom}(G_p C_x, R)),$$

& ∂_2 induced by applying $\text{Hom}(-, R)$ to the differential ∂_1 on $E_1^{p,q}$ page of the homological S.S. for C_x .

$\pi: E \rightarrow B$ Serre fibration, then applying $\text{Hom}(-, R)$ to the filtration on $C^*(E)$ inducing homological Leray-Serre S.S. gives a cohomological version of the Leray-Serre spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} = \underbrace{H^p(B; \{H^q(F_x; R)\}_{x \in B})}_{(*)} \text{ converging to } E_\infty^{p,q} = G_p H^{p+q}(E; R)$$

Can check: the cup product \cup on $C^*(E; R)$ respects the filtration.

\Rightarrow get a spectral sequence of algebras $(E_r^{p,q}, S_r, \star_r)$ (i.e., \star_r denotes, $H^*(\star_r) = \star_{r+1}$)

What is \star_2 on $E_2^{p,q}$? Can be described in terms of the 'usual' cup product on $(*)$.

For simplicity, let's assume the local coefficient system $\{H^*(F_x; R)\}_{x \in B}$ is trivial (e.g., if $\pi_1 B = \mathbb{Z}/3$, B pt. com) and working over a field.

$(*) \Rightarrow E_2^{p,q} = H^p(B) \otimes H^q(F)$. In this case for α of bidegree (p, q) , β of bidegree (p', q') ,

$$\boxed{\alpha \star_2 \beta := (-1)^{q'p'} \alpha \cup \beta \in H^{p+p'}(B) \otimes H^{q+q'}(F)}$$

means, cup in B and cup in F .

"Koszul sign for moving the $H^q(F)$ part of α tensor past $H^{p'}(B)$ part of β -tensor to cup."

In general: For any local coeff. systems $\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Y}'$, \exists cup product $H^*(B; \mathcal{Y}) \otimes H^*(B; \mathcal{Y}') \rightarrow H^*(B, \mathcal{Y} \otimes \mathcal{Y}')$

if $\mathcal{Y} = \{H^q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$, $\mathcal{Y}' = \{H^{q'}(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ applying above canonical cup product plus fibrewise cup product $H^q(F_x) \otimes H^{q'}(F_x) \rightarrow H^{q+q'}(F_x)$ gives

$$\cup : H^p(B; \{H^q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \otimes H^{p'}(B; \{H^{q'}(F_x)\}_{x \in B}) \rightarrow H^{p+p'}(B; \{H^q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}), \text{ which}$$

coincides w/ \star_2 up to the same sign $(-1)^{qp'}$.

In some cases, knowing there's a product structure greatly simplifies computations using the Leray-Serre spectral sequence. Idea: the fact that \star_r is a derivation determines $S_r(\alpha \star_r \beta)$ in terms of $S_r\alpha$, $S_r\beta$, $\star_r\alpha$, $\star_r\beta$.
 - \Rightarrow can compute more of S_r !

Also, can use it to compute ring structures (of $H^*(F)$ or $H^*(B)$, or $H^*(E)$ given caveats/warnings above).

Examples:

Ex: Compute $H^*(U(n); \mathbb{Z})$ as a ring.

Claim: $H^*(U(n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong \Lambda[x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1}]$ w/ $|x_{2k-1}| = 2k-1$. as rings.

means exterior algebra on x_1, x_3, \dots i.e., $x_{2k-1}x_{2l-1} = -x_{2l-1}x_{2k-1}$
 $(\mathbb{Z}\langle x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1} \rangle / x_i^2 = 0, x_i x_j = -x_j x_i)$ $(x_{2k-1})^2 = 0$.

Note: equivalently, this is the free graded commutative algebra over \mathbb{Z}

on $x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2k-1}$. Graded commutativity $\Rightarrow (x_{2k-1})^2 = -(x_{2k-1})^2 \Rightarrow x_{2k-1}^2 = 0$, etc.
 $x \cdot y = (-1)^{|x||y|} y \cdot x$.

(...e., $H^*(U(n); \mathbb{Z}) \cong H^*(S^1) \otimes H^*(S^3) \otimes \dots \otimes H^*(S^{2n-1}) \cong H^*(S^1 \times S^3 \times \dots \times S^{2n-1})$ as rings).

Pf: $n=1$: $U(1) = S^1$ so result is true.

Inductively, assume true for $n-1$. \exists a fibration

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U(n-1) & \rightarrow & U(n) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ S^{2n-1} & & T(\mathbb{R}_2^n) \end{array}$$

unit sphere in \mathbb{C}^n . (simply connected as $n > 1$).

