

# Constructive Homology Classes and Constructive Triangulations

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Homology in dimension 6 :

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## Semantics of colours:

**Blue** = “Standard” Mathematics

**Red** = Constructive, effective,

algorithm, machine object, ...

**Violet** = Problem, difficulty,

obstacle, disadvantage, ...

**Green** = Solution, essential point,

mathematicians, ...

**Dark Orange** = Fuzzy objects.

**Pale grey** = Hyper-Fuzzy objects.

## Plan.

1. **Constructive Homological Algebra.**
2. **Triangulations and fundamental cycles.**
3. **Complex projective spaces.**
4. **Connection  $P^n\mathbb{C} \longleftrightarrow P^\infty\mathbb{C}$ .**
5. **Kenzo program + Constructive Homological Algebra**  
 **$\Rightarrow$  Constructive Triangulation of  $P^n\mathbb{C}$ .**

## 1/5. Constructive Homological Algebra.

General style of Homological Algebra:

First step in the classification of angiosperms:

Number of cotyledons = 1 or 2.

$n = 1 \Rightarrow$  Monocotyledons ( $\sim 60.000$  species).

$n = 2 \Rightarrow$  Dicotyledons ( $\sim 200.000$  species)

First step in the classification of topological spaces:

$(\forall X \in \underline{\text{Top}}) \Rightarrow [(\forall d \in \mathbb{N}) \Rightarrow H_d(X) \in \underline{\text{AbGroup}}]$ .



Only **partial** classification !!!

Main problem:

Let  $\Phi : \underline{\text{Top}} \times \underline{\text{Top}} \rightarrow \underline{\text{Top}}$  be a constructor.

Example:  $\Phi(X, Y) := X \times Y$ .

Homological version of this constructor ??

$$\Phi_H : (H_*(X), H_*(Y)) \xrightarrow{???} \boxed{H_*^{\text{???}}(\Phi(X, Y))}$$

Sometimes possible, for example

for the product constructor (Künneth formulas).

In general not !!

Example:

The loop space constructor  $\Omega : X \mapsto \Omega X := \mathcal{C}(S^1, X)$

Example<sup>2</sup>:

$$X = S^2 \vee S^4 \qquad Y = P^2\mathbb{C}$$

$$H_*(X) = H_*(Y) = (\mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$$H_*(\Omega X) = (\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^2, \mathbb{Z}^3, \mathbb{Z}^4, \mathbb{Z}^6, \mathbb{Z}^9, \mathbb{Z}^{13}, \dots)$$

$$H_*(\Omega Y) = (\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, \mathbb{Z}, \dots)$$

Corollary:  $\nexists$  algorithm  $\Omega_H : H_*(X) \mapsto H_*(\Omega X)$ .

**Analysis** of the **problem**.

Ordinary homological algebra is not constructive.

$H_4(X)$  “=”  $\mathbb{Z}$  means:

$$\exists \text{ isomorphism } H_4(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z} ;$$

But most often  $\exists$  is **not constructive**.

**Reorganizing Homological Algebra**

to make these  $\exists$ 's **constructive**

$\Rightarrow$  **Constructive Homological Algebra**

$\Rightarrow$  **Algorithms:**

$$\Phi_{CH} : (CH_*(X), CH_*(Y)) \mapsto CH_*(\Phi(X, Y)).$$

$\Rightarrow$  **(JR) Efficient solution** of **Adams' problem** for **loop spaces**.

## 2/5. Triangulations and fundamental cycles.

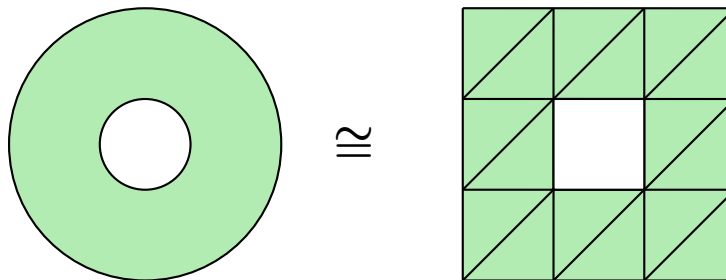
Amazing **spin-off** of **Constructive Homological Algebra**:

Using **constructive isomorphisms**

to produce **difficult triangulations**.

