

Def A free  $G$ -module is a free  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module, i.e.  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}[G]$

for any set  $I$ .

A coinduced  $G$ -module is a module of the form

$\mathbb{Z}$  hom group  $(\mathbb{Z}[G], X)$  for some abelian group  $X$ .  
 $\parallel$   $\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ G \end{matrix}$  gives group structure

$$\left\{ \text{map } G \rightarrow X \right\} = \left\{ (x_g)_{g \in G} \mid x_g \in X \forall g \right\}$$

(not necessarily hom.)

$$= \left\{ \sum_{g \in G} x_g g \mid x_g \in X \forall g \right\}$$

$$\left( \text{action given by } h \sum_g x_g g = \sum_g x_g hg = \sum_g x_{h^{-1}g} g \right)$$

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$$\mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} X \text{ for some abelian group } X.$$

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ G \end{matrix} \parallel$

$$\left\{ (x_g)_{g \in G} \mid x_g \in X \forall g, x_g = 0 \text{ for all but fin. many } g \right\}.$$

(same action as before)

Rule For finite groups  $G$ , induced = coinduced.

Ex  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})[G]$  is an induced  $G$ -module, but not free.

### 8.3. Cohomology

[Reference: Milne's notes of CFT,  
Neukirch's books on CFT, ...]

Thm/Def There is a unique family of cohomology functors  $H^i(G, \cdot) : \{G\text{-mod.}\} \rightarrow \{\text{ab. grp.}\}$  ( $i \geq 1$ )

satisfying the following axioms:

a) If  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  is an ex. seq. of  $G\text{-mod.}$ , we obtain a long ex. seq.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & A^G & \longrightarrow & B^G & \longrightarrow & C^G \\ \hookrightarrow & & H^1(G, A) & \longrightarrow & H^1(G, B) & \longrightarrow & H^1(G, C) \\ \hookrightarrow & & H^2(G, A) & \longrightarrow & H^2(G, B) & \longrightarrow & H^2(G, C) \\ \hookrightarrow & & \dots & & \dots & & \dots \end{array}$$

b) If  $A$  is coinduced, then  $H^i(G, A) = 0 \quad \forall i \geq 1$ .

c) Any comm. diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & A & \rightarrow & B & \rightarrow & C \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & A' & \rightarrow & B' & \rightarrow & C' \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

of short ex. seq. produces a comm. diagram of long ex. seq.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & A^G & \rightarrow & B^G & \rightarrow & C^G & \rightarrow & H^1(G, A) & \rightarrow & H^1(G, B) & \rightarrow & \dots \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & A'^G & \rightarrow & B'^G & \rightarrow & C'^G & \rightarrow & H^1(G, A') & \rightarrow & H^1(G, B') & \rightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

By convention, we set  $H^0(G, A) = A^G$ .

# Sketch of pf

## Uniqueness / construction 1

Consider the injective hom. of  $G$ -modules

$$A \hookrightarrow \{ \text{map } G \rightarrow A \} = A^*$$

$$a \mapsto (g \mapsto g^{-1}a)$$

We're ignoring the action of  $G$  on  $A$ , here!

It's a  $G$ -module hom.:

$$\begin{aligned} ha &\mapsto (g \mapsto g^{-1}ha) \\ &= (hg \mapsto g^{-1}a) \\ &= h \cdot (g \mapsto g^{-1}a). \end{aligned}$$

The short ex. seq.

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow A^* \rightarrow A^*/A \rightarrow 0$$

gives rise to

$$0 \rightarrow AG \rightarrow (A^*)^G \rightarrow (A^*/A)^G \rightarrow 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow H^1(G, A) \rightarrow H^1(G, A^*) \rightarrow H^1(G, A^*/A)$$

$$\hookrightarrow H^2(G, A) \rightarrow H^2(G, A^*) \rightarrow H^2(G, A^*/A)$$

$$\Rightarrow H^1(G, A) \cong \text{coker} \left( (A^*)^G \rightarrow (A^*/A)^G \right)$$

$\Rightarrow H^1(G, A)$  uniquely determined  $\forall A$ .

$$\Rightarrow H^2(G, A) \cong H^1(G, A^*/A)$$

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...  
Assertion 1) shows uniqueness for morphisms  $H^i(G, A) \rightarrow H^i(G, B)$ .

## Construction 2

Choose a resolution of  $\mathbb{Z}$  by free  $G$ -modules:

an ex. sequence

$$0 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z} \xleftarrow{d^0} P_0 \xleftarrow{d^1} P_1 \xleftarrow{d^2} P_2 \xleftarrow{d^3} \dots$$

where each  $P_i$  is a free  $G$ -module.

