

long exact seq. of homology

setting: short ex. seq. of chain cplx

$$0 \rightarrow C_0 \xrightarrow{f} C'_0 \xrightarrow{g} C''_0 \rightarrow 0$$

want: long ex. seq. $\begin{array}{ccccc} \partial & \xrightarrow{f_*} & H_n(C'_0) & \xrightarrow{g_*} & H_n(C''_0) \\ & & \partial & & \partial \\ & & H_{n-1}(C_0) & \xrightarrow{f_*} & \dots \end{array}$

Key lem: "snake lemma"

given $\begin{array}{ccccccc} A_1 & \xrightarrow{i} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{j} & A_3 & \rightarrow & 0 \\ \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow f_2 & & \downarrow f_3 & & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & B_1 & \rightarrow & B_2 & \rightarrow & B_3 \end{array}$ ex. rows
comm. squares

\exists map $\partial: \ker f_3 \rightarrow \text{cok } f_1$ s.t.

$$\ker f_1 \xrightarrow{i} \ker f_2 \xrightarrow{j} \ker f_3 \xrightarrow{\partial} \text{cok } f_1 \xrightarrow{i_*} \text{cok } f_2 \xrightarrow{j_*} \text{cok } f_3$$

is exact.

Define ∂ by $\partial x = [z]$ for $z \in B_1$ s.t. $\exists y \in A_2$

$$j(y) = x, f_2(y) = i(z)$$

ambiguity of y : $w \in A_1 \mapsto$ changes z to $z+w$

$\mapsto [z] = [z+w]$ in $\text{cok } f_1$, hence ∂ well-defined

Exactness by "diagram chasing".

$\ker i_* = \text{img } \partial$: take $[z] \in \text{cok } f_1$ s.t. $i_*([z]) = 0$

this means $i(z) \in \text{img } f_2$ i.e. $\exists y$ $i(z) = f_2(y)$

then $x = j(y)$ satisfies $\partial(x) = [z]$

How to get the long ex seq. of $H_n(C_0)$ etc.

$$\text{Put } Z_n(C_0) = \ker(\partial_n: C_n \rightarrow C_{n-1})$$

$$B_n(C_0) = \text{img}(\partial_{n+1}: C_{n+1} \rightarrow C_n)$$

$$\text{so } H_n(C_0) = Z_n(C_0) / B_n(C_0)$$

$$\text{Take } C_n / B_n(C_0) \rightarrow C'_n / B_n(C'_0) \rightarrow C''_n / B_n(C''_0) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \downarrow \partial & & \downarrow \partial & & \downarrow \partial \\ 0 & \rightarrow & Z_{n-1}(C_0) & \rightarrow & Z_{n-1}(C'_0) & \rightarrow & Z_{n-1}(C''_0) \end{array}$$

