

Local cohomology & cellular approximation 15th May 23 ICTS

Some references:

- Dwyer & Greenlees: Complete modules & torsion modules
- DG & I: Duality in algebra & topology.
- Hovey, Palmieri, Strickland: Axiomatic stable homotopy theory
- Benson, I., Krause: Various references

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My lectures are intended to complement those of Greenlees & Krause

① Cellular approximation:

Throughout R commutative noeth. ring.

Examples: \mathbb{Z} , polynomial rings, and quotients thereof.

R -Complex:

$$M = \dots \rightarrow M_{i+1} \rightarrow M_i \rightarrow M_{i-1} \rightarrow \dots$$

- Lower grading.

$$H(M) := \{ H_i(M) \}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

$D(R) :=$ Derived category of all R -complexes

- Viewed as a triangulated category

$\Sigma :=$ shift/translation

Besides this structure:

$$- \otimes_R^L \quad \simeq \quad R\text{Hom}_R(-, -)$$

All this makes $D(R)$ a compactly generated, symmetric monoidal category

i.e. a tensor-triangulated category

- This is the link to homotopy theory / stable module theory.

Often mainly interested in

$$D(\text{mod } R) = \{ M \in R \mid H(M) \text{ f.g. } R\text{-module} \}$$

$$\text{i.e. } H_i(M) \text{ f.g. } \forall i \text{ and } \\ = 0 \forall |i| \gg 0$$

$$\cdot \text{Hom}_D(M, N) = H_0(R\text{Hom}_R(M, N))$$

$$\text{Hom}_D^*(M, N) = H^*(\text{Hom}_R(M, N)) \quad (3)$$

Fix $X \in D(R)$.

- $\text{Loc}(X) :=$ Smallest triangulated subcategory of $D(R)$ containing X and closed under arbitrary coproducts.

- These are the R complexes built out of X .

Example: $\text{Loc}(R) = D(R)$

- Just the statement that each complex has a projective res.

The X -cellular approximation of $M \in D(R)$

is a mcp $\text{Cell}_X M \rightarrow M$ s.t.

① $\text{Cell}_X M$ is built out of X ;

② The mcp is an X -equivalence:

$$\text{Hom}_D^*(X, \text{Cell}_X M) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}_D^*(X, M)$$

Equivalently: $\text{Cell}_X M \rightarrow M$

f factors uniquely through $\text{Cell}_X M$. $\uparrow f \leftarrow$ given $\Sigma^i X$

So " $\text{Cell}_X M$ " is the best approximation to M by objects built out of X .

Fact: X -cellular approximations exist and are unique upto unique iso.

- Due to Farjoun / Neeman, depending on who you ask.

Condition 2 equivalent to: $\text{Hom}_D(X, L_X^* M) = 0$

where $\text{Cell}_X M \rightarrow M \rightarrow L_X M \rightarrow \Sigma \text{Cell}_X M$.

- Undercores need to understand why $\text{Hom}_D(M, X) = 0$.

Example: ① $R = \mathbb{Z}$ $X = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{F}_p$

Then $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}]/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$

gives $\Sigma^{-1} \frac{\mathbb{Z}[p^{-1}]}{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ in $D(\mathbb{Z})$

- This is the \mathbb{F}_p -cellular approx. of \mathbb{Z} .
(justify later)

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② $R = \mathbb{Z}$ (or any domain)

\mathbb{Q} = rationals (field of fractions of R)

$$\text{Cell } R = R \underset{\mathbb{Q}}{\text{Hom}}(R, R)$$

- A complicated object.

- Non-zero if $R = \mathbb{Z}$, or $k[x]$

- zero if $R = k[x]$ k field.

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② Local Cohomology: Fix $V \subseteq \text{Spec } R$

closed, or even just
spec. d. set closed.

For any $M \in R\text{-Mod}$ set

$$\Gamma_V M = \text{Ker}(M \rightarrow \prod_{P \notin V} M_P)$$

- sections supported on V

Say $V = V(I)$ $I \subseteq R$ ideal. Then

$$\Gamma_V M = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} U(0 : I^n) = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \text{Hom}_R(R/I^n, M)$$

For any $M \in D(R)$ injective resolution of M

$$R\Gamma_V M := \Gamma_V(\tilde{i}M)$$

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applied component-wise.

$$R\Gamma_V(M) = \Gamma_V(iM) \hookrightarrow iM \simeq M \quad \text{so we get}$$

$$R\Gamma_V(M) \rightarrow M$$

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The local cohomology of M supported on V .