Notion **s** of **triangulation**.

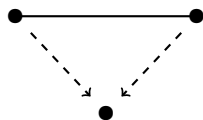
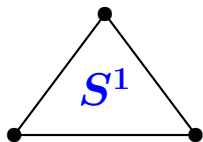
**Triangulation** as a **simplicial complex** of  $S^1 \times I$ .





Triangulations of  $S^1$  as simplicial:

complex

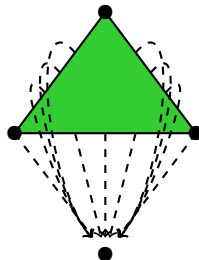
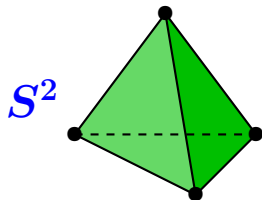


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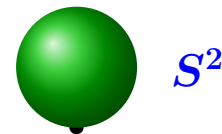


Triangulations of  $S^2$  as simplicial:

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## Fundamental Homological Theorem for closed manifolds:

$M =$  closed  $n$ -manifold  $\Rightarrow M$  is triangulable.

We assume  $M$  orientable.

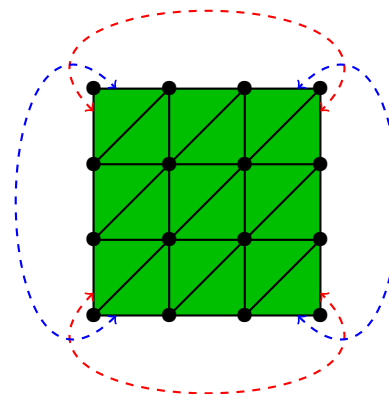
Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be some triangulation

and  $T_n$  the corresponding collection of  $n$ -simplices.

Then  $H_n(M) = \mathbb{Z}$

and a cycle representing a generator of  $H_n$  is  $z = \sum_{\tau \in T_n} \varepsilon_\tau \tau$ .

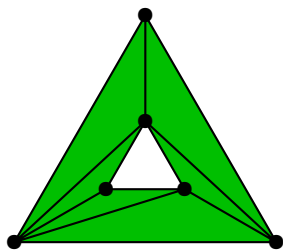
Example for  $M = 2$ -torus:



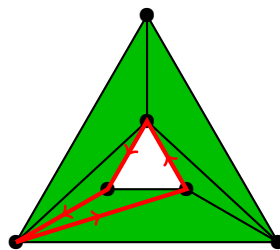
In a context of **Constructive Homological Algebra**,  
 the result can **sometimes** be **reversed**.

Toy example with  $S^1 \times I \stackrel{H}{\simeq} S^1$ .

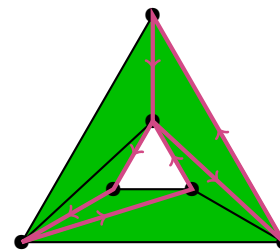
$$H_*(S^1 \times I) = H_*(S^1) = (\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0, \dots)$$



$S^1 \times I$



Good generator  
 of  $H_1(S^1 \times I)$



Bad generator  
 of  $H_1(S^1 \times I)$

**3/5. Complex projective spaces.**

Using this method to **construct a triangulation** of  $P^n\mathbb{C}$ .

$$S^{2n+1} = \text{unit sphere}(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$$

$$P^n\mathbb{C} := S^{2n+1}/S^1$$

$$S^1 \subset S^3 \subset S^5 \subset \dots \subset S^\infty$$

$$* \subset P^1\mathbb{C} \subset P^2\mathbb{C} \subset P^3\mathbb{C} \subset \dots \subset P^\infty\mathbb{C}$$

**Universal fibration:**

$$K(\mathbb{Z}, 1) = S^1 \hookrightarrow S^\infty \twoheadrightarrow P^\infty\mathbb{C}$$

$$\Rightarrow P^\infty\mathbb{C} = K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$$

$K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$  = “catalog” space =  
 collection of all the possible configurations  
 of elements  $z \in H^2(-, \mathbb{Z})$

Standard simplicial model for  $K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$   
 due to **Eilenberg-MacLane**.

