

Homological algebra exercise sheet Week 8

1. Let $E_{\bullet,\bullet}$ be a first quadrant double complex with horizontal differentials d^h and vertical differentials d^v . Define the page E^0 as follows: for integers $p, q \geq 0$, let $E_{p,q}^0 = E_{p,q}$ and $d_{p,q}^0 = d_{p,q}^v$. Each column $E_{p,\bullet}^0$ forms a chain complex, so we may define $E_{p,q}^1 = H_q(E_{p,\bullet}^0)$ and let $d_{p,q}^1 : E_{p,q}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-1,q}^1$ be the map that $d_{p,q}^h$ induces on homology. Lastly, note that each row $E_{\bullet,q}^1$ forms a chain complex, so we may define $E_{p,q}^2 = H_p(E_{\bullet,q}^1)$. The purpose of this exercise is to calculate the differentials $d_{p,q}^2 : E_{p,q}^2 \rightarrow E_{p-2,q+1}^2$.

- (a) Show that $E_{p,q}^2$ can be presented as the group of all pairs (a, b) in $E_{p-1,q+1} \times E_{p,q}$ such that $0 = d^v b = d^v a + d^h b$, modulo the relation that these pairs are trivial: $(a, 0)$; $(d^h x, d^v x)$ for $x \in E_{p,q+1}$; and $(0, d^h c)$ for all $c \in E_{p+1,q}$ with $d^v c = 0$.
- (b) If $d^h(a) = 0$, show that such a pair (a, b) determines an element of $H_{p+q}(T)$, where T is the total complex of the double complex $E_{\bullet,\bullet}$.
- (c) Show that the formula $d(a, b) = (0, d^h(a))$ determines a well-defined map

$$d_{p,q}^2 : E_{p,q}^2 \rightarrow E_{p-2,q+1}^2.$$

2. In this exercise, $E_{\bullet,\bullet}$ is still a first quadrant double complex, and E^0, E^1 and E^2 are the pages of the same spectral sequence described in the previous exercise. Let T be the total complex of the double complex $E_{\bullet,\bullet}$. By diagram chasing, show that $E_{0,0}^2 = H_0(T)$, and that there is an exact sequence

$$H_2(T) \rightarrow E_{2,0}^2 \xrightarrow{d} E_{0,1}^2 \rightarrow H_1(T) \rightarrow E_{1,0}^2 \rightarrow 0.$$

3. Suppose that a spectral sequence converging to H_* has $E_{pq}^2 = 0$ unless $q = 0, 1$. Show that there is a long exact sequence

$$\cdots \rightarrow H_{p+1} \rightarrow E_{p+1,0}^2 \xrightarrow{d} E_{p-1,1}^2 \rightarrow H_p \rightarrow E_{p,0}^2 \xrightarrow{d} E_{p-2,1}^2 \rightarrow H_{p-1} \rightarrow \cdots$$

4. (Mapping Lemma for E^∞) Let $f : \{E_{pq}^r\} \rightarrow \{E_{pq}'^r\}$ be a morphism of spectral sequences such that for some r , $f^r : E_{pq}^r \cong E_{pq}'^r$ is an isomorphism for all p and q . Show that $f_{pq}^\infty : E_{pq}^\infty \cong E_{pq}'^\infty$ as well.