

# Tiling Cohomology

Why compute tiling cohomology?

- 1) Because we can.
- 2) Simpler invariants  
don't work
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- 3)  $H^*$  gives interesting  
information.

Why not fundamental group, or  $\Pi_n$ , or  $H_n$ ?

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$\Pi_0 = H_0$  counts path components.

But for  $\mathcal{R}_T$ , path component = orbit,  
and  $\exists$  uncountably many orbits.

$$\Pi_0(\mathcal{R}_T) = H_0(\mathcal{R}_T) = \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}},$$


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Higher homotopy groups probe a single path component. But each orbit is (typically) contractible, so

$$\Pi_n(\mathcal{R}_T) = 0 \text{ for } n > 0. \text{ Likewise}$$

$$H_n(\mathcal{R}_T) = 0.$$

$\check{H}$  Čech cohomology does better

$\check{H}^0$  measures connected components, not path components, so  $\check{H}^0(\mathbb{R}_+)=\mathbb{Z}$

Čech cohomology behaves well under inverse limits:

$$\check{H}^*(\varprojlim_{\sigma} K) = \varinjlim_{\sigma^*} \check{H}^*(K) = \varinjlim_{\sigma^*} H^*(K)$$

So what does  $\check{H}^*$  mean?

So what does  $\varinjlim$  mean?

## Direct Limits

Given: a family of groups  $G_\alpha$  indexed by partially ordered set  $I$ .

If  $\alpha, \beta \in I$ ,  $\exists \gamma \in I$  such that  $\alpha < \gamma, \beta < \gamma$ .  
(directed set)

If  $\alpha < \gamma$ ,  $\exists$  homomorphism  $\rho_{\gamma\alpha}: G_\alpha \rightarrow G_\gamma$

If  $\alpha < \beta < \gamma$ ,  $\rho_{\gamma\alpha} = \rho_{\gamma\beta} \circ \rho_{\beta\alpha}$

$\varinjlim_I G_\alpha = \coprod G_\alpha / \sim$

If  $\alpha < \gamma$ ,  $x \in G_\alpha$ ,  $x \sim \rho_{\gamma\alpha}(x) \in G_\gamma$   
if  $x \in G_\alpha, y \in G_\beta$ ,  $xy = \rho_{\gamma\alpha}(x)\rho_{\gamma\beta}(y) \in G_\gamma$

lwk: Show this is well-defined, and  
that  $\varinjlim_I G_\alpha$  is a group

Note: Same construction works for rings

# Examples of Direct Limits

1)  $I = \mathbb{N}$ ,  $G_\alpha = \mathbb{Z}$

$$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{x^2} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{x^2} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{x^2} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{x^2} \dots$$

$(n, \alpha) \sim (2n, \alpha+1) \rightarrow$  identify with  $\frac{n}{2^\alpha}$

$$\varinjlim_{x^2} \mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}] = \left\{ \frac{n}{2^m} \right\}$$

2)  $I = \mathbb{N}$ ,  $G_\alpha = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\rho_{\gamma\alpha} = 0 \} \text{ everything is}$   
 $\varinjlim_{x_0} \mathbb{Z} = 0. \quad \} \text{ identified to zero}$

3)  $I = \mathbb{N}$ ,  $G_\alpha = \mathbb{Z}^2$

$$\mathbb{Z}^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{Z}^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \dots$$

Each matrix is isomorphism, so  $\varinjlim \mathbb{Z}^2 = \mathbb{Z}^2$ .

Also have order structure  $\leq$  embedding in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $\binom{n_1}{n_2} > 0$  if  $n_1 + \tau n_2 > 0$ . Then

