

MATH 550

Note Title

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Recall G -CW complexes.

For an ordinary CW cx X we have a cellular chain cx $C(X)$ defined

$C_n(X) =$ free abelian gp on n -cells.

$=$ free abelian gp on the set S_n .

In every case, S_n is a G -set, making $C_n(X)$ a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$, the gp ring of G .

Def The gp ring $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ of a gp G is the free abelian gp on the set G . For $x \in G$, let $[x]$ be the corresponding generator of

1. [e] This abelian gp. The multiplication in $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ is given by $[\gamma_1][\gamma_2] = [\gamma_1\gamma_2]$.

For a G -set S , the free abelian gp generated by S is a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module. Such a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module is called a permutation module.

Example $G = C_n$ with generator γ .

$$\mathbb{Z}[G] = \mathbb{Z}[\langle \gamma \rangle] / (\langle \gamma \rangle^n - 1)$$

For a subgroup $H \subset G$,

let $G/H =$ set of left cosets $= G$ -set

$\mathbb{Z}[G/H] =$ free ab-gp on G/H

= permutation module

For $H \subset K \subset G$

$G/H \rightarrow G/K$ map of G -sets

$$\mathbb{Z}[G/H] \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\nabla} \\ \xleftarrow{\Delta} \end{array} \mathbb{Z}[G/K] \quad \nabla = \text{Nabla} \\ \Delta = \text{Delta}$$

Let $\{\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots\}$ be a set of coset reps

for K/H . Given $x \in G/K$,

we have $\sum [\gamma_i] x \in G/H$.

e.g. $H = e$ and $K = G$.

$\mathbb{Z}[G/K] = \mathbb{Z}$ with trivial G -action

$$\mathbb{Z}[G/M] = \mathbb{Z}[G]$$

The diagonal map

$$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\Delta} \mathbb{Z}[G]$$

Assume G is finite.

$$1 \mapsto \sum_{g \in G} [g]$$

Exercise: Find the endomorphisms $\Delta \nabla$ and $\nabla \Delta$ above.

$H_x(C(x))$ is a graded $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module.

More about this later.

Homotopy gps: We need a base point that is fixed by G .

Given a G -space X , let X_+ be the disjoint union of X with a base point fixed by G .

The n th lty gp of a pointed G -space X is a functor (finite G -sets S) to (abelian gps)

$$S \mapsto [S_+ \wedge S^n, \bar{X}]_*^{G}$$

= lty classes of equiv base pt
presenting maps.

Call this $\underline{\Pi}_n^G(X)$

Formal properties of this functor

- 1) Contravariant
- 2) Converts disjoint unions to direct sums.

The functor $\underline{\Pi}_n^G(x)$ is determined by its values on the G -sets G/H for conjugacy classes of subgroups $H \subset G$.

For $H \subset K \subset G$, we have a map of G -sets $G/H \rightarrow G/K$, giving

$$\underline{\Pi}_n \times (G/H) \xleftarrow{\text{Res}_H^K} \underline{\Pi}_n \times (G/K)$$

This is called a restriction map.

Def A Mackey functor \underline{M} is a functor
finite G -sets \longrightarrow abelian gps

1) Contravariant

2) Additive on disjoint unions.

In addition to the restriction maps
above we have

$$\underline{M}(G/H) \xleftarrow{\text{Res}_H^K} \underline{M}(G/K)$$
$$\downarrow \text{Tr}_H^K$$

This is called a transfer map.

Example ① $\underline{M}(G/H) = \mathbb{Z}[G/H]$
with $\text{Res}_H^K = \nabla$, $\text{Tr}_H^K = \Delta$

② Let M be a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module,
i.e. an abelian gp equipped with
a G -action. Define a Mackey
functor \underline{M} by

$$\underline{M}(G/H) = M^H$$

Can define transfer explicitly.

Call this a fixed point Mackey functor.