# On homotopy classification and extension 

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It is the purpose of this paper to discuss the rôle of the groups $H\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, \boldsymbol{k}\right)$ in the study of the obstruction and classification theorems for mappings of a geometric complex $K$ into a topological space $Y$ such that

$$
\pi_{i}(Y)=0 \text { for } 0 \leqslant i<n, n<i<q, \text { and } q<i<r<2 q-1,
$$

along the line of Eilenberg-MacLane [3].
As is well-known, the space $Y$ has the invariants $\boldsymbol{k}_{n}^{q+1} \in H^{q+1}\left(\pi_{n}, n ; \pi_{q}\right)$ and $\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \in H^{r+1}\left(\pi_{q}, q ; \pi_{r}\right) .^{1)}$ In addition to these, as is shown in $\S 6$, there is an invariant $\left\{\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}\right\}$ which is a coset of $H^{r+1}\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, \boldsymbol{k}_{n}^{q+1} ; \pi_{r}\right)$.

Let $K$ be a geometric complex with subcomplex $L$ and $f: K^{n} \cup_{L \rightarrow Y}$ be a mapping extensible to a map $K^{q+1} \cup L \rightarrow Y$. The third obstruction to the extension of $f$ is then a coset of $H^{r+1}\left(K, L ; \pi_{r}\right)$. This obstruction was treated by N. Shimada and $H$. Uehara in some special cases [1].

Our main purpose is the expression of this coset in the general cases, and by an application we shall explain the allied extension and classification theorems in terms of our new operators $\boldsymbol{y}_{\gamma}$ and $\boldsymbol{y}_{\tau}$ which are introduced is $\S 4$. Throughout, we omit the case $n=1$.

## § 1. The maps $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$.

For any (discrete) abelian groups $\Pi$, $\Pi^{\prime}$, any integers $n, q(1<n<q)$, and any cocycle $k$ of $Z^{q+1}\left(\Pi, n ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$ we shall introduce an $R$-complex $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ which is a $k$-prolongation of $K(\Pi, n)$ in a sence. ${ }^{2)}$

A $p$-cell of $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ is a pair $(\phi, \psi)$, where $\phi$ is a $p$-cell of $K(\Pi, n)$, and $\psi$ is an element of $F_{p}\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right)$ subject to the condition;

$$
\sum_{i=0}^{q+1}(-1)^{i} \psi\left(\gamma_{q+1}^{i}\right)+k(\phi)=0 \text { for any map } \gamma \in K_{q+1}(p) .
$$

The internal product of two such $p$-simplices ( $\phi, \psi$ ), ( $\phi^{\prime}, \psi^{\prime}$ ) is ( $\phi \circ \phi^{\prime}, \psi^{\circ} \psi^{\prime}$ ) where

$$
\left(\phi \circ \phi^{\prime}\right)(\alpha)=\phi(\alpha)+\phi^{\prime}(\alpha), \quad\left(\psi^{\circ} \psi^{\prime}\right)(\beta)=\psi(\beta)+\psi^{\prime}(\beta)
$$

for arbitrary appropriate dimensional maps $\alpha, \beta$. And the $p$-simplex ( $\ell_{p . n}, \ell_{p . q}$ ) which is a pair of the neutral elements determines the unit for this product.

1) For the sake of brevity, we write in the following $\pi_{n}=\pi_{n}(Y), \pi_{q}=\pi_{q}(Y)$, and $\pi_{r}=\pi_{r}(Y)$.
2) Refer. [2].

The zero subgroup $\{0\}$ of $\Pi$ determines the subcomplex $K\left(0, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ of $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ which consists of the simplices of the type $(\ell, \psi)$ satisfying

$$
\sum_{i=0}^{q+1}(-1)^{i} \psi\left(\gamma \varepsilon_{q+1}^{i}\right)=0 \quad \text { for any map } \gamma \in K_{q+1}(p)
$$

namely, this subcomplex is isomorphic with $K\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right)$.
We wish to classify simplicial maps of a complete semi-simplicial (C.S.S.) complex $K$

$$
\begin{equation*}
T: K \longrightarrow K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right) \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Such a map determines a cocycle and a cochain

$$
x_{n}=T \# b_{n} \in Z^{n}(K ; \Pi), \quad x_{q}=T \# b_{q} \in C^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)
$$

where $b_{n}$ is the basic cocycle in $Z^{n}\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k ; \Pi\right) \simeq Z^{n}(\Pi, n ; \Pi)$ and $b_{q}$ is the basic cochain in $C^{q}\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$ defined by

$$
b_{n}(\phi, \psi)=\phi\left(\varepsilon_{n}\right), \quad b_{q}(\phi, \psi)=\psi\left(\varepsilon_{q}\right)
$$

Then, it is easily verified that

$$
k T\left(x_{n}\right)+\delta x_{q}=0
$$

where $T\left(x_{n}\right): K \rightarrow K(\Pi, n)$ is the simplicial map induced by $x_{n}$ as follows :

$$
T\left(x_{n}\right) \sigma=\phi
$$

where $\sigma$ is any $p$-cell of $K$, and $\phi$ is the corresponding $p$-cell of $K(\Pi, n)$ determined by $\phi(\boldsymbol{\alpha})=x_{n}\left(\sigma_{\alpha}\right)$ for any map $\alpha \in K_{n}(p)$.

Lemma 1.1. Given the complex $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ and the C.S.S. complex $K$, the rule $T \rightarrow\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ establishes a one-to-one correspondence between simlicial maps and pairs $\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ satisfying the conditions;

$$
\begin{equation*}
x_{n} \in Z^{n}(K ; \Pi), \quad x_{q} \in C^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right), \quad k T\left(x_{n}\right)+\delta x_{q}=0 \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The map $T$ corresponding in this fashion to the pair $\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ will be denoted by $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$. Then $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ is characterized as a simplicial map for which

$$
T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right) \sigma=(\phi, \psi)
$$

if $\sigma$ is an $p$-simplex of $K$, where

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\phi(\alpha)=x_{n}\left(\sigma_{\alpha}\right) & \text { for any } \operatorname{map} \alpha \in K_{n}(p) \\
\psi(\beta)=x_{q}\left(\sigma_{\beta}\right) & \text { for any map } \beta \in K_{q}(p) .
\end{array}
$$

The proof of this lemma is an immediate consequence of the following :

