

Proof (simple K nneth; sketch)

fix Y , consider functors
$$h^n(X, A) = \bigoplus_i (H^i(X, A; \mathbb{R}) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} H^{n-i}(Y; \mathbb{R}))$$
$$k^n(X, A) = H^n(X \times Y, A \times Y; \mathbb{R})$$

relative cross product: $\mu: h^n(X, A) \rightarrow k^n(X, A)$

want: this is an isomorphism when $A = \emptyset$.

show: $\bullet$ h^* , k^* cohomology theories

$\bullet$ μ natural transformation (commutes with induced homomorphisms and boundary maps in l.e.s. of pair).

Prop: If μ is an iso for $(\{pt\}, \emptyset)$ then it is an iso for all pairs $\square$.

check $X = \{pt\}, A = \emptyset \square$.

Application

Thm (Hopf) If $\mathbb{R}^n$ has a division algebra structure over $\mathbb{R}$, then n is a power of 2.

Recall: algebra: bilinear map $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
 $(a, b) \mapsto ab$

distributive:

$$a(b+c) = ab+ac$$

$$(a+b)c = ac+bc$$

$$a(ab) = (aa)b = a(ab)$$

not necessarily: commutative
associative
w/ identity element

division algebra: $a \neq 0$ then $ax = b$ always solvable. (equivalently: no zero divisors).

Examples $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}$ Quaternions: $\langle 1, i, j, k \rangle$ $ij=k$
 $\mathbb{R}^3 \cong \mathbb{R}^4$ $i^2=j^2=-1$
 $ji=-ij$

$\mathbb{O}$ Octonions (not associative)
 $\mathbb{R}^8$

Thm [Bott-Milnor][Kervaire] That's all. $\square$.

Thm (Hopf) $\mathbb{R}^n$ division algebra, then $n=2^m$.

Proof $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ gives $g: S^{n-1} \times S^{n-1} \rightarrow S^{n-1}$
 $(x, y) \mapsto \frac{xy}{|xy|}$

note: $-(xy) = (-x)y = x(-y)$ so $g(-x, y) = -g(x, y) = g(x, -y)$

so we get $h: \mathbb{R}P^n \times \mathbb{R}P^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^n$

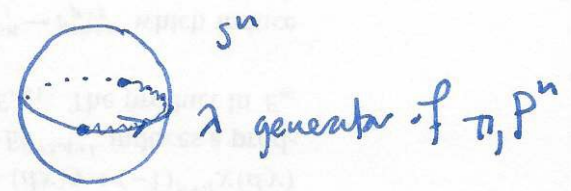
$\mathbb{Z}_2$ coeffs: $h^*: H^*(\mathbb{R}P^n \times \mathbb{R}P^n) \xleftarrow{h^*} H^*(\mathbb{R}P^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$

claim: $\alpha + \beta \longleftarrow \gamma$ where $\alpha = p_1^*(\gamma)$ $\beta = p_2^*(\gamma)$.

note: cup product structure $\Rightarrow$ this completely determines h^* on H^k .

proof (of claim): $(n > 1) \pi_1 P^n = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

find: $\pi_1(P^n \times P^n) \xrightarrow{h_*} \pi_1 P^n$
 $\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$



what is $h_*(1, 0)$? $(1, 0) = (\lambda, \text{const } x_0) \mapsto \frac{\lambda x_0}{|\lambda x_0|}$

i.e. image of λ under linear map $z \mapsto zx_0$,
 so is still a path joining antipodal points, so $h_*(1, 0) = 1$.
 similarly $h_*(0, 1) = 1$

$H_1(P^n) = \pi_1(P^n) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ so same action on H_1 .

$H^*(x; \mathbb{Z}_2) = \text{Hom}(H_*(\cdot, \mathbb{Z}_2); \mathbb{Z}_2)$ gives claim. $\square$.

now $\gamma^n = 0$ in $H^*(P^{n-1}; \mathbb{Z}_2)$, so $0 = h^*(\gamma^n) = (\alpha + \beta)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \alpha^k \beta^{n-k}$
 in $H^*(P^n \times P^{n-1}; \mathbb{Z}_2)$, so $\binom{d}{k} \equiv 0 \pmod 2$ for all $0 < k < d$.

equivalently, $(1+x)^n = 1+x^n$ in $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]$. Fact: this only happens if $n=2^m$.

wife $n = d_1 + d_2 + \dots + d_k \in$ powers of 2 w/ $d_i < d_{i+1}$. wk: $(1+x)^2 = 1+x^2 \pmod 2 \Rightarrow (1+x)^{2^m} = 1+x^{2^m}$

so $(1+x)^n = (1+x)^{d_1} \dots (1+x)^{d_k} = (1+x^{d_1}) \dots (1+x^{d_k}) \leftarrow$ same poly with 2^k terms. $\square$.

(topological manifold; also smooth, piecewise linear manifolds).

Note manifold, local condition $\Rightarrow$ global info.

Defⁿ A triangulation of M is a Δ -complex structure consisting of n -simplices with their $(n-1)$ -dim faces glued in pairs.

$n=2$: 

$n=3$:  $\sim M^3$.

- generator: 1 copy of every simplex

— not connected, then get $\oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$

- not compact? $(H_n(M; \mathbb{Z}_2))_{\geq 0}$.

choose compatible orientation on adjacent simplices

if everything fits together, set $H_n(M; \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$.

if auf $H_2(M; \mathbb{Z}) = 0$ (esg. Mößlin band):

