Spectral Sequence, My Homological Saw (Lecture Notes of Spectral Sequences)

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0 Introduction

0.1. Quotation Spectral sequence is the thing which really controls when we guess something should be controlled by one.

0.2. Introduction Spectral sequence is a powerful tool widely used in different branches of modern mathematics. It proves its power especially in homological algebra, algebraic topology, algebraic geometry, etc. It is gradually supposed to be mastered by any master students in the relative areas. This lecture note is devoted to present its foundation and applications.

Of course, the choice of topics are highly effected by the author's personal favor. To achieve the best balance, the author tries to achieve as much **breadth** as he can. In fact, the readers (especially undergraduate students) are recommended to regard this note as an advertisement of different topics rather than just spectral sequences. For example, for a reading seminar taking over a semeter, roughly half of time should be utilized to introduce the background. I believe students of different background would find their own interests.

Generally speaking, only basic homological algebra is assumed. Though we would not give a full proof to some of theorems which is too deep not to figure out a sketch.

Before introducing the four parts individually, the author would like to explain the title — spectral sequences left the author an impression that it chops cohomology groups up as a saw so that it is **my homological saw**.

0.3. Construction In this part, the construction of spectral sequences will be discussed, including filtered complexes 1.8, double complexes 2.2, and exact couples 3.5. Correct and self-contained proofs will be presented.

First examples are given after the construction, including **simplicial co-homology** of a CW complex 1.12; the **Mayer–Vietoris spectral sequence** of topological spaces 2.11; how spectral sequences imply diagram chasing propositions 2.7.

0.4. Topology In this part, the Leray–Serre spectral sequences 4.6 are discussed in detail, with classic applications Gysin sequences 4.10, Thom isomorphisms 4.16.

Next, more contruction of spectral sequences are reviewed, Eilenberg– Moore spectral sequences 5.3, Cartan–Leray spectral sequences 5.6, Atiyah–Hirzebruch spectral sequences 5.8, and Adams spectral sequences 5.17.

0.5. Algebra In this part, we will discuss the **Künneth spectral sequences** 6.9 which is a corollary of its generalization 6.6. The tool is the **hyper-resolution** 6.2. We can get **Auslander–Reiten theory** in **transpose** 6.12 and **stable hom** 6.14 using spectral sequence. We also establish the **Bernner–Butler theorem** 6.21 in theory of tilting modules as an application of spectral sequences.

Next, we will discuss the **Grothendieck spectral sequences** 7.2 which are very important. we will discuss **group** (co)homology, and the Hochschild **spectral sequence** 7.16. We will also define Hochschild (co)homology 7.23.

0.6. Geometry In this part, we will compute the cohomology of **projective** spaces 8.7, Grassmannians and flag varieties 8.8. Taking advantage of the computation, we will give an introduction to Chern classes 8.15.

Lastly, we will review more geometry, including **sheaf cohomology**, and **Hodge theory**. We will meet **Leray spectral sequence** 9.6 again, Čech cohomology 9.9, spectral sequences for staratification 9.20, and see **Frölicher spectral sequence** 9.25 and **Deligne degeneration theorem** 9.27.

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1 Construction (I)

Quick Definition

1.1. Given a complex (C, d), we define its **cohomology** $H(C) = \ker d / \operatorname{im} d$. It looks like



where the notation takes the usual cochain complex convention.

We have $C = (C^i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$, with $d_i : C^i \to C^{i+1}$, and $H^i(C)$ is a subquotient of C^i , i.e. ker $d_i / \operatorname{im} d_{i+1}$.

Note that there is no natural map between H(C) and C or among H(C).

1.2. A spectral sequence is a series of complexes $E = (E_r)_{r=r_0}^{\infty}$ with $H(E_*) = E_{*+1}$. Note that the differential of E_r is "given", rather than induced. Usually, a spectral sequence is double graded in the following convention.

We have $E_r = (\bigoplus_{n=p+q} E_r^{pq})_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ with $d : E_r \to E_r$ of double degree (r, -r+1).



1.3. For a spectral sequence $E = (E_r)_{r=r_0}^{\infty}$, we say E_r has an algebraic limit, if for $r \gg 0$, the differential of E_r is zero. In this case, we write its limit by E_{∞} . Note that E_r is a subquotient of E_{r_0} so

$$E_{\infty} = \frac{\bigcap Z_r}{\bigcup B_r}, \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{array}{c} 0 \subseteq B_r \subseteq Z_r \subseteq E_{r_0}\\ E_{r+1} = Z_r/B_r. \end{array}$$

if the limit exists.

For a spectral sequence (E_r) , and an object H, if there is a **bounded** filtration over H such that the associated graded object gr $H = E_{\infty}$. Then we say E_r converges to H. It is usually denoted by $E_r \Rightarrow H$.

Usually the filtration is decreasing if our convention is cohomological.

The $H = (H^n)$ is filtered by $F^p H^n$ which is smaller when p is bigger. The gr^p $H^n = F^p H^n / F^{p+1} H^n$. If $E_r \Rightarrow H$, it means $E_{\infty}^{pq} = \text{gr}^p H^{p+q}$. As a result, the leftmost is a quotient, the rightmost is a subobject. We write

$$E_r^{pq} \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}.$$

1.4. In practice, there would be more different sense of limit and convergence, see 1.20.

Filtered Complex

1.5. Modular property For three sub-objects A, B, C of some big object in an abelian category. If $B \subseteq A$, then $B + (C \cap A) = (B + C) \cap A$. Thus it makes sense to write $B + C \cap A$.

1.6. For two bounded filtrations F_1 and F_2 on C, we can refine F_1 by F_2 by adding $\{F_1^{p+1} + F_2^{\bullet} \cap F_1^p\}$ between $F_1^{p+1} \subseteq F_1^p$. We can also refine F_2 by F_1 by adding $\{F_2^{q+1} + F_1^{\bullet} \cap F_2^q\}$ between $F_2^{q+1} \subseteq F_2^q$. They have the isomorphic associated graded objects by the following Zassenhaus' lemma.

1.7. Zassenhaus' lemma If $B \subseteq A$ and $D \subseteq C$ of some big object in an abelian category, then the following maps are all isomorphisms,

$$\frac{A \cap C}{(A \cap D) + (B \cap C)} \xrightarrow{D + A \cap C} \xrightarrow{D + B \cap C} \xrightarrow{(A + D) \cap (B + C)} \xrightarrow{D + A \cap C} \xrightarrow{D + B \cap C}$$

1.8. Spectral Sequences for Filtered Complexes Assume we have a bounded filtration F of complex on a complex (C, d), namely each $F^* = F^*C$ is a complex. Then there is a spectral sequence E with $E_0 = \operatorname{gr} C$ with induced differential,

$$E_1 = H(\operatorname{gr} C) \Longrightarrow H(C),$$

with the filtration on H(C) given by the image of $\{\operatorname{im} d + F^* \cap \ker d\}$ in H(C).

If
$$C = (C^i, d)$$
, with filtration $F^p C^i$. Then $E_1^{pq} = H^{p+q} (F^p C^{\bullet} / F^{p+1} C^{\bullet})$.

Proof Note that what we really want is the middle suquotient of

$$0 \subseteq \operatorname{im} d \subseteq \operatorname{ker} d \subseteq C.$$

The first step $0 \subseteq \operatorname{im} d$ can be refined by $\{d(F^*)\}$, and it is clear that $\{d^{-1}(F^*)\}$ sits between ker $d \subseteq C$. The technique is to refine F with the $\{d(F^*)\} \cup \{d^{-1}(F^*)\}$. Define

$$\begin{cases} Z_{r-1}^p = F^{p+1} + d^{-1}(F^{p+r}) \cap F^p & \supseteq F^{p+1} + \ker d \cap F^p \\ B_{r-1}^p = F^{p+1} + d(F^{p+1-r}) \cap F^p & \subseteq F^{p+1} + \operatorname{im} d \cap F^p \end{cases}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{array}{ll} \frac{Z_{r-1}^p}{Z_r^p} &= \frac{F^{p+1} + d^{-1}(F^{p+r}) \cap F^p}{F^{p+1} + d^{-1}(F^{p+r+1}) \cap F^p} \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{d(F^{p+1}) + F^{p+r} \cap d(F^p)}{d(F^{p+1}) + F^{p+r+1} \cap d(F^p)} = \frac{F^{p+r} + d(F^p) \cap F^{p+r+1}}{F^{p+r} + d(F^{p+1}) \cap F^{p+r+1}} = \frac{B_r^{p+r}}{B_{r-1}^{p+r}} \end{array}$$

The $\stackrel{(*)}{=}$ follows from the lemma 1.9 below. Define

$$E_r^p = \frac{Z_{r-1}^p}{B_{r-1}^p} = \frac{F^{p+1} + d^{-1}(F^{p+r}) \cap F^p}{F^{p+1} + d(F^{p+1-r}) \cap F^p}$$

with differential

$$d = \left[E_r^p = \frac{Z_{r-1}^p}{B_{r-1}^p} \twoheadrightarrow \frac{Z_{r-1}^p}{Z_r^p} \cong \frac{B_r^{p+r}}{B_{r-1}^{p+r}} \hookrightarrow \frac{Z_{r-1}^{p+r}}{B_{r-1}^{p+r}} = E_r^{p+r} \right].$$

Then it is clear that ker $[E_r^p \xrightarrow{d} \cdots] = \frac{Z_r^p}{B_{r-1}^p}$, and im $[\cdots \xrightarrow{d} E_r^p] = \frac{B_r^p}{B_{r-1}^p}$. So the cohomology is $\frac{Z_r^p}{B_r^p} = E_{r+1}^p$. Thus the above construction gives a spectral

sequence. Now

$$\begin{split} E_{\infty}^{p} &= \frac{\bigcap Z_{r}^{p}}{\bigcup B_{r}^{p}} = \frac{\bigcap F^{p+1} + d^{-1}(F^{p+r}) \cap F^{p}}{\bigcup F^{p+1} + d(F^{p-r-1}) \cap F^{p}} \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{F^{p+1} + \bigcap d^{-1}(F^{p+r}) \cap F^{p}}{F^{p+1} + \bigcup d(F^{p-r-1}) \cap F^{p}} = \frac{F^{p+1} + \ker d \cap F^{p}}{F^{p+1} + \operatorname{im} d \cap F^{p}} \\ &= \frac{\operatorname{im} d + F^{p} \cap \ker d}{\operatorname{im} d + F^{p+1} \cap \ker d}. \end{split}$$

The equality $\stackrel{(*)}{=}$ uses the assumption of being a bounded filtration. To complete the proof, we need to compute the case r = 1,

$$E_1^p = \frac{Z_0^p}{B_0^p} = \frac{F^{p+1} + d^{-1}(F^{p+1}) \cap F^p}{F^{p+1} + d(F^p) \cap F^p} = H(F^p/F^{p+1}).$$

This is what asserted in the theorem. Q.E.D.

1.9. Lemma Let $B \subseteq A \subseteq X$, and $D \subseteq C \subseteq Y$ with a morphism $X \to Y$, then the natural map

$$\frac{B+f^{-1}(C)\cap A}{B+f^{-1}(D)\cap A}\longrightarrow \frac{f(B)+C\cap f(A)}{f(B)+D\cap f(A)}$$

is an isomorphism. See also 1.16.

1.10. Actually, the differential on E_1 is given by

$$H^{p+q}(F^pC^{\bullet}/F^{p+1}C^{\bullet}) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^{p+q+1}(F^{p+1}C^{\bullet}) \longrightarrow H^{p+q+1}(F^{p+1}C^{\bullet}/F^{p+2}C^{\bullet}).$$

This follows from the diagram chasing — the map is induced by d.

Examples

1.11. Long exact sequence Consider a short exact sequence of complex

$$0 \longrightarrow D \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow 0.$$

Consider the filtration on C by $C\supseteq D\supseteq 0.$ Then the spectral sequence looks like



Thus $E_2 = E_{\infty}$. We have an exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \ker^i \longrightarrow H^i(Q) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(D) \longrightarrow \operatorname{cok}^{i+1} \longrightarrow 0$$

The convergence gives a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{cok}^{i} \longrightarrow H^{i}(C) \longrightarrow \ker^{i} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Thus we can connect them to get the classic long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^i(D) \longrightarrow H^i(C) \longrightarrow H^i(Q) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(D) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

Actually, the differential of E_1 coincides with the connecting morphism δ in the long exact sequence. This can be remembered by the following diagram



1.12. Simplicial Cohomology Denote $\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(-)$ the complex computing singular cohomology. We have a surjective map $\operatorname{Sing}(X) \to \operatorname{Sing}(U)$ for any $U \subseteq X$ by restriction. Denote the kernel to be $\operatorname{Sing}(X, U)$. Note that it computes relative cohomology H(X, U).

Let X be a CW complex. We firstly assume X of finite dimension. Denote X_k the union of cells of dimension $\leq k$ and $X_{-1} = \emptyset$. Then $\text{Sing}(X, X_*)$ forms a filtration on Sing(X), with the associated graded complex to be $\text{Sing}(X_*, X_{*+1})$. It is known that

$$H^{p+q}(X_p, X_{p-1}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}^{f_p}, & q = 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise}, \end{cases} \quad f_p = \#\{p\text{-cells}\}.$$

So the spectral sequences looks like

0	0	0	0
\mathbb{Z}^{f_0} -	► \mathbb{Z}^{f_1} -	► \mathbb{Z}^{f_2}	►Z ^f 3

It turns out, it coincides with the simplicial complex. This inspires the Leray– Serre spectral sequence 4.6.

1.13. Remark Remind the following piece of homological algebra,

For any complex morphism $B \to C$, we can factor through C', with $C' \to C$ a homotopy-equivalence, and $B \to C'$ is injective.



Actually, C' is the mapping cylinder, and the resulting quotient is the mapping cone, see 1.21.

For any complex morphism $B \xrightarrow{f} C$, we can find a complex D, with morphism $C \xrightarrow{g} D$ and $D \xrightarrow{h} B[1]$, such that the induced map in cohomology is a long exact sequence



Actually, D is exactly the mapping cone, see 1.22. Actually, such H(D) is uniquely determined by 5-lemma.

From this point of view, the assumption to be filtered complex is technique, we can even deal with a series of morphisms of complexes $\cdots \to F^2 \to F^1 \to C$. Or, a series of triangles (triple of morphisms inducing long exact sequence as above). This can be generalized to exact couples 3.5.

Exercises

1.14. Prove 1.5, 1.7, 1.9.

1.15. Generalized Modular Property Show the **projective formula** for abelian sub-objects

$$f(f^{-1}(A') \cap C) = A' \cap f(C)$$
 $f^{-1}(B' + f(D)) = f^{-1}(B') + D.$

1.16. Functorial Zassenhaus' Lemma Assume we have two sets (A, B, C, D) and (A', B', C', D') in Zassenhaus' Lemma 1.7. If there is a morphism f between the big objects with $f(A) \subseteq A'$, etc. Then we have

$$\frac{B+C\cap A}{B+C\cap A}\longrightarrow \frac{B'+C'\cap A'}{B'+D'\cap A'}$$

Show that when $f(A \cap C) = A' \cap C'$, then this map is surjective; when $B + D = f^{-1}(B' + D')$, this map is injective.

1.17. Boundedness We say a filtraion F of a module C is **exhaustive** if $\bigcup F = C$; is **bounded below** if $C^i = 0$ for some i. Note that this does **NOT** make sense in arbitrary abstract abelian category.

1.18. Exchange of Limit For two submodules $B \subseteq A$ of some big object, and a filtraion C^{\bullet} , prove that

$$\bigcup (B + C^{\bullet} \cap A) = B + \bigcup C^{\bullet} \cap A.$$

If C^{\bullet} is bounded below, show that

$$\bigcap (B + C^{\bullet} \cap A) = B + \bigcap C^{\bullet} \cap A.$$

1.19. Classic Limit For a spectral sequence $(E_r)_{r=r_0}^{\infty}$ of modules, E_r is a subquotient of E_{r_0} , writing $E_r = Z_{r-1}/B_{r-1}$, we define the classic limit $E_{\infty} = \bigcap Z_r / \bigcup B_r$.

For a spectral sequence (E_r) , and an object H. If there is an exhaustive and bounded below filtration over H such that the associated graded object gr $H = E_{\infty}$. Then we say E_r converges to H (in the classic sense).

Note that these do **NOT** make sense in arbitrary abstract abelian category.

1.20. Classic Convergence Check that 1.8 still holds in the classic sense for modules for exhaustive and bounded below filtered complex.

1.21. Mapping Cylinder Let $f : B \to C$ be a morphism of complexes. Define the mapping cylinder



Show that the map

$$C \xrightarrow[(b,*,x)\mapsto f(b)+x]{x\mapsto (0,0,x)} \operatorname{cyl}(f)$$

gives the homotopoy equivalence. Actually, $(b, b', x) \mapsto (0, b, 0)$ gives the homotopy for $cyl(f) \rightarrow cyl(f)$.

Now $B \to C$ factors through cyl(f) by $b \mapsto (b, 0, 0)$, and it is obviously an injective.

1.22. Mapping Cone The resulting quotient is the mapping cone



Then, we have

$$B \xrightarrow{f} C \xrightarrow{x \mapsto (0,x)} \operatorname{cone}(f) \xrightarrow{(b,x) \mapsto -b} B[1].$$

Show that it induces a long exact sequence

To do this, we need to remind how δ is given in long exact sequence.

2 Construction (II)

Double Complexes

2.1. Consider a double complex $C = (C^{pq})_{pq}$. We define its **total** (under the Koszul convention, see 2.12)



Formally, the differential restricted on the C^{pq} summand is

$$d = d_{(1,0)} + (-1)^p d_{(0,1)}.$$

The purpose of next theorem is to analyse the cohomology of $\operatorname{Tot} C$ using spectral sequences.

2.2. Spectral Sequences for Double Complexes For a double complex C, if $C^{pq} = 0$ for $|p| \gg 0$, then there is a spectral sequence E with $E_0 = (C, d_{(0,1)})$, and the differential of E_1 induced by $\pm d_{(1,0)}$ (under the Koszul convention),

$$E_2 = H(H(C, d_{(0,1)}), d_{(1,0)}) \Longrightarrow H(\operatorname{Tot} C).$$

Note that we do not assert any information about the differential of E_2 .

Under the cohomological convention, $E_2^{pq} = H^p(H^q(C, d_{(0,1)}), d_{(1,0)}) \Rightarrow H^{p+q}(\text{Tot } C).$

Proof We have the "column filtration" $\operatorname{Tot}(C^{pq})_{p\geq *}$ for Tot C. The associated graded complex (for each *) is exactly $(C^{pq}, d_{(0,1)})_{p=*}$. This is E_0 . By the proof of 1.8, a little diagram chasing, the map of E_1 is given by $\pm d_{(1,0)}$. We see that any sign exchanging is harmless. This is the proof. Q.E.D.

2.3. For a double complex, E_2 is obtained by computing the cohomology of $d_{(0,1)}$, and then computing the cohomology of $d_{(1,0)}$



2.4. For a double complex C, if $C^{pq} = 0$ for $|q| \gg 0$, then there is another spectral sequence E' with $E_0 = (C, d_{(1,0)})$, and the differential of E_1 induced by $d_{(0,1)}$,

$$E'_2 = H(H(C, d_{(1,0)}), d_{(0,1)}) \Longrightarrow H(\operatorname{Tot} C).$$

But in this case, the convention will be modified



To avoid this, formally we take the transposition firstly.

Under the cohomological convention, $E_2^{qp} = H^q(H^p(C, d_{(1,0)}), d_{(0,1)}) \Rightarrow H^{p+q}(C)$. Note that q is the first entry.

But in practice, we will not restrict ourselves to this convention.

Examples

2.5. Snake Lemma Assume we have a commutative diagram

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow_{s} \qquad \downarrow_{t} \qquad \downarrow_{r}$$

$$0 \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{k} Y \xrightarrow{h} Z$$

with each row exact. We can think it as a double complex. Then the spectral sequence of it gives



from which we know the cohomlogy of total is

 $\ker f, \qquad 0, \qquad 0, \qquad \cosh h.$

On the other hand, the spectral sequence for the other direction gives

A	B	C	Kers Kert Kerr	$K_1 M L_1$
X X	$\stackrel{V}{Y}$	γ Ζ	cok ⁵ cok ^t cok ^r	$K_2 N L_2$

Since we have computed the total, we know $K_1 = \ker f$, $L_2 = \operatorname{cok} h$, M = 0, N = 0, and $K_2 \to L_1$ is an isomorphism. This gives the long exact sequence



2.6. We can view a commutative square as a double complex



We denote the cohomology of its total by H^{-1} , H^0 and H^1

$$0 \longrightarrow \stackrel{-1}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{0}{\xrightarrow{f+g}} \stackrel{0}{B \oplus C} \stackrel{1}{\xrightarrow{h-k}} \stackrel{1}{D \longrightarrow} 0.$$

The spectral sequence looks like

A	B	ker 9_	ker h	K	M_1
$\overset{v}{C}$	Ψ D	cok g	-cokh	M_2	C

So we obtain an exact sequence

 $0 \to H^{-1} \to \ker g \to \ker h \to H^0 \to \operatorname{cok} g \to \operatorname{cok} h \to H^1 \to 0.$

Actually each braid of the following diagram is exact



See 2.13 for the exactness of the rest two braids.

2.7. Transgression Let $f : C \to D$ be a morphism of two exact complexes. Then ker f and cok f are both complexes. There is a natural isomorphism

$$H^{i-1}(\operatorname{cok} f) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(\ker f).$$

On one hand,



So the total is zero. On the other hand,



By our computation of total, all maps $H(\operatorname{cok} f) \to H(\operatorname{ker} f)$ is an isomorphism. This recovers above two examples.

2.8. Balanced Tor and Ext Let A, B be two (right and left) modules (for simplicity). We can pick projective resolutions $P \to A$ and $Q \to B$. Then $P \otimes Q$ is a double complex. Then

$$H_n(\operatorname{Tot}(P \otimes Q)) = \operatorname{Tor}_n(A, B).$$

Actually,



Similarly, we have the similar result for Ext. Pick an injective resolution $B \to I$. Then

$$H^n(\text{Tot}(\text{Hom}(P, I))) = \text{Ext}^n(A, B).$$

2.9. Derived Functor, Acyclic Object For a left exact functor F. Recall the definition of the **derived functor** R^iF .

For any object A, picking an injective resolution, $A \to I$, we define the **derived functor** by setting $R^i F = H^i(F(I))$. We say an object A is *F***-acyclic** if $R^i F(A) = 0$ for $i \ge 1$.

It is standard homological algebra to check it does not depend on the choice of resolutions up to isomorphisms, and literally gives a functor.

Up to taking the opposite category, Ext, Tor are examples of it. Note that for an injective object I, it is always F-acyclic by definition. In the case of Tor, flat object is Tor-acyclic (in the opposite category).

2.10. Acyclicity Enough If $A \to I$ is a resolution with each I^i being *F*-acyclic, then $R^i F(A) = H^i(F(I))$. That is, to compute $R^i F$, it suffices to use *F*-acyclic resolution.

We can resolve each I^i by an injective resolution $I^i \to J^i$ such that J forms a bicomplex. Actually, to do this, we can resolve ker d and im d of I^{\bullet} , and apply horseshoe lemma to produce a bicomplex J (see 6.2 for the general case with details). Note that $\operatorname{Tot} J$ is an injective resolution for A by the following spectral sequence argument



Then $R^i F(A) = H^i(\text{Tot } F(J))$ by definition. Now apply F, and use the spectral sequence argument,

$F(J^{02})F(J^{12})F(J^{22})$	$R^{2}F^{(I^{0})}$	$\hat{R}^{F(1)}$	$\hat{R}^2 F(\hat{r})$		0	0	0
$F(J^{01})F(J^{11})F(J^{21})$	$R^{1}F(I^{0})$	$\hat{R}^{F(I^{1})}$	$\hat{R}^{F(l^2)}$	=	0	0	0
$F(J^{00})F(J^{10})F(J^{20})$	$F(I^0)$	$F(I^1)$	$*F(I^2)$		$F(I^0)$	$*F(I^1)$	$*F(I^2)$

This inspires the Grothendieck spectral sequence 7.2.

2.11. Čech Cohomology Let X be a topological space with a finite open covering \mathcal{U} . We use $\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(-)$ to stand the complex computing singular cohomology. Denote for $p \geq 0$

$$U_{i_0,\ldots,i_p} = U_{i_0} \cap \cdots \cap U_{i_p}, \qquad U^p = \bigsqcup_{i_0 < \ldots < i_p} U_{i_0,\ldots,i_p}.$$

Here the disjoint union is formal. We denote the restriction

$$\operatorname{res}_{i_{\ell}}: \quad \operatorname{Sing}(U_{i_0,\ldots,\hat{i_{\ell}}}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Sing}(U_{i_0,\ldots,i_p}).$$

Consider the double complex \check{C} with

$$\check{C}^{pq} = \mathsf{Sing}^q(U^p) = \prod_{i_0 < \ldots < i_p} \mathsf{Sing}^q(U_{i_0, \ldots, i_p}), \qquad d_{(1,0)} = \prod_{i_0 < \ldots < i_p} \sum_{\ell=0}^p (-1)^\ell \operatorname{res}_{i_\ell}.$$

For example, for three open sets A, B, C



where \longrightarrow is positive, and \longrightarrow is negative.

On one hand, from algebraic topology, the *p*-th cohomology of $(\check{C}, d_{(1,0)})$ is homotopy (as a complex induced by $d_{(0,1)}$) to zero for p > 0, and to Sing[•] for p = 0. Thus the total complex computes singular cohomology $H^{\bullet}(X)$.

On the other hand,



We get a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{pq} = H^q(U^p) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(X).$$

For the case all U^p are acyclic, E_1 only rests $H^0(U_p) = \mathbb{Z}^{f_p}$ where f_p is the number of connected components of U_p . This is known as **Čech cohomology**. Actually, the sheaf version is more common to see. After more efforts, the simplicial cohomology 1.12 can be included by this.

If there are only two open subsets A and B. Then

$$H^{q}(U^{0}) = H^{q}(A) \oplus H^{q}(B), \qquad H^{q}(U^{1}) = H^{q}(A \cap B).$$

This recovers the Mayer–Vietoris sequence.



So this spectral sequence is also known as Mayer–Vietoris spectral sequence.

Exercises

2.12. The Koszul Convention Consider the transposition C^{t} of a double complex C. Then there is an isomorphism of complex

$$\operatorname{Tot} C \longrightarrow \operatorname{Tot} C^{t}$$

given by $(-1)^{pq}$ id over C^{pq} .



The degree shifting is also important, we see

$$\operatorname{Tot}(C[0,1]) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id}} (\operatorname{Tot} C)[1] \qquad \operatorname{Tot}(C[1,0]) \xrightarrow{(-1)^q \operatorname{id}} (\operatorname{Tot} C)[1]$$

We can remember this convention by the following diagrams



No matter how our convention is taken, we always have the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Tot}(C[1,1]) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Tot}(C[1,0])[1] \\ & \downarrow \\ & \operatorname{anti}_{commutative} \\ & \operatorname{Tot}(C[0,1])[1] \longrightarrow \operatorname{Tot}(C[0,0])[1] \end{array}$$

2.13. For a morphism $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C$, prove that there is a long exact sequence

$$0 \to \ker f \to \ker gf \to \ker g \stackrel{(*)}{\to} \operatorname{cok} f \to \operatorname{cok} gf \to \operatorname{cok} g \to 0$$

The $\stackrel{(*)}{\rightarrow}$ is the map through *B*.



2.14.5-Lemma Prove 5-lemma using spectral sequence. Assume we have the following commutative diagram with each row exact



Then when ℓ is mono, and g, k are epi, then h is epi; when f is epi, and g, k are mono, then h is mono.

2.15. 4-lemma If we have the following diagram with rows exact



Prove that

 $\begin{array}{l} \beta \text{ is injective} \Rightarrow \alpha \text{ is injective} \\ \gamma \text{ is surjective} \\ \gamma \text{ is injective} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha \text{ is surjective} \\ \delta \text{ is injective} \end{array} \right\} \\ \gamma \text{ is surjective} \Rightarrow \delta \text{ is surjective} \end{array}$

Remark This is used to prove Zeeman's comparison theorem.

3 Construction (III)

Exact Couples

3.1. Exact Couple An exact couple (D, E, i, j, k) is a long exact sequence



We take the following degree convertion

We have $D = \bigoplus D^{pq}$ and $E = \bigoplus E^{pq}$ with deg i = (-1, 1), deg j = (0, 0), and deg k = (1, 0).

Another illustration is the following



3.2. Derived Couple We define its **derived couple** to be

 $D' = \operatorname{im} i, \ E' = H(E, j \circ k),$ and *i'* induced by *i*, *j'* induced by $j \circ i^{-1}$, and *k'* induced by *k*. $D' \xrightarrow{i'} D'$ *k' k' k'*

One can check that (D', E', i', j', k') is still an exact couple.

3.3. We denote $(D^{(n)}, E^{(n)}, i^{(n)}, j^{(n)}, k^{(n)})$ the *n*-th iterated derived couple. One can check that $D^{(n)} = \operatorname{im} i^n$, and $i^{(n)}$ induced by $i, j^{(n)}$ induced by ji^{-n} , and $k^{(n)}$ induced by k.

Under the degree convention, $\deg i = (-1, 1)$, $\deg j = (n, -n)$, $\deg k = (1, 0)$ for *n*-th iterated derived couple.

3.4. Cohomology Define the **cohomology** of an exact couple to be

$$H = \lim_{i \to i} \left[\cdots \to D \xrightarrow{i} D \to \cdots \right].$$

There is a filtration over H is given by the im $[D \longrightarrow H]$.

Under the degree convention, $H = (H^n)$ is filtered by $F^p H^n =$ im $[D^{pq} \longrightarrow H^{p+q}]$. Moreover, we say an exact couple is **bounded below** if for fixed n, $D^{p,n-p} = 0$ for $p \gg 0$. As a result, the filtration is exhaustive and bounded below.

3.5. Spectral Sequences for Exact Couples For a bounded below exact couple (D, E), there is a spectral sequence $E_r = E^{(r-1)}$ with differential $j^{(r-1)} \circ k^{(r-1)}$, converges to H in the classic sense 1.20.

Remark In the proof, we use the explicit description of the limit, this does not hold in general abstract abelian category.

3.6. Filtered Complex Let C be a filtered complex of modules. Consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow F^{p+1}C \longrightarrow F^pC \longrightarrow F^pC/F^{p+1}C \longrightarrow 0$$

which gives rise to

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^n(F^{p+1}C) \longrightarrow H^n(F^pC) \longrightarrow H^n(F^pC/F^{p+1}C) \longrightarrow H^{n+1}(F^{p+1}C) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

Denote

$$\begin{cases} D = \bigoplus D^{pq} \quad D^{pq} = H^{p+q}(F^pC) \\ E = \bigoplus E^{pq} \quad E^{pq} = H^{p+q}(F^pC/F^{p+1}C) \end{cases}$$



It forms an exact couple. Actually, the spectral sequence coincides with what we get in 1.8 for $r \ge 1$ by tough diagram chasing. From the remarks below, we see it also recovers the classic convergence 1.20.

3.7. In the case of modules, we may use the fact that

$$\varinjlim : \mathcal{C}^{\{0 \to 1 \to 2 \to \cdots\}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C} \qquad \left(M_0 \stackrel{\rho_0}{\to} M_1 \stackrel{\rho_1}{\to} \cdots\right) \longmapsto \varinjlim_i M_i$$

is exact. But in the case of modules, its dual

$$\varprojlim : \mathcal{C}^{\{\dots \to 2 \to 1 \to 0\}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C} \qquad (\dots \xrightarrow{\rho_2} M_1 \xrightarrow{\rho_1} M_0) \longmapsto \varprojlim_i M_i$$

is not exact (but left exact).

As a result, \varinjlim commutes with homology groups of complex. In particular, if C is some filtered complex,

$$\varinjlim_{p} H^{n}(F^{p}C) = H^{n} \big(\bigcup F^{p}C\big).$$

3.8. Simplicial Cohomology Let X be a CW complex. Denote X_k the union of cells of dimension $\leq k$, and $X_{-1} = \emptyset$. We have an long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^n(X, X_p) \longrightarrow H^n(X, X_{p-1}) \longrightarrow H^n(X_p, X_{p-1}) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} D = \bigoplus D^{pq}, \quad D^{pq} = H^{p+q}(X, X_p), \\ E = \bigoplus E^{pq}, \quad E^{pq} = H^{p+q}(X_p, X_{p-1}). \end{cases}$$

forms an exact couple. The cohomology

$$H^{n} = \varinjlim_{p} H^{n}(X, X_{p}) = H^{n}(X).$$

This exact couple is bounded below since for $p \ge n$, $H^n(X, X_p) = 0$. This recovers 1.12.

3.9. K-theory Analogy The exact couple helps to understand "cohomology theory" not computed by a complex, for example K-theory. The topological K-theory has the same exact sequence for CW complex as above example,

$$\cdots \longrightarrow K^n(X, X_p) \longrightarrow K^n(X, X_{p-1}) \longrightarrow K^n(X_p, X_{p-1}) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

When X is finite (i.e. built by finite cells),

$$E_1^{pq} = K^{p+q}(X_p, X_{p-1}) \Longrightarrow K^{p+q}(X).$$

We can prove

$$K^{p+q}(X_p, X_{p-1}) = K^q(\mathrm{pt})^{\oplus f_p} \qquad f_p = \#\{k\text{-cells}\}$$

As a result, $K^{p+\bullet}(X_p, X_{p-1}) = H^{p+\bullet}(X_p, X_{p-1}) \otimes K^{\bullet}(\text{pt})$. By direct computation, it coincides with the simplicial cohomology, so

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X, K^q(\text{pt})) \Longrightarrow K^{p+q}(X).$$

This is a special case of Atiyah–Hirzebruch spectral sequences 5.8.

The proof

Proof of 3.5 We can compute (under the notation in 1.19)

$$\begin{array}{ll} B^{pq}_r &= \operatorname{im} d^{(r-1)} = j^{(r-1)}(\operatorname{im} k^{(r-1)})) \\ &= j(i^{-(r-1)}(\ker i^{(r-1)})) = j(i^{-r}(0)), \\ Z^{pq}_r &= \ker d^{(r-1)} = (k^{(r-1)})^{-1}(\ker j^{(r-1)}) \\ &= (k^{(r-1)})^{-1}(\operatorname{im} i^{(r-1)}) = k^{-1}(i^r(D)) \cap Z^{pq}_{r-1} \\ &= k^{-1}(i^r(D)) \cap k^{-1}(i^{r-1}(D)) \cap Z^{pq}_{r-2} = k^{-1}(i^r(D)) \cap Z^{pq}_{r-2} \\ &= \cdots = k^{-1}(i^r(D)). \end{array}$$

Thus

$$\begin{array}{ll} B^{pq}_{\infty} &= \bigcup_r B^{pq}_r = \bigcup_r j(i^{-r}(0)) = j \big(\bigcup_r i^{-r}(0)\big), \\ Z^{pq}_{\infty} &= \bigcap_r Z^{pq}_r = \bigcap_r k^{-1}(i^r(D)) = k^{-1} \big(\bigcap_r i^r(D)\big). \end{array}$$

Denote the image of D^{pq} in the H^{p+q} by \tilde{D}^{pq} . Now we assume the exact couple is bounded below, then

$$\bigcap_{r} i^{r}(D) = 0, \qquad \bigcup_{r} i^{-r}(0) = \ker[D \to \tilde{D}].$$

Thus $Z_{\infty}^{pq} = k^{-1}(0) = \ker k = \operatorname{im} j$. Now, consider the diagram



The exactness of leftmost row. If $x \in \ker \pi_{pq}$, with j(x) = 0, then x = i(y) for some $y \in D^{p-1,q+1}$. But $x \in \ker \pi_{pq} = \bigcup_r i^{-r}(0)$, so $x \in \bigcup_r i^{-r}(0) = \ker \pi_{p-1,q+1}$. The rest exactness is clear. Q.E.D.

Proof of the claim in 3.6 Consider

$$E_{r+1}^{pq} = \frac{Z_r^{pq}}{B_r^{pq}} = \frac{k^{-1}(i^r(D))}{j(i^{-r}(0))}$$

Pick $x \mod (\cdots) \in E_1^{pq} = H^{p+q}(F^pC/F^{p+1}C)$, where $x \in F^pC$ with $dx \in F^{p+1}C$,

$$x \mod (\cdots) \in k^{-1}(i^{r}(D)) \iff dx \in \operatorname{im} i^{r} + \operatorname{im}[F^{p+1}C \xrightarrow{d} F^{p+1}C] \quad (*)$$
$$\iff dx \in F^{p+r+1}C + \operatorname{im}[F^{p+1}C \xrightarrow{d} F^{p+1}C]$$
$$\iff x \in d^{-1}(F^{p+r+1}C) + F^{p+1}C.$$

where (*) follows from the definition of connected morphism that $k(x \mod (\cdots)) = dx \in H(F^{p+1}C)$.

$$x \mod (\cdots) \in j(i^{-r}(0)) \iff \exists y \begin{cases} y \in \ker[F^pC \stackrel{d}{\to} F^pC], \\ i^r(y) \in \operatorname{im}[F^{p-r}C \stackrel{d}{\to} F^{p-r}C], \\ x \equiv y \mod F^{p+1}C. \end{cases}$$
$$\iff \exists y \begin{cases} i^r(y) \in \operatorname{im}[F^{p-r}C \stackrel{d}{\to} F^{p-r}C], \\ x \equiv y \mod F^{p+1}C. \end{cases}$$
$$\iff \exists y \begin{cases} y \in d(F^{p-r}C), \\ x \equiv y \mod F^{p+1}C. \end{cases}$$
$$\iff \exists y \begin{cases} x \equiv y \mod F^{p+1}C. \end{cases}$$
$$\iff x \in d(F^{p-r}C) + F^{p+1}C. \end{cases}$$

So

$$\begin{cases} Z_r^{pq} = \frac{F^{p+1}C + d^{-1}(F^{p+r+1}C) \cap F^p C}{d^{-1}(F^{p+1}C)} \\ B_r^{pq} = \frac{F^{p+1}C + d(F^{p-r}C) \cap F^p C}{d(F^{p+1}C)} \end{cases}$$

coincides what we defined for filtered complex (where it starts from 0-th page). The differntial is induced by d, thus the same.

Computations

3.10. If for each n, there is only one $E_r^{pq} \neq 0$ with p+q = n, and the differential is zero, then the nonzero term is H^n .



3.11. If for each n, there is only two $E_r^{pq} \neq 0$ with p + q = n, then usually we can get a long exact sequence involving H^n . The direction goes as follows

(under cohomological convention)



To be exact, it happens when there is no differentials between upper nonzero terms.

3.12. In general, we only know a four term exact sequence just before achieving the limit



3.13. First Five Terms If the spectral sequence lies in a corner, then we can have **the first five term exact sequence**



Exercises

3.14. Write the long exact sequence for the spectral sequence whose E_2 page looks like



Answer $0 \to E^{10} \to H^1 \to H^{01} \to E^{20} \to H^2 \to E^{02} \to \cdots$.

- **3.15.** Prove 3.2.
- 3.16. Rees system Historically, the following commutative diagram



where \blacktriangle 's all long exact sequences, is called a **Rees system**. It is easy to see $j \circ k = \overline{j} \circ \overline{k}$. Show that the following diagram is also a Rees system



with the two \blacktriangle 's the derived couples, and α' induced by α , β' by βi^{-1} , γ' by γ .

3.17. Given the commutative diagram with each row exact, prove the exactness of the sequence.



Remark These two short exact sequences are used in some literature to construct spectral sequences from exact couples.

4 Topology (I)

4.1. In this section, the coefficients of cohomology groups can be any commutative ring, even we sometimes write \mathbb{Z} . In this section, we assume all the spaces appearing are paracompact (every open cover has a locally finite open refinement) which admits partitions of unity. For example, manifolds, CW complexes, algebraic varieties under complex topology.

Fibre Bundles

4.2. Fibre Bundle Let X and F be two topological spaces, consider E = $X \times F$. Denote the projection $\pi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$. Note that at each point $x \in X$, the fibre $\pi^{-1}(x)$ is a copy of *F*. We say $\begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ is a **trivial fibre bundle** with fibre F. In general, a map $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$ is said to be a **fibre bundle** with fibre F if

For each point $x \in X$, there For each point $x \in X$, there exists an open neighborhood U, such that the restriction $\xi|_{\xi^{-1}(U)} = \begin{bmatrix} \xi^{-1}(U) \\ \downarrow \\ U \end{bmatrix}$ is a triv- $U \longrightarrow U \longrightarrow U$ $U \longrightarrow U \longrightarrow U$ ial fibre bundle with fibr



We will say X is the **base space**, E is the **total space**, F is the **fibre**, and denote $E_x = \xi^{-1}(x)$ for $x \in X$ the fibre at x. The isomorphism $U \times F \to$ $\xi^{-1}(U)$ is called a local trialization.

The computation of cohomology of fibre bundles is very important to understand fibre bundles. Leray–Serre spectral sequence gives a tool to analyse it. Before the statement, we firstly see two theorems on cohomology of fibre bundles.

4.3. Künneth theorem For trivial bundle $E = X \times F$, two natural projections π_1, π_2 induce a ring homomorphism

$$H^*(X) \otimes H^*(F) \longrightarrow H^*(E), \qquad \alpha \otimes \beta \longmapsto \pi_1^* \alpha \smile \pi_2^* \beta.$$

When $H^*(F)$ is a free module (with respect to the coefficient), then this map is an isomorphism.

4.4. Leray–Hirsch theorem For a fibre bundle $\begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ with fibre F with $H^*(F)$ a free module (with respect to the coefficient), assume that

there is a linear lifting $H^*(F) \to H^*(E)$, such that for any $x \in X$, the restriction of it gives an isomorphism to $H^*(F)$. $H^*(E_x) \longleftarrow H^*(E)$

Denote $\tilde{\beta} \in H^*(E)$ the lifting of $\beta \in H^*(F)$. Then the $H^{\bullet}(X)$ -module homomorphism

 $H^{\bullet}(X) \otimes H^{\bullet}(F) \longrightarrow H^{\bullet}(E), \qquad \alpha \otimes \beta \longmapsto \xi^* \alpha \smile \tilde{\beta}$

is an isomorphism.

Actually, it suffices to check the asserted property for an x from each path-connected component of X.

4.5. Hopf Fibration Recall that the complex projective line $\mathbb{C}P^1 = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ is the one-point compactification of $\mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$, thus $\mathbb{C}P^1 = S^2$ the Riemann sphere. On the other hand, the natural map

$$S^3 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4 \setminus 0 \cong \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus 0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}P^1 \cong S^2$$

gives a fibre bundle with fibre S^1 . This fibre bundle is called the **Hopf fibra**tion. This is an example Leray–Hirsch theorem cannot analyse.

4.6. Leray–Serre Spectral Sequences Assume we have a fibre bundle $\begin{bmatrix} L \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ with fibre *F*. Then there exists a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X; \mathcal{H}^q(F)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(E)$$

where $\mathcal{H}^q(F)$ is the local system of cohomology of fibres (4.7). In particular, when X is simply-connected, $\mathcal{H}^q(F) = H^q(F)$ is the constant coefficient.



Proof We can assume X is a CW complex by approximation. We can also assume over each cell, the fibre bundle is trivial. Denote X_p the union of all cells of dimension $\leq p$. Denote E_p the preimage of X_p . Now, we have a filtraion on $\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(E)$ by $\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(E, E_p)$. We can compute the associative graded complex

$$\operatorname{gr}\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(E) = \operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(E_p, E_{p-1}).$$

As a result, the spectral sequence

$$E_1^{pq} = H^{p+q} \left(\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(E_p, E_{p-1}) \right) = H^p(X_p, X_{p-1}) \otimes \mathcal{H}^q(F).$$

by relative Künneth theorem. We can check that the following diagram commutes

The up map is the differential for E_1 (since it is induced by d), and the below map is the differential of the complex computing the simplicial cohomology of local coefficient, see 4.7). Thus,

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X; \mathcal{H}^q(F)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(X).$$

The proof is complete. Q.E.D.

4.7. Local system Denote $Map(\Delta^p, X)$ the set of all continuous maps from the *p*-simplex Δ^p to X. Recall

$$\operatorname{Sing}_p(X) = \mathbb{Z} \cdot \operatorname{Map}(\Delta^p, X), \qquad \operatorname{Sing}^p(X) = \operatorname{Map}\left(\operatorname{Map}(\Delta^p, X), \mathbb{Z}\right),$$

the space of formal combinations of nf with $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $f \in \mathsf{Map}(\Delta^p, X)$ and the space of assigning an $n_f \in \mathbb{Z}$ for each $f \in \mathsf{Map}(\Delta^p, X)$.

A local system \mathcal{L} is a functor $\Pi_1(X) \longrightarrow \mathsf{Ab}$ from fundamental groupoid to the category of abelian groups. We can twist $\mathsf{Sing}^p(X)$ by \mathcal{L}

$$\operatorname{Sing}_p(X;\mathcal{L}) := \mathcal{L} \cdot \operatorname{Map}(\Delta^p, X), \qquad \operatorname{Sing}^p(X;\mathcal{L}) := \operatorname{Map}\big(\operatorname{Map}(\Delta^p, X), \mathcal{L}\big).$$

the space of formal combinations of nf with $n \in \mathcal{L}_x$ and $f \in \mathsf{Map}(\Delta^p, X)$ and the space of assigning an $n_f \in \mathcal{L}_x$ for each $f \in \mathsf{Map}(\Delta^p, X)$, where $x \in X$ corresponds to the centre of Δ^p . We can define differential, by the straight line joint the centre of each face to the centre of Δ^p . This defines the **cohomology group of local coefficient** $H^p(X; \mathcal{L})$.

We can also define **simplicial cohomology group of local coefficient**. By the spectral sequence argument as in 1.12, it coincides with the singular (above) one.

4.8. Let us analyse the Hopf fibration where

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(S^2) \otimes H^q(S^1)$$

=
$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} \quad (p,q) \in \{0,2\} \times \{0,1\} \\ 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad \mathbb{Z} \qquad \mathbb{Z}$$

Since $E = S^3$, we know the map is an isomorphism. Actually, the map

$$E_2^{01} = H^1(F) \longrightarrow H^2(X) = E_2^{20}$$

can be described, see 4.17.

4.9. Acyclic Cases We call a space X is **acyclic** if $H^i(X) = 0$ for $i \ge 1$. For example, a contractible space is acyclic. When the fibre F is acyclic, then the spectral sequence has only one row. Thus $H^n(E) = H^n(X)$. When the base space X is acyclic, then the spectral sequence has only one column. Thus $H^n(E) = H^n(F)$.
4.10. Gysin Sequences A fibre bundle with fibre $F = S^r$ is called a **sphere** bundle. For a sphere bundle $\begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$, we have **Gysin sequence**

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^{n-1}(X) \longrightarrow H^{n+r}(X) \longrightarrow H^{n+r}(E) \longrightarrow H^n(X) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

$$H^{n^{-1}(X)} H^n(X) \cdots H^{n^{+r}(X)} H^{n+r^{+1}(X)}$$

$$\cdots H^{n+r}(E) \cdots H^{n+r^{+1}(X)}$$

$$H^{n}(X) H^{n+1}(X) \cdots H^{n+r^{+1}(X)} H^{n+r^{+1}(X)}$$

More on Leray–Serre Spectral Sequences

4.11. Homological Version We also have homological version.

$$E_{pq}^2 = H_p(X; \mathcal{H}_q(F)) \Longrightarrow H_{p+q}(E)$$

where $\mathcal{H}_q(F)$ is the local system of homology of fibres.



4.12. Functoriality We define the morphism between spectral sequences in the obvious way, i.e. a morphism from (E_r) to (E'_r) is a complex morphism $E_r \to E'_r$ for each r, such that $E_{r+1} \to E_{r+1}$ is induced by this morphism.

Then for a morphism of fibre bundles $\begin{bmatrix} E' \\ \downarrow \\ X' \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$, namely commutative diagram, it induces a morphism of corresponding spectral sequences. This follows from the approximation by cellular maps. On E_2 , it is given by the obvious one. Similar property holds for homology.

4.13. Multiplicative Structure A multiplicative structure over a spectral sequence (E_r) is a complex morphism $\text{Tot}(E_r \otimes E_r) \to E_r$ for each r, such that $\text{Tor}(E_{r+1} \otimes E_{r+1}) \to E_{r+1}$ is induced by this morphism. By the functoriality, Serre–Leray spectral sequence has a multiplicative structure (induced by the diagonal map). On E_2 , it is given by the obvious map

$$H^p(X; \mathcal{H}^q(F)) \otimes H^{p'}(X; \mathcal{H}^{q'}(F)) \longrightarrow H^{p+p'}(X; \mathcal{H}^{q+q'}(F)).$$

by $(\alpha \otimes \phi) \otimes (\beta \otimes \psi) \mapsto (-1)^{p'q} (\alpha \smile \beta) \otimes (\phi \smile \psi)$ under Koszul convention 2.12.

Similar property holds for homology, and cap product (after defining monoidal structure for spectral sequences).

4.14. Gysin Sequence revised Recall the Gysin sequence 4.10.

- The map $H^{n-1}(X) \to H^{n+r}(X)$ is given by cup product by an element in $H^{r+1}(X)$, called the **Euler class**. This follows from the existence of multiplicative structure.
- The map $H^{n+r}(X) \to H^{n+r}(X)$ is given by the natural pull back.
- When X is compact and smooth, then $H^{n+r}(E) \to H^n(X)$ is given by



Since the Poincaré duality is given by a cap product.

4.15. Relative Version We also have relative version with respect to base space

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X, X_0; \mathcal{H}^q(F)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(E; E_0)$$

with E_0 the preimage of X_0 ; as well as to fibre

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X; \mathcal{H}^q(F; F_0)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(E; E_0)$$

if $E_0 \subseteq E$ cuts each fibre by $F_0 \subseteq F$ (an F_0 -distribution).

4.16. Thom Isomorphisms Consider the case $\begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ with fibre $F \cong \mathbb{R}^r$. After one-point compactification at each fibre, we get an sphere bundle $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{E} \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$. Denote ∞ the union of infinity points at each fibre. Since

$$H^{n}(\mathbb{R}^{r} \cup \{\infty\}, \infty) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & n = r, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then $H^n(X) = H^{n+r}(\hat{E}, \infty)$ where $\infty = \{\infty\} \times X$ is the infinity section, the union of all infinity points.

4.17. Transgression We can describe $E_r^{0,r-1} \to E_r^{r0}$, the so-called **transgression**. We have the following commutative diagram with three long rows exact



The middle square commutes by our construction. The rest part commutes by the functoriality of $\begin{bmatrix} F \\ \downarrow \\ * \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} X \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$. The first row and the last row is the long exact sequence for the couple (E, F) and (B, *). Actually, the map $E_r^{0,r-1} \rightarrow E_r^{r0}$ is also induced by the transgression between exact complexes (the first and the last) introduced in 2.7 (since it is induced by d).

Exercises

4.18. Wang Sequences Let $\begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ S^n \end{bmatrix}$ be bundle over sphere with $n \neq 0, 1$. Show that there is the following Wang sequence



4.19. Recall the construction of Hopf fibration 4.5 If we exchange \mathbb{C} by quaternion \mathbb{H} , we will get

 $S^7 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^8 \setminus 0 \cong \mathbb{H}^2 \setminus 0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^1 \cong S^4$

whose fibre is S^3 . If we exchange by octonion \mathbb{O} , we will get

$$S^{15} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{16} \setminus 0 \cong \mathbb{O}^2 \setminus 0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{O}P^1 \cong S^8$$

whose fibre is S^7 . Draw the spectral sequence for them.

Answer:



4.20. For a fibre bundle $\begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ whose fibre F and bases space X both have finite betti numbers, show that $\chi(E) = \chi(X)\chi(F)$ where $\chi(-)$ is the Euler characteristic.

5 Topology (II)

5.1. In this section, we take the same convention as the last section.

Eilenberg–Moore Spectral Sequences

5.2. Pull Back For a continuous map $f: X \to Y$ and a fibre bundle $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$, the pull back $f^*\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E_f \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ with $E_f = \{(x, v) \in X \times E : f(x) = \xi(v)\}$ forms a fibre bundle over X. Intuitively, the fibre of $f^*\xi$ at x is a copy of the fibre of ξ at f(x).

We hope to say something on cohomology of E_f . For example, when ξ satisfies the condition of Leray–Hirsch 4.4, then so is $f^*\xi$. In this case, it is easy to show that $H^{\bullet}(E_f) = H^{\bullet}(E) \otimes_{H^{\bullet}(Y)} H^{\bullet}(X)$ by the natural maps.

5.3. Eilenberg–Moore Spectral Sequences Consider the pull back of fibre bundle



when X and Y are both simply connected, then there is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = \deg q \text{ part of } \operatorname{Tor}_{-p}^{H^{\bullet}(Y)}(H^{\bullet}(E), H^{\bullet}(X)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(E_f).$$

Sketch of the proof We can assume $X \to Y$ is cellular map between CW complexes. Let Y_k (resp. X_k) be the union of cells of Y (resp. X) of dimension $\leq k$. We define E_k (resp. $(E_f)_k$) to be the preimage of Y_k (resp. X_k). There is a natural map

$$\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(X) \underset{\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(Y)}{\otimes} \operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(E) \xrightarrow{\times} \operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(E_f)$$

by taking product of pull backs.

Assume firstly that $Sing^{\bullet}(X)$ is a projective $Sing^{\bullet}(Y)$ -module, then in particular H(X) is a projective H(Y)-module. Applying the proof of Leray–Serre spectral sequence 4.6, we get a morphism of spectral sequence, and at the E_2 level, it is given by

$$H(X) \otimes_{H(Y)} H(Y; H(F)) \longrightarrow H(X; H(F)),$$

which is an isomorphism. By comparison lemma 5.4 below, the complex $\mathsf{Sing}^{\bullet}(E)$ computes $H^{\bullet}(E_f)$. Then by a general fact of graded $\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(X) \underset{\operatorname{Sing}^{\bullet}(Y)}{\otimes}$

differential algebra,

$$H^{\bullet}(X) \otimes_{H^{\bullet}(Y)} H^{\bullet}(E) \longrightarrow H^{\bullet}(E_f)$$

is an isomorphism.