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=0}^{n+1}(-1)^{i} \phi\left(\lambda \varepsilon_{n+1}^{i}\right) & =\sum_{i=0}^{n+1}(-1)^{i} x_{n}\left(\sigma_{\lambda \varepsilon^{i}}\right)=\sum_{i=0}^{n+1}(-1)^{i} x_{n}\left(\sigma_{\lambda}\right)^{(i)} \\
& =x_{n} \partial\left(\sigma_{\lambda}\right)=\delta x_{n}\left(\sigma_{\lambda}\right)=0 \quad \text { for any may } \lambda \in K_{n+1}(p) .
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=0}^{p+1}(-1)^{i} & \psi\left(\gamma \varepsilon_{q+1}^{i}\right)+k(\phi)=\sum_{i=0}^{q+1}(-1)^{i} x_{q}\left(\sigma_{\gamma \varepsilon} i\right)+k(\phi) \\
& =\sum_{i=0}^{q+1}(-1)^{i} x_{q}(\sigma)^{(i)}+k\left(\phi_{\gamma}\right) \\
& =x_{q}\left(\partial \sigma_{\sigma}\right)+k\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \sigma\right]_{\gamma} \\
& =\delta x_{q}\left(\sigma_{\gamma}\right)+k\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \sigma_{\gamma}\right] \\
& =\left(\delta x_{q}+k T\left(x_{n}\right)\right) \sigma_{\gamma}=0 \quad \text { for any map } r \in K_{q+1}(p) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ may be represented as follows;

$$
\begin{equation*}
T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)=r\left[i_{n} \times i_{q}\right]\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \times T\left(x_{q}\right)\right] e, \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

here, the first map $e$ is the diagonal map $K \rightarrow K \times K$, the second map is the cartesian product of $T\left(x_{n}\right)$ and $T\left(x_{q}\right): K \rightarrow F\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right)$ which is defined similarly as $T\left(x_{n}\right)$ for the cochain $x_{q}$. The third map is the cartesian product of the inclusion maps

$$
\begin{aligned}
& i_{n}: K(\Pi, n) \longrightarrow F\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right) \\
& i_{q}: F\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right) \longrightarrow F\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

defined by

$$
i_{n}(\phi)=(\phi, \iota), \quad i_{q}(\psi)=(\iota, \psi),
$$

where $F\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ is the family of the pairs $(\phi, \psi)$ of $\phi \in K(\Pi, n)$ and $\psi \in F\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right)$ (no restriction is settled). Finally, the map $\gamma$ is given in terms of the internal product in $F\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ which is given similarly as in $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$. If $U: K^{\prime} \rightarrow K$ is any simplicial map, the above characterization of $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ shows at once that

$$
T\left(x_{n} U, x_{q} U\right)=T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right) U
$$

since $T\left(x_{n} U\right)=T\left(x_{n}\right) U$, and $T\left(x_{q} U\right)=T\left(x_{q}\right) U$.

## §2. The maps $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}\right)$.

For our future convenience, we now derive an explicit formula for the automorphisms $\eta(\phi, \psi)=\left(\phi^{\prime}, \psi^{\prime}\right)$ such that

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\eta: K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right) \longrightarrow K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)  \tag{2.1}\\
\phi \equiv \phi^{\prime} \text { for any }(\phi, \psi) \text { of } K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right) .
\end{array}
$$

According to the Lemma 1.1 , such a map $\eta$ is represented as $T\left(b_{n}, b_{q}{ }^{\prime}\right)$ where $b_{n}$ is the basic cocycle of $Z^{n}\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k ; \Pi\right)$, and $b_{q}{ }^{\prime}=\eta^{\#} b_{q}$ is a cochain of $C^{q}\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$. Generally, $b_{q}{ }^{\prime}$ is not equal to $b_{q}$, and their difference induces a cocycle $h_{q}=b_{q}{ }^{\prime}-b_{q}$ since $\delta b_{q}=-k T\left(b_{n}\right)=\delta b_{q}{ }^{\prime}$.

Lemma 2.1. Given the complex $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$, the rule $\eta \rightarrow h_{q}$ establishes a one-to-one correspondence between the chain homotopic class of $\eta$ and cohomology class of $h_{q}$.

The map $\eta$ corresponding in this fashion to the cocycle $h_{q}$ is characterized as a simplicial map for which

$$
\begin{equation*}
\eta \equiv T\left(b_{n}, b_{q}\right) \circ i_{q} T\left(h_{q}\right) \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

and so

$$
\eta(\phi, \psi)=(\phi, \psi) \circ\left(\ell, T\left(h_{q}\right)(\phi, \psi)\right) .
$$

The proof of this lemma is an immediate consequence of the theorem 5.2 of [3]. Namely, $\eta_{1} \simeq \eta_{2}$ implies the existence of a ( $q-1$ )-cochain $h_{q-1}$ satisfying:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\delta h_{q-1}=\eta_{1} \# b_{q}-\eta_{2} \# b_{q} & =b_{q}^{1}-b_{q}^{2} \\
& =\left(b_{q}^{1}-b_{q}\right)-\left(b_{q}^{2}-b_{q}\right)=h_{q}^{1}-h_{q}^{2} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Conversely, assume that $h_{q}^{1}$ and $h_{q}^{2}$ are cohomologous, then the maps $T\left(h_{q}^{1}\right), T\left(h_{ष}^{2}\right)$ : $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right) \rightarrow K\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right)$ are chain homotopic and also this shows that $\eta_{1} \cong \eta_{2}$ since

$$
\eta_{1} \equiv T\left(b_{n}, b_{q}\right) \circ i_{q} T\left(h_{q}^{1}\right), \quad \eta_{2} \equiv T\left(b_{n}, b_{q}\right) \circ i_{q} T\left(h_{q}^{2}\right) .
$$

In the following, the homotopy class of the automorphism $\eta$ corresponding to the cohomology class $\boldsymbol{h}_{\boldsymbol{q}}$ will be denoted by $\boldsymbol{\eta}\left(\boldsymbol{h}_{\boldsymbol{q}}\right)$.

We shall now consider the replacement of $x_{q}$ by another $x_{q}{ }^{\prime}$ on the map $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$. We have a cocycle $d_{q}=x_{q}{ }^{\prime}-x_{q} \in Z^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$, and also a simplicial map:

$$
T\left(d_{q}\right): K \longrightarrow K\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right) .
$$

Being the map $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}{ }^{\prime}\right)$ represented by

$$
T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}^{\prime}\right) \equiv T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right) \circ i_{q} T\left(d_{q}\right),
$$

we can identify $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}{ }^{\prime}\right)$ with $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ if we identify the complex $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ with its image of automorphism (2.2).

We shall define $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}\right)$ as the family of $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ where $x_{n}$ is a fixed cocycle of $Z^{n}(K ; \Pi)$ satisfying $k T\left(x_{n}\right) \sim 0$.

Lemma 2.2. The cocycles $x_{n}^{1}, x_{n}^{2} \in Z^{n}(K ; \Pi)$ are cohomologous if and only if the maps $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}^{1}\right), \tau_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}^{2}\right)$ are chain homotopic (i.e., $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}^{1}\right)$ and $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}^{2}\right)$ contain $T\left(x_{n}^{1}, x_{q}^{1}\right), T\left(x_{n}^{2}, x_{q}^{2}\right): K \rightarrow K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ respectively and $\left.T\left(x_{n}^{1}, x_{q}^{1}\right) \cong T\left(x_{n}^{2}, x_{q}^{2}\right)\right)$.

