

Borel-Moore homology and cap product operations

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Abstract

We show that, for a simplicial complex, the supported cap product operation on the Borel-Moore homology coincides with the supported cap product on simplicial homology. For this we introduce the supported cap product for locally finite singular homology, and compare the cap product on the three homology theories.

In this paper we shall compare the supported cap product operations on the Borel-Moore homology, locally finite singular homology, and locally finite simplicial homology; we verify that they agree via the canonical identifications of the three homology theories.

Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space, and denote by $H_*(X) = H_*(X; \mathbb{Z})$ its Borel-Moore homology with $\mathbb{Z}$ -coefficients. The definition (see [BM] and [Br]) is by means of sheaf theory: take an injective resolution $\mathcal{I}^*$ of the sheaf $\mathbb{Z}$ on X , take its “dual” $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{I}^*)$, and then apply the global section functor to get a complex $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{I}^*))$; its cohomology is the Borel-Moore homology. For $Z \subset X$ closed, the supported cap product for the Borel-Moore homology is a map

$$H_m(X) \otimes H_Z^p(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(Z) \quad (1)$$

defined via sheaf theory. The importance of this operation in algebraic geometry is known by its use in the theory of intersections on singular varieties over $\mathbb{C}$ (see [Fu], Chap. 19 and also [FM]).

In this paper we address the following problems:

(I) Suppose X is equipped with a (sufficiently fine) triangulation such that Z is a subcomplex. Let $H_*^{\text{simp}}(X)$ denote the locally finite simplicial homology of X , defined to be the homology of the complex $\tilde{C}_*(X)$ of infinite simplicial chains on X . We have the cap product for locally finite simplicial homology,

$$H_m^{\text{simp}}(X) \otimes H_Z^p(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(Z). \quad (2)$$

It is induced from the chain level map, given by the cap product formula of “Alexander-Whitney” type. (More precisely, for the chain level map, one needs to replace Z with its closed star – see §6 for details.) It is well-known that the group $H_*^{\text{simp}}(X)$ is independent of the choice of a triangulation. (See [Mu], §18 or §34 for the homology of finite chains; the same holds for locally finite homology.) Therefore one may ask if this map is independent of the triangulation of X such that Z is a subcomplex.

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(II) For a reasonable locally compact Hausdorff space X , let $H_*^{lf}(X)$ denote the homology of locally finite singular chains of X . It is known that there is an isomorphism $H_*(X) \cong H_*^{lf}(X)$ (e.g. [Br], Theorem (12.20).) If X is triangulated, it is well-known that there is a natural isomorphism $H_*^{lf}(X) \cong H_*^{\text{simp}}(X)$. It is thus natural to ask if one can construct a cap product map

$$H_m^{lf}(X) \otimes H_Z^p(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z), \quad (3)$$

using only singular chain methods; further one should have:

- (i) it is compatible with (1) via $H_*(X) \cong H_*^{lf}(X)$, and
- (ii) it is compatible with (2) when X is triangulated.

Notice that the construction of cap product (3) together with property (ii) solves the question (I), since cap product (3) is a topological invariant.

We shall answer these questions; it will turn out that the essential problem is the case $Z \neq X$. As a consequence of the solution, we conclude that the cap product (1) can be computed through the simplicial cap product (2). Also, we have that (2) is a topological invariant, see Corollary to Theorem (6.6). (The latter statement itself can also be verified by the method of acyclic models.) These statements – or, at least the latter statement – apparently have been tacitly assumed, but a proof cannot be found in the literature.

This paper is organized as follows. In §§1 and 2, we review the definitions of singular homology, cohomology, Borel-Moore homology, and the sheaf theoretic supported cap product on Borel-Moore homology.

In §3, for a topological space X we produce a quasi-isomorphism from the complex of locally finite singular chains $\tilde{S}_*(X)$ to the complex $D(\check{S}^*(X))$, the “dual” of the compactly supported cochain complex $\check{S}^*(X)$. If $\mathcal{S}^*$ is the sheaf of singular cochains, one can take its “dual” complex $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)$, and the complex $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))$ computes the Borel-Moore homology. It is shown in §4 that there is a quasi-isomorphism from $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))$ to $D(\check{S}^*(X))$. Therefore we have quasi-isomorphisms

$$\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(X)) \leftarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)), \quad (*)$$

and on homology an induced isomorphism $H_m^{lf}(X) \rightarrow H_m(X)$. This gives an explicit, chain-level isomorphism between the Borel-Moore homology and the locally finite singular homology. The presentation (*) itself may not be found in the literature, but one can show that it induces the same isomorphism as in [Br], Chap 5, (12.20).

In §4, we introduce the singular cap product (3) when $Z = X$; indeed we have no difficulty there, since the Alexander-Whitney formula provides the correct definition. The comparison with the sheaf theoretic cap product can be made, in a natural manner, based on the presentation (*). This section should be contrasted with the next section, which is central to this paper.

In §5, we take a closed set Z in general and introduce the cap product (3). Given $u \in S^p(X, X - Z)$ a cocycle, the Alexander-Whitney formula does not give a map a chain map $\cap u : \tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_{*-p}(Z)$. This we overcome by resorting to the quasi-isomorphism $\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(X))$; we attempt to create a chain map $u \cup : \check{S}^{*-p}(Z) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)$, which we will indeed do in the derived category. After the singular cap product is thus introduced, the comparison with the sheaf theoretic cap product again exploits the presentation (*).

In §6, the space is assumed to be triangulated. We first explain the definition of supported cap product in the simplicial homology, essentially given on chain level by the Alexander-Whitney formula. We show that it is compatible with the singular cap product; the quasi-isomorphism $\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(X))$ and its simplicial analogue are a necessary component in the proof.

In §7, we generalize the results to pairs of spaces. If Y is a closed set of the space X , then one has the relative Borel-Moore homology $H_*(X, Y) = H_*(X, Y; \mathbb{Z})$ defined via sheaf theory. Also one has the cap product operation $H_m(X, Y) \otimes H_Z^p(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(Z, Z \cap Y)$. All of the results of §§4-6 are generalized to this setting, the proofs following the same pattern. In addition, we discuss the localization isomorphism $H_*(X, Y) \cong H_*(X - Y)$ and its compatibility with cap products.

Throughout the paper, the use of sheaf theory is prevalent. Some statements involve no sheaves, but the proofs effectively use them, for example in (3.9) and (5.1).

The assumption on the space are precisely made as follows: In §1, X is a locally compact Hausdorff space; in §2, we assume also that X is locally contractible and satisfies the second axiom of countability. In §3- §5, we further add the assumption that X is of finite cohomological dimension. In §6, X is a locally finite, countable simplicial complex of finite dimension.

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After this paper was completed, we learned that E. G. Sklyarenko [Sk] also studied various cap product operations on homology theory. Among his results, Theorem 10.2 is most relevant to our work; however his methods of proof involving Massey homology are quite different from ours, and more importantly, they do not apply to our main problem – the cap product supported on a proper closed set (see the remark after Theorem 10.11 of [Sk]). Our paper is thus in its content essentially disjoint from [Sk].

§1. Singular homology and cohomology

For this section we refer the reader to [Ha], [Mu], and [Sp]. Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space. We denote by $S_*(X)$ (resp. $S^*(X)$) the chain complex (resp. cochain complex) of singular chains (resp. singular cochains) on X . Recall that $S_p(X)$ is the free abelian group on singular p -simplices on X , namely continuous maps from the topological p -simplex Δ^p to X , thus an element of $S_p(X)$ is a finite $\mathbb{Z}$ -linear combination of p -simplices,

$$\sum a_\sigma \sigma,$$

where σ is a singular p -simplex and $a_\sigma \in \mathbb{Z}$; the boundary map $\partial : S_p(X) \rightarrow S_{p-1}(X)$ is defined in the usual manner. One has $S^*(X) := \text{Hom}(S_*(X), \mathbb{Z})$, and for $u \in S^p(X)$ and $x \in S_{p+1}(X)$, $(du)(x) = (-1)^{p+1}u(\partial x)$. This sign convention differs from the usual one. The homology of $S_*(X)$ is denoted $H_*^c(X)$, and the cohomology of $S^*(X)$ is denoted $H^*(X)$.

We also recall that, for a subset $A \subset X$, there correspond the relative singular chain complex $S_*(X, A)$ and the relative singular cochain complex $S^*(X, A)$.

Let $\tilde{S}_*(X)$ be the chain complex of locally finite chains on X ; an element of $\tilde{S}_p(X)$ is a possibly infinite sum $\sum a_\sigma \sigma$ with p -simplices σ , which is locally finite. One defines $H_*^{lf}(X)$ to be the homology of $\tilde{S}_*(X)$. The functor $X \mapsto \tilde{S}_*(X)$, thus also $H_*^{lf}(X)$, is covariantly functorial for proper maps. (Locally finite homology appears as homology of the second kind in Cartan Seminar, 1948-49.)

We define a subcomplex $\check{S}^*(X)$ of $S^*(X)$ by

$$\check{S}^p(X) = \varinjlim S^p(X, X - K).$$

where K varies over the compact subsets of X . We denote the cohomology of $\check{S}^*(X)$ by $H_c^*(X)$. The functors $X \mapsto \check{S}^*(X)$ and $H_c^*(X)$ are contravariantly functorial for proper maps.

There is the cup product map $\cup : S^*(X) \otimes S^*(X) \rightarrow S^*(X)$ given for $u \in S^p(X)$, $v \in S^q(X)$ by

$$(u \cup v)(\sigma) = (-1)^{pq} u(\sigma') v(\sigma'')$$

where σ is a $(p+q)$ -simplex, σ' is its “front” p -face, and σ'' its “back” q -face. Notice again the difference from the usual convention. One has $d(u \cup v) = (du) \cup v + (-1)^p u \cup dv$.

The cap product map $\cap : S_*(X) \otimes S^*(X) \rightarrow S_*(X)$ is given as follows. For $u \in S^p(X)$ and σ a singular m -simplex, let

$$\sigma \cap u = u(\sigma') \sigma''$$

where σ' and σ'' are as above. We have the identity

$$\partial(\alpha \cap u) = (-1)^p (\partial \alpha) \cap u + \alpha \cap (du).$$

For $\alpha \in S_m(X)$ and $u \in S^p(X)$, $v \in S^{m-p}(X)$, one verifies

$$v(\alpha \cap u) = (-1)^{p(m-p)} (u \cup v)(\alpha).$$

§2. Borel-Moore homology and sheaf theoretic cap product

The references for the Borel-Moore homology include [BM], [Br] and [I]; we will use [Br] as our main reference. We take $\mathbb{Z}$ as the ring of coefficients for simplicity, but one may take any principal ideal domain (see [Br-Chap. V]). In this section, we assume:

- (*) X is a locally compact Hausdorff topological space, which satisfies the second axiom of countability, and which is locally contractible.

For example a locally finite, countable CW complex satisfies this condition. We note and use the following facts (cf. [Br 2]):

- A space X satisfying (*) is paracompact.
- An open set of X also satisfies (*). A closed subset of X satisfies all the conditions of (*) except the local contractibility.

The assignment $U \mapsto S^p(U)$, where $S^p(U)$ is the group of singular p -cochains on U , gives a presheaf on X , and let $\mathcal{S}^p$ be the associated sheaf. Thus we have the differential sheaf $\mathcal{S}^*$, called the singular cochain sheaf on X ([Br- Chap. I, §7]).

The space U is paracompact, so the family of supports of U consisting of all closed sets is paracompactifying. Since $S^p(U)$ is conjunctive ([Br-I, p. 26]), applying [Br-I, (6.2)], one has an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow S_0^p(U) \rightarrow S^p(U) \xrightarrow{\theta} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}^p) \rightarrow 0$$

where θ is the canonical map, and $S_0^p(U)$ is the kernel of θ ; $S_0^p(U)$ is the complex of singular cochains on U that are locally zero. The subcomplex $S_0^*(U)$ is acyclic, so θ is a quasi-isomorphism.

(2.1) **Proposition.** *S^* is a resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ on X by flabby sheaves.*

Proof. The flabbiness follows from the surjectivity of θ and the surjectivity of the restriction maps $S^p(X) \rightarrow S^p(U)$. The exactness of $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow S^*$ follows from [Br-II-(1.2)], since X is assumed locally contractible (indeed the weaker condition $HLC_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$ will suffice.) $\square$

By this fact, the sheaf cohomology of $\mathbb{Z}$, $H^p(X; \mathbb{Z})$, is identified with $H^p\Gamma(X, S^*)$. Since $\theta : S^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, S^*)$ is a quasi-isomorphism, we also have $H^p(S^*(X)) \cong H^p\Gamma(X, S^*)$. We will write $H^p(X)$ for $H^p(X; \mathbb{Z})$.

We also note that for Z a closed subset of X , we have $H^p(S^*(X, X - Z)) \cong H_Z^p(X; \mathbb{Z})$. Indeed, there are quasi-isomorphisms $S^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, S^*)$ and $S^*(X - Z) \rightarrow \Gamma(X - Z, S^*)$ which make the right square in the following diagram commute

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & S^*(X, X - Z) & \longrightarrow & S^*(X) & \longrightarrow & S^*(X - Z) & \rightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow \theta & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\ 0 \rightarrow & \Gamma_Z(X, S^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma(X, S^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma(X - Z, S^*) & \rightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

Since the rows of the diagram are exact, there is a unique map of complexes $\theta : S^*(X, X - Z) \rightarrow \Gamma_Z(X, S^*)$ so that the left square commutes, and it is also a quasi-isomorphism.