\Rightarrow get L-S. s.s. of algebras with

$$(E_2, \star_2) = H^*(S^{2n-1}; H^*(U(n-1))) \stackrel{\text{u.c.t.}}{\cong} H^*(S^{2n-1}) \otimes H^*(U(n-1)), \quad \text{cup product}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{total degree } k \text{ part} \\ \text{is } \bigoplus_{i+j=k} E_2^{i,j} &\cong H^*(S^1 \times S^3 \times \dots \times S^{2n-1}) \cong \Lambda[x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{2n-1}]. \\ \text{induction} \\ + Künneth \end{aligned}$$

as graded rings, using total degree on E_2 , & usual degree on RHTS.

Now, note that S_2 (and more generally each S_r) increases total degree by 1 (bitween $(r, -(r-1))$).
 Since every non-unit element in E_2 (and inductively E_r) is in odd degree,

$\Rightarrow \delta_r \equiv 0$ for all $r \geq 2 \Rightarrow$ collapse at \mathbb{E}_2 .

$$\text{Hence } (\mathbb{E}_\infty, \star_\infty) \cong \Lambda[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2n-1}], \cong \left(\bigoplus_p G_p H^*(U(n)), G_w \right)$$

This is a free (bigraded) graded commutative algebra
if one tracks
(e.g.) α .

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{H^*(U(n)) \cong \Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_{2n-1}) \text{ as rings.}}$$

Remark above
[cf. McCleary Ch. I. K]

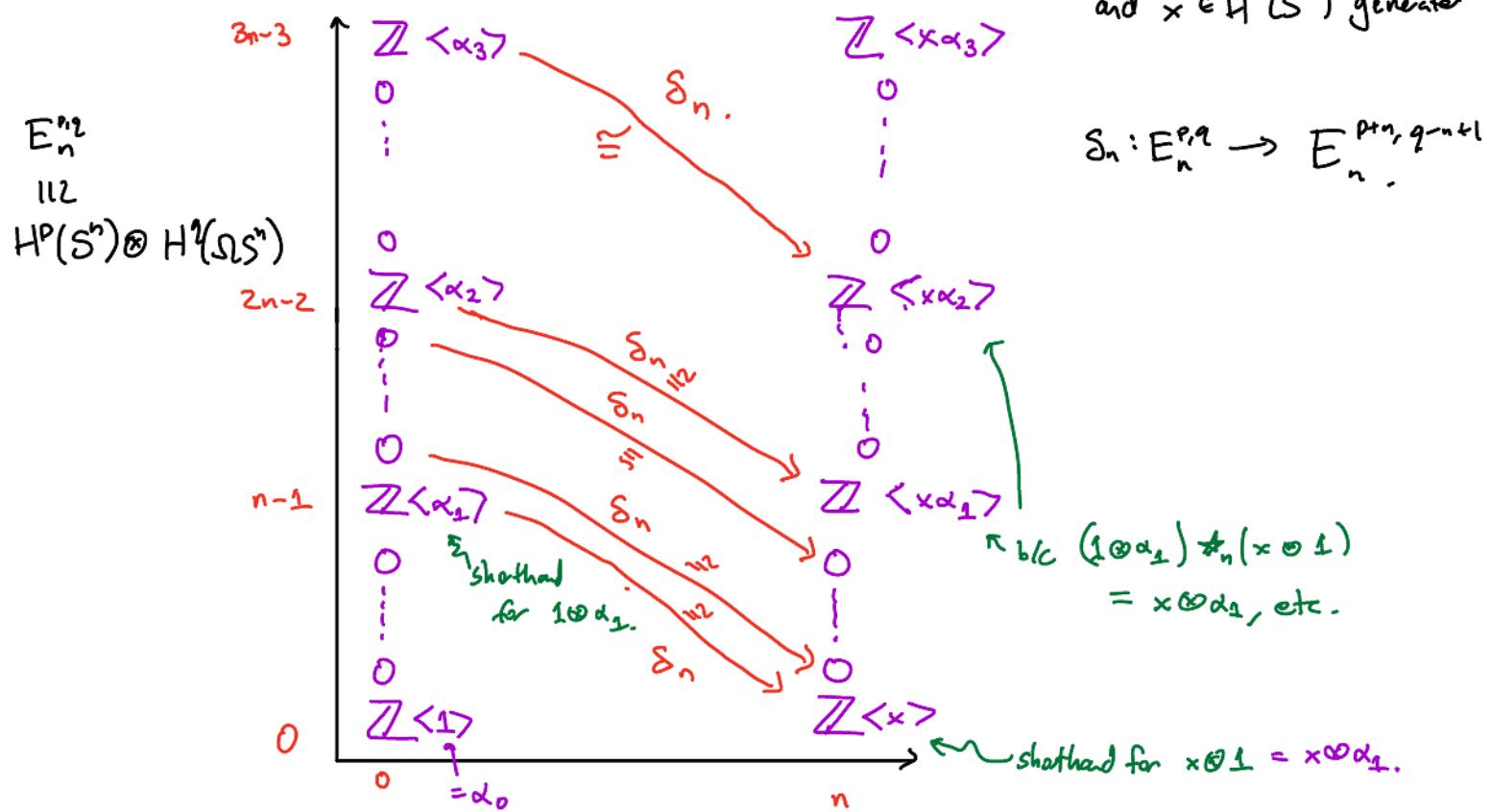
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Ex: compute $H^*(\Omega S^n; \mathbb{Z})$ as a ring, $n \geq 1$.

