

# Lecture 09. Singular Homology Groups I.

## Review of singular homology groups.

- Singular  $n$ -simplex  $\sigma: \Delta^n = [v_0, \dots, v_n] \rightarrow X$
- $S_n(X) = \mathbb{Z} \langle \sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow X \rangle$ , the free abelian group generated by singular  $n$ -simplices.
- $\partial \sigma = 0 \implies \dots \rightarrow S_{n+1}(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_{n+1}} S_n(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} S_{n-1}(X) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow S_0(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_0} 0$
- $H_n(X) = \frac{\text{Ker } \partial_n}{\text{Im } \partial_{n+1}}$  quotient group / module over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

History: Poincaré  $\rightarrow$  Niether (诺特)

- Induced homomorphism:  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  induces  $S_n(X) \xrightarrow{f\#} S_n(Y)$  st.  $\partial f\# = f\# \partial$ .  
and hence induces  $f_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y)$ . (recall the universal property of quotient group)
- $(gf)_\# = g_\# \circ f_\#, (id_X)_\# = id_{H_n(X)}, \forall n$ .
- Homotopy invariance:  $f \stackrel{F}{\sim} g: X \rightarrow Y$ , then  $f_* = g_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y), \forall n \geq 0$ .

Corollary: The fact that " $f \stackrel{F}{\sim} g: X \rightarrow Y$  implies that  $f_* = g_*: H_i(X) \rightarrow H_i(Y), \forall i \geq 0$ "  
 $\Rightarrow f\# - g\# = \partial \circ P + P \circ \partial, P: C_n(X) \rightarrow C_{n+1}(Y)$

is less trivial. For the detailed proof, see Hatcher, AT, page 112.

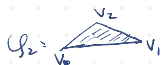
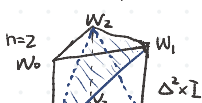
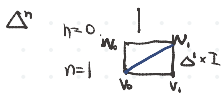
Sketch proof of Homotopy invariance.

$$f \stackrel{F}{\sim} g: X \rightarrow Y, \quad g\#, f\#: S_n(X) \rightarrow S_n(Y)$$

$$F: X \times I \rightarrow Y$$

$$\sigma: \Delta^n \rightarrow X$$

$$\frac{\Delta^n \times I \xrightarrow{\sigma \times id} X \times I \xrightarrow{F} Y}{\dim = n+1}$$



$$n=2, \Delta^2 = [v_0, v_1, v_2]$$

$$\varphi_1: \Delta^2 \rightarrow I$$

$$\varphi_0(t_0, t_1, t_2) = t_0 + t_2$$

$$(0, 1, 0) \mapsto 1$$

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$$\varphi_1(v_0 = (1, 0, 0)) = 0$$

$$\varphi_1(v_1 = (0, 1, 0)) = 0, \quad \varphi_2(v_2) = 1$$



For  $\Delta^n = [v_0, \dots, v_n]$ ,

set  $\Delta_+^n$  as the bottom of  $\Delta^n \times I$ .

define  $\Delta_+^n = [w_0, \dots, w_n]$  to be the top  $n$ -simplex of  $\Delta^n$  st. the projection  $\Delta_+^n \rightarrow \Delta^n$  satisfying

$$w_i \mapsto v_i, \quad i=0, \dots, n.$$

For each  $i$ , define  $\varphi_i: \Delta^n = [v_0, \dots, v_n] \rightarrow I$

$$\Delta^n = \{ (t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid t_i \geq 0, \sum_i t_i = 1 \}$$

$$\varphi_i(t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n) = t_0 + \dots + t_n.$$

$$\varphi_1(t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n) = t_0 + t_1 + \dots + t_n = 1.$$

$$\varphi_0(t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n) = t_1 + \dots + t_n$$

$$\varphi_1(t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n) = t_2 + \dots + t_n$$

$$\varphi_n(t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n) = 0$$

In general, the followings hold.

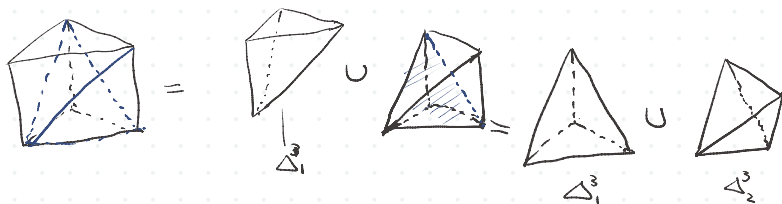
(i)  $1 = \varphi_1 \geq \varphi_2 \geq \dots \geq \varphi_n = 0$ .

