Homological Algebra

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Part I

Chapter 1

Abelian categories

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K & \longrightarrow A & \longrightarrow B & \longrightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ K' & \longrightarrow A' & \longrightarrow B' & \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

- (a) If $A \rightarrow A'$ is monic, then $K \rightarrow K'$ is monic.
- (b) If $B \to B'$ is monic, then $K \to K'$ is epic.

Chapter 2

A left *R*-module *P* is projective if and only if the left exact functor $Hom_R(P, -)$ is exact.

A left *R*-module *I* is injective if and only if the left exact contravariant functor $Hom_R(-, I)$ is exact.

2.1 (Tor functor). Let *R* be a ring and *M* be a left *R*-module. We define the *Tor functor* as the left derived functor of the right exact functor $- \otimes_R M : \text{Mod } -R \to \mathbf{Ab}$

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{n}^{R}(N,M) := H_{n}(P_{\bullet} \otimes_{R} M),$$

where P_{\bullet} is a projective resolution of a right *R*-module *N*.

- (a) In fact, the Tor functor may be defined by the left derived functor of the right exact functor $M \otimes_R -: R\text{-Mod} \to \mathbf{Ab}$ for a right R-module M.
- (b) In fact, only for Tor functors, we may only assume P_{\bullet} is a flat resolution. (Flat resolution lemma)
- **2.2** (Ext functor). Let R be a ring and M be a left R-module. We define the Ext functor as the right derived functor of left exact functor $Hom_R(M,-)$

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{n}(M,N) := H^{n}(M,I^{\bullet}),$$

where I^{\bullet} is an injective resolution of N.

(a) In fact, the Ext functor may be defined by the right derived functor of the left exact contravariant functor Hom(-, M).

long exact seuqence

2.3 (Universal coefficient theorem). Let R be a ring. Let C_{\bullet} be a chain complex of flat right R-modules and M be a left R-module.

Proof. We first prove the Künneth formula. Note that modules in Z_{\bullet} and B_{\bullet} are also flat. We start from that we have a short exact sequence of chain complexes

$$0 \to Z_{\bullet} \to C_{\bullet} \to B_{\bullet-1} \to 0.$$

We have a short exact sequence of chain complexes

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(B_{\bullet-1}, M) \to Z_{\bullet} \otimes_{R} M \to C_{\bullet} \otimes_{R} M \to B_{\bullet-1} \otimes_{R} M \to 0.$$

Since modules in $B_{\bullet-1}$ are flat so that $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(B_{\bullet-1},M)=0$, we have a short exact sequence of chain complexes

$$0 \to Z_{\bullet} \otimes_R M \to C_{\bullet} \otimes_R M \to B_{\bullet - 1} \otimes_R M \to 0.$$

Since $H_n(C_{\bullet-1}) = H_{n-1}(C_{\bullet})$ for any chain complex C, we have a long exact sequence

$$H_n(B_{\bullet} \otimes_R M) \to H_n(Z_{\bullet} \otimes_R M) \to H_n(C_{\bullet} \otimes_R M) \to H_{n-1}(B_{\bullet} \otimes_R M) \to H_{n-1}(Z_{\bullet} \otimes_R M).$$

Since every morphism in B_{\bullet} and Z_{\bullet} is zero, we have an exact sequence

$$B_n \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{f_n} Z_n \otimes_R M \to H_n(C_{\bullet} \otimes_R M) \to B_{n-1} \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{f_{n-1}} Z_{n-1} \otimes_R M.$$

Therefore, we have a short exact sequence

$$0 \to \operatorname{coker} f_n \to H_n(C_{\bullet} \otimes_R M) \to \ker f_{n-1} \to 0.$$

Since

$$0 \to B_n \to Z_n \to H_n(C_{\bullet}) \to 0$$

is a flat resolution of $H_n(C_{\bullet})$, by the flat resolution lemma, we have a long exact sequence

$$\operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(Z_{n},M) \to \operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(H_{n}(C_{\bullet}),M) \to B_{n} \otimes_{R} M \xrightarrow{f_{n}} Z_{n} \otimes_{R} M \to H_{n}(C_{\bullet}) \otimes_{R} M \to 0.$$

Since Z_n is flat so that $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(Z_n, M) = 0$, we have

$$\operatorname{coker} f_n = H_n(C_{\bullet}) \otimes_R M, \quad \ker f_n = \operatorname{Tor}_1^R(H_n(C_{\bullet}), M).$$

Therefore, we have an exact sequence

$$0 \to H_n(C_{\bullet}) \otimes_R M \to H_n(C_{\bullet} \otimes_R M) \to \operatorname{Tor}_1^R(H_{n-1}(C_{\bullet}), M) \to 0.$$

Universal coefficient theorem states that if *R* is a PID, then the Künneth formula splits non-canonically.