

Correction:

P is projective $\Leftrightarrow$ for all diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & P & & \\ & \swarrow \varphi & \downarrow \psi & \searrow 0 & \\ M' & \xrightarrow{i} & M & \xrightarrow{j} & M'' \end{array}$$

where the solid arrows commute and $\ker(j) = \text{im}(i)$ there exists a dotted arrow making the whole diagram commute.

Recall exactness & short exact sequences!

Lemma: Free modules are projective.

Proof 1: let X be a set, and $F(X)$ be the free R -module over it, which means $\text{Hom}_{R\text{Mod}}(F(X), M) \cong \text{Hom}_{\text{Set}}(X, U(M))$ naturally in X and M

$$\varepsilon: FU \Rightarrow 1_{R\text{Mod}} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \varphi & \xrightarrow{\quad} & U(\varphi) \circ \eta_X \\ \varepsilon_M \circ F(\varphi) & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \varphi \end{array} \quad \text{for } \eta: 1_{\text{Set}} \Rightarrow UF$$

$\varepsilon_M: FU(M) \rightarrow M$ induced by the identity on the generating set M

$\eta_X: X \rightarrow UF(X)$ is the inclusion

where $U(M)$ is the underlying set of M .

To show that $F(X)$ is projective we must show that we can solve the following "lifting problem":

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & F(X) & & \\ & \swarrow \varphi & \downarrow \psi & \searrow 0 & \\ M' & \xrightarrow{i} & M & \xrightarrow{j} & M'' \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{exactness} \\ j \circ \varphi = 0 \Rightarrow \text{im}(\varphi) \subseteq \ker(j) = \text{im}(i) \\ \Rightarrow \forall x \in X \exists y \in M' \text{ s.t. } U(i)(x) = (U(\varphi) \circ \eta_X)(y) \\ \text{set } \varphi': X \rightarrow U(M') \text{ and let } \varphi = \varepsilon_M \circ F(\varphi') \\ x \mapsto y \end{array}$$

denote $\varphi' = U(\varphi) \circ \eta_X$, then $\varepsilon_M \circ F(\varphi') = \varphi$ and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ \varphi' \swarrow & & \downarrow \psi \\ U(M') & \xrightarrow{U(i)} & U(M) \end{array} \quad \text{commutes by definition.}$$

Now we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & F(X) & \\
 F(\varphi') \swarrow & G & \searrow F(\varphi') \\
 FU(M') & \xrightarrow{FU(i)} & FU(M)
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{commutes by functoriality of } F$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \downarrow \varepsilon_{M'} & \square & \downarrow \varepsilon_M \\
 M' & \xrightarrow{i} & M
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{commutes by definition of natural transformations.}$$

□

Note: we made a choice of $m' \in i^{-1}(\{\varphi(1)\})$ so we have NO uniqueness here!

Proof 2:

A more abstract way to say this: in Set every object is projective in the sense that $\forall X \in \text{Set}$ the lifting problem

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & X & \\
 \swarrow & \downarrow & \\
 A & \twoheadrightarrow & B
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{can be solved. (axiom of choice)}$$

$F: \text{Set} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}\text{Mod}$ is a left adjoint to U which preserves epimorphisms. Let $\varepsilon: FU \rightarrow 1$ be the counit and $\eta: 1 \rightarrow UF$ be the unit.

So consider

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & F(X) & \\
 \swarrow & \downarrow h & \\
 A' & \twoheadrightarrow & B'
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{apply } U:
 \quad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 & UF(X) & \\
 \swarrow & \downarrow & \\
 U(A') & \twoheadrightarrow & U(B')
 \end{array}$$

we get a map

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & X & \\
 \swarrow & \downarrow \eta_X & \\
 & UF(X) & \\
 \swarrow & \downarrow & \\
 U(A') & \twoheadrightarrow & U(B')
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{if } X \text{ is projective we have some dotted } f: X \rightarrow U(A') \text{ solving the lifting problem}$$

applying F we get

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & F(x) & \\
 F(f) \swarrow & \downarrow F(\eta_x) & \\
 & FU(F(x)) & \\
 & \downarrow FU(h) & \\
 FU(A') & \xrightarrow{FU(g)} & FU(B') \\
 \downarrow \varepsilon_{A'} & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \varepsilon_{B'} \\
 A' & \xrightarrow{g} & B'
 \end{array}$$

the map $\eta_{B'} \circ FU(h) \circ F(\varepsilon_x)$ is the map h gets sent to via

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Hom}(F(x), B') \cong \text{Hom}(x, U(B')) \cong \text{Hom}(F(x), B') \\
 \downarrow \eta_{B'} \\
 h \longmapsto U(h) \circ \eta_x \longmapsto \varepsilon_{B'} \circ FU(h) \circ F(\eta_x)
 \end{array}$$

So our lemma follows from the following two claims:

- ① A left adjoint to a functor that preserves epimorphisms preserves projectives.
- ② In the category Set every object is projective. $\square$

Proof 3:

- In $R\text{-Mod}$ a free module on the set X is isomorphic to the direct sum $\bigoplus_X R$.

