

MAPS OF 1-COHOMOLOGIES

Let K, V be algebraic groups such that K acts on V by group automorphisms, so we can define $Z^1(K, V), H^1(K, V)$. Denote the action of K on V by $x \cdot v$ for $x \in K, v \in V$.

Proposition 1. *Let K' be an algebraic group that acts on V by group automorphisms, so we can define $Z^1(K', V), H^1(K', V)$. Denote the action of K' on V by $x * v$ for $x \in K', v \in V$.*

*Let $\zeta : K' \rightarrow K$ be a homomorphism and suppose that $x * v = \zeta(x) \cdot v$ for all $x \in K', v \in V$. Then for all $\alpha \in Z^1(K, V), \alpha \circ \zeta \in Z^1(K', V)$.*

Proof. Let $\alpha \in Z^1(K, V)$ and let $x, y \in K'$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha \circ \zeta)(xy) &= \alpha(\zeta(x)\zeta(y)) \\ &= \alpha(\zeta(x))(\zeta(x) \cdot \alpha(\zeta(y))) \\ &= \alpha(\zeta(x))(x * \alpha(\zeta(y))) \\ &= (\alpha \circ \zeta)(x)(x * (\alpha \circ \zeta)(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since $\alpha \circ \zeta$ is a morphism and satisfies the 1-cocycle condition, $\alpha \circ \zeta \in Z^1(K', V)$. \square

Proposition 2. *Let V' be an algebraic group on which K acts by group automorphisms. Denote the action of K on V' by $x \wedge v$ for all $x \in K, v \in V'$.*

Let $\xi : V \rightarrow V'$ be a K -equivariant homomorphism, that is, $x \wedge \xi(v) = \xi(x \cdot v)$ for all $x \in K, v \in V$. Then for all $\alpha \in Z^1(K, V), \xi \circ \alpha \in Z^1(K, V')$.

Proof. Let $\alpha \in Z^1(K, V)$ and let $x, y \in K$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi \circ \alpha)(xy) &= \xi(\alpha(x)(x \cdot \alpha(y))) \\ &= \xi(\alpha(x))\xi(x \cdot \alpha(y)) \\ &= \xi(\alpha(x))(x \wedge \xi(\alpha(y))) \\ &= (\xi \circ \alpha)(x)(x \wedge (\xi \circ \alpha)(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since $\xi \circ \alpha$ is a morphism and satisfies the 1-cocycle condition, $\xi \circ \alpha \in Z^1(K, V')$. \square

Proposition 3. *Let K', V' be algebraic groups, such that*

- (a) *K' acts on V by group automorphisms, denoted by $x * v$ for all $x \in K', v \in V$,*

- (b) K' acts on V' by group automorphisms, denoted by $x \wedge v$ for all $x \in K', v \in V'$.

Let $\zeta : K' \rightarrow K$ and $\xi : V \rightarrow V'$ be homomorphisms such that

- (c) $x * v = \zeta(x) \cdot v$ for all $x \in K', v \in V$,
 (d) $\xi(x * v) = x \wedge \xi(v)$ for all $x \in K', v \in V$.

Then the function defined by

$$Z^1(\zeta, \xi)(\alpha) = \xi \circ \alpha \circ \zeta,$$

maps $Z^1(K, V) \rightarrow Z^1(K', V')$.

Furthermore, $Z^1(\zeta, \xi)$ descends to give a well-defined map $H^1(\zeta, \xi) : H^1(K, V) \rightarrow H^1(K', V')$, defined by

$$H^1(\zeta, \xi)(\psi(\alpha)) = (\psi' \circ Z^1(\zeta, \xi))(\alpha),$$

for all $\alpha \in Z^1(K, V)$, where $\psi : Z^1(K, V) \rightarrow H^1(K, V)$ and $\psi' : Z^1(K', V') \rightarrow H^1(K', V')$ are the canonical projections.

Moreover, the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z^1(K, V) & \xrightarrow{Z^1(\zeta, \xi)} & Z^1(K', V') \\ \downarrow \psi & & \downarrow \psi' \\ H^1(K, V) & \xrightarrow{H^1(\zeta, \xi)} & H^1(K', V'). \end{array}$$

Proof. Let $\alpha \in Z^1(K, V)$ and let $x, y \in K'$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi \circ \alpha \circ \zeta)(xy) &= \xi((\alpha \circ \zeta)(x)) \xi(x * (\alpha \circ \zeta)(y)) \quad (\text{by Prop. 1}) \\ &= \xi((\alpha \circ \zeta)(x)) (x \wedge \xi(\alpha \circ \zeta)(y)) \quad (\text{by (d)}) \\ &= (\xi \circ \alpha \circ \zeta)(x) (x \wedge (\xi \circ \alpha \circ \zeta)(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $(\xi \circ \alpha \circ \zeta) \in Z^1(K', V')$.

It remains to show $H^1(\zeta, \xi)$ is well-defined. Let $\beta \in Z^1(K, V)$ such that $\psi(\alpha) = \psi(\beta)$. Then there exists $v \in V$ such that

$$\beta(x) = v\alpha(x)(x \cdot v^{-1}),$$

for all $x \in K$.

Then, for all $x \in K'$

$$\begin{aligned} (Z^1(\zeta, \xi)(\beta))(x) &= \xi(\beta(\zeta(x))) \\ &= \xi(v\alpha(\zeta(x))(\zeta(x) * v^{-1})) \\ &= \xi(v)\xi(\alpha(\zeta(x)))\xi(\zeta(x) * v^{-1}) \\ &= \xi(v)\xi(\alpha(\zeta(x)))(x \wedge \xi(v^{-1})) \\ &= \xi(v)(Z^1(\zeta, \xi)(\alpha))(x)(x \wedge \xi(v^{-1})). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $\psi'(Z^1(\zeta, \xi)(\alpha)) = \psi'(Z^1(\zeta, \xi)(\alpha))$, hence $H^1(\zeta, \xi)$ is well-defined. This completes the proof. \square

Remark 1. *The slightly unfortunate choice of notation “ $Z^1(K, V)$ ” doesn’t explicitly mention the action. The consequence is that given suitable homomorphisms*

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta &: K \rightarrow K, \\ \xi &: V \rightarrow V,\end{aligned}$$

the statement

$$H^1(\zeta, \xi) : H^1(K, V) \rightarrow H^1(K, V)$$

is misleading on its own: Is the 1-cohomology on the left of the arrow the same as the one on the right? Later we adopt a modified notation for the 1-cocycles and the 1-cohomology which carries the action defining the 1-cocycles.