Proof. Since $b_{n}$ is a cocycle, $T\left(x_{n}^{1}, x_{q}^{1}\right) \cong T\left(x_{n}^{2}, x_{q}^{2}\right)$ implies that $x_{n}^{1}=T\left(x_{n}^{1}, x_{q}^{1}\right) \# b_{n}$ and $x_{n}^{2}=T\left(x_{n}^{2}, x_{q}^{2}\right) \# b_{n}$ are cohomologous. Conversely, assume that $x_{n}^{1}$ and $x_{n}^{2}$ are cohomologous, there is a cocycle $u_{n} \in Z^{n}(I K ; \Pi)$ such that $x_{n}^{1}=u_{n} i_{0}, x_{n}^{2}=u_{n} i_{1}$ where $i_{0}, i_{1}: K \rightarrow I K$ are the fixed simplicial injections defined as $i_{0}(\sigma)=0 \times \sigma, i_{1}(\sigma)=1 \times \sigma$. Then, if we fix a cochain $u_{q} \in C^{q}(I K ; \Pi)$ satisfying the relation $\delta u_{q}+k T\left(u_{n}\right)=0$, we have two cochains $x_{q}^{1}=u_{q} i_{0}, x_{q}^{2}=u_{q} i_{1}$, and $T\left(x_{n}^{1}, x_{q}^{1}\right)$ and $T\left(x_{n}^{2}, x_{q}^{2}\right)$ are the desired maps, q.e.d.

According to this lemma, we shall denote the homotopy class of $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}\right)$ corresponding to the cohomology class $\boldsymbol{x}_{n}$ of $x_{n}$ by $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right)$ in the following.
§3. The maps $\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right), \gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right)$.
As a preliminary to the definition of the basic operations, we shall consider first a certain maps. Given two C.S.S. pairs $\left(K, L_{i}\right)(i=1,2)$ and two cocycles

$$
x_{n_{1}} \in Z^{n_{1}}\left(K, L_{1} ; \Pi\right), \quad x_{q_{1}} \in Z^{q_{1}}\left(K, L_{2} ; \Pi^{\prime}\right),
$$

and given a pair of integers ( $n, q$ ) where $1<n_{1} \leqslant n, 1<q_{1} \leqslant q$ and $n<q$, we shall define a chain transformation

$$
\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}\right):(K, L) \longrightarrow K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)
$$

of degree $s=\left(n-n_{1}\right)+\left(q-q_{1}\right)$, here $L=L_{1} \cup L_{2}$. This degree is called the defect.
The map $\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}\right)$ is defined as the composite of the maps displayed in the following main diagram


Here the first map $e$ is the diagonal map. The second map $f$ is the standard map of the cartesian into the tensor product defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
f(\sigma \times \tau)=\sum_{\beta} \beta_{1}^{*} \sigma \otimes \beta_{2}^{\text {㐘 } \tau} \quad \text { if } \operatorname{dim} \sigma=\operatorname{dim} \tau=r . \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\beta$ is going round the family of pairs $\left(\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}\right)$ such that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \beta_{i}:\left[m_{i}\right] \longrightarrow\left[m_{1}+m_{2}\right] \quad 0 \leq m_{i} \leq r, m_{1}+m_{2}=r \\
& \beta_{1}(i)=i \text { for } 0 \leq i \leq m_{1}, \beta_{2}(j)=j+m_{1} \text { for } 0 \leq j \leq m_{2} .
\end{aligned}
$$

The third map is the tensor product of the $F D$-maps $R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right), R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)$ each of which is defined by

$$
R(x)=T(x)-T(0),
$$

while the fourth map is the tensor product of the suspensions.
The fifth map is the tensor product of the inclusion maps

$$
\begin{aligned}
& i_{n}: K(\Pi, n) \longrightarrow K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right) \\
& i_{q}: K\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right) \longrightarrow K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

defined by $i_{n}(\phi)=(\phi, \iota), i_{q}(\psi)=(\iota, \psi)$, here it is easily verified that the map $i_{n}$ is meaningless when $\operatorname{dim} \phi>q$. That is to say, if $\operatorname{dim} \phi>q$ the image $(\phi, \ell)$ of $i_{n}$ belongs to $F\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ but not to $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$ in general.

The sixth map $g$ is the standard map of the tensor into the cartesian product defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
g(\sigma \otimes \tau)=\sum_{\alpha} \mathcal{P}(\alpha) \alpha_{1}^{*} \sigma \times \alpha_{2}^{*} \tau \quad \text { if } \operatorname{dim} \sigma=m_{1}, \operatorname{dim} \tau=m_{2} \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\alpha$ is going round the family of pairs $\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}\right)$ such that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \alpha_{i}:\left[m_{1}+m_{2}\right] \longrightarrow\left[m_{i}\right] \\
& \left\{\alpha_{1}(p)+\alpha_{2}(p)\right\}-\left\{\alpha_{1}(p-1)+\alpha_{2}(p-1)\right\}=1 \quad 1 \leq p \leq m_{1}+m_{2}, \\
& \mathcal{P}(\alpha)=\operatorname{Sgn} \cdot\binom{1, \cdots \cdots, m_{1}, m_{1}+1, \cdots \cdots, m_{1}+m_{2}}{r_{1}, \cdots \cdots, r_{m_{1}}, s_{1}, \cdots \cdots \cdots, s_{m_{2}}}
\end{aligned}
$$

and
where $r_{1}<\cdots<r_{m_{1}}, s_{1}<\cdots<s_{m_{2}}$ and $\alpha_{1}\left(r_{i}\right)-\alpha_{1}\left(r_{i}-1\right)=1$ and $\alpha_{2}\left(s_{j}\right)-\alpha_{2}\left(s_{j}-1\right)=1$.
Finally, the map $r$ is given in terms of the internal product in $K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)$.
The final definition may be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
r_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}\right)=r g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[S^{n-n_{1}} \otimes S^{q-q_{1}}\right]\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right) \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right] f e \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

According to the dimensional restriction which is occured by the map $i_{n}$, our maps $i_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}\right)$ are meaningless in the case when $\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}\right)$ operate upon the cells whose dimension are large than $2 q-s$.

Replacement of $x_{n_{1}}$ or $x_{q_{1}}$ by a cohomologous cocycle replaces $R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right)$ or $R\left(x q_{1}\right)$ by a chain homotopic map, therefore the homotopy class of the map $\gamma_{n \cdot q}$ depends only on the cohomology classes $\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}$ of $x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}$ respectively; this homotopy class will be denoted by $\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right)$.

