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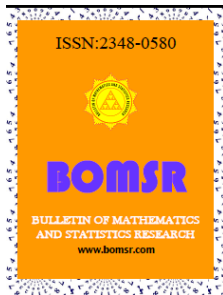
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**HOMOLOGY GROUPS, BETTI NUMBERS, EULER CHARACTERISTICS AND THE GENUS
 OF A COMPLEX AND ITS FOLDING**

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we clarified the relations between homology groups, Betti numbers, Euler characteristic and the genus of a regular CW-complex M and its image $f(M)$ if the map f is a cellular folding and a neat cellular folding. Finally, we obtained the corresponding relations between M and $(gof)(M)$, if f and g are both cellular foldings or f is cellular while g is a neat cellular folding.

Key words: CW-complex, Cellular folding, Homology groups, Betti numbers, Euler characteristic, genus.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 A pair (χ, ζ) consisting of a Hausdorff space χ and a cell – decomposition ζ of χ is called a **CW – Complex** if the following three axioms are satisfied: -

- 1- (Characteristic Maps) : For each n -cell $e \in \zeta$ there is a continuous map $\phi_e : D_n \rightarrow \chi$ restricting to a homeomorphism $\phi_e|_{\text{int}(D_n)} : \text{int}(D_n) \rightarrow e$ and taking S^{n-1} into X^{n-1} .
- 2- (Closure Finiteness): For any cell $e \in \zeta$ the closure \bar{e} intersects only a finite number of other cells in ζ .
- 3- (Weak Topology): A subset $A \subseteq X$ is closed iff $A \cap \bar{e}$ is closed in X for $e \in \zeta$, [3].

Let M be a directed complex. An (integral) **k-chain** C in M is a $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \dots, \sigma_n$ sum $c = a_1\sigma_1 + a_2\sigma_2 + \dots + a_n\sigma_n$, where σ_i are k – cells in M and $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$ are integers. Define $\partial : C_k \rightarrow C_{k-1}$. The k – chains in a directed complex M form a group, this group is called the group of all k – chains and is denoted by $C_k(M)$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, \dim(M)$.

1.2 If C is a k – chain in a directed complex K and $\partial(C) = \phi$, then C is a k – cycle. The set of all k – cycles in M is $Z_k(M) \subseteq C_k(M)$.

If C is a k – cycle in a directed complex M such that there exists a $(k + 1)$ - chain D with $\partial(D) = C$, then C is a k – boundary. The set of all k – boundaries in M is $B_k(M) \subseteq C_k(M)$.

The k – chains C_1 and C_2 are **homologous** if $C_1 \sim C_2 \in B_k(k)$, i.e., if $C_1 - C_2 = \partial(D)$ for some $(k + 1)$ – chain D .

Now, the k th **homology group**, of M is $H_k(M) = Z_k(M) / B_k(M)$, the group of equivalence classes of elements of $Z_k(M)$ with the homology relation. In other words, $H_k(M)$ is $Z_k(M)$ with homology used instead of equality, [4].

1.3 There is an obvious relation between the Euler Characteristic $\chi(M)$ and the chain groups, since $C_k(M)$ is generated by the k – cells. Thus, the rank $rk(C_k(M))$, is the number of k – cells. For a 2 – complex M , $\chi(M) = v - e + f = rk(C_0(M)) - rk(C_1(M)) + rk(C_2(M))$.

In general, for an n – complex M ,

$$\chi(M) = rk(C_0(M)) - rk(C_1(M)) + rk(C_2(M)) - \dots + (-1)^n rk(C_n(M)), [4].$$

The **Betti number**, $\beta_k(G)$, of a complex M are $\beta_k(G) = rk(H_k(M))$. But $H_k(M) = Z_k(M) / B_k(M)$, so $\beta_k = z_k - b_k$. Thus for an n – complex M , we have $\chi(M) = C_0 - C_1(M) + rk(C_2(M)) - \dots + (-1)^n \beta_n$

Not that the **genus** g of a compact surface M is given by

$$g(M) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(2 - \chi) & \text{if } M \text{ is orientable} \\ 2 - \chi & \text{if } M \text{ is non orientable} \end{cases}$$

1.4. Let M and N be cellular complexes and $f: |M| \rightarrow |N|$ a continuous map. Then $f: M \rightarrow N$ is a
 (i) for each cell $\sigma \in M$, $f(\sigma)$ is a cell in N ,
 (ii) $\dim(f(\sigma)) \leq \dim(\sigma)$, [4].