For a complex $K^\bullet$ of abelian groups, its dual $D(K^\bullet)$ is defined by

$$D(K^\bullet) = \text{Hom}(K^\bullet, I^\bullet),$$

where $I^\bullet$ is the complex $[\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}]$ concentrated in degrees 0 and 1. For $f \in \text{Hom}(K^\bullet, I^\bullet)$ and $x \in K^\bullet$, df is defined by the formula

$$(df)(x) = (-1)^{|f|+1} f(dx) + d(f(x))$$

(where $|f|$ denotes the degree of f). Note that $I^\bullet$ is an injective resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, and $D(K^\bullet) = R\text{Hom}(K^\bullet, \mathbb{Z})$ in the derived category of abelian groups. The functor D is exact, and takes quasi-isomorphisms to quasi-isomorphisms. If $K^\bullet$ is a complex of free $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules, then the natural map $\text{Hom}(K^\bullet, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow D(K^\bullet)$ is a quasi-isomorphism.

If $\mathcal{L}^*$ is a complex of c -soft sheaves on X , its dual $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}^*)$ is the complex of flabby sheaves given by

$$U \mapsto \text{Hom}(\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}^*), I^\bullet) = D\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}^*),$$

see [Br-V, §2].

Recall from [Br-V, §3] that the Borel-Moore homology of X (assumed only locally compact Hausdorff) is defined as

$$H_p(X; \mathbb{Z}) = H_p(X) = H_p\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{J}^*)),$$

in which $\mathcal{J}^*$ is the canonical injective resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, and $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{J}^*)$ is the dual of $\mathcal{J}^*$. One should distinguish it from homology with compact support $H_p^c(X; \mathbb{Z})$. We have (see [Br, 293, (10)]):

(2.2) **Proposition.** *If $\mathcal{L}^*$ is a c -soft resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, then one has $H_p(X; \mathbb{Z}) = H_p\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}^*))$.*

Now for our X , since $\mathcal{S}^*$ is a flabby resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ (in particular a c -soft resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$), we have

$$H_p(X; \mathbb{Z}) = H_p\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)),$$

namely the Borel-Moore homology can be calculated using $\mathcal{S}^*$.

One has the product map $\mathcal{S}^* \otimes \mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^*$, that is induced from the cup product of singular cochains, and it is compatible with augmentations. Thus according to [Br-V-(10.3)] one can use it to produce a map of differential sheaves (cap product at the sheaf level)

$$\cap : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*) \otimes \mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*),$$

where $f \cap s$ for f of degree m and s of degree p is defined by

$$\langle f \cap s, t \rangle = (-1)^{mp} \langle f, s \cup t \rangle.$$

(The value of a functional f at x will be written $\langle f, x \rangle$.) Then one has

$$d(f \cap s) = (-1)^p df \cap s + f \cap ds.$$

For Z a locally contractible closed subset of X , one has the induced map on sections

$$\cap : \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \otimes \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{S}^*) \rightarrow \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) = \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*|_Z)).$$

The last equality holds by the next proposition. Since $\mathcal{S}^*|_Z$ is a c -soft resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ on Z , the homology of the complex $\Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*|_Z))$ is identified with the Borel-Moore homology $H_*(Z)$. Therefore, passing to homology we obtain a map

$$\cap : H_m(X) \otimes H_Z^p(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(Z);$$

this is the *sheaf theoretic* supported cap product.

(2.3) **Proposition.** *If $\mathcal{L}$ a c -soft sheaf on X and Z a closed set, then*

$$\Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L})) = \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}|_Z))$$

Proof. This is a special case of [Br-V-(5.5)], but we give a direct, simpler proof.

One has an exact sequence (with $U = X - Z$)

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{L}|_Z) \rightarrow 0,$$

the last surjection being a consequence of c -softness. Taking dual, one has an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}|_Z)) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L})) \rightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L})) \rightarrow 0.$$

The kernel of the second map equals $\Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}))$. □

(2.4) **Remark.** In [Br-Chap. V], more general considerations are given:

(1) It defines the Borel-Moore homology with coefficients in a locally constant sheaf over a principal ideal domain.

(2) It defines the cap product with families of support (see [Br-V], (10.3)).

Extending the results of this paper in such set-ups may be done, under suitable hypotheses.

§3. The sheaf $\mathcal{S}_*$ and the complex of locally finite singular chains.

For the rest of the paper (indeed starting with (3.9)), we add another condition to (*) and assume that

(**) X is a locally compact Hausdorff topological space which satisfies the second axiom of countability, which is locally contractible, and $\dim_{\mathbb{Z}} X < \infty$. (See [Br, II-§16] for the notion of cohomological dimension.)

For example a locally finite countable CW complex of finite dimension satisfies these conditions. If X satisfies (**), then an open set of X also satisfies (**), and a locally contractible closed set of X also satisfies (**) (see [Br, II-(16.8)] for the notion of dimension of spaces).

We define a map of complexes $\xi : \tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\check{S}^*(X), \mathbb{Z}) \subset D\check{S}^*(X)$ as follows. Let $\alpha \in \tilde{S}_m(X)$. For $u \in \check{S}^m(X)$, let $K \in \text{Cpt}(X)$ such that $u \in S^m(X, X - K)$, write $\alpha = \alpha' + \alpha''$ with $\alpha' \in S_m(X)$, $\alpha'' \in \tilde{S}_m(X - K)$, and define $\xi(\alpha) \in \text{Hom}(\check{S}^m(X), \mathbb{Z})$ by

$$\langle \xi(\alpha), u \rangle = (-1)^m \langle u, \alpha' \rangle.$$

This is well-defined independent of the choice of K and the decomposition of α ; one also verifies that it gives a map of complexes.

Toward the end of this section we will prove that the map ξ is a quasi-isomorphism; it is all we need in later sections. The reader may opt to grant it and proceed to §4.

The complex $\mathcal{S}_{X,*}$. We recall from [Br] the definition and properties of the complexes of sheaves $\underline{\Delta}_{X,*}$ and $\mathcal{S}_{X,*}$.

1. Consider the presheaf $U \mapsto S_p(X, X - U)$ on X , and let $\underline{\Delta}_{X,p}$ be the associated sheaf. For any paracompactifying family of supports Φ , $\Gamma_{\Phi}(X, \underline{\Delta}_{X,p})$ coincides with the group of locally finite singular chains with support in Φ ; indeed by [Br, p.31, Exercise 12] $\underline{\Delta}_{X,p}$ is a monopresheaf and conjunctive for coverings of X , so that [Br-I-(6.2)] applies. Since X is paracompact, we may take $\Phi = \text{cld}$ (the family of all closed sets of X) and since X is locally compact we may take $\Phi = c$.

2. Let $\mathfrak{S}_p(X) = \varinjlim A_n$, where $A_n = S_p(X)$ for each $n \geq 1$, and the map $A_n \rightarrow A_{n+1}$ is the subdivision map. There is a natural injection $S_*(X) \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}_*(X)$, which is a quasi-isomorphism. For $A \subset X$, one defines $\mathfrak{S}_*(X, A) = \mathfrak{S}_*(X) / \mathfrak{S}_*(A)$. The assignment $U \mapsto \mathfrak{S}_p(U)$, where U is an open set of X , is a flabby cosheaf on X (see [Br-V, §1]).

In general, if $\mathcal{L}$ is a c -soft sheaf on X , then we denote by $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{L}\}$ the flabby cosheaf $U \mapsto \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})$ (cf. [Br-V-(1.6)]). Conversely it is known that a flabby cosheaf $\mathfrak{L}$ is of the form $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{L}\}$ for a unique c -soft sheaf $\mathcal{L}$, [Br-V-(1.8)]

To the flabby cosheaf $\mathfrak{S}_p(U)$ there corresponds a c -soft sheaf $\mathcal{S}_{X,p}$, thus we have $\mathfrak{S}_p(U) = \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,p})$. From the proof of this correspondence, $\mathcal{S}_{X,p}$ is the sheaf associated with the presheaf $U \mapsto \mathfrak{S}_p(X, X - U)$.

3. One has a natural injection $\underline{\Delta}_{X,p} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{X,p}$, induced from the injection $S_p(X, X - U) \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{S}_p(X, X - U)$. For any paracompactifying family of supports Φ , the induced map

$$\Gamma_\Phi(X, \underline{\Delta}_{X,*}) \hookrightarrow \Gamma_\Phi(X, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$$

is a quasi-isomorphism (cf. [Br-V-(1.19)]). In particular, we have quasi-isomorphisms

$$\tilde{S}_*(X) = \Gamma(X, \underline{\Delta}_{X,*}) \hookrightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$$

and

$$S_*(X) = \Gamma_c(X, \underline{\Delta}_{X,*}) \hookrightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}_{X,*}).$$

4. The formation of the sheaf $\mathcal{S}_{X,p}$ is compatible with restriction to open sets, in the following sense. Let $\mathcal{S}_{U,p}$ be the sheaf on U associated with the presheaf $V \mapsto \mathfrak{S}_p(U, U - V)$. The natural injection $\mathfrak{S}_p(U, U - V) \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{S}_p(X, X - V)$, for $V \subset U$ open, induces a map of sheaves $\mathcal{S}_{U,p} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{X,p}|_U$. Since both sheaves are c -soft, and the induced map on each open set

$$\Gamma_c(V, \mathcal{S}_{U,p}) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(V, \mathcal{S}_{X,p}|_U)$$

can be identified with the identity map on $\mathfrak{S}_p(V)$, it follows that the map $\mathcal{S}_{U,p} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{X,p}|_U$ is an isomorphism. Because of this fact, we will usually write $\mathcal{S}_p$ for $\mathcal{S}_{X,p}$ or $\mathcal{S}_{U,p}$. Composing the quasi-isomorphism $\tilde{S}_*(U) \hookrightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{U,*})$ with the isomorphism $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{U,*}) \cong \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$, we obtain a quasi-isomorphism $\tilde{S}_*(U) \hookrightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$. Similarly we have a quasi-isomorphism $S_*(U) \hookrightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$.

Dual complexes of $\tilde{S}_*(X)$. We introduce duals and double duals of the complex $\tilde{S}_*(X)$; instead of naive duals, we pass to a direct family of complexes, and then proceed to take duals.

For an open set U of X , and a compact $K \subset U$, one has a complex $S_*(U, U - K)$. For $K \subset K'$, there is an induced surjective map $S_*(U, U - K') \rightarrow S_*(U, U - K)$, so one has an inverse system of complexes $\{S_*(U, U - K)\}$, where K varies over $Cpt(U)$, the directed set of compact subsets of U . One has $\tilde{S}_*(U) = \varprojlim_{K \in Cpt(U)} S_*(U, U - K)$, as is easily verified. Taking the dual, we have a direct system of complexes $\{DS_*(U, U - K)\}$, and we let

$$\widetilde{DS}_*(U) := \varinjlim_{K \in Cpt(U)} DS_*(U, U - K).$$

The natural inclusion $S^*(U, U - K) \hookrightarrow D(S_*(U, U - K))$ induces an injection $\check{S}^*(U) \hookrightarrow \widetilde{DS}_*(U)$. Taking another dual, one has an inverse system $\{DD S_*(U, U - K)\}$, and

$$\widetilde{DD S}_*(U) := \varprojlim_{K \in Cpt(U)} DD S_*(U, U - K).$$

(3.1) Proposition. *Let $\mathcal{S}_* = \mathcal{S}_{X,*}$ and let U be an open set of X . We have maps of complexes, each of them being a quasi-isomorphism,*

$$\begin{array}{llll} \tilde{S}_*(U) & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_*) & (1) \\ S_*(U) & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_*) & (1)_c \\ S^*(U) & \hookrightarrow & DS_*(U) & \xleftarrow{\Theta'} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*)) & (2) \\ \check{S}^*(U) & \hookrightarrow & \widetilde{DS}_*(U) & \xleftarrow{\Theta'} \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*)) & (2)_c \\ D(\check{S}^*(U)) & \hookleftarrow & \widetilde{DD S}_*(U) & \xrightarrow{\Theta''} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{S}_*)) & (3) \end{array}$$

Remark. The statement is made for any open set U of X to clarify the relevance of sheaf theory; one could have stated it only for $U = X$ without losing generality.

Proof. As already noted, we have a map

$$\Theta : \tilde{S}_*(U) \hookrightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{U,*}) = \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$$

which is a quasi-isomorphism, verifying (1). We argue similarly for $(1)_c$.

From $(1)_c$, we have induced maps

$$S^*(U) \hookrightarrow DS_*(U) \xleftarrow{\Theta'} D\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_*) = \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*))$$

with both arrows quasi-isomorphisms (note that $S_*(U)$ is free, so the first map is a quasi-isomorphism); this is (2).

For $K \in Cpt(U)$, the quasi-isomorphism

$$\Theta : S_*(U, U - K) \hookrightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_*) / \Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{S}_*)$$

induces quasi-isomorphisms

$$S^*(U, U - K) \hookrightarrow DS_*(U, U - K) \xleftarrow{\Theta'} D(\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_*) / \Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{S}_*)) = \Gamma_K(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*))$$

and by taking direct limit, we obtain quasi-isomorphisms

$$\check{S}^*(U) \hookrightarrow \widetilde{DS}_*(U) \xleftarrow{\Theta'} \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*)),$$

giving $(2)_c$.

(3) follows from $(2)_c$ by taking dual, since $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{S}_*)) = D\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*))$ and $D(\widetilde{DS}_*(U)) = \widetilde{DDS}_*(U)$. $\square$

To relate the map (1) to the diagram (3) in Proposition (3.9), we introduce a few maps related to duality.

