

Example

$$H_*(\mathbb{R}P^2) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } * = 0 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } * = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } * \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

•  $H_n(\mathbb{R}P^2, \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong H_n(\mathbb{R}P^2) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2 \oplus \text{Tor}_1(H_{n-1}(\mathbb{R}P^2), \mathbb{Z}/2)$

$$= \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=0 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=1 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=2 \\ 0 & \text{if } n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{2} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2 \\ 0 \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1 \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z}/2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}/2 \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0 \\ \cong \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 \end{array}$$

•  $H^n(\mathbb{R}P^2, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \text{Hom}(H_n(\mathbb{R}P^2), \mathbb{Z}) \oplus \text{Ext}^1(H_{n-1}(\mathbb{R}P^2), \mathbb{Z})$

$$= \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } n=0 \\ 0 & \text{if } n=1 \\ \text{Ext}^1(\mathbb{Z}/2, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=2 \\ 0 & \text{if } n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{2} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow \text{Hom}(-, \mathbb{Z}) \\ 0 \leftarrow \text{Ext}^1 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z} \xleftarrow{2} \mathbb{Z} \leftarrow 0 \leftarrow 0 \\ \cong \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 \end{array}$$

•  $H_n(\mathbb{R}P^2 \times \mathbb{R}P^2) \cong \left( \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H_p(\mathbb{R}P^2) \otimes H_q(\mathbb{R}P^2) \right) \oplus \left( \bigoplus_{p+q=n-1} \text{Tor}_1(H_p(\mathbb{R}P^2), H_q(\mathbb{R}P^2)) \right)$

$$\cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } n=0 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=1 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=2 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=3 \\ 0 & \text{if } n \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

- $H_n(\mathbb{R}P^2 \times \mathbb{R}P^2, \mathbb{Z}/2)$  : can use either
- universal coefficients
  - Künneth with  $R = \mathbb{Z}/2$

$$H_n(\mathbb{R}P^2 \times \mathbb{R}P^2, \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H_p(\mathbb{R}P^2, \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}/2} H_q(\mathbb{R}P^2, \mathbb{Z}/2)$$

$$\cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2 & \text{if } n=0 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2 & n=1 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2 & n=2 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2 & n=3 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2 & n=4 \\ 0 & n \geq 5 \end{cases}$$

↔ Poincaré duality.

Definition Let  $X$  be a CW complex,  $A$  an abelian group.

The cellular cochain complex of  $X$  with coefficients in  $A$  is

$$C_{\text{cell}}^*(X, A) := \underline{\text{Hom}}(C_*^{\text{cell}}(X), A).$$

Thm  $H^*(C_{\text{cell}}^*(X, A)) \cong H^*(X, A)$

Proof: • can redo the arguments for homology

• alternatively: since  $C_*(X)$  and  $C_*^{\text{cell}}(X)$  are chain complexes of free abelian groups with isomorphic homology, there exists

a chain homotopy equivalence  $C_*(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} C_*^{\text{cell}}(X)$  (Exercise 12.4)

$\underline{\text{Hom}}(-, A)$  preserves chain homotopies, so we have induced

chain homotopy equivalences  $C^*(X, A) \xrightarrow{\cong} C_{\text{cell}}^*(X, A)$ .  $\square$

Example:  $H^*(\mathbb{R}P^2)$ :

$$\begin{array}{r} C_*^{\text{cell}}(\mathbb{R}P^2): \\ \underline{\text{Hom}}(-, \mathbb{Z}) \\ C_{\text{cell}}^*(\mathbb{R}P^2): \\ H^*: \end{array} \begin{array}{r} \begin{array}{c} 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \\ \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{2} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \end{array} \\ \\ \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{2} \mathbb{Z} \\ 0 \quad -1 \quad -2 \end{array} \\ \\ \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{Z} \quad 0 \quad \mathbb{Z}/2 \end{array} \end{array}$$

Remark. If  $X, Y$  are CW complexes, there is an isomorphism

$$C_*^{\text{cell}}(X) \otimes C_*^{\text{cell}}(Y) \cong C_*^{\text{cell}}(X \times Y)$$

This gives a proof of Eilenberg-Zilber in this case.

Proof of Eilenberg-Zilber  $[C_*(A) \otimes C_*(B) \xrightarrow[\nabla_{A,B}]{\eta_i} C_*(A \otimes B)]$

Strategy: • define a map  $\nabla_{A,B}$  natural in  $A, B$

• show that  $\nabla_{A,B}$  is a quasi-isom when  $A = \mathbb{Z}\Delta[n]$ ,  $B = \mathbb{Z}\Delta[m]$ :

$$C_*(\Delta[n]) \otimes C_*(\Delta[m]) \rightarrow C_*(\Delta[n] \times \Delta[m])$$

(easy since  $\Delta[n], \Delta[m], \Delta[n] \times \Delta[m]$  are simplicially contractible, so homology is  $\mathbb{Z}$  in degree 0)

• By Yoneda, every  $A \in \text{SAb}$  is canonically a colimit of  $\mathbb{Z}\Delta[n]$ 's. The functors  $C_*$ ,  $\otimes$  preserve colimits (in each variable)

$$\Rightarrow \nabla_{A,B} \text{ is a cobunt of } \nabla_{\mathbb{Z}\delta[n], \mathbb{Z}\delta[n]}$$

Problem: cobunts do not preserve quasi-isomorphisms in general.