$K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$  = **Monster**:  $K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)_n \sim \mathbb{Z}^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}$

But the methods of **Constructive Algebraic Topology**  
 can **handle** this **monster**.

4/5. Connection  $P^n\mathbb{C} \longleftrightarrow P^\infty\mathbb{C}$ .

$P^\infty\mathbb{C} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n\mathbb{C}$  has a **good homological** translation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_*(P^\infty\mathbb{C}) &= (\mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \dots) \\
 H_*(P^1\mathbb{C}) &= (\mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \dots) \\
 H_*(P^2\mathbb{C}) &= (\mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \dots) \\
 H_*(P^3\mathbb{C}) &= (\mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, \mathbb{Z}, 0, 0, 0, 0, \dots) \\
 \dots &= \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Also the inclusion  $P^n\mathbb{C} \hookrightarrow P^\infty\mathbb{C}$

induces an inclusion  $H_*(P^n\mathbb{C}) \hookrightarrow H_*(P^\infty\mathbb{C})$ .

So that a generator  $g_{2n}$  of  $H_{2n}(P^\infty\mathbb{C})$

**corresponds** to a generator  $g_{2n}$  of  $H_{2n}(P^n\mathbb{C})$

which could **correspond** to a **triangulation** of  $P^n\mathbb{C}$ .

5/5. **Kenzo calculations.**

1.  $kz2 := K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$
2. “**Local**” **calculations** are possible.
3. The **effective homology** is **computable**:

$$[C_*(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)) = K86] \Leftrightarrow K216 \Rrightarrow K212$$

4.  $G4 =$  **generator** of  $H_4(K212) = \mathbb{Z}$ .
5.  $GP4 =$  **generator** of  $H_4(K86) = H_4(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)) = \mathbb{Z}$ .
6.  $P2C? =$  **finite simplicial subset** of  $K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$   
generated by  $GP4$ .

## Kenzo calculations (continuation):

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Next question:  $P2C? \stackrel{???}{=} P^2\mathbb{C}$

Proposition:  $P2C? = P^2\mathbb{C} \iff$  the inclusion  $P2C? \hookrightarrow K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$

induces isomorphisms:

$$H_k(P2C?) \xrightarrow{\cong ??} H_k(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))$$

for  $k \leq 4$ .

Proof: Hurewicz-Whitehead Theorem.



$$P2C? = P^2C \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad H_k(P2C?) \xrightarrow{\cong ??} H_k(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))$$


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Cone constructor:

$$P2C? \xrightarrow{\text{inclusion}} K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$$

$$C_*(P2C?) \xrightarrow{\text{inclusion}} C_*(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))$$

$$\text{Cone}(\text{inclusion}) := C_*(P2C?)^{[+1]} \oplus_{\text{inclusion}} C_*(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))$$

Proposition:  $H_k(P2C?) \xrightarrow{\cong ??} H_k(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2))$  for  $k \leq 4$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$H_k(\text{Cone}(\text{inclusion})) = 0 \text{ for } k \leq 5$$

Proof: Elementary homological algebra.

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generated by GP4.
7. Construction of Cone  $\left\{ C_*(P2C?) \xrightarrow{\text{inclusion}} C_*(K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)) \right\}$
8. Calculation of  $H_k(\text{Cone} \{ \dots \})$  for  $k \leq 6$ .
9.  $H_k(\text{Cone}) = 0$  for  $k \leq 5 \Rightarrow P2C? = P^2\mathbb{C}$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  a triangulation of  $P^2\mathbb{C}$  as P2C? is obtained.
10. The same for higher dimensions.

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