(ii) the image of  $\varphi_i$  is the  $n$ -simplex  $[V_0, \dots, V_i, w_{i+1}, \dots, w_n]$

and  $[V_0, \dots, V_i, w_{i+1}, \dots, w_n]$  lies below the  $n$ -simplex  $[V_0, \dots, V_{i+1}, w_i, \dots, w_n]$

(iii) the region between  $[V_0, \dots, V_i, w_{i+1}, \dots, w_n]$  and  $[V_0, \dots, V_{i+1}, w_i, \dots, w_n]$

forms an  $(n+1)$ -simplex  $[V_0, \dots, V_{i+1}, w_i, w_{i+1}, \dots, w_n]$



In general,  $\Delta^n \times I = \bigcup_{i=0}^n [V_0, \dots, V_i, w_i, w_{i+1}, \dots, w_n]$

Any two  $(n+1)$ -simplexes intersect on one  $n$ -simplex

Define  $P: S_n(X) \rightarrow S_{n+1}(Y)$

$$P(\sigma) = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i F \circ (\sigma \times \text{id}) \Big|_{[V_0, \dots, V_i, w_i, \dots, w_n]} \in S_{n+1}(Y).$$

$$\Delta^{n+1} \xrightarrow{\sigma \times \text{id}} \Delta^n \times I \xrightarrow{\sigma \times \text{id}} X \times I \xrightarrow{F} Y.$$

Check that  $g_{\#} - f_{\#} = \partial P + P\partial$ . (Exercise)

Thus  $g_{\#} - f_{\#} = 0$ , i.e.  $g_{\#} = f_{\#} : H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y), \forall n \geq 0$ . □

Cor. If  $X \simeq Y$ , then  $H_n(X) \cong H_n(Y), \forall n$ .

eg.  $X \simeq \{x\}$  then  $H_n(X) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & n=0 \\ 0 & n \neq 0 \end{cases}$   
 $D^n, \mathbb{R}^m, S^0$

# Exact Sequences. 正合序列

A chain of (abelian) groups and homomorphism

$$\dots \rightarrow A_{n+1} \xrightarrow{\phi_{n+1}} A_n \xrightarrow{\phi_n} A_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\phi_{n-1}} \dots$$

is exact if  $\text{Im } \phi_{n+1} = \text{Ker } \phi_n, \forall n$ . or equivalent it is exact at all  $A_n$ .

exact at  $A_n$  if  $\text{Im } \phi_{n+1} = \text{Ker } \phi_n$ .

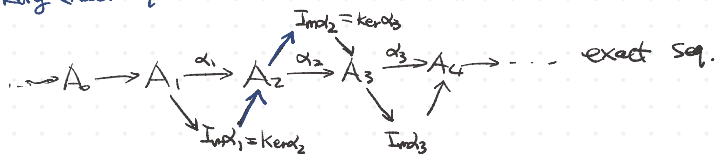
Examples. ①  $A \xrightarrow{0} B \xrightarrow{b} C$  is exact  $\Leftrightarrow b$  is mono.

②  $B \xrightarrow{b} C \xrightarrow{0} D$  is exact  $\Leftrightarrow b$  is epi.

③  $A \xrightarrow{0} B \xrightarrow{b} C \xrightarrow{c} D \xrightarrow{0} E$  is exact  $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} b \text{ is mono, } c \text{ is epi.} \\ C/\text{Im } b \cong D. \end{cases}$

$0 \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{b} C \xrightarrow{c} D \rightarrow 0$  is exact (short exact)

• note: Long exact sequences induces short exact seq.



$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ker } \alpha_2 = \text{Im } \alpha_1 \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \text{Im } \alpha_2 \rightarrow 0$$

Axioms of (ordinary) homology theory / Eilenberg-Steenrod Axioms. 1945.

"Axiomatic approach to homology theory".

A1: Induced homomorphism.  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  induces  $f_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y)$ .

A2:  $g_* f_* = (g \circ f)_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y) \rightarrow H_n(Z)$

A3:  $(\text{id}_X)_* = \text{id}: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X)$ .

A4: If  $f \simeq g: X \rightarrow Y$ , then  $f_* = g_*: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(Y)$ .

