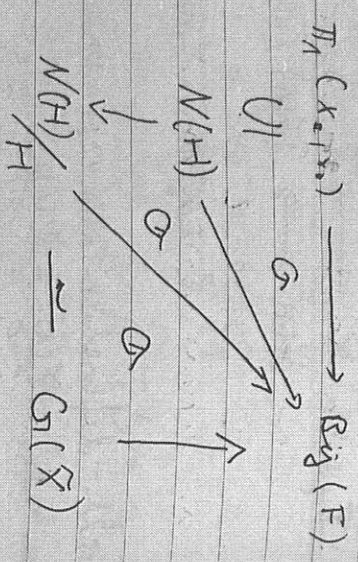


Remark 91: Let X be pts $x_0 \in X$ and $\tilde{X} \xrightarrow{p} X$ be a connected covering space.

Exercise: Then \tilde{X} is planar

Put $F := p^{-1}(x_0)$ and $H := \rho_1(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, x_0))$ we have



If \tilde{X} is a universal cover, i.e. \tilde{X} is simply-connected, then $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ act freely on $\text{Big}(F)$ via deck transformations.

Example: (see 89 (a)) $S^1 \times S^1 \xrightarrow{\quad} S^1 \times S^1$
 Then $\text{Hyp}_0(\pi_1(X, x_0)) = \langle a, a^2, a^{-1}a^{-1} \rangle \triangleleft \langle a, a \rangle$
 and $G(\tilde{X}) \cong N(H)/H \cong F(a, a)/H \cong \langle a, a^2 \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.

IV 6 Covering space actions

The action of $G(\tilde{X})$ on a covering space was an example of a group action on a space.

Def 92: Let G be a group and Y be a top. space. An action of G on Y is a group homeomorphism $\varepsilon: G \rightarrow \text{Homeo}(Y)$

("G acts on Y via homeomorphisms")

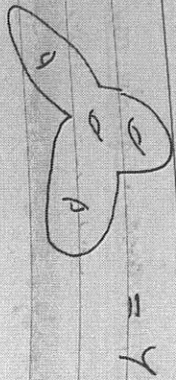
Example 93: (a) $G = S^1, Y = \mathbb{C}$

$\varepsilon(z)(y) := z \cdot y$ (rotation by θ , where $z = e^{i\theta}$)

(b) $G = \mathbb{Z}, Y = \mathbb{R}$

$\varepsilon(z)(y) := y + z$ (translation by z)

(c)



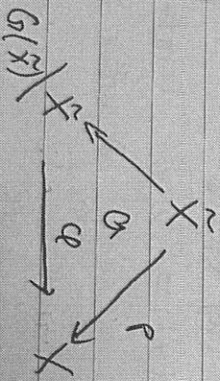
$$G = \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$$

$S(\mathbb{C}A_3) := \text{rotation by } \frac{2\pi}{3} \cdot a$

(d) $\tilde{X} \xrightarrow{p} X$ a normal covering space, X and S are.

Then $G(S)$ acts on \tilde{X} .

We get the following diagram:



Exercise: Prove that α is a homeomorphism.

Def 94: An action of G on Y is called a covering space action

if $\forall y \in Y \exists$ open nbhd U of y :

$$\forall g \in G \setminus \{1\} : g(U) \cap U = \emptyset$$

Example 95: The actions in 93(a), (c), (d) are covering space actions. The action in 93(a) is not.

Remark 96: The condition in

Def 94 is equivalent for

$$\forall g_1, g_2 \in G : g_1(U) \cap g_2(U) = \emptyset, \quad g_1 \neq g_2$$

In fact 93(d) is the whole picture for covering space actions, if Y is pt.

Theorem 97: (covering space as a quotient of a CSA)

Suppose $\beta: G \rightarrow \text{Home}(M)$ is a covering space action. Then

(a) $Y \xrightarrow{p} G \backslash Y$ is a normal covering space

(b) $\text{im}(\beta)$ is the group of deck transformations of P if Y is path-connected

(c) Take $y_0 \in Y$. Then

$$G \cong \frac{\pi_1(Y, p(y_0))}{\pi_1(Y, y_0)}$$

if Y is pd.