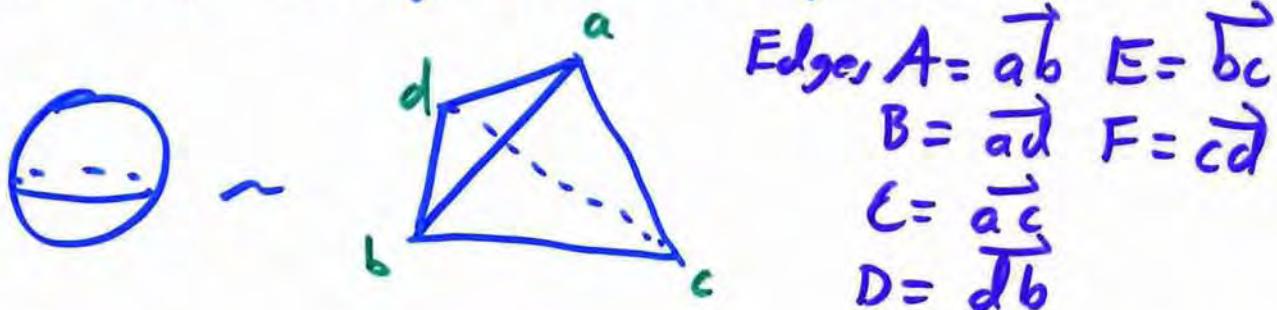
$$\mathbb{Z}^2 \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \tau \subset \mathbb{R}.$$

Hw: Show this positivity is the same as having  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \binom{n_1}{n_2}$  have positive entries for  $m$  large enough.

# What the Čech is cohomology??

First consider simple space, like  $S^2$ .

View as simplicial complex:



Faces  $\alpha = bdc$ ,  $\beta = acd$ ,  $\gamma = adb$ ,  $\delta = abc$

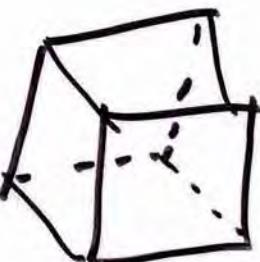
Chains:  $C_0 = \mathbb{Z}^4 \xleftarrow{\partial_1} C_1 = \mathbb{Z}^6 \xleftarrow{\partial_2} C_2 = \mathbb{Z}^4$

Cochains  $C^0 = \mathbb{Z}^4 \xrightarrow{\delta_0} C^1 = \mathbb{Z}^6 \xrightarrow{\delta_1} C^2 = \mathbb{Z}^4$

$$\delta_0 = \partial_1^T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \delta_1 = \partial_2^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H^0 = \text{Ker } \delta_0 = \mathbb{Z} \left( \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \right) \quad H^1 = \frac{\text{Ker } \delta_1}{\text{Im } \delta_0} = 0$$

$$H^2 = \frac{C^2}{\text{Im } \delta_1} = \mathbb{Z}$$

Why  rather than  
 or  or ... ?

Why not consider ALL Simplicial decompositions  $\Sigma^\alpha$  of  $S^2$ ?

Let  $\alpha < \beta$  if  $\Sigma_\beta$  is a refinement of  $\Sigma_\alpha$ ,  
in which case  $\exists$  a Simplicial map  
 $\Sigma_\beta \rightarrow \Sigma_\alpha$  (identity on vertices of  $\Sigma_\alpha$ ),  
inducing chain map  $C^*(\Sigma_\alpha) \rightarrow C^*(\Sigma_\beta)$ ,  
inducing  $s_{\beta\alpha}: H^*(\Sigma_\alpha) \rightarrow H^*(\Sigma_\beta)$

Could define

$$H^*(S^2) = \varinjlim_{\beta} H^*(\Sigma_\alpha)$$

Usual procedure is to show that  
 $\rho_{\beta\alpha}$  is isomorphism, so all simplicial  
 complexes give same answer, so don't  
 need direct limit. But in that  
 case the common answer IS  
 the direct limit. So

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^*(S^2) &= H_{\text{Singular}}^*(S^2) = H_{\text{Simplicial}}^*(\Sigma) \\
 &= H_{\text{cellular}}^*(\text{W-decomposition of } S^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Cech cohomology of an open cover

Let  $X = \text{topological space}$

$\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha\}$  an open cover

Nerve of  $\mathcal{U} \equiv N(\mathcal{U}) = \text{simplicial complex with}$

- 1) Vertex  $\alpha$  for each open set  $U_\alpha$
- 2) Edge  $\alpha\beta$  for each nonempty  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$
- 3) Face  $\alpha\beta\gamma$  for each nonempty  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma$

Def:  $\check{H}^*(\mathcal{U}) = H_{\text{simplicial}}^*(N(\mathcal{U}))$

(N.B.  $\check{H}^*(\mathcal{U})$  is often defined using presheaves - not needed for basic case)

