

Rmk: There's a canonical element $1 \in C^*(X; R)$ defined by $1(x: \Delta^0 \rightarrow X) := 1 \in R$, (i.e., constant function).

This can be thought of as pulled back from $1 \in C^*(\{pt\}; R)$ ($1(\{pt\}) = 1$), via $X \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} pt$, i.e., $\varepsilon^* 1_{pt} = 1_X$.

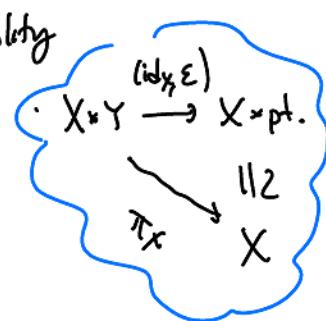
Claim: Given X, Y spaces, recall have $\pi_X: X \times Y \rightarrow X$, $\pi_Y: X \times Y \rightarrow Y$, and $- \times - : C^*(X) \otimes C^*(Y) \rightarrow C^*(X \times Y)$, then

$$\alpha \times 1_Y = \pi_X^* \alpha, \text{ and similarly } 1_X \times \beta = \pi_Y^* \beta. \quad \text{ε: } Y \rightarrow pt.$$

To see e.g., π_X , we'll make use of the fact that $1_Y = \varepsilon^* 1_{pt}$; so by naturality

$$\alpha \times 1_Y = \alpha \times \varepsilon^* 1_{pt} \underset{\text{naturality}}{=} (\text{id}_X, \varepsilon)^* (\alpha \times 1_{pt})$$

(the identification $X \times pt \cong X$ sends $\alpha \times 1_{pt} \leftrightarrow \alpha$).



$$= \pi_X^*(\alpha). \quad "X is finite type over \Lambda"$$

X, Y spaces.

Thm (Künneth for cohomology): If $R = \Lambda$ is a field and $H_i(X)$ is finite-rank for each i (or Y can be instead of X), then the cross product induces an isomorphism

$$- \times - : H^*(X; \Lambda) \otimes H^*(Y; \Lambda) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^*(X \times Y; \Lambda).$$

(This also holds over a ring R as stated provided each $H_i(X)$ is finitely generated, free R -module.)

Sketch of proof: Over a field, UCT simplifies & gives:

$$H^*(\text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y), \Lambda)) \xrightarrow[\text{UCT}]{\cong} \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(H_*(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)), \Lambda) \xrightarrow[\text{alg. Künneth (also simplicial)}]{\cong} \text{Hom}(H_*(X) \otimes H_*(Y), \Lambda) \xrightarrow[\text{P}_{12} \wedge \Lambda]{\cong} H^*(X \times Y, \Lambda).$$

Also, alg. Künneth implies

$$H^*(C^*(X; \Lambda) \otimes C^*(Y; \Lambda)) \xleftarrow{\cong} H^*(X; \Lambda) \otimes H^*(Y; \Lambda).$$

All together by using these isomorphisms, we can show the cohomological cross product factors as:

$$\frac{H^*(X; \Lambda) \otimes H^*(Y; \Lambda)}{\|2} \xrightarrow{x} H^*(X \times Y; \Lambda)$$

||2 \hookleftarrow uses simplified UCT

$$\text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(H_*(X), \Lambda) \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Lambda}(H_*(Y), \Lambda)$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{mult.}} \text{Hom}(H_*(X) \otimes H_*(Y), \Lambda)$

$$\text{Hom}(H_*(X \times Y), \Lambda)$$

$\xrightarrow{\cong} [\cdot]^* \text{ uses simplicial homology-K\"unneth.}$

Therefore x is an isomorphism iff. \otimes is.

Obs: $\otimes: \text{Hom}_\Lambda(V, \Lambda) \otimes \text{Hom}_\Lambda(W, \Lambda) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(V \otimes W, \Lambda)$ is an iso. if one of V, W are finite rank in each degree.

(Exercise):

How can it fail? consider $V = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \Lambda = W (= \Lambda^\infty)$ (direct sum).

(arise topologically via $X = Y = \coprod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{pt.}$)

Then, $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(V \otimes W, \Lambda) \cong \text{Hom}_\Lambda(V, \text{Hom}_\Lambda(W, \Lambda)) = \text{Hom}(V, W^*)$
 $= \text{Hom}(\Lambda^\infty, \prod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \Lambda)$.