We revisit the path-space loop-space fibration: $\Omega S^n \rightarrow PS^n \hookrightarrow S^n$, look at the Leray-Serre S.S. again, this time for cohomology:

The same arguments as before imply $H^j(\Omega S^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & j = k(n-1) \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$, & \mathcal{G} n th page looks like:

with all S_n in picture.
 \downarrow isomorphisms (except one to/from $E_n^{0,0}$) Call α_k the generator of $H^{k(n-1)}(\Omega S^n)$,
 $(\alpha_0 = 1)$ and $x \in H^n(S^n)$ generator



Can wlog choose generators x, α_i s.t. $\delta_n: \alpha_k \mapsto x\alpha_{k-1}$. ($\delta_n: \alpha_1 \mapsto x$)

Note: by derivation property of \star_n , we learn that

$$\delta_n(\alpha_i^2) = \delta_n(\alpha_i \star_n \alpha_i) = (-)^{i-1} \alpha_i \delta_n \alpha_i + (\delta_n \alpha_i) \alpha_i.$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ even} \\ 2x\alpha_i & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

get for α_i^2 lives in

(know: $\delta_n \cong$ and $\delta_n: \alpha_i \mapsto x\alpha_i$)

We deduce that (as $S_n \cong \cdot$) $\alpha_1^2 = 2\alpha_2$ if n odd, and $\alpha_1^2 = 0$ if n even.

More generally,

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(\alpha_1, \alpha_k) &= S_n(\alpha_1) \alpha_k + (-1)^{n-1} \alpha_1 S_n \alpha_k \\ &= x \alpha_k + (-1)^{n-1} \alpha_1 x \alpha_{k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(\alpha_k, \alpha_\ell) &= S_n(\alpha_k) \alpha_\ell + (-1)^{k(n-1)} \alpha_k S_n(\alpha_\ell) \\ &= x \alpha_{k-1} \alpha_\ell + (-1)^{kh-1} x \alpha_k \alpha_{\ell-1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_k \alpha_\ell = \text{preimage under } S_n \text{ of } \begin{cases} x(\alpha_{k-1} \alpha_\ell + \alpha_k \alpha_{\ell-1}) & k \text{ even or } n \text{ odd.} \\ x(\alpha_{k-1} \alpha_\ell - \alpha_k \alpha_{\ell-1}) & k \text{ odd and } n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

n odd:

$$\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = S_n^{-1}(x(\alpha_2 + \alpha_1^2)) = S_n^{-1}(3x \alpha_2) = 3 \alpha_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1^3 = 2\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = 3! \alpha_3.$$

Inductively, one sees $\alpha_1^k = k! \alpha_k$, i.e., $H^*(\Omega S^n) = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha, \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2, \frac{1}{3!}\alpha^3, \dots, \frac{1}{k!}\alpha^k, \dots]$ deg.(n-1)
 $= \Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}(\alpha)$ is a divided power algebra.
 (rationally, just polynomials in α).

n even:

$$(\alpha_2^k = k! \alpha_{2k}) \text{ so } \alpha_2, \alpha_4, \alpha_6, \dots \text{ generate a divided power algebra } \Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}[\beta] \quad |\beta| = 2n-2.$$

$$(\alpha_1^2 = 0) \quad S(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = x(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1^2) = x \alpha_2 \Rightarrow (\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = \alpha_3)$$

$$\text{Inductively, can similarly show } \alpha_1 \alpha_{2k-1} = 0 \text{ and } (\alpha_1 \alpha_{2k} = \alpha_{2k+1})$$

$$\Rightarrow H^*(\Omega S^n) \cong \Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}[\beta] \otimes \Lambda[\alpha]$$

$$\beta = \alpha_2, \text{ deg } 2(n-1) \quad \alpha = \alpha_2, \text{ deg } n-1. \quad \text{e.g., } \alpha_{2k+1} = \alpha_1 \alpha_{2k} \\ = \alpha_1 \cdot \frac{1}{k!} \alpha_2^k \\ = \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{k!} \beta^k.$$

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Example: Let's recompute $H^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty; \mathbb{Z})$ as a ring using L-S. S.S. Denote $H^p := H^p(\mathbb{C}P^\infty)$

The fibration $S^1 \rightarrow S^{2k+1} \xrightarrow{\text{unit sphere in } \mathbb{C}^{k+1}}$ induces (taking $k \rightarrow \infty$) a fibration $S^1 \rightarrow S^\infty \xrightarrow{\text{unknown.}} [\mathbb{H}^0 = \mathbb{Z}]$

