

$$C_k(X) = V_{\mathbb{F}_2}(X_k)$$

$$\partial_k : C_k \longrightarrow C_{k-1}$$

$$\partial_k(\{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k\}) = \sum_j \{v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_j, \dots, v_k\}, \text{ extend linearly}$$

Thm:  $\forall k, \quad C_{k+1} \xrightarrow{\partial_{k+1}} C_k \xrightarrow{\partial_k} C_{k-1} \quad \text{i.e. } \partial_k(\partial_{k+1}(v)) = 0 \quad \forall v \in C_{k+1}.$

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 we write  $\partial^2 = 0$ .

Pf There are 2 ways to get each  $(k-2)$ -simplex from a  $k$ -simplex.

The subspace of  $k$ -cycles of  $X$  is  $Z_k(X) = \text{Ker}(\partial_k^x)$ .

The subspace of  $k$ -boundaries of  $X$  is  $B_k(X) = \text{Im}(\partial_{k+1}^x)$ .

Prop:  $B_k \subseteq Z_k$

Pf we just did.

Def The  $k^{\text{th}}$  homology group of  $X$  is the vector space  $H_k = Z_k / B_k$ .