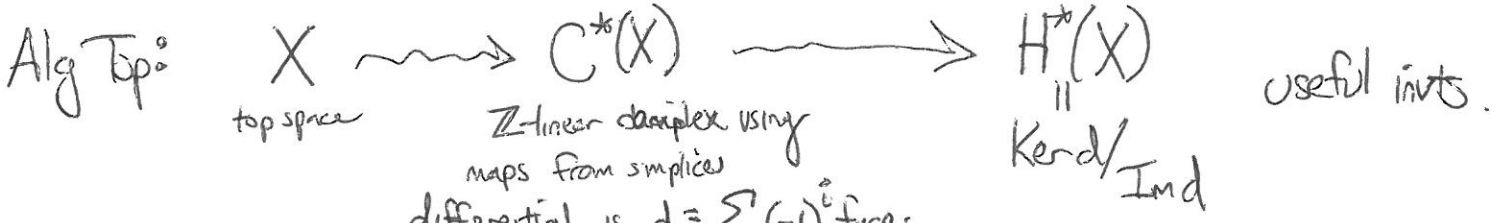


Homological algebra - the study of complexes

$$\rightarrow V_i \xrightarrow{d} V_{i+1} \xrightarrow{d} V_{i+2} \rightarrow \dots \quad d^2=0$$

Vital tool, most of us couldn't imagine life w/o it, since our first intro to it in (vs. modules, etc.) Alg. Top.

But in earlier days it wasn't so obvious, people tried different things!



$$\text{differential is } d = \sum_i (-1)^i \text{face}_i$$

Amazing signs  $\Rightarrow d^2=0$ .

Called a p-complex.

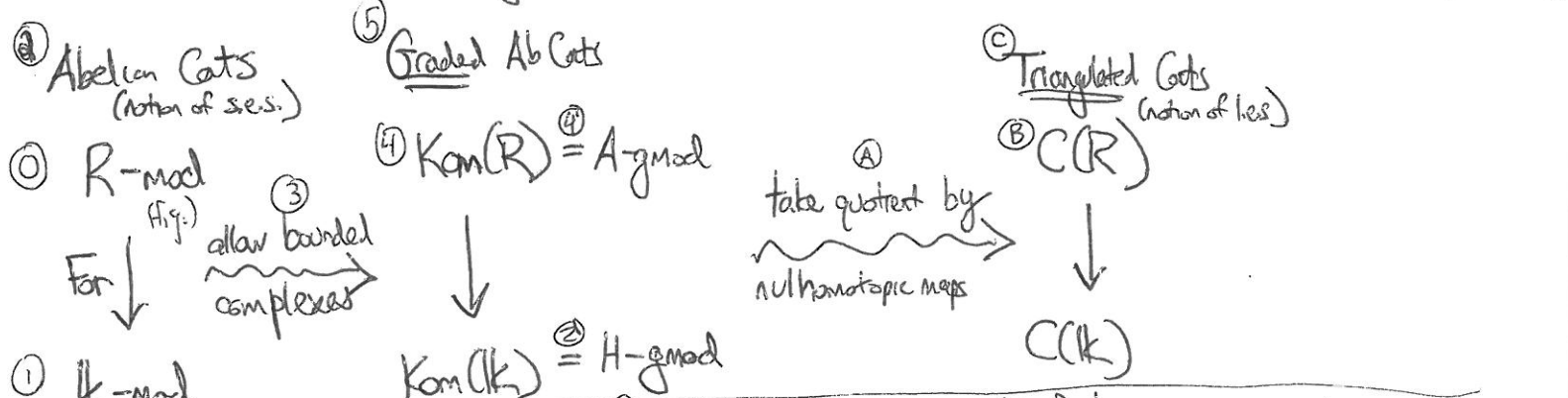
Mayer: Ignoring the signs you get  $d^2 \neq 0$ . But in char  $p$ ,  $d^p = 0$ .  $\wedge$  Ker  $d^i / \text{Im } d^{i-p}$  invariants.

Spanier: Meh. These invariants can be recovered easily from usual  $H^*(X)$ .  
So... people forgot about p-complexes. But it's time to bring 'em back  $\rightarrow$  "give invariants of other stuff!!"