1. For a complex of abelian groups K , let $\mathfrak{d} : K \rightarrow DD(K)$ be the map of complexes which sends $x \in K$ to the element $\hat{x} \in DD(K)$ given by

$$\langle \hat{x}, f \rangle = (-1)^{|x| \cdot |f|} \langle f, x \rangle, \quad f \in D(K).$$

Here $|x|$, for example, denotes the degree of x .

In particular, applying this to the complex $S_*(U, U - K)$ one has the map $\mathfrak{d} : S_*(U, U - K) \rightarrow DDS_*(U, U - K)$. Passing to the inverse limit for $K \in Cpt(U)$, we obtain a map

$$\mathfrak{d} : \tilde{S}_*(U) \rightarrow \widetilde{DDS}_*(U)$$

which takes $\alpha = (\alpha_K)$ to $\mathfrak{d}(\alpha) = (\widehat{\alpha_K})$.

2. For $\mathcal{L}_*$ a bounded below complex of c -soft sheaves, one has a canonical map

$$\mathfrak{d} : \mathcal{L}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{L}_*)$$

defined as follows. Let $x \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{L}_p)$, and we shall define its image $\hat{x} \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{L}_p)) = D\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_p))$. Take an element $f \in \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_p))$, which may be viewed as an element of a larger group $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_p)) = D\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}_p)$. Let $|f| = K$, choose $x_1 \in \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}_p)$ such that $x|_K = x_1|_K \in \Gamma(K, \mathcal{L}_p)$, and set

$$\langle \hat{x}, f \rangle = (-1)^{|f| \cdot |x|} \langle f, x_1 \rangle \in I^\bullet.$$

This is well-defined independent of the choice of x_1 .

Remark. The map $\mathfrak{d}$ does not appear as such in [Br], but it induces the map in [Br, p.285, (1.13)] upon taking $\Gamma_c\{-\}$.

We leave it as an exercise to verify that the composition of the maps $\mathfrak{d} : \tilde{S}_*(U) \rightarrow \widetilde{DD}S_*(U)$ and $\widetilde{DD}S_*(U) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(U))$ coincides with ξ .

These give us a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & \tilde{S}_*(U) & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_*) & \\ \xi \swarrow & \downarrow \mathfrak{d} & & \downarrow \mathfrak{d} & \\ D(\check{S}^*(U)) & \xleftarrow{\quad} \widetilde{DD}S_*(U) & \xrightarrow{\Theta''} & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{S}_*)) & \end{array}$$

and the square on the right commutes as we now show.

We need an alternative description of the map $\Theta : \tilde{S}_*(U) \hookrightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$. In general, for a c -soft sheaf $\mathcal{L}$ on X , and an open set U , consider the inverse system of abelian groups $\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})/\Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{L})$ indexed by $K \in Cpt(U)$. We claim that there is a natural map to this inverse system

$$\Gamma(U, \mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \{\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})/\Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{L})\}_K.$$

Indeed, for each $s \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{L})$, there is a decomposition $s = s' + s''$ where $s' \in \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})$ and $s'' \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{L})$ with $|s''| \subset U - K$. (The restriction map $\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \Gamma(K, \mathcal{L}|_K)$ is surjective since $\mathcal{L}|_U$ is c -soft, so one can take $s' \in \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})$ such that $s'|_K = s|_K$.) The desired map $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})/\Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{L})$ is given by $s \mapsto \bar{s}'$.

(3.2) **Proposition.** *The above map induces an isomorphism to the inverse limit*

$$\Gamma(U, \mathcal{L}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \varprojlim (\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})/\Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{L})).$$

Proof. The injectivity is obvious. For surjectivity, let $s_K \in \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L})/\Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{L})$ be a family of elements, indexed by K , which is coherent: $K' \supset K$ implies $s_{K'} - s_K \in \Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{L})$. Then the family of elements, indexed by K ,

$$s_K|_{\mathring{K}} \in \Gamma(\mathring{K}, \mathcal{L}),$$

satisfies the patching condition, so it gives a global section restricting to each s_K . $\square$

Going back to our situation, the map of complexes $S_*(U) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$ induces a map of inverse systems of complexes $S_*(U, U - K) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})/\Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$, and taking inverse limit we obtain a map $\tilde{S}_*(U) \hookrightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_{X,*})$. The reader may verify that this coincides with the map Θ given before.

For $K \in Cpt(U)$ we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S_*(U, U - K) & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_*) / \Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{S}_*) \\ \downarrow \mathfrak{d} & & \downarrow \mathfrak{d} \\ DD(S_*(U, U - K)) & \xrightarrow{\Theta''} & DD(\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_*) / \Gamma_c(U - K, \mathcal{S}_*)). \end{array}$$

Passing to the inverse limit, and using the second description of Θ , we obtain the commutativity of the right square in the diagram in question.

In (3.9), under a further assumption on cohomological finite dimensionality on X , it will be proven that the map $\mathfrak{d}$ on the right is a quasi-isomorphism, and hence all the maps in the diagram are quasi-isomorphisms. The proof is based on [Br, Chap. V], which takes the rest of the section. The reader may choose to skip it, granting (3.9) as a fact.

We need theorems (3.6)-(3.8), essentially from [Br]. The corresponding statements in [Br] are somewhat different, due partly to the emphasis on cosheaves (rather than c -soft sheaves) and to the generality on assumptions. We shall therefore recall some notions and results from [Br] (in terms of c -soft sheaves, when possible), and give comments on the statement and the proof of (3.6).

For the definitions of precosheaves, cosheaves, and local isomorphism of precosheaves, see [Br-V, §1 and §12]. We begin here with the definition of resolutions and coresolutions of the constant sheaf $\mathbb{Z}$ on X .

(3.3) **Definition.** ([Br-V-(12.5)]) Let $\mathcal{L}^*$ be a bounded below complex of sheaves on X and $\epsilon : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{L}^*)$ be a homomorphism of presheaves, where $H^0(\mathcal{L}^*)$ is the presheaf $U \mapsto H^0(\mathcal{L}^*(U))$. We say that $(\mathcal{L}^*, \epsilon)$ is a *quasi-resolution* of $\mathbb{Z}$ if $\mathcal{H}^p(\mathcal{L}^*) = 0$ for $p \neq 0$ and ϵ induces an isomorphism of sheaves $\epsilon : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^0(\mathcal{L}^*)$. Here $\mathcal{H}^p(\mathcal{L}^*)$ denotes the sheafification of the presheaf $H^p(\mathcal{L}^*)$.

Let $\mathfrak{L}_*$ be bounded below complex of cosheaves and $\eta : H_0(\mathfrak{L}_*) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be a homomorphism of precosheaves, where $H_0(\mathfrak{L}_*)$ is the precosheaf $U \mapsto H_0(\mathfrak{L}_*(U))$. Then $(\mathfrak{L}_*, \eta)$ is said to be a *quasi-coresolution* of $\mathbb{Z}$ if $H_p(\mathfrak{L}_*) = 0$ for $p < 0$, $H_p(\mathfrak{L}_*) = 0$ is locally zero for $p > 0$, and η is a local isomorphism of precosheaves.

The main example of a quasi-coresolution arises from the complex $\mathcal{S}_*$, see (3.8).

Indeed in [Br] more general notions of quasi- n -resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ and quasi- n -coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ are introduced; we have restricted ourselves to the case $n = \infty$. We cite below some results from [Br-V]; these theorems are formulated for quasi- n -resolutions and quasi- n -coresolutions, but we again take $n = \infty$.

Recall the notation $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{L}\}$ for the cosheaf associated with a c -soft sheaf $\mathcal{L}$. According to the next two facts, the dual of a coresolution is a resolution, and the dual of a resolution is a coresolution.

(3.4) **Theorem.** ([Br-V-(12.7)]) Let $\mathcal{L}_*$ be a bounded below complex of c -soft sheaves such that $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{L}_*\}$ is a quasi-coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$. Then X is $clc_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$ and $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_*)$ is a quasi-resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ by flabby sheaves.

(3.5) **Theorem.** ([Br-V-(12.9)]) Suppose that X is $clc_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$. If $\mathcal{L}^*$ is a c -soft quasi-resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, then the complex of cosheaves $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}^*)\}$ is a quasi-coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$.

For the notion of cohomological local connectivity $clc_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$, see [Br-II, §17] (although its knowledge is not needed for what follows). The proof of the following uses (3.4) and (3.5).

(3.6) **Theorem.** *If $\mathcal{L}_*$ is a bounded below complex of c -soft sheaves such that $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{L}_*\}$ is a quasi-coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, then the canonical map*

$$\mathfrak{d} : \mathcal{L}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{L}_*)$$

induces a quasi-isomorphism

$$\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}_*) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{L}_*))$$

for each open set U of X .

Proof. This is essentially due to [Br-V-(12.11)] particularly its proof. By (3.4), X is $clc_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\infty}$ and $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_*)$ is a quasi-resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ by flabby sheaves. Then by (3.5), $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{L}_*)\}$ is a quasi-coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$. The map $\mathfrak{d} : \mathcal{L}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{L}_*)$ is compatible with the coaugmentation maps η . Under these circumstances it is proven in [Br-V-(12.11)] that the induced map $\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{L}_*) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{L}_*))$ is a quasi-isomorphism. $\square$

In the following theorem we use the notion of cohomological dimension $\dim_{\mathbb{Z}} X$ as given in [Br-II, §16].

(3.7) **Theorem.**([Br-V-(12.19)]) *Let $h : \mathcal{A}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_*$ be a map of complexes of c -soft sheaves on X , and assume it induces a quasi-isomorphism*

$$h : \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{A}_*) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{B}_*)$$

for each open U . If Φ paracompactifying and $\dim_{\mathbb{Z}} X < \infty$, then for each U the induced map

$$h : \Gamma_{\Phi}(U, \mathcal{A}_*) \rightarrow \Gamma_{\Phi}(U, \mathcal{B}_*)$$

is a quasi-isomorphism.

The next theorem tells us that a quasi-resolution arises from the complex $\mathcal{S}_*$.

(3.8) **Theorem.**([Br-V-(12.14)]) *If X is locally contractible, then $\mathfrak{S}_* = \Gamma_c\{\mathcal{S}_*\}$ is a quasi-coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$.*

The proof is straightforward from the definitions. Note that our space X is locally contractible by assumption, therefore $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{S}_*\}$ is a quasi-coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ by (3.8).

(3.9) **Proposition.** *The following diagram commutes:*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & \tilde{S}_*(U) & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_*) & \\ & \downarrow \mathfrak{d} & & \downarrow \mathfrak{d} & \\ D(\check{S}^*(U)) & \xleftarrow{\xi} \widetilde{DD\check{S}_*}(U) & \xrightarrow{\Theta''} & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{S}_*)) & \end{array}$$

If we further assume $\dim_{\mathbb{Z}} X < \infty$, the maps in the above commutative diagram are all quasi-isomorphisms.

Proof. We already know the commutativity of the diagram. We also know from (3.1), that the maps Θ , Θ'' and $\widetilde{DD\mathcal{S}_*} \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*)$ are quasi-isomorphisms. By (3.6), the map $\mathcal{S}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{S}_*)$ induces a quasi-isomorphism on $\Gamma_c(U, -)$ for each open set U . Thus by (3.7), the map

$$\mathfrak{d} : \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S}_*) \rightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{DD}(\mathcal{S}_*))$$

is a quasi-isomorphism for each U . Since the diagram commutes it follows that the $\mathfrak{d}$ in the middle, and consequently ξ also, are quasi-isomorphisms. $\square$

§4. Comparison of the cap product in sheaf and singular theories

We shall compare the sheaf theoretic cap product and the singular cap product (in case $Z = X$). The latter is defined as follows. Let

$$\cap : \tilde{S}_*(X) \otimes S^*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(X)$$

be the map which sends $\alpha \otimes u \in \tilde{S}_m(X) \otimes S^p(X)$ with $\alpha = \sum a_\sigma \sigma \in \tilde{S}_m(X)$, $u \in S^p(X)$ to

$$\alpha \cap u = \sum a_\sigma (\sigma \cap u)$$

(here $\sigma \cap u$ is as defined in §1). For a closed element $u \in S^p(X)$, we obtain a map of complexes

$$(-) \cap u : \tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_{*-p}(X).$$

Here $\tilde{S}_{*-p}(X)$ denotes the complex $\tilde{S}_*(X)[p]$, obtained from $\tilde{S}_*(X)$ by applying the shifting operation $[p]$. Recall that by convention the shift $K[1]$ of a complex has differential $-d_K$. Thus the complex $\tilde{S}_{*-p}(X)$ has the group $\tilde{S}_{m-p}(X)$ in homological degree m , and has differential $(-1)^p \partial$.

The induced map on homology

$$H_m^{lf}(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{lf}(X)$$

depends only on the cohomology class $[u] \in H^p(X)$, and is denoted by $(-) \cap [u]$.

Via the map θ in §2, we have an element $\theta(u) \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{S}^p)$, thus the cap product map $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*) \otimes \mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)$ induces a map of complexes $\cap \theta(u) : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})$. Here $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p}) := (\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) [p]$. Our problem is to compare the singular cap product $\cap u$ and the sheaf-theoretic cap product $\cap \theta(u)$.

Let $S_{cpt}^p(X) \subset S^p(X)$ be the subgroup of cochains u such that $\theta(u) \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{S}^p)$ has compact support (equivalently, such that there exists a compact set K of U and an open covering $\{U_\alpha\}$ of $X - K$ such that $u|_{U_\alpha} = 0$ for each α). By [Br-I-(6.2)], there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow S_0^p(X) \rightarrow S_{cpt}^p(X) \xrightarrow{\theta} \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^p) \rightarrow 0,$$

with $S_0^p(X)$ the group as in §2. Since $S_0^*(X)$ is acyclic, $\theta : S_{cpt}^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$ is a quasi-isomorphism. Obviously one has $\check{S}^p(X) \subset S_{cpt}^p(X)$.