- The direct sum of two projectives is projective:

$$\text{Hom}(P \oplus Q, -) \cong \text{Hom}(P, -) \times \text{Hom}(Q, -)$$

naturally and direct products (even infinite ones!) preserve exact sequences.

- R is projective. $\square$

Proposition: Projective resolutions of modules are unique up to unique equivalence in the homotopy category, more precisely let $M \in \mathcal{R}\text{Mod}$, $P_\bullet \rightarrow M$ and $Q_\bullet \rightarrow M$ be projective resolutions of M . Now there exists some $h: P_\bullet \rightarrow Q_\bullet$ augmentation preserving chain homotopy equivalence and any other $h': P_\bullet \rightarrow Q_\bullet$ augmentation preserving chain homotopy equivalence is chain homotopic to h .

Proof:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \dots & \rightarrow & P_2 & \rightarrow & P_1 & \xrightarrow{d_1^P} & P_0 \xrightarrow{d_0^P} M \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow h_2 & \swarrow s_1 & \downarrow h_1 & \swarrow s_0 & \downarrow h_0 \searrow d_0^Q \\
 \dots & \rightarrow & Q_2 & \rightarrow & Q_1 & \rightarrow & Q_0 \xrightarrow{d_0^Q} M \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

h_0 exists by projectivity
 (as d_0^Q is surjective)
 h_1 exists similarly as

$$h_0 \circ d_1^P \circ d_0^Q = 0$$

apply to this the

We get $h: P_\bullet \rightarrow Q_\bullet$
 however not uniquely:

assume $h, h': P_\bullet \rightarrow Q_\bullet$ are chain maps, consider

$(h - h'): P_\bullet \rightarrow Q_\bullet$ now $d(h_0 - h'_0) = 0 \Rightarrow \exists s_0: P_0 \rightarrow Q_1$ s.t. $d_0^Q \circ s_0 = h_0 - h'_0$
 then

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(h_1 - h'_1) &= (h_0 - h'_0)d = d \circ s_0 \circ d \\
 \Rightarrow d((h_1 - h'_1) - s_0 \circ d) &= 0 \Rightarrow \exists s_1: P_1 \rightarrow Q_2 \text{ s.t. } d s_1 + s_0 d = h_1 - h'_1
 \end{aligned}$$

exactness

Now we start the induction: $d(h_2 - h'_2) = (h_1 - h'_1)d = (d s_1 + s_0 d)d = d s_1 d$

and thus $d((h_2 - h'_2) - s_1 d) = 0 \Rightarrow \exists s_2: P_2 \rightarrow Q_3$ s.t.
 $d s_2 + s_1 d = h_2 - h'_2$

and via induction we have that any two h_1 and h_2 are chain homotopic.

Now simply exchange the role of P and Q to get some $g: Q_\bullet \rightarrow P_\bullet$ and then by the same argument as before $gh \simeq \text{id}$ and $hg \simeq \text{id}$. $\square$

Quick rundown of useful facts about projective modules:

- Let $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ be a SES. If C is projective $\Rightarrow$ the SES splits:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & s & \xrightarrow{\quad} & C & \\
 & & & \swarrow & & \parallel & \\
 0 & \rightarrow & A & \rightarrow & B & \xrightarrow{f} & C \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}
 \quad f \circ s = \text{id}$$

and such an SES splits $\Leftrightarrow B \cong A \oplus C$ an application of the 5-lemma:

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow A \oplus C \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & \parallel & & \downarrow g \oplus s & & \parallel \\
 0 & \rightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{f} & B & \xrightarrow{f} & C \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

- $P \in {}_R\text{Mod}$ is projective $\Leftrightarrow \exists Q \in {}_R\text{Mod}$ s.t. $P \oplus Q$ is free

$$\Rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \ker(f) \rightarrow F \xrightarrow{f} P \rightarrow 0 \quad F \cong \ker(f) \oplus P$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Leftarrow & P \oplus Q & \xrightarrow{\pi} P \\
 \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\
 A & \rightarrow & B \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