The notion of cellular foldings are invented by E.EL–Kholy and H.A.AL.Khurasani [1].

Let M and N be regular CW – complexes. A cellular map $f: M \rightarrow N$ is a **cellular folding** iff

- (i) For each i -cell $\sigma^i \in M$, $f(\sigma^i)$ is an i -cell in N i.e., f maps i -cells to i -cells,
- (ii) If $\bar{\sigma}$ contains n vertices, then $\overline{f(\sigma)}$ must contain n distinct vertices [2].

2. The relations between homology groups, Betti numbers, Euler characteristics and the genus of a complex and its Image under a cellular folding:

From now on by a complex we mean a regular C – complex.

Theorem (2.1): Let M and N be complexes of the same dimension n . if $f \in C(M,N)$, such that $f \in C(M,N)$, such that $f(M) = N \neq M$ then:

- 1) $H_p(M) \cong H_p(N) \oplus \ker f_p^*$
- 2) $\beta_p(M) \cong \beta_p(N) + rk(\ker f_p^*)$
- 3) $\chi(M) \cong \chi(N) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-1)^p rk(\ker f_p^*)$.
- 4) $g(M) = \begin{cases} g(N) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=0}^n (-1)^p rk(\ker f_p^*), & \text{if } M \text{ is orientable} \\ g(N) - \sum_{p=0}^n (-1)^p rk(\ker f_p^*), & \text{if } M \text{ is non orientable} \end{cases}$

Where $f_p^*: H_p(M) \rightarrow H_p(N)$ is the induced homomorphism.

Proof:

1) Consider the induced homomorphism $f_p^*: H_p(M) \rightarrow H_p(N)$, there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker f_p^* \xrightarrow{i^*} H_p(M) \xrightarrow{f_p^*} \text{Im } f_p^* \rightarrow 0,$$

Where i^* is the induced homomorphism by the inclusion.

Since f is surjective, we have $\text{Im } f_p^* \cong H_p(N)$, hence the above sequence with take the form,

$$0 \rightarrow \ker f_p^* \xrightarrow{i^*} H_p(M) \xrightarrow{f_p^*} H_p(N) \rightarrow 0.$$

This sequence can be split by the homomorphism

$h: H_p(N) \rightarrow H_p(M)$ such that $h(\sigma) = f^{x-1}(\sigma)$ for all $\sigma \in H_p(N)$ and hence we have the result.

From (1), we have $H_p(M) \cong H_p(N) \oplus \ker f_p^*$. Thus

$$rk(H_p(M)) = rk H_p(N) \oplus \ker f_p^* = rk(H_p(N)) + rk(\ker f_p^*).$$

Therefore, $\beta_p(M) = \beta_p(N) + rk(\ker f_p^*)$.

2) From (2), we have $\beta_p(M) = \beta_p(N) + rk(\ker f_p^*)$, for $p = 0, 1, \dots, n$. Then

$$\beta_0(M) \cong \beta_0(N) + rk(ker f_0^*),$$

$$\beta_1(M) \cong \beta_1(N) + rk(ker f_1^*),$$

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$$\beta_n(M) \cong \beta_n(N) + rk(ker f_n^*),$$

$$\text{But } \chi(M) = \beta_0 - \beta_1 + \beta_2 + \dots (-)^n \beta_n = \sum_{p=0}^n \beta_p(M).$$

Thus, we have

$$\chi(M) = \beta_0 - \beta_1 + \beta_2 + \dots (-)^n \beta_n(N) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*).$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \chi(M) = \chi(N) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*).$$

3) If M is orientable, then $g = \frac{1}{2}(2 - \chi)$. Thus $\chi = 2 - 2g$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } 2 - 2g(M) &= \chi(M) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*) \\ &= 2 - 2g(N) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*). \end{aligned}$$