(4.1) **Proposition.** *The inclusion $\check{S}^*(X) \hookrightarrow S_{cpt}^*(X)$ is a quasi-isomorphism.*

Proof. Letting $\check{S}_0^p(X) = S_0^p(X) \cap S_{cpt}^p(X)$, we have a commutative square of inclusions of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S_0^*(X) & \hookrightarrow & S_{cpt}^*(X) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \check{S}_0^*(X) & \hookrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X). \end{array}$$

One has $S_{cpt}^*(X) = S_0^*(X) + \check{S}^*(X)$. Indeed, for $u \in S_{cpt}^p(X)$, let $K = |\theta(u)|$, and take a compact neighborhood K' of K . Let $u' \in \check{S}^p(X)$ be the element given by $u'(\sigma) = u(\sigma)$ if $|\sigma| \subset \overset{\circ}{K}'$, and $u'(\sigma) = 0$ otherwise. Then $u - u' \in S_0^p(X)$, since $(u - u')(\sigma) = 0$ if $|\sigma| \subset \overset{\circ}{K}'$.

Consequently, $S_0^*(X)/\check{S}_0^*(X) \cong S_{cpt}^*(X)/\check{S}^*(X)$. As we already know that $S_0^*(X)$ is acyclic, it is enough to show that $\check{S}_0^*(X)$ is also acyclic.

The proof of acyclicity of $\check{S}_0^*(X)$ is similar to that for $S_0^*(X)$. For any open covering $\mathcal{U}$ of X , the inclusion of the $\mathcal{U}$ -based singular chains $S_*^{\mathcal{U}}(X)$ in $S_*(X)$ is a quasi-isomorphism (excision theorem); thus its dual $S^*(X) \twoheadrightarrow S_{\mathcal{U}}^*(X)$ is also a quasi-isomorphism, so its kernel $K_{\mathcal{U}}^*$ is an acyclic complex. It follows that $S_0^*(X) = \varinjlim_{\mathcal{U}} K_{\mathcal{U}}^*$ is also acyclic.

To generalize this, for A a subset of X , let $S_*^{\mathcal{U}}(X, A) = S_*^{\mathcal{U}}(X)/(S_*^{\mathcal{U}}(X) \cap S_*(A))$. Since $S_*^{\mathcal{U}}(X) \cap S_*(A) = S_*^{A \cap \mathcal{U}}(A)$ is quasi-isomorphic to $S_*(A)$, the inclusion $S_*^{\mathcal{U}}(X, A) \hookrightarrow S_*(X, A)$ is a quasi-isomorphism, so its dual $S^*(X, A) \twoheadrightarrow S_{\mathcal{U}}^*(X, A)$ is also a quasi-isomorphism. Thus its kernel, which equals $K_{\mathcal{U}}^*(X) \cap S^*(X, A)$, is acyclic. Passing to the limit over $\mathcal{U}$, it follows that $S_0^*(X) \cap S^*(X, A)$ is also acyclic.

Taking $A = X - K$ with $K \in Cpt(X)$ and then taking the limit over K , we conclude that $S_0^*(X) \cap \check{S}^*(X)$ is acyclic. $\square$

Writing θ for the composition of the maps $\check{S}^*(X) \hookrightarrow S_{cpt}^*(X) \xrightarrow{\theta} \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$, we have thus:

(4.2) **Proposition.** *The map $\theta : \check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$ is a quasi-isomorphism; it induces an isomorphism $H^p(\check{S}^*(X)) \cong H^p\Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$, which is identified with the cohomology with compact support $H_c^p(X; \mathbb{Z})$.*

The dual of θ' ,

$$\theta' : \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) = D\Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(X))$$

is also a quasi-isomorphism.

With (3.9), we have:

(4.3) **Theorem.** *One has quasi-isomorphisms*

$$\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \xrightarrow{\theta'} D\check{S}^*(X) \xleftarrow{\xi} \tilde{S}_*(X).$$

They give an isomorphism in the derived category $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{S}_*(X)$; they induce isomorphisms on homology,*

$$H_m(X) \xrightarrow{\theta'} H_m(D\check{S}^*(X)) \xleftarrow{\xi} H_m^{lf}(X).$$

The isomorphism thus obtained, $\text{cano} : H_m(X) \rightarrow H_m^{lf}(X)$ is referred to as the *canonical isomorphism*. It can be shown to coincide with the isomorphism given in [Br-V], see (4.6).

Each of the complexes $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))$, $D\check{S}^*(X)$, and $\tilde{S}_*(X)$ appearing in the statement of (4.3) is covariantly functorial in X for proper maps. It is immediate to verify that the maps θ' and ξ are natural transformations between the functors.

We examine compatibility of these maps with cap product on both ends. For this we introduce cap product for the middle term. The cup product for $S^*(X)$ gives by restriction the map $\cup : S^*(X) \otimes \check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)$; this in turn induces a map

$$\cap : D\check{S}^*(X) \otimes S^*(X) \rightarrow D\check{S}^*(X)$$

defined as follows. For $f \in D\check{S}^*(X)$ of degree m and $u \in \check{S}^p(X)$, $v \in S^*(X)$, let

$$\langle f \cap u, v \rangle = (-1)^{mp} \langle f, u \cup v \rangle.$$

Since this is parallel to the definition in §2, we have again the identity $d(f \cap u) = (-1)^p df \cap u + f \cap du$.

For $u \in S^p(X)$ closed, we have a map of complexes

$$(-) \cap u : D\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow D\check{S}^{*-p}(X),$$

where $D\check{S}^{*-p}(X)$ is short for the complex $(D\check{S}^*(X))[p]$. The induced map on homology depends only on the class $[u]$, and thus written $(-) \cap [u] : H_m(D\check{S}^*(X)) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(D\check{S}^*(X))$.

Remark. Although it will not be used in the sequel, it is useful to note that one may view the map $(-) \cap u : D\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow (D\check{S}^*(X))[p]$ as the dual of the map of complexes $u \cup (-) : \check{S}^*(X)[-p] \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)$. For this, if K is a complex of abelian groups, p an integer, verify that there is an isomorphism of complexes $D(K[-p]) \rightarrow D(K)[p]$, which is given by multiplication by $(-1)^{np}$ on the degree n part $D(K[-p])^n = \text{Hom}(K, I^\bullet) = (D(K)[p])^n$. Applying the functor D to $u \cup (-)$ and composing with this isomorphism gives the map $(-) \cap u$.

The map ξ is also compatible with cap product:

(4.4) **Proposition.** *We have*

$$\xi(\alpha) \cap u = \xi(\alpha \cap u),$$

namely the following square commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D\check{S}^*(X) \otimes S^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap} & D\check{S}^*(X) \\ \xi \otimes 1 \uparrow & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{S}_*(X) \otimes S^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap} & \tilde{S}_*(X). \end{array}$$

Proof. Let $\alpha \in \tilde{S}_m(X)$, $u \in S^p(X)$ and $v \in \check{S}^{m-p}(X)$. According to the definition of ξ in §3, if $v \in S^{m-p}(X, X - K)$, let $\alpha = \alpha' + \alpha''$ with $\alpha' \in S_m(X)$ and $\alpha'' \in \tilde{S}_m(X - K)$. Then

$$\langle \xi(\alpha \cap u), v \rangle = (-1)^{m-p} \langle v, \alpha' \cap u \rangle = (-1)^{m-p} (-1)^{(m-p)p} \langle u \cup v, \alpha' \rangle$$

by the definition of ξ in §3 and by the identity $\langle v, \alpha' \cap u \rangle = (-1)^{(m-p)p} \langle u \cup v, \alpha' \rangle$ from §1. Also,

$$\langle \xi(\alpha) \cap u, v \rangle = (-1)^{mp} \langle \xi(\alpha), u \cup v \rangle = (-1)^{mp} (-1)^m \langle u \cup v, \alpha' \rangle.$$

Thus $\xi(\alpha \cap u) = \xi(\alpha) \cap u$. □

(4.4.1) **Corollary.** *If $u \in S^p(X)$ is closed, we have a commutative diagram of complexes*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D\check{S}^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D\check{S}^{*-p}(X) \\ \xi \uparrow & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(X). \end{array}$$

The ξ on the right stands for the map $\xi[p] : \tilde{S}_*(X)[p] \rightarrow (D\check{S}^*(X))[p]$.

We have thus shown:

(4.5) **Theorem.** *For a closed element $u \in S^p(X)$, there is a commutative diagram of complexes,*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})) \\ \theta' \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D\check{S}^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D\check{S}^{*-p}(X) \\ \xi \uparrow & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(X). \end{array}$$

Hence the induced diagram on homology commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap [\theta(u)]} & H_{m-p}(X) \\ \text{cano} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{cano} \\ H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap [u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(X). \end{array}$$

(4.6) We indicate how to prove that the canonical isomorphism in (4.3) coincides with the one in [Br-V]. This fact will not be used in the sequel of the paper, so the reader may skip this paragraph.

For this we take another look at Proposition (3.1), and now treat the complex $DS_*(U)$ as something similar to the complex $S^*(U)$. To elucidate the similarities, we introduce the notation $T^*(U) = DS_*(U)$, so $U \mapsto T^*(U)$ is a complex of presheaves. There is an injective quasi-isomorphism $S^*(U) \hookrightarrow T^*(U)$. Also let $\tilde{T}^*(U) = \widetilde{DS}_*(U)$. Note then we have

$$D\tilde{T}^*(U) = \widetilde{DD\tilde{S}_*(U)}.$$

1. By the same arguments as for $S^*(U)$ (see §2), we show the following. Let $\mathcal{T}^*$ be the sheaf associated with the presheaf T^* . The presheaf is conjunctive, and the canonical map $\theta : T^*(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^*(U)$ is surjective; if $T_0^*(U)$ is defined to be the kernel of the map, it is acyclic, hence θ is a quasi-isomorphism.

The map of complexes of presheaves $S^* \rightarrow T^*$ induces a quasi-isomorphism of complexes of sheaves $\mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^*$. The complex of sheaves $\mathcal{T}^*$ is a quasi-resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, and it consists of flabby sheaves.

2. Also we can repeat (4.1) for $T^*(U)$. We define the subcomplex $T_{cpt}^*(U)$ of $T^*(U)$ so that there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow T_0^p(U) \rightarrow T_{cpt}^p(U) \xrightarrow{\theta} \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{T}^p) \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus θ is a quasi-isomorphism. We have inclusion $\check{T}^*(U) \subset T_{cpt}^*(U)$, which is verified to be a quasi-isomorphism.

The map $\theta : \check{T}^*(U) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{T}^*)$ induces a quasi-isomorphism

$$\theta' : \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{T}^*)) \rightarrow D(\check{T}^*(U)),$$

and the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D(\check{T}^*(U)) & \longrightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(U)) \\ \theta' \uparrow & & \uparrow \theta' \\ \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{T}^*)) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)). \end{array}$$

3. We give a map of complexes of sheaves $\alpha : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^*$. Recall from §2 that the map $\Theta : S_*(U) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}_*)$ induces a map $\Theta' : \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*)) \rightarrow T^*(U)$. Composing with the canonical map $\theta : T^*(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^*(U)$, we obtain $\alpha(U)$. So we have quasi-isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^* \leftarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*)$$

which are maps of quasi-resolutions.

The composition of the maps

$$\Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{T}^*)) \xrightarrow{\theta'} D\check{T}^*(U) \xrightarrow{\Theta''} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*))$$

coincides with the map $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\alpha))$. The verification is immediate and left to the reader.

4. From these we obtain a commutative diagram (enlarging the one before (3.2))

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \tilde{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{S}_*) \\ & \swarrow \xi & \downarrow \mathfrak{d} & & \downarrow \mathfrak{d} \\ D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \widetilde{DDS}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\Theta''} & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*)) \\ \theta' \uparrow & & \uparrow \theta' & \nearrow \mathcal{D}(\alpha) & \\ \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{T}^*)) & & \end{array}$$

5. Let $\mathcal{L}_*$ is a complex of flabby sheaves such that $\Gamma_c\{\mathcal{L}_*\}$ is a quasi-coresolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, and assume $\dim_{\mathbb{Z}} X < \infty$. Then by [Br-V, (12.20)] there is an isomorphism

$$H_p(X) \cong H_p\Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}_*)$$

obtained as follows.

The complex $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_*)$ is a quasi-resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ by (3.4); if $\mathcal{J}^*$ is an injective resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$, there exists a map of quasi-resolutions $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_*) \rightarrow \mathcal{J}^*$. Recall from §2 that there is a map $\mathfrak{d} : \mathcal{L}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_*)$. We have thus maps of complexes $\mathcal{L}_* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_*) \leftarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{J}^*)$. It is proven that the induced maps on global sections

$$\Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}_*) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_*)) \leftarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{J}^*))$$

are quasi-isomorphisms, inducing the stated isomorphism on homology.

In our situation, taking $\mathcal{L}_* = \mathcal{S}_*$, one has the map of quasi-resolutions $\alpha : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^*$, thus in the above we may replace $\mathcal{J}^*$ by $\mathcal{T}^*$. So the quasi-isomorphisms $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{S}_*) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_*)) \leftarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{T}^*))$ give rise to the isomorphism of [Br]. From the commutative diagram in item 4, we see that it coincides with our canonical isomorphism.