We shall introduce another maps which are $k$-prolongation of the maps $R_{q}(x)$ in a sence. Given a C.S.S. pair $(K, L)$ and a cocycle

$$
x_{q_{1}} \in Z^{q_{1}}\left(K, L ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)
$$

and given a pair of integers $(n, q)$ where $1<n<q, q_{1} \leq q$, we shall define a chain transformation

$$
r_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{q_{1}}\right):(K, L) \longrightarrow K\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k\right)
$$

of degree $q-q_{1}$. The map $\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)$ is defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)=\gamma g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[I \otimes S^{q-q_{1}}\right]\left[T(0) \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right] f e \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

in the main diagram same as above.
The homotopy class of the map $\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)$ depends only on the cohomology class $\boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}$ of $x_{q_{1}}$; this homotopy class will be denoted by $\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right)$.

The diagram may also be simplified if the defect is zero $\left(q=q_{1}\right)$ : No suspension
is involved, $R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)$ is an $F D$-map, and $f$ is natural with respect to such maps, and $g f \cong I$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{q}\right) & =\gamma g f\left[i_{n} \times i_{q}\right]\left[T(0) \times R\left(x_{q}\right)\right] e \\
& \cong \gamma\left[i_{n} \times i_{q}\right]\left[T(0) \times R\left(x_{q}\right)\right]=i_{q} R\left(x_{q}\right),
\end{aligned}
$$

and so

$$
\begin{equation*}
\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{q}\right)=i_{q} R\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{q}\right) . \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

## § 4. Definition of the operators.

Take abelian groups $\Pi, \Pi^{\prime}$, and $G$, positive integers $n, q$, and $r(1<n<q<r<2 q)$, and a cohomology class $\boldsymbol{y} \in H^{r}\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k ; G\right)$. The $\gamma$-operation $\boldsymbol{y}_{\gamma}$ is defined for cohomology classes $\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}} \in H^{n_{1}}\left(K, L_{1} ; \Pi\right)$ and $\boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}} \in H^{q_{1}}\left(K, L_{2} ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$ (where $1<n_{1} \leqslant n$, $1<q_{1} \leqslant q$ ) by the formula

$$
\boldsymbol{y}_{\gamma}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, \boldsymbol{x} q_{1}\right)=\gamma_{n . q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right) * \boldsymbol{y} ;
$$

it is an element of $H^{r-s}(K, L ; G)$, where $s=\left(n-n_{1}\right)+\left(q-q_{1}\right)$ is the defect already introduced.

Lemma 4.1. If $U_{i}:\left(K^{\prime}, L_{i}{ }^{\prime}\right) \rightarrow\left(K, L_{i}\right)(i=1,2)$ are simplicial maps which agree on $K^{\prime}$ and thus determine a simplicial map $U:\left(K^{\prime}, L^{\prime}\right) \rightarrow(K, L)$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{y}_{\gamma}\left(U_{1}^{*} \boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, U_{2}^{*} \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right)=U^{*}\left[\boldsymbol{y}_{\gamma}\left(x_{n_{1}}, \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right)\right] \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. Denoting by $e$ and $e^{\prime}$ the respective diagonal maps, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
r_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n_{1}} U_{1}, x_{q_{1}} U_{2}\right) & =V\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}} U_{1}\right) \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}} U_{2}\right)\right] f e^{\prime} \\
& =V\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right) U_{1} \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right) U_{2}\right] f e^{\prime} \\
& =V\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right) \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right]\left[U_{1} \otimes U_{2}\right] f e^{\prime} \\
& =V\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right) \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right] f\left[U_{1} \times U_{2}\right] e^{\prime} \\
& =V\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right) \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right] f e U
\end{aligned}
$$

since $\left[U_{1} \times U_{2}\right] e^{\prime}=e U$, where $V$ is a chain transformation of degree $s$, and is independent of the $x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}$.

Under the same conditions above, the $\tau$-operation $\boldsymbol{y}_{\tau}$ is defined for cohomology class $\boldsymbol{x}_{n} \in H^{n}(K ; \Pi)$ such that $k T\left(x_{n}\right)$ is cohologous zero for any representative cocycle $x_{n}$ of $\boldsymbol{x}_{n}$. The operation $\boldsymbol{y}_{\tau}$ is defined by the formula

$$
\boldsymbol{y}_{\tau}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right)=\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right)^{*} y .
$$

Theorem 4.2. $\boldsymbol{y}_{\tau}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right)$ is an element of the factor group

$$
H^{r}(K ; G) / \boldsymbol{y}_{\gamma}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}, H^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)\right)+i_{q}^{*} \boldsymbol{y} \vdash H^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)
$$

where $\boldsymbol{y}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}, H^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)\right)+i_{i}^{*} \boldsymbol{y} \vdash H^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$ denote the subgroup of $H^{r}(K ; G)$, generated by the classes which can be represented by the formulas

$$
\boldsymbol{y}_{\gamma}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}, \boldsymbol{x}_{q}\right)+i_{q}^{*} \boldsymbol{y} \vdash \boldsymbol{x}_{q}{ }^{3)}
$$

here $\boldsymbol{x}_{q}$ is cohomology classes going round the $H^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$.
Proof. Let $x_{n}$ be an representative cocycle of $x_{n}$, let $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)$ and $T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}{ }^{\prime}\right)$ be two representative maps of $\tau_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right)$, and let $d_{q}=x_{q}-x_{q}{ }^{\prime}$ be the difference cocycle of $Z^{q}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$. Then,

$$
\begin{aligned}
T\left(x_{n}\right. & \left., x_{q}\right)-T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right) \\
& =\gamma\left[i_{n} \times i_{q}\right]\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \times T\left(x_{q}\right)\right] e-\gamma\left[i_{n} \times i_{q}\right]\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \times T\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right)\right] e \\
& =\gamma\left[i_{n} \times i_{q}\right]\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \times\left\{T\left(x_{q}\right)-T\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right)\right\}\right] e \\
& \cong \gamma g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \otimes\left\{T\left(x_{q}\right)-T\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right)\right\}\right] f e,
\end{aligned}
$$

here

$$
\begin{aligned}
& T\left(x_{q}\right)-T\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right) \\
& \quad=T\left(x_{q}-x_{q}^{\prime}\right)+T\left(x_{q}-x_{q}^{\prime}+x_{q}^{\prime}\right)-T\left(x_{q}-x_{q}^{\prime}\right)-T\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right) \\
& \quad=R\left(d_{q}\right)+R\left(d_{q}+x_{q}^{\prime}\right)-R\left(d_{q}\right)-R\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right) \\
& \quad=R\left(d_{q}\right)+R\left(d_{q}\right) \circ R\left(x_{q}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

hence

$$
\begin{aligned}
& T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)-T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}^{\prime}\right) \\
& \cong \gamma g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \otimes R\left(d_{q}\right)\right] f e+\gamma g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[T\left(x_{n}\right) \otimes R\left(d_{q}\right) \circ R\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right)\right] f e .
\end{aligned}
$$

In this formula, the latter term is homotopic zero whenever it operates on the cell whose dimension is less than $2 q$. Because; in such a case

$$
\begin{aligned}
R\left(d_{q}\right) \circ R\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right) & =\gamma\left[i_{q} \times i q\right]\left[R\left(d_{q}\right) \times R\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right)\right] e \\
& \simeq \gamma g\left[i_{q} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[R\left(d_{q}\right) \otimes R\left(x_{q}^{\prime}\right)\right] f e
\end{aligned}
$$

and the last term operates on the cell of $K$ trivially, since at least one of the dimensions of $\beta_{i}^{*} \sigma(i=1,2)$ is less than $q$ for all $\beta=\left(\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}\right)$ in the formula (3.2). Then $R\left(d_{q}\right) \circ R\left(x_{q}{ }^{\prime}\right): K \rightarrow F\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q\right)$ is homotopic zero.