# Warning - Open cover matters!

If  $X = S^1$ , can take open cover w/  
one open set:  $N(\mathcal{U}) = \cdot$

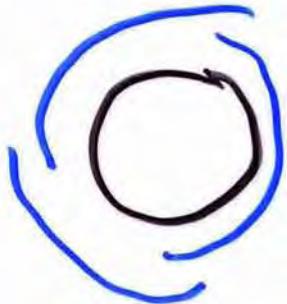
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Or open cover with 2 open sets



$$N(\mathcal{U}) = \square$$

Or open cover with 3 open sets



$$N(\mathcal{U}) = \triangle$$

If  $\mathcal{V}$  is refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $(\text{see Bott \& Tu})$

$\exists$  canonical map  $f_{\mathcal{U}}: \check{H}^*(\mathcal{U}) \rightarrow \check{H}^*(\mathcal{V})$

Def:  $\check{H}^*(X) = \varinjlim_{\mathcal{U}} \check{H}^*(\mathcal{U})$

## Open Stars & good covers

In practice,  $\check{H}^*$  is often computable from finite calculation. If  $\mathcal{U}$  is a good cover (Def: every  $U_d$  contractible, every non-empty  $U_{d_1} \cap \dots \cap U_{d_n}$  contractible), then  $\check{H}^*(X) = \check{H}^*(\mathcal{U})$ .

If  $X$  is a simplicial complex, can find <sup>good</sup>  $\mathcal{U}$  cover whose nerve is  $X$ , so  $\check{H}^* = H^*_{\text{simplicial}} = H^*_{\text{singular}} = H^*_{\text{cellular}}$

For each vertex  $\alpha$ , let

$$U_\alpha = \alpha \cup \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{interiors of all cells} \\ \text{with } \alpha \text{ as a vertex} \end{array} \right\}$$

$U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ share an edge}$

$U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \cap U_\gamma \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \alpha, \beta, \gamma \text{ share a face.}$

etc.

Meanwhile, back at the inverse limit

$$K_0 \xleftarrow{f_1} K_1 \xleftarrow{f_2} K_2 \xleftarrow{} \dots$$

$X = \varprojlim K_i \subset \prod K_i$  so basis for open sets in  $X$  is pullbacks of open sets in  $K_n$ .

Let  $\pi_n : X \rightarrow K_n$  be natural projection

$\mathcal{U}_0 = \text{good open cover of } K_0$

$\mathcal{U}_1 = \text{good open cover of } K_1, \text{ refinement of } f_1^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_0)$

$\vdots$

$\mathcal{U}_{n+1} = \text{good open cover of } K_n, \text{ refining } f_{n+1}^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_n)$

$\mathcal{V}_n = \pi_n^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_n) = \text{(not good) open cover of } X.$

$$\text{Claim: } \check{H}^*(X) = \varinjlim_n \check{H}^*(V_n)$$

$$\text{HW: Show } N(V_n) = N(U_n)$$

Since  $U_n$  is good,  $\check{H}^*(U_n) = H^*(K_n)$ ,

so

$$\begin{aligned}\check{H}^*(X) &= \varinjlim_n \check{H}^*(V_n) \\ &= \varinjlim \text{Simplicial } H^* N(V_n) \\ &= \varinjlim H^*_{\text{Simplicial}} N(U_n) \\ &= \varinjlim H^*_{\text{any}} (K_n)\end{aligned}$$

## Examples

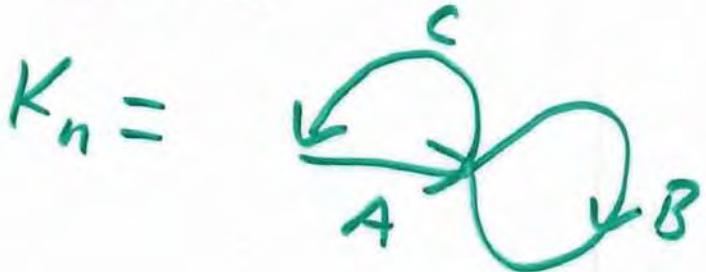
1) Dyadic solenoid

$$X = S' \leftarrow^{x^2} S' \leftarrow^{x^2} S' \leftarrow \dots$$

$$H^*(S') = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{Z} \\ \mathbb{Z} \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma^* = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{on } H^0 \\ 2 & \text{on } H^1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H^0(X) &= \mathbb{Z}, \quad H^1(X) = \lim \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{x^2} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \dots \\ &= \mathbb{Z}[x_2] \end{aligned}$$