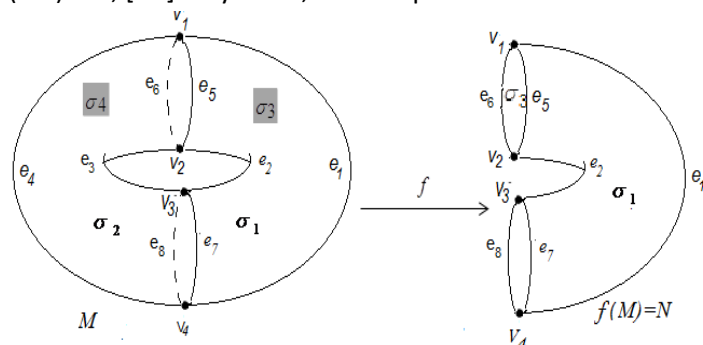
$$\text{and hence } g(M) = g(N) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*).$$

If M is non orientable, then $g = (2 - \chi)$. Then $\chi = 2 - g$.

$$\text{Now, } 2 - g(M) = 2 - g(N) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*) \text{ and}$$

$$\text{hence } g(M) = g(N) - \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*).$$

Example(2.2): Let M be a complex, | M | is a torus, with cellular subdivisions shown in Fig.(1). Let f be the cellular folding defined by $f(v_i) = v_i, i = 1,2,3,, f(e_3, e_4, e_6, e_8) = (e_2, e_1, e_5, e_7)$ And $f(\sigma_2, \sigma_4) = f(\sigma_1, \sigma_3)$, where the omitted cells through this paper will be mapped to themselves. The image $f(M) = N, [N]$ is cylinder, is a complex with cellular subdivisions shown in Fig.(1).



$$\text{Note that : } H_0(M) \cong Z$$

$$H_1(M) \cong Z \oplus Z$$

$$H_2(M) \cong Z$$

$$H_0(N) \cong Z, \text{ ker } f_0^* \cong 0$$

$$H_1(N) \cong Z, \text{ ker } f_1^* \cong Z$$

$$H_2(N) \cong 0, \text{ ker } f_2^* \cong Z.$$

Hence the first relations are satisfied.

Also, the Betti Numbers of M are $\beta_2 = 2, \beta_1 = 4, \beta_0 = 2$, the Betti numbers of N are :

$\beta_2 = 1, \beta_1 = 3, \beta_0 = 2$ and the ranks of $ker f_p^*$ are:

$$rk \text{ ker } f_2^* = 1, rk \text{ ker } f_1^* = 1, rk \text{ ker } f_0^* = 0.$$

Also, the Euler characteristic of M is :

$$\chi(M) = (\beta_0 - \beta_1 + \beta_2)(M) = 2 - 4 + 2 = 0,$$

the Euler characteristic of N is :

$$\chi(N) = (\beta_0 - \beta_1 + \beta_2)(N) = 2 - 3 + 1 = 0,$$

$$\text{And } \sum_{p=0}^2 (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*) = rk(ker f_1^*) + rk(ker f_2^*) = 0 - 1 + 1 = 0.$$

Since M and N are orientables, the $g(M) =$

$$\text{then } g(M) = \frac{1}{2}(2 - \chi) = \frac{1}{2}(2 - 0) = 1, g(N) = \frac{1}{2}(2 - \chi) = \frac{1}{2}(2 - 0) = 1 \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{p=0}^2 (-)^p rk(ker f_p^*) = rk(ker f_0^*) - rk(ker f_1^*) + rk(ker f_2^*) = 0 - 1 + 1 = 0$$

Thus the relations of Theorem (2.1) are satisfied.

3 The relations between homology groups, Betti numbers, Eulers characteristics and the genus of a complex and its image under neat cellula folding:

Theorem (3.1): Let M and N be complexes of the same dimension n . if $f \in \mathcal{N}(M, N)$, such that $f(M) = N \neq M$. then

- 1) $H_p(M) \cong \ker f_p^*$, $p \geq 1$
- 2) $\beta_p(M) = rk(\ker f_p^*)$
- 3) $\chi(M) = 1 + \sum_{p=1}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*)$.
- 4) $g(M) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} [1 - \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*)], & \text{if } M \text{ is orientable} \\ 1 - \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*), & \text{if } M \text{ is non orientable} \end{cases}$

Where $f_p^*: H_p(M) \rightarrow H_p(N)$ is the induced homomorphism.