(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R} vec. spaces \exists canonical map $\mathbb{Q}^* \otimes \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R})$, sending
 $\mathbb{Q}^* \otimes \mathbb{R}$ to $\text{Hom}_{\text{finite rank}}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R})$)

But $\text{Hom}_\Lambda(V, \Lambda) \otimes \text{Hom}_\Lambda(W, \Lambda) = V^* \otimes W^* \xrightarrow{\text{ev}} \text{Hom}(V, W^*)$,
 $V = \mathbb{Q} \quad W^* = \mathbb{R}$ (this is the map \otimes above, under identification
 $\text{Hom}(V, W^*) \cong \text{Hom}(V \otimes W, \Lambda)$).

compares $V^* \otimes W^*$ isomorphically to

$\text{Hom}_{\text{finite rank}}(V, W^*)$. $\neq \text{Hom}_{\text{(all)}}(V, W^*)$.

linear maps which have finite-dimensional image -

The cup product on cohomology

Recall any top. space X has a diagonal map $\Delta: X \rightarrow X \times X$
 $x \mapsto (x, x)$.

On homology, we could use this to get a "coproduct":

$C_*(X) \xrightarrow{\Delta_*} C_*(X \times X) \xrightarrow{\cong} C_*(X) \otimes C_*(X)$, which essentially dualizes to:

Def: The cup product on singular cochains (w/ arbitrary coeffs. in some R), denoted \cup , is defined as:

$$C^*(X; R) \otimes C^*(X; R) \xrightarrow{\times} C^*(X \times X; R) \xrightarrow{\Delta^*} C^*(X; R).$$

(mult.) Θ^*

$\text{Hom}(C_*(X) \otimes C_*(X); R)$

cup product " $\alpha \cup \beta$ "

Since \times and Δ^* are (co)-chain maps, \cup is too, hence it induces a cohomology-level map, also call \cup (by abuse of notation).

Thm: (properties of the cup product on cohomology)

- (1) \cup is natural, meaning if $f: X \rightarrow Y$, then $f^*(\alpha \cup \beta) = (f^*\alpha) \cup (f^*\beta)$.
- (2) $\alpha \cup 1 = \alpha = 1 \cup \alpha$ for any α . (the element 1 is a unit for \cup).
- (3) $\alpha \cup (\beta \cup \gamma) = (\alpha \cup \beta) \cup \gamma$. these will follow on chain-level from a particular chain model of \cup (though both can be proved without this) (associativity)
- (4) $\alpha \cup \beta = (-1)^{\deg(\beta)\deg(\alpha)} \beta \cup \alpha$. on cohomology! (commutativity) (graduated)
- (5) If (X, A) pair, and $i: A \hookrightarrow X$, so $i^*: H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(A)$, arbitrary R .

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immediate
b/c \times is
natural, and
 $f: X \rightarrow Y$
induces
 $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$
 $\Delta_X \downarrow \Delta_Y$
 $X \times X \rightarrow Y \times Y$
(if f))

$$\delta: H^p(A) \rightarrow H^{p+1}(X, A) \text{ connecting map, then}$$

$$\delta(\underbrace{\alpha \cup i^*(\beta)}_{H^p(A)}) = \underbrace{\delta(\alpha) \cup \beta}_{H^p(X, A)}.$$

uses the fact that \cup defines a product on relative co-chains

$$C^*(X, A) = C^*(X) / \text{Ann}(C_*(A)) \rightarrow C^*(X, A).$$

$$\text{why? } C^*(X, A) := \text{Hom}_R(C_*(X, A), R) = \text{Hom}_R\left(\frac{C_*(X)}{C_*(A)}, R\right)$$

so need to check
if α, β annihilate $C_*(A)$,
then $\alpha \cup \beta$ does too.
 \Rightarrow gives \cup on relative chains,

II
 $\text{Hom}_R(C_*(X), R) / \text{Ann}(C_*(A))$
look at $\phi: C_*(X) \rightarrow R$
w/ $\phi|_{C_*(A)} = 0$.

To prove commutativity, we'll make use of the following lemma:

Lemma: Let $T: X \times Y \rightarrow Y \times X$ be the factor reversing map $T(x, y) = (y, x)$.

For chain complexes C_*, D_* , let $\tau: C_* \otimes D_* \rightarrow D_* \otimes C_*$
 $(c, d) \mapsto (-1)^{\deg(c)\deg(d)} d \otimes c$ factor-reversing chain map.