§5. Comparison of the supported cap product in sheaf and singular theories

The complexes $\check{S}^*(U)_X$ and $\check{S}_Z^*(X)$. Unlike the complex $\Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$, the complex $\check{S}^*(X)$ is not covariantly functorial for inclusions of open sets; but there is functoriality in the derived category.

For an open set U of X , let $Cpt(U)$ denote the set of compact sets $K \subset U$, and let

$$\check{S}^p(U)_X = \varinjlim_{K \in Cpt(U)} S^p(X, X - K) \subset \check{S}^p(X),$$

so one has a subcomplex $\check{S}^*(U)_X \subset \check{S}^*(X)$. For each K , the surjection $S^*(X, X - K) \rightarrow S^*(U, U - K)$ is a quasi-isomorphism by the excision theorem, so the induced surjection $\check{S}^*(U)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(U)$ is also a quasi-isomorphism.

For a smaller open set $V \subset U$, one has $\check{S}^*(V)_X \subset \check{S}^*(U)_X$. The quasi-isomorphism $\check{S}^*(V)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(V)$ factors as $\check{S}^*(V)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(V)_U \rightarrow \check{S}^*(V)$, where the first map is the quasi-isomorphism obtained from the quasi-isomorphisms $S^*(X, X - K) \rightarrow S^*(U, U - K)$ for $K \in Cpt(V)$ by taking direct limit. We have a commutative diagram of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \check{S}^*(V) & & \\ & & \uparrow & & \\ & \check{S}^*(V)_U & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(U) & \\ & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \\ \check{S}^*(V)_X & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(U)_X & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X) \end{array}$$

Hence follows the transitivity of the maps $\check{S}^*(U) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)$ in the derived category.

Let Z be a locally contractible closed subset of X . Set $U = X - Z$. We define the complex $\check{S}_Z^*(X)$ to be $\check{S}^*(X)/\check{S}^*(U)_X$. The restriction map $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Z)$ induces a map $\check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Z)$.

We show that the complexes we just introduced compare well with the sheaf theoretic counterparts:

(5.1) **Proposition.** *The map $\check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Z)$ is a quasi-isomorphism. We also have a commutative square of complexes*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \check{S}_Z^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(Z) \\ \theta \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta \\ \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)/\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}_Z^*) \end{array}$$

with $\mathcal{S}_Z^*$ be the singular cochain sheaf on Z , where all maps are quasi-isomorphisms.

Proof. We first note that the diagram of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*) & \xrightarrow{j_!} & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) & & \\ \theta \uparrow & & \theta \uparrow & & \\ \check{S}^*(U) & \longleftarrow & \check{S}^*(U)_X & \hookrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X) \end{array}$$

commutes, where $j_!$ is extension by zero associated with inclusion $j : U \rightarrow X$. It is enough to show that for $K \in \text{Cpt}(U)$ the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*) & \xrightarrow{j_!} & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) \\ \uparrow \theta & & \uparrow \theta \\ S^*(U, U - K) & \longleftarrow & S^*(X, X - K) \end{array}$$

commutes, namely for $u \in S^p(X, X - K)$, one has $j_!(\theta(u|_U)) = \theta(u)$. The element $\theta(u|_U)$, thus $j_!(\theta(u|_U))$ also, has support contained in K ; the element $\theta(u)$ also has support in K . It is thus enough to show that the restrictions to U coincide, namely $\theta(u|_U) = \theta(u)|_U$, but this is obvious.

Therefore the left square in the diagram below commutes. The second row is exact since $\mathcal{S}^*$ is flabby, hence c -soft. Therefore there is a unique map $\theta : \check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}^*|_Z)$ making the right square commute; it is also a quasi-isomorphism.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow \check{S}^*(U)_X & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow \theta & & \downarrow \theta & & \downarrow \theta \\ 0 \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}^*|_Z) \rightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

We consider the commutative diagram of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \check{S}_Z^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(Z) \\ \downarrow \theta & & \downarrow \theta \\ \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}^*|_Z) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}_Z^*) \end{array}$$

The vertical maps θ are quasi-isomorphisms. The lower map is a quasi-isomorphism, since it is induced from the map $\mathcal{S}^*|_Z \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_Z^*$, which is a map of c -soft resolutions of $\mathbb{Z}$ on Z . The assertion hence follows. $\square$

We wish to generalize the results in the previous section to the case of supported cap product. For this we shall show that the cup product $S^*(X) \otimes \check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)$ induce a map $S^*(X, U) \otimes \check{S}^*(Z) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)$ in the derived category. By the above proposition, one may replace $\check{S}^*(Z)$ with $\check{S}_Z^*(X)$. We will also replace the complex $\check{S}^*(X)$ up to quasi-isomorphism:

(5.2) **Definition.** Let

$$\check{S}^*(X)^\natural := \check{S}^*(X) / \check{S}_0^*(X)$$

where $\check{S}_0^*(X) = S_0^*(X) \cap \check{S}^*(X)$ as in the proof of (4.1). Since the subcomplex $\check{S}_0^*(X)$ is acyclic, the map $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)^\natural$ is a quasi-isomorphism. Its dual $D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(X))$ is also a quasi-isomorphism.

Consider now the restriction of the cup product $S^*(X, U) \otimes \check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)$.

(5.3) **Proposition.** *This map induces a map of complexes*

$$S^*(X, U) \otimes \check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)^\natural.$$

Proof. Take any elements $u \in S^*(X, U)$ and $v \in \check{S}^*(U)_X$. Then $v \in S^*(X, X - K)$ for a compact set $K \subset U$; thus $u \cup v$ is zero on $X - K$ and on U , and $\{X - K, U\}$ covers X , so $u \cup v \in \check{S}_0^*(X)$. The assertion hence follows. Note this proof shows that $u \cup v$ need not be zero in $\check{S}^*(X)$. $\square$

Following the pattern in §4, we can define the cap product

$$\cap : D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) \otimes S^*(X, U) \rightarrow D(\check{S}_Z^*(X))$$

by the same formula, including the sign. If u be an element of $S^p(X, U)$ with $du = 0$, then we obtain a map of complexes

$$(-) \cap u : D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) \rightarrow D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X)).$$

One has the induced map on homology, which depends only on the class $[u]$, $(-) \cap [u] : H_m(D\check{S}^*(X)) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(D\check{S}_Z^*(X))$.

We now proceed to define the supported cap product for singular homology.

Supported cap product for locally finite singular homology

For an element $u \in S^p(X, U)$ with $du = 0$, we obtain a diagram of complexes

$$(\star) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \leftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X)) & \leftarrow & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z)) \\ \uparrow \xi & & & & & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{S}_*(X) & & & & & & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(Z). \end{array}$$

All the maps except $\cap u$ are quasi-isomorphisms. Inverting some of the quasi-isomorphisms, we obtain maps in the derived category $D(\check{S}^*(X)) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z))$ and $\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_{*-p}(Z)$, both of which are still written $\cap u$, making the following diagram commute

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z)) \\ \uparrow \xi & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(Z). \end{array}$$

Note that the map $\cap u : \tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_{*-p}(Z)$ is obtained only through the map $\cap u : D(\check{S}^*(X)) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z))$, and only in the derived category.

So we have the induced map $\cap[u] : H_m^{lf}(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z)$, and a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m(D\check{S}^*(X)) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}(D\check{S}^*(Z)) \\ \uparrow \xi & & \uparrow \xi \\ H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z). \end{array}$$

This is the *supported cap product* for locally finite singular homology.

The construction has compatibility with inclusions of closed sets Z . Let Z' be a closed subset of X containing Z , and let $U' = X - Z'$. There is a natural injection $S^*(X, U) \rightarrow S^*(X, U')$ and a natural surjection $\check{S}_{Z'}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}_Z^*(X)$. The cup products $S^*(X, U) \otimes \check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)^\natural$ and $S^*(X, U') \otimes \check{S}_{Z'}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)^\natural$ are compatible via these maps, namely the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^*(X, U) & \otimes & \check{S}_Z^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X)^\natural \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow & & \parallel \\ S^*(X, U') & \otimes & \check{S}_{Z'}^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X)^\natural \end{array}$$

“commutes” in the following sense: for $u \in S^*(X, U)$ and $v' \in \check{S}_{Z'}^*(X)$, if $u' \in S^*(X, U')$ is the image of u and $v \in \check{S}_Z^*(X)$ is the image of v' , then $u \cup v = u' \cup v'$.

It follows that the cap product $\cap : D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) \otimes S^*(X, U) \rightarrow D\check{S}_Z^*(X)$ and $\cap : D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) \otimes S^*(X, U') \rightarrow D\check{S}_{Z'}^*(X)$ are also compatible.

From this we deduce that, if $u \in S^p(X, U)$ is a closed element, which may be viewed as a closed element of $S^p(X, U')$, the digram $(\star)$ for U and the digram $(\star)$ for U' are compatible, and consequently, we have a commutative diagram in the derived category

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \check{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \check{S}_{*-p}(Z) \\ \parallel & & \downarrow \\ \check{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \check{S}_{*-p}(Z'). \end{array}$$

In particular it induces a commutative diagram on homology

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z) \\ \parallel & & \downarrow \\ H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z') \end{array}$$

(5.4) We now relate the upper sequence of maps in the diagram $(\star)$ to the sheaf theoretic cap product.

1. The map $\theta : \check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$ induces an isomorphism $\theta : \check{S}^*(X)^\natural \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$.
2. One has a quasi-isomorphism $\theta : \check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)/\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*)$. The map $\theta(u) \cup : \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^{*-p}) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$ factors through the quotient $\Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^{*-p})/\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^{*-p})$. Thus we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) & \xleftarrow{\theta(u) \cup} & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^{*-p})/\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^{*-p}) \\ & \nearrow \theta & \uparrow \theta & & \uparrow \theta \\ \check{S}^*(X) & \rightarrow & \check{S}^*(X)^\natural & \xleftarrow{u \cup} & \check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X). \end{array}$$

The dual of $\Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^{*-p})/\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^{*-p})$ obviously equals $\Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p}))$; the dual of $\theta : \check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)/\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*)$ is a quasi-isomorphism $\theta' : \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \rightarrow D(\check{S}_Z^*(X))$. Thus the above diagram gives us a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})) \\ & \nearrow \theta' & \downarrow \theta' & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \longleftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X)). \end{array}$$

3. From (5.1), we have a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)/\Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}_Z^*) \\ \uparrow \theta & & \uparrow \theta \\ \check{S}_Z^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(Z) \end{array}$$

hence also another commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})) & \longleftarrow & \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Z^{*-p})) \\ \downarrow \theta' & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X)) & \longleftarrow & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z)) \end{array}$$

with all maps quasi-isomorphisms. We have established the following theorem.

(5.5) **Theorem.** *There is a commutative diagram of complexes*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})) & \longleftarrow & \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Z^{*-p})) \\
 & \swarrow \theta' & \downarrow \theta' & & \downarrow \theta' & & \downarrow \theta' \\
 (\star\star)_X & D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \longleftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X)) & \longleftarrow & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z)) \\
 & \uparrow \xi & & & & & & \uparrow \xi \\
 & \tilde{S}_*(X) & & & & & & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(Z),
 \end{array}$$

in which all the arrows, except the two horizontal maps $\cap u$, are quasi-isomorphisms. Hence we have a commutative diagram in the derived category,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Z^{*-p})) \\
 \downarrow \theta' & & \downarrow \theta' \\
 D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z)) \\
 \uparrow \xi & & \uparrow \xi \\
 \tilde{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(Z).
 \end{array}$$

It induces a commutative diagram on homology

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_m(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap [\theta(u)]} & H_{m-p}(Z) \\
 \text{cano} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{cano} \\
 H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap [u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z).
 \end{array}$$

with vertical maps the canonical isomorphisms.

Thus the sheaf theoretic supported cap product coincides with the supported cap product for singular homology.

§6. Simplicial supported cap product; comparison to the singular cap product

Let X be an abstract simplicial complex which is assumed to be locally finite, countable, and of finite dimension. The geometric realization $|X|$ will be also written X ; it satisfies the assumption $(\star\star)$ in §3.

(6.1) By $C_*(X)$ we denote the complex of *ordered* simplicial chains, and $C^*(X)$ its dual (see [Mu, p. 76], [Sp. p.170]). Recall that $C_m(X)$ is the free abelian group generated by $(v_0, \dots, v_m)$, where $v_0, \dots, v_m$ are vertices of X (repetition allowed) spanning a simplex of dimension $\leq m$. Let $\tilde{C}_*(X)$ be the complex of (locally finite) infinite ordered simplicial chains. We let $\check{C}^*(X) \subset C^*(X)$ denote the subcomplex of cochains u satisfying the following condition: there exists a finite subcomplex outside which u vanishes.

The homology of the complex $C_*(X)$ (resp. $\tilde{C}_*(X)$) is the simplicial homology (resp. locally finite simplicial homology) of X . When convenient, we write $H_m^{\text{simp}}(X)$ for $H_m(\tilde{C}_*(X))$.

1. There are natural maps of complexes, which are known to be quasi-isomorphisms, $C_*(X) \rightarrow S_*(X)$, $\tilde{C}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(X)$ and $S^*(X) \rightarrow C^*(X)$, $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X)$.

2. For Y a subcomplex of X , one has relative chain and cochain complexes $C_*(X, Y)$, $\tilde{C}_*(X, Y)$ and $C^*(X, Y)$, $\check{C}^*(X, Y)$. There are natural quasi-isomorphisms between relative complexes, e.g., $C_*(X, Y) \rightarrow S_*(X, Y)$ and $\tilde{C}_*(X, Y) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(X, Y)$.