Both usual Hom. alg. and study of p-complexes are special cases of Homological alg. (Ch. 2005)

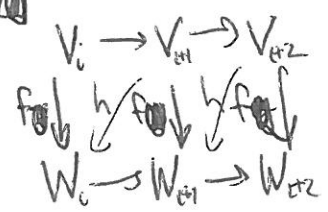
- Outline:
- §1 Hom. alg. reminder, but recast in a new way! (Poincaré)
  - §2 Briefly, Hapt alg
  - §3 Key examples
  - §4 Statement of something cool.

§1] Fix field  $k$ , alg  $R/k$ . Usual setup:  $R\text{-mod} \rightsquigarrow \text{Kom}(R) \rightsquigarrow C(R) \rightsquigarrow D(R)$  (Don't write in your notes)



⑥ Another way to view grading: let  $H = k[D]/z$ , grad'd w/  $\deg z = 1$ .  
 ⑦ let  $A = R \otimes_k H = R[D]/z$ ,  $\deg R = 0$ .  
 Reinterpret via  $H, A$ .

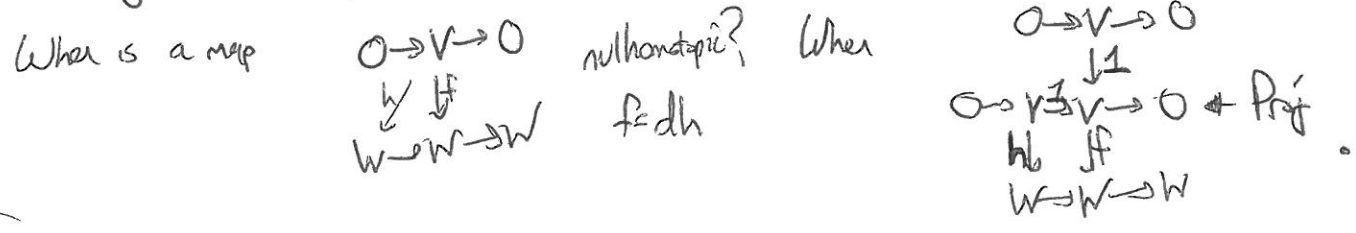
Recall:  $f$  is nullhomotopic if  $\exists h$  s.t.  $f = dh + hd$ . (2)



How do we reinterpret using  $H, A$ ?

Claim:  $f$  is nullhomotopic iff it factors thru a projective  $H/A$  module.

Ex: A proj.  $H$ -mod is just a (gdd) free mod.  $\oplus 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{K} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{K} \rightarrow 0$

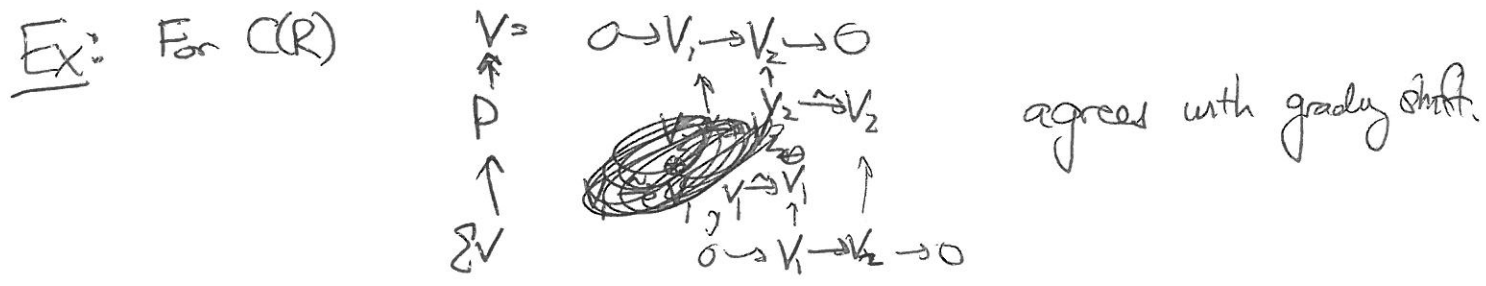


Def: For a ring  $A$ , write  $A\text{-gmod}$  for its stable category, i.e.  $A\text{-gmod}/\text{maps factoring thru projectives}$ .