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Then the following diagram is homotopy-commutative.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 C_*(X \times Y) & \xrightarrow{\Theta_{(X,Y)}} & C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y) \\
 \downarrow T_\# & & \downarrow \tau \\
 C_*(Y \times X) & \xrightarrow{\Theta_{(Y,X)}} & C_*(Y) \otimes C_*(X)
 \end{array}$$

i.e., $\exists H: C_*(X \times Y) \rightarrow (C_*(Y) \otimes C_*(X))_{\circ+1}$
 $\quad \quad \quad \text{w/ } \partial H + H\partial = \tau \circ \Theta - \Theta \circ T_\#.$

Pf: Consider $\tau \circ \Theta \circ T_\#$ and $\Theta: C_*(X \times Y) \rightarrow C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)$. These are both natural maps, chain maps, do the same thing in degree 0 \implies
 $\tau \circ \Theta \circ T_\#$ and Θ are chain homotopic via some chain homotopy G . (Then last true, using acyclic models)
 $\text{id b/c } T \circ T^\# = \text{id}.$

$$\Rightarrow \tau \circ \Theta \circ \overbrace{T_\# \circ T^\#}^{\sim} \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \Theta \circ T_\#.$$

$G \circ T_\# =: H$
 (chain homotopy)

Now, this implies:

$$C_*(X) \xrightarrow{\Delta^\#} C_*(X \times X) \xrightarrow{\Theta} C_*(X) \otimes C_*(X) \xrightarrow[\text{factor reverse}]{} C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y)$$

is chain homotopic to

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 C_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\Delta^\#} & C_*(X \times X) & \xrightarrow{T_\#} & C_*(X \times X) & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & C_*(X) \otimes C_*(X), \text{ i.e., to} \\
 & \swarrow & & \uparrow & & & \\
 & & (T \circ \Delta)_\# & = & \Delta^\# & & \text{why? } X \xrightarrow{\Delta} X \times X \xrightarrow{T} X \times X \\
 & & & & & & x \mapsto (x, x) \mapsto (x, x),
 \end{array}$$

$$C_*(X) \xrightarrow{\Theta \circ \Delta^\#} C_*(X) \otimes C_*(X) \quad (\text{the usual coproduct})$$

Dualizing, we see that for $\alpha, \beta \in C^*(X)$ (\mathbb{R} -coeffs.), $a \in C_*(X)$.

$$\alpha \circ \beta (a) := \underbrace{\alpha \otimes \beta (\Theta(\Delta^\# a))}_{C_*(X) \otimes C_*(X)} \underset{\substack{\cong \\ \text{chain} \\ \text{homotopic} \\ \text{via duality above}}}{\sim} \alpha \otimes \beta (\tau \circ \Theta \circ \Delta^\# (a))$$

implicitly applying $\alpha \otimes \beta$ to first factor, Θ to second, & multiplying result.

$$(-)^{\deg(\beta)\deg(\alpha)} \beta \otimes \alpha (\Theta \circ \Delta^\# (a)) = (-)^{\deg(\alpha)\deg(\beta)} \beta \circ \alpha (a). \quad \square.$$

We could verify (2)+(3) similarly, but in order to verify on the chain level, & for computational purposes, we'll now introduce a particular concrete model of \cup on chain level.

Explicit formula for Θ : Alexander-Whitney map (last week, we hinted at a similar combinatorial ansatz of $EZ: C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y) \rightarrow C_*(X \times Y)$).

Let $\Delta^n = [e_0, \dots, e_n]$ be the standard simplex. For any $0 \leq p \leq n$, $0 \leq q \leq n$,

Define the front p -face of Δ^n to be $[e_0, \dots, e_p]$ inside $[e_0, \dots, e_n]$, or via

$$f_p: \Delta^p \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$$

$$e_0 \longmapsto e_0$$

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$$e_p \longmapsto e_p.$$

$$\Delta^q$$

Define the back q -face of Δ^n to be $[e_{n-q}, \dots, e_n] \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$.