2) Fibonacci:



$$\sigma(A) = C$$

$$\sigma(B) = AC$$

$$\sigma(C) = CAB$$

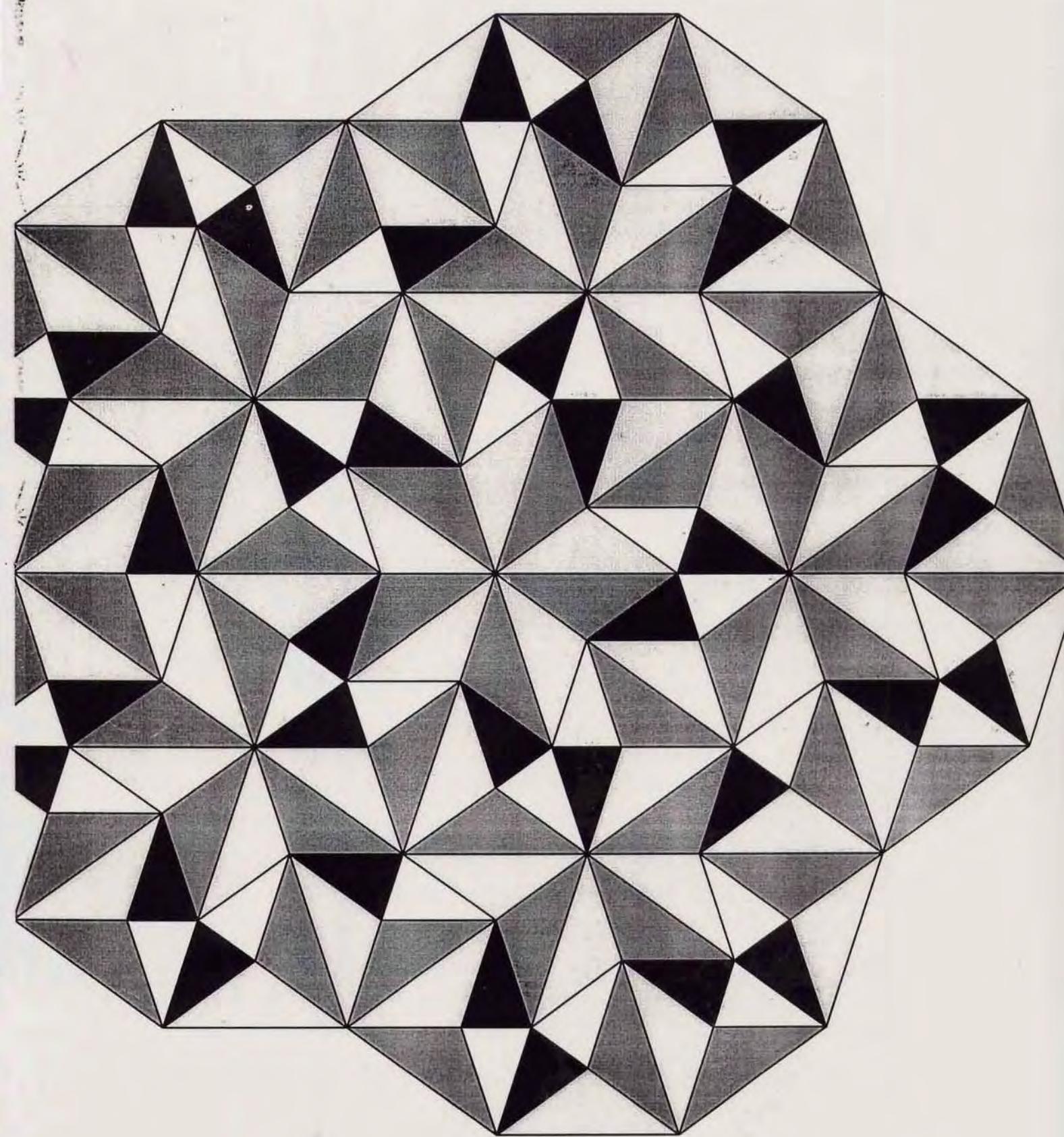
$$\sigma(AC) = CAB$$

$$H^1(K_n) = \mathbb{Z}^2 \quad \sigma^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

