

Mayer-Vietoris sequence [BT, §I.2 and §I.5]

§I. some homology algebra (for vector space over \mathbb{R})

I^o defn $0 \rightarrow V_0 \xrightarrow{T_1} V_1 \xrightarrow{T_2} \dots \rightarrow V_{k-1} \xrightarrow{T_k} V_k \xrightarrow{T_{k+1}} V_{k+1} \rightarrow \dots$

V_j = vector spaces over \mathbb{R} , T_j = linear transforms.

It is called an exact sequence if $\ker T_{k+1} = \text{im } T_k \quad \forall k$

2^o lemma Suppose there is an exact sequence

$$\rightarrow V_{k-2} \xrightarrow{T_{k-1}} V_{k-1} \xrightarrow{T_k} V_k \xrightarrow{T_{k+1}} V_{k+1} \xrightarrow{T_{k+2}} V_{k+2} \rightarrow \dots \quad \text{with } V_{k-1}, V_{k+1} \text{ finite diml}$$

Then, V_k is finite diml as well, and $V_k \cong \frac{\text{coker } T_{k-1}}{\text{im } T_{k+1}}$

pf: i) Since $\dim V_{k-1} < \infty$ and $\ker T_k = \text{im } T_{k-1}$,

$$\dim \frac{V_{k-1}}{\text{im } T_{k-1}} < \infty. \quad \text{and} \quad \text{coker } T_{k-1} = \frac{V_{k-1}}{\text{im } T_{k-1}} \xrightarrow[T_{k-1}]{} V_k \text{ is injective}$$

Moreover, its image is the same as image T_k , which is also the same as $\ker T_{k+1}$

ii) Since $T_{k+1}(V_k) = \ker(T_{k+2})$ and $\dim V_{k+1} < \infty$

$$V_{k+1} / \ker T_{k+2} \cong \frac{V_k}{\ker T_{k+1}}, \text{ which is finite diml}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{iii) Hence, } V_k &\cong \frac{V_k}{\ker T_{k+1}} \oplus \ker T_{k+1} \\ &\cong \ker T_{k+2} \oplus \frac{V_{k-1}}{\text{im } T_{k-1}} \quad \text{***} \\ &\quad \text{(ii) } \quad \text{(i)} \end{aligned}$$

3^o rmk This may not be true for \mathbb{Z} -module

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{x_2} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{but } \mathbb{Z} \neq \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2$$

injective surjective



§II Mayer-Vietoris sequence

goal $M = U \cup V$ ($U \& V$: open subset of M (hence manifolds as well))
 ↳ manifold w/o boundary

compute $H_{dR}^k(M)$ from $H_{dR}^k(U)$, $H_{dR}^k(V)$ and $H_{dR}^k(U \cap V)$

I short exact sequence of differential forms

- $\eta \in \Omega^k(M)$. $\leftarrow \eta|_U, \eta|_V$ determines η
- Given $\eta_1 \in \Omega^k(U)$, $\eta_2 \in \Omega^k(V)$: if $\eta_1|_{U \cap V} = \eta_2|_{U \cap V}$
 then $\exists \eta \in \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \eta|_U = \eta_1, \eta|_V = \eta_2$

In fact, there is a (short) exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) \xrightarrow{r} \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V) \xrightarrow{s} \Omega^k(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

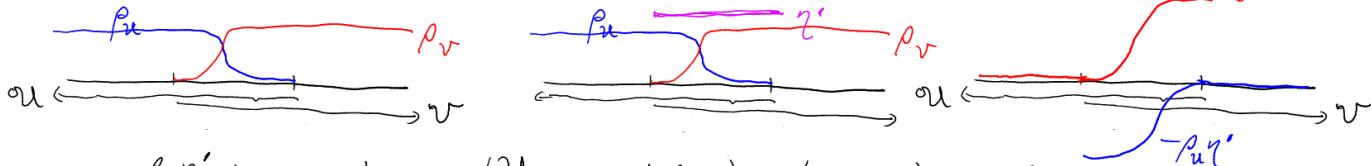
$$\eta \mapsto (\eta|_U, \eta|_V)$$

$$(\eta_1, \eta_2) \mapsto \eta_1|_{U \cap V} - \eta_2|_{U \cap V}$$

check exactness. i) \rightarrow is clearly injective

ii) If $\eta_1 = \eta_2$ on $U \cap V$, we can let $\eta = \begin{cases} \eta_1 & \text{on } U \\ \eta_2 & \text{on } V \end{cases}$

iii) If $\eta' \in \Omega^k(U \cap V)$, let ρ_U, ρ_V : partition of unity subordinate to $\{U, V\}$
then, $\rho_V \eta' \in \Omega^k(U)$ and $-\rho_U \eta' \in \Omega^k(V)$