- A flat module is a module $M \in {}_R\text{Mod}$ such that $- \otimes_R M: {}_R\text{Mod} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}b$ is exact

$$\text{projective} \Rightarrow \text{flat} \quad \exists Q \text{ s.t. } P \oplus Q \text{ is free i.e. } P \oplus Q \cong \bigoplus_I R$$

$$- \otimes_R (P \oplus Q) \cong (- \otimes_R P) \oplus (- \otimes_R Q)$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \cong \\
 - \otimes_R \left(\bigoplus_I R \right) \cong \bigoplus_I (- \otimes_R R) \\
 \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{exact}}
 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow - \otimes_R P \text{ and } - \otimes_R Q \text{ is exact}$$

• tensor-hom adjunction: Let $M \in {}_R \text{Mod}$
we have the adjunction

$${}_R \text{Mod} \begin{matrix} \xleftarrow{M \otimes_R -} \\ \text{Hom}_R(M, -) \end{matrix} \text{Ab}$$

note that M has the structure of a left R -module and as an abelian group the structure of a right $\mathbb{Z}$ -module.

$M \otimes_R -$ has the structure of an $(R, \mathbb{Z})$ -bimodule i.e. a left R -module.

This means in particular

$$\text{Hom}_R(M \otimes_R A, N) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(M, \text{Hom}_R(M, N))$$

Remarks: We care more about projective than free modules because it's not that clear how to define free objects in a general abelian category (to have something like that we need some kind of forgetful functor and then some luck for us to get a free-forgetful adjunction) however projectives are defined via a universal property that makes sense in not just abelian categories (instead of epi maps whose cokernel is zero i.e. surjective maps we can use the notion of epimorphisms).

Chapter II The homology of a group

Let $R \in \text{Alg}(A_6)$ $T: {}_R \text{Mod} \rightarrow A_6$ additive functor

i.e. $\text{Hom}_R(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{A_6}(TM, TN)$ is a map in A_6

Let $P_\bullet \rightarrow M$ be a projective resolution and apply T term-wise, $H_n(TP_\bullet)$ measures the failure of exactness in T . (If T is exact clearly

$$H_n(TP_\bullet) \cong \begin{cases} TM & \text{for } n=0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Remark: Let A be an abelian category, $K(A)$ be the category of chain complexes built of objects in A up to homotopy with maps up to homotopy. If A has enough projectives then we have a well-defined functor

$$A \xrightarrow{P(-)} K(A)$$

$A \longmapsto$ projective resolution of A

Let $F: A \rightarrow B$ be an additive functor, then $L_n F$ the n^{th} derived functor of F is the composition

$$A \xrightarrow{P(-)} K(A) \xrightarrow{K(F)} K(B) \xrightarrow{H_n} B.$$

Let M be a G -module. $M_G = M / \langle gm - m \mid m \in M, g \in G \rangle$

$$M^G = \{m \in M \mid \forall g \in G \quad gm = m\}$$

Proposition: $M_G \cong \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} M$ where $\mathbb{Z} \in \text{Mod}_{\mathbb{Z}G}$ via the trivial action.

Proof:

$M_G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} M$ well-defined:

$$[m] \mapsto (1 \otimes m)$$

$$[gm - m] \mapsto (1 \otimes (gm - m))$$

$$1 \otimes (gm - m) = 1 \otimes gm - 1 \otimes m = g \cdot 1 \otimes m - 1 \otimes m$$

$$= 1 \otimes m - 1 \otimes m$$

$$= 0$$

define the inverse as:

$$\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} M \rightarrow M_G$$

$$a \otimes m \mapsto a[m]$$

□

Corollary: $(-)_G: \mathbb{Z}G\text{-Mod} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\text{-Mod}$ is right exact

(as the tensor is a left adjoint)

$$\text{If } F \cong \bigoplus_I \mathbb{Z}G \text{ then } (F)_G \cong \bigoplus_I (\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} \mathbb{Z}G) \cong \bigoplus_I \mathbb{Z}$$

Proposition: Let X be a free G -complex and let Y be the orbit complex X/G . Then $C_*(Y) \cong C_*(X)_G$.

Proof: $X \mapsto X/G$ induces some $q_*: C_*(X) \rightarrow C_*(Y)$ on $\mathbb{Z}G$ -modules, as $q_*(g \cdot e_x) = q_*(e_x)$ we get that q_* factors as

$$C_*(X) \xrightarrow{q_*} C_*(Y)$$

$$\downarrow \quad \uparrow$$

$$C_*(X)_G$$

$$C_n(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}[n\text{-cells}] \rightarrow C_n(Y) \cong \mathbb{Z}[n\text{-cells}]$$

$$\downarrow \quad \uparrow$$

$$\bigoplus_{\text{orbits of } n\text{-cells}} \mathbb{Z}G$$

$$\bigoplus_{\text{orbits of } n\text{-cells}} \mathbb{Z}$$

$$C_n(X)_G$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} \mathbb{Z}[n\text{-cells}]$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} \left(\bigoplus_{\text{orbits of } n\text{-cells}} \mathbb{Z}G \right)$$

$$\cong \bigoplus_{\text{orbits of } n\text{-cells}} \mathbb{Z}$$

□

Def: Let G be a group and $F. \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} \mathbb{Z}$ a projective resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ over $\mathbb{Z}G$. The n^{th} homology group of G is

$$H_i(G) \cong H_i(F_G) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} G(EG) & G(EG/G) & C_*(BG) \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \\ \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z}_G & \end{array}$$

Example: Take C_n the cyclic group of order n . Recall: $\mathbb{Z}C_n \cong \mathbb{Z}[t]/(t^n-1)$
We have the resolution

$$C_n = (\{1, t, \dots, t^{n-1}\}, \times)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}C_n & \xrightarrow{\cdot(t-1)} & \mathbb{Z}C_n & \xrightarrow{\cdot(t-1)} & \mathbb{Z}C_n & \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \\ \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ \dots \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[t]/(t^n-1) & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}[t]/(t^n-1) & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}[t]/(t^n-1) & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 \mapsto (t-1) & 1 \mapsto (t-1) & 1 \mapsto 1 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 1 \mapsto (1+t+\dots+t^{n-1}) & t \mapsto 1 & \end{array} \quad \text{module maps!}$$

$$p \mapsto 0 \Leftrightarrow p = (t-1)q \\ \Rightarrow \ker(t \mapsto 1) = (t-1)$$

$$p(t)(t-1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow (t^n-1)q(t) = p(t)(t-1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p(t) = (1+t+\dots+t^{n-1})p'(t)$$

applying $\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}C_n} -$ we get the chain complex

we delete the augmentation!

$$\dots \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}C_n} \mathbb{Z}C_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}C_n} \mathbb{Z}C_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}C_n} \mathbb{Z}C_n \rightarrow 0$$

$$1 \otimes 1 \mapsto 1 \otimes (1+t+\dots+t^{n-1})$$

$$= (1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes t + \dots + 1 \otimes t^{n-1})$$

$$= (1 \otimes 1 + t \cdot 1 \otimes 1 + \dots + t^{n-1} \cdot 1 \otimes 1)$$

$$= n \otimes 1$$

$$1 \otimes 1 \mapsto 1 \otimes (t-1)$$

$$= 1 \otimes t - 1 \otimes 1$$

$$= t \cdot 1 \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes 1$$

$$= 0$$

thus we get the chain complex $\dots \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot n} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot n} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$

For any group G we can take the standard resolution $F_\bullet \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$.
 We write $C_*(G)$ for the chain complex $F_\bullet$.
 Explicit description for $C_*(G)$:

homogeneous chain complex of G :

on the $(n+1)$ -tuples $(g_0, \dots, g_n)$ we define the equivalence relation

$$(g_0, \dots, g_n) \sim (gg_0, \dots, gg_n) \quad \forall g \in G$$

denote by $[g_0, \dots, g_n]$ the equivalence class of $(g_0, \dots, g_n)$.

$C_n(G)$ is generated as a $\mathbb{Z}$ -module by the equivalence classes $[g_0, \dots, g_n]$ and $\partial: C_n(G) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(G)$ is given by $\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i d_i$ where

$$d_i([g_0, \dots, g_n]) = [g_0, \dots, \hat{g}_i, \dots, g_n]$$

non-homogeneous description: $\leadsto$ before this was a $\mathbb{Z}G$ -basis & now it is a $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis ∇

C_n has a $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis consisting of n -tuples $[g_1 | \dots | g_n]$
 and $\partial = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i d_i$ where

$$d_i[g_1 | \dots | g_n] = \begin{cases} [g_2 | \dots | g_n] \\ [g_1 | \dots | g_i g_{i+1} | \dots | g_n] \\ [g_1, \dots, g_{n-1}] \end{cases}$$

In low-dimension $C_*(G)$ has the form

$$C_2(G) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_1(G) \xrightarrow{\partial} \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{where } \partial([g|h]) = [h] - [gh] + [g]$$

$$\Rightarrow H_0(G) \cong \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } H_1(G) = G/[G, G]$$

Topological interpretation

for $Y \simeq K(G, 1)$ the augmented chain complex of the universal cover $\tilde{Y}$ of Y is a free resolution of $\mathbb{Z}$ over $\mathbb{Z}G$.

$$C_*(Y) \cong C_*(\tilde{Y}/G) \cong C_*(\tilde{Y})_G \cong C_*(G)$$

↳ as free resolutions are homotopic