Solution 1: Use "homotopy cobunts" instead of cobunts. Homotopy cobunts preserve quasi-isomorphisms by design. Moreover, every  $A \in \mathcal{SAb}$  is still canonically a homotopy cobunt of  $\mathbb{Z}\delta[n]$ 's, and  $C_*, \otimes$  preserve homotopy cobunts.

→ Use model categories or  $\infty$ -categories

Solution 2: upgrade quasi-iso to chain homotopy equivalence ("Acyclic models").

$$A, B \in \mathcal{SAb}.$$

$$\nabla_{A,B} : C_*(A) \otimes C_*(B) \rightarrow C_*(A \otimes B)$$

$$p+q=n, a \in A_p, b \in B_q, \nabla(a \otimes b) = \sum_{\substack{\mu = \{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p\} \\ \nu = \{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_q\} \\ \mu \cup \nu = \{0, \dots, n-1\}}} s_{\nu_1} \dots s_{\nu_q} s_{\nu} (a) \otimes s_{\mu} (b)$$

(p,q)-shuffled

$\nabla_{A,B}$  is called the shuffle map or the Eilenberg-Zilber map.

It is straightforward to check that  $\nabla_{A,B}$  is a chain map.

$$\Delta_{A,B} : C_*(A \otimes B) \rightarrow C_*(A) \otimes C_*(B)$$

$$a \in A_n, b \in B_n, \Delta(a \otimes b) = \sum_{p+q=n} d_{\text{front}}^p (a) \otimes d_{\text{back}}^q (b)$$

$$\text{where } d_{\text{front}}^p = \left( \begin{array}{c} [p] \hookrightarrow [n] \\ i \mapsto i \end{array} \right)^*$$

$$d_{\text{back}}^q = \left( \begin{array}{c} [q] \hookrightarrow [n] \\ i \mapsto i+p \end{array} \right)^*$$

$\Delta_{A,B}$  is called the Alexander-Whitney map. Again, it is a chain map.

$$\bullet A = \mathbb{Z}\delta[n], B = \mathbb{Z}\delta[m]. \text{ Then } A \otimes B = \mathbb{Z}[\delta[n] \times \delta[m]]$$

$$C_*(A) \otimes C_*(B) = C_*(\delta[n]) \otimes C_*(\delta[m])$$

$$C_*(A \otimes B) = C_*(\delta[n] \times \delta[m]).$$

We know  $H_*$  of both chain complexes is  $\mathbb{Z}$  concentrated in degree 0

Moreover,  $\nabla$  and  $\Delta$  induce isomorphism on  $H_0$  (check on a generator)

$\Rightarrow \nabla_{\mathbb{Z}\Delta(-), \mathbb{Z}\Delta(-)}$  and  $\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}\Delta(-), \mathbb{Z}\Delta(-)}$  are quasi-isomorphisms

Proposition Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an abelian category,  $C_*, D_* \in \text{Ch}_{\geq 0}(\mathcal{A})$ .

Suppose each  $C_i$  is projective and  $H_i(D_*) = 0$  if  $i \neq 0$ .

Then the map

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{Ch}(\mathcal{A})}(C_*, D_*) / \text{chain homotopy} \xrightarrow{H_0} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(H_0(C_*), H_0(D_*))$$

is a bijection

Proof.

Surjectivity:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} C_2 & \longrightarrow & C_1 & \longrightarrow & C_0 & \longrightarrow & H_0(C_*) \longrightarrow 0 \\ \text{etc.} & & \downarrow \exists & \swarrow \exists & \downarrow \exists & & \downarrow \\ D_2 & \longrightarrow & D_1 & \longrightarrow & D_0 & \twoheadrightarrow & H_0(D_*) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\text{exact}) \end{array}$$

Injectivity:  $\varphi: C_* \rightarrow D_*$ ,  $H_0(\varphi) = 0 \stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow} \varphi$  is chain-homotopic to 0

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} C_2 & \longrightarrow & C_1 & \longrightarrow & C_0 & \longrightarrow & H_0(C_*) \longrightarrow 0 \\ \text{etc.} & & \downarrow \varphi_2 & \swarrow \exists h_1 & \downarrow \varphi_1 & \swarrow \exists h_0 & \downarrow \varphi_0 \\ D_2 & \longrightarrow & D_1 & \longrightarrow & D_0 & \longrightarrow & H_0(D_*) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\text{exact}) \end{array}$$

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