A5: Long exact sequences: Let  $(A \subseteq X)$  be a closed subset which is a deformation retraction of  $X$  (good pair). Then there is an exact seq:

reduced version  $\rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} \tilde{H}_n(X) \xrightarrow{j_*} \tilde{H}_n(X/A) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_{n-1}(A) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \tilde{H}_0(X/A) \rightarrow 0$

unreduced version  $\rightarrow H_n(A) \rightarrow H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X, A) \rightarrow H_{n-1}(A) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow H_0(X, A) \rightarrow 0$

Ag: Excision: Given subspaces  $Z \subseteq A \subseteq X$ , st.  $\bar{Z} \subseteq \text{int}(A)$ , then the



inclusion  $(X-Z, A-Z) \hookrightarrow (X, A)$  induces an isomorphism  $H_n(X-Z, A-Z) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_n(X, A)$ ,  $\forall n \geq 0$ .

Another version: Set  $B = X-Z$ ,  $Z = X-B$ , then  $A-Z = A \cap B$  and  $\bar{Z} \subseteq \text{int}(A) \Leftrightarrow X = \text{int}(A) \cup \text{int}(B)$  (check).

for subspace  $A, B \subseteq X$  st.  $X = \text{int}(A) \cup \text{int}(B)$ , then the inclusion  $(B, A \cap B) \hookrightarrow (X, A)$  induces an isomorphism  $H_n(B, A \cap B) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_n(X, A)$ ,  $\forall n \geq 0$ .

A7: dimension axiom  $H_n(\{p\}) = 0$  for  $n > 0$ .

Moreover, any two homology theory  $h, H$  satisfy the above 7 axioms, then  $h = H$ :  $h_n(X) \cong H_n(X)$ ,  $\forall X \in \text{Top}_*$

Uniqueness

If A7 axiom fails, then in general,  $h_n(X) \not\cong H_n(X)$ .

Theorem:  $\cdots \rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} \tilde{H}_n(X) \xrightarrow{j_*} \tilde{H}_n(X/A) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_{n-1}(A) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \tilde{H}_0(X/A) \rightarrow 0$

Recall  $\tilde{H}_k(D^n) = 0$ ,  $\forall k \geq 0$ .

Example:  $S^n \cong D^n / \partial D^n = S^{n-1}$ ,  $n \geq 2$



$(X, A) = (D^n, S^{n-1})$ :

$$\tilde{H}_i(S^{n-1}) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_i(D^n) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_i(D^n/S^{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \tilde{H}_{i-1}(S^{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_{i-1}(D^n) \rightarrow \cdots$$

$\begin{matrix} \downarrow 0 & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow 0 \\ & & \tilde{H}_i(S^n) & & \end{matrix}$

$\partial D^n = S^{n-1} \xrightarrow{\quad} \quad$

Thus  $\tilde{H}_i(S^n) \cong \tilde{H}_{i-1}(S^{n-1}) \cong \cdots \cong \tilde{H}_{i-n}(S^0) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=n \\ 0 & i \neq n \end{cases}$

# Relative homology groups $H_n(X, A)$

Given a pair of spaces  $(X, A)$ ,  $A \subseteq X$  is a subspace.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \rightarrow S_n(A) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & S_n(X) & \rightarrow & S_n(X)/S_n(A) =: S_n(X, A) & \rightarrow & 0 \quad \text{exact} \\
 \downarrow \partial_n & & \downarrow \partial_X & & \downarrow \tilde{\partial} & & \\
 0 \rightarrow S_{n-1}(A) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & S_{n-1}(X) & \rightarrow & S_{n-1}(X)/S_{n-1}(A) = S_{n-1}(X, A) & \rightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\partial_X \partial_X = 0, \partial_X \partial_A = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{\partial} \tilde{\partial} = 0.$$

The quotient group  $\text{Ker} \tilde{\partial} / \text{Im} \tilde{\partial} =: H_n(X, A)$  is called the  $n$ -th relative homology group of the pair  $(X, A)$ .

- If  $A = \emptyset$ , then  $H_n(X, \emptyset) = H_n(X)$ .
  - Exercise: describe elements of  $\text{Ker} \tilde{\partial}$  and  $H_n(X, A)$ .
  - $H_n(X, A) = 0, \forall n \Leftrightarrow H_n(A) \cong H_n(X), \forall n$ .
- Prop. For "good pair"  $(X, A)$ , there holds an isomorphism

$$\underline{H_n(X, A) \cong \tilde{H}_n(X/A), \forall n \geq 0.}$$

Cor. For good pair  $(X, A)$ , there is an exact sequence.

$$\rightarrow H_n(A) \rightarrow H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X, A) \rightarrow H_{n-1}(A) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow H_0(X, A) \rightarrow 0$$

Example (Exercise) ① compute  $H_k(D^n, S^{n-1})$ .