Therefore, under the restriction of dimensions $(r<2 q)$, we have

$$
\begin{align*}
& T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}\right)-T\left(x_{n}, x_{q}{ }^{\prime}\right)  \tag{4.2}\\
& \quad \cong \gamma g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[\left\{R\left(x_{n}\right)+T(0)\right\} \otimes R\left(d_{q}\right)\right] f e \\
& \quad=\gamma g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[R\left(x_{n}\right) \otimes R\left(d_{q}\right)\right] f e+\gamma g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[T(0) \otimes R\left(d_{q}\right)\right] f e \\
& \quad=\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(x_{n}, d_{q}\right)+\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(d_{q}\right)
\end{align*}
$$

This formula shows precisely the desired result, q.e.d.

## §5. The comboundary formulas.

Theorem 5.1. Consider a C.S.S. pair (K, L) and cohomology classes $\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}} \in H^{n_{1}}(K ; \Pi), \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}} \in H^{q_{1}}\left(L ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$ and $\boldsymbol{y} \in H^{r}\left(\Pi, n, \Pi^{\prime}, q, k ; G\right)$ where $1<n_{1} \leq n$,
3) $i_{g}{ }^{*} y \vdash x_{q}$ is the internal operation. See [3].
$1<q_{1}<q, n<q<r<2 q$, then $\delta \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}} \in H^{q_{1}+1}\left(K, L ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$. In the case

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{y}_{y}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, \delta \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right)=\delta\left[\boldsymbol{y}_{y}\left(i^{*} \boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}, \boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}\right)\right] \tag{5.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $i: L \rightarrow K$ is the inclusion map.
This theorem remains valid if the pair ( $K, L$ ) replaced by a triple, because the coboundary operation in the cohomology sequence of a triple is a composite of a map induced by inclusion and the coboundary operation of a pair.

The proof of this theorem is an immediate consequence of the commutativity in the following diagram.


Here $e_{1}$ and $e_{3}$ are the diagonal maps and $e_{2}$ is induced by $e_{1}$. The maps $f, g, \gamma, i_{n}, i_{q}$ are same as before and the cocycles $x_{n_{1}}$ and $x_{q_{1}}$ are the representations of $\boldsymbol{x}_{n_{1}}$ and $\boldsymbol{x}_{q_{1}}$ respectively. The basic cocycle $b$ of $K\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q_{1}\right)$ can be considered as an $q_{1}$-cochain on $F\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q_{1}\right)$, and $\delta b \in Z^{q_{1}+1}\left(F\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q_{1}\right), K\left(\Pi^{\prime}, q_{1}\right) ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$. To the given cocycle $x_{q_{1}} \in Z^{q_{1}}\left(L ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$ we choose an extension $\bar{x}_{q_{1}} \in C^{q_{1}}\left(K ; \Pi^{\prime}\right)$. Then it follows

$$
\begin{aligned}
{\left[I \otimes R\left(\delta x_{q_{1}}\right)\right] } & =\left[I \otimes R\left\{\delta \cdot T\left(\bar{x}_{q_{1}}\right) \# b\right\}\right]=\left[I \otimes R\left\{\delta b \cdot T\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right\}\right] \\
& =\left[I \otimes R(\delta b) \cdot T\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right]=[I \otimes R(\delta b)]\left[I \otimes T\left(\bar{x}_{q_{1}}\right)\right] \\
{[I \otimes S]\left[I \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right] } & =\left[I \otimes S \cdot R\left\{T\left(\bar{x}_{q_{1}}\right) \# b\right\}\right]=\left[I \otimes S \cdot R\left\{b \cdot T\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right\}\right] \\
& =\left[I \otimes S R(b) \cdot T\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right]=[I \otimes S]\left[I \otimes T\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right] .
\end{aligned}
$$

In the above diagram, the commutativity in the upper half is obvious, and the commutativity in the lowest triangle is due to [3].

Therefore the desired equality follows from the fact

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y,\left(x_{n_{1}}, \delta x_{q_{1}}\right)=y_{7} g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[S^{n-n_{1}} \otimes S^{q-q_{1}-1}\right]\left[I \otimes R\left(\delta x_{q_{1}}\right)\right]\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right) \otimes I\right] f e_{1} \\
& y\left(i \# x_{n_{1}}, x_{q_{1}}\right)=y 7 g\left[i_{n} \otimes i_{q}\right]\left[S^{n-n_{1}} \otimes S^{q-q_{1}}\right]\left[I \otimes R\left(x_{q_{1}}\right)\right]\left[R\left(x_{n_{1}}\right) \otimes I\right] f e_{3} \\
& \text { and } \quad\left[S^{n-n_{1}} \otimes S^{q-q_{1}}\right]=\left[S^{n-n_{1}} \otimes S^{q-q_{1}-1}\right][I \otimes S], \quad \text { q.e.d. }
\end{aligned}
$$

## § 6. The invariants $\boldsymbol{k}_{n}^{q+1}, \boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1},\left\{\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}\right\}$

Let $Y$ be a topological space with base point $y_{0}$ such that

$$
\pi_{i}(Y)=0 \quad \text { for } \quad i<n, n<i<q, q<i<r(r<2 q-1)
$$

Relative to the base point $y_{0}$, we choose as in [2] a minimal subcomplex $M$ of the total singular complex $S(Y)$, and we denote by $S_{m}(Y)$ the subcomplex of $S(Y)$ which consists of all singular simplices whose faces in dimensions less than $m$ reduce to $y_{0}$, and we denote $M_{\cap} S_{m}(Y)$ by $M_{m}$. It is obvious that $M=M_{n}$ in our case.