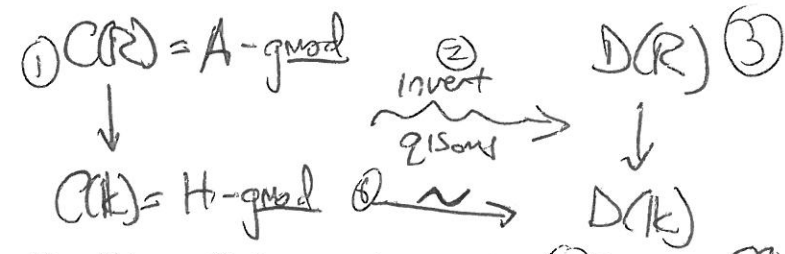
In  $A\text{-gmod}$ ,  $P \cong 0$  for any projective.

Fact:  $A\text{-gmod}$  is triangulated (in general). Tri. cats have shift functor, which for  $\mathbb{K}(R)$  looks like homological = grady shift. But that's just a coincidence!

For any  $A\text{-gmod}$ , define shift  $\Sigma V$  via  $0 \rightarrow \Sigma V \rightarrow P \rightarrow V \rightarrow 0$  well defined in  $A\text{-gmod}$  indep of choice of  $P \rightarrow V \rightarrow 0$ .



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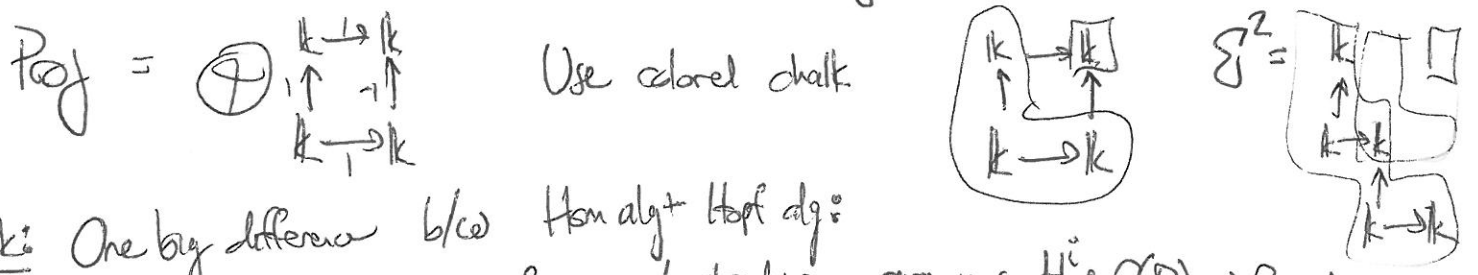
Recall:  $f$  is a qisom if  $f^*: H^i(V) \rightarrow H^i(W)$  is isom  $\forall i$ . (4) But in  $\mathbb{C}(k)$ , all qisoms are invertible, as all complexes are  $\cong \bigoplus H^i(V)$

$\textcircled{3}$  Equiv,  $f$  is a qisom if  $\text{For}(f)$  is an isom. (isom on underlying vs.)



Optional Ex:  $H = k[x_1, x_2] / d_1 d_2 = -d_2 d_1$   $H\text{-mod} = \text{bicomplexes w/ diagonal grading}$  (4)  
 super Hopf  $d_1^2 = d_2^2 = 0$

Now  $\Sigma$  is NOT grady shift!  $\Sigma \left( \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \uparrow \\ 0 \rightarrow k \rightarrow 0 \\ \uparrow \\ 0 \end{array} \right) = ?$



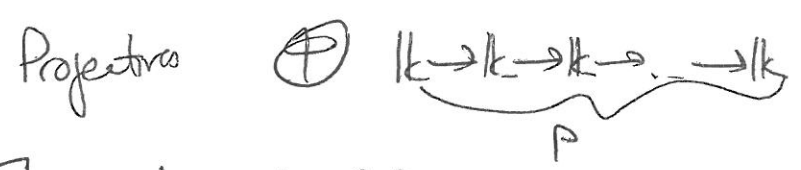
Remark: One big difference b/w Hom alg + Hopf alg:  
 Hom alg has built in notion of a t-structure, gives you  $H^i: C(R) \rightarrow R\text{-mod}$

But A-grad does not. Several functors  $C(H) \rightarrow k\text{-mod}$   
 • horiz cohom  
 • vert cohom  
 • total cohom  
 but not t-structures is usual even

Comparing these allows one to study spectral sequences!!!