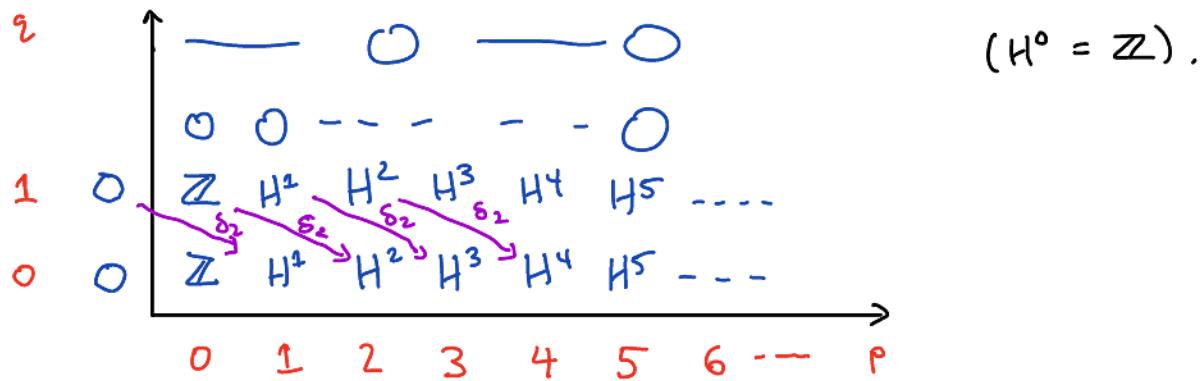
$\pi_1(\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^\infty) = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$, and S^∞ contractible \Rightarrow the associated L-S. S.S. has

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p(\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^\infty; H^q(S^1)) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{H}^p & \text{when } q=0,1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \bigoplus_{ij=k} E_\infty^{i,j} = \bigoplus_p G_p H_k(S^\infty) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & k=0 \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

i.e., $E_\infty^{p,q} = \mathbb{Z}$ if $(p,q) = (q,0)$ and 0 otherwise.

Picture:
of $E_{p,q}^2$:



Since $E_\infty^{p,q} = 0$ except at $(0,0)$, every other group must eventually become zero.

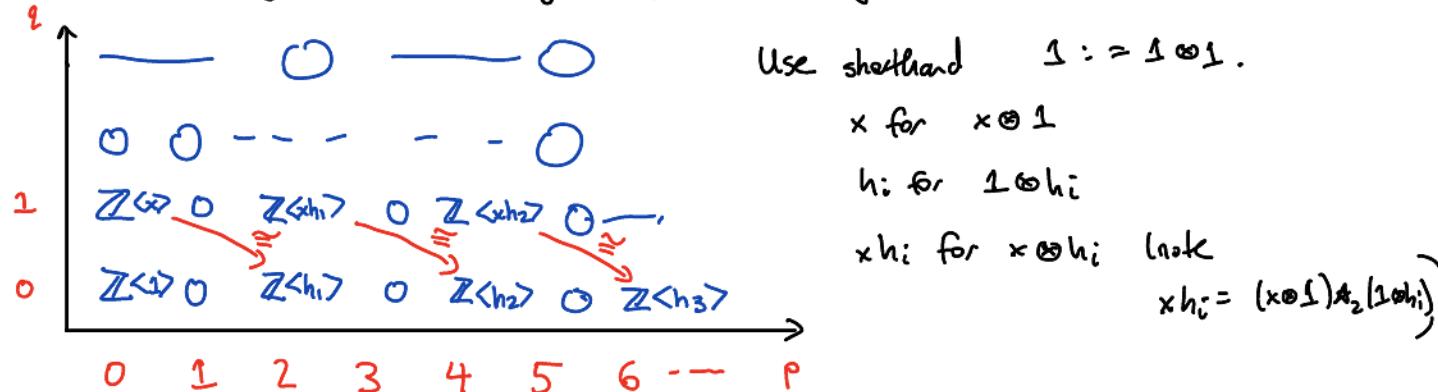
The only page with possibly non-zero differentials is page 2 (every other $S_{r,1}$ decreases q degree by >1 so has either domain or codomain 0).

\Rightarrow must have $S_2 : E_2^{p,1} \xrightarrow{\cong} E_2^{p+2,0}$ provided $p \neq -2$:

So, $H^1 = 0$, $H^2 \cong H^3 = 0$, & inductively $H^{2k+1} = 0$. $\forall k$.

and $H^0 \cong H^2$, so $H^2 \cong \mathbb{Z}$, $H^4 \cong H^6$ so $H^4 \cong \mathbb{Z}$, inductively $H^{2k} = \mathbb{Z} \forall k$

Algebra structures: Denoting $x \in H^1(S')$ a generator, $h_i \in H^{2i}$ generator ($\cup h_0 = 1$):



inductively after choosing h_i .