3. One has cup and cap product on the simplicial chain and cochain complexes.

- Cup product $\cup : C^*(X) \otimes C^*(X) \rightarrow C^*(X)$, which is compatible with the singular cup product via the map $S^*(X) \rightarrow C^*(X)$. This restricts to $C^*(X) \otimes \check{C}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X)$, to be used later.

- Cap product $\cap : C_*(X) \otimes C^*(X) \rightarrow C_*(X)$, which is compatible with singular cap product. This extends to $\tilde{C}_*(X) \otimes C^*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{C}_*(X)$.

Thus a cocycle $u \in C^p(X)$ induces maps of complexes $\cap u : \tilde{C}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{C}_{*-p}(X)$, and $u \cup : \check{C}^{*-p}(X) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X)$.

(6.2) Supported cap and cup product for simplicial homology

Let Z be a subcomplex of X , and $U = X - Z$ be its complement. Let $N = N(Z)$ be the closed star of Z , namely the subcomplex consisting of simplices meeting Z ; let N^c be the subcomplex consisting of simplices disjoint from Z . We assume that the inclusion $Z \subset N$ is a proper deformation retract. (This can be so arranged by taking barycentric subdivision of X twice – see [Mu, Lemma 70.1] for an argument of this kind.)

1. One has cap product $\tilde{C}_*(X) \otimes C^*(X, N^c) \rightarrow \tilde{C}_*(N)$.

Proof. For $u \in C^p(X, N^c)$ and an m -simplex σ , one has by definition $\sigma \cap u = u(\sigma')\sigma''$. If the front face σ' is a simplex of N^c , then $u(\sigma') = 0$. Otherwise σ' meets Z , so σ is a simplex of N . In particular σ'' is a simplex of N . Thus $u(\sigma')\sigma''$ is a chain in N . $\square$

Therefore, a cocycle $u \in C^p(X, N^c)$ induces a map of complexes

$$\cap u : \tilde{C}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N).$$

The induced map on homology

$$\cap u : H_m(\tilde{C}_*(X)) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(\tilde{C}_{*-p}(N)),$$

which depends only on the class $[u]$, is the *supported cap product* on simplicial homology. The inclusion $Z \rightarrow N$, being a proper deformation retract, induces an isomorphism $H_{m-p}(\tilde{C}_*(Z)) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(\tilde{C}_*(N))$; the composition $H_m(\tilde{C}_*(X)) \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} H_{m-p}(\tilde{C}_*(N)) \xleftarrow{\cong} H_{m-p}(\tilde{C}_*(Z))$ will be also called the supported cap product, and written $\cap[u]$.

In order to compare this with the singular cap product, as preliminaries we develop some parallels of §5 for the simplicial theory.

2. One has cup product $C^*(X, N^c) \otimes \check{C}^*(N) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X)$.

Proof. There is an exact sequence of complexes $0 \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X, N) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(N) \rightarrow 0$. If $u \in C^p(X, N^c)$, $v \in \check{C}^{m-p}(X, N)$ and σ is an m -simplex, then $(u \cup v)(\sigma) = \pm u(\sigma')v(\sigma'')$, which is zero since $\sigma' \subset N^c$ or $\sigma'' \subset N$. $\square$

Therefore, if $u \in C^p(X, N^c)$ is a cocycle, one has a map of complexes

$$u \cup : \check{C}^{*-p}(N) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X).$$

3. The cup product in item 2 induces a map

$$\cap : D(\check{C}^*(X)) \otimes C^*(X, N^c) \rightarrow D(\check{C}^*(N)),$$

as in §4 (and §5). Hence, for a cocycle $u \in C^p(X, N^c)$ we have the map $\cap u : D(\check{C}^*(X)) \rightarrow D(\check{C}^{*-p}(N))$.

4. We define a map $\xi : \tilde{C}_*(X) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\check{C}^*(X), \mathbb{Z}) \subset D(\check{C}^*(X))$, analogous to the map ξ in §3 for $\tilde{S}_*(X)$.

For $\alpha \in \tilde{C}_m(X)$ and $u \in \check{C}^m(X)$, let Y be a finite subcomplex outside which u vanishes. Take a finite subcomplex Z containing the star of Y . We can take a decomposition $\alpha = \alpha' + \alpha''$, where $\alpha' \in C_m(Z)$, and $\alpha'' = \sum b_\sigma \sigma \in \tilde{C}_m(X)$ satisfy the condition that if $b_\sigma \neq 0$, then σ is disjoint from Y . For example, for $\alpha = \sum a_\sigma \sigma$, one may take

$$\alpha' = \sum_{\sigma \subset Z} a_\sigma \sigma, \quad \alpha'' = \sum_{\sigma \not\subset Z} a_\sigma \sigma.$$

Let $\xi(\alpha) \in \text{Hom}(\check{C}^m(X), \mathbb{Z})$ be the element given by

$$\langle \xi(\alpha), u \rangle = (-1)^m \langle u, \alpha' \rangle.$$

One verifies easily that this is independent of the choice of Z and of the decomposition of α ; also ξ is a map of complexes.

As we did for the map ξ for $\tilde{S}_*(X)$ (see (4.4) and its corollary), one shows:

(6.3) **Proposition.** *For a cocycle $u \in C^p(X, N^c)$, the following square commutes:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D(\check{C}^*(X)) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{C}^{*-p}(N)) \\ \xi \uparrow & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{C}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N). \end{array}$$

We also have, obviously from the definitions of the maps ξ ,

(6.4) **Proposition.** *The following square commutes, in which the horizontal maps are the natural ones.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D(\check{C}^*(X)) & \longrightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X)) \\ \xi \uparrow & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{C}_*(X) & \longrightarrow & \tilde{S}_*(X). \end{array}$$

With these preparations, we have come to the main part of this section. For the rest of this section, we assume given a cocycle $u \in S^p(X, X - Z)$. Note it induces a cocycle $\rho(u) \in C^p(X, N^c)$; we often just write u for $\rho(u)$.

The cocycle u gives a map $u \cup : \check{S}_N^{*-p}(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)^\natural$, and $\rho(u)$ gives $\rho(u) \cup : \check{C}^{*-p}(N) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(X)$. So we have a diagram of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \check{S}^*(X) & \rightarrow & \check{S}^*(X)^\natural & \xleftarrow{u \cup} & \check{S}_N^{*-p}(X) & \rightarrow & \check{S}^{*-p}(N) \\ \rho \downarrow & & & & & & \downarrow \rho \\ \check{C}^*(X) & & & \xleftarrow{\rho(u) \cup} & & & \check{C}^{*-p}(N) \end{array}$$

in which ρ are the natural maps, and all the maps except the two maps $u \cup$ are quasi-isomorphisms.

(6.5) **Proposition.** *The above diagram induces a commutative diagram on homology.*

Before the proof we need to note how the map ρ is affected by subdivision. Denote by K the given triangulation of the space X , and K' its subdivision. The corresponding simplicial chain groups will be written $C_*(K)$ and $C_*(K')$. There is the subdivision map $\lambda : C_*(K) \rightarrow C_*(K')$. If $g : K' \rightarrow K$ is a simplicial approximation of the identity map ([Mu], §14), one has the induced map $g_* : C_*(K') \rightarrow C_*(K)$, and $g_* \circ \lambda = 1$, and $\lambda \circ g_* \simeq 1$ (homotopic to the identity).

Dually, there is the subdivision map $\lambda : C^*(K') \rightarrow C^*(K)$, the map $g^* : C^*(K) \rightarrow C^*(K')$, and one has $\lambda \circ g^* = 1$ and $g^* \circ \lambda \simeq 1$. Further, the same holds for their restrictions to subcomplexes $\lambda : \check{C}^*(K') \rightarrow \check{C}^*(K)$ and $g^* : \check{C}^*(K) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(K')$ (see [Mu], p.269, Exercise 5). Since the map $\rho : \check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{C}^*(K)$ obviously commutes with g^* , it follows that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \check{C}^*(K') & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \check{C}^*(K) \\ & \swarrow \rho \quad \searrow \rho & \\ & \check{S}^*(X) & \end{array}$$

induces a commutative diagram on cohomology. As a consequence, since the assertion of (6.5) concerns cohomology, one may take a subdivision of the triangulation of X and replace the map ρ accordingly.

Proof of (6.5). We now show the Let now $v \in \check{S}_N^{m-p}(X)$ be a cocycle, $dv = 0$. Then one has $[u \cup v] \in H^m(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural)$. Since $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)^\natural$ is a quasi-isomorphism, there exists $x \in \check{S}^m(X)$, $dx = 0$, such that $[x] \in H^m(\check{S}^*(X))$ maps to $[u \cup v]$. Then there exist elements $\alpha \in \check{S}_0^m(X)$ and $\beta \in \check{S}^{m-1}(X)$ such that

$$x - u \cup v = \alpha + d\beta.$$

We may take a subdivision of the given triangulation, and the subdivision may be taken so that $\rho(\alpha) = 0$. This requires a well-known argument involving the Lebesgue number (cf. [Mu, p. 178, Theorem 31.3]) which can be applied to those finite number of simplices on which α takes non-zero values.

Then one has

$$\rho(x) - \rho(u \cup v) = d\rho(\beta),$$

hence $[\rho(x)] = [\rho(u \cup v)]$, proving the assertion. $\square$

For a complex K and its dual $D(K)$, there is a natural short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(H^{-p+1}(K), \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^p(D(K)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(H^{-p}(K), \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow 0$$

(see [Br, V-(2.3)]). Thus:

(6.5.1) **Corollary.** *The dual of the above diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \leftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}_N^{*-p}(X)) \leftarrow D(\check{S}^{*-p}(N)) \\
\rho' \uparrow & & & & \uparrow \rho' \\
D(\check{C}^*(X)) & & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & & D(\check{C}^{*-p}(N))
\end{array}$$

commutes on homology.

We give the main result of this section:

(6.6) **Theorem.** *For a cocycle $u \in S^p(X, X - Z)$, the following diagram in the derived category*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\tilde{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(N) \\
\rho \uparrow & & \uparrow \rho \\
\tilde{C}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N)
\end{array}$$

induces on homology a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(N) \\
\rho \uparrow & & \uparrow \rho \\
H_m^{\text{simp}}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(N).
\end{array}$$

Thus the singular supported cap product coincides with the simplicial supported cap product via the isomorphism $H_m^{lf}(X) = H_m^{\text{simp}}(X)$.

Proof. Consider the following diagram in the derived category.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
& & D\check{S}^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(N)) \\
& \nearrow & \uparrow & & \nearrow \\
\tilde{S}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(N) & & \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
& DC^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{C}^{*-p}(N)) \\
& \nearrow & \uparrow & & \nearrow \\
\tilde{C}_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N) & &
\end{array}$$

The squares on both sides commute on chain level by (6.4). The top square commutes in the derived category by our definition of $\cap u$ in §5. The bottom square commutes on chain level by (6.3). The back square induces a commutative diagram on homology, by (6.5). It now follows that the front square induces a commutative diagram on homology. $\square$

(6.6.1) **Corollary.** *The following square commutes:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z) \\
\rho \uparrow & & \uparrow \rho \\
H_m^{\text{simp}}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(Z).
\end{array}$$

Proof. The given cocycle $u \in S^p(X, X - Z)$ gives a cocycle in $S^p(X, X - N)$, and by the compatibility of cap product with inclusions of Z (see §5) the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z) \\ \parallel & & \downarrow \\ H_m^{lf}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(N) \end{array}$$

commutes. The right arrow is an isomorphism, since $Z \subset N$ is a proper deformation retract.

There is an analogous commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m^{\text{simp}}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(Z) \\ \parallel & & \downarrow \\ H_m^{\text{simp}}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(N) \end{array}$$

by the definition of $\cap[u]$ we gave in this section. Our assertion follows from these facts and the theorem. $\square$

In particular, the simplicial supported cap product is independent of the choice of a triangulation of the locally compact Hausdorff space X satisfying (**) in §3, as long as X has a triangulation satisfying the required conditions.

§7. Borel-Moore homology of pairs of spaces

Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space satisfying (**) in §3. Let Y be a locally contractible closed set of X , and $i : Y \rightarrow X$ be the inclusion; we will consider the homology of such a pair (X, Y) .

As discussed in the proof of (5.1), there is a canonical surjective map of $\mathcal{S}^*|_Y = i^*\mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_Y^*$; we examine this more closely.

(7.1) **Lemma.** *The surjection $\mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow i_*\mathcal{S}_Y^*$ has a canonical section. (The section is not a map of complexes.)*

Proof. For an open set U of X , the restriction map $S^p(U) \rightarrow S^p(U \cap Y)$ is surjective, and there is a section s of this map given by extension by zero: For $u \in S^p(U \cap Y)$, its extension $s(u) \in S^p(U)$ is given by $s(u)(\sigma) = u(\sigma)$ if $\sigma \in S_p(U \cap Y)$ and zero otherwise.

Assume in general that P, Q are presheaves on X and Y , respectively; assume that $h : P \rightarrow i_*Q$ is a map of presheaves and $s : i_*Q \rightarrow P$ is a section of it, namely $hs = id$ holds. Letting $\tilde{P}$ (resp. $\tilde{Q}$) denote the associated sheaf of P (resp. Q), one has induced maps of sheaves $\tilde{P} \xrightarrow{h} i_*\tilde{Q} \xrightarrow{s} \tilde{P}$ with $hs = id$, thus also has maps

$$i^*\tilde{P} \xrightarrow{h} \tilde{Q} \xrightarrow{s} i^*\tilde{P}$$

with $hs = id$.

