

A RELATION BETWEEN POINCARÉ DUALITY AND QUOTIENTS OF COHOMOLOGY MANIFOLDS

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1. INTRODUCTION

A *proper map* is one for which the inverse image of each compact set is compact. Such a map is said to be *acyclic* over a coefficient domain L if each point-inverse is cohomologically trivial over L . Unless we say otherwise, we assume that L is an arbitrary but fixed principal ideal domain. We use the sheaf-theoretic cohomology theory and the homology theory defined by A. Borel and J. C. Moore as explicated in [3]. All supports for these theories are closed unless “ c ” appears as a subscript or superscript, in which case compact supports are to be taken. We replace “ n -dimensional cohomology manifold” by the acronym “ n -cm.”

K. W. Kwun and F. Raymond [4] have proved the following result. Suppose that X is a compact, connected, orientable n -cm, and that Y is an n -cm. In addition, suppose that

$$f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B) \quad (A \neq X)$$

maps $X - A$ onto $Y - B$ and maps the closed set A onto B such that $f|_{X-A}$ is acyclic. Then A satisfies a condition resembling Poincaré duality. More precisely, for $p \neq 0$ and $p \neq n$, the homomorphism

$$\phi: H_{n-p}(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} H_{n-p}(X) \xrightarrow{\Delta} H^p(X) \xrightarrow{i^*} H^p(A)$$

is an isomorphism, where i_* , i^* are induced by inclusion and Δ is the Poincaré duality isomorphism.

Theorem 1 of this paper provides a converse to the result of Kwun and Raymond in the case where B is a point and A is a continuum. If one assumes that f is proper and X is completely paracompact, the compactness of X may be discarded. Under these hypotheses, the assumption that A satisfies the homological condition above is sufficient to guarantee that Y is an orientable n -cm.

We apply Theorem 1 to give a generalized version of R. L. Wilder's monotone mapping theorem [5].

In what follows, X will denote a connected, orientable n -cm, and γ will denote the fundamental class of X ($\gamma \in H_n^c(X)$). If A is a continuum in X , then $c: X \rightarrow X/A$ is the canonical identification, and $c(A)$ is represented by $*$. If $S \subset X/A$, then $c^{-1}(S) = S^*$. A proper, compact, connected subset A of X is called a *divisor* of X if the homomorphism

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