This produces a cochain complex (composition of two consecutive maps is 0)

$$0 \xrightarrow{d^0} \mathcal{Z}om_G(P_0, A) \xrightarrow{d^1} \mathcal{Z}om_G(P_1, A) \xrightarrow{d^2} \mathcal{Z}om_G(P_2, A) \xrightarrow{d^3} \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P_i & \xleftarrow{d^{i+1}} & P_{i+1} \\ f \downarrow & \xleftarrow{d^{i+1}(f)} & \\ A & & \end{array}$$

It might not be exact, though!

$$\text{Let } H^i(G, A) = \ker(d^{i+1}) / \text{im}(d^i).$$

$$\text{Note: } H^0(G, A) = \ker(d^1) = \{ f: P_0 \rightarrow A \mid f \circ d^1 = 0 \}$$

$G$ -mod.hom.

$$= \mathcal{Z}om_G(P_0 / d^1(P_1), A)$$

$$= \mathcal{Z}om_G(\mathbb{Z}, A) = A^G.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f & \mapsto & f(1) \\ (n \mapsto nx) & \longleftarrow & x \end{array}$$

Now, check the axioms:

b) let  $A$  be induced:

$A = \{ \text{map } G \rightarrow X \}$  for some ab. grp.  $X$ .

$$\mathbb{Z}\text{hom}_G(P_i, A) = \mathbb{Z}\text{hom}_{\text{group}}(P_i, X)$$

$$(p \mapsto a(p)) \mapsto (p \mapsto a(p)(e))$$

$$(p \mapsto (g \mapsto x(g^{-1}p))) \longleftarrow (p \mapsto x(p))$$

el. of  $\ker(d^{i+1}) : \mathbb{Z}\text{hom}_G(P_{i+1}, A) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\text{hom}_G(P_i, A)$

Each  $P_i$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module and therefore a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module.  $\Rightarrow \exists g$  s.t.  $f = g \circ d^i$

$$\Rightarrow f \in \text{im}(d^i).$$

$\Rightarrow$  The cochain complex is exact.

$$\Rightarrow H^i(G, A) = 0 \quad \forall i \geq 1.$$

a)  $P_i$  free  $G$ -module:  $P_i \cong \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}(e_i)$

$$\rightarrow \text{Hom}_G(P_i, A) \cong \prod_{i \in I} A$$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  is an ex. seq. of  $G$ -mod.,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{then } 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_G(P_i, A) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_G(P_i, B) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_G(P_i, C) & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & \cong & \cong & & \cong & & \\ & \prod_{i \in I} A & \prod_{i \in I} B & & \prod_{i \in I} C & & \end{array}$$

is also an exact sequence.

Apply the snake lemma to

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_G(P_i, A) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_G(P_i, B) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_G(P_i, C) & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_G(P_{i+1}, A) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_G(P_{i+1}, B) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}_G(P_{i+1}, C) & \rightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

This produces the long exact sequence...

"□"

## 8.4. Standard resolution

There's a resolution of  $\mathbb{Z}$  by free  $G$ -modules:

$$0 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z} \xleftarrow{d^0} \mathbb{Z}[G] \xleftarrow{d^1} \mathbb{Z}[G^2] \xleftarrow{d^2} \mathbb{Z}[G^3] \leftarrow \dots$$

$\begin{array}{cccc} & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ & & P_0 & & P_1 & & P_2 \end{array}$

Note:  $P_i = \mathbb{Z}[G^{i+1}] = \left\{ \sum_{g_0, \dots, g_i \in G} a_{g_0, \dots, g_i} (g_0, \dots, g_i) \right\}$

with  $G$ -action  $g(g_0, \dots, g_i) = (gg_0, \dots, gg_i)$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module with  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module basis

$$\{(1, g_1, \dots, g_i) \mid g_1, \dots, g_i \in G\}.$$

Proof The  $P_i$  "correspond to" standard simplices in the definition of singular cohomology.

Let  $d^i: P_i \rightarrow P_{i-1}$

$$(g_0, \dots, g_i) \mapsto \sum_{j=0}^i (-1)^j (g_0, \dots, \hat{g}_j, \dots, g_i)$$

$\parallel$   
 $(g_0, \dots, g_{j-1}, g_{j+1}, \dots, g_i)$

It's easy to show  $d^i \circ d^{i+1} = 0$  (so  $\ker(d^i) \supseteq \text{im}(d^{i+1})$ ).