Proof:

- 1) Consider the induced homomorphism $f_p^*: H_p(M) \rightarrow H_p(N)$,

Again, there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker f_p^* \xrightarrow{i^*} H_p(M) \xrightarrow{f_p^*} \text{Im } f_p^* \rightarrow 0,$$

Where i^* is the induced homomorphism by the inclusion.

Since f is surjective, we have

$$\text{Im } f_p^* \cong H_p(N), \text{ but } H_p(N) \cong 0$$

for a neat cellular folding, hence the above sequence will take the form,

$$0 \rightarrow \ker f_p^* \xrightarrow{i^*} H_p(M) \rightarrow 0, \text{ and the proof of (1)}$$

Will then follows fom the exactness of the sequence.

- 2) From (1), we have $H_p(M) \cong \ker f_p^*$, $p \geq 1$. Thus $rk H_p(M) \cong rk(\ker f_p^*)$ and hence $\beta_p(M) \cong rk(\ker f_p^*)$.

- 3) From (2), we have

$$\beta_p(M) = rk(\ker f_p^*), \text{ for } p = 1, 2, \dots, n. \text{ Then}$$

$$\beta_1(M) = rk(\ker f_1^*),$$

$$\beta_2(M) = rk(\ker f_2^*),$$

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$$\beta_n(M) = rk(\ker f_n^*),$$

Thus, we have

$$\beta_0 - \beta_1 + \beta_2 + \dots + (-)^n \beta_n(N) = \beta_0(L) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*).$$

and hence $\chi(M) = 1 + \sum_{p=1}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*)$.

- 4) If M is orientable, then $\chi = 2 - 2g$.

and hence $g(M) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=1}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*)$.

If M is non orientable, then $\chi = (2 - g)$.

Now, $2 - g(M) = 1 + \sum_{p=1}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*)$ and

hence $g(M) = 1 - \sum_{p=1}^n (-)^p rk(\ker f_p^*)$.

Example (3.2): Let M be a complex such that $|M| = T \# T$, the double tours, with the cellular subdivisions consisting of ten 0 – cells, twenty 1 – cells and eight 2 – cells, see Fig (2).

Let $f: M \rightarrow M$ be the neat cellula foldings defined by:

$$f(e_6^0, \dots, e_{10}^0) = (e_4^0, e_5^0, e_3^0, e_2^0, e_1^0), f(e_6^1, \dots, e_{20}^1) = ((e_5^1, e_5^1, e_5^1, e_1^1, e_2^1, e_2^1, e_3^1, e_4^1, e_4^1, e_4^1, e_3^1, e_2^1, e_2^1, e_1^1, e_1^1)) \text{ and } f(e_l^2) = e_l^2, l = 1, 2, \dots, 8. \text{ The image } f(M) = N, |N| \text{ where is a disc with cellular subdivision consists of five 0 – cells and one 2- cell.}$$

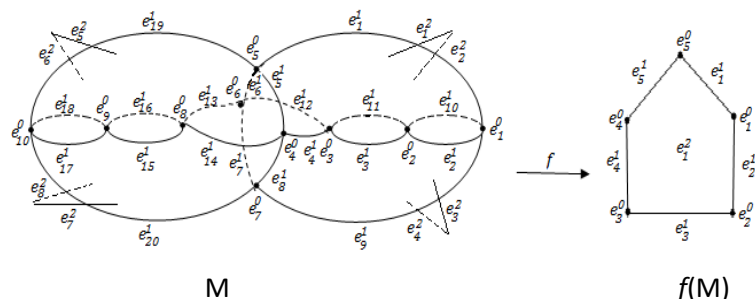


Fig. (2)

The relations of Theorem (3.1) can be easily be checked.