② proof of Brouwer's fixed point theorem.

Every map  $f: D^n \rightarrow D^n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) has a fixed point ( $f(x) = x, x \in D^n$ ).

$n=2$ , proved by fundamental groups  $\pi_1(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .

Recall that we constructed a map  $r: D^n \rightarrow \partial D^n = S^{n-1}$  st. the composition

$S^{n-1} \xrightarrow{i} D^n \xrightarrow{r} S^{n-1}$  is the identity:  $\forall i = \text{id}_{S^{n-1}}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 (r \circ i)_* = r_* \circ i_* = \text{id} & = & \tilde{H}_{n-1}(S^{n-1}) & \rightarrow & \tilde{H}_{n-1}(D^n) & \rightarrow & \tilde{H}_{n-1}(S^{n-1}) \\
 & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 & & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & 0 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{Z}
 \end{array}$$

Contraction:  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  cannot be the identity.  $\square$



Long Exact Sequence II

Let  $X = \text{int}(A) \cup \text{int}(B)$ ,  $A, B \subseteq X$ .

Mayer-Vietoris Sequence: There is an exact seq.

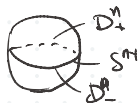
(MV Sequence)

$$\rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(A \cap B) \xrightarrow{\phi} \tilde{H}_n(A) \oplus \tilde{H}_n(B) \xrightarrow{\psi} \tilde{H}_n(X) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_{n-1}(A \cap B) \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\phi(\alpha) = (\alpha, -\alpha)$$

$$\psi(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha + \beta.$$

Example: ①  $S^n = D^n \cup_{S^{n-1}} D^n \Rightarrow \tilde{H}_i(S^n) \cong \tilde{H}_i(S^{n-1}) \cong \dots \cong \tilde{H}_{i-1}(S^0) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & i=n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$



②  $\tilde{H}_n(X_1 \vee X_2) \cong \tilde{H}_n(X_1) \oplus \tilde{H}_n(X_2) \Rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(\bigvee_{i=1}^m X_i) \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \tilde{H}_n(X_i)$

$X_1 \vee X_2 = \frac{(X_1, x_0) \amalg (X_2, x_2)}{x_1 \sim x_2}$  eg.  $\tilde{H}_1(S^1 \vee S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ .



③  $T^2$



$S^1 \vee S^1$

$A \cap B = S^1$

$A \cong D^2$

$B = T^2 \setminus D^2 \cong S^1 \vee S^1$

$$0 \rightarrow \tilde{H}_2(S^1) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_2(D^2) \oplus \tilde{H}_2(S^1 \vee S^1) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_2(T^2) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_1(S^1) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(D^2) \oplus \tilde{H}_1(S^1 \vee S^1) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(T^2) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \tilde{H}_2(S^1) & \cong & 0 \\ \tilde{H}_2(D^2) & \cong & 0 \\ \tilde{H}_2(S^1 \vee S^1) & \cong & \tilde{H}_2(S^1) \oplus \tilde{H}_2(S^1) \\ \tilde{H}_2(T^2) & \cong & \mathbb{Z} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \tilde{H}_1(S^1) & \cong & \mathbb{Z} \\ \tilde{H}_1(D^2) & \cong & 0 \\ \tilde{H}_1(S^1 \vee S^1) & \cong & \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \\ \tilde{H}_1(T^2) & \cong & \mathbb{Z} \end{matrix}$$

$\therefore 0 \rightarrow \tilde{H}_2(T^2) \xrightarrow{a} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{b} \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(T^2) \rightarrow 0$

$0 \neq \tilde{H}_2(T^2) \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \tilde{H}_2(T^2) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{I_{mb}} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(T^2) \rightarrow 0$  exact  $\Rightarrow I_{mb}$  is finite  $\xrightarrow{\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/n, \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}) = 0}$

( $I_{mb} = \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  or  $I_{mb} = 0$ )  $0 \rightarrow I_{mb} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(T^2) \rightarrow 0$

⊕ Exercise.  $\tilde{H}_n(K)$ ,  $K$  is the Klein bottle. exact  $\Rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(T^2) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} & n=1 \\ 0 & n \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

Exam Time: 8.5. Next Saturday