Proof: (a) P is a covering space.

p is the quotient map for a group action via theorem.

$\Rightarrow p$ is continuous and open.

The CSA property now implies that P is a covering space.

(a) P is normal:

Let $y_0 \in Y$. Take a nbhd U of y_0 with the CSA property.

Then $p^{-1}(p(U)) = \bigcup_{g \in G} g(U)$.

Take $y_1 \in Y$ s.t. $p(y_1) = p(y_0)$

$\Rightarrow \exists g \in G$ s.t. $g y_0 = y_1$

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$\exists (g) \in \text{Home}(Y)$ is a deck transformation of P .

Thus P is normal.

(b) Let $d \in \text{Home}(Y)$ be a deck transformation of P . Take $y_0 \in Y$. $y_1 = d(y_0)$. Then $p(y_1) = p(d(y_0)) = p(y_0)$

$$\Rightarrow \exists g \in G: g \cdot x = y_1$$

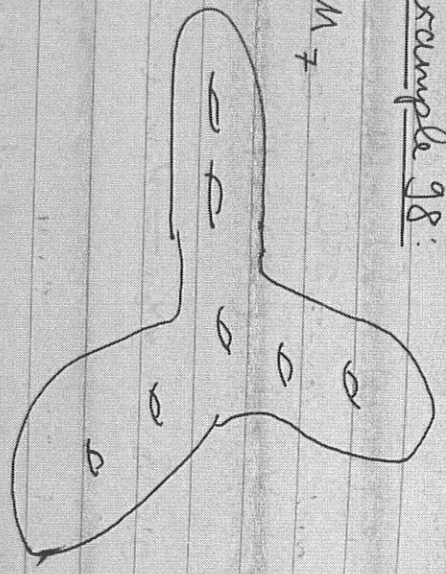
$$\stackrel{h}{\Rightarrow} d = \mathcal{R}(g)$$

Y path-connected

(c) follows from Prop. 90 (ii) \square

Example 98:

M_7



is part of a covering space of

M_3



because we have a cover of $\mathbb{R}/3\mathbb{Z}$ on M_7 .

Further we have

$$\pi_1(M_3, x_0)$$
~~$$\cong \pi_1(\pi_1(M_7, y_0))$$~~

$$\cong \mathbb{R}/3\mathbb{Z}$$

Example 99: (Symmetry groups as fundamental groups)

Note: let Y be simply-connected and locally path-connected.

Then $\pi_1(Y/G, y_0) \cong G$, if

$g: G \rightarrow \text{Homeo}(Y)$ is an action.

(a) $G := \{ \pm 1 \} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} \text{Homeo}(S^2)$

$$\mathcal{R}(1)(x) := x$$

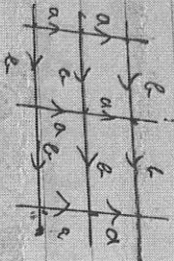
$$\mathcal{R}(-1)(x) := -x$$

S^2 is a cover.

S^2 is simply-connected and \mathcal{R} is path-connected.

$$\stackrel{97(c)}{\Rightarrow} \pi_1(\mathbb{R}P^2) \cong G \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

(a) $Y = \mathbb{R}^2$ with the following graph (vertices $= \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$)



$$G := \{A_{n,m} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cong \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$$

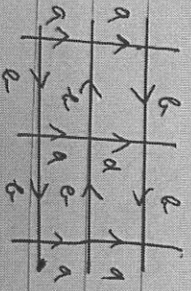
$$A_{n,m}(x,y) := (x+n, y+m)$$

\mathbb{R}^2 simply-connected and let path-connected

$$\xrightarrow{\pi_1} \pi_1(S^1 \times S^1) \cong \pi_1(\mathbb{R}^2) \cong G$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$$