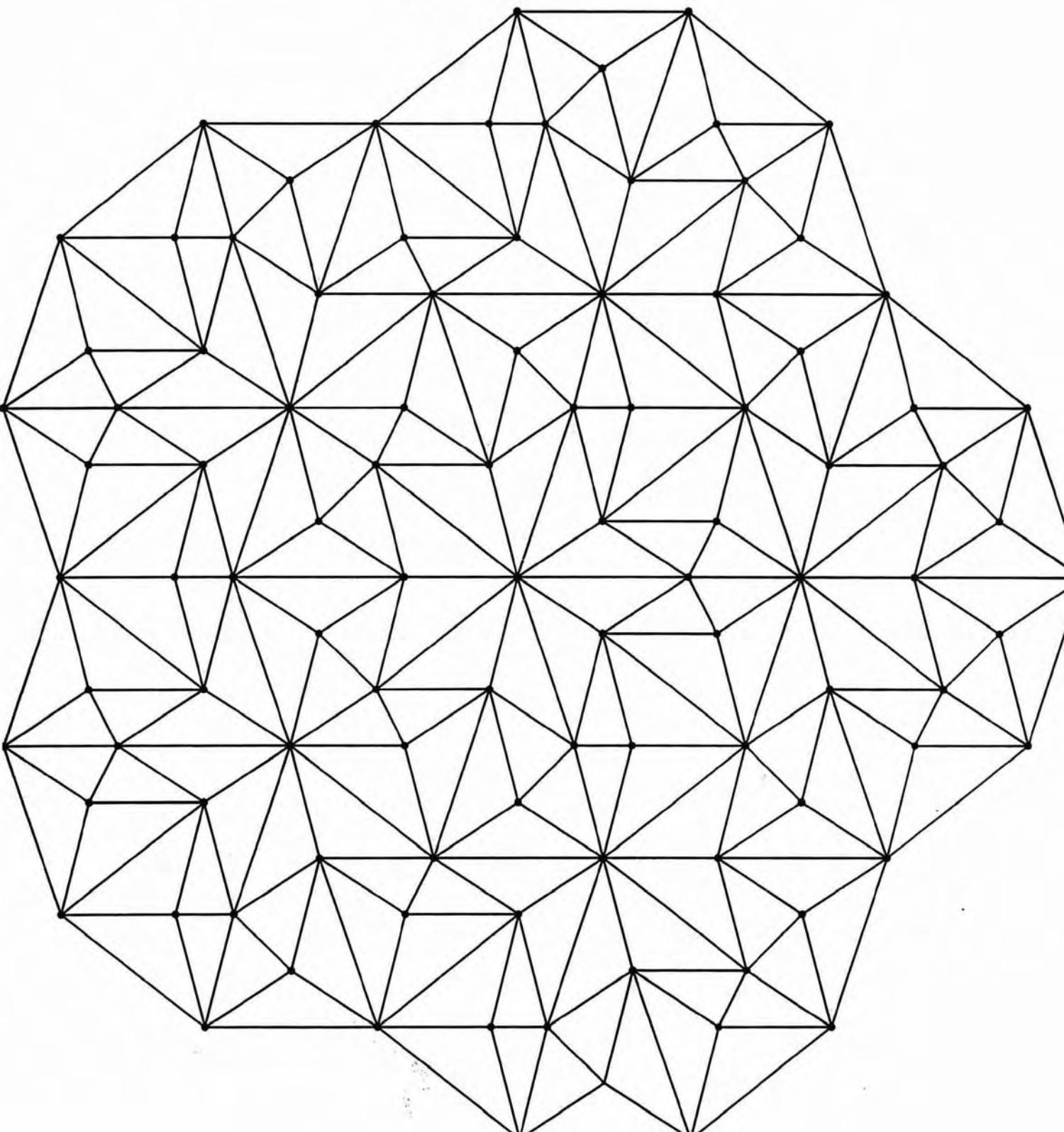
$$\tilde{H}^1(\text{Fibonacci}) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$$

So who cares?