But in general, $Sing^{\bullet}(X)$ is not a projective $Sing^{\bullet}(Y)$ -module, we cannot freely exchange $H^{\bullet}(-)$ and tensor. Thus we need to take a projective resolution and finally use the spectral sequences for double complexes at the end. To complete the proof, one needs to be careful about the indices. Q.E.D.

5.4. Comparison Lemma For a morphism of complex between two bounded filtered complexes $C \rightarrow D$ compatible with filtration, if the induced map $E_r \to E_r$ is isomorphic for $r \gg 0$, then C are quasi-isomorphic to D, (i.e. the induced map $H(C) \to H(D)$ is an isomorphism).

5.5. For an differential algebra (C, d), and two differential C-algebras D, E, if D is projective over C, then

$$H(D \otimes_C E) = H(D) \otimes_{H(C)} H(E).$$

Cartan–Leray Spectral Sequences

5.6. Cartan–Leray Spectral Sequences Let $\pi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ be a normal (Galois) covering, that is, the discrete group $G = \operatorname{Aut}_X(\pi)$ acts freely on E, and X = E/G. There is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(G; H^q(E)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(X).$$

Here $H^p(G; -)$ is the group cohomology.

Proof Let us assume X is a CW complex with each cells locally trivial. This equips E a CW complex structure. If we denote C^{\bullet}_{-} the complex computing simplicial cohomology, we have $(C_E^{\bullet})^G = C_X^{\bullet}$. Since the action is free, so each C_E^{\bullet} is a co-induced $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module (7.12). Pick a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -resolution of $P \to \mathbb{Z}$. Then use the double complexes $\operatorname{Hom}_G(P_{\bullet}, C_E^{\bullet})$. On one hand



Note that $H^0(G; X) = X^G$, and when X is a free $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module, $H^i(G; K) = 0$ for i > 0. On the other hand,



which is exactly the spectral sequence asserted. Q.E.D.

Atiyah–Hirzebruch Spectral Sequences

5.7. We denote the topological K-theory by $K^{q}(-)$. Note that q can be negative.

5.8. Atiyah–Hirzebruch Spectral Sequence Assume we have a fibre bundle with fibre F. When X is finite (i.e. built by finite cells), there exists a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X; \mathcal{K}^q(F)) \Longrightarrow K^{p+q}(E)$$

where $\mathcal{K}^q(F)$ is the local system of K-theory of fibres (4.7).

Proof We have

$$\cdots \longrightarrow K^n(E, E_p) \longrightarrow K^n(E, E_{p-1}) \longrightarrow K^n(E_p, E_{p-1}) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

Then

$$E_1^{pq} = K^{p+q}(E_p, E_{p-1}) \Longrightarrow K^{p+q}(X).$$

We can prove

$$K^{p+q}(E_p, E_{p-1}) = H^p(X_p, X_{p-1}) \otimes \mathcal{K}^q(F).$$

Actually, this follows from the fact that (X_p, X_{p-1}) is the suspension of discrete points. By direct computation as in the proof 4.6, it coincides with the simplicial cohomology, so

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X, \mathcal{K}^q(F)) \Longrightarrow K^{p+q}(X).$$

Finally, we need X to be finite to ensure the convergence. Q.E.D.

5.9. In particular, as we see before,

$$H^p(X; \mathcal{K}^q(\mathrm{pt})) \Longrightarrow K^{p+q}(X).$$

Let us take K to be the complex K-theory which is periodic $K^q = K^{q+2}$ by Bott periodicity theorem. Note that

$$K^{\text{even}}(\text{pt}) = \mathbb{Z}, \qquad K^{\text{odd}}(\text{pt}) = 0$$

So the nontrivial spectral sequence starts from E_3 , and looks like



Postnikov Tower

5.10. Long Exact Sequence for Homotopy Groups For a fibre bundle with fibre F, we have a long exact sequence for homotopy group

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \pi_k(F) \longrightarrow \pi_k(E) \longrightarrow \pi_k(B) \longrightarrow \pi_{k-1}(F) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

 $\begin{vmatrix} \bar{\downarrow} \\ B \end{vmatrix}$

5.11. Eilenberg–MacLane Spaces Recall the **Eilenberg–MacLane** space K(G, n) for abelian group G and $n \ge 0$ is defined to be the only space with the property

$$\pi_p(K(G,n)) = \begin{cases} G & n = p \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

• Firstly

$$\Omega K(G,n) = \begin{cases} K(G,n-1) & n > 0\\ \mathrm{pt} & n = 0 \end{cases},$$

where Ω is the pointed loop space.

- Thus we can consider the fibre bundle $\begin{bmatrix} EK(G,n+1) \\ \downarrow \\ K(G,n+1) \end{bmatrix}$ whose fibre is $\Omega K(G, n+1) = K(G, n)$, where E the space of pointed path space which is always contractible.
- Secondly, by Hurewicz theorem,

i	0	1	 n-1	n	n+1	n+2
$H_i(K(G,n))$	\mathbb{Z}	0	0	G	?	

By the universal coefficient theorem 6.11, $H^n(K(G, n); G) = G \cdot id_G$.

• Actually, K(G, n) presents the functor $H^n(-, G)$, i.e. we have a bijection

$$\pi(X, K(G, n)) = H^n(X; G),$$

natural in X, where $\pi(-, -) = \text{Map}(-, -)/\text{Homotopy}$ is the homotopy classes of maps. To be precise,

For any $\alpha \in H^n(X; G)$, it is pull back of id_G by some map $X \to K(G, n)$.

5.12. Postnikov Approximation There is a standard trick of "dévissage". We can construct the **Postnikov approximation**



such that

For any k, $\pi_i(X_k) = 0$ for i > k and $\pi_i(X) \to \pi_i(X_k)$ is an isomorphism for $i \leq k$; each $X_k \to X_{k-1}$ is a fibration with fibre $K(\pi_k(X), k)$.

	π_0	π_1	π_2	
X_0	$\pi_0(X)$	0	0	
X_1	$\pi_0(X)$	$\pi_1(X)$	0	
X_2	$\pi_0(X)$	$\pi_1(X)$	$\pi_2(X)$	
:	:	:	:	·

Fibration (map satisfying homotopy lifting property) is the topological generalization of fibre bundle where we also have Leray–Serre spectral sequence and long exact sequence of homotopy groups.

5.13. Here lists some examples of Eilenberg–MacLane Spaces

- For any group, K(G, 0) = G with discrete topology.
- By direct computation, $S^1 = K(\mathbb{Z}, 1)$.
- Note that $(\mathbb{C}^{\infty}) \setminus 0 \simeq S^{\infty}$ is a contractible CW complex, then using the long exact sequence of fibre $\begin{bmatrix} S^{\infty} \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{C}P^{\infty} \end{bmatrix}$, we see $\mathbb{C}P^{\infty} = K(\mathbb{Z}, 2)$.
- Similarly, the infinite lens space S^{∞}/C_m is $K(\mathbb{Z}/m, 1)$, where $C_m = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z^m = 1\} \subseteq S^1 \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{\times}$.

5.14. Consider the case $X = S^3$, then $X_0 = X_1 = X_2$ is just a point, Consider the fibration $\begin{bmatrix} X_4 \\ \downarrow \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix}$ with fibre $K(\pi_4(S^3), 4)$.

Note that $X_3 = K(\mathbb{Z}, 3)$.

By the construction of X_4 , it is obtained by attaching cells of dimension ≥ 6 over $X = S^3$ (to clean up homotopy group $\pi_{\geq 5}$). Thus we have $H^4(X_4) = H^5(X_4) = 0$. Note that $X_3 = K(\mathbb{Z}, 3)$, thus

$$\pi_4(S^3) = H_5(X_3) = H_5(K(\mathbb{Z},3)).$$



Consider the fibre bundle $\begin{bmatrix} EK(\mathbb{Z},3) \\ \downarrow \\ K(\mathbb{Z},3) \end{bmatrix}$ whose fibre is $K(\mathbb{Z},2) = \mathbb{C}P^{\infty}$ (the computation of its cohomology, see 8.7). Note that $E_{\infty} = 0$ except $E_{\infty}^{00} = \mathbb{Z}$ since $EK(\mathbb{Z},3)$ is contractible.

By contractibility of $EK(\mathbb{Z},3)$, we can conclude the exactness of most positions marked in the diagram.

Assume the image of H is S under the below d. Then by the multiplicative structure, the upper d is given by $H^2 \mapsto$ $d(H^2) = 2HS$. Thus the up dis injective.



Furthermore,

$$H^4(K(\mathbb{Z},3)) = H^5(K(\mathbb{Z},3)) = 0$$
 $H^6(K(\mathbb{Z},3)) = \mathbb{Z}/2.$

Finally, by universal coefficient theorem 6.11, $H_5(K(\mathbb{Z}),3) = \mathbb{Z}/2$. Thus we can conclude that $\pi_4(S^3) = \mathbb{Z}/2$.

Adams Spectral Sequences

5.15. Steenrod Algebra The Steenrod Algebra

$$\mathbb{A}_{G}^{\bullet} = \varprojlim_{n} \left[\cdots \xleftarrow{\Omega}{\longrightarrow} \pi(K(G, n), K(G, n+\bullet)) \xleftarrow{\Omega}{\longrightarrow} \cdots \right] = \varprojlim_{n} H^{n+\bullet}(K(G, n); G).$$

It acts on $H^*(-,G) = \pi(-,K(G,*))$, and commutes with the connection homomorphism δ in any long exact sequence. We denote \mathbb{A}_p the Steenrod Algebra for \mathbb{Z}/p . Actually, it is generated by known cohomology operations, say **Steenrod squares** and **Bockstein homomorphism** (not necessary if p = 2).

5.16. Stable Homotopy Group For a space *X*, define the **stable homotopy group**

$$\pi_p^s(X) = \varinjlim_n \left[\cdots \xrightarrow{\Sigma} \pi_{p+n}(\Sigma^n X) \xrightarrow{\Sigma} \cdots \right],$$

where Σ is the pointed suspension.

5.17. Adams Spectral Sequences For a connected CW-complex X of finite type (finite cells for each dimension), there is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{\rho q} = \text{degree } q \text{ part of } \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathbb{A}_p^{\mathbf{o}}}^{\rho}(\tilde{H}^{\mathbf{o}}(X), \mathbb{Z}/p) \Longrightarrow \pi_{\rho+q}^s(X) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$$

where $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ is the ring of *p*-adic integers, and $\tilde{H}^{\bullet}(X) = H^{\bullet}(X, \mathrm{pt})$ the reduced cohomology group.

Remarks Before sketching the proof, I would like to give two remarks.

• We know cohomology groups commutes with suspension, and homotopy groups commutes with looping, i.e. for pointed space X,

$$\tilde{H}^{\bullet+N}(\Sigma^N X; \mathbb{F}_p) = \tilde{H}^{\bullet}(X; \mathbb{F}_p), \qquad \pi_{\bullet}(\Omega^N X) = \pi_{\bullet+N}(X).$$

• Adams spectral sequence is to relation cohomology and homotopy group, so at least we need to find some space we know both cohomology and homotopy groups well (at least at the stable level). Our choice is $K(\mathbb{Z}/p, n)$, since we know

$$\lim H^{\bullet}(K(\mathbb{Z}/p,*)) = \mathbb{A}_p, \qquad \pi_{\bullet}(K(\mathbb{Z}/p,*)) = \delta_{*=\bullet}\mathbb{Z}/p.$$

Sketch of the proof Let us forget about the grading to see the main idea. From the isomorphism

$$H^{\bullet}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) = \pi(X, K(\mathbb{Z}/p, \bullet))$$

we can construct the pull back X(1) from the diagram

$$\begin{array}{c} X(1) \longrightarrow \prod_{i} EK(\mathbb{Z}/p, ?) \\ \downarrow \\ X \longrightarrow \prod_{i} K(\mathbb{Z}/p, ?) \end{array} \quad \text{fibre} = \prod_{i} K(\mathbb{Z}/p, ?-1). \end{array}$$



If we replace X by $\Sigma^N X$ for sufficiently large N, the spectral sequence of $\begin{bmatrix} X^{(1)} \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix}$ looks like

The arrows not touching the northeast block are all surjective (not obviously, this is due to functoriality of Leray–Serre spectral sequences and our construction). If we can "take $N \to \infty$ ", we will get

$$0 \longleftarrow \tilde{H}(X) \longleftarrow \lim_{N \to \infty} \bigoplus \tilde{H}(K(\mathbb{Z}/p)) \longleftarrow \tilde{H}(X(1)) \longleftarrow 0.$$

The middle term is a free \mathbb{A}_p -module P. We also have long exact sequence of homotopy groups

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \pi(X(1)) \longrightarrow \bigoplus \pi(K(\mathbb{Z}/p)) \longrightarrow \pi(X) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

The middle term of homotopy sequence is exactly $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{A}_p}(P, \mathbb{Z}/p)$. Continuing this process, we will get a tower

 $\cdots \longrightarrow X(2) \longrightarrow X(1) \longrightarrow X(0) = X.$

Each $X(i) \to X(i-1)$ gives a cohomology sequence and a homotopy sequence. This corresponds to a free \mathbb{A}_p -resolution $P \to \tilde{H}(X)$. Then use the exact couple 3.5, we get

 $E_1^{\rho q} = \text{degree } q \text{ part of } \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{A}_p^{\bullet}} \left(P_{\rho}^{\bullet}, \mathbb{Z}/p \right).$

Note that the differential is exactly induced by P. So

$$E_2^{\rho q} = \text{degree } q \text{ part of } \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{A}_n^{\bullet}}^{\rho}(\tilde{H}^{\bullet}(X), \mathbb{Z}/p).$$

To ensure the convergence, we need to tensor with $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$. Q.E.D.

Exercises

5.18. Prove the comparison lemma 5.4.

5.19. Deduct from the Hopf fibration 4.5 that $\pi_k(S^2) = \pi_k(S^2)$ for $k \ge 3$.

	π_1	π_2	π_3	π_4	•••
S^1	\mathbb{Z}	0	0	0	
S^2		\mathbb{Z}	\mathbb{Z}	$\mathbb{Z}/2$	
S^3			\mathbb{Z}	$\mathbb{Z}/2$	
S^4				\mathbb{Z}	

Actually, by Freudenthal suspension theorem, $\pi_{n+1}(S^n) = \mathbb{Z}/2$ for $n \ge 3$.

6 Algebra (I)

Hypercohomology

6.1. A complex C is said to be **split** if it is isomorphic to a direct sum of two kinds of complexes

 $\cdots \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \cdots \qquad \cdots \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow C \xrightarrow{\mathrm{id}} C \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \cdots$

Note that in this case

6.2. Hyper-resolution Let C be a complex, we can find a double complex I and a morphism $C \to I$ where C is viewed as a double complex C supported in (0, *) such that for any p, the complex $(I^{p\bullet}, d_{(0,1)})$ is split, and itself, as well as H^* , ker, cok, im form injective resolutions of the counterparts of C, say, for any q,

 $\begin{array}{c} C^{q} \longrightarrow I^{\bullet q} \\ H^{q}(C,d) \longrightarrow H^{q}(I,d_{(0,1)}) \\ \ker[C^{q} \xrightarrow{d} C^{q+1}] \longrightarrow \ker[I^{\bullet q} \xrightarrow{d_{(0,1)}} I^{\bullet,q+1}] \\ \operatorname{cok}[C^{q} \xrightarrow{d} C^{q+1}] \longrightarrow \operatorname{cok}[I^{\bullet,q} \xrightarrow{d_{(0,1)}} I^{\bullet,q+1}] \\ \operatorname{im}[C^{q} \xrightarrow{d} C^{q+1}] \longrightarrow \operatorname{im}[I^{\bullet,q} \xrightarrow{d_{(0,1)}} I^{\bullet,q+1}] \end{array}$ are all injective resolutions

We call such double complex a hyper-resolution.

Proof The existence more of less follows from definition of cohomology 1.1. Firstly, find an injective resolution for H(C) and $\operatorname{im} d$; then we can get a resolution for ker d by horseshoe lemma on $0 \to \operatorname{im} d \to \operatorname{ker} d \to H(C) \to 0$;

then we can get a resolution for C by horseshoe lemma again on $0 \rightarrow \ker d \rightarrow C \rightarrow \operatorname{im} d \rightarrow 0$. Lastly, it is easy to check that the condition on cok follows automatically. Q.E.D.



Künneth Spectral Sequences

6.3. For a hyper-resolution $C \to I$, the induced map $C \to \text{Tot } I$ is a quasiisomorphism (i.e. inducing isomorphism on cohomology). This facts follows from a common usage of spectral sequence, which is left as an exercise.

6.4. Hyper-derived Functors For a left exact functor F. We define the hyperderived functor $\mathbf{R}^i F$ on lower bounded complexe C (i.e. $C^p = 0$ for $p \ll 0$) as follows. We can find a quasi-isomorphism $C \to I$ with each I^i injective (the existence is established above). We define

$$\mathbf{R}^i F(C) = H^i(F(I)).$$

Note that different choice of I does not affect $\mathbf{R}^i F(C)$.

6.5. For the readers who are familiar with the derived category $\mathcal{D}(-)$, this diagram probably helps

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\subseteq} \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{R}F} \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{B}) \xrightarrow{H^{i}(-)} \mathcal{B}}_{=R^{i}F}$$

6.6. Künneth Spectral Sequences For a left exact functor F, and C a lower bounded complex, there is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = R^p F(H^q(C)) \Longrightarrow \mathbf{R}^{p+q} F(C).$$

Proof Let us pick a hyper-resolution $C \to I$. Then the cohomology Tot F(I) is by definition $\mathbf{R}^{p+q}F(C)$.



where $H = H(I, d_{(1,0)})$. The computation holds since the complex splits. Note that

$$R^q A = H^q(C) \longrightarrow H^q(I) = H^{\bullet q}$$

is assumed to be an injective resolution. Q.E.D.

6.7. Another direction in 6.6 Under the setting of 6.6, another direction gives spectral sequence



In particular, when each C^i is F-acyclic, $H^i(F(C)) = \mathbf{R}^i F(C)$, a complex version of 2.10.

6.8. More general, there would be some functor sending complex to complex (for example, $\text{Tot}(-\otimes C^{\bullet})$), there is also a spectral sequence to control them under some condition, see for example 6.25.