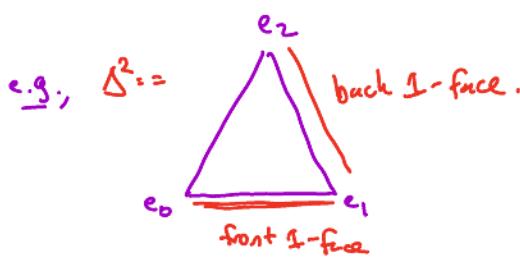
$$g_q: \Delta^q \hookrightarrow \Delta^n$$

$$e_0 \longmapsto e_{n-q}$$

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$$e_q \longmapsto e_n$$



Using this, let's define an explicit version of Θ :

$$\Theta_{AW}: C_n(X \times Y) \longrightarrow ((C_*(X) \otimes C_*(Y))_n = \bigoplus_{i=0}^n C_i(X) \otimes C_{n-i}(Y))$$

Alexander-Whitney

by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} g = \Delta^n \rightarrow X \times Y \\ (\pi_X g, \pi_Y g) \end{array} \right\} \longmapsto \sum_{i=0}^n (\underbrace{\pi_X g \circ f_i}_{\pi_X g|_{[e_0, \dots, e_i]} \uparrow C_i(X)} \otimes \underbrace{\pi_Y g \circ g_{n-i}}_{\pi_Y g|_{[e_i, \dots, e_n]} \otimes C_{n-i}(Y)})$$

(q: check signs of above)

Lemma: Θ_{AW} is natural in X, Y , is a chain map, and coincides w/ the usual definition of Θ in degree 0 ($(x, y) \mapsto x \otimes y$).

(therefore, by acyclic models, $\Theta_{\text{AW}} \simeq$ any other Θ).

Pf idea: Naturality is straightforward, δ explicitly need to compute
 $\delta \Theta_{\text{AW}}(\sigma) \stackrel{?}{=} \Theta_{\text{AW}}(\delta \sigma)$. (exercise).

Using this, define $\Theta_{\text{AW}} \circ \Delta_\#$ (chain model of homological coproduct):

$$\{\tau: \Delta^n \rightarrow X\} \xrightarrow{\Delta_\#} \left\{ \cdot : \Delta_\# \tau = (\tau, \tau) : \Delta^n \rightarrow X \times X \right\} \xrightarrow{\Theta_{\text{AW}}} \sum_{i=0}^n \tau|_{[e_0, \dots, e_i]} \otimes \tau|_{[e_i, \dots, e_n]}.$$

and $\alpha \cup \beta$ can be given the model:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \cup \beta (\tau) &= \alpha \otimes \beta (\Theta_{\text{AW}} \circ \Delta_\# (\tau)) \\ \text{deg } p &\quad \text{deg } q \quad \text{deg } r = p+q \\ &= \alpha \otimes \beta \left(\sum_{i=0}^r \tau|_{[e_0, \dots, e_i]} \otimes \tau|_{[e_i, \dots, e_n]} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha(i - \text{supp } x) = 0 \text{ unless } i = \text{deg } (\alpha).$$

$$\begin{aligned} &:= (-1)^{pq} \alpha(\tau|_{[e_0, \dots, e_p]}) \circ \beta(\tau|_{[e_p, \dots, e_{n-p+q}]}) \\ &\quad \text{deg } (\alpha) \text{ deg } (\beta) \\ (\text{by } f \otimes g (\alpha \otimes \beta) &:= (-1)^{\deg(\alpha)\deg(\beta)} f(a)g(b)). \end{aligned}$$

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Last time: defined cup product via

$$H^*(X) \otimes H^*(X) \xrightarrow{\times} H^*(X \times X) \xrightarrow{\Delta^*} H^*(X)$$

- Using an explicit chain model for Θ , called Θ_{AW} , we gave an explicit cochain model for \cup :

$$\alpha \circ \beta (\tau) = (-1)^{pq} \alpha(\tau|_{[e_0, \dots, e_p]}) \circ \beta(\tau|_{[e_p, \dots, e_{n-p+q}]})$$

↓
 deg p deg q deg r=p+q
 b/c $\deg(\alpha \circ \beta) = \deg(\alpha) + \deg(\beta)$
 $\deg(\alpha \circ \beta) := (\alpha \circ \beta)(a \otimes b) = (\alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b))$

It turns out this co-chain model for cup product is associative on the chain level (by direct computer), verifying associativity + unitality properties of $[v]$ (for any chain level model) on cohomology.

The cup product on relative co-chains:

X space, A, B \subset X.

We know $C^n(X, A) = \text{Ann}(C_n(A)) \subset \text{Hom}(C_n(X), R)$ (w/ R-coeffs.)

If $\phi \in C^p(X, A)$, $\psi \in C^q(X, B)$, where $p+q=n$,

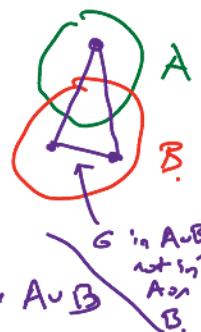
$$\phi \cup \psi (\sigma) = \pm \phi(\sigma|_{[e_0, \dots, e_p]}) \circ \psi(\sigma|_{[e_p, \dots, e_{n-p+q}]})$$

's zero if $\text{im}(\sigma) \subset A$ or if $\text{im}(\sigma) \subset B$ entirely, so $\phi \cup \psi \in \text{Ann}(C_n(A+B))$,
 (b/c then its front p-free is too) (b/c then its back face is too).

we'll use the shorthand $\text{Ann}(C_n(A+B)) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Ann}(C_n(A) + C_n(B))$.

$$C^n(X, "A+B") \xleftarrow[\text{annihilates simplices in } A \text{ OR in } B]{\text{not nec.}} C^n(X, A \cup B)$$

a natural map (incl.)



We'll also abbreviate $C_n(A+B) := C_n(A) + C_n(B)$ (sum in $C_n(X)$) we have a natural inclusion.

$i: C_n(A+B) \hookrightarrow C_n(A \cup B)$, which we note (by previous) induces an iso. on homology $H_n(C_n(A+B)) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_n(C_n(A \cup B))$.

(more gently, barycentric subdiv. \Rightarrow for any Y w/ a cover $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}$,

$$C_\bullet^{\mathcal{U}}(Y) \xrightarrow[\text{on } H_\bullet]{\cong} C_\bullet(Y)$$

chains supported in some U_i

\Rightarrow induces an iso. on cohomology $H^n(A \cup B) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^n("A+B")$.

($Y = A \cup B$ w/ cover $\{A, B\}$)

(exercise)

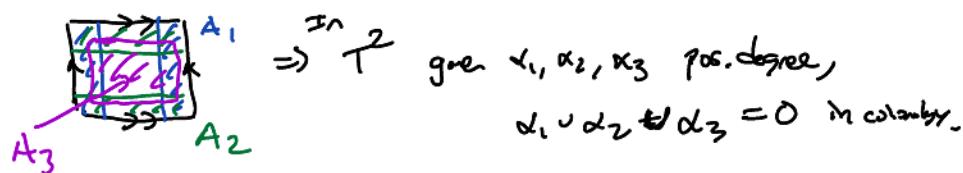
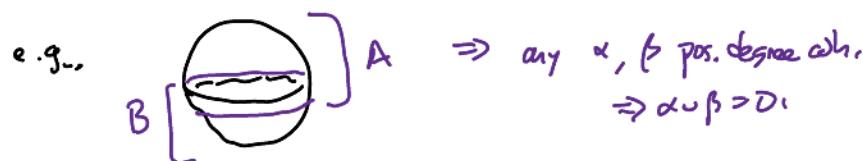
By comparing LES of pair $(X, A \cup B)$ w/ pair $(X, "A+B")$ in cohomology, we can deduce that the canonical map $C^*(X, A \cup B) \xrightarrow{k} C^*(X, "A+B")$ induces a cohomology iso,

$$[k]: H^n(X, A \cup B) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^n(X, "A+B").$$

$\text{(-)} \dashrightarrow [\phi \cup \psi]$

Cor: Get a cup product map $[\cup]: (= [k]^{-1} \circ [\cup]): H^p(X, A) \otimes H^q(X, B) \rightarrow H^{n=p+q}(X, A \cup B)$.

Exercise on HW (using this): Show that if X is covered by m acyclic open sets then all m -fold cup products of pos. degree classes are zero.



conversely, we'll compute $H^*(T^2)$ has a non-trivial cup product of degree 2-classes
 $\Rightarrow T^2 \neq A \cup B$, A, B contractible

Compatibility with cross product

X, Y spaces, R coefficient ring (implicit), have

- $\times: H^*(X) \otimes H^*(Y) \rightarrow H^*(X \times Y)$
- $\Delta_X: X \rightarrow X \times X, \quad \Delta_Y: Y \rightarrow Y \times Y, \quad \Delta_{X \times Y}: X \times Y \rightarrow X \times Y \times X \times Y$

Obs: $\Delta_{X \times Y} = T \circ (\Delta_X, \Delta_Y)$ where $T: X \times X \times Y \times Y \rightarrow X \times Y \times X \times Y$

Lemma: $(\alpha_1 \times \beta_1) \cup (\alpha_2 \times \beta_2) = (-1)^{\deg(\alpha_1)\deg(\beta_1)} (\alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2) \times (\beta_1 \cup \beta_2)$

swaps 2nd + 3rd factors.

Pf: LHS = $\Delta_{X \times Y}^* ((\alpha_1 \times \beta_1) \times (\alpha_2 \times \beta_2))$

$\stackrel{\text{obs}}{=} (\Delta_X \cdot \Delta_Y)^* +^* (\alpha_1 \times \beta_1 \times \alpha_2 \times \beta_2)$

case parentheses b/c \times
 \Rightarrow assoc. (in cohomology)
 (on chain level, costructures)

may cost cleanings
unless using Ω_{AW} .)

$$= (-1)^{\deg(\alpha_2)\deg(\beta_1)} (\Delta_X, \Delta_Y)^* (\alpha_1 \times \alpha_2 \times \beta_1 \times \beta_2)$$

$$= \text{RHS.} \quad \square$$

Cor: The Künneth isomorphism (which holds when one of X, Y is of 'finite type') :

$$H^*(X) \otimes H^*(Y) \xrightarrow{*} H^*(X \times Y)$$

is a ring iso.

(LHS has a ring str. by $(x \otimes y) \circ (x' \otimes y') := (-1)^{\deg(y)\deg(x')} (x \circ x') \otimes (y \circ y').$)

Cor: (X infinite). For any $\alpha \in H^*(X)$, $\beta \in H^*(Y)$

$$\pi_X: X \times Y \rightarrow X$$

$$\pi_Y: X \times Y \rightarrow Y.$$

$$\boxed{\alpha * \beta} = \underset{\text{Lemma}}{(x \times 1_Y) \cup (1_X \times \beta)} \underset{\text{last time}}{\equiv} \boxed{(\pi_X^* \alpha) \cup (\pi_Y^* \beta)}$$

(by unitality)

Rules: RHS is how Hatcher defines $*$, at least initially.

Example: (1) Compute $H^*(S^2 \times S^4)$.

we have $H^*(S^{2k}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \deg 2k \\ \mathbb{Z} & \deg 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$ (by UCT).

Let's denote the degree $2k$ generator by α_{2k} . Note $\alpha_{2k} \cup \alpha_{2k} = 0$ b/c $H^{4k}(S^{2k}) = 0$.
 Since as a ring, $H^*(S^{2k}) \cong \mathbb{Z}[\alpha_{2k}] / \alpha_{2k}^2$, $\deg(\alpha_{2k}) = 2k$.
 mean $\bigoplus H^i(S^{2k})$

Therefore by Künneth ring isomorphism (works over \mathbb{Z} b/c $H^*(S^{2k})$ free finite type),

$$H^*(S^2 \times S^4) \cong \mathbb{Z}[\alpha_2] / \alpha_2^2 \otimes \mathbb{Z}[\alpha_4] / \alpha_4^2 \cong \mathbb{Z}[\alpha, \beta] / \alpha^2, \beta^2,$$

$|\alpha| = 2, |\beta| = 4.$

Note $\alpha \circ \beta$ generates in degree 6.

$$(\alpha = \text{pr}_{S^2}^* \alpha_2, \beta = \text{pr}_{S^4}^* \alpha_4).$$

(2) $T^n = (S^1)^n$. By same reasoning as above $H^*(S^1; \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}[\theta]/\theta^2$ $|\theta| = 1$
 $\cong \mathbb{Z}[\theta]$

(noticing by θ^2 is redundant if we're imposing graded commutativity over \mathbb{Z} :

$$\theta \cup \theta = (-1)^{\deg(\theta)\deg(\theta)} \theta \cup \theta = -\theta \cup \theta \xrightarrow{\text{over } \mathbb{Z}} \theta \cup \theta = 0$$

Therefore $H^*(T^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n]$ "exterior algebra in n -variables"
 $(\text{w/ } \theta_i^2 = 0 \text{ implicit}).$ (so others $\mathbb{Z}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n]$ or —)

$$\text{each } |\theta_i| = 1 \quad \theta_i = (\pi_i^*)(\theta).$$

$$j \neq i: \theta_i \cdot \theta_j = -\theta_j \cdot \theta_i. \text{ (by graded commutativity).}$$

Since $\theta_1 \cup \dots \cup \theta_n \neq 0 \xrightarrow{\text{(exercise above)}}$ any "acyclic cover" of T^n has cardinality $> n$.

Ex: $S^2 \vee S^4$. know: $H^k(S^2 \vee S^4) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{deg } 4, \text{ gen. by } j_{S^4}^* \alpha_4 = x_2 \\ \mathbb{Z} & \text{deg } 2, \text{ gen. by } j_{S^2}^* \alpha_2 = x_1 \\ \mathbb{Z} & \text{deg } 0 \end{cases}$
 (by UCT)

$$j: S^2 \vee S^4 \longrightarrow S^2 \quad j_{S^4}: S^2 \vee S^4 \rightarrow S^4$$

projection.
(collapse S^4 to point)

check: $j_{S^2}^*: H^2(S^2) \rightarrow H^2(S^2 \vee S^4)$ is an isomorphism (exercise)

Q: is there a relation in H^4 between x_1^2 and x_2 ?

By naturality, $x_1 \cup x_1 = j_{S^2}^* \alpha_2 \cup j_{S^2}^* \alpha_2 \xrightarrow{\text{naturality}} j_{S^2}^*(\underbrace{\alpha_2 \cup \alpha_2}_{\uparrow}) = j_{S^2}^*(0) = 0$.

So, no.

by above, $b_4 H^4 = 0$, $b_2 H^2 = 0$, $b_0 H^0 = 0$.
 Hence $H^*(S^2 \vee S^4) \cong \mathbb{Z}[x_1, x_2]/x_1^2, x_2^2, x_1 x_2$.

Important examples:

$\mathbb{RP}^n, \underline{\mathbb{CP}^n}, \underline{\mathbb{HP}^n}, n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$. (via e.g., $\mathbb{CP}^\infty = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{CP}^n$, where $\mathbb{CP}^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{CP}^2 \hookrightarrow \dots$)

\uparrow over $R = \mathbb{Z}/2$ \uparrow over $R = \mathbb{Z}$

(±UCT)

We know from studying cellular chain complexes that

$$H^k(\mathbb{R}P^n; \mathbb{Z}/2) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2 & k=0, \dots, n \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}, \quad \text{similarly } H^k(\mathbb{C}P^n; \mathbb{Z}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & k=0, 2, \dots, 2n \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

$$H^k(\mathbb{H}P^n; \mathbb{Z}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, k=0, 4, \dots, 4n \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Write. $h \in H^2(\mathbb{R}P^n; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ generator of H^2 .

(since over $\mathbb{Z}/2$, $h \cup h$ need not be zero).

Thm: $h^k := \underbrace{h \cup \dots \cup h}_{k \text{ times}}$ is a generator for $H^k(\mathbb{R}P^n; \mathbb{Z}/2)$, for any $k \leq n$.

(if $n < \infty$)

truncated polynomial alg.

$$\text{i.e., } \boxed{H^*(\mathbb{R}P^n; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[h] / h^{n+1}.}$$

$$|h|=1.$$

Thm: If $h \in H^2(\mathbb{C}P^n; \mathbb{Z})$ is a generator for H^2 , then h^k generates $H^{2k}(\mathbb{C}P^n; \mathbb{Z})$ for all $k=1, \dots, n$.

$$\Rightarrow H^*(\mathbb{C}P^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}[h] / h^{n+1}. \quad |h|=2.$$

similarly for $\mathbb{H}P^n$, $|h|=4$.

We'll prove these theorems later, as a consequence of other results (Poincaré duality)

But we can already explore some consequences:

- Observe that $H^i(\mathbb{C}P^3; \mathbb{Z}) \cong H^i(S^2 \times S^4; \mathbb{Z})$ in every degree (similarly H_i).
($\because \mathbb{Z}$ in degrees 0, 2, 4, 6, 0 otherwise)

However, the ring structures $\overset{\text{on } H^*}{\text{are different:}}$

$$H^* \quad \mathbb{Z}[h] / h^4 \quad \text{vs.} \quad \mathbb{Z}[\alpha, \beta] / \alpha^2, \beta^2 \quad |\alpha|=2, |\beta|=4. \\ |h|=2$$

$$\mathbb{C}P^3 \qquad S^2 \times S^4$$

are not isomorphic rings, so $\mathbb{C}P^3 \neq S^2 \times S^4$ up to homotopy equivalence.

(e.g., any ~~two~~ homotopy equivalence would send h to $\pm \alpha$, but $h^2 \neq 0$, and $\alpha^2 = 0 \not\Rightarrow$).

• Look at $\mathbb{C}P^2$ vs. $S^2 \vee S^4$.

$$\text{Note: } \mathbb{C}P^2 = \underbrace{e^0 \cup e^2}_{\mathbb{C}P^1 = S^2} \cup e^4 \quad S^2 \vee S^4 = \underbrace{e^0 \cup e^2}_{S^2} \cup e^4$$

If $\mathbb{C}P^2 \not\cong_{h.e.} S^2 \vee S^4$, we conclude the attaching maps $f_{\mathbb{C}P^2}: \partial e^4 = S^3 \rightarrow \overline{S^2}$ and

$$f_{S^2 \vee S^4}: \partial e^4 = S^3 \xrightarrow{\text{const.}} S^2$$

cannot be homotopic.

Let's check H^* rings: $H^*(\mathbb{C}P^2) \cong \mathbb{Z}[h]/h^3$ ($|h|=2$).

$$H^*(S^2 \vee S^4) \cong \mathbb{Z}[\alpha, \beta]/\alpha^2, \beta^2, \alpha\beta \quad |\alpha|=2, |\beta|=4$$

so The attaching map: $S^3 \rightarrow S^2$ ('Hopf map') used to construct $\mathbb{C}P^2$ represents a ~~non-trivial~~ non-trivial homotopy class. ($\Rightarrow \pi_3(S^2) \neq 0$).

cof $H^*(RP^n)$

Application: Say we have an odd map $f: S^n \rightarrow S^m$, i.e., $f(-x) = -f(x)$.

\Rightarrow get a map $\bar{f}: RP^n \rightarrow RP^m$ ($RP^k = S^k / \{\pm 1\}$) .
 $\{\pm x\} \mapsto \{\pm f(x)\}$.



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projective of \bar{f} .

$$RP^n \xrightarrow{\bar{f}} RP^m$$

generator of $H_1(RP^n; \mathbb{Z}/2)$

$\bar{f}(\bar{x})$ is a generator of $H_1(RP^m; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2$

(b/c it lifts under $S^m \xrightarrow{2:1} RP^m$ to a path between lifts of x , hence is a non-trivial element of $\pi_1(RP^m)$, (b'c odd; $f: n=1$))

$$\Rightarrow \bar{f}_*: H_1(RP^n; \mathbb{Z}/2) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_1(RP^m; \mathbb{Z}/2)$$

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UCT

$$\text{h}_{\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^n} \text{ generator} \mapsto \text{h}_{\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^n} \text{ generator}$$

By naturality of cup product

$$\bar{f}^*(\text{h}_{\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^m}^k) = \bar{f}^*(\text{h}_{\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^m})^k = \text{h}_{\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^n}^k$$

If we take $k = m+1$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{f}^*(\text{h}_{\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^m}^{m+1}) = \text{h}_{\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^n}^{m+1}$$

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~~X~~ if $m < n$.

Cor: $m \geq n$.

Cor: \exists an odd map $S^n \rightarrow S^m$ $m < n$.

Cor: (Borsuk-Ulam theorem): Given any continuous $g: S^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\exists x \in S^n$ with $g(x) = g(-x)$.

Pf: If not, define $f: S^n \rightarrow S^{n-1}$ by

$$\frac{g(x) - g(-x)}{\|g(x) - g(-x)\|}, \text{ & note } -f(x) = f(-x) \cancel{\neq} \quad \blacksquare$$

Last remark about cup product:

The explicit cochain formula we wrote down for \cup (using $\Theta_{A,w}$) has another advantage: it's simplicial, i.e., defined on the level of simplicial cochains as well.

In particular, the map (for a simplicial or Δ -complex X)

$$C_{\text{Simp}}^*(X) \leftarrow C_{\text{Sing}}^*(X) \quad (\text{dual to } C_{\cdot}^{\text{Simp}}(X) \rightarrow C_{\cdot}^{\text{Sing}}(X))$$

interchanges \cup products (defined using "front + back face")

simplices in $X \mapsto$ same simplex, thought of as a regular simplex

Q: Can we use this to make explicit cochain bases of \cup in Δ -simplicial cochains?

(exercise).

Next week: cap product (H^* acts on H_*), Poincaré duality.