
COHOMOLOGY OF GROUPS — EXERCISE SHEET 4
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Throughout these exercises R denotes an associative, unital ring.

EXERCISE 1

Verify that for each $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $H_n(-) : \mathbf{Ch}(R\mathbf{Mod}) \rightarrow R\mathbf{Mod}$ is a covariant functor.

EXERCISE 2

(a) Let p be a prime number and consider the following chain complexes of \mathbb{Z} -modules:

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots &\rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot p} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots \\ \cdots &\rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots \\ \cdots &\rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot 2} \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots \\ \cdots &\rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot 2} \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots \end{aligned}$$

Compute the homology of each complex.

(b) Consider the following morphism of chain complexes of abelian groups:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} \cdots & \xrightarrow{0} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{=} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{0} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{=} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{0} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\cdot p} & \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \pi & & \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Compute the homology of both the horizontal chain complexes and prove that each map induced in homology by the vertical maps is an isomorphism.