WLOG choose h_{i+1} s.t. $\underline{S_2(xh_i)} = h_{i+1}$. (★)

Leibniz rule for the algebra structure on $E_2^{p,q} \Rightarrow$

$$S_2(xh_i) = S_2(x)h_i + x\underline{S_2(h_i)} \quad (\text{using } \star_2: ab \text{ means } a \otimes_2 b).$$

$$= h_1 \circ h_i = h_i^2.$$

On the other hand, $S_2(xh_i) = h_2 \Rightarrow h_i^2 = h_2$. Inductively, assuming $h_i^k = h_k$, we discover $S_2(xh_k) \underset{\text{inductively}}{=} S_2(xh_i^k) \underset{\text{Leibniz}}{=} h_i^{k+1}$.

(*) || $S_2(h_i) = 0$

h_{i+1} above

$$\Rightarrow h_i^{k+1} = h_{k+1}. \text{ So inductively } h_i^m = h_m \text{ for all } m, \text{ and } H^*(CP^\infty) \cong \mathbb{Z}[h], |h| = +2.$$


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Additional properties of, and applications of, the Leray-Serre Spectral Sequence

Let's return to the (homological) Leray-Serre spectral sequence. A few groups (of maps between fiber)

in the spectral sequence have particularly clear significance in terms of the original fibration.

For what follows [assume have a fibration $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{\pi} B$ w/ trivial local coefficient system]

$\{H_*(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ (e.g., if B path connected & $\pi_1(B) = \{*\}$).

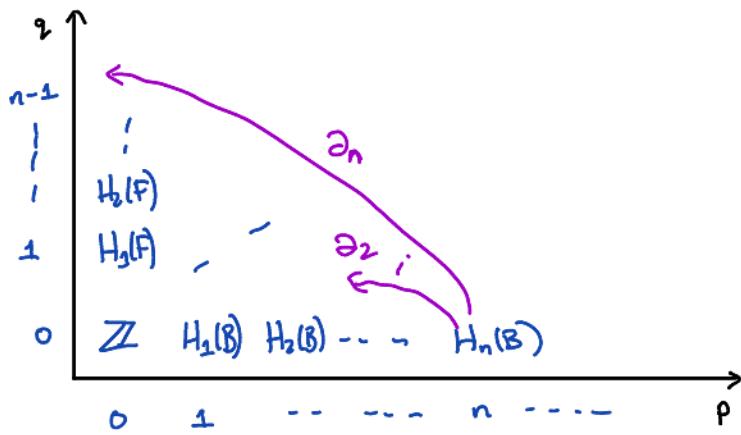
\Rightarrow L-S. S.S. for $H_*(E)$ has $\boxed{E_{p,q}^2 \cong H_p(B, H_q(F))}$

• Edge homomorphisms

[Further assume fibers F are connected, as is B .]

Note the bottom edge of E^2 is canonically $\cong H_*(B)$ ($E_{p,0}^2 = H_p(B, H_0(F)) \cong H_p(B)$)

(Similarly left vertical edge is canonically $\cong H_*(F)$ — ($E_{0,q}^2 = H_0(B, H_q(F)) \cong H_q(F)$)).



Being at the bottom of a first quadrant spectral sequence, no differentials can hit any $E_{n,0}^r$.

$$\Rightarrow E_{n,0}^{r+1} = \ker(\partial_r : E_{p,0}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r,r-1}^r) \subseteq E_{n,0}^r.$$

And the last page k for which ∂_k can be non-zero on $E_{n,0}^k$ is $k=n$, as

$$\partial_{n+1} : E_{n,0}^{n+1} \rightarrow E_{-1,n} \equiv 0 \text{ (first quadrant S.S.)}.$$

So $E_{n,0}^{n+1} = E_{n,0}^\infty$, and we have a chain of inclusions

$$G_n H_n(E) = E_{n,0}^\infty = E_{n,0}^{n+1} \subseteq E_{n,0}^n \subseteq E_{n,0}^{n-1} \subseteq \dots \subseteq E_{n,0}^2 = H_n(B).$$

Now observe that $G_s H_{n-s}(E) = E_{s,n-s}^\infty \equiv 0$ for $s > n$.

$\Rightarrow H_n(E) \cong F_n H_n(E)$. (an explanation for this is that all of $H_n(E)$ is seen by $E \xrightarrow{\text{incl.}} \underbrace{E}_{\text{n-skeleton}}$; the image in homology is precisely $F_n H_n(E)$, which is therefore all of $H_n(E)$).

Hence there is a projection map

$$H_n(E) = F_n H_n(E) \longrightarrow F_n H_n(E) / \underbrace{F_{n-1} H_n(E)}_{= G_n H_n(E)} = G_n H_n(E) = E_{n,0}^\infty \hookrightarrow E_{n,0}^2 = H_n(B),$$

(*) is

called an edge homomorphism. (an alg. version exists for any first quadrant S.S. induced by a filtration).

Similarly, no differentials can emanate from $E_{0,n}^r$, so each $E_{0,n}^{r+1} = E_{0,n}^r / \text{im}(\partial_r : E_{r,n-r+1}^r \rightarrow E_{0,n}^r)$

$$E_{r,n-r+1}^r \equiv 0 \text{ for } r > n-2$$

$$E_{0,n} = G_0 H_n(E) = F_0 H_n(E) \hookrightarrow H_n(E)$$

edge homomorphism

Prop: The edge homomorphism of the L-S. S.S. $H_n(E) \rightarrow H_n(B)$ coincides with $\pi_* : H_n(E) \rightarrow H_n(B)$.

[Similarly, the edge homomorphism $H_n(F) \rightarrow H_n(E)$ coincides w/ i_* , where $i : F \hookrightarrow E$ md. of a fiber].

Pf sketch: (the case of $H_n(E) \rightarrow H_n(B)$, other case exercise).

Consider first the trivial fibration $* \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{\pi_{n=1}} B$. Claim: the edge hom $H_n(B) \rightarrow H_n(B)$ associated to the L-S. S.S. for this fibration is just $\text{id}_{H_n(B)}$. (exercise).

Next, for a general $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$ as above, there is a map of fibrations

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F & \xrightarrow{*} & \\
 \downarrow & \downarrow & \\
 E & \xrightarrow{\pi} & B \\
 \downarrow \pi & \downarrow \text{id} & \\
 B & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & B
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{which induces, by naturality of the L-S. S.S., a commutative diagram:}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_n(E) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{*}} & H_n(B) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow (\text{edge hom. for } * \rightarrow B \rightarrow B = \text{id}_{H_n(B)}) \text{ by claim above.} \\
 H_n(B) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & H_n(B)
 \end{array}$$

(edge hom. for $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$)

\Rightarrow this edge homomorphism \uparrow is just π_{*} . □

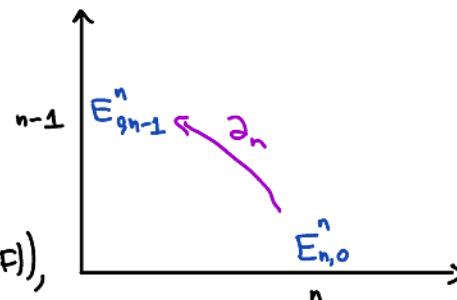
Transgression: $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$ fibration.

Again, assume F, B path connected & $\{H_q(F_x)\}_{x \in B}$ trivial (e.g., if $\pi_1(B) = \{*\}$).

In the L-S. S.-S., the differentials

$$\partial_n: E_{n,0}^n \longrightarrow E_{0,n-1}^n$$

map the bottom horizontal edge (a subgroup of $H_n(B)$) to the left vertical edge (a quotient of $H_{n-1}(F)$),



and are called transgressions.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \partial_2: E_{2,0}^2 & \longrightarrow & E_{0,1}^2 \\ \downarrow \text{L} & & \downarrow \text{L} \\ H_2(B) & & H_1(F) \end{array} \text{ so in this case get a homomorphism from base to fiber. In general,}$$

$$H_n(B) = E_{n,0}^2 \supseteq E_{n,0}^n \xrightarrow{\partial_n} E_{0,n-1}^n \leftarrow E_{0,n-1}^2 = H_{n-1}(F).$$

An element $x \in E_{n,0}^2 = H_n(B)$ that survives to $E_{n,0}^n$ (i.e., $\partial_2 x = 0, \partial_3 x = 0, \dots, \partial_{n-1} x = 0$) is called transgressive.

The basic claim is that the subgroup of transgressive elts. & the transgression map have a topological interpretation, as a fibration analogue of a connecting homomorphism.

How? Consider

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_n(E, F) & \xrightarrow{\partial_*} & H_{n-1}(F) \\ \downarrow \pi_* & \text{Ab over basepoint } b. & \\ H_n(B) & \xrightarrow{\partial_*} & H_n(B, b) \end{array}$$

\cong iso. for $n > 0$.

$(\pi : (E, F) \rightarrow (B, b))$
where $E :=$ fiber over b .

$$(\pi_* : H_n(E, F) / \ker \pi_* \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{im } \pi_*)$$

This induces a map from a subgroup of $H_n(B)$ to a quotient of $H_{n-1}(F)$ via:

$$(*) \quad H_n(B) \cong H_n(B, b) \cong \text{im } (\pi_*) \xrightarrow[\text{(}\pi_*\text{)}^{-1}]{} H_n(E, F) / \ker \pi_* \xrightarrow{\partial_*} H_{n-1}(F) \leftarrow H_{n-1}(F).$$

\cong subgrp of $H_n(B)$

\cong quotient of $H_{n-1}(F)$

\cong $\partial_*(\ker \pi_*)$

Prop: The map τ_* coincides with the transgression $\partial_n : E_{n,0}^n \rightarrow E_{n-1}^n$, meaning:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E_{n,0}^n & \cong & \text{im } (\pi_*) \\ \partial_n \downarrow & \hookrightarrow & \downarrow \tau_* \\ E_{n-1}^n & \cong & H_{n-1}(F) / \partial_*(\ker \pi_*) \end{array} \quad \text{(moreover)} \quad \begin{array}{c} E_{n,0}^2 = H_n(B) \\ \uparrow G \quad \uparrow G \\ E_{n,0}^n = \text{im } \pi_*, \\ \uparrow \star \quad \uparrow \star \\ E_{n-1}^2 = H_{n-1}(F) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} E_{n-1}^2 = H_{n-1}(F) \\ \downarrow G \quad \downarrow G \\ E_{n-1}^n = H_{n-1}(F) \end{array} \quad \text{(all by } \pi_* \text{)}$$

We call τ_* the transgression hom. associated to the fibration; it coincides w/ transgression of the L.S.S.S. by Prop.

Pf (omitted) (see [Hatcher - SS., Prop 1.13]), but to state q, how to identify $\text{im } (\pi_*) \cong E_{n,0}^n$ as in $*$?

Consider map of fibration pairs: \exists L.S.S.S. for a 'fibration pair' as below & naturally gives

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F & \rightarrow & (E, F) \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \\ E & \rightarrow & (E, F) \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \\ B & \rightarrow & (B, b) \end{array} \quad E_{p,1}^* \rightarrow E_{p,2}^*.$$

(Rule: can setup L.S.S.S
for fibration pairs in
some way)

Now $H_0(B, b) = 0$, so $\bar{E}_{0,1}^* \equiv 0$. $\Rightarrow \bar{E}_{n,0}^n = \bar{E}_{n,0}^\infty$ (as $\bar{\partial}_n : \bar{E}_{n,0}^n \rightarrow \bar{E}_{n-1}^n = 0$ is 0).

\Rightarrow (by edge hom. prop.): the image of the inclusion $\bar{E}_{n,0}^n \hookrightarrow \bar{E}_{n,0}^2$ is just $\text{im } (\pi_*) \subseteq H_n(B, b)$

Now for $n > 0$, $H_n(B, b) \cong H_n(B)$, hence we learn

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{im } (\pi_*) \subset H_n(B, b) \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \bar{E}_{n,0}^n \hookrightarrow \bar{E}_{n,0}^2 \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \bar{E}_{n,0}^n \hookrightarrow \bar{E}_{n,0}^2 \end{array} \quad \text{, which implies } \star. \quad \boxed{\star}$$

$\therefore H_n(B)$

Using this, we can sketch a proof of Hurewicz theorem (the mod 2 case is similar but requires slightly more elaborate arguments);

Thm (Hurewicz): Say X $(n-1)$ -connected, i.e., $\pi_i(X) = 0$ for $i \leq n-1$, $n \geq 2$. Then $\tilde{H}_i(X) = 0$ for $i \leq n-1$, and the Hurewicz map $h : \pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X)$ is an isomorphism. (Recall: $h : \pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X)$
 $f : S^n \rightarrow X \mapsto f_*[S^n]$).

Sketch: Fact from homotopy theory: any fibration $F \rightarrow E$ induces a LES in homotopy groups.

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } \Omega X \rightarrow PX \xrightarrow{\text{contractible}} \text{ have } (\text{LES in homotopy gaps})$$

$$\dots \rightarrow \pi_i(PX) \rightarrow \pi_i(X) \xrightarrow{\text{2r}} \pi_{i-1}(\Omega X) \rightarrow \pi_{i-1}(PX)$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi_i(x) \xrightarrow[\partial_*]{\cong} \pi_{i+1}(\varphi x).$$

$S \setminus X$ is therefore $(n-2)$ -connected; we want to inductively use fact that

$$(e.g., \pi_0(\Omega_x) = \pi_1(X_*)).$$

use π_1 , Hurewicz ($\pi_1(SX) \xrightarrow{h} H_1(SX)$, which holds as stated b/c $\pi_1(SX) \cong \pi_1(X)$ is abelian).

(for $\Omega x \rightarrow Px \rightarrow x$)

(as ΩX is $(n-2)$ -connected).

In homology, we have the L-S. S.S. w/ page 2 $H_p(X; H_q(\Omega X))$; by induction $H_q(\Omega X) = 0 \quad q \leq n-2$.
 $\uparrow :$ (b/c $n, X = \text{pt}$) .

(b/c $\pi_1 x = \{0\}$) .