6.9. Classic Künneth Spectral Sequences Let C^{\bullet} a bounded complex with each C^{i} flat. There exists a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = \operatorname{Tor}_{-p}(H^q(C^{\bullet}), M) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(C^{\bullet} \otimes M).$$

Let C^{\bullet} a bounded complex with each C^i projective. There exists a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = \operatorname{Ext}^p(H^{-q}(C^{\bullet}), M) \Longrightarrow H_{-p-q}(\operatorname{Hom}(C^{\bullet}, M)).$$

6.10. Universal Coefficient Theorem Assume that in C^{\bullet} , each C and im d are both flat (respectively, projective). The short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \ker d \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} d \longrightarrow 0$$

shows that ker d is also flat (respectively, projective). The short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{im} d \longrightarrow \ker d \longrightarrow H(C) \longrightarrow 0$$

shows that $\operatorname{Tor}_i(H(C), -) = 0$ for $i \ge 2$. Thus we get a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H^{q}(C) \otimes M \longrightarrow H^{q}(C \otimes M) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Tor}(H^{q+1}(C), M) \longrightarrow 0.$$

 $0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}(H^{q+1}(C), M) \otimes M \longrightarrow H^q(\operatorname{Hom}(C, M)) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}(H^q(C), M) \longrightarrow 0.$



Assume that in C^{\bullet} , each C and im d are both projective. Then ker d is a direct summand of C, thus ker $d \otimes M$ is a direct summand of $C \otimes M$, from

the diagram

the middle map splits, and thus the last map. Similarly, the sequence for Ext splits.

6.11. Universal Coefficient Theorem This gives the **universal coefficient theorem** in topology

$$0 \longrightarrow H^{q}(X;\mathbb{Z}) \otimes R \longrightarrow H^{q}(X;R) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Tor}(H^{q+1}(X;\mathbb{Z}),R) \longrightarrow 0.$$

$$0 \longrightarrow H_{q}(X;\mathbb{Z}) \otimes R \longrightarrow H_{q}(X;R) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Tor}(H_{q-1}(X;\mathbb{Z}),R) \longrightarrow 0.$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}(H_{q-1}(X;\mathbb{Z}),M) \longrightarrow H^{q}(X;M) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}(H_{q}(X;\mathbb{Z}),M) \longrightarrow 0.$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}(H^{q+1}(X;\mathbb{Z}),M) \longrightarrow H_{q}(X;M) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}(H^{q}(X;\mathbb{Z}),M) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Auslander–Reiten Theory

6.12. Transpose For a finitely presented left module M over some ring R. Define the right module by $M^* = \text{Hom}_R(M, R)$. Pick a projective resolution

$$P_1 \to P_0 \to M \to 0$$

Define the **transpose** $\operatorname{Tr} M$ by the right module satisfying the exact sequence

$$0 \to M^* \to P_0^* \to P_1^* \to \operatorname{Tr} M \to 0.$$

6.13. Theorem Let N be a right R-module. We have a four-term exact sequence

$$0 \to \operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(\operatorname{Tr} M, N) \to N \otimes_{R} M \to \operatorname{Hom}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(M^{*}, N) \to \operatorname{Ext}^{2}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(\operatorname{Tr} M, N) \to 0$$

In particular, M is reflexible i.e. $M \cong (M^*)^*$ by the natural map if and only $\operatorname{Ext}^i_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(\operatorname{Tr} M, R^{\operatorname{op}}) = 0$ for i = 1, 2.

Proof Apply $\operatorname{Hom}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(-, N)$ to the two-term exact sequence $P_0^* \to P_1^*$, then by 6.6, the following spectral sequence converges to the cohomology of

$$\underbrace{\operatorname{Hom}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(P_1^*, N)}_{\cong N \otimes_R P_1} \longrightarrow \underbrace{\operatorname{Hom}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(P_0^*, N)}_{\cong N \otimes_R P_0}$$

i.e. $\operatorname{Hom}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(\operatorname{Tr} M, N)$ and $N \otimes_R M$.



This reads the computation in the theorem. Q.E.D.

6.14. Stable Hom For two left modules M, N of some ring R. We define the stable Hom

$$\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}_{R}(M,N) = \frac{\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M,N)}{\{M \to P \to N : \text{ for some projective } P\}}$$

6.15. Theorem Let N be a right R-module. Then

$$\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}_{R}(M,N) = \operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(\operatorname{Tr} M,N)$$

Proof Applying $- \otimes N$, we see homology of

$$\underbrace{P_0^* \otimes_R N}_{\cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(P_0,N)} \longrightarrow \underbrace{P_1^* \otimes_R N}_{\cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(P_1,N)}$$

is $\operatorname{Ext}^1(M, N)$ and $\operatorname{Tr} M \otimes N$.



Note that for any surjective $P \twoheadrightarrow N$,

$$\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}_{R}(M, N) = \operatorname{cok} \left[\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, P) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, N) \right].$$

This factors through the surjection $\operatorname{Hom}(M, P) = M^* \otimes P \to M^* \otimes N$. Q.E.D.

6.16. Actually, we get a four-term exact sequence

 $0 \to \operatorname{Tor}_2^R(\operatorname{Tr} M, N) \to M^* \otimes N \to \operatorname{Hom}_R(M, N) \to \operatorname{Tor}_1^R(\operatorname{Tr} M, N) \to 0.$

6.17. Further more, if R and M, N are all finite-dimensional over a field k, then we can define a functor

$$D = \operatorname{Hom}_{\Bbbk}(-, \Bbbk) : R \operatorname{-mod} \longrightarrow \operatorname{mod} R$$

where mod stands the finite-dimensional module. Note that

$$D\operatorname{Hom}_R(M,N) = DN \otimes M, \qquad D(M^* \otimes N) = \operatorname{Hom}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}(M^*,DN).$$

This sets a duality between two four-term exact sequences, thus we have

$$\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}_{R}(M,N) = D\operatorname{Ext}_{R^{\operatorname{op}}}^{1}(\operatorname{Tr} M, DN) = D\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(N, D\operatorname{Tr} M).$$

This is known as Auslander–Reiten formula. The functor D Tr is called Auslander–Reiten translation. It can be understood as a generalized Serre functor. We can similarly define Hom by factoring all morphisms through injective modules. We have the dual version of Auslander–Reiten formula,

$$D\overline{\operatorname{Hom}}_R(M,N) = \operatorname{Ext}^1_R(\operatorname{Tr} DN, M).$$

Tilting Modules

6.18. Tilting Modules Let T be a module over an Noetherian R-module. We say T is a **tilting module** if

- $\operatorname{Ext}^{i}(T, -) = 0$ for all $i \ge 2$.
- $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}(T,T) = 0$, and the **tiled algebra** $S = \operatorname{End}_{R}(T)^{\operatorname{op}}$ is Noetherian.
- We have a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow T_1 \longrightarrow T_2 \longrightarrow 0$$

where $T_1, T_2 \in \operatorname{add} T$, the sets of direct summannds of $T^{\oplus n}$ for some n.

Now we have a pair of adjoint funtors

$$R\operatorname{-Mod} \xrightarrow[T\otimes_S-]{\operatorname{Hom}_R(T,-)} S\operatorname{-Mod}$$

6.19. *R*-module Side We have

• For any $T_0 \in \operatorname{add} T$, $\operatorname{Hom}_R(T, T_0) \in \operatorname{add} S$, i.e. finitely generated projective S-modules. Moreover,

$$T \otimes_S \operatorname{Hom}_R(T, T_0) = T_0, \qquad \operatorname{Ext}_R^{\geq 1}(T, T_0) = T_0.$$

• For any finitely generated *R*-module *M*, we can find an add *T*-complex Q such that $\operatorname{Hom}_R(T, Q)$ computes $\operatorname{Ext}^i_B(T, M)$. Moreover,

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{\geq 2}(T, M) = 0.$$

Proof For any finitely generated R-module M, we can exchange free R-resolution into add T-resolution as follows



To be exact,

- the map $T_1^{\oplus n(i)} \to T_2^{\oplus n(i)}$ is the surjective map with kernel $R^{n(i)}$;
- the map $T_1^{\oplus n(i)} \to T_1^{\oplus n(i-1)}$ is given by lifting $R^{\oplus n(i)} \to R^{\oplus n(i-1)}$. We can do so since $\operatorname{Ext}^1(T_2^{\oplus n(i)}, T_1^{\oplus n(i-1)}) = 0$;

- the map $T_2^{\oplus n(i)} \to T_2^{\oplus n(i-1)}$ is the induced one;
- the map $T_2^{\oplus n(i+1)} \to T_1^{\oplus n(i-1)}$ is induced by $T_1^{\oplus n(i+1)} \to T_1^{\oplus n(i)} \to T_1^{\oplus n(i)}$

Finally, add a minus on all the maps from $T_2^{\oplus n(\text{odd})} \to T_1^{\oplus \text{even}}$ and $T_1^{\oplus n(\text{even})} \to T_2^{\oplus \text{odd}}$. It is clear that $P \to Q$ is injective. Its cokernel is



which is trivially exact. Thus we get $Q \leftarrow P \rightarrow M$, they are both quasiisomorphic. We know that elements in add T is $\operatorname{Hom}_R(T, -)$ -acyclic, thus

$$H^{i}(\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(T,Q)) = \mathbf{R}^{i}\operatorname{Hom}(T,P) = \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(T,M).$$

Thus Q is the desired add T complex. Q.E.D.

6.20. S-module Side We have

• For any $P \in \operatorname{add} S$, i.e. finitely generated projective S-modules. $T \otimes_S P \in \operatorname{add} T$, Moreover,

$$\operatorname{Hom}_R(T, T \otimes_S P) = P, \qquad \operatorname{Tor}_{>1}^S(T, P) = 0.$$

• For any finitely generated S-module N, we can find a add S-complex P such that $T \otimes_S P$ computes $\operatorname{Tor}_i^S(T, N)$ (say, projective resolution). Moreover,

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{\geq 2}^{S}(T, N) = 0.$$

Proof Apply $\operatorname{Hom}_R(-,T)$ on the short exact sequence, we know

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_R(T_2, T) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_R(T_1, T) \longrightarrow T \longrightarrow 0.$$

This shows that the right S-module T is finitely generated of projective dimension ≤ 1 . Q.E.D.

6.21. Brenner–Butler Theorem We have (in the category of finitely generated modules)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}(T) &:= \ker[\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(T, -)] = \operatorname{im}[T \otimes_{S} -)], \\ \mathcal{F}(T) &:= \ker[\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(T, -)] = \operatorname{im}[\operatorname{Tor}_{S}(T, -)], \\ \mathcal{X}(T) &:= \ker[T \otimes_{S} -] = \operatorname{im}[\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(T, -)], \\ \mathcal{Y}(T) &:= \ker[\operatorname{Tor}_{S}(T, -)] = \operatorname{im}[\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(T, -)]. \end{aligned}$$

We have the following equivalence of categories

$$\mathcal{Y}(T) \xrightarrow[]{T\otimes_S -} \mathcal{T}(T), \qquad \mathcal{X}(T) \xrightarrow[]{\operatorname{Tor}_S(T,-)} \mathcal{F}(T)$$

For each finitely generated R-module M, there is a unique, functorial short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow t(M) \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow f(M) \longrightarrow 0$$

with $t(M) \in \mathcal{T}(T)$ and $f(M) \in \mathcal{F}(T)$. For each finitely generated S-module N, there is a unique, functorial short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow x(N) \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow y(N) \longrightarrow 0$$

with $x(M) \in \mathcal{X}(T)$ and $y(M) \in \mathcal{Y}(T)$.

Proof For an *R*-module *M*, take *Q* the add *T*-complex with $\operatorname{Hom}_R(T, Q)$ computing $\operatorname{Ext}_R^i(T, M)$. We can apply the Künneth spectral sequence 6.9 on $\operatorname{Hom}(T, Q)$ and functor $T \otimes_S -$. Then its spectral sequence



In fact, $T \otimes_S \operatorname{Hom}_R(T, Q) = Q$ whose cohomology is exactly M centered in the degree 0. In this special case, the spectral sequence converges, since only above four terms survive.

$$0 \longrightarrow T \otimes_S \operatorname{Hom}_R(T, M) \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow \operatorname{Tor}^1_S(T, \operatorname{Ext}^1_R(T, M)) \longrightarrow 0.$$

and

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{S}^{1}(T, \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(T, M)) = 0 = T \otimes_{S} \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(T, M).$$

Similarly,



We get short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(T, \operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{S}(T, M)) \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(T, T \otimes_{S} N)) \longrightarrow 0.$$

and

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}(T, T \otimes_{S} N) = 0 = \operatorname{Hom}_{R}^{1}(T, \operatorname{Tor}_{S}(T, N)).$$

The rest statements can be derived from the above functorial short exact sequence and vanishing condition. Q.E.D.

Exercises

6.22. Prove 6.3.

6.23. Prove that for hyper-resolution $C \to I$, the induced map $C \to \text{Tot } I$ is a quasi-isomorphism as claimed in 6.3.

6.24. Prove the classic Künneth spectral sequences 6.9 by picking a resolution for M.

Hint Pick a resolution $P \to M$. Then $C \otimes P$ forms a double complex,





Here we use the fact that C^i are all flat. On the other hand,

6.25. Künneth Spectral Sequences Let C^{\bullet} a bounded complex with each C^{i} flat. Prove that there exists a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = \bigoplus_{s+t=q} \operatorname{Tor}_{-p}(H^s(C), H^t(M)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(\operatorname{Tor}(C \otimes M)).$$

Hint We can find a (projective) hyper-resolution $P \to M$. Then let us compute

Tot
$$K$$
, $K_p^{\bullet} = \text{Tot } C^{\bullet} \otimes P_p^{\bullet}$

We can compute that



6.26. Let T be a tilting module. Show that $\mathcal{T}(T) \stackrel{\mathfrak{s}^{\mathcal{K}^{\ast}}}{=} \operatorname{Gen} T$ the category of modules which can be written as a quotient of $T^{\oplus n}$.

7 Algebra (II)

Grothendieck Spectral Sequences

7.1. Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{C} be three categories with enough injectives. Consider two left exact functors F and G



In terms of derived category, $\mathbf{R}G \circ \mathbf{R}F = \mathbf{R}(G \circ F)$.

Tip Assume a class of objects $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ is both $G \circ F$ -acyclic and F-acyclic, such that for any $A \in \mathcal{A}$ there is an injection $A \to J$ for $J \in \mathcal{J}$. Then any injective objective is a direct summand of J for some $J \in \mathcal{J}$. Thus it suffices to check the condition for I in \mathcal{J} .

7.2. Grothendieck Spectral Sequences Under the assumption of (*), for any $A \in \mathcal{A}$, we have a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = R^p G(R^q F(A)) \Longrightarrow (R^{p+q} (G \circ F))(A).$$

Proof Pick an injective resolution $A \to I$, and apply the Künneth spectral sequence 6.6 to F(I). But to prove them directly is not hard. Find a hyperresolution for $F(I) \to J$. Let us compute the cohomology of the double complex G(J).





Here we use the assumption that $F(I^q)$ are all *G*-acyclic. One the other hand,

where $H = H(J, d_{(1,0)})$, this computation follows from the fact $J^{p\bullet}$ splits. Note that

$$R^q A = H^q(F(I)) \longrightarrow H^q(J) = H^{\bullet q}$$

is assumed to be an injective resolution. Q.E.D.

7.3. First Five Terms As suggested 3.13, we have the first five terms



7.4. Actually, from the proof of the Grothendieck spectral sequences, we have a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = R^p G(\mathbf{R}^q F(C)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(\mathbf{R} G \circ \mathbf{R} F(C))$$

for a lower bounded complex C. Here $\mathbf{R}F$ is the derived functor over derived category. The conditions in (*) are just to ensure $H^{p+q}(\mathbf{R}G \circ \mathbf{R}G(A)) = \mathbf{R}^{p+q}(G \circ F)(A)$.

7.5. Change of Ring Let $A \xrightarrow{\varphi} B$ be a ring homomorphism. Let M be an A module, N be a B module (left or right indicated by notations).



7.6. Local Hom Recall the local Hom $\mathcal{H}om_X(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ for two sheaves \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} over X. We can define $\mathcal{E}xt^i(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ as derived functor of the second variable G. Then we have sepctral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X, \mathcal{E}xt^q(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})) \Longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^{p+q}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}).$$

A similar result holds for coherent sheaves over scheme X.

This comes from the Grothendieck spectral sequence on $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{H}om_X(\mathcal{F}, -)) = \operatorname{Hom}_X(\mathcal{F}, -)$. By definition, $\mathcal{H}om_X(\mathcal{F}, \bullet)$ is flabby if \bullet is.

7.7. Tilting modules From the point view of derived category, titling module sets an equivalence of derived category, when the projective dimension of R is finite, we have

$$D(R\operatorname{-Mod}) \xrightarrow[T \otimes _{S}^{\mathbf{L}} -]{\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(T, -)} D(S\operatorname{-Mod})$$

Then we can apply Grothendieck spectral sequence on

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D(R\operatorname{\mathsf{-Mod}}) & \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id}} D(R\operatorname{\mathsf{-Mod}}) & D(S\operatorname{\mathsf{-Mod}}) & \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id}} D(S\operatorname{\mathsf{-Mod}}) \\ & & & & \\ \mathbf{R}\operatorname{Hom}_R(T,-) & & & & \\ D(S\operatorname{\mathsf{-Mod}}) & & & & \\ D(S\operatorname{\mathsf{-Mod}}) & & & & \\ \end{array}$$

We will immediately get the spectral sequences in the proof of 6.21.

Group Cohomology

7.8. Group cohomology Let G be a disrect group, and M a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module, we define

$$M^G = \operatorname{Hom}_G(\mathbb{Z}, M) = \{ m \in G : {}^{\forall g \in G}, gm = m \}, M_G = \mathbb{Z} \otimes_G M = M/(gm - m : g \in G).$$

where $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_{tri}$ with trivial *G*-action. We call their derived functors by group (co)homology

$$H^n(G; M) = \operatorname{Ext}^n_G(\mathbb{Z}; M), \qquad H_n(G; M) = \operatorname{Tor}^G_n(\mathbb{Z}; M).$$

7.9. Group cohomology enough For two G modules M, N, $\operatorname{Hom}(M, N)$ is also a G-module by $(gf)(m) = gf(g^{-1}m)$; $M \otimes N$ is also a G-module by $g(m \otimes n) = gm \otimes gn$. So

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{G}(M, N) = \operatorname{Hom}(M, N)^{G}, \qquad M \otimes_{G} N = (M \otimes N)_{G},$$

More general,

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{G}^{n}(M,N) = H^{n}(G;\operatorname{Hom}(M,N)), \qquad \operatorname{Tor}_{n}^{G}(M,N) = H_{n}(G;M\otimes N).$$

7.10. When M is free $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module, then

$$\operatorname{Hom}(M, N) \cong \operatorname{Hom}(M, N_{\operatorname{tri}}), \qquad M \otimes N \cong M \otimes N_{\operatorname{tri}}$$

where N_{tri} is the abelian group N but with trivial G-action. Note that this does not mean $H^n(G; N) = H^n(G; N_{\text{tri}})$, since above isomorphism is not natural in M.

