

12. If H is a subgroup of G and A is an abelian group let $M_{G/H}(A)$ denote the abelian group of all maps from the left cosets gH of H in G to A .
- (a) Prove that $M_1^G(A) \cong M_1^H(M_{G/H}(A))$ as H -modules. [If $\{g_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is a choice of left coset representatives of H in G define the correspondence between $f \in M_1^G(A)$ and $F : H \rightarrow M_{G/H}(A)$ by $F(h)(g_i H) = f(g_i h)$, and check that this is an isomorphism of H -modules.]
- (b) A G -module A such that $H^n(H, A) = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$ and all subgroups H of G is called *cohomologically trivial*. Prove that $M_1^G(A)$ is a cohomologically trivial for any abelian group A .
- (c) If G is finite, prove that $\mathbb{Z}G \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} A$ is cohomologically trivial for all abelian groups A .
13. Suppose A is a G -module and H is a subgroup of G . Prove that the group homomorphism from $H^n(G, A)$ to $H^n(G, M_H^G(A))$ for all $n \geq 0$ induced from the G -module homomorphism from A to $M_H^G(A)$ in Example 3 following Corollary 22 composed with the isomorphism $H^n(G, M_H^G(A)) \cong H^n(H, A)$ of Shapiro's Lemma is the restriction homomorphism from $H^n(G, A)$ to $H^n(H, A)$.
14. Suppose $\varphi : H \rightarrow G$ is the inclusion map of the subgroup H of G into G . If A is an H -module and $M_H^G(A)$ the associated induced G -module, define the group homomorphism $\psi : M_H^G(A) \rightarrow A$ by mapping f to its value at 1: $\psi(f) = f(1)$.
- (a) Prove that φ and ψ are compatible homomorphisms.
- (b) Prove that the induced group homomorphism from $H^n(G, M_H^G(A))$ to $H^n(H, A)$ for $n \geq 0$ is the isomorphism in Shapiro's Lemma.
15. Suppose H is a normal subgroup of G and A is a G -module. For fixed $g \in G$, let $\psi(a) = ga$ and $\varphi(h) = g^{-1}hg$ for $h \in H$.
- (a) Prove that φ and ψ are compatible homomorphisms.
- (b) For each $n \geq 0$, prove that the homomorphism θ_g from $H^n(H, A)$ to $H^n(H, A)$ induced by the compatible homomorphisms φ and ψ is an automorphism of $H^n(H, A)$. [Observe that both φ and ψ have inverses.]
- (c) Show that θ_g acting on $H^0(H, A)$ is the automorphism in Exercise 4.
16. Let A be a G -module and for $g \in G$ let θ_g denote the automorphism of $H^n(G, A)$ defined in the previous exercise.
- (a) Prove that θ_g acting on $H^0(G, A) = A^G$ is the identity map.
- (b) Prove that θ_g acting on $H^n(G, A)$ is the identity map for $n \geq 1$. [By induction on n and dimension shifting. For $n = 1$, use the exact sequence in Corollary 22, together with (a) applied to θ_g on C^G . For $n \geq 2$ use the isomorphism $H^{n+1}(G, A) \cong H^n(G, C)$ in Corollary 22.]
17. Suppose that H is a normal subgroup of G and A is a G -module. For $n \geq 0$ prove that $H^n(H, A)$ is a G/H -module where gH acts by the automorphism θ_g induced by conjugation by g on H and the natural action of g on A as in Exercise 15. [Use the previous exercise to show this action of a coset is well defined.]
18. Suppose that G is cyclic of order m , that H is a subgroup of G of index d , and that \mathbb{Z} is a trivial G -module. Use the projective G -module resolution in Exercise 8 to prove
- (a) that $\text{Cor} : H^n(H, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^n(G, \mathbb{Z})$ is multiplication by d from \mathbb{Z} to \mathbb{Z} for $n = 0$, from $\mathbb{Z}/(m/d)\mathbb{Z}$ to $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ if n is odd, and from 0 to 0 if n is even, $n \geq 2$, and
- (b) that $\text{Res} : H^n(G, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^n(H, \mathbb{Z})$ is the identity map from \mathbb{Z} to \mathbb{Z} for $n = 0$, and is the natural projection map from $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ to $\mathbb{Z}/(m/d)\mathbb{Z}$ or from 0 to 0, depending on the parity of $n \geq 1$.
19. Let p be a prime and let P be a Sylow p -subgroup of the finite group G . Show that for