4 - The relations between homology groups, Betti numbers, Euler characteristics and the genus of a complex and its image under composition of cellular foldings:

First if each of foldings maps is a cellula foldings:

Theorem (4.1): Let M, N and L be complexes of the same dimension n . If $f \in C(M, N)$ such that $f(M) = N \neq M$ and $g \in C(N, L)$ such that $g(N) = L \neq N$. Then $(g \circ f) \in C(M, L)$ and the following conditions are satisfied:

1. $H_p(M) \cong H_p(L) \oplus \ker(g \circ f)_p^*$
2. $\beta_p(M) \cong \beta_p(L) + rk(\ker(g \circ f)_p^*)$
3. $\chi(M) \cong \chi(L) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-1)^p rk(\ker(g \circ f)_p^*)$.
4. $g(M) = \begin{cases} g(L) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=0}^n (-1)^p rk(\ker(g \circ f)_p^*), & \text{in the case of is orientable complexes} \\ g(L) - \sum_{p=0}^n (-1)^p rk(\ker(g \circ f)_p^*), & \text{in the case of non orientable complexes} \end{cases}$

Where $(g \circ f)_p^* = g_p^* \circ f_p^* : H_p(M) \rightarrow H_p(L)$ is the induced homomorphism.

Proof:

1) Consider the induced homomorphism $f_p^* : H_p(M) \rightarrow H_p(N)$ and $g_p^* : H_p(N) \rightarrow H_p(L)$, there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker(g \circ f)_p^* \xrightarrow{i_2^* \circ i_1^*} H_p(M) \xrightarrow{g_p^* \circ f_p^*} \text{Im}(g_p^* \circ f_p^*) \rightarrow 0,$$

Where i_1^* and i_2^* is the induced homomorphism by the inclusion.

Since f and g is surjective, we have $\text{Im}(g \circ f)_p^* \cong H_p(L)$, hence the above sequence with take the form,

$$0 \rightarrow \ker(g \circ f)_p^* \xrightarrow{i_2^* \circ i_1^*} H_p(M) \xrightarrow{g_p^* \circ f_p^*} H_p(L) \rightarrow 0.$$

This sequence can be spilt by the homomorphism

$h: H_p(L) \rightarrow H_p(M)$ such that $h(\sigma) = (g^* \circ f^*)^{-1}(\sigma)$ for all $\sigma \in H_p(L)$ and hence we have the result.

$$H_p(M) \cong H_p(L) \oplus \ker(g \circ f)_p^*$$

2) From (1), we have $H_p(M) \cong H_p(L) \oplus \ker(g \circ f)_p^*$. Thus

$$rk(H_p(M)) = rk[H_p(L) + (\ker(g \circ f)_p^*)]$$

$$rk(H_p(L)) + rk(\ker(g \circ f)_p^*)$$

$$\therefore \beta_p(M) = \beta_p(L) + rk(\ker(g \circ f)_p^*)$$

3) Since,

$$\beta_p(M) = \beta_p(N) + rk(\ker f_p^*), \text{ for } p = 0,1,\dots,n. \text{ Then}$$

We can prove that

4) Once again if M is orientable, then $g = 2 - 2g$. Thus $X = 2 - 2g$, and we have

$$g(M) = g(L) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(\ker (g \circ f)_p^*).$$

Also if L is non orientable, then $g = (2 - x)$. Thus $x = 2 - g$, and we have

$$g(M) = g(L) + \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(\ker (g \circ f)_p^*).$$

Example(4.2): Let M be a complex with the cellular subdivisions consisting of eight 0 – cells, Sixteen 1 – cells and eight 2 – cells, see Fig (3).

Let $f : M \rightarrow N$ be the neat cellula foldings defined by:

$$f(e_5^0, e_6^0) = (e_1^0, e_2^0), f(e_7^0, \dots, e_{12}^0) = ((e_3^1, e_4^1, e_2^1, e_1^1, e_{15}^1, e_{16}^1) \text{ and } f(e_3^2, \dots, e_8^2) = (e_1^2, e_2^2, e_7^2, e_8^2).$$

The image $f(M) = N$, where $|N|$ is a cylinder, is a complex with cellula subdivision consists of six 0 – cells, ten 1 – cells and fou 2 – cells. Now, $g : N \rightarrow L$ be the cellular folding defined by :

$$g(e_7^0, e_8^0) = (e_3^0, e_4^0), g(e_{13}^0, \dots, e_{17}^0)$$

$= ((e_6^1, e_5^1, e_4^1, e_3^1) \text{ and } g(e_7^2, e_8^2) = (e_1^2, e_2^2)$. The image $g(N) = L$, where $|L|$ is a cylinder, is a complex with cellular subdivision consists of four 0 – cells, six 1 – cells, and two 2 – cells.

