

Poincaré Duality Talk:

Prop. Let M^n be a compact, connected, n -manifold with a triangulation τ . Then τ gives a dual cell structure σ on M^n such that

$$\sum_p \text{simplices of } \tau \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \sum_{(n-p)\text{-cells of } \sigma} \quad (*)$$

Examples: $n=2$.



$$\tau = \sigma$$



$\mathbb{R}P^2 =$



Upshot: We can use the correspondence (*) to build maps $S_p(M^n) \rightarrow C^{n-p}(M^n)$

We use $H_0(\mathbb{R}P^2) \cong \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cong} H_2(\mathbb{R}P^2) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \rightsquigarrow & S_n(M^n) & \rightarrow & \dots & \rightarrow & S_p(M^n) & \rightarrow & \dots & \rightarrow & S_0(M^n) \\
 & \downarrow f_n & & & & \downarrow f_p & & & & \downarrow f_0 \\
 & C(M^n) & \rightarrow & \dots & \rightarrow & C^p(M^n) & \rightarrow & \dots & \rightarrow & C^0(M^n)
 \end{array}$$

claim: If M^n is orientable then f_* is a chain map and the induced map on homology is an isomorphism.

\rightsquigarrow Poincaré Duality,

$$H_p(M) \cong H^{n-p}(M)$$

Ex.

orientability.

(we need this for smooth m.f.d.s.)

Let M^n be a n -manifold, let $x \in M^n$

• A fundamental class of M^n at x is an element $z \in H_n(M^n, M^n - x)$ such that if $X \in X$ then the image of z under the map

$$H_n(M^n, M^n - x) \rightarrow H_n(M^n, M^n - x) \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

$H_n(M^n, M^n - x)$ is a \mathbb{Z} -module (i.e. = 1, or -1)

• An orientation of M is an open cover $M = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ together with a "compatible" family of fundamental classes

$$\{z_i \in H_n(M^n, M^n - U_i)\}_{i \in I}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} z_i & & \\ H_n(M^n, M^n - U_i) & \searrow & \\ & & H_n(M^n, M^n - U_i \cap U_j) \\ H_n(M^n, M^n - U_j) & \swarrow & \\ z_j & & \end{array}$$

Example: $n=2$, $M^n = \mathbb{P}^1 = U_0 \cup U_1$

where $U_0 = \mathbb{C}$, $U_1 = \mathbb{C}^* \cup \{\infty\}$

Now $H_2(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^1 - U_0) \cong \mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}_0$ fundamental classes.

$H_2(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^1 - U_1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}_1$ fundamental classes.

if $x \in U_0$ then $\overset{\mathbb{Z}_0}{\mathbb{Z}} \cong H_2(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^1 - U_0) \xrightarrow{\text{id.}} H_2(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^1 - x) \cong \mathbb{Z}$.

if $x \in U_1$ then $\overset{\mathbb{Z}_1}{\mathbb{Z}} \cong H_2(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^1 - U_1) \xrightarrow{\text{id.}} H_2(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^1 - x) \cong \mathbb{Z}$.

So $\mathbb{Z}_0 \cong \mathbb{Z}^{-1, 1}$ and $\mathbb{Z}_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}^{-1, 1}$.

Picture



U_0

U_1

The compatibility condition boils down to requiring that the two choices of orientation agree after gluing.

Fact 5. A fundamental class of M^n (at U^n) determines an orientation of M^n .

Conversely, if $K \subseteq M^n$ is compact then an orientation of M^n at K determines a fundamental class of M^n at K .

For our example.

$$(z_0, z_1) = (1, 1)$$

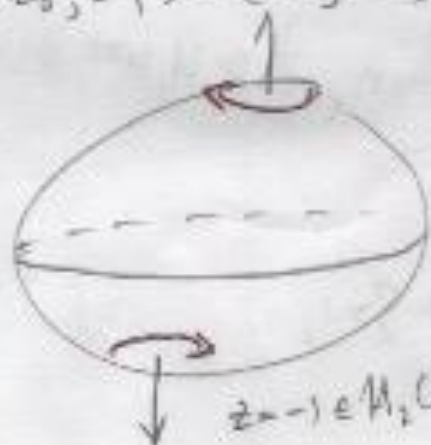
\mathbb{R}^1



$$z=1 \in \mathcal{H}_2(\mathbb{R}^1)$$

$$(z_0, z_1) = (-1, -1)$$

\mathbb{R}^1



$$z=-1 \in \mathcal{H}_2(\mathbb{R}^1)$$

Thm: statement of Poincaré Duality.

Thm: Let M^n be a compact oriented n -manifold.
If $[M] \in H_n(M^n)$ is a fundamental class of M^n
(at M^n) then the map $H^p(M^n) \rightarrow H_{n-p}(M^n)$ given
by $\alpha \mapsto \alpha \cap [M]$ is an isomorphism.

Proof Philosophy

For an arbitrary n -manifold
we can glue a version of Poincaré
duality together to get duality for M^n .



$\cong \mathbb{R}^2$

Problem: \mathbb{R}^n is not compact
we need a version of duality for \mathbb{R}^n
cohomology with compact support. Let \mathcal{K} be the
set of compact cubes in \mathbb{R}^n .

Define $H_c^p(\mathbb{R}^n) := \text{colim}_{\mathcal{K}} H^p(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K)$

Structure maps $H^p(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - L) \rightarrow H^p(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K)$ come

from inclusions $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - L) \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K)$.

Goal: Get an isomorphism

$$H_c^q(\mathbb{R}^n) \cong H_{n-q}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

Universal property of colimits.

\leadsto It suffices to give isomorphisms

$$D_K: H^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K) \rightarrow H_{n-q}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

for each compact cube such that if

$$K \subseteq L \text{ then } H^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K) \xrightarrow{D_K} H_{n-q}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\uparrow \quad \hookrightarrow \quad \searrow$$

$$H^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - L) \xrightarrow{D_L} H_{n-q}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

How do we get D_K .

Relative cap product

$$\cap: H^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K) \otimes H_n(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K) \rightarrow H_{n-q}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

Implication

\mathbb{R}^n orientable \implies Existence of a fundamental class of \mathbb{R}^n at K ($\in \mathbb{Z} \otimes H_n(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K)$)

Define $D_K : H^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K) \rightarrow H_{\text{sing}}^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\alpha \mapsto \alpha \cap [Z_K]$$

~~The statement that this is an isomorphism is trivial~~

$$\text{Now } H^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - K) \cong H^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - \{x\})$$

$$\cong \tilde{H}^q(\mathbb{R}^n - \{x\})$$

$$\cong \tilde{H}^q(S^{n-1})$$

$$\cong \tilde{H}^q(S^n)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & \text{if } q=n \\ 0, & \text{if } q \neq n \end{cases}$$

So D_K is clearly
an iso. for $q \neq n$

For $q=n$ this can be checked using the definition.
of D_K .