We apply this to the presheaves on X and Y , $P = S^p$ and $Q = S_Y^p$, and obtain the assertion. $\square$

By the lemma, any additive covariant functor applied to $\mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow i_* \mathcal{S}_Y^*$ gives a surjective map with a section. In particular the induced map $\Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(Y, \mathcal{S}_Y^*)$ is also surjective with a section, hence its dual

$$\Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))$$

is an injection. By definition the Borel-Moore homology of the pair (X, Y) is the homology of the quotient complex:

$$H_m(X, Y; \mathbb{Z}) = H_m(X, Y) := H_m(\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*))) .$$

The reader can show that this coincides with the definition using the injective resolution in [Br, V, §5]. One has, of course, the long exact sequence of the groups

$$\rightarrow H_m(Y) \rightarrow H_m(X) \rightarrow H_m(X, Y) \rightarrow H_{m-1}(Y) \rightarrow \dots$$

Let Z be another locally contractible closed set of X such that $Z \cap Y$ is also locally contractible. Generalizing the construction in §2, we shall produce the supported cap product map

$$H_m(X, Y) \otimes H_Z^p(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(Z, Z \cap Y) .$$

As a preliminary, let $\mathcal{L}^*$ be a differential sheaf, and assume given a map of sheaves $\cup : \mathcal{L}^* \otimes \mathcal{L}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^*$ (cup product), which is associative and satisfies the identity $d(x \cup y) = (-1)^p dx \cup y + x \cup dy$ if y is a section of $\mathcal{L}^p$. Then just as we described for $\mathcal{S}^*$ in §2, one has cap product $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}^*) \otimes \mathcal{L}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}^*)$.

Let $\mathcal{M}^*$ be another differential sheaf with cup product, and assume given a map of differential sheaves $h : \mathcal{L}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^*$ that is compatible with product. Then we have an induced map $h_* : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}^*)$ by functoriality. For sections f of $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{M}^*)$ and s of $\mathcal{L}^*$, one verifies the identity (“projection formula”)

$$h_*(f) \cap s = h_*(f \cap h(s)) .$$

Applying this to the map $\mathcal{S}^* \rightarrow i_* \mathcal{S}_Y^*$, by (7.1) we get an injective map

$$h_* : \mathcal{D}(i_* \mathcal{S}_Y^*) = i_* \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)$$

and a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*) & \otimes & \mathcal{S}^* & \xrightarrow{\cap} & \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*) \\ h_* \uparrow & & h \downarrow & & \uparrow h_* \\ i_* \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*) & \otimes & i_* \mathcal{S}_Y^* & \xrightarrow{\cap} & i_* \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*) , \end{array}$$

which “commutes” in the sense that the projection formula holds. From this we obtain a “commutative” diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \otimes & \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{S}^*) & \xrightarrow{\cap} & \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \\ h_* \uparrow & & h \downarrow & & \uparrow h_* \\ \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \otimes & \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{S}_Y^*) & \xrightarrow{\cap} & \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) , \end{array}$$

in which the two vertical maps h_* are injections by (7.1). So the the cap product map $\cap : \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \otimes \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{S}^*) \rightarrow \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))$ sends $\Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) \otimes \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$ into $\Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*))$, inducing a map

$$\cap : \frac{\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))}{\Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*))} \otimes \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{S}^*) \rightarrow \frac{\Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))}{\Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*))} .$$

For the target, we have maps

$$\frac{\Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))}{\Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*))} = \frac{\Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*|_Z))}{\Gamma(Z \cap Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*|_{Z \cap Y}))} \leftarrow \frac{\Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Z^*))}{\Gamma(Z \cap Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_{Z \cap Y}^*))}.$$

The first equality follows from (2.3). The second map is a quasi-isomorphism, obtained as follows. As noted in the proof of (5.1), the map $\mathcal{S}^*|_Z \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_Z^*$ induces a quasi-isomorphism $\Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}^*|_Z) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(Z, \mathcal{S}_Z^*)$, which induces a quasi-isomorphism $\Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Z^*)) \rightarrow \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*|_Z))$; similarly one has a quasi-isomorphism $\Gamma(Z \cap Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_{Z \cap Y}^*)) \rightarrow \Gamma(Z \cap Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*|_{Z \cap Y}))$.

Therefore, upon taking cohomology we have the map $H_m(X, Y) \otimes H_Z^p(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}(Z, Z \cap Y)$ as desired.

(7.2) Before discussing supported cap product for singular homology, we introduce the relative versions of the complexes $\check{S}^*(U)_X$ and $\check{S}_Z^*(X)$.

1. The map $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Y)$ is surjective. Similarly, for each open set U of X , the restriction map $\check{S}^*(U)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(U \cap Y)_Y$ is surjective.

Proof. Let $u \in S^p(Y)$ be any element; for a set $L \in \text{Cpt}(Y)$, $u \in S^p(Y, Y - L)$. If $u' \in S^p(X)$ is its extension by zero to X , then one shows $u' \in S^p(X, X - L)$. Thus the first assertion holds. The proof of the second statement is similar. $\square$

Define $\check{S}^*(X, Y)$ to be the kernel of the map $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Y)$; similarly define $\check{S}^*(U, U \cap Y)_X$ to be the kernel of the map $\check{S}^*(U)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(U \cap Y)_Y$.

2. It follows from item 1 that the map $\check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}_{Z \cap Y}^*(Y)$ is also surjective. Let $\check{S}_Z^*(X, Y)$ be the kernel of this map. We then deduce, using the 9-lemma, a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \check{S}^*(U, U \cap Y)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X, Y) \rightarrow \check{S}_Z^*(X, Y) \rightarrow 0.$$

3. There is a natural surjective quasi-isomorphism $\check{S}_Z^*(X, Y) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Z, Z \cap Y)$.

Proof. We have an induced map $\check{S}_Z^*(X, Y) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Z, Z \cap Y)$, making a commutative diagram of complexes with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & \check{S}_Z^*(X, Y) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}_Z^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}_Z^*(Z \cap Y) & \rightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\ 0 \rightarrow & \check{S}^*(Z, Z \cap Y) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}_Z^*(Z) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(Z \cap Y) & \rightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

where the second and third vertical maps are quasi-isomorphism; so the first vertical map is also a quasi-isomorphism. $\square$

4. The restriction map $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Y)$ obviously induces a surjective map $\check{S}^*(X)^\natural \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Y)^\natural$. Let $\check{S}^*(X, Y)^\natural$ be its kernel. Then the natural map $\check{S}^*(X, Y) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X, Y)^\natural$ is a quasi-isomorphism.

5. Since the cup product maps $S^*(X, U) \otimes \check{S}_Z^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X)^\natural$ and $S^*(Y, Y \cap U) \otimes \check{S}_{Z \cap Y}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Y)^\natural$ are compatible via the respective restriction maps, there is an induced map

$$\cup : S^*(X, U) \otimes \check{S}_Z^*(X, Y) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X, Y)^\natural.$$

This induces a cap product

$$\cap : D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)^{\natural}) \otimes S^*(X, U) \rightarrow D(\check{S}_Z^*(X, Y)).$$

In particular, for $u \in S^p(X, U)$ closed, one has a map of complexes

$$\cap u : D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)^{\natural}) \rightarrow D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X, Y)).$$

6. One has a map of complexes $\xi : \check{S}_*(X, Y) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(X, Y))$ which fits in a commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(Y)) & \rightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X)) & \rightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)) & \rightarrow 0 \\ & \uparrow \xi & & \uparrow \xi & & \uparrow \xi & \\ 0 \rightarrow & \check{S}_*(Y) & \rightarrow & \check{S}_*(X) & \rightarrow & \check{S}_*(X, Y) & \rightarrow 0; \end{array}$$

thus the induced map ξ is also a quasi-isomorphism.

Singular homology of pairs and supported cap product

In §5 we have defined the supported cap product on the locally finite singular homology, which we now generalize to the case of locally finite singular homology of the pair (X, Y) . In that section we considered the diagram $(\star)$ for X with respect to Z – which we name $(\star)_X$; we have also diagram $(\star)_Y$ for Y with respect to $Z \cap Y$. Similarly we have a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)) & \leftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)^{\natural}) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X, Y)) & \leftarrow & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z, Z \cap Y)) \\ (\star)_{X,Y} & & \uparrow \xi & & & & \uparrow \xi \\ & & \check{S}_*(X, Y) & & & & \check{S}_{*-p}(Z, Z \cap Y). \end{array}$$

We have already explained the maps involved, which are quasi-isomorphisms except $\cap u$. There is a sequence of diagrams

$$0 \rightarrow (\star)_Y \rightarrow (\star)_X \rightarrow (\star)_{X,Y} \rightarrow 0$$

which is termwise exact.

From $(\star)_{X,Y}$ we get a commutative square in the derived category

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z, Z \cap Y)) \\ \uparrow \xi & & \uparrow \xi \\ \check{S}_*(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \check{S}_{*-p}(Z, Z \cap Y). \end{array}$$

On cohomology we have the map $\cap[u] : H_m^{lf}(X, Y) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z, Z \cap Y)$, as wanted. This and the cap products $H_m^{lf}(X) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z)$, $H_m^{lf}(Y) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z \cap Y)$ fit in the long exact sequences for (X, Y) and $(Z, Z \cap Y)$.

Comparison of relative Borel-Moore homologies and supported cap products

Given the preparations thus far, the statements and the proofs of the following two results for (X, Y) are parallel to the corresponding theorems for X . The first one generalizes (4.3).

(7.3) **Theorem.** *One has quasi-isomorphisms*

$$\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) \xrightarrow{\theta'} D\check{\mathcal{S}}^*(X, Y) \xleftarrow{\xi} \check{\mathcal{S}}_*(X, Y).$$

They induce isomorphisms on homology,

$$\text{cano} : H_m(X, Y) \rightarrow H_m(D\check{\mathcal{S}}^*(X, Y)) \leftarrow H_m^{lf}(X, Y).$$

Proof. By (4.2) we have quasi-isomorphisms $\theta' : \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \rightarrow D(\check{\mathcal{S}}^*(X))$ and $\theta' : \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) \rightarrow D(\check{\mathcal{S}}^*(Y))$, whence the quasi-isomorphism θ' on the left between the quotients. The quasi-isomorphism ξ on the right was given in (7.2). $\square$

The second result generalizes (5.5), and the argument proceeds as follows.

1. In (5.4) we have explained the quasi-isomorphism $\theta' : \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \rightarrow D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_Z^*(X))$; a quasi-isomorphism $\theta' : \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) \rightarrow D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_{Z \cap Y}^*(Y))$ is similarly obtained. The second row of the following diagram is exact, as the dual of the exact sequence defining $\check{\mathcal{S}}_Z^*(X, Y)$. It follows that there is a map $\theta' : \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) \rightarrow D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_Z^*(X, Y))$ which makes the whole diagram commute and which is a quasi-isomorphism.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \rightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta' & \\ 0 \rightarrow & D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_{Z \cap Y}^*(Y)) & \longrightarrow & D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_Z^*(X)) & \longrightarrow & D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_Z^*(X, Y)) & \rightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

2. One has from (5.4) a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \Gamma_Z(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})) \\ \theta' \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D(\check{\mathcal{S}}^*(X)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_Z^{*-p}(X)), \end{array}$$

another similar commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^{*-p})) \\ \theta' \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D(\check{\mathcal{S}}^*(Y)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_{Z \cap Y}^{*-p}(Y)), \end{array}$$

and a termwise injection from the second to the first by (7.1). Passing to the quotient, and taking item 1 into account, we get a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \Gamma_Z(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})) / \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^{*-p})) \\ \theta' \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D(\check{\mathcal{S}}^*(X, Y)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{\mathcal{S}}_Z^{*-p}(X, Y)). \end{array}$$

3. One has also a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) / \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \longleftarrow & \Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Z^*)) / \Gamma(Z \cap Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_{Z \cap Y}^*)) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ D(\check{S}_Z^*(X, Y)) & \longleftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(Z, Z \cap Y)) \end{array}$$

with all maps quasi-isomorphism; this is induced from the commutative square in (5.4), item 3. The second row is the dual of the quasi-isomorphism in item 3 of (7.2).

4. The digram below contains diagram $(\star)_{X,Y}$ we already have, and is the relative analogue of the diagram $(\star\star)_X$ in (5.5):

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \frac{\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))}{\Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*))} & \xrightarrow{\cap \theta(u)} & \frac{\Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p}))}{\Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^{*-p}))} & \longleftarrow & \frac{\Gamma(Z, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Z^{*-p}))}{\Gamma(Z \cap Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_{Z \cap Y}^{*-p}))} \\ & \nearrow \theta' & \downarrow \theta' & & \downarrow \theta' & & \downarrow \theta' \\ (\star\star)_{X,Y} & D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)) & \longleftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)^\natural) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & D(\check{S}_Z^{*-p}(X, Y)) & \longleftarrow & D(\check{S}^{*-p}(Z, Z \cap Y)) \\ & \uparrow \xi & & & & & \uparrow \xi & \\ & \check{S}_*(X, Y) & & & & & \check{S}_{*-p}(Z, Z \cap Y) . \end{array}$$

The preceding argument confirms it commutes.

(7.4) **Theorem.** *We have the analogue of Theorem (5.5) for a pair of spaces (X, Y) . In particular, one has for $u \in S^p(X, X - Z)$, $du = 0$, a commutative diagram on homology*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\cap [\theta(u)]} & H_{m-p}(Z, Z \cap Y) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ H_m^{lf}(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\cap [u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z, Z \cap Y) . \end{array}$$

with vertical maps canonical isomorphisms.

We also generalize (6.6). Suppose X is a simplicial complex satisfying the condition mentioned at the beginning of §6. Let Z be a subcomplex of Z , N be its closed star; then $N \cap Y$ is the closed star of $Z \cap Y$ in Y . Assume that the inclusion $(Z, Z \cap Y) \subset (N, N \cap Y)$ is a proper deformation retract.