Key Ex:  $H = k[x] / x^p$  non-super  $\Delta(d) = d \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes d$  so  $0 = \Delta(d^p) = d^p \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes d^p$   
 Uh oh... not Hopf... but if char  $k = p$  then other terms vanish!!!

Def: A p-complex is an object of  $H\text{-grad}$ , i.e.  $V \xrightarrow{d} V \xrightarrow{d} \dots$   
 w/  $d^p = 0$ .



$\Sigma$  is not grady shift.  $\Sigma \left( \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \uparrow \\ 0 \rightarrow k \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \right)$  is (Use colored chalk)  $\left( \begin{array}{c} k \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow k \\ \uparrow \\ k \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow k \\ \uparrow \\ k \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow k \end{array} \right)_{p-1}$

If optional examples: many functors  $C(H) \rightarrow k\text{-mod}$   
 For  $d^p / I_n$ ...

§2 redux One more bit of hom. alg. A dg-alg  $A$  is a graded alg (5)  
 with map  $A \xrightarrow{d} A$  of degree 1 satisfying ①  $d(fg) = d(f)g + (-1)^{\deg f} f d(g)$  (Leibniz)  
 ②  $d^2 = 0$

$$A\text{-good} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{C}(A) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{D}(A)$$

before,  $A = \mathbb{R}[t]/d^2$   
 $d = \text{mult by } d$

Can generalize this too, to any H-comod-alg. When  $H = k[t]/d^p$ , char  $k = p$  get  
 a p-dg-alg: graded alg  $A$  w/  $A \xrightarrow{d} A$  s.t. ①  $d(fg) = d(f)g + f d(g)$   
 ②  $d^p = 0$ .

Ex:  $A = k[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$   $d(x_i) = x_i^2 \Rightarrow d(x_i^n) = n x_i^{n-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow d^p(x_i^n) = n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-p+1) x_i^{n-p} \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$   
 One differential to rule all characteristics, a common feature.

Exercise:  $A \cong k$  as  $p$ -complexes  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p \rangle$  is contractible (projective)  
Exercise: Compute  $d(e_i)$ . Show  $A^{S_n}$  also  $p$ -dg-alg, also  $\cong k$

### §4 Grothendieck group

For ab. cat  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $[\mathcal{A}] \cong \mathbb{Z} \langle [M] \rangle / [M] + [N] = [L]$  in seq  
 $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow L \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$

$[k\text{-mod}] \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$  action on  $[R\text{-mod}]$  is induced from  $G \otimes$ .

For graded ab. cat, has  $\mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]$ -mod. structure via  $q[V] = [V(1)]$ . (Take sum over complex.)

For tri. cat,  $[\mathcal{A}] \cong \mathbb{Z} \langle [M] \rangle / \text{less} \Rightarrow [\Sigma M] = -[M]$ .

So in usual hom. alg,  $\Sigma = (1)$  and thus  $q = -1$ . Follows from  $P \cong 0$   $[V \xrightarrow{u} V] = 0$   
 $[C(1)] = \mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}] / q = 1$   
 But for  $p$ -complexes,  $\Sigma \neq (1)$ . Instead,  $[k \xrightarrow{d} \dots \rightarrow k] = 0$   
 $(1 + q + q^2 + \dots + q^{p-1})[k] \Rightarrow q = \zeta_p !!!$

So for any  $p$ -dg-alg,  $[C(A)]$  is a module over  $[C(H)] \cong \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}_p]$ . ⑥

Given usual graded alg  $A$  carrying your favorite  $\mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]$ -module  $M$   
(i.e.  $[A] \cong M$ ) try to equip it with differential so that in char  $p$   
one has  $[D(A)] \cong M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]} \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}_p]$ .

Thm:  $\checkmark$  for catns of quantum slz + reps, also  $U_q^+(\mathfrak{g})$   
(0-15-0) soon for ~~it~~ hecke algs