$E^2_{p,q}.$

$\Rightarrow H_1(X) = H_2(X) = \dots = H_{n-1}(X) = 0$ (as no ∂_i from it can be non-zero, & $E_{p,q}^{(k)} = 0$ for (p,q) non-zero),

In this case, $\partial_i = 0$ on $H_n(X)$ for each $i < n$, so all of $H_n(X)$ is transgressive, & the transgression ∂_n gives an iso. $H_n(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{n-1}(S^1 X)$. (all arrives to page n).

Using the above Prop. comparing ∂_n to τ_{n-1} , & def'n of $\partial_2: \pi_n(X) \rightarrow \pi_{n-1}(\Omega X)$ in LES, construct
 (omitted here)
 a commutative diagram (exercise) for such X :

$$\pi_n(X) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\partial_*} \pi_{n-1}(\Omega X)$$

↓ h ↓ h ↗
 $H_n(X) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\pi_*} H_{n-1}(\Omega X)$

iso, by induction (as ΩX is connected); works even
when $n=2$ b/c $\pi_1 \Omega X$ abelian.
(usually π_1 Hurewicz only gives an iso. $\pi_1(X) \xrightarrow{\text{ab}} H_1(X)$).

$$\Rightarrow h: \pi_n(x) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_n(x). \quad \blacksquare$$

Can use the L-S, S-S to reprove the Gysin exact sequence (in more generality, for arbitrary spherical fibrations), the Leray-Hirsch theorem, build other exact sequences, & prove many structural results.

(e.g., using above interplay between L-S, S.S. & LES in homotopy groups, can learn a lot of information about homotopy groups too).

E.g., Wang sequence Say have a fibration

$$F \rightarrow E \downarrow S^n \quad n > 1 \quad . \quad (\text{Say path-connected fiber}).$$

L-S. S-S has, as its E^2 page $\{H_p(S^n; H_q(F))\}_{(p,q)}$ = $\begin{cases} H_q(F) & p=0, n \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

$E^2_{p,q}.$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & H_n(F) & & & & \\ & & \downarrow & \nearrow \partial_n & & & \\ & H_{n-1}(F) & & & & & \\ & \vdots & & & \vdots & & \\ H_2(F) & 0 & \cdots & 0 & H_2(F) & 0 & \\ H_1(F) & 0 & - & - & 0 & H_1(F) & 0 \\ H_0(F) = \mathbb{Z} & 0 & - & - & 0 & \mathbb{Z} = H_0(F). & \\ & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & n & & \end{array}$$

$\partial_i \equiv 0$ for $i < n$, so all terms survive to E^n . The only possible non-zero differential is

$$\partial_n: H_i(F) \longrightarrow H_{i+n-1}(F), \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad E^{n+1} = E^\infty = H^0(\partial_n) \dots$$

$E^n_{n,i} \qquad \qquad \qquad E^\infty_{0,i+n-1}.$

So, there's a SES: $0 \rightarrow E_{n,i}^\infty \xrightarrow{\star} H_i(F) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} H_{i+n-1}(F) \xrightarrow{\star} E_{0,i+n-1}^\infty \rightarrow 0.$

In turn, $E_{n,i}^\infty = G_n H_{i+n}(E)$, $E_{0,i+n-1}^\infty = G_0 H_{i+n-1}(E) = F_0 H_{i+n-1}(E)$.

$$\underbrace{H_{i+n}(E)/F_{n-1} H_{i+n}(E)}_{= H_{i+n}(E)/F_{n-1} H_{i+n}(E)} \leftarrow \leftrightarrow H_{i+n}(E) \qquad \qquad \qquad \overset{\text{?}}{\underset{H_{i+n-1}(E)}{\text{H}_{i+n-1}(E)}}.$$

(note $S^n = e^0 \cup e^n$, so skeletal filtration is $F_0 C_n(E) = F_1 = F_2 = \dots = F_{n-1} \subseteq F_n C_n(E) = C_n(E)$).

i.e., \exists a SES $0 \rightarrow F_0 H_n(E) \rightarrow H_n(E) \rightarrow \left(\frac{H_{i+n}(E)}{F_{n-1} H_{i+n}(E)} \right) \rightarrow 0$

i.e., a SES $0 \rightarrow G_n H_n(E) \xrightarrow{\text{(a)}} H_n(E) \xrightarrow{\text{(b)}} G_{n-1} H_{n-1}(E) \rightarrow 0, \quad (***)$

In particular, we can splice those SES's together to get:

$$\dots \rightarrow H_{i+n}(E) \rightarrow H_i(F) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} H_{i+n-1}(F) \rightarrow H_{i+n-1}(E) \rightarrow H_{i-1}(F) \xrightarrow{\partial_{n-1}} \dots$$

(exactness at $H_k(E)$ follows from (*)) ,

This is called the Wang LES.