

Algebraic Topology, VT22.
Homework Assignment 7.
Due Thursday March 10.

- (1) (5 points) Compute the degrees of the following self-maps of S^n :
- (a) Reflection in a line through the origin.
 - (b) Rotation by the angle π in a coordinate plane.
 - (c) The map $(x_0, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (x_{\omega_0}, \dots, x_{\omega_n})$, where ω is a permutation.
 - (d) (Bonus problem) The map $x \mapsto Ax$, where A is an orthogonal $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ -matrix.

- (2) (5 points) Let X be cell complex.

- (a) Following Hatcher's proof of Theorem 2.35, show that an isomorphism

$$\phi_X: H_n(X) \rightarrow H_n^{CW}(X)$$

is given explicitly by

$$\phi_X(x) = [j_n(y)],$$

where $y \in H_n(X^n)$ is any homology class that maps to x under the homomorphism $H_n(X^n) \rightarrow H_n(X)$ and where $j_n: H_n(X^n) \rightarrow H_n(X^n, X^{n-1})$ is the canonical homomorphism.

- (b) A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ between cell complexes is called cellular if $f(X^n) \subseteq Y^n$ for all n . Show that a cellular map induces a homomorphism

$$f_*^{CW}: H_n^{CW}(X) \rightarrow H_n^{CW}(Y)$$

for all n , and show that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_n^{CW}(X) & \xrightarrow{f_*^{CW}} & H_n^{CW}(Y) \\ \downarrow \phi_X & & \downarrow \phi_Y \\ H_n(X) & \xrightarrow{f_*} & H_n(Y) \end{array}$$

is commutative.