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Homological Algebra

Set of techniques
for dealing w/ maps,
filtered objects (often graded)
in "additive" (= ab. categorical)
situations.

replace objects
by their
"presentations"
described by
"complexes"

study of "failure of
exactness"

Honest answer:

In 50's topologists developed a set of
algebraic techniques for computations.

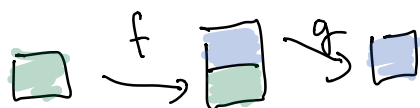
~> algebra.

Basic object

Short exact sequence (Ab groups)

$$0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$$

- $\ker g = \text{im } f$, f injective, g surjective
- presentation of C
 B generators, A relations
- decomposition of B



Long exact sequences...

$$0 \rightarrow \square \rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \square \rightarrow 0$$

Complexes

indexed

$$0 \rightarrow A^{-1} \xrightarrow{d^{-1}} A^0 \xrightarrow{d^0} A^1 \xrightarrow{d^1} A^2 \rightarrow A^3 \rightarrow 0$$

"superscripts go up"

$$A^\bullet = \coprod_{\mathbb{Z}} A^i \quad (= \prod_{\mathbb{Z}} A^i)$$

$d: A^i \rightarrow A^{i-1}$ shifts degree up by 1.

$$d: A \rightarrow A \quad d^2 = 0$$

Where do complexes come from (natural habitats)

presentations / syzygies

$$R = k[x, y] \quad M = R/(x, y) \cong k$$

$$0 \rightarrow (x, y) \rightarrow R \rightarrow k \rightarrow 0$$

$$1 \rightarrow \bar{1}$$

$$r \mapsto ry, -rx$$

$$a, b \mapsto ax + by$$

$$0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow R \oplus R \rightarrow (x, y) \rightarrow 0$$

$$R \otimes R$$

"free resolution"

$$0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow R \oplus R \rightarrow R \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

perspective soon:

$$0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0$$

equivalence

$$0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow R \oplus R \rightarrow R \rightarrow 0$$

example of complexes

Singular chain complex of a topological space

$$C_2 X \rightarrow C_1 X \rightarrow C_0 X \rightarrow X$$

~~d_2~~ (triangles)
equivalence
"intervals"
pts of X



Def A complex $(\dots \rightarrow A_i \xrightarrow{d_i} A_{i-1} \rightarrow \dots)$
(all complexes potentially infinite w/
 0 's extg to right & left)

Def given a complex C_\bullet ,

$$H_i(C_\bullet) = \frac{\ker d_i}{\text{im } d_{i+1}}$$

Homological notation:
subscripts, $d_i: C_i \rightarrow C_{i-1}$

Cohomological notation:
superscripts, $d^i: C^i \rightarrow C^{i+1}$

C_* chain complex C^* cochain complex

$$H^i(C^*) = \frac{\ker d^i}{\operatorname{im} d^{i-1}}$$

cohomology

Complexes form a category

Start w/ the category $R\text{Mod}$ = left R -modules

if C_* , D_* are complexes of R -modules,

a chain map $f_*: C_* \rightarrow D_*$ is a sequence

of maps of R -modules $f_i: C_i \rightarrow D_i$

$$f_{i-1}(d_i^C x) = d_i^D(f_i x)$$

$$\text{or } f_{i-1} d = d f_i$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 C_i & \xrightarrow{f_i} & D_i \\
 d_i^C \downarrow & & \downarrow d_i^D \\
 C_{i-1} & \xrightarrow{f_{i-1}} & D_{i-1}
 \end{array}
 \text{ commutes}$$

Chain map induce natural maps of homology groups.
 R -modules

$$H_i(f_*) : H_i(C_*) \rightarrow H_i(D_*)$$

R -module hom.

Can show (try)

Complexes are a category \mathcal{C}
 $H_i(C)$ functors $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Cat of } R\text{-mods}$
to Cat of R -mods

Main magic: given SES of complexes

$$0 \rightarrow A_* \rightarrow B_* \rightarrow C_* \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{LES} \quad \rightarrow H_0(A_*) \rightarrow H_0(B_*) \rightarrow H_0(C_*) \rightarrow H_{-1}(A_*)$$

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 $H_{-1}(B_*) \rightarrow \dots$