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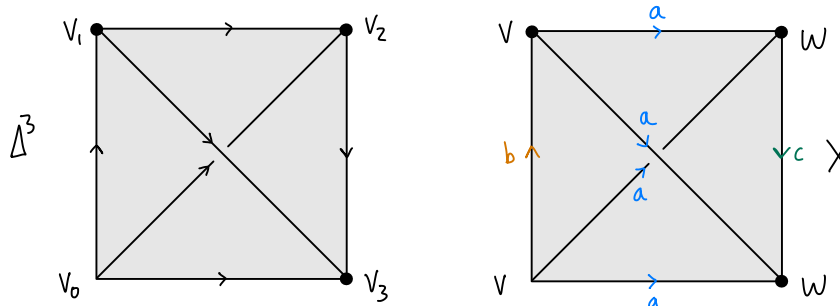
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- 1 Compute the cellular homology of the orientable surface  $M_g$  of genus  $g$ .

- 2 Let  $X$  be the torus, let  $A = X - \{p\}$  be the torus with a single point removed, and let  $B \subseteq X$  be a small disc containing the point  $p$ . Note  $X = \text{int}A \cup \text{int}B$ . Derive the 1- and 2-dimensional homology groups of the torus  $X$  from the Mayer–Vietoris long exact sequence (and from the known homology groups of  $A$  and  $B$ ).

- 3 Let  $X$  be the  $\Delta$ -complex obtained from the 3-simplex  $\Delta^3$  by identifying  $[v_0, v_2, v_3]$  bijectively with  $[v_1, v_2, v_3]$  (preserving the ordering of the vertices), and also by similarly identifying  $[v_0, v_1, v_2]$  with  $[v_0, v_1, v_3]$ .



After these identifications, we have two 0-simplices  $v$  and  $w$ , three 1-simplices  $a, b, c$ , two 2-simplices  $P$  (the identification of  $[v_0, v_2, v_3]$  with  $[v_1, v_2, v_3]$ ) and  $Q$  (the identification of  $[v_0, v_1, v_2]$  with  $[v_0, v_1, v_3]$ ), and a single 3-simplex  $T$ .

Compute the simplicial homology  $H_i(X)$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ .

- 4 Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces. Recall that a continuous map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  induces a homomorphism  $f_{\#}: C_i(X) \rightarrow C_i(Y)$  on singular chain groups for all  $i \geq 0$ . Recall that  $f_{\#}$  commutes with the boundary operators, meaning  $f_{\#}\partial_i^X = \partial_i^Y f_{\#}$  for all  $i \geq 0$ .
- (a) (3 points) Prove that if  $\alpha \in \ker \partial_i^X$ , then  $f_{\#}(\alpha) \in \ker \partial_i^Y$ .
- (b) (3 points) Prove that if  $\alpha \in \text{im } \partial_{i+1}^X$ , then  $f_{\#}(\alpha) \in \text{im } \partial_{i+1}^Y$ .
- (c) (4 points) Recall that by (a) and (b) we can define a group homomorphism  $f_*: H_i(X) \rightarrow H_i(Y)$  by  $f_*([\alpha]) = [f_{\#}(\alpha)]$ . Suppose now that we have a second continuous map  $g: X \rightarrow Y$ . Suppose furthermore that there exists a group homomorphism  $P: C_i(X) \rightarrow C_{i+1}(Y)$  for all  $i \geq 0$  that satisfies  $P\partial + \partial P = f_{\#} - g_{\#}$ . Prove that  $f_* = g_*: H(X) \rightarrow H(Y)$ .

5 Just say “True” or “False”. No justification is required; no partial credit is available.

- (a) Every simplicial complex is also a  $\Delta$ -complex.
- (b) If a chain complex is exact, then all of its homology groups are trivial.
- (c) If  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  is a short exact sequence of abelian groups, then  $B \cong C/A$ .
- (d) If a CW complex  $X$  has  $k$  cells of dimension  $n$ , then  $H_n(X)$  is generated by at most  $k$  elements.
- (e) If  $-\mathbb{1}: S^n \rightarrow S^n$  is the antipodal map defined by  $-\mathbb{1}(x) = -x$  for all  $x \in S^n$ , then  $\deg(-\mathbb{1}) = -1$ .

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