7.11. Shapiro Lemma Let H be a subgroup of a discrete group G and M a $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -module. Then

$$H^n(G; M \uparrow_H^G) = H^n(H; M), \qquad H_n(G; M \uparrow_H^G) = H_n(H; M)$$

where

$$M \uparrow^G_H := \operatorname{Hom}_H(\mathbb{Z}[G], M), \qquad M \uparrow^G_H := \mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_H M$$

Proof Let $P_{\bullet} \to \mathbb{Z}$ be a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -projective resolution. Then it is also an $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -projective resolution. Then

$$\begin{aligned} H^n(G; M \uparrow_H^G) &= H^n(\operatorname{Hom}_G(P_{\bullet}, \operatorname{Hom}_H(\mathbb{Z}[G], M))) \\ &= H^n(\operatorname{Hom}_H(P_{\bullet}, M)) = H^n(H; M). \\ H_n(G; M \uparrow_H^G) &= H_n(P_{\bullet} \otimes_G \mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_H M)) \\ &= H_n(P_{\bullet} \otimes_H M) = H_n(H; M). \end{aligned}$$

Actually, this can also be seen from the fact both sides are derived functor of

$$\begin{array}{ll} \operatorname{Hom}_{G}(\mathbb{Z}, - \uparrow_{H}^{G}) &= \operatorname{Hom}_{G}(\mathbb{Z}, \operatorname{Hom}_{H}(\mathbb{Z}[G], -)) = \operatorname{Hom}_{H}(\mathbb{Z}, -) \\ \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{G} - \uparrow_{H}^{G} &= \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{G} \mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_{H} - = \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{H} - \end{array}$$

We need to use the fact \uparrow_H^G and \uparrow_H^G are exact. Q.E.D.

7.12. (Co)induced G-module In particular, when H is the trivial subgroup. Then the coinduced and induced G-modules

$$M \Uparrow^G := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}[G], M), \qquad M \uparrow^G := \mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M,$$

are G-(co)cyclic. That is, for $n \ge 1$

$$H^n(G; M \uparrow^G) = 0, \qquad H_n(G; M \uparrow^G) = 0.$$

7.13. For a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -projective resolution $P_{\bullet} \to \mathbb{Z}$.

- For a subgroup $H, P_{\bullet} \to \mathbb{Z}$ is also a $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -projective resolution.
- For a normal subgroup $N, (P_{\bullet})_N \to \mathbb{Z}$ is a $\mathbb{Z}[G/N]$ -projective resolution.

7.14. Restriction For a subgroup $H \subseteq G$, we can define (co)restriction

$$H^n(G; M) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H^n(H; M), \qquad H_n(H; M) \xrightarrow{\text{cores}} H_n(G; M).$$

It is induced by

$$M^G \hookrightarrow M^H, \qquad M_H \twoheadrightarrow M_G.$$

7.15. Inflation For a normal subgroup $N \subseteq G$, we can define (co)inflation

$$H^n(G/N; M^N) \xrightarrow{\inf} H^n(G; M), \qquad H_n(G; M) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{coinf}} H_n(G/N; M_N).$$

It is induced by

$$(M^N)^{G/N} = M^G, \qquad M_G = (M_N)_{G/N}.$$

7.16. Hochschild Spectral Sequences Let G be a discrete group, and N be a normal subgroup. For any G-module M, there a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(G/N; H^q(N; M)) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(G; M).$$
$$E_{pq}^2 = H_p(G/N; H_q(N; M)) \Longrightarrow H_{p+q}(G; M).$$

Proof Note that



Firstly, the derived functor of $(-)^N$ coincides with H(N; -) (this is not trivial), since a projective $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module is also a projective $\mathbb{Z}[N]$ -module, thus the computation of cohomology is the same.

Secondly, we see that any G-module M admits an injective G-map to coinduced module $M \to \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}[G], M)$, and coinduced G-modules are also coinduced N-modules. Thus coinduced module is enough to compute the $H^i(G; -)$ and $H^i(N; -)$. Now

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}[G], M)^{N} = \operatorname{Hom}_{N}\left(\mathbb{Z}, \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}[G], M)\right) \\ = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_{N} \mathbb{Z}, M) = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}[G/N], M)$$

is also coinduced. Thus we can apply the Grothendieck spectral sequence 7.2.

For homology, we can argue similarly, for any *G*-module *M*, we have a surjective *G*-map $\mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M \to M$. The details are left to readers. Q.E.D.

7.17. First Five Terms In particular, we have the first five term sequence 3.13



7.18. Equivariant Cohomology Geometrically,

$$H^{n}(G;\mathbb{Z}) = H^{n}(K(G,1)), \qquad H_{n}(G;\mathbb{Z}) = H_{n}(K(G,1)).$$

Slightly generally, for a G-module M, it induced a local system \mathcal{M} over K(G, 1), actually, $H^n(G; M) = H^n(K(G, 1); \mathcal{M})$.

In general, for continuous group G, we should replace K(G, 1) by the classifying space BG = EG/G constructed by Milnor. For any G-space X, and an equivariant sheaf \mathcal{F} over X, it induces a sheaf \mathcal{F}_G over the **Borel** construction $EG \times_G X$. We define equivariant cohomology

$$H^{\bullet}_{G}(X;\mathcal{F}) = H^{\bullet}(EG \times_{G} X;\mathcal{F}_{G}).$$

By 9.6 there is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(BG; \mathcal{H}^q(X; \mathcal{F})) \Longrightarrow H_G^{p+q}(X; \mathcal{F})$$

Note that the group cohomology is the case when G is discrete and X is a point.

7.19. Bar resolution For any *G*-module *M*, there is a standard free resolution $P_{\bullet} \to N$ where $P_n = (\mathbb{Z}[G]^{\otimes n} \otimes N)\uparrow^G$ with differentials given by

$$P_n \longrightarrow P_{n-1} \qquad g_0(g_1|\cdots|g_n|x) \longmapsto \begin{array}{c} g_0g_1(g_2|\cdots|g_n|x) \\ +\sum_{i=i}^{n-1}(-1)^i(\cdots|g_ig_{i+1}|\cdots|x) \\ +(-1)^n(\cdots|g_nx) \end{array}$$

Here we use | rather than \otimes to save places, the reason it is called the **bar** resolution of M. It is exact since it admits a \mathbb{Z} -homotopy $g_0(g_1|\cdots|g_n|m) \mapsto (g_0|g_1|\cdots|g_n|m)$.

7.20. In terms of Cycles We will use the case of $M = \mathbb{Z}$. The first several terms are

We see that

$$H^{1}(G;M) = \frac{\left\{G \xrightarrow{f} M : f(g_{1}g_{2}) = g_{1}f(g_{2}) + f(g_{1})\right\}}{\left\{G \xrightarrow{f} M : \exists x \in M, f(g_{1}) = g_{1}x - x\right\}} := \frac{\operatorname{Der}(G,M)}{\operatorname{Der}_{\operatorname{Inn}}(G,M)}.$$
$$H^{2}(G;M) = \frac{\left\{G \times G \xrightarrow{f} M : g_{1}f(g_{2},g_{3}) + f(g_{1},g_{2}g_{3}) = f(g_{1}g_{2},g_{3}) + f(g_{1},g_{2})\right\}}{\left\{G \times G \xrightarrow{f} M : \exists G \xrightarrow{h} M, f(g_{1},g_{2}) = g_{1}h(g_{2}) - h(g_{1}g_{2}) + h(g_{1})\right\}}.$$

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Actually, the five terms sequences 7.17 above can be proved directly by diagram chasing using above presentation.

7.21. In particular, under the condition of 7.16, when M is a G/N-module, the sequence can be modified to be

 $0 \to \operatorname{Der}(G/N, M) \to \operatorname{Der}(G, M) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{G/N}(N_{\operatorname{ab}}, M) \to H^2(G/N; M) \to H^2(G; M),$

where the G/N-module action on the $N_{\rm ab} = N/[N, N]$ is induced from the conjugation action of G.

7.22. H^2 -term Actually, from this sequence, we can get the famous fact that $H^2(G; M)$ parametrizes the set of short exact sequences of groups

 $0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow G \longrightarrow 1$

with M an abelian normal subgroup, and the conjugation action of G on M is the given one. Here is the sketch

• Take a free presentation of G

$$1 \longrightarrow K \longrightarrow F \longrightarrow G \longrightarrow 1.$$

It is known that $H^2(F; -) = 0$ for free group F.

• We have a bijection

$$\left\{\begin{array}{cc} F\\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ 0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow G \longrightarrow 1 \end{array}\right\} / \cong = \operatorname{Hom}_{G}(K_{\operatorname{ab}}, M).$$

The converse is given by the construction of semi-fibre product.

• We need to erase the difference of different lifting $F \to E$, i.e. differing by a derivative $F \to M$ should be viewed equally, that is

$$\left\{ 0 \to M \to E \to G \to 1 \right\} / \cong = \operatorname{cok} \left[\operatorname{Der}(F, M) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{G}(K_{\operatorname{ab}}, M) \right].$$

By the five term sequence above, it is $H^2(G; M)$.

Of course, this fact can also be derived in terms of cycles from reduced bar resolution.

Hochschild Cohomology

7.23. Hochschild Cohomology Let \Bbbk be a field for simplicity. Let R be an \Bbbk -algebra. Denote $A^e = R \otimes_{\Bbbk} R^{\text{op}}$ the **enveloping algebra**. Let M be a A^e -module. We define

$$M^{R} = \operatorname{Hom}_{R^{e}}(R, M) = \{m \in M : \forall r \in R, rm = mr\}$$

$$M_{R} = R \otimes_{R^{e}} M = M/(rm - mr : r \in R)$$

We define the **Hochschild** (co)homology by its derived functor

 $\operatorname{HH}^{n}(R; M) = \operatorname{Ext}_{R^{e}}^{n}(R, M), \qquad \operatorname{HH}_{n}(R; M) = \operatorname{Tor}_{n}^{R^{e}}(R, M).$

7.24. For two *R*-modules M, N, $\operatorname{Hom}(M, N)$ is an R^e -module by (rfs)(m) = rf(sm). For right *R*-module M and left *R*-module $N, M \otimes_{\Bbbk} N$ is also a R^e -module by $r(m \otimes n)s = ms \otimes rg$. So

 $\operatorname{Hom}_R(M,N) = \operatorname{Hom}(M,N)^R, \qquad M \otimes_R N = (M \otimes N)_R.$

More general,

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{n}(M,N) = \operatorname{HH}^{n}(R;\operatorname{Hom}(M,N)), \qquad \operatorname{Tor}_{n}^{R}(M,N) = \operatorname{HH}_{n}(R;M\otimes N).$$

7.25. Bar Resolutions We have a bar resolution $B_{\bullet} \to R$ by $B_n = R \otimes_{\Bbbk} R^{\otimes n} \otimes_{\Bbbk} R$, with

$$d(x_0 \mid \dots \mid x_{n+1}) = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i x_0 \mid \dots \mid x_i x_{i+1} \mid \dots x_{n+1}.$$

Here | the "bar" is a abbreviation of \otimes . Actually, $S(x_0 | \cdots | x_n) \mapsto 1 | x_0 | \cdots | x_n$ provides a homotopy. Diagrammatically,

In particular,

$$\operatorname{HH}^{1}(R;M) = \frac{\left\{ R \stackrel{\text{linear}\ f}{\longrightarrow} M : f(x_{1}x_{2}) = x_{1}f(x_{2}) + f(x_{1})x_{2} \right\}}{\left\{ R \stackrel{\text{linear}\ f}{\longrightarrow} M : \exists x \in M, f(x_{1}) = x_{1}x - xx_{1} \right\}} := \frac{\operatorname{Der}(R,M)}{\operatorname{Der}_{\mathrm{Inn}}(R,M)}$$
$$\operatorname{HH}^{2}(R;M) = \frac{\left\{ R \otimes R \stackrel{\text{linear}\ f}{\longrightarrow} M : \begin{array}{c} x_{1}f(x_{2},x_{3}) + f(x_{1},x_{2}x_{3}) \\ = f(x_{1}x_{2},x_{3}) + f(x_{1},x_{2})x_{3} \end{array} \right\}}{\left\{ R \times R \stackrel{\text{linear}\ f}{\longrightarrow} M : \begin{array}{c} \exists R \stackrel{\text{linear}\ h}{\longrightarrow} M & f(x_{1},x_{2}) \\ = x_{1}h(x_{2}) - h(x_{1}x_{2}) + h(x_{1})x_{2} \end{array} \right\}}.$$
7.26. Similar to group cohomology 7.21, we also have

$$0 \to \operatorname{Der}(R/I, M) \to \operatorname{Der}(R, M) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{R/I}(I_{\operatorname{ab}}, M) \to \operatorname{HH}^2(R/I; M) \to \operatorname{HH}^2(R; M)$$

where the R/I-module action on the $I_{ab} = I/[I, I]$ is induced from the multiplication action of R. But the author does not know to how to prove it using a spectral sequence argument.

7.27. We have the similar result that $\operatorname{HH}^2(R; M)$ parametrizes short exact sequence of rings

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow 0$$

with M an square-free ideal (say, $M^2 = 0$), and the induced R-bimodule action on M is the given one. Of course, this fact can also be derived in terms of cycles from reduced bar resolution.

Exercises

7.28. Grothendieck Spectral Sequences Prove that we have complex version of Grothendieck spectral sequence for lower bounded complex C under the condition of 7.2

$$E_2^{pq} = R^p G(\mathbf{R}^q F(C)) \Longrightarrow (\mathbf{R}^{p+q} (G \circ F))(C).$$

For readers familiar with derived category, try to show 7.4.

7.29. Prove 7.13.

7.30. Prove Cartan–Leray spectral sequence 5.6 by Künneth spectral sequence 6.6.

7.31. Algebra Structure There is a natural algebra structure over $H^{\bullet}(G; \mathbb{Z}) = \text{Ext}^{\bullet}_{G}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z})$ or $\text{HH}^{\bullet}(R; R) = \text{Ext}^{\bullet}_{R^{e}}(R, R)$ by **Yoneda pairing**. Show that they are graded-commutative

$$xy = (-1)^{\deg x \deg y} yx$$

by a generalized **Eckmann–Hilton argument**.

Hint For a resolution $P_{\bullet} \to \mathbb{Z}$, the product $P_{\bullet} \otimes_G P_{\bullet}$ is also a projective resolution of \mathbb{Z} . Assume x = [f] and y = [g] with deg x = m and deg y = n. Then

The above \rightarrow are all homotopy up to sign. Then by Kozsul convention 2.12, the sign is just reflected by the graded commutativity.

8 Geometry (I)

8.1. In this section, we assume every space to be paracompact (every open cover has a locally finite open refinement) which admits partitions of unity. For example, manifolds, CW complexes, algebraic varieties under complex topology.

Degeneration

8.2. Degeneration We say a spectral sequence degenerates at the *r*-th stage if $E_r = E_{\infty}$, i.e. there is no nonzero differential $\geq r$.

8.3. Relation to Leray–Hirsch theorem Assume the fibre bundle satisfies the condition of Leray–Hirsch theorem 4.4. Then the spectral sequence degenerates at E_2 , i.e. $E_2 = E_{\infty}$. Since the cohomology cannot be "less than" E_2 .

Conversely, for path-connected B, if the spectral sequence degenerates at E_2 , and $H^{\bullet}(F)$ is a free module, then we can lift a set of generators to $H^{\bullet}(X)$ (since $E_{\infty}^{0r} = E_2^{0r} = H^r(F)$ is a quotient of $H^r(X)$), then it satisfies the condition of Leray–Hirsch theorem.

8.4. For a fibre bundle $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ with fibre F, if $H^{\text{odd}}(F) = H^{\text{odd}}(X) = 0$, then the spectral sequence for ξ degenerates.



8.5. Degeneration Theorem If the Leray–Serre spectral sequence for ξ degenerates at E_2 , then so is its pull back.

Proof Firstly, the differential of E_2 for $f^{*}\xi$ are all zero. Due to the multiplicative structure, it suffices to show the differential from E_2^{0n} . By the functoriality, it is zero



Then the differential of E_3 for $f^*\xi$ are all zero. Due to the multiplicative structure (the same structure as E_2 since the differentials of E_2 are zero), it still suffices to show the differential from E_3^{0n} . So the general case has no difference and can proved by induction. Q.E.D.

Flags, Grassmannians, etc.

8.6. Denote $\mathbb{C}^{\infty} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}e_i$, under the inductive topology (topology for inductive limit).

8.7. Projective Spaces For any complex vector space V (not necessarily finite dimensional), we define the projective space

$$\mathbb{P}V = \{ \text{linear subspace } \ell \subseteq V : \dim \ell = 1 \}.$$

For $V = \mathbb{C}^{N+1}$ (resp. \mathbb{C}^{∞}), it is usually denoted by $\mathbb{C}P^N$ (resp. $\mathbb{C}P^{\infty}$). Then

$$H^{\bullet}(\mathbb{P}(V)) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}[H] / (H^{\dim V + 1}) & \dim V < \infty \\ \mathbb{Z}[H] & \dim V = \infty \end{cases} \qquad \deg H = 2$$

The generator $H = H_V \in H^2(\mathbb{P}(V))$ is universal in the following sense, for any linear subspace $W \subseteq V$, the natural map $H^2(\mathbb{P}(V)) \to H^2(\mathbb{P}(W))$ induced by $\mathbb{P}W \subseteq \mathbb{P}V$ sending H_V to H_W .