As in [2], there are natural simplicial maps

$$
\begin{array}{rll}
\kappa: & M & \longrightarrow K\left(\pi_{n}, n\right) \\
\bar{\kappa}: & K\left(\pi_{n}, n\right) & \longrightarrow M \\
\kappa^{\prime}: & M & \longrightarrow K\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, k\right) \\
\bar{\kappa}^{\prime}: & K\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, k\right) & \longrightarrow M
\end{array}
$$

Here $\kappa$ is isomorphic in dimensions less than $q, \bar{\kappa}$ is defined in dimensions $\leq \boldsymbol{q}$ in such fashion that $\kappa \bar{\kappa}$ is the identity and the map $\bar{\kappa}$ presents an obstruction $k_{n}^{q+1} \in Z^{q+1}\left(\pi_{n}, n ; \pi_{q}\right)$ whose cohomology class is the Eilenberg-MacLane invariant $\boldsymbol{k}_{n}^{q+1}$.

And, $\kappa^{\prime}$ is an $k$-prolongation of $\kappa$ (where $k$ is an representative cocycle of $k_{n}^{q+1}$ ) and isomorphic in dimensions less than $r, \bar{\kappa}^{\prime}$ is defined in dimensions $\leq r$ in such fashion that $\kappa^{\prime} \bar{\kappa}^{\prime}$ is the identity and the map $\bar{\kappa}^{\prime}$ presents an obstruction $k_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} \in Z^{r+1}$ $\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, k ; \pi_{r}\right)$. We described the cohomology class $\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot 4}^{r+1}$ of this cocycle as a topological invariant if we pay no heed to the identification of the complex $K\left(\pi_{n}, n\right.$, $\left.\pi_{q}, q, k\right){ }^{4}$ But it is not enough for our purpose, and we shall explain the topological invariant more precisely.

If we restrict the map $\kappa^{\prime}$ on the subcomplex $M_{q}$ of $M$, we have a natural simplicial map

$$
\kappa^{\prime} \mid M_{q}: \quad M_{q} \quad \longrightarrow K\left(0, n, \pi_{q}, q, k\right)
$$

namely

$$
\kappa_{0}: \quad M_{q} \quad \longrightarrow K\left(\pi_{q}, q\right)
$$

And, the restriction $\bar{\kappa}^{\prime} \mid K\left(0, n, \pi_{q}, q, k\right)$ of $\bar{\kappa}^{\prime}$ similarly gives a natural simplicial map

$$
\bar{\kappa}_{0}: K\left(\pi_{q}, q\right) \longrightarrow M_{q}
$$

Here $\kappa_{0}$ and $\bar{\kappa}_{0}$ have the properties same as $\kappa$ and $\bar{\kappa}$, and $\bar{\kappa}_{0}$ presents an obstruction $k_{q}^{r+1} \in Z^{r+1}\left(\pi_{q}, q ; \pi_{r}\right)$ whose cohomology class is the secondary Eilenberg-MacLane invariant $\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1}$ of $Y$.

It is obvious from our definitions that

$$
i_{q}^{*} \boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}=\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1}
$$

In the identification of the complexes $K\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, k\right)$, the only essential part
4) $\mathrm{See}[2]$.
is the identification of the complex with its image of automorphism (2.2). Namely, we can recognize the invariant as the family $\left\{\eta\left(\boldsymbol{h}_{q}\right) * \boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}\right\}$ of the cohomology class of $H^{r+1}\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, k ; \pi_{r}\right)$ for the fixed complex $K\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, k\right)$, where $\boldsymbol{h}_{q}$ is the cohomology class going round the $H^{q}\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, k ; \pi_{q}\right) \cong H^{q}\left(Y ; \pi_{q}\right)$. In other words, the invariant is an element $\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} \tau\left(\boldsymbol{b}_{n}\right)$ of the factor group

$$
H^{r+1}\left(\pi_{n}, n, \pi_{q}, q, k ; \pi_{r}\right) / \boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} /\left(\boldsymbol{b}_{n}, H^{q}\left(\pi_{n}, \pi_{q}, \boldsymbol{k} ; \pi_{q}\right)\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \vdash H^{q}\left(\pi_{n}, \pi_{q}, \boldsymbol{k} ; \pi_{q}\right)
$$

since $i_{q}^{\text {数 }} \boldsymbol{k}^{r+1}=\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1}$. In the following we shall denote this element simply as $\left\{\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot \square}^{r+1}\right\}$.

## § 7. The obstruction theorem.

Let $K$ be a geometric complex. We shall be interested in continuous maps $f: K \rightarrow Y$. Such a map induces a simplicial map $K \rightarrow S(Y)$ which is also denoted by $f$. Conversely, every simplicial map $K \rightarrow S(Y)$ arises in this fashion from a unique continuous map $K \rightarrow Y$. The map $f$ is called minimal if it maps $K$ into $M$.

In the theory of the minimal complex we have constructed for each map $f$ a homotopy $D_{f}$ which deforms $f$ into a minimal map, and which has the following two important properties:
a) If $f$ is already minimal on a subcomplex $L$ of $K$, then $D_{f}$ is stationary on $L$ : i.e., $D_{f}(t, x)=f(x)$ for $x \in L$ and all $t$.
b) If the maps $f$ and $g$ coincide on a subcomplex $L$ then $D_{f}$ and $D_{g}$ coincide on $L$.

In the following, without loss of generality we shall assume that the map $K \rightarrow Y$ are minimal. Then, a map $f: K^{n} \rightarrow Y$ determines a cochain $a_{f}^{n}=a^{n}(f) \in C^{n}\left(K ; \pi_{n}\right)$ which assigns to each $n$-simplex $\sigma$ of $K$ the element of $\pi_{n}(Y)$ determined by the map $f \mid \sigma$. The cochain $a_{f}^{n}$ is a cocycle if and only if the map $f$ admits an extension $f_{q}: K^{q} \rightarrow Y$. This extension $f_{q}$ presents an obstruction cocycle $c^{q+1}\left(f_{q}\right) \in Z^{q+1}\left(K ; \pi_{q}\right)$ which is represented by

$$
c^{q+1}\left(f_{q}\right)=k_{n}^{q+1} T\left(a_{J}^{n}\right)+\delta\left(l^{q} f_{q}\right)
$$

where $l^{q}$ is a cochain $C^{q}\left(M ; \pi_{q}\right)$ determined by setting

$$
l^{q} \sigma=d(\sigma, \bar{\kappa} \kappa \sigma) \quad \text { for any } q \text {-simplex } \sigma \text { of } M .
$$

This obstruction $c^{q+1}\left(f_{q}\right)$ is zero if and only if the map $f_{q}$ admits an extension $f_{r}: K^{r} \rightarrow Y$. This extension $f_{r}$ presents an obstruction cocycle $c^{r+1}\left(f_{r}\right) \in Z^{r+1}\left(K ; \pi_{r}\right)$.