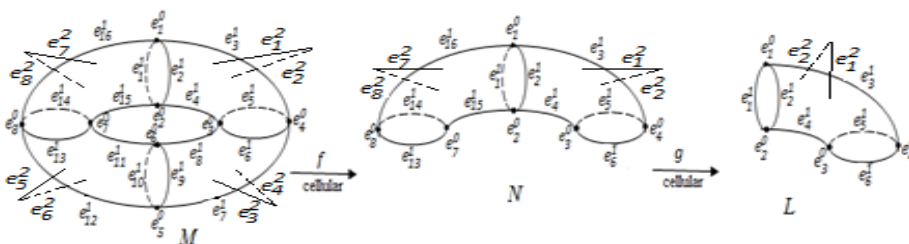


Fig . (3)

It is easy to check that conditions of Theorem (4.1) are satisfied.

Secondly if one the folding maps is cellula and the other is neat it is easy to check that the following relations:.

Theorem (4.3): Let M, N and L be complexes of the same dimension n. If $f \in c(M, N)$ and $g \in C(N, L)$. Then $(g \circ f) \in \mathcal{N}(L, N)$ and the following conditions are satisfied:

- 1) $H_p(M) \cong \ker(g \circ f)_p^*, p \geq 1$
- 2) $\beta_p(M) = rk(\ker (g \circ f)_p^*)$
- 3) $x(M) = 1 + \sum_{p=1}^n (-)^p rk(\ker (g \circ f)_p^*).$
- 4) $g(M) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} [1 - \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(\ker (g \circ f)_p^*), & \text{in the case of is orientable complexes} \\ 1 - \sum_{p=0}^n (-)^p rk(\ker (g \circ f)_p^*), & \text{in the case of non orientable complexes} \end{cases}$

Example(4.4): Let M be a complex with the cellular subdivisions consisting of four 0 – cells, eight 1 – cells and four 2 – cells, see Fig (4).

Let $f : M \rightarrow N$ be the neat cellula foldings defined by:

$$f(e_i^0) = e_i^0, i = 1, 2,., 4, f(e_6^1, e_8^1) = (e_3^1, e_4^1) \text{ and } f(e_3^2, e_4^2) \text{ and } f(e_3^2, e_4^2) = (e_1^2, e_2^2).$$

The image $f(M) = N$, is a cylinder, is a complex with cellular subdivision consists of four

0 – cells, six 1 – cells and 2 – cells. Now, Let $g : N \rightarrow L$ be the cellular folding defined by :

$$g(e_i^0) = e_i^0, i = 1, 2,., 4, g(e_5^1, e_7^1) = (e_4^1, e_2^1) \text{ and } g(e_2^2) = e_1^2.$$

The image $g(N) = L$, has cellular subdivision consists of four 0 – cells, four 1 – cells, and one 2 – cells, see Fig . (4).

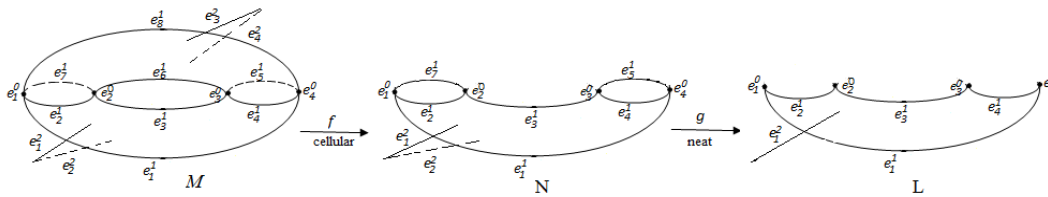


Fig . (4)

The relations of Theorem (4.3) can be easily checked.

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