Proof For any choice of $V \cong \mathbb{C}^{N+1}$, it defines a stratification (cellular) structure

$$\mathbb{P}V = \mathrm{pt} \sqcup \mathbb{C} \sqcup \mathbb{C}^2 \sqcup \cdots \sqcup \mathbb{C}^N$$

Thus,

i	0	1	2	3	4	 2N
$H^i(\mathbb{P}V)$	\mathbb{Z}		\mathbb{Z}		\mathbb{Z}	 \mathbb{Z}
$H_i(\mathbb{P}V)$	\mathbb{Z}		\mathbb{Z}		\mathbb{Z}	 \mathbb{Z}

In homology,

$$H_{2i}(\mathbb{P}V) = \mathbb{Z} \cdot [L^i],$$

where L^i is the closure of \mathbb{C}^i in the stratification, an *i*-plane. Actually, this can be any *i*-plane since $\operatorname{GL}_{N+1}(\mathbb{C})$ is connected and acts on *i*-planes transitively. Then by Poincaré duality, when dim $V < \infty$,

$$H^{2i}(\mathbb{P}V) = \mathbb{Z} \cdot [H^i],$$

where H^i is any (n-i)-plane. In particular $[H] \in H^2(\mathbb{P}(V))$ is the hyperplane, and $[H^i] = [H]^i$ by linear algebra. Thus

$$H^{\bullet}(\mathbb{P}(V)) = \mathbb{Z}[H]/(H^{\dim V+1}).$$

For the infinite case, note that $\mathbb{P}V \subseteq \mathbb{P}\mathbb{C}^{\infty}$ induces algebra homormolphism $H^{\bullet}(\mathbb{P}\mathbb{C}^{\infty}) \to H^{\bullet}(\mathbb{P}V)$ which is isomorphic for $\bullet < 2 \dim V$. Thus

$$H^{\bullet}(\mathbb{P}(V)) = \mathbb{Z}[H].$$

From the construction, we see the choice of H is universal. Q.E.D.

8.8. Partial Flag Varieties Let $\mathbf{d} = (d_1, \ldots, d_n) \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$ with $|\mathbf{d}| := d_1 + \cdots + d_n = d$. Denote

$$\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, V) = \left\{ 0 = V_0 \subseteq V_1 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq V_n \subseteq V : \dim V_*/V_{*-1} = d_* \right\}.$$

It suffices to consider two cases, $\dim V = \infty$, and $\dim V = d$ since in the finite dimensional case we can add $\dim V - d_n$ if necessary. Then

$$H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, V)) = \begin{cases} \frac{\mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_d]^{\mathfrak{S}_{\mathbf{d}}}}{\left\langle \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_d]_{\deg \ge 1}^{\mathfrak{S}_{\mathbf{d}}} \right\rangle} & \dim V = d\\ \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_d]^{\mathfrak{S}_{\mathbf{d}}} & \dim V = \infty \end{cases}$$

where deg $x_i = 2$, and $\mathfrak{S}_{\mathbf{d}} = \mathfrak{S}_{d_1} \times \cdots \times \mathfrak{S}_{d_n} \subseteq \mathfrak{S}_d$.

8.9. Here is some other notations for $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, V)$

- When $V = \mathbb{C}^{\infty}$, we will just write $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, \infty)$.
- When $V = \mathbb{C}^d$, we will just write $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d})$.
- For $\mathbf{d} = (1, \ldots, 1)$ we will simply denote $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, \infty)$ by $\mathcal{F}\ell(d, \infty)$, the infinite flag variety. By above theorem, its cohomology is $\mathbb{Z}[x_1, \ldots, x_d]$ the algebra of polynomials of d variables.
- We also denote when dim V = d, $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, V) = \mathcal{F}\ell(V)$ and $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d})$ by $\mathcal{F}\ell(d)$, called the flag varieties.
- For $\mathbf{d} = (d)$, we will denote $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, \infty)$ by $\mathcal{G}r(d, \infty)$, the infinite **Grassmannian**. By above theorem, its cohomology is $\mathbb{Z}[x_1, \ldots, x_n]^{\mathfrak{S}_d}$ the algebra of symmetric polynomialn of d variables.
- For $\mathbf{d} = (k, d k)$, we will denote $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d})$ by $\mathcal{G}r(k, d)$, the Grassmannian.

Sketch of the Proof of 8.8 We pick a unitary product on V. Then by picking unitary basis, we see

$$\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d},V) = \left\{ (\ell_1,\ldots,\ell_n) : \begin{array}{c} \forall i, \dim \ell_i = d_i, \\ \forall i \neq j, \ \ell_i \perp \ell_j \end{array} \right\}.$$

Thus we have



We can define $x_i \in H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{F}\ell(d,\infty))$ the pull back of hyperplane section through the *i*-th projection $\mathcal{F}\ell(d,\infty) \to \mathbb{C}P^{\infty}$.

- By inductively using Leray–Hirsch theorem 4.4, we can prove that $\mathcal{F}\ell(d,\infty)$ satisfies the theorem. Note that the fibre of each projection is $\mathcal{F}\ell(d-1,\ell_i^{\perp}) \cong \mathcal{F}\ell(d-1,\infty)$, and one should use the universality of H in 8.7.
- By induction on d, We can prove the vanishining of odd cohomology and the Poincaré polynomials for $\mathcal{F}\ell(d,\infty)$, $\mathcal{F}\ell(d)$. Thus we can do so for $\mathcal{G}r(d,\infty)$, $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d},\infty)$ and $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d})$ since the degeneration of spectral sequence can be implied by Leray–Hirsch theorem.
- Note that \mathfrak{S}_d acts on *n*-projections, and the cohomology of $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d},\infty)$ is exactly the $\mathfrak{S}_{\mathbf{d}}$ -invariant part. The inclusion follows directly, and the equality follows from the computation of Poincaré polynomials.
- Finally, by spectral sequence

$$H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d})) = \mathbb{Z} \underset{H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{G}r(n,\infty))}{\otimes} H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d},\infty)).$$

This gives the description in the theorem. Q.E.D.

8.10. Remark We know $BGL_r = \mathcal{G}r(r, \infty)$. Acually, the computation in the proof can be generalized to the computation of $H^{\bullet}(BG; \mathbb{Q})$ for a lie group G. But a nice description for coefficient \mathbb{Z} cannot be generalized. On the other hand, $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, V)$ has a cellular structure of only even cells, thus no odd cohomology. It is the topic of classic Schubert calculus.

Vector Bundles

8.11. Vector Bundles We can rewrite the definition of fibre bundle in terms of coordinate.

A map $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ is said to be a **fibre bundle** if there exists an open

covering \mathcal{U} , and coordinates $\left\{ (U, \varphi_U) : \begin{array}{l} U \in \mathcal{U}, \\ \xi^{-1}(U) \xrightarrow{\varphi_U} U \times F \end{array} \right\}$ with $\varphi_V \circ \varphi_U^{-1} : (U \cap V) \times F \to (U \cap V) \times F$

induced by a continuous map $(U \cap V) \to \operatorname{Aut}(F) = {\text{self-homoemorphism of } F}.$

A vector bundle is the case F is an r-dimensional vector space, and $\operatorname{Aut}(F)$ replaced by GL_r . We call r the rank of the vector bundle. When the rank is 1, it is usually referred as a line bundle.

We will mainly focus on \mathbb{C} -vector spaces. A morphism between vector bundles is locally linear, i.e. given by a continuous map $U \cap V \to \text{Hom}(F_1, F_2)$ locally.

8.12. Tangent Bundles For a manifold M, denote the tangent bundle $TM = \bigcup_{x \in M} T_x M$. By the theory of manifold, it is a manifold of dimension $2 \dim M$. The projection $\begin{bmatrix} TM \\ \downarrow \\ M \end{bmatrix}$ is a vector bundle, called the **tangent bundle**.

8.13. Tautological Bundle Recall that the projective space $\mathbb{C}P^N$ is the space of all lines in \mathbb{C}^{N+1} . We define $P = \{(\ell, x) \in \mathbb{C}P^N \times \mathbb{C}^{N+1} : x \in \ell\}$. Then $\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{C}P^N \end{bmatrix}$ is a rank 1 vector bundle. This is known as tautological bundle, since the fibre at ℓ is ℓ itself. The same construction can be done for $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, V)$ (but with n many).

8.14. Classifying Theorem We have a bijection

$$\operatorname{Vec}^{r}_{\mathbb{C}}(X) \longrightarrow \pi(X, \mathcal{G}r(r, \infty))$$

where $\pi(-,-) = \text{Map}(-,-)/\text{Homotopy}$ is the homotopy classes of maps. Moreover, this bijection is natural in X. To be exact,

any rank r vector bundle over X is isomorphic to the pull back of the tautological bundle over $\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$ for some map $X \to \mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$.

We say ξ is classified by this map.

Sketch of the Proof By an argument of partition of unity, we can embed any vector bundle ξ into the trivial vector bundle of infinite rank $\begin{bmatrix} X \times \mathbb{C}^{\infty} \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$. Then we define the classifying map $X \to \mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$ by sending $x \in X$ to its fibre in \mathbb{C}^{∞} . It is clear that the pull back of tautological bundle of $\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$ gives back the vector bundle. Lastly, using the vector bundle over $X \times I$, we prove the bijection. Q.E.D.

8.15. Chern Classes Recall that

$$H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)) = \mathbb{Z}[x_1,\ldots,x_n]^{\mathfrak{S}_n} = \mathbb{Z}[e_1,\ldots,e_n]$$

with $e_i \in H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty))$ is the *i*-th elementary polynomial in x_1, \ldots, x_r . For a vector bundle ξ over X, assume it is classified by $f: X \to \mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$, we define the **Chern classes** $c_i(\xi) \in H^{2i}(X)$ to be the pull back of $(-1)^i e_i \in$ $H^{2i}(\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty))$. In particular, $c_i(\tau) = (-1)^i e_i$ for tautological bundle τ over $\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$. We define the total Chern class

$$c(\xi) = 1 + c_1(\xi) + \dots + c_r(\xi).$$

Then by definition, Chern Class commutes with pull back, that is, $c(f^*\xi) = f^*c(\xi)$ for vector bundle ξ and continuous map f.

8.16. Example Consider the tautological bundle V_i of $\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, V)$, i.e. at each $(0 = V_0 \subseteq V_1 \subseteq \cdots V_d \subseteq V)$, the fibre is V_i . For the case $\mathcal{F}\ell(d, \infty)$, $c(V_i/V_{i-1}) = 1 - x_i$. Actually, $V_i = \ell_i \oplus \cdots \oplus \ell_1$, where ℓ_i is the pull back of tautological bundle over $\mathbb{C}P^{\infty}$ through the *i*-th projection in the proof of 8.8.

8.17. Theorem For a vector bundle ξ and a sub-vector bundle η , we have $c(\xi) = c(\xi/\eta)c(\eta)$.

Proof Assume rank $\xi = r$, and rank $\eta = s \leq r$. Actually the pair ($\eta \subseteq \xi$) is classified by two-step Grassmannian (just as the proof of 8.14)

 $X \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}r(s, r-s, \infty) = \mathcal{F}\ell(\mathbf{d}, \infty), \qquad \mathbf{d} = (s, r-s).$

So it suffices to deal with the universal case — two tautological bundles $\eta \subseteq \xi$ over $\mathcal{G}r(s, r-s, \infty)$. Now the following maps



classify η , ξ and ξ/η respectively. The cohomology maps are all injective, and by the proof of 8.8,

$$c(\eta) = 1 - e_1(x_1, \dots, x_s) + \dots = (1 - x_1) \cdots (1 - x_s).$$

$$c(\xi/\eta) = 1 - e_1(x_{s+1}, \dots, x_r) + \dots = (1 - x_{s+1}) \cdots (1 - x_r).$$

$$c(\xi) = 1 - e_1(x_1, \dots, x_r) = (1 - x_1) \cdots (1 - x_r)$$

This proves the theorem. Q.E.D.

8.18. Associated Flag Bundle For a vector bundle $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$, the associative projective bundle $\mathcal{F}\ell(\xi) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{F}\ell(E) \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ is obtained by exchanging each fibre E_x by the corresponding flag variety $\mathcal{F}\ell(E_x)$ of it.

8.19. Splitting Principle The spectral sequence for the associated projective bundle $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{F}\ell(E) \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ of a vector bundle degenerates, i.e. $E_2 = E_{\infty}$. In particular, $H^{\bullet}(X) \to H^{\bullet}(\mathcal{F}\ell(X))$ is injective.

Note that, the pull back of ξ on $\mathcal{F}\ell(\xi)$ has a filtration of line bundles, say, each point of $\mathcal{F}\ell(\xi)$ is a splitting of its fibre. This is known as **splitting principle**.

Proof It suffices to deal with the universal case that the vector bundle is the tautological bundle \mathcal{T} over $\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$. By definition,

$$\mathcal{F}\ell(\mathcal{T}) = \mathcal{F}\ell(r,\infty).$$

Q.E.D.

Then $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{F}\ell(\mathcal{T}) \\ \downarrow \\ \mathcal{G}\tau(r,\infty) \end{bmatrix}$ degenerates by our computation.

8.20. The theory of Chern classes can be reformulated in differential geometry and algebraic geometry where spaces of infinite dimensional such as $\mathcal{G}r(r,\infty)$ no longer exist. But we can try to prove the properties asserted as above.

8.21. Let V be a complex vector space. Let τ be the tautological bundle over $\mathbb{P}V$. Note that any nonzero $f \in V^*$ defines a nonzero section of τ^* . Say, at $\ell \in \mathbb{P}V$, it takes value $f|_{\ell} \in \ell^*$. Then its zero locus is $\mathbb{P}(\ker f) \subseteq \mathbb{P}V$ a hyperplane. As a result, $c_1(\tau^*)$ is the Poincaré dual to the class of the zero locus of a general section. That is the reason why in algebraic geometry we write $\tau^* = \mathcal{O}(1)$.

Since $\mathbb{P}(V)$ is nearly universal for line bundles for dim $V \gg 0$, the above intuition is also true for line bundles over general manifolds. To be exact, the Chern class is the Poincaré dual to the class of the zero locus of a general section (counting with orientation).

For general vector bundle, the corresponding class (the class Poincaré dual to the zero locus of a general section) is called the **Euler class**. By splitting principle, it is exactly the top Chern class of the vector bundle. This is one motivation of defining Chern classes.

Exercises

8.22. Definition (Associated Projective Bundle) For a vector bundle $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$, the associative projective bundle $\mathbb{P}(\xi) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{P}(E) \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ is obtained by exchanging each fibre E_x by the corresponding projective space $\mathbb{P}E_x$ of it. We can define the tautological bundle over $\mathbb{P}(E)$ whose fibre at $\ell \subseteq E_x$ is ℓ itself.

8.23. Degeneration Theorem The spectral sequence for the associated projective bundle $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{P}(E) \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ of a vector bundle degenerates, i.e. $E_2 = E_{\infty}$. Furthermore, as an algebra,

$$H^{\bullet}(\mathbb{P}(E)) = H^{\bullet}(X) [H] / (H^{r} + c_{1}(\xi)H^{r-1} + \dots + c_{r}(\xi)),$$

where $H = -c_1(\tau) \in H^2(\mathbb{P}(E))$ with τ the tautological bundle of $\mathbb{P}(E)$.

Remark Actually, this is Grothendieck's way of defining Chern classes in algebraic geometry.

8.24. Classification of Line Bundles Use the Eilenberg–MacLane space 5.13 to show that the isomorphism class of a line bundle ξ is determined by its first Chern class $c_1(\xi)$.

9 Geometry (II)

9.1. In this section, we assume every space to be paracompact (every open cover has a locally finite open refinement) which admits partitions of unity. For example, manifolds, CW complexes, algebraic varieties under complex topology.

Sheaf-theoretic Leray Spectral Sequences

9.2. Push Forward Let $X \to Y$ be a continuous map. If we have a sheaf \mathcal{F} over X, then we can define the **push forward**

$$f_*\mathcal{F} = \left[U \longmapsto \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(U)) \right]$$
 a sheaf over Y .

It turns out that f_* is left exact, we define $R^i f_*$ by its derived functor, the higher push forward.

9.3. For example, when Y = pt, $f_* = \Gamma(X, -)$ is the same as the functor of taking global sections. Thus $R^i f_* = H^i(X; -)$ the functor taking *i*-th cohomology.

9.4. Higher Direct Image The higher push forward admits an explicit description

$$R^{i}f_{*}\mathcal{F} = \text{ associated sheaf of } \left[U \longmapsto H^{i}(f^{-1}(U);\mathcal{F}|_{f^{-1}(U)})\right].$$

This technique is known as higher direct image.

9.5. Leray Spectral Sequences For continous maps $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$, there is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = R^p g_*(R^q f_*(\mathcal{F})) \Longrightarrow R^{p+q} (g \circ f)_* \mathcal{F},$$

natural in \mathcal{F} .

Proof Note that flabby (flasque, en français) sheaves are preserved by f_* , thus it satisfies the condition of Grothendieck spectral sequences 7.2. Q.E.D.

9.6. Sheaf-theoretic Leray Spectral Sequences For any continuus map $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$, there is a spectral sequence

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(Y; R^q f_* \mathcal{F}) = H^{p+q}(X; \mathcal{F}),$$

natural in \mathcal{F} .

9.7. Assume a space X is locally contractible.

It is known that $H^n(X; \mathbb{Z}_X)$ is the *n*-th singular cohomology of X, where \mathbb{Z}_X is the constant sheaf. In general, $H^n(X; \mathcal{L}_X)$ is the *n*-th singular cohomology of X with coefficient in \mathcal{L} , see the remark 9.8 below.

Now consider a fibre bundle $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} E \\ \downarrow \\ X \end{bmatrix}$ with fibre F. Then using the higher direct image 9.4, we see that $R^q \xi_* \mathbb{Z}_E$ is the local system $\mathcal{H}^q(F)$ over X. Thus above spectral sequence recovers Leray–Serre spectral sequences 4.6.

9.8. Locally Constant Sheaves Recall a local system 4.7 is a functor from the fundamental groupoid $\Pi(X)$ to the category of abelian group Ab. We can define a sheaf from a local system \mathcal{L} , by

$$\mathcal{L}_X(U) = \operatorname{Nat}_{\Pi(U) \to \mathsf{Ab}}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathcal{L}|_{\Pi(U)}),$$

where \mathbb{Z} is the constant functor to $\mathbb{Z} \in \mathsf{Ab}$. That is, assign each $x \in U$ an element $s_x \in \mathcal{L}_x$, such that for any path $x \to y$, the inducing map $\mathcal{L}_x \to \mathcal{L}_y$ sending s_x to s_y .