(c) $Y = \mathbb{R}^2$



Let $r_z: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ($z \in \mathbb{R}$)

be the orthogonal reflection on the line $\mathbb{R}(0,1) + (z,0)$

$$G := \{A_{n,m} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\cup \{r_0 \circ A_{n,2m+1} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\cup \{r_{\frac{1}{2}} \circ A_{n,2m+1} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$= \{A_{n,2m} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cup \{r_z \circ A_{n,2m+1} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}, z \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}\}$$

$G \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ in a cda and \mathbb{R}^2 is simply-connected and let path-connected

$$\Rightarrow \pi_1(K) \cong \pi_1(G \setminus \mathbb{R}^2) \cong G$$

Example 100: (Cayley complex)

$G = \langle g_a \mid r_\beta \rangle$. The Cayley complex is the universal cover of X_G see Corollary 60 for X_G .

\tilde{X}_G (Cayley complex) 2-dim cell complex:

• A vertex for each group element $g \in G$

• For each $g \in G$ and a an oriented edge (g, ga)

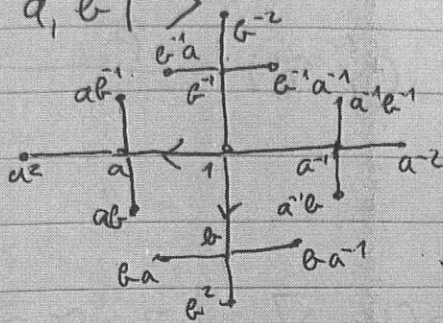
• For each $g \in G$ and β attach a 2-cell to the oriented circle given by $r_\beta = g_{a_1}^{\epsilon_1} g_{a_2}^{\epsilon_2} \dots g_{a_l}^{\epsilon_l}$

($\epsilon_i \in \{\pm 1\}$.)

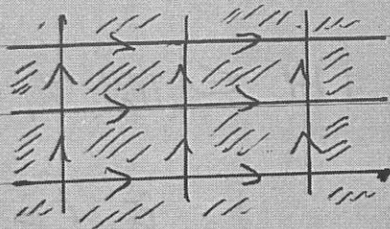
$$g, g g_{a_1}^{\epsilon_1}, g g_{a_1}^{\epsilon_1} g_{a_2}^{\epsilon_2}, \dots, g g_{a_1}^{\epsilon_1} \dots g_{a_{l-1}}^{\epsilon_{l-1}} g_{a_l}^{\epsilon_l} g_{a_l}^{-\epsilon_l} \dots g_{a_2}^{-\epsilon_2} g_{a_1}^{-\epsilon_1} g = g$$

(Exercise: \tilde{X}_G is simply connected and $\tilde{X}_G \rightarrow X_G$ a universal cover)

(a) $G = \langle a, b \mid \rangle$



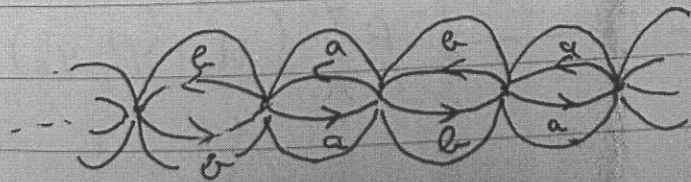
(b) $G = \langle a, b \mid aba^{-1}b^{-1} \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$



\tilde{X}_G

$X_G \cong S^1 \times S^1$

(c) $G = \langle a, b \mid a^2, b^2 \rangle$



\tilde{X}_G

$X_G \cong \mathbb{R}P^2 \vee \mathbb{R}P^2$

V Homology

Fundamental groups are not enough to distinguish between spaces, e.g. $\pi_1(S^m) = 0 \quad \forall m \geq 2$.

Higher homotopy groups are difficult to compute and become unmanageably

For example $\pi_n(S^m) \neq 0$ for so many (n, m) with $n > m$.