Lemma 7.1. If $f_{r}$ is a map $K^{r} \rightarrow Y$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
c^{r+1}\left(f_{r}\right)=k_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{q}\right)+\delta\left(l^{r} f_{r}\right) \tag{7.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $l^{r}$ is a cochain in $C^{r}\left(M: \pi_{r}\right)$ determined by setting

$$
l^{r} \sigma=d\left(\sigma, \bar{\kappa}^{\prime} \kappa^{\prime} \sigma\right) \text { for any } r \text {-simplex } \sigma \text { of } M .
$$

Proof. In the complex $M$ a cocycle $j^{n} \in Z^{n}\left(M: \pi_{n}\right)$ is defined by assigning to each $n$-simplex of $M$ the element of $\pi_{n}$ which this simplex represents. It is then easy to see that

$$
\kappa=T\left(j^{n}\right), a_{r}^{n}=j^{n} f \text { and } \kappa^{\prime}=T\left(j^{n}, l^{q}\right)
$$

By the naturality properties of $T$, it follows that

$$
\kappa^{\prime} f=T\left(j^{n}, l^{q}\right) f=T\left(j^{n} f, l^{q} f\right)=T\left(a, l^{q} f\right)
$$

Now consider the map

$$
g=\bar{\kappa}^{\prime} \kappa^{\prime} f=\bar{\kappa}^{\prime} T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f\right): K^{r} \longrightarrow M .
$$

Since $T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f\right)$ is defined in the whole complex $K$ it follows that

$$
c^{r+1}(g)=k_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{q}\right) .
$$

Because $\bar{\kappa}^{\prime} \kappa^{\prime}$ is the identity in dimensions less than $r$, the maps $f$ and $g$ must coincide on $K^{r-1}$; hence the difference cochain $d^{r}(f, g)$ is defined. For each $r$-simplex $\sigma$ of $K$ we have

$$
d^{r}(f, g) \sigma=d^{r}(f \sigma, g \sigma)=d^{r}\left(f \sigma, \bar{\kappa}^{\prime} \kappa^{\prime} f \sigma\right)=l^{r} f(\sigma)
$$

and hence

$$
d^{r}(f, g)=l^{r} f .
$$

Since $c^{r+1}(f)-c^{r+1}(g)=\delta d^{r}(f, g)$, this implies

$$
c^{r+1}(f)=c^{r+1}(g)+\delta \cdot d^{r}(f, g)=k_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{q}\right)+\delta\left(l^{r} f_{r}\right),
$$

which is the desired conclusion.
Let $L$ be a subcomplex of $K$ and let $f: K^{n} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ be a map extensible to a map $f^{\prime}: K^{r} \cup L \rightarrow Y$. The cohomology class $z^{r+1}\left(f^{\prime}\right)$ of the obstruction cocycle $c^{r+1}\left(f_{r}\right)$ depends on the choice of the extension $f^{\prime} \mid K^{q} \cup L$ of $f$.

Theorem 7.2. Let $f_{1}, f_{2}: K^{q} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ be two extensions of the map $f: K^{n} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ and which are extensible to $K^{q+1} \cup L \rightarrow Y$. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{z}^{r+1}\left(f_{1}\right)-\boldsymbol{z}^{r+1}\left(f_{2}\right)=\boldsymbol{k}_{r \cdot q}^{r+1} \gamma\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{n}\left(f_{1}, f_{2}\right)\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \vdash\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{q}\left(f_{1}, f_{2}\right)\right), \tag{7.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\boldsymbol{a}^{q}\left(f_{1}, f_{2}\right) \in H^{q}\left(K, L ; \pi_{q}\right)$ is the cohomology class of the cocycle $l^{q} f_{1}-l^{q} f_{2}$ and $\boldsymbol{a}^{n}(f) \in H^{n}\left(K ; \pi_{n}\right)$ is the cohomology class of the cocycle $a^{n}(f)$.

Theorem 7.3. Let $f: K^{n} \rightarrow Y$ be a map extendible to a map $K^{q+1} \rightarrow Y$, then the third obstruction of $f$ is determined as follows:

$$
\left\{\boldsymbol{z}^{\gamma+1}(f)\right\}=\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot 4}^{r+1} \tau \boldsymbol{a}^{n}(f) .
$$

Proof, Let $f_{1}^{\prime}, f_{2}^{\prime}: K^{r} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ be extensions of $f_{1}$ and $f_{2}$ respectively. By the Lemma 7.1. We have

$$
c^{r+1}\left(f_{1}^{\prime}\right)-c^{r+1}\left(f_{2}^{\prime}\right)=k_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}\left[T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{1}\right)-T\left(a_{r}^{n}, l^{q} f_{2}\right)\right]+\delta\left(l^{r} f_{1}^{\prime}-l^{r} f_{2}^{\prime}\right) .
$$

Since $f_{1}^{\prime}$ and $f_{2}^{\prime}$ coincide on $L$, it follows that $l^{r} f_{1}^{\prime}-l^{r} f_{2}^{\prime}$ is zero on $L$; this yields the cohomology

$$
c^{r+1}\left(f_{1}^{\prime}\right)-c^{r+1}\left(f_{2}^{\prime}\right) \sim k_{n \cdot 4}^{r+1}\left[T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{1}\right)-T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{2}\right)\right]
$$

and, from (4.2)

$$
k_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}\left[T\left(a_{1}^{n}, l^{q} f_{1}\right)-T\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{2}\right)\right] \sim k_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}\left[\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(a_{f}^{n}, l^{q} f_{1}-l^{q} f_{2}\right)+\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(l^{q} f_{1}-l^{q} f_{2}\right)\right]
$$

Then, we have the desired conclusion since

$$
\gamma_{n \cdot q}\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{q}\left(f_{1}, f_{2}\right)\right) * \boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}=R\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{q}\left(f_{1}, f_{2}\right)\right) * i_{\|}^{*} \boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1}=R\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{q}\left(f_{1}, f_{2}\right)\right) * \boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} .
$$

As an application we prove the following extension theorem.
Theorem 7.4. Let $f: K^{n} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ and let $g: K^{r} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ be an extension of $f$. Then the map $f$ admits an extension $f^{\prime}: K^{r+1} \cup_{L \rightarrow Y}$ if any only if there is an element

$$
\boldsymbol{e}^{q} \in H^{q}\left(K, L ; \pi_{q}\right)
$$

such that

$$
\boldsymbol{z}^{r+1}(g)+\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} \gamma\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{n}(f), \boldsymbol{e}^{q}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \vdash \boldsymbol{e}^{q}=0
$$

Proof. Let $f^{\prime}: K^{r+1} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ be an extension of $f$. An application of the previous theorem then shows that the element $\boldsymbol{e}^{q}=\boldsymbol{a}^{q}\left(f^{\prime}, g\right)$ satisfies above relation since $z^{r+1}\left(f^{\prime}\right)=0$.