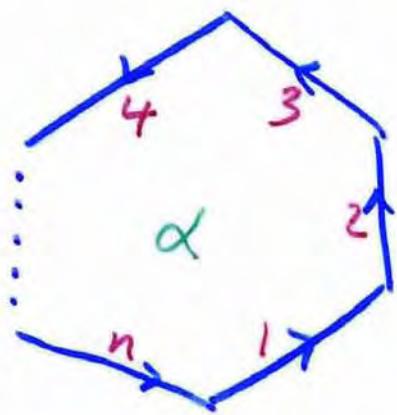
- 1) Cohomology helps classify spaces
- 2) Projection of top cohomology on  $\mathbb{R}$  gives "gap labeling group".
- 3)  $\check{H}^1(\Omega_T, \mathbb{R}^d)$  parametrizes shape deformations



180 Tiles



# Parametrizing Shapes



If  $\alpha$  is an  $n$ -gon,

$$\alpha \longleftrightarrow \{\vec{V}_{\alpha_1}, \vec{V}_{\alpha_2}, \dots, \vec{V}_{\alpha_n}\} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

subject to the closed condition

$$(1) \quad \sum_j \vec{V}_{\alpha_j} = 0$$

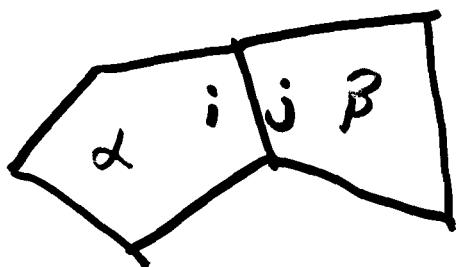
and some open conditions

( $\partial\alpha$  is positively oriented closed path w/o self intersections)



## Matching Conditions

If somewhere in a tiling, tile types  $\alpha, \beta$  meet along edges  $i, j$ , then the edge vectors for  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  are the same (up to sign)



Shape space  $\subseteq \{ \text{vector-valued } 1\text{-cochains on } \Gamma \}$ , where

$$\Gamma = \coprod \text{tile types} / \begin{matrix} \text{edge} \\ \text{identification} \end{matrix} = K_0 !$$

(More generally, deformations of  $n$ -collared tiles give cochains on  $K_n$ )

(cochain is closed, since

$$\delta f(\alpha) = f(\partial\alpha) = \sum_i V_{\alpha,i} = 0$$

Deformations/MLD = 1st cohomology

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Coboundaries of 0-cochains do not affect MLD class, since 0-cochain describes local correction. Allowing collaring,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Deformations/MLD} &= \frac{\text{closed cochains on } K_n}{\text{exact cochains on } K_n} \\ &= H'(K_n, \mathbb{R}^2) \Rightarrow H'(X_T, \mathbb{R}^2) \end{aligned}$$

# Topological Conjugacy

All nonzero cohomology classes change MLD class, but some preserve topological conjugacy class (hence dynamical spectrum & K-theory). These are called asymptotically negligible.

Thm (Clark-S) Let  $T$  be a substitution tiling,  
 $\psi: X_T \rightarrow X_T$  the substitution map, inducing  
 $\psi^*: H^*(X_T, \mathbb{R}^2) \rightarrow H^*(X_T, \mathbb{R}^2)$ . Then

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Asymptotically} \\ \text{negligible} \\ \text{classes} \end{array} \right\} = \bigoplus_{|\lambda|<1} \text{Eigenspaces of } \psi^* \text{ with}$$

# Penrose Revisited

$$H^1(X_p, \mathbb{R}^2) = \mathbb{R}^{10} = \mathbb{R}^4 \oplus \mathbb{R}^4 \oplus \mathbb{R}^2$$

$\lambda = \tau$        $\lambda = 1 - \tau$        $\lambda = -1$

$\lambda = \tau$  : dilation, rotation, 2 shears  
= general linear transformations of  $P$ .

$\lambda = 1 - \tau$  : Asymptotically negligible.  
Changes MLD class but not dynamics.

$\lambda = -1$  : Breaks  $180^\circ$  rotational symmetry.  
Does not appear in original Penrose or rational Penrose.

Original Penrose : shape is pure  $\lambda = \tau$

Rat. Penrose : shape is linear combination of  $\lambda = \tau$  and  $\lambda = 1 - \tau$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Top. ren (but not MLD) to linear transformation of original.