$\rho_V \eta'$ is smooth on $(U \setminus \text{supp}(\rho_V)) \cup (U \cap V) = U$

$$\text{and } \rho_V \eta' - (-\rho_U \eta') \Big|_{U \cap V} = (\rho_U + \rho_V) \eta' = \eta'$$

2° prop $M = U \cup V$ induces the following (long) exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H^k(M) \rightarrow H^k(U) \oplus H^k(V) \rightarrow H^k(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \hookrightarrow H^k(M) \rightarrow H^k(U) \oplus H^k(V) \rightarrow H^k(U \cap V) \hookrightarrow \\ & \hookrightarrow H^k(U) \oplus H^{k-1}(V) \xrightarrow{r} H^{k-1}(U \cap V) \xrightarrow{d^*} \end{aligned}$$

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$$0 \rightarrow H^0(M) \rightarrow H^0(U) \oplus H^0(V) \rightarrow H^0(U \cap V) \hookrightarrow$$

pf: i) Since $U \cap V \subset U, V \subset M$. $H^k(M) \rightarrow H^k(U) \oplus H^k(V)$ and
 $H^k(U) \oplus H^k(V) \rightarrow H^k(U \cap V)$ is given by c^* / restriction (with subtraction)

ii) d^* : the map from $H^{k-1}(U \cap V)$ to $H^k(M)$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) \xrightarrow{r} \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V) \xrightarrow{s} \Omega^k(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \xrightarrow{r} \Omega^{k-1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-1}(V) \xrightarrow{s} \Omega^{k-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

$$[\eta'] \in H^{k-1}(U \cap V), d\eta' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\rho_V \eta', -\rho_U \eta') \in \Omega^{k-1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-1}(V) \quad s(\rho_V \eta', \rho_U \eta') = \eta'$$

$$\Rightarrow (d(\rho_V \eta'), -d(\rho_U \eta')) \in \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V) \xrightarrow{s} d\eta' = 0$$

\Rightarrow Hence, $\exists \tilde{\eta} \in \Omega^k(M)$. [check] diagram commutes

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\eta}|_U = d(\rho_V \eta') \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\eta}|_V = -d(\rho_U \eta')$$

From these expressions, $d\tilde{\eta} = 0$. define $d^*[\eta'] = [\tilde{\eta}] \in H_{\text{dR}}^k(M)$

[Caveat] $\tilde{\eta}$ is exact on U and V .

But need not to be exact on $M = U \cap V$

Otherwise d^* is always a trivial map.

iii) check well-definedness of d^*

Two choices are made in the construction: {representative of $[\eta]$ }
 $\tilde{\eta}$

• For $\tilde{\eta}'$, if $s(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \eta'$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \theta \in \Omega^{k-1}(M), \quad \begin{cases} \eta_1 = p_v \eta' + \theta|_{U \cap V} \\ \eta_2 = p_u \eta' + \theta|_{U \cap V} \end{cases} \Rightarrow [\tilde{\eta}] = [\tilde{\eta} + d\theta]$$

global!

• If $[\eta'] = [d\phi] \in H_{dR}^{k-1}(U \cap V)$ $\Rightarrow [\tilde{\eta}] \neq 0$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-1}(V) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^{k-2}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-2}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-2}(V) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-2}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

$\begin{matrix} d & & d & & d \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ p_v \phi' & & -p_u \phi' & & \phi' \end{matrix}$

$$s(d(p_v \phi'), -d(p_u \phi')) = (d(p_v \phi') + d(p_u \phi'))|_{U \cap V} = d\phi|_{U \cap V} = \eta'$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\eta}|_U = d(d(p_v \phi')) = 0, \quad \tilde{\eta}|_V = -d(d(p_u \phi')) = 0 \Rightarrow [\tilde{\eta}] = 0$$

iv) exactness: $\rightarrow H^{k-1}(U \cap V) \xrightarrow{d^*} H^k(M) \xrightarrow{r} H^k(U) \oplus H^k(V) \rightarrow$
 $\ker r \not\subseteq \text{im } d^*$. From the construction, $\text{im } d^* \subset \ker r$
 $\ker r \not\subseteq \text{im } d^*$
 $0 \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V)$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-1}(V) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

$\begin{matrix} \eta_1 & & \eta_2 & & \eta = s(\eta_1, \eta_2) \end{matrix}$

Given $[\tilde{\eta}] \in H_{dR}^k(M)$ with $r([\tilde{\eta}]) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\eta}|_U = d\eta_1, \quad \tilde{\eta}|_V = d\eta_2$$

Let $\eta = (\eta_1 - \eta_2)|_{U \cap V}$. Then, $d^*[\eta] = [\tilde{\eta}]$

v) exactness: $H^{k-1}(U) \oplus H^{k-1}(V) \xrightarrow{s} H^{k-1}(U \cap V) \xrightarrow{d^*} H^k(M)$

$\text{im } s \subset \ker d^*$: $([\eta_1], [\eta_2]) \in H^{k-1}(U) \oplus H^{k-1}(V)$, $d\eta_1 = 0 = d\eta_2$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V)$$

$\begin{matrix} 0 & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \circ & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \eta_1 & & \eta_2 & & \eta_1 - \eta_2 \end{matrix}$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-1}(V) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

$\begin{matrix} \eta_1 & & \eta_2 & & \eta_1 - \eta_2 \end{matrix}$

$\ker d^* \subset \text{im } s$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) \rightarrow \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V)$$

$\begin{matrix} \tilde{\eta} & & (d\eta_1, d\eta_2) \end{matrix}$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(M) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-1}(V) \rightarrow \Omega^{k-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$$

$\begin{matrix} \theta & & (\eta_1, \eta_2) & & \eta \end{matrix}$

$d^*([\eta]) = 0$ in $H^k(M) \Rightarrow \exists \theta \in \Omega^{k-1}(M) \rightarrow \tilde{\eta} = d\theta$

$$\text{Then, } d(\eta_1 - \theta) = d\eta_1 - \tilde{\eta}|_U = 0 \Rightarrow [\eta_1 - \theta] \in H^{k-1}(U)$$

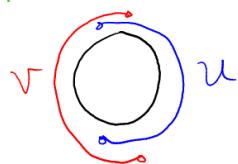
$$d(\eta_2 - \theta) = d\eta_2 - \tilde{\eta}|_V = 0 \Rightarrow [\eta_2 - \theta] \in H^{k-1}(V)$$

and $s(\eta_1 - \theta, \eta_2 - \theta) = s(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \eta \Rightarrow \ker d^* \subset \text{im } s$

vi) exactness of $H^k(M) \rightarrow H^k(U) \oplus H^k(V) \rightarrow H^k(U \cap V)$
 is easier (does not involve d^*) DIY

§ III some examples

1° $H_{dR}^*(S^1)$



$$U \cong \mathbb{R}^2, V \cong \mathbb{R}^2, U \cap V \cong \text{two copies of } \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\partial H^1(S^1) = d^*(H^0(U \cap V)) \cong H^0(U \cap V) / \text{im } S \cong \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(S^1) \rightarrow H^0(U) \oplus H^0(V) \xrightarrow{S} H^0(U \cap V)$$

$$\{\text{constant functions}\} = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \oplus \mathbb{R}^2$$

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$$\text{image} = \mathbb{R} \langle (1, 1) \rangle$$

$$\text{coker} \cong \mathbb{R} \langle (1, -1) \rangle$$

2° cylinder

$$S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \xleftarrow{\pi} S^1$$

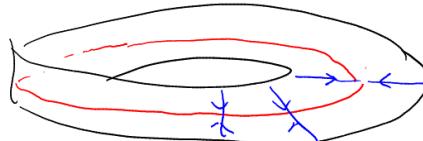
$$\pi(e^{i\theta}, s) = e^{i\theta}$$

$$l(e^{i\theta}) = (e^{i\theta}, 0)$$

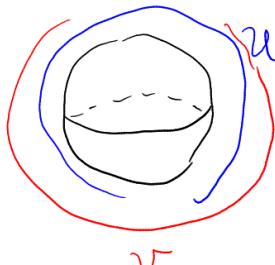
$$\pi \circ l = \mathbb{1}_{S^1}, l \circ \pi : \text{homotopic to } \mathbb{1}_{S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{dR}^k(S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^2) \cong H_{dR}^k(S^1)$$

rmk same argument works for Möbius band (w/o boundary)



3° $H_{dR}^*(S^{n>1})$



$$U = S^n \setminus \{\text{south pole}\} \cong \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$V = S^n \setminus \{\text{north pole}\} \cong \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$U \cap V = S^n \setminus \{S, N\} \cong S^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\partial H^n(S^n) \rightarrow 0$$

$$H^n(S^n) \rightarrow H^n(U) \oplus H^n(V) \rightarrow H^{n-1}(U \cap V) \cong \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\partial H^1(S^n) \rightarrow 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(S^n) \rightarrow H^0(U) \oplus H^0(V) \rightarrow H^0(U \cap V) \cong \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow H^n(S^n) \cong \mathbb{R}^2, H^k(S^n) = 0, k \in \{2, 3, \dots, n-1\}$$

$$H^1(S^n) = 0, H^0(S^n) \cong \mathbb{R}^2$$

§ IV. about closed, oriented manifold (sketching the keys)

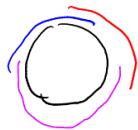
M^n : closed (compact, boundaryless), connected, oriented manifold.

[Q] Why is $H_{dR}^k(M)$ always finite dim?

Why is $\int \cdot \wedge \cdot : H_{dR}^k(M) \times H_{dR}^{n-k}(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ non-degenerate?

1° M : closed $\Rightarrow \exists$ finite good cover ([BT, theorem 5.1])
 namely $\{U_\ell\}_{\ell=1}^L$: finite open cover
 \Rightarrow any non-empty $U_{j_1} \cap \dots \cap U_{j_k}$ is diffeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n

e.g.



key prop [BT, prop 5.3.1]

If a manifold (need not be closed)
 has finite good cover, H_{dR}^* are all
 finite dim'l

pf: 0) Induction on L + Mayer-Vietoris
 + lemma in § I.2.

1) $(U_1 \cup \dots \cup U_k) \cap U_{k+1}$ has a good cover
 consisting of $\{U_j \cap U_{k+1}\}_{j=1}^k$... #

2° Poincaré duality

- In algebraic topology, one usually considers the "homology theory" as well, but there is no such gadget in differential forms formulation.
- Instead, Bott & Tu introduced the "compactly supported" de Rham theory.

$$\Omega_c^k(M) = \{ \text{smooth } k\text{-form with compact support} \}$$

$$H_c^k(M) = \frac{\ker d | \Omega_c^k}{d \Omega_c^{k-1}}$$

e.g. \mathbb{R}^2 , $\Omega_c^0 = \{ \text{compact supported } C^\infty \text{ functions} \}$

$$\Rightarrow \ker d = 0 \Rightarrow H_c^0(\mathbb{R}^2) = 0$$

$$\Omega_c^1 = \{ h(x) dx : \text{supp}(h) = \text{compact} \}$$

$$h(x) dx = df \text{ for some } f \in \Omega_c^0 \Leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_c^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$h(x) dx \mapsto \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) dx \quad \ker = d \Omega_c^0 \Rightarrow H_c^1(\mathbb{R}^2) \cong \mathbb{R}^2$$

Note that $\int - \wedge - : H^k(\mathbb{R}^2) \times H_c^{2-k}(\mathbb{R}^2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is non-degenerate.

- H_c^k satisfies a slightly different Mayer-Vietoris sequence

$$\rightarrow H_c^k(U \cap V) \rightarrow H_c^k(U) \oplus H_c^k(V) \rightarrow H_c^k(U \cup V) \xrightarrow{d^*} H_c^{k+1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow H_c^{k+1}(U) \oplus H_c^{k+1}(V)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} d^* : 0 \leftarrow \Omega_c^k(U \cup V) \leftarrow \Omega_c^k(U) \oplus \Omega_c^k(V) \leftarrow \Omega_c^k(U \cap V) \leftarrow 0 \\ (\eta, \eta) \longleftarrow \gamma \\ \gamma_1 - \gamma_2 \longleftarrow (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{(short exact)} \\ \text{ } \end{array}$$

Given $\tilde{\xi} \in \Omega_c^k(U \cup V)$ with $d\tilde{\xi} = 0$. $\rightsquigarrow \tilde{\xi}$ come from $(\rho_u \tilde{\xi}, -\rho_v \tilde{\xi})$

Taking $d :$ $0 \leftarrow (d(\rho_u \tilde{\xi}), -d(\rho_v \tilde{\xi})) \leftarrow d^* \tilde{\xi}$

$\Omega_c^{k+1}(U \cap V)$

- pairing with the Mayer-Vietoris of H_{dR}^*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \downarrow & & & & & & \\
 \rightarrow H_c^{n-k}(U \cap V) & \longrightarrow H_c^{n-k}(U) \oplus H_c^{n-k}(V) & \xrightarrow{\quad \oplus \quad} & H_c^{n-k}(U \cup V) & \xrightarrow{d^*} & H_c^{n-k+1}(U \cap V) & \longrightarrow H_c^{n-k+1}(U) \oplus H_c^{n-k+1}(V) \\
 & & & & & & \\
 \leftarrow H^k(U \cap V) & \xleftarrow{\quad \oplus \quad} & H^k(U) \oplus H^k(V) & \xleftarrow{\quad \oplus \quad} & H^k(U \cup V) & \xleftarrow{d^{*-1}} & H^{k-1}(U \cap V) \xleftarrow{\quad \oplus \quad} H^{k-1}(U) \oplus H^{k-1}(V)
 \end{array}$$

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By algebra = if these four parts are non-degenerate
(and finite dim). so is the middle part.

$\Rightarrow H^k(M) \otimes H_c^{n-k}(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}}$: non-degenerate
if M is compact. $H_c^{n-k}(M) \cong H^{n-k}(M)$