Conversely, assume that $e^{q}$ satisfies this equation. By changing the map $g$ on the interiors of $q$-simplices of $K-L$ we can construct a map $\tilde{f}: K^{q} \cup L \rightarrow Y$ which agrees with $g$ on $K^{q-1} \cup L$ and has the representative cocycle $d^{q}(\tilde{f}, g)$ of $\boldsymbol{a}^{q}(\tilde{f}, g)=\boldsymbol{e}^{q}$. As $c^{q+1}(\tilde{f})=c^{q+1}(g)+\delta d^{q}(\tilde{f}, g)=0 \quad \tilde{f}$ admits an extension $K^{r} \cup L \rightarrow Y$, and, an application of the preceding theorem then shows that $z^{r+1}(\tilde{f})=0$. Therefore $f$ admits an extension $f^{\prime}: K^{r+1} \cup L \rightarrow Y$, as desired.

## §8. The homotopy classification theorem.

Theorem 8.1. Let $L$ be a subcomplex of $K$ such that $\operatorname{dim}(K-L) \leq r$, let $f_{0}, f_{1}: K \rightarrow Y$ be two maps which agree on $K^{r-1} \cup L$ and let $d^{r}\left(f_{0}, f_{1}\right)$ be their difference cocycle. Then $f_{0} \simeq f_{1}$ rel $L$ if and only if there exists a cohomology class

$$
e^{q-1} \in H^{q-1}\left(K, L ; \pi_{q}\right)
$$

such that

$$
\boldsymbol{a}^{r}\left(f_{0}, f_{1}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} \gamma\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{n}\left(f_{0}\right), \boldsymbol{e}^{q-1}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \vdash \boldsymbol{e}^{q-1}=0 .
$$

Proof. This theorem will be reduced to the extension theorem of the previous section by the usual technique. We introduce the maps

$$
\begin{aligned}
& l:(K, L) \longrightarrow\left(I L \cup_{0 K} \cup_{1 K}, I L^{\cup} K\right) \\
& l_{1}: K \longrightarrow I L \cup_{0 K} \cup_{1 K}
\end{aligned}
$$

defined by $l x=l_{1} x=(0, x)$. Since

$$
I L \cup_{0 K} \cup_{1 K}=\left(I L \cup_{1 K} \cup_{0 K,} \quad 0 L=\left(I L \cup_{1 K}\right)_{\cap} 0 K\right.
$$

it follows by excision that the map $l$ induces isomorphisms

$$
l^{*}: H^{i}\left(I L \cup_{0 K} \cup_{1 K}, I L \cup_{1 K} \cong \cong H^{i}(K, L)\right.
$$

of the cohomology groups for any coefficient group. By making use of the exact sequence of the triple ( $I K, I L \cup 0 K \cup 1 K, I L \cup_{1 K}$ ) we also have the isomorphism

$$
\delta: H^{i}\left(I L \cup_{0 K} \cup_{1 K}, I L \cup_{1 K}\right) \cong H^{i+1}\left(I K, I L \cup_{0 K}^{\cup} \cup_{1 K}\right) .
$$

Now define a map $F:(I K)^{n} \cup I L \cup 0 K \cup 1 K \rightarrow Y$ by setting

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
F(t, x)=f_{0}(x) & \text { for } x \in K^{n-1} \cup_{L} \\
F(i, x)=f_{i}(x) & \text { for } x \in K, \quad i=0,1 .
\end{array}
$$

And we define an extension

$$
F^{\prime}:(I K)^{r} \cup_{I L} \cup_{0 K} \cup_{1 K} \longrightarrow Y
$$

of $F$, by setting $F^{\prime}(t, x)=f_{0} x$ for all $x$ in $(I K)^{r}$ and not in $I L^{\cup}{ }_{0} \cup^{\cup} 1 K$; this extension is continuous since $f_{0}$ and $f_{1}$ agree on $K^{r-1} \cup L$.

It now follows from the Theorem 7.4 applied to the pair ( $I K, I L \cup 0 K \cup 1 K$ ), that the desired homotopy $D: I K \rightarrow Y\left(f_{0} \cong f_{1}\right)$ exists if and only if there is an element

$$
\boldsymbol{e}^{q} \in H^{q}\left(I K, I L \cup 0 K^{\cup} \cup_{1 K} ; \pi_{q}\right)
$$

satisfying

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{z}^{\gamma+1}\left(F^{\prime}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot \eta}^{r+1} \gamma\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{n}(F), \boldsymbol{e}^{q}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{\square}^{r+1} \vdash \boldsymbol{e}^{q}=0 . \tag{8.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

We shall show that this condition is equivalent to the one stated in the theorem.
First observe that $F(0, x)=f_{0}(x)$ and therefore that

$$
a_{J_{0}}^{n}=a^{n}(F) i l_{1},
$$

where $i: I L \cup 0 K^{\cup} 1 K \rightarrow I K$ is the inclusion map. Next we define $G: I K \rightarrow Y$ by setting $G(t, x)=f_{1}(x)$. Then,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& c^{r+1}\left(F^{\prime}\right)=c^{r+1}\left(F^{\prime}\right)-c^{r+1}(G)=\delta d^{r}\left(F^{\prime}, G\right), \\
& d^{r}\left(f_{0}, f_{1}\right)=d^{r}\left(F^{\prime}, G\right) l .
\end{aligned}
$$

Finally we write the element $\boldsymbol{e}^{q}$ in the form $\delta \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}$, where

$$
\bar{e}^{q-1} \in H^{q-1}\left(I L \cup_{0 K} \cup_{1 K}, I L \cup_{1 K}\right) .
$$

Equation (8.1) now becomes

$$
\delta \boldsymbol{d}^{r}\left(F^{\prime}, G\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot \gamma}^{r+1} \gamma\left(\boldsymbol{a}^{n}(F), \delta \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{\dot{q}}^{r+1} \vdash\left(\delta \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}\right)=0 .
$$

In view of the cobundary formula (5.1) for the operations, this may be rewritten as

$$
\delta \boldsymbol{d}^{r}\left(F^{\prime}, G\right)+\delta\left[\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} \gamma\left(i^{*} \boldsymbol{a}^{n}(F), \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}\right)\right]+\delta\left[\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \vdash \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}\right]=0 .
$$

Since $\delta$, as is noted above, is an isomorphism, this equation is equivalent to

$$
\boldsymbol{d}^{r}\left(F^{\prime}, G\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} \gamma\left(i^{*} \boldsymbol{a}^{n}(F), \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \vdash \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}=0
$$

An application of the isomorphism $l^{*}$ yields

$$
\boldsymbol{d}^{r}\left(f_{0}, f_{1}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{n \cdot q}^{r+1} \gamma\left(a_{f_{0}}^{n}, l * \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}\right)+\boldsymbol{k}_{q}^{r+1} \vdash l * \overline{\boldsymbol{e}}^{q-1}=0 .
$$

This is precisely the desired equation, with $\boldsymbol{e}^{q-1}=l \boldsymbol{e}^{\boldsymbol{e}} \boldsymbol{e}^{\boldsymbol{q}}$.

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