

# 1 (CO)HOMOLOGY WITH COEFFICIENTS

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a chain complex of free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules (free abelian groups)

$$\cdots \rightarrow C_{n+1} \xrightarrow{\partial} C_n \xrightarrow{\partial} C_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots,$$

then we can apply any functor  $\mathcal{F} : \mathbf{Ab} \rightarrow \mathbf{Ab}$  (perhaps contravariant) to get another complex  $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}$ . In particular, we can use the following two functors, where  $G$  is some abelian group.

- $- \otimes G$  (covariant) maps  $C \mapsto C \otimes G$  and  $\phi \mapsto \phi \otimes \text{id}$ ; since  $G$  is an abelian group, we're implicitly using  $\otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}$ ;
- $\text{Hom}(-, G)$  (contravariant) maps  $C \mapsto \text{Hom}(C, G)$  and  $\phi \mapsto \phi^*$  (precomposition with  $\phi$ ).

**Definition 1.** For a chain complex  $\mathcal{C}$ , its **homology with  $G$  coefficients** is

$$H_*(\mathcal{C}; G) := H_*(\mathcal{C} \otimes G).$$

Its **cohomology with  $G$  coefficients** is

$$H^*(\mathcal{C}; G) := H_*(\text{Hom}(\mathcal{C}, G)).$$

Note that  $C \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z} \cong C$  for any abelian group  $C$ , so  $H_*(\mathcal{C}; \mathbb{Z}) \cong H_*(\mathcal{C})$ . Also, when dealing with  $H^*$ , we throw “co-” on the front of all the vocab words, e.g. “cocyle” instead of “cycle”.

**go over why using TP and hom instead of hom and hom...**

## 2 EXT AND TOR

Derived functors measure the extent to which a functor fails to preserve exactness. Ext and Tor are two examples of derived functors, which we will use in a bit to formulate the Universal Coefficient Theorem.

**Definition 2.** A covariant functor  $\mathcal{F}$  is one of the below if it preserves exactness in the manner depicted.

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{exact} & A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C & \rightsquigarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}A \rightarrow \mathcal{F}B \rightarrow \mathcal{F}C \rightarrow 0 \\
 \text{left exact} & 0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C & \rightsquigarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}A \rightarrow \mathcal{F}B \rightarrow \mathcal{F}C \\
 \text{right exact} & A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0 & \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{F}A \rightarrow \mathcal{F}B \rightarrow \mathcal{F}C \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

The following apply to a contravariant functor  $\mathcal{G}$  instead.

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{exact} & A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C & \rightsquigarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}C \rightarrow \mathcal{G}B \rightarrow \mathcal{G}A \rightarrow 0 \\
 \text{left exact} & A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0 & \rightsquigarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}C \rightarrow \mathcal{G}B \rightarrow \mathcal{G}A \\
 \text{right exact} & 0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C & \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{G}C \rightarrow \mathcal{G}B \rightarrow \mathcal{G}A \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

**In Ab**, the above definitions are equivalent to those given by including 0's on the left and right of each LHS, but the forms above are a bit easier to work with since we won't always have things with 0's bookending them.

**Definition 3.** A **free** resolution of an abelian group  $A$  is an exact sequence of abelian groups

$$\cdots \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0,$$

where each  $F_i$  is free.

**Note 1.** We're really only concerned with the derived functors Ext and Tor, which are both formulated in terms of projective resolutions. But that's okay, since a free module is projective. Thus we only need to concern ourselves with free resolutions.

