

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

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

1° 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 / \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° lemma Suppose there is an exact sequence

$\rightarrow V_{k-2} \xrightarrow{T_{k-1}} V_{k-1} \xrightarrow{T_k} V_k \xrightarrow{T_{k+1}} V_{k+1} \xrightarrow{T_{k+2}} V_{k+2} \rightarrow \dots$ with V_{k-1}, V_{k+1} : finite dim

Then, V_k is finite dim as well, and $V_k \cong \underbrace{\text{coker } T_{k-1}} \oplus \ker T_{k+2}$

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

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

$V_{k-1} / \text{im } T_{k-1}$: complement of image.

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 $\dim V_{k+1} < \infty$

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

iii) Hence, $V_k \cong V_k / \ker T_{k+1} \oplus \ker T_{k+1}$

$\cong \underbrace{\ker T_{k+2}}_{(ii)} \oplus \underbrace{V_k / \ker T_{k+1}}_{(i)} \quad \#$

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

$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\times 2} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0$
 injective surjective

but $\mathbb{Z} \not\cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2$

§II Mayer-Vietoris sequence



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

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

1° 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

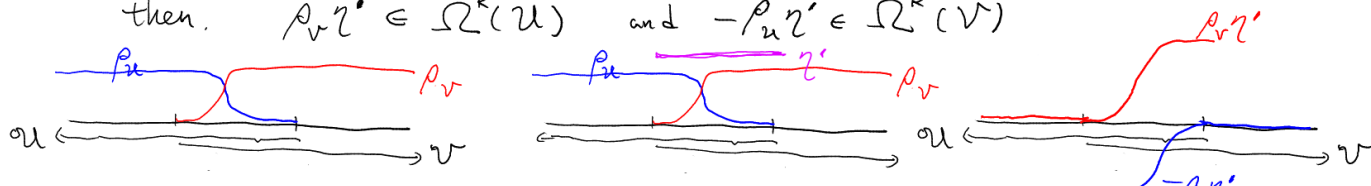
$0 \rightarrow \Omega^k(M) \xrightarrow{r} \Omega^k(U) \oplus \Omega^k(V) \xrightarrow{s} \Omega^k(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$
 $\eta \mapsto (\eta|_U, \eta|_V)$

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

check exactness: i) \rightarrow is clearly injective

ii) if $\eta_1 = \eta_2$ on $U \cap V$, we can let $\eta = \begin{cases} \eta_1|_U \\ \eta_2|_V \end{cases}$

iii) $\forall \eta' \in \Omega^k(U \cap V)$, 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 $(U \setminus \text{supp}(\rho_V)) \cup (U \cap V) = U$

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

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

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

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

$\hookrightarrow \dots$

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(M) \rightarrow H^0(U) \oplus H^0(V) \rightarrow H^0(U \cap V) \xrightarrow{d} 0$$

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 $H^k(M)$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

But need not to be exact on $M = U \cup V$
 otherwise d^* is always a trivial map.

iii) check well-definedness of d^*

- Two choices are made in the construction: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{representative of } [\eta] \\ \xi \eta \end{array} \right.$
- For $\xi \eta$, if $s(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \eta$
 $\Rightarrow \exists \theta \in \Omega^{k-1}(M)$, $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \eta_1 = \rho_v \eta + \theta|_{uv} \\ \eta_2 = \rho_u \eta + \theta|_{uv} \end{cases} \Rightarrow [\xi \eta] = [\xi \eta + d\theta]$
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 - If $[\eta] = [d\phi] \in H_{dR}^{k-1}(U \cap V) \Rightarrow [\xi \eta] \neq 0$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & \Omega^{k-1}(M) & \rightarrow & \Omega^{k-1}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-1}(V) & \rightarrow & \Omega^{k-1}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \uparrow d & & \uparrow d & & \uparrow d \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \Omega^{k-2}(M) & \rightarrow & \Omega^{k-2}(U) \oplus \Omega^{k-2}(V) & \rightarrow & \Omega^{k-2}(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$\rho_v \phi' \quad -\rho_u \phi' \quad \phi'$

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

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

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, $\text{im } d^* \subset \ker r$
 $\ker r \not\subseteq \text{im } d^*$

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

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

$\eta_1 \quad \eta_2 \quad \eta = s(\eta_1, \eta_2)$

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

$$\Rightarrow \xi|_U = d\eta_1, \quad \xi|_V = d\eta_2$$

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

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

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

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

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

$\eta_1 \quad \eta_2 \quad \xrightarrow{s} \eta_1 - \eta_2$

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

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

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

$(\eta_1, \eta_2) \quad \eta$

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

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

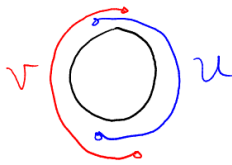
$$d(\eta_2 - \theta) = d\eta_2 - \tilde{\eta}|_V = 0 \Rightarrow [\eta_2 - \theta] \in H^{k+1}(V)$$

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

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

§ III some examples

1° $H_{\text{dR}}^*(S^1)$



$U \cong \mathbb{R}^1, V \cong \mathbb{R}^1, U \cup V \cong \text{two copies of } \mathbb{R}^1$

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

$$\hookrightarrow H^1(S^1) \rightarrow 0$$

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

{constant functions} = \mathbb{R}^1
 $\mathbb{R}^1 \oplus \mathbb{R}^1$
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image = $\mathbb{R} \langle (1, 1) \rangle$
coker $\cong \mathbb{R} \langle (1, -1) \rangle$

2° cylinder

$$S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^1 \xrightleftharpoons[\iota]{\pi} S^1$$

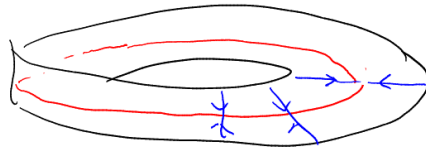
$$\pi(e^{i\theta}, s) = e^{i\theta}$$

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

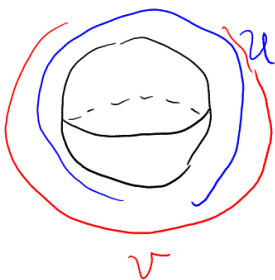
$$\pi \circ \iota = \mathbb{1}_{S^1}, \quad \iota \circ \pi : \text{homotopic to } \mathbb{1}_{S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^1}$$

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

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



3° $H_{\text{dR}}^*(S^{n>1})$



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

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

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

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

$$H^n(S^n) \rightarrow H^n(U) \oplus H^n(V) \rightarrow H^{n-1}(U \cup V) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{R}^1} 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow H^1(S^n) \rightarrow 0 \quad \vdots \quad 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(S^n) \rightarrow H^0(U) \oplus H^0(V) \xrightarrow{\text{surjective}} H^0(U \cup V) \rightarrow 0$$

$\mathbb{R}^1 \quad \mathbb{R}^1 \quad \mathbb{R}^1$

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

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

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

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

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

Why is $\int \cdot \wedge \cdot : H_{\text{dR}}^k(M) \times H_{\text{dR}}^{n-k}(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ non-degenerate?

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

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

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

$\Rightarrow H^k(M) \otimes H_c^{n-k}(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$: non-degenerate
if M : compact. $H_c^{n-k}(M) \cong H^{n-k}(M)$