- any G -module A and all $n \geq 0$ the map $\text{Res} : H^n(G, A) \rightarrow H^n(P, A)$ is injective on the p -primary component of $H^1(G, A)$. Deduce that if $|A| = p^a$ then the restriction map is injective on $H^n(G, A)$. [Use Proposition 26.]
20. Let p be a prime, let $G = \langle \sigma \rangle$ be cyclic of order p^m and let W be a vector space of dimension $d > 0$ over \mathbb{F}_p on which σ acts as a linear transformation. Assume W has a basis such that the matrix of σ is a $d \times d$ elementary Jordan block with eigenvalue 1.
- Prove that $d \leq p^m$. [Use facts about the minimal polynomial of an elementary Jordan block.]
 - Prove that $\dim_{\mathbb{F}_p} W^G = 1$.
 - Prove that $\dim_{\mathbb{F}_p} (\sigma - 1)W = d - 1$.
 - If $N = 1 + \sigma + \cdots + \sigma^{p^m-1}$ is the usual norm element, prove that NW is of dimension 1 if $d = p^m$ (respectively, of dimension 0 if $d < p^m$) and that the dimension of ${}_N W$ is $d - 1$ (respectively, d). [Let R be the group ring $\mathbb{F}_p G$, and show that every nonzero R -submodule of R contains N . Note that W is a cyclic R -module and let $\varphi : R \rightarrow W$ be a surjective homomorphism. Conclude that if φ is not an isomorphism then $N \in \ker \varphi$.]
 - Deduce that if $d = p^m$ then $H^n(G, W) = 0$, and if $d < p^m$ then $H^n(G, W)$ has order p , for all $n \geq 1$ (i.e., these cohomology groups are zero if and only if W is a free $\mathbb{F}_p G$ -module).
21. Let p be a prime, let $G = \langle \sigma \rangle$ be cyclic of order p^m and let V be a G -module of exponent p . Let $V = V_1 \oplus V_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus V_k$ be a decomposition of V giving the Jordan Canonical Form of σ , where each V_i is σ -invariant and a matrix of σ on V_i is an $d_i \times d_i$ elementary Jordan block with eigenvalue 1, $d_i \geq 1$ (cf. Section 12.3). Prove that $|V^G| = p^k$ and $|H^n(G, V)| = p^s$ where s is the number of V_i of dimension less than p^m over \mathbb{F}_p , for all $n \geq 1$. [Use the preceding exercise and Exercise 5.]
22. Suppose G is a topological group, i.e., there is a topology on G such that the maps $G \times G \rightarrow G$ defined by $(g_1, g_2) \mapsto g_1 g_2$ and $G \rightarrow G$ defined by $g \mapsto g^{-1}$ are continuous.
- If H is an open subgroup of G and $g \in G$, prove that the cosets gH and Hg and the subgroup $g^{-1}Hg$ are also open.
 - Prove that any open subgroup is also closed. [The complement is the union of cosets as in (a).]
 - Prove that a closed subgroup of finite index is open.
 - If G is compact prove that every open subgroup H is of finite index.
23. Suppose G is a compact topological group. Prove the following are equivalent:
- G is profinite, i.e., $G = \varprojlim G_i$ is the inverse limit of finite groups G_i .
 - There exists a family $\{N_i\}$ ($i \in \mathcal{I}$) of open normal subgroups N_i in G such that $\cap_i N_i = 1$ and in this case $G \cong \varprojlim (G/N_i)$.
 - There exists a family $\{H_j\}$ ($j \in \mathcal{J}$) of open subgroups H_j in G such that $\cap_j H_j = 1$.
- [To show (iii) implies (ii), let H be open in G and use (d) of the previous exercise to show that $N = \cap_{g \in G} g^{-1}Hg$ is a finite intersection and conclude that $N \subseteq H \subseteq G$ and N is open and normal in G .]
24. Suppose N and N' are open normal subgroups of the profinite group G and $N' \subseteq N$. Prove that the projection homomorphism $\varphi : G/N' \rightarrow G/N$ and the injection $\psi : A^N \rightarrow A^{N'}$ are compatible homomorphisms and deduce there is an induced homomorphism from $H^n(G/N, A^N)$ to $H^n(G/N', A^{N'})$.
25. If G is an infinite profinite group show that G does not act continuously on $A = \mathbb{Z}G$. [Show that the stabilizer of $a \in A$ is not always of finite index in G .]