To show  $\ker(d^i) \subseteq \text{im}(d^{i+1})$ , use the chain

homotopy maps  $h^i: P_i \rightarrow P_{i+1}$ , which  
 $(g_0, \dots, g_i) \mapsto (1, g_0, \dots, g_i)$

satisfy  $d^{i+1} \circ h^i + h^{i-1} \circ d^i = \text{id}$ .

If  $a \in \ker(d^i)$ , then

$$a = d^{i+1}(h^i(a)) + \underbrace{h^{i-1}(d^i(a))}_0 = d^{i+1}(h^i(a)) \in \text{im}(d^{i+1}).$$

$$\tilde{Z}^i(G, A) := \ker d^i(G, A)$$

$G$ -mod. hom. condition

$$= \left\{ \underbrace{\tilde{f}: G^{i+1} \rightarrow A}_{\text{map}} \mid \tilde{f}(gg_0, \dots, g_i) = g \tilde{f}(g_0, \dots, g_i) \right. \\ \left. \forall g, g_0, \dots, g_i \in G \right\}$$

(group of homogeneous  $i$ -cochains)

$d^i: \tilde{Z}^{i-1}(G, A) \rightarrow \tilde{Z}^i(G, A)$  is given by

$$(d^i \tilde{f})(g_0, \dots, g_i) = \sum_{j=0}^i (-1)^j \tilde{f}(g_0, \dots, \hat{g}_j, \dots, g_i).$$

$$\tilde{Z}^i(G, A)$$

$\cup$

$$\tilde{Z}^i(G, A) = \ker(d^{i+1}) \quad (\text{group of hom. } i\text{-cycles})$$

$\cup$

$$\tilde{B}^i(G, A) = \text{im}(d^i) \quad (\text{group of hom. } i\text{-coboundaries})$$

$$H^i(G, A) = \tilde{Z}^i(G, A) / \tilde{B}^i(G, A).$$



In practice, inhomogeneous cochains tend to be more convenient:

$$C^i(G, A) := \left\{ \underbrace{(a_{g_1, \dots, g_i})}_{\in A} \mid g_1, \dots, g_i \in G \right\}$$

There's a group isomorphism

$$\begin{array}{c} \tilde{C}^i(G, A) \cong C^i(G, A) \\ \tilde{f} \longleftrightarrow a \end{array}$$

given by  $a_{g_1, \dots, g_i} = \tilde{f}(1, g_1, g_1 g_2, \dots, g_1 \dots g_i)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & \tilde{C}^0(G, A) & \xrightarrow{d^1} & \tilde{C}^1(G, A) & \xrightarrow{d^2} & \tilde{C}^2(G, A) & \rightarrow \dots \\ & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & \\ 0 \rightarrow & C^0(G, A) & \xrightarrow{d^1} & C^1(G, A) & \xrightarrow{d^2} & C^2(G, A) & \rightarrow \dots \end{array}$$

$$\cong \begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ C^0(G, A) \end{array}$$

$$d^1: \begin{array}{c} C^0(G, A) \\ \parallel \\ A \end{array} \rightarrow C^1(G, A)$$

$$a \mapsto (ga - a)_{g \in G}$$

$$d^2: C^1(G, A) \rightarrow C^2(G, A)$$

$$(a_g)_{g \in G} \mapsto (a_g + ga_h - a_{gh})_{g, h \in G}$$

$$d^3: C^2(G, A) \rightarrow C^3(G, A)$$

$$(a_{g, h})_{g, h \in G} \mapsto (ga_{hi} - a_{gh, i} + a_{g, hi} - a_{g, h})_{g, h, i \in G}$$

⋮

$$C^i(G, A)$$

$\cup$

$$Z^i(G, A) = \ker(d^{i+1}) \quad (\text{group of inhom. } i\text{-cycles})$$

$\cup$

$$B^i(G, A) = \text{im}(d^i) \quad (\text{group of inhom. } i\text{-coboundaries})$$

$$H^i(G, A) = Z^i(G, A) / B^i(G, A)$$

Ex  $Z^0(G, A) = \{ a \in A \mid ga - a = 0 \ \forall g \in G \} = A^G$

$\updownarrow$   
 $ga = a$

$\Rightarrow H^0(G, A) = A^G$

$B^0(G, A) = 0$

$Z^1(G, A) = \{ (a_g)_{g \in G} \mid a_{gh} = a_g + ga_h \ \forall g, h \}$

$B^1(G, A) = \{ (ga - a)_{g \in G} \mid a \in A \}$

} as before.