For a cocycle $u \in C^p(X, N^c)$ recall that we have the map $\cap u : \tilde{C}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N)$. For the restriction $u \in C^p(Y, N^c \cap Y)$ we have the map $\cap u : \tilde{C}_*(Y) \rightarrow \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N \cap Y)$. Therefore there is an induced map

$$\cap u : \tilde{C}_*(X, Y) \rightarrow \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N, N \cap Y) .$$

It induces a map on homology

$$\cap [u] : H_m^{\text{simp}}(X, Y) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(N, N \cap Y) .$$

Composing with the isomorphism $H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(Z, Z \cap Y) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(N, N \cap Y)$ we obtain a map

$$\cap [u] : H_m^{\text{simp}}(X, Y) \rightarrow H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(Z, Z \cap Y) .$$

The proof of the next result is parallel to that of (6.6).

(7.5) **Theorem.** For an element $u \in S^p(X, X - Z)$ with $du = 0$, the diagram in the derived category

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{S}_*(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{S}_{*-p}(N, N \cap Y) \\ \uparrow \rho & & \uparrow \rho \\ \tilde{C}_*(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\cap u} & \tilde{C}_{*-p}(N, N \cap Y) \end{array}$$

induces a commutative diagram on homology

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} H_m^{lf}(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(N, N \cap Y) & \xleftarrow{\sim} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z, Z \cap Y) \\ \uparrow \rho & & \uparrow \rho & & \uparrow \rho \\ H_m^{\text{simp}}(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\cap[u]} & H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(N, N \cap Y) & \xleftarrow{\sim} & H_{m-p}^{\text{simp}}(Z, Z \cap Y). \end{array}$$

Localization isomorphisms for Borel-Moore homologies

In the rest of this section, we study the canonical isomorphism, called the *localization isomorphism* $H_*(X, Y) \cong H_*(X - Y)$ (for both the Borel-Moore and locally finite homology) and its compatibility with cap product. For the sheaf theoretic Borel-Moore homology, the existence of such an isomorphism is a special case of [Br-V, (5.10)]; below we will give a direct proof.

For the locally finite homology, the existence of the localization isomorphism requires a few steps.

Unlike the complex $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))$, the complex $\tilde{S}_*(X)$ is not contravariantly functorial for inclusions of open sets, but there is such functoriality in the derived category. For an open set U of X , we produce maps of complexes

$$\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)_X \leftarrow \tilde{S}_*(U),$$

the latter map being an isomorphism. By definition,

$$\tilde{S}_*(U)_X = \varprojlim_{K \in \text{Cpt}(U)} S_*(X, X - K),$$

the inverse limit of the complexes $S_*(X, X - K)$ for $K \in \text{Cpt}(U)$. The natural maps $S_*(U, U - K) \rightarrow S_*(X, X - K)$ induce a map $\tilde{S}_*(U) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)_X$, which will be shown to be a quasi-isomorphism. Also there is obviously a natural map $\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)_X$. If V is an open set contained in U , there is a natural map $\tilde{S}_*(U)_X \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(V)_X$.

(7.6) **Proposition.** The map $\tilde{S}_*(U) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)_X$ is a quasi-isomorphism.

Proof. Each map $S_*(U, U - K) \rightarrow S_*(X, X - K)$ is a quasi-isomorphism by the excision theorem. There is an increasing sequence of compact sets of U

$$K_1 \subset K_2 \subset \dots$$

such that $K_n \subset \text{Int}(K_{n+1})$ and $\cup K_n = U$. (For example see [Br 2], Theorem 12.11 and its proof.) Then $\{C_*^{(n)} = S_*(X, X - K_n)\}_{n \geq 1}$ is an inverse system of complexes with surjective transition maps. One thus has an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \varprojlim_n^1 H_{m+1}(C_*^{(n)}) \rightarrow H_m(\varprojlim_n C_*^{(n)}) \rightarrow \varprojlim_n H_m(C_*^{(n)}) \rightarrow 0.$$

The same holds for the inverse system of complexes $\{S_*(U, U - K_n)\}_{n \geq 1}$, so there results another short exact sequence. The groups $H_m(C_*^{(n)})$ are isomorphic for the two inverse systems. Comparing the two short exact sequences we obtain the assertion. $\square$

Thus the maps $\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)_X \leftarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)$ give a map $\tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)$ in the derived category, and induces on homology a map $H_m^{lf}(X) \rightarrow H_m^{lf}(U)$.

The complex $\tilde{S}_*(X)$ is contravariantly functorial for inclusions of open sets. Let $V \subset U \subset X$ be open sets. The quasi-isomorphism $\tilde{S}_*(V) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(V)_X$ factors as the composition of quasi-isomorphisms $\tilde{S}_*(V) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(V)_U \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(V)_X$, the latter the inverse limit of the maps $S_*(U, U - K) \rightarrow S_*(X, X - K)$ for $K \in Cpt(V)$. One has a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \tilde{S}_*(X) & \longrightarrow & \tilde{S}_*(U)_X & \longrightarrow & \tilde{S}_*(V)_X \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ & & \tilde{S}_*(U) & \longrightarrow & \tilde{S}_*(V)_U \\ & & & & \uparrow \\ & & & & \tilde{S}_*(V) \end{array}$$

from which the contravariant functoriality follows.

(7.7) Localization isomorphisms

1. The *localization map* for singular homology is defined as follows. Let Y be closed, locally contractible subspace of X , and $U = X - Y$. Recall by definition $\tilde{S}_*(X, Y) = \tilde{S}_*(X)/\tilde{S}_*(Y)$. The composition of the maps $\tilde{S}_*(Y) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)_X$ is zero, which follows from the map $S_*(Y) \rightarrow S_*(X, X - K)$ being zero for $K \in Cpt(U)$. So there is an induced map of complexes $\tilde{S}_*(X, Y) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_*(U)_X$; this induces on homology a map $H_m^{lf}(X, Y) \rightarrow H_m^{lf}(U)$; we will show below that this is an isomorphism, and call it the *localization isomorphism* for the singular homology.

2. Likewise, the composition $\check{S}^*(U)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \check{S}^*(Y)$ is zero, since the composition of maps $S^*(X, X - K) \rightarrow S^*(X) \rightarrow S^*(Y)$ is zero. So we get a commutative diagram of complexes with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & \check{S}^*(X, Y) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(Y) & \rightarrow 0 \\ & \uparrow & & \parallel & & \uparrow & \\ 0 \rightarrow & \check{S}^*(U)_X & \longrightarrow & \check{S}^*(X) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}_Y^*(X) & \rightarrow 0. \end{array} \quad (a)$$

The vertical arrows are quasi-isomorphisms. The dual of the quasi-isomorphism $\check{S}^*(U)_X \rightarrow \check{S}^*(X, Y)$ is also a quasi-isomorphism.

3. We give a variant of the map $\xi : \tilde{S}_*(X) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(X))$ as follows. For $K \in Cpt(U)$, we have a map $\xi : S_*(X, X - K) \rightarrow D(S^*(X, X - K))$; passing to the inverse limit we get a map $\xi : \tilde{S}_*(U)_X \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(U)_X)$. There is a commutative diagram of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} D\check{S}^*(X) & \longrightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(U)_X) & \leftarrow & D(\check{S}^*(U)_X) \\ \xi \uparrow & & \xi \uparrow & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{S}_*(X) & \longrightarrow & \tilde{S}_*(U)_X & \leftarrow & \tilde{S}_*(U) \end{array}$$

where the map $D(\check{S}^*(U)_X) \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(U)_X)$ is a quasi-isomorphism. The map ξ on the right is a quasi-isomorphism by §3. Therefore $\xi : \check{S}_*(U)_X \rightarrow D(\check{S}^*(U)_X)$ is also a quasi-isomorphism. Deduced from the left square is another commutative diagram of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D\check{S}^*(X, Y) & \longrightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(U)_X) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \check{S}_*(X, Y) & \longrightarrow & \check{S}_*(U)_X. \end{array}$$

The map ξ on left is a quasi-isomorphism by (7.2), item 6, so the map $\check{S}_*(X, Y) \rightarrow \check{S}_*(U)_X$ is also a quasi-isomorphism.

4. Let $\alpha : \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}_Y^*)$ be the canonical surjection. We have a commutative diagram of complexes with exact rows, with vertical arrows quasi-isomorphisms.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & \text{Ker}(\alpha) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}_Y^*) & \rightarrow 0 \\ & \uparrow & & \parallel & & \uparrow & \\ 0 \rightarrow & \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*|_Y) & \rightarrow 0. \end{array} \quad (b)$$

Taking the dual we have a commutative diagram, with horizontal maps isomorphisms and vertical maps quasi-isomorphisms,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))/\Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & D(\text{Ker } \alpha) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))/D\Gamma_c(Y, \mathcal{S}^*|_Y) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \end{array} \quad (b')$$

in particular a quasi-isomorphism $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))/\Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) \rightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))$. This induces an isomorphism on homology $H_m(X, Y) \rightarrow H_m(U)$, the *localization isomorphism* for the Borel-Moore homology.

5. Both (a) and (b) are diagrams of the same type consisting of six terms. There is a map of diagrams $\theta : (a) \rightarrow (b)$, given as follows. We have obtained before three quasi-isomorphisms (denoted θ) $\check{S}^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$, $\check{S}^*(Y) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}_Y^*)$, and $\check{S}_Y^*(X) \rightarrow \Gamma_c(X, \mathcal{S}^*|_Y)$; they give maps from four terms of (a) to the corresponding four terms of (b). There are unique maps of complexes $\theta : \check{S}^*(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(\alpha)$ and $\theta : \check{S}^*(U)_X \rightarrow \Gamma_c(U, \mathcal{S}^*)$ which, along the other maps, form a map of diagrams from (a) $\rightarrow$ (b). This map θ is termwise a quasi-isomorphism.

If we take the dual of the map $\theta : (a) \rightarrow (b)$, we get a commutative diagram,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D\check{S}^*(X)/D\check{S}^*(Y) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & D\check{S}^*(X, Y) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ D\check{S}^*(X)/D\check{S}_Y^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & D\check{S}^*(U)_X \end{array} \quad (a')$$

with horizontal maps isomorphisms and vertical maps quasi-isomorphisms, another commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))/\Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & D(\text{Ker } \alpha) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*))/D\Gamma_c(Y, \mathcal{S}^*|_Y) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & D(\check{S}^*(U)_X) \end{array} \quad (b')$$

also with horizontal maps isomorphisms and vertical maps quasi-isomorphisms, and a map diagrams $\theta' : (b') \rightarrow (a')$ which is termwise a quasi-isomorphism. In particular, we have a commutative diagram of quasi-isomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \rightarrow & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \\ \theta' \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)) & \rightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(U)_X). \end{array}$$

6. We have obtained a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \rightarrow & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \\ \theta' \downarrow & & \downarrow \theta' \\ D(\check{S}^*(X, Y)) & \rightarrow & D(\check{S}^*(U)_X) \\ \xi \uparrow & & \uparrow \xi \\ \tilde{S}_*(X, Y) & \rightarrow & \tilde{S}_*(U)_X. \end{array}$$

Recall that the vertical quasi-isomorphisms give the canonical isomorphisms on homology. We have proven the following theorem.

(7.8) **Theorem.** *There are natural isomorphisms $H_m(X, Y) \rightarrow H_m(U)$ and $H_m^{lf}(X, Y) \rightarrow H_m^{lf}(U)$. These isomorphisms are compatible with the canonical isomorphisms $H_m(X, Y) \cong H_m^{lf}(X, Y)$ and $H_m(U) \cong H_m^{lf}(U)$ from (7.3).*

The localization isomorphisms are compatible with cap product:

(7.9) **Theorem.** *Let $u \in H_Z^p(X)$ and $u|_U \in H_{Z \cap U}(U)$ be its restriction. The cap product $\cap u$ on $H_m(X, Y)$ and the cap product $\cap(u|_U)$ on $H_m(U)$ are compatible via the localization isomorphism, namely the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & H_m(U) \\ \cap u \downarrow & & \downarrow \cap u \\ H_{m-p}(Z, Z \cap Y) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & H_{m-p}(Z \cap U) \end{array} \quad (7.9.1)$$

commutes. The same holds for the groups $H_^{lf}(X, Y)$ and $H_*^{lf}(U)$.*

Proof. For $u \in \Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{S}^*)$ closed, the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(X, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) / \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^*)) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \\ \cap u \downarrow & & \downarrow \cap u \\ \Gamma_Z(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^{*-p})) / \Gamma_{Z \cap Y}(Y, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}_Y^{*-p})) & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_{Z \cap U}(U, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{S}^*)) \end{array}$$

clearly commutes, and the first assertion follows.

Consider next the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_m^{lf}(X, Y) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & H_m^{lf}(U) \\ \cap u \downarrow & & \downarrow \cap u \\ H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z, Z \cap Y) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & H_{m-p}^{lf}(Z \cap U). \end{array} \quad (7.9.2)$$

There is the canonical isomorphism from each term of square (7.9.1) to the corresponding term in (7.9.2), so one obtains a cubical diagram. The face (7.9.1) commutes; two of the other faces commute by the compatibility of cap product with canonical isomorphisms, (5.5) and (7.4); two of the faces commute by the compatibility of localization isomorphisms and the canonical isomorphisms, (7.8). From these follows the commutativity of face (7.9.2). $\square$

Remark. As the proof shows, the commutativity of the squares comes from the commutativity of the corresponding squares of complexes in the derived category.

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