17.3 CROSSED HOMOMORPHISMS AND $H^1(G, A)$

In this section we consider in greater detail the cohomology group $H^1(G, A)$ where G is a group and A is a G -module. From the definition of the coboundary map d_1 in equation (18), if $f \in C^1(G, A)$ then

$$d_1(f)(g_1, g_2) = g_1 \cdot f(g_2) - f(g_1 g_2) + f(g_1).$$

Thus any function $f : G \rightarrow A$ is a 1-cocycle if and only if it satisfies the identity

$$f(gh) = f(g) + gf(h) \quad \text{for all } g, h \in G. \quad (17.20)$$

Equivalently, a 1-cocycle is determined by a collection $\{a_g\}_{g \in G}$ of elements in A satisfying $a_{gh} = a_g + ga_h$ for $g, h \in G$ (and then the 1-cocycle f is the function sending g to a_g). Note that if 1 denotes the identity of G , then $f(1) = f(1^2) = f(1) + 1 \cdot f(1) = 2f(1)$, so $f(1) = 0$ is the identity in A . Thus 1-cocycles are necessarily “normalized” at the identity. It then follows from the cocycle condition that $f(g^{-1}) = -g^{-1}f(g)$ for all $g \in G$.

If A is a G -module on which G acts trivially, then the cocycle condition (20) is simply $f(gh) = f(g) + f(h)$, i.e., f is simply a *homomorphism* from the multiplicative group G to the additive group A . Because of this the functions from G to A satisfying (20) are called *crossed homomorphisms*.

A 1-cochain f is a 1-coboundary if there is some $a \in A$ such that

$$f(g) = g \cdot a - a \quad \text{for all } g \in G, \quad (17.21)$$

(equivalently, $a_g = ga - a$ in the notation above). Note that since $-a \in A$, the coboundary condition in (21) can also be phrased as $f(g) = a - g \cdot a$ for some fixed $a \in A$ and all $g \in G$. The 1-coboundaries are called *principal crossed homomorphisms*. With this terminology the cohomology group $H^1(G, A)$ is the group of crossed homomorphisms modulo the subgroup of principal crossed homomorphisms.

Example: (Hilbert’s Theorem 90)

Suppose $G = \text{Gal}(K/F)$ is the Galois group of a finite Galois extension K/F of fields. Then the multiplicative group K^\times is a G -module and $H^1(G, K^\times) = 0$. To see this, let $\{\alpha_\sigma\}$ be the values $f(\sigma)$ of a 1-cocycle f , so that $\alpha_\sigma \in K^\times$ and $\alpha_{\sigma\tau} = \alpha_\sigma \sigma(\alpha_\tau)$ (the cocycle condition written multiplicatively for the group K^\times). By the linear independence of automorphisms (Corollary 8 in Section 14.2), there is an element $\gamma \in K$ such that

$$\beta = \sum_{\tau \in G} \alpha_\tau \tau(\gamma)$$

is nonzero, i.e., $\beta \in K^\times$. Then for any $\sigma \in G$ we have

$$\sigma(\beta) = \sum_{\tau \in G} \sigma(\alpha_\tau) \sigma\tau(\gamma) = \alpha_\sigma^{-1} \sum_{\tau \in G} \alpha_{\sigma\tau} \sigma\tau(\gamma) = \alpha_\sigma^{-1} \beta$$

where the second equality comes from the cocycle condition. Hence $\alpha_\sigma = \beta/\sigma(\beta)$, which is the multiplicative form of the coboundary condition (21) (for the element $a = \beta^{-1}$). Since every 1-cocycle is a 1-coboundary, we have $H^1(G, K^\times) = 0$. The same result holds for infinite Galois extensions by equation (19) in the previous section since $H^1(G, K^\times)$ is the direct limit of trivial groups.