Homology groups are much easier to compute and still provide a lot of information about the space.

To give an idea about the magnitude homology groups we first define simplicial homology groups.

V.1. Δ -complexes

Def 102: (n -simplex)

An n -simplex in \mathbb{R}^m is a set of the form

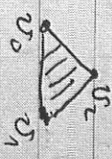
$$[v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n] := \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i v_i \mid \lambda_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i = 1 \right\}$$

where v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n are elements of \mathbb{R}^m such that $v_1 - v_0, v_2 - v_0, \dots, v_n - v_0$ are linearly independent.

Example 103: (a) 0-simplex v_0



(c) 2-simplex



(d) standard n -simplex

$$\Delta^n := \left\{ (\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq \lambda_i \leq 1 \\ \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i = 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= [e_0, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n]$$

$$e_i := (0, \dots, 0, \overset{(i)}{1}, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

Terminology 104: The notation

$[v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n]$ indicates an ordering on the set of vertices: $v_0 < v_1 < v_2 < \dots < v_n$.

Thus n -simplex means n -simplex with ordering on the set of vertices.

Def 105: (a) The $(n-1)$ -simplices

$$[v_1, \dots, v_n], [v_0, v_2, \dots, v_n],$$

$$[v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_n],$$

are called faces of $[v_0, \dots, v_n]$.

(b) $\partial \Delta^n :=$ union of all faces.

boundary of Δ^n

$$\Delta^n := \Delta^n \setminus \partial \Delta^n \text{ interior of } \Delta^n$$

Rk 106: For every n -simplex

$[v_0, \dots, v_n]$ there is a canonical

homeomorphism

$$\Delta^n \longrightarrow [v_0, \dots, v_n]$$

$$(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n) \longmapsto \sum_{i=0}^n A_i v_i$$

This will be used a lot later.

Def 107 (Δ -complex)

A Δ -complex structure on a space X is a family of maps $\sigma_\alpha: \Delta^{d_\alpha} \rightarrow X$, $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$, such that

(i) $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \sigma_\alpha$ is injective

and $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \text{im}(\sigma_\alpha) = X$

(ii) $\forall \alpha \in \mathcal{A} \exists$ faces of $\Delta^{d_\alpha}: \exists \beta \in \mathcal{A}$

$$\sigma_\alpha|_F = \sigma_\beta$$

Here we used the map from Rh 106.

(iii) $\forall \alpha \in \mathcal{A}: \exists$ a open in X

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{A}: \sigma_\alpha^{-1}(A) \text{ open in } \Delta^{d_\alpha}$$

Examples 108:

(a) Δ^n has a canonical Δ -complex structure

$$\mathcal{A} = \{ S \mid S \subseteq \{0, \dots, n\} \}$$

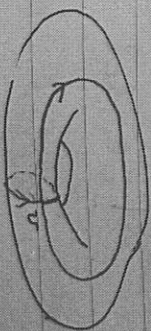
$$\sigma_S: \Delta^{|S|-1} \rightarrow \Delta^n$$

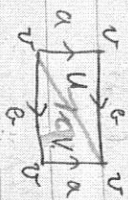
$$\sigma_S(A_0, \dots, A_{|S|-1}) := \sum_{i=0}^{|S|-1} A_i e_{j_i}$$

where $S = \{ j_0 < j_1 < \dots < j_{|S|-1} \}$

$$|\mathcal{A}| = 2^{n+1} - 1.$$

(b) T^2





T has a Δ -complex structure with $|T| = 6$
 $\mathcal{A} = \{a, b, U, V, c, v\}$

$$\sigma_a : [e_0, e_1] \longrightarrow \text{circle}$$

σ_c, σ_e similar

$$\sigma_v : [e_0] \longrightarrow \{e\}$$

$$\sigma_U : [e_1, e_1, e_2] \longrightarrow U$$

$$\sigma_V : [e_0, e_1, e_2] \longrightarrow V$$

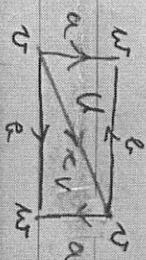
with $\sigma_U | [e_0, e_1] = \sigma_a = \sigma_V | [e_1, e_2]$

$$\sigma_U | [e_0, e_2] = \sigma_c = \sigma_V | [e_0, e_2]$$

$$\sigma_U | [e_1, e_2] = \sigma_e = \sigma_V | [e_0, e_1]$$

Note that with the above choice of σ_a, σ_c , we cannot have $\sigma_V | [e_0, e_1] = \sigma_a$.

(c) $\mathbb{R}P^2$

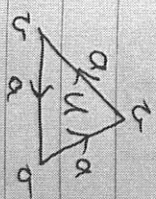


$$\sigma_U | [e_0, e_1] = \sigma_c = \sigma_V | [e_0, e_1]$$

$$\sigma_U | [e_0, e_2] = \sigma_a = \sigma_V | [e_1, e_2]$$

$$\sigma_U | [e_1, e_2] = \sigma_e = \sigma_V | [e_0, e_2]$$

(d)



does not define a Δ -complex structure.

because if $\sigma_U | [e_0, e_1] = \sigma_a$

then $\sigma_U | [e_0, e_2] = \sigma_a$

but $\text{im}(\bar{\sigma}_a) = \text{im}(\sigma_a)$ and $\bar{\sigma}_a \neq \sigma_a$.

(e) Exercise: Find a Δ -complex structure for the Klein bottle with $|\mathcal{A}| = 6$

II.2. Simplicial Homology

We write $[\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n] = \Delta^n$ for the standard simplex.

Def 109: (Simplicial chain complex)

Let X be a top space with a Δ -complex structure $(\sigma)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$.

$$n \in \mathbb{N}_0: \Delta_n(X) := \bigoplus_{\substack{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} \\ d_\alpha = n}} \mathbb{Z} \sigma_\alpha$$

An element $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \sum_{d_\alpha = n} \sigma_\alpha \in \Delta_n(X)$ is called an n -chain.

For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we define a boundary homomorphism

$$\partial_n: \Delta_n(X) \longrightarrow \Delta_{n-1}(X)$$

$$\partial_n(\sigma) := \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \sigma \Big|_{[v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_n]}$$

and $\partial_0: \Delta_0(X) \rightarrow 0$.

$(\Delta_n(X), \partial_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ is called the simplicial chain complex for $(X, (\sigma_n)_n)$.

✓ We write

$$\rightarrow \Delta_3(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_3} \Delta_2(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_2} \Delta_1(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} \Delta_0(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_0} 0$$

Lemma 110: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: \partial_{n-1} \circ \partial_n = 0$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{n-1} \circ \partial_n(\sigma) &= \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \partial_{n-1}(\sigma \Big|_{[v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_n]}) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} (-1)^j (-1)^i \sigma \Big|_{[v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_j, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_n]} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n (-1)^{j-1} (-1)^i \sigma \Big|_{[v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, \hat{v}_j, \dots, v_n]} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Def 111: $n \geq 0: H_n^\Delta(X) := \text{Ker } \partial_n / \text{Im } \partial_{n+1}$

is called the n th simplicial homology group of X .

Remark 112: $H_n^\Delta(X)$ does not depend on the Δ -complex structure. We will prove this later.

Examples 113: (a)

$$X = \bigcup_{\sigma \in \Sigma} \sigma$$

Δ -complex structure $\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4, \sigma_5$

$$\Delta_0(X) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_0 \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_5$$

$$\Delta_1(X) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_3$$

$$n > 1: \Delta_n(X) = 0 \text{ and } H_n^\Delta(X) = 0.$$

$$H_0^\Delta(X) = \text{ker}(\partial_0) / \text{im}(\partial_1)$$

$$\stackrel{\partial_0=0}{=} \Delta_0(X) / \text{im}(\partial_1)$$

$$= \Delta_0(X) / \langle \sigma_w - \sigma_v \rangle$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z} \sigma_v \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

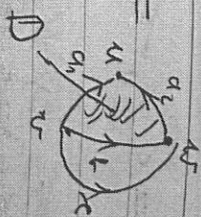
$\{ \sigma_w - \sigma_v, \sigma_v \}$ is a basis of $\Delta_0(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\partial_1(n_a \sigma_a + n_b \sigma_b + n_c \sigma_c) \right. \\ &= n_a(\sigma_w - \sigma_v) + n_b(\sigma_w - \sigma_v) + n_c(\sigma_w - \sigma_v) \\ &= (n_a + n_b + n_c)(\sigma_w - \sigma_v). \end{aligned}$$

$$H_1^\Delta(X) = \text{ker}(\partial_1) / \text{im}(\partial_2) \cong \mathbb{Z} \sigma_a$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z}(\sigma_a - \sigma_b) + \mathbb{Z}(\sigma_a - \sigma_v)$$

(2) $Y =$



$$\Delta_2(Y) = \mathbb{Z} D$$

$$\Delta_1(Y) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_{a_1} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_{a_2} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_b \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_c$$

$$\Delta_0(Y) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_u \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_v \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_r$$

$$\partial_2(D) = \sigma_{a_2} - \sigma_{a_1} + \sigma_b$$

$$\partial_1(n_{a_1} \sigma_{a_1} + n_{a_2} \sigma_{a_2} + n_b \sigma_b + n_c \sigma_c)$$

$$= n_{a_1}(\sigma_u - \sigma_v) + n_{a_2}(\sigma_u - \sigma_r)$$

$$+ (\sigma_w - \sigma_v) n_c + n_c(\sigma_w - \sigma_r)$$

$$= (n_{a_1} + n_{a_2}) \sigma_u + (n_b + n_c - n_{a_1}) \sigma_v$$

$$+ (-n_{a_2} - n_c - n_c) \sigma_r$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Leftrightarrow n_{a_1} = n_b + n_c = -n_{a_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ker(d_1) = \langle \sigma_{a_1} - \sigma_{a_2} + \sigma_b, \sigma_{a_1} - \sigma_{a_2} + \sigma_c \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow H_1^\Delta(X) = \ker(d_1) / \text{Im}(d_2) \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

$$H_2^\Delta(X) = \ker(d_2) / \text{Im}(d_3)$$

$$\cong \ker(d_2) \xrightarrow{\uparrow} \text{direct}$$

$$H_0^\Delta(X) = \Delta_0(X) / \langle \sigma_u - \sigma_w, \sigma_u - \sigma_v, \sigma_w - \sigma_v \rangle$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z} \sigma_v / \langle \sigma_u - \sigma_w, \sigma_u - \sigma_v, \sigma_w - \sigma_v \rangle$$

\mathbb{Z} - basis of $\Delta_0(X)$

$$\forall n \geq 1: H_n^\Delta(X) = 0.$$

(c) $S^1 \times S^1$

$$\Delta_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_a$$

$$\Delta_0(S^1) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_v$$

$$\partial_n = 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

$$\Rightarrow H_n^\Delta(X) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & | n=0,1 \\ 0 & | n>1. \end{cases}$$

(d) $T = S^1 \times S^1$

Consider the Δ -complex structure from 108 (a).

$$\Delta_0(T) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_v$$

$$\Delta_1(T) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_a \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_b \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_c$$

$$\Delta_2(T) = \mathbb{Z} \sigma_u \oplus \mathbb{Z} \sigma_v$$

$$\partial_1 = 0 \Rightarrow H_0^\Delta(T) = \Delta_0(T) \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\partial_2(\mu_u \sigma_u + \mu_v \sigma_v) = \mu_u(\sigma_b - \sigma_c + \sigma_a) + \mu_v(\sigma_a - \sigma_c + \sigma_b)$$