Suppose we have a right exact covariant functor  $\mathcal{F}$  and a free resolution

$$\cdots \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \twoheadrightarrow A \rightarrow 0,$$

then applying  $\mathcal{F}$  gives

$$\cdots \rightarrow \mathcal{F}F_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}F_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}F_0 \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{F}A \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is right exact, the blue subsequence above is still exact. Removing  $\mathcal{F}A$ , we get a new sequence

$$\cdots \rightarrow \mathcal{F}F_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}F_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}F_0 \rightarrow 0,$$

Taking homology gives us the **derived functors** of  $\mathcal{F}$ . A similar story holds when  $\mathcal{F}$  is a contravariant left exact functor instead. **check that still functor, i.e. a morphism  $X \rightarrow Y$  induces morphism  $L_i X \rightarrow L_i Y$ .**

**Theorem 1.** Different free resolutions yield **isomorphic** derived functors.

*Proof.* **Do this.** □

**Note 2.** A nice thing about working with abelian groups is that you can find short free resolutions, which makes calculating derived functors much easier by Theorem 1.

**Proposition 1.** Every abelian group  $A$  has a free resolution

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ker } \varepsilon \hookrightarrow \langle A \rangle \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} A \rightarrow 0.$$

*Proof.* First note that all objects in the sequence are free abelian since the kernel of a free abelian group is itself free abelian. Construct  $\varepsilon$  by extending  $\text{id}_A$ . Exactness is clear. □

**Note 3.** To be clear,  $\langle A \rangle$  is not necessarily the same thing as  $A$ , since  $A$  might have extra relations. None of these relations are in  $\langle A \rangle$ . Thus  $\text{Ker } \varepsilon$  is generated by the relations of  $A$ .

**Corollary 1.** **calc derived functors for abelian group.**

**how to turn  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  SES into LES using derived functors?**

With all this in place, we can finally define  $\text{Ext}$  and  $\text{Tor}$  as the derived functors of particular functors.

**Definition 4.** **Ext** is the derived functors of  $\text{Hom}(-, G)$ , and **Tor** is the derived functors of  $- \otimes G$ .

Note that both of these use projective resolutions, as  $\text{Hom}(-, G)$  is contravariant and left exact and  $- \otimes G$  is covariant and right exact. **Go over earlier in more detail why contra/left and cov/right work with free resolutions.**

### 3 THE UNIVERSAL COEFFICIENT THEOREM

Homology with coefficients is useful for simplifying certain calculations, but as it turns out, it encodes the exact same information that the usual homology with  $\mathbb{Z}$  coefficients does. The idea is that although  $H_n(\mathcal{C} \otimes G) \not\cong H_n(\mathcal{C}) \otimes G$  and  $H^*(\text{Hom}(\mathcal{C}, G)) \not\cong \text{Hom}(H_n\mathcal{C}, G)$  in general, we can use these as approximations and introduce some correction terms. These corrections are Ext and Tor.

**Theorem 2** (The Universal Coefficient Theorem). Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a chain complex of free abelian groups, and let  $G$  be any abelian group. Then there are short exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow H_n\mathcal{C} \otimes G \longrightarrow H_n(\mathcal{C}; G) \longrightarrow \text{Tor}(H_{n-1}\mathcal{C}, G) \longrightarrow 0,$$

$$0 \longleftarrow \text{Hom}(H_n\mathcal{C}, G) \longleftarrow H^n(\mathcal{C}; G) \longleftarrow \text{Ext}(H_{n-1}\mathcal{C}, G) \longleftarrow 0$$

that are natural and split (although the splitting isn't natural). In other words,

$$\begin{aligned} H_n(\mathcal{C}; G) &\cong (H_n\mathcal{C} \otimes G) \oplus \text{Tor}(H_{n-1}\mathcal{C}, G), \\ H^n(\mathcal{C}; G) &\cong \text{Hom}(H_n\mathcal{C}, G) \oplus \text{Ext}(H_{n-1}\mathcal{C}, G). \end{aligned}$$

We'll be mostly interested in the second statement since we care more about cohomology. If we're working with field coefficients, then the UCT gets simpler.

**Theorem 3** (UCT for Fields). If  $\mathbf{k}$  is a field, then

$$H^n(\mathcal{C}, \mathbf{k}) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{k}}(H_n(\mathcal{C}; \mathbf{k}), \mathbf{k}).$$

Note that it's  $H_n(\mathcal{C}; \mathbf{k})$ , not  $H_n(\mathcal{C})$ .