Assume X to be locally simply-connected, This construction defines a locally constant sheaf. Conversely, we can recover the local system by taking stalks. Actually, local system is the same thing as locally constant sheaf, and we will not differ them in notation.

Čech Cohomology

9.9. Čech Spectral Sequences For a sheaf \mathcal{F} and an open covering \mathcal{U} , there is a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{pq} = H^q(U^p; \mathcal{F}|_{U^p}) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(X; \mathcal{F}),$$

where U^p is the formal disjoint union of all intersections of (p+1) different members of \mathcal{U} , and $\mathcal{F}|_{U^p}$ is the pull back from X to U^p . **9.10.** Before the proof, let us introduce a symbol convention. Pick a set of symbol $\{\mathbf{e}_i : i \in I\}$. We define the wedge product \wedge which is associative with the properties

$$\mathbf{e}_i \wedge \mathbf{e}_j = -\mathbf{e}_j \wedge \mathbf{e}_i, \qquad \mathbf{e}_i \wedge \mathbf{e}_i = 0$$

We define the interior product $\iota_{\mathbf{e}_i}$ by

$$\iota_{\mathbf{e}_{i}}(\mathbf{e}_{i_{0}}\wedge\cdots\wedge\mathbf{e}_{i_{n}})=\sum(-1)^{\ell}\langle\mathbf{e}_{i},\mathbf{e}_{i_{\ell}}\rangle\cdot\mathbf{e}_{i_{0}}\wedge\cdots\widehat{\mathbf{e}_{i_{\ell}}}\cdots\wedge\mathbf{e}_{i_{r}}$$

where we assume $\langle \mathbf{e}_i, \mathbf{e}_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$. Note that for all $i, j \in I$

$$\iota_{\mathbf{e}_i}(\mathbf{e}_j \wedge -) + \mathbf{e}_j \wedge (\iota_{\mathbf{e}_i} -) = \delta_{ij} \cdot \mathrm{id} \,.$$

9.11. Proof of 9.9 Assume \mathcal{U} is totally ordered by $\{U_i : i \in I\}$. Denote for $p \geq 0, U_{i_0,...,i_p} = U_{i_0} \cap \cdots \cap U_{i_p}$, then $U^p = \bigsqcup_{i_0 < \ldots < i_p} U_{i_0,...,i_p}$. Denote the Čech complex $\check{C}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{F})$ by

$$\check{C}^p(\mathcal{U};\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F}(U^p) = \prod_{i_0 < \ldots < i_p} \mathbf{e}_{i_0} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_{i_p} \cdot \mathcal{F}(U_{i_0,\ldots,i_p}).$$

So every element α can be written in a form sum

$$\alpha = \sum_{i_0 < \cdots < i_p} \mathbf{e}_{i_0} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_{i_p} \cdot \alpha_{i_0 \cdots i_p}, \qquad \alpha_{i_0 \cdots i_p} \in \mathcal{F}(U_{i_0, \dots, i_p}).$$

The differential is defined to $d\alpha = \sum_{i \in I} \mathbf{e}_i \wedge \alpha |_{U_i}$.

• Firstly, by definition of a sheaf,

$$H^{0}(\check{C}(\mathcal{U};\mathcal{F})) = \ker \left[\prod_{U \in \mathcal{U}} \mathcal{F}(U) \longrightarrow \prod_{U,V \in \mathcal{U}} \mathcal{F}(U \cap V)\right] = \mathcal{F}(X).$$

• Secondly, assume $\mathcal{F} = (i_x)_* F$ is supported on one point x, then $\check{C}(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{F})$ is acyclic. Actually,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & \geq 0 \\ F & \longrightarrow \check{C}(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{F}) \end{bmatrix} = \bigotimes_{U_i \ni x} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow \mathbf{e}_i \mathbb{Z} \end{bmatrix} \otimes F[1].$$

A general fact of Kozsul complex tells us any exactness of tensor factor kill the cohomology. Explicitly, we can pick one $U_k \ni x$, and define the homotopy by $\alpha \mapsto \iota_{\mathbf{e}_k} \alpha$ the interior product. • Thirdly, assume $\mathcal{F} = \prod_x (i_x)_* F_x$ for some abelian group F_x at each point $x \xrightarrow{i_x} X$, then $\check{C}(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{F})$ is acyclic.

Recall the construction of Godement resolution, we can pick a resolution $\mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{I}$ with $\check{C}(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{I}^q)$ acyclic by above discussion. Then



shows that Tot $\check{C}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{I})$ computes $H^n(X,\mathcal{F})$. On the other hand,



This is the spectral sequence claimed in the theorem. Q.E.D.

9.12. Čech Cohomology In particular, when \mathcal{F} has no higher cohomology over U^p , the Čech cohomology

$$\check{H}^{n}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{F}) = H^{n}(\check{C}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{F}))$$

computes the cohomology $H^n(X; \mathcal{F})$. In particular, when \mathcal{F} is flabby, the Čech complex is acyclic. For example, when $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{Z}_X$, and X is locally contractible topological space, $\varinjlim_{\mathcal{U} \text{ finer}} \check{H}^n(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{F}) = H^n(X; \mathbb{Z})$. For neotherian separated scheme X, any open affine cover \mathcal{U} , we have $\check{H}^n(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{F}) = H^n(X; \mathcal{F})$ for any quasi-coherent sheaf \mathcal{F} .

Spectral Sequences for Stratifications

9.13. For a sheaf \mathcal{F} over X, and $K \subseteq X$, the notation restriction $\mathcal{F}|_K$ stands the pull back of \mathcal{F} to K. Note that for example, when K is a point, this notation stands the stalk at this point. Historically, this notation has different meanings.

9.14. Shriek Push Forward Let $f : X \to Y$ be continuous. Let \mathcal{F} be a sheaf, denote the **shriek push forward** $f_!\mathcal{F}$ to be the subsheaf of $f_*\mathcal{F}$ with section of proper support, that is

$$f_!\mathcal{F}(U) = \{s \in \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(U)) : f|_{\text{supp } s} \text{ is proper}\}.$$

It is known that $f_!$ is left exact, thus we can define its right derived functor $R^i f_!$. It is known that the shriek push forward maps injective sheaves to *c*-soft sheaves, thus satisfies the condition of Grothendieck spectral sequences.

9.15. For example, when Y = pt, $f_! = \Gamma_c(X, -)$ is the same as the functor of taking global sections of compact support. Thus $R^i f_! = H^i_c(X; -)$ the functor taking *i*-th cohomology of compact support.

9.16. Higher Direct Image of proper support The higher shriek push forward admits an explicit description on stalk

$$(R^i f_! \mathcal{F})_y = H^i_c(f^{-1}(y); \mathcal{F}|_{f^{-1}(y)}).$$

9.17. Excision Triangle For any open subset $U \subseteq X$, denote its complement $F := X \setminus U$, and two inclusions $j : U \to X$ and $i : F \to X$. For any sheaf \mathcal{F} , we have a long exact sequence called excision long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^i_c(U; \mathcal{F}|_U) \longrightarrow H^i_c(X; \mathcal{F}) \longrightarrow H^i_c(F; \mathcal{F}|_F) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}_c(U; \mathcal{F}|_U) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

9.18. For example, for $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{Z}_X$, this gives the long exact sequence of cohomology of compact support

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^i_c(U) \longrightarrow H^i_c(X) \longrightarrow H^i_c(F) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}_c(U) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

9.19. Stratification Let X be a topological space. A stratification of X is a finite set of manifolds \mathcal{S} (strata) such that

$$X = \bigcup_{S \in \mathcal{S}} S \quad (\text{disjoint}) \qquad \overline{S_1} \cap S_2 = S_2 \text{ or } \varnothing \quad \text{for } S_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{S}.$$

We set

$$\varnothing = X_{-1} \subseteq X_0 \subseteq X_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq X_n = X$$
 $X_k = \bigcup_{\dim S \le k} S$

We assume further that each X_k is closed (it is enough for applications).

9.20. Spectral Sequences for Stratifications Assume \mathcal{F} is sheaf over X with a stratification \mathcal{S} . Then there exists a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{pq} = H_c^{p+q}(S_p; \mathcal{F}|_{S_p}) \Longrightarrow H_c^{p+q}(X; \mathcal{F}),$$

where S_p is the disjoint union of all dim p strata.

Proof Set $X^k = X \setminus X_{k-1} = \bigcup_{\dim S \ge k} S$. Note that the excision long exact gives

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^i_c(X^{k+1}; \mathcal{F}|_{X^{k-1}}) \longrightarrow H^i_c(X^k; \mathcal{F}|_{X^k}) \longrightarrow H^i_c(S_k; \mathcal{F}|_{S_k}) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

Thus we have an exact couple.

$$E_1^{pq} = H_c^{p+q}(S_p; \mathcal{F}|_F) \Longrightarrow H_c^{p+q}(X; \mathcal{F}).$$

This proves the theorem. Q.E.D.

9.21. Simplicial Cohomology For example, we apply this theorem on constant sheaf \mathbb{Z}_X . It tells

$$E_1^{pq} = H_c^{p+q}(S_p) \Longrightarrow H_c^{p+q}(X).$$

We know that for an open disc D^p of dimension p,

$$H_c^{p+q}(D^p;\mathbb{Z}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & q = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Thus when X has an affine stratification, i.e. each stratum is homoemorphic to \mathbb{R}^p for some p, then the cohomology of compact support can be computed as simplicial cohomology 1.12. Note that to be a CW complex, we also need to assume further that the boundary of each stratum is attached to lower dimensional strata.

9.22. Complex Version of 9.20 The same excision long exact sequence holds for hypercohomology $\mathbb{H}_{c}^{i} = \mathbf{R}^{i}\Gamma_{c}$ of compact support. Actually, in derived category, we have a triangle (under the notation of 9.20)

$$\mathbf{R}j_!j^*\mathcal{F}\longrightarrow \mathcal{F}\longrightarrow \mathbf{R}i_*i^*\mathcal{F}\stackrel{+1}\longrightarrow$$

Thus there is a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{pq} = \mathbb{H}_c^{p+q}(S_p; \mathcal{F}|_{S_p}) \Longrightarrow \mathbb{H}_c^{p+q}(X; \mathcal{F}).$$

9.23. Dual Version We have another excision triangle in the derived category (still under the notation of 9.20)

$$\mathbf{R}i_*i^!\mathcal{F}\longrightarrow \mathcal{F}\longrightarrow \mathbf{R}j_*j^*\mathcal{F}\xrightarrow{+1}$$

where $f^{!}$ is the shriek pull back defined by Verdier. For example, this gives the long exact sequence of **Borel–Moore homology**

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H_i^{\mathrm{BM}}(F) \longrightarrow H_i^{\mathrm{BM}}(X) \longrightarrow H_i^{\mathrm{BM}}(U) \longrightarrow H_{i-1}^{\mathrm{BM}}(F) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

where U is open in X and F is the complement. Note that $H_i^{\text{BM}}(X) = \mathbb{H}^{-i}(\omega_X)$ with $\omega_X = a_X^! \mathbb{Q}$ for the unique map $a_X : X \to \text{pt.}$ Hence, applying to

$$\cdots \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}^{i}(X_{k-1}; \mathcal{F}|_{X_{k-1}}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}^{i}(X_{k}; \mathcal{F}|_{X_{k}}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}^{i}(S_{k}; \mathcal{F}|_{S_{k}}) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

we see that there is a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{-p,-q} = \mathbb{H}^{p+q}(S_p; i_p^! \mathcal{F}) \Longrightarrow \mathbb{H}^{p+q}(X; \mathcal{F}),$$

where $i_p: S_p \to X$ the inclusion. For example, there is a Borel–Moore homology version

$$E_{pq}^{1} = H_{p+q}^{\mathrm{BM}}(S_{p}) \Longrightarrow H_{p+q}^{\mathrm{BM}}(X).$$

Hodge Theory

9.24. Dolbeault cohomology For a smooth algebraic variety X of dimension n, we have the **holomorphic de Rham complex**

$$\Omega_X^{\bullet}: \qquad \stackrel{0}{\mathcal{O}_X} \xrightarrow{1} \stackrel{n}{\longrightarrow} \Omega_X \xrightarrow{\partial} \cdots \xrightarrow{\partial} \omega_X$$

where Ω_X the Kähler differential, and ω_X the canonical bundle. Note that the morphisms in the complex are only sheaf morphisms rather than coherent.

Define the **Dolbeault cohomology**

$$H^{pq}(X) = H^q(X; \Omega^p_X).$$

9.25. Frölicher Spectral Sequences We have a spectral sequence

$$E_1^{pq} = H^q(X; \Omega_X^p) = H^{pq}(X) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(X; \mathbb{C}).$$

Proof For the differentiable de Rham complex $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\mathbb{R}}$, we have a decomposition $\mathbb{C} \otimes \Omega^{\bullet}_{\mathbb{R}} = \operatorname{Tot} \Omega^{pq}_{\mathbb{R}}$ where $\Omega^{pq}_{\mathbb{R}}$ is the direct summand of $\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathscr{C}^{\infty}$ -sheaf $\mathbb{C} \otimes \Omega^{p+q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ locally spanned by

$$f(z)dz_{i_1}\wedge\cdots\wedge dz_{i_p}\wedge d\bar{z}_{i_1}\wedge\cdots\wedge d\bar{z}_{i_q}, \qquad f\in\mathbb{C}\otimes\mathscr{C}^{\infty},$$

under a local coordinate (z_1, \ldots, z_n) . The two direction differential $\bar{\partial}$ and ∂ is given by $\alpha \mapsto \sum_i d\bar{z}_i \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_i} \alpha$ and $\alpha \mapsto \sum_i dz_i \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \alpha$. By Dolbeault theorem,

$$(\Omega^p \longrightarrow) \Omega^{p0}_{\mathbb{R}} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \cdots \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \Omega^{p,n-p}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

forms a resolution. Thus Dolbeault cohomology is the cohomology of



It converges to the de Rham cohomolog with coefficient in \mathbb{C} i.e. $H^{p+q}(X;\mathbb{C})$. Q.E.D.

9.26. Degeneration When X is projective, or in general is a compact Kähler manifold, the Frölicher spectral sequence degenerates at E_1 , i.e. $E_1 = E_{\infty}$. Actually, this is equivalent to say that we have the following Hodge decomposition

$$H^n(X;\mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H^{pq}(X).$$

Theoretically, if we denote $F^p \Omega^{\bullet} = \Omega^{\geq p}$, then the spectral sequence for this filtration degenerates at E_1 .

9.27. Deligne Degeneration Let $\begin{bmatrix} X \\ \downarrow \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$ be a smooth projective morphism of varieties which is a topological fibre bundle with fibre F. Then the Leray–Serre spectral sequence 4.6 with coefficient \mathbb{Q}

$$E_2^{pq} = H^p(X; \mathcal{H}^q(F; \mathbb{Q})) \Longrightarrow H^{p+q}(E; \mathbb{Q})$$

degenerates at E_2 , that is, $E_2 = E_{\infty}$.

Proof By definition, it factors through $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n \times Y \twoheadrightarrow Y$ with the first map a closed embedding and last map the natural projection. Denote $H \in H^2(X; \mathbb{Q})$ the restriction of the class of hyperplane section from $H^2(\mathbb{P}^n \times Y)$. The restriction of H to E, each fibre F holds the **hard Lefschetz theorem**

$$L^k: H^{d-k}(F; \mathbb{Q}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^{d+k}(F; \mathbb{Q}), \qquad \alpha \longmapsto \alpha \smile H|_F^k,$$

where $d = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} F = \frac{1}{2} \dim_{\mathbb{R}} F$. At E_2 , it looks like



Thus by induction, the differentials of E_2 all vanish. The same reason for E_3 , etc. Q.E.D.

Exercises

9.28. Complex Version of 9.9 The theorem 9.9 is also true when \mathcal{F} is a complex of sheaves with respect to the hyper-cohomology $\mathbb{H}^i = \mathbf{R}^i \Gamma$

$$E_1^{pq} = \mathbb{H}^q(U^p; \mathcal{F}|_{U^p}) \Longrightarrow \mathbb{H}^{p+q}(X).$$

One may use the fact that $\check{C}(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{I})$ is acyclic for injective \mathcal{I} .

9.29. Sheaf-theoretic Čech cohomology Under the notation of 9.9, show that

$$\check{\mathcal{C}}^p(\mathcal{U},\mathcal{F}) = \left[V \longmapsto \check{C}^p(\mathcal{U}|_V,\mathcal{F}|_V) \right], \qquad \mathcal{U}|_V = \{ U \cap V \}_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$$

forms a sheaf of complex. Show that it is exact. Actually, we were equivalently doing this in the proof of 9.9.

9.30. The First Čech Cohomology Show that

$$\underline{\lim}_{\mathcal{U} \text{ finer }} \check{H}^1(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{F}) = H^1(X; \mathcal{F}).$$

Actually, $\check{C}(\mathcal{U}, -)$ does not preserves exactness. But at least, the $\varinjlim H^0$ of a quotient of a flabby sheaf is the same by direct computation.

9.31. We can define $H^1(X; \mathcal{G})$ as above for any sheaf of group \mathcal{G} . Say,

$$H^{1}(X;\mathcal{G}) = \lim_{\mathcal{U} \text{ finer }} \frac{\left\{ f_{ij} \in \prod_{i < j} \mathcal{F}(U_{i} \cap U_{j}) : \begin{array}{c} f_{ij}f_{jk} = f_{ik} \\ \text{over each } U_{i} \cap U_{j} \cap U_{k} \end{array} \right\}}{f_{ij} = f'_{ij} \iff \exists (\varphi_{i})_{i} \in \prod_{i} \mathcal{F}(U_{i}) : \begin{array}{c} f_{ij}\varphi_{j} = \varphi_{i}f'_{ij} \\ \text{over each } U_{i} \cap U_{j} \end{array}}$$

It is the set of the equivalence classes of \mathcal{G} -principle bundle (or \mathcal{G} -torsor), that is, the sheaf of right \mathcal{G} -set locally isomorphic to $\mathcal{G}_{\text{right}}$. A typical example is $H^1(X; \mathcal{O}_X^*) = \text{Pic}(X) = \{\text{equivalence classes of lines bundles}\}.$

9.32. Prove that for any subset $i : F \subseteq X$, the shrick push forward $i_!$ is an exact functor (extending by zero) with i^* a one-direction inverse.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR READING