Say $x \in D^b(\text{mod } R)$

$$\text{supp}_R x := \{ \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } R \mid H(x)_{\mathfrak{p}} \neq 0 \}$$

- closed subset of $\text{Spec } R$

$$= V(\text{ann}_R H(x))$$

Fact: $\bigcup_i H^i V = \text{supp}_R x$, for any $M \in D(R)$

$R\Gamma_V M \rightarrow M$ is the x -cellular approx. of M .

- $\text{cell}_x M$ only depends on $\text{supp}_R x$. This holds

in general.

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Various methods exist to compute $RP_{\mathbb{Z}} M$:

say $V = V(I)$ $I = (r_1, \dots, r_n)$

Set $K_{\infty}(\underline{r}) = \bigoplus_i [0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow R[\frac{1}{r_i}] \rightarrow 0]$

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Stable Koszul ex. or "extended" Čech ex.

$0 \rightarrow R \rightarrow \bigoplus R[\frac{1}{r_i}] \rightarrow \bigoplus R[\frac{1}{r_i r_j}] \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow R[\frac{1}{r_1 \dots r_n}] \rightarrow 0$
↑ degree 0

One has $K^{\infty}(\underline{r}) \rightarrow R$ (project onto degree 0)

This induces:

$K^{\infty}(\underline{r}) \otimes_R M \rightarrow M$
← $RP_{\mathbb{Z}} M$
Requires proof.

Example: $RP_{(p)} \mathcal{B} = 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}[\frac{1}{p}] \rightarrow 0$
 $\simeq \tilde{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathcal{B}[p^{-1}] / \mathcal{B}$

- This explains the earlier computation.

(III) Now suppose X is *perfect*:

$$X = 0 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow 0$$

Maybe only up to iso. \nearrow each P_i a f.g. projective R -module.

Set $E := \text{End}_R(X) = \text{Hom}_R(X, X)$

Viewed as a dg (= differential graded) algebra.

- product = composition of maps

- usual differential: $[d^x, -]$

$D(E^{op}) :=$ Derived category of right dg E -modules.

Note: X is a left E -module,

and this is compatible with R -action:

$$R \rightarrow E \quad \text{map of dg algebras}$$

In particular, for any $N \in D(E^{op})$

$$N \overset{L}{\otimes}_E X \in D(R)$$

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Also $R\text{Hom}_R(X, -) : D(R) \rightarrow D(E^{\text{op}})$

One has an adjoint pair:

$$D(R) \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\overset{L}{\otimes}_E X} \\ \xrightarrow{R\text{Hom}_R(X, -)} \end{array} D(E^{\text{op}})$$

One has a natural map:

$$R\text{Hom}_R(X, M) \overset{L}{\otimes}_E X \rightarrow M \quad \text{in } D(R)$$

$$\forall M \in D(R)$$

When X is perfect, this is the X -cellular approximation of M .

Sketch of proof: Since $R\text{Hom}_R(X, M) \in \text{Loc}(E)$
(projective resolutions exist)

$$R\text{Hom}_R(X, M) \overset{L}{\otimes}_E X \in \text{Loc}\left(\underset{E}{\overset{L}{\otimes}} X\right)$$

= X

Also
$$R\text{Hom}_R(X, R\text{Hom}_R(X, M) \otimes_E X) \xrightarrow{\cong} R\text{Hom}_R(X, M)$$

$$R\text{Hom}_R(X, M) \otimes_E R\text{Hom}_R(X, X)$$
Always exact $\leftarrow \uparrow \textcircled{1}$ $\nearrow \textcircled{2}$

When X is perfect, $\textcircled{1}$ is an iso. in $D(R)$.

Thus $\textcircled{2}$ is also an iso. \square

One gets another model for $R\Gamma M$ $\mathcal{V} = \text{LSP}_R X$.

Example: $R = \mathbb{Z}$ $X = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \simeq 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{p} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$

Then $E = \text{End}_R(X)$, basically $M_2(\mathbb{Z})$

$$R\text{Hom}_R(\mathbb{Z}/p, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{-1} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$$

So we get $\mathbb{Z}^{-1} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \otimes_E \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{Z}(p^{-1})/\mathbb{Z}$

This is somewhat surprising because.

$$H^*(E) = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}[2] \quad |q|=1 \quad (\text{upper})$$

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Exterior algebra / $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.

$$\text{So } p: H^*(E) = 0.$$

$$\text{However, } p: H^*(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \oplus_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \neq 0$$

Tor^E($\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$).

Point is $p: \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ is 0 in $D(\mathbb{Z})$
but not in $D(E)$.

Proxy-smallness: