$Hom(A,G) = \{h : A \to G \mid h \text{ homomorphism } \}$ Hom(A,G) is a group under function addition.

## The **dual homomorphism to** $f : A \to B$ is the homomorphism $f^* : Hom(A, G) \leftarrow Hom(B, G)$ defined by $f^*(\psi) = \psi \circ f : A \to B \to G$

That is the assignment

$$A \to Hom(A, G)$$
 and  $f \to f^*$ 

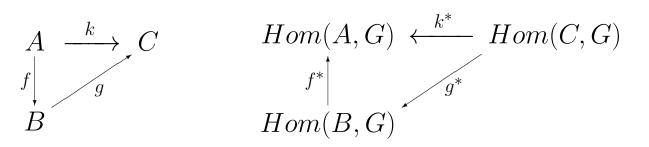
is a **contravarient functor** from the category of abelian groups and homomorphisms to itself since

If  $i : A \to A$  is the identity map on A, then  $i_*(\psi) = \psi \circ i = \psi$  is the identity map on Hom(A, G).

And if  $f: A \to B$ ,  $g: B \to C$ ,  $\psi: C \to G$ 

$$(f^* \circ g^*)(\psi) = f^*(g^*(\psi)) = f^*(\psi \circ g) = \psi \circ g \circ f = (g \circ f)^*(\psi)$$

In other words, if the diagram on the left commutes, so does the one on the right:



• Hence f isomorphism implies  $f^*$  is an isomorphism.

• The constant fn f = 0 implies  $f^* = 0$  since  $f^*(\psi) = \psi \circ f = \psi \circ 0$ .

Given a chain complex:

$$\dots \to C_{n+1} \xrightarrow{\partial_{n+1}} C_n \xrightarrow{\partial_n} C_{n-1} \to \dots$$

Its dual is also a chain complex:

$$\dots \leftarrow Hom(C_{n+1}, G) \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+1}^*} Hom(C_n, G) \xleftarrow{\partial_n^*} Hom(C_{n-1}, G) \leftarrow \dots$$

## Cohomology

Cochains:  $\Delta^n(X;G) = Hom(C_n,G) = \prod_{\sigma_\alpha} G$ 

Coboundary map:  $\delta^1 = \partial_1^* : \Delta^0(X; G) \to \Delta^1(X; G)$ 

Cohomology:  $H^n(X;G) = Z^n(X;G)/B^n(X;G) = ker(\delta_{n+1})/im(\delta_n)$ <u>n = 0</u>:

The dual of  $C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0 \xrightarrow{\partial_0} 0$  is  $\Delta^1(X; G) \xleftarrow{\delta_1} \Delta^0(X; G) \xleftarrow{\delta_0} 0$   $im(\delta_0) = 0$ . Thus  $H^0(X; G) = ker(\delta_1)/im(\delta_0) = ker(\delta_1)$   $\psi: C_0 = \langle V \rangle \longrightarrow G$ , defined by  $\psi(v_\alpha) = g_\alpha$   $\delta_1(\psi): C_1 = \langle E \rangle \longrightarrow G$ ,  $\delta_1(\psi)([v_1, v_2]) = \psi \circ \delta([v_1, v_2]) = \psi(v_2 - v_1) = \psi(v_2) - \psi(v_1).$ Application:  $\psi = \text{elevation}, \ \delta_1(\psi) = \text{change in elevation}.$ Application:  $\psi = \text{voltage at connection points}, \ \delta_1(\psi) = \text{voltage across components}.$ 

$$\delta_1(\psi) = 0 \text{ iff}$$
  

$$\delta_1(\psi)([v_1, v_2]) = \psi \circ \delta_1([v_1, v_2]) = \psi(v_2 - v_1) = \psi(v_2) - \psi(v_1) = 0.$$
  
Thus  

$$\ker(\delta_1) = \{\psi : C_0 \to G \mid \psi \text{ is constant on the components of } X\}$$
  
Hence  $H^0(X; G) = \prod_{\text{components of } X} G.$   
Recall  $H_0(X; G) = \sum_{\text{components of } X} G.$ 

 $\underline{n=1}$ :

Dual of  $C_2 \xrightarrow{\partial_2} C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0$  is  $\Delta^2(X; G) \xleftarrow{\delta_2} \Delta^1(X; G) \xleftarrow{\delta_1} \Delta^0(X; G)$   $H^1(X; G) = Z^1(X; G)/B^1(X; G) = ker(\delta_2)/im(\delta_1)$   $im(\delta_1) = ?$ Suppose  $\delta_1(\psi) = \sigma : \Delta^1 \to G$ 

Then  $\sigma$  is determined by trees in the 1-skeleton of  $X = X^1$ .

Let T = a set of maximal trees for  $X^1$  & let  $A = \{e_a \in \Delta^1 \mid e_a \notin T\}$ . If  $\Delta^2 = 0$ ,  $H^1(X; G) = ker(\delta_2)/im(\delta_1) = \Delta^1/im(\delta_1) = \prod_{e_\alpha \in A} G$ 

Recall if  $\Delta^2 = 0$ ,  $H^1(X; G) = \sum_{e_\alpha \in A} G$ 

Lemma: If 
$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \longrightarrow 0$$
 is exact, then  
 $Hom(A,G) \xleftarrow{f^*} Hom(B,G) \xleftarrow{g^*} Hom(C,G) \leftarrow 0$  is exact.

Proof:

Claim: g onto implies  $g^*$  is 1:1.

Suppose  $g^*(\psi) = \psi \circ g = 0$ . Since g is onto,  $\psi(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in C$ . Thus  $\psi = 0$  and  $g^*$  is 1:1.

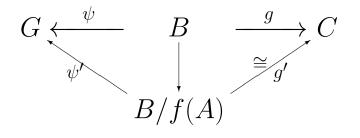
Thus we have exactness at Hom(C, G).

Claim: im(f) = ker(g) implies  $im(g^*) = ker(f^*)$ .

 $im(f) \subset ker(g)$  implies  $g \circ f = 0$ implies  $f^* \circ g^* = (g \circ f)^* = 0^* = 0$  and thus  $im(g^*) \subset ker(f^*)$ .

Suppose  $\psi \in ker(f^*), \psi : B \to G$ . Then  $f^*(\psi) = \psi \circ f = 0$ . Thus  $\psi(f(A)) = 0$  and  $\psi$  induces homomorphism  $\psi' : B/f(A) \to G$ 

g induces an isomorphism  $g': B/ker(g) = B/f(A) \to C$ .



 $g^*(\psi'\circ (g')^{-1})=\psi'\circ (g')^{-1}\circ g=\psi$ 

Lemma: If  $0 \to A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \to 0$  is split exact, then  $0 \to Hom(A,G) \xleftarrow{f^*} Hom(B,G) \xleftarrow{g^*} Hom(C,G) \leftarrow 0$  is split exact. Proof:  $\exists \pi : B \to A$  such that  $\pi \circ f = id_A$ . Thus  $(\pi \circ f)^* = f^* \circ \pi^* = \text{identity on } Hom(A,G)$ . Thus  $f^*$  is surjective and the dual sequence splits.

Note also that  $Hom(\bigoplus A_{\alpha}, G) = \prod Hom(A_{\alpha}, G)$ , and thus  $Hom(A \bigoplus C, G) = Hom(A, G) \bigoplus Hom(C, G)$ 

Example: The dual of the exact sequence  $0 \to \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\times 2} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{Z}_2 \to 0$   $0 \leftarrow Hom(\mathbb{Z}, G) \xleftarrow{t^*} Hom(\mathbb{Z}, G) \xleftarrow{\pi^*} Hom(\mathbb{Z}_2, G) \leftarrow 0$   $\pi^*(\psi) = \psi \circ \pi : \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{Z}_2 \xrightarrow{\psi} G$ , defined by  $(\psi \circ \pi)(1) = \psi(1)$ .  $t^*(\psi) = \psi \circ t : \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{t} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\psi} G$ , defined by  $(\psi \circ t)(1) = \psi(2) = \psi(1) + \psi(1) = 2\psi(1)$ . Defn: A **free resolution** of an abelian group H is an exact sequence of abelian groups,

$$\dots \xrightarrow{f_3} F_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} F_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} F_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} H \to 0$$

where each  $F_i$  is free.

Recall an exact sequence is a chain complex, and the dual of a chain complex is a chain complex.

Thus the dualization of this free resolution is a chain complex:

$$\dots \xleftarrow{f_2^*} Hom(F_1, G) \xleftarrow{f_1^*} Hom(F_0, G) \xleftarrow{f_0^*} Hom(H, G) \leftarrow 0$$
  
Let  $H^n(F; G) = Ker(f_{n+1}^*)/im(f_n^*)$ 

Lemma 3.1: a.) Given two free resolutions F and F' of H and H', respectively, every homomorphism  $\alpha : H \to H'$  can be extended to a chain map from F to F':

$$\dots \longrightarrow F_2 \longrightarrow F_1 \xrightarrow{\phi} F_0 \xrightarrow{\psi} H \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\exists \alpha_2 \downarrow^{\ } \exists \alpha_1 \downarrow^{\ } \exists \alpha_1 \downarrow^{\ } \exists \alpha_0 \downarrow^{\ } \downarrow^{\ } \downarrow \alpha$$

$$\dots \longrightarrow F_2' \longrightarrow F_1' \xrightarrow{\phi} F_0' \xrightarrow{\psi} H' \longrightarrow 0$$

Furthermore, any two such chain maps extending  $\alpha$  are chain homotopic.

b.) For any two free resolutions F and F' of H,  $\exists$  canonical isomorphism  $H^n(F;G) = H^n(F',G)$  for all n.

Example: A short exact sequence of abelian groups,

$$0 \to F_1 \to F_0 \to H \to 0$$

where  $F_i$  are free is called a **free resolution of** H.

Example:  $0 \to B_p(X) \hookrightarrow Z_p(X) \to H_p(X) \to 0$ 

Example:

Let  $F_0$  = the free abelian group generated by the generators of H. Let  $F_1$  = kernel of projection map  $F_0 \rightarrow H$ .

Dual of the exact seq  $0 \to F_1 \to F_0 \to H \to 0$  is the chain complex:

$$0 \xleftarrow{f_2^*} Hom(F_1, G) \xleftarrow{f_1^*} Hom(F_0, G) \xleftarrow{f_0^*} Hom(H, G) \leftarrow 0$$

Recall  $F_1 \to F_0 \to H \to 0$  exact implies its dual is also exact:

$$Hom(F_1, G) \xleftarrow{f_1^*} Hom(F_0, G) \xleftarrow{f_0^*} Hom(H, G) \leftarrow 0$$
  
Note  $H^n(F; G) = Ker(f_{n+1}^*)/im(f_n^*) = 0$  for  $n > 1$ .  
And  $H^0(F; G) = Ker(f_1^*)/im(f_0^*) = 0$ .  
But  $H^1(F; G) = Ker(f_2^*)/im(f_1^*) = ?$ .  
Definition:  $Ext(H, G) = H^1(F; G)$  (the extension of G by H).

For computational purposes, the following properties are useful.

- (a)  $\operatorname{Ext}(H \oplus H', G) \cong \operatorname{Ext}(H, G) \oplus \operatorname{Ext}(H', G)$  since the direct sum of free resolutions is the free resolution of the direct sum.
- (b)  $\operatorname{Ext}(H, G) = 0$  if H is free since  $0 \to H \to H \to 0$  is a free resolution of H.
- (c)  $\operatorname{Ext}(\mathbb{Z}/n, G) \cong G/nG$ by dualizing the free resolution  $0 \to \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{n} \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}_n \to 0$ . to produce the exact sequence:

 $0 \leftarrow Ext(\mathbb{Z}_n, G) \leftarrow Hom(\mathbb{Z}, G) \xleftarrow{n} Hom(\mathbb{Z}, G) \leftarrow Hom(\mathbb{Z}_n, G) \leftarrow 0$ 

**Theorem 1.** If a chain complex  $C_{\bullet}$  of free abelian groups has homology groups  $H_{\bullet}(C)$ , then the cohomology groups  $H^{\bullet}(C;G)$ of the cochain complex  $\text{Hom}(C_{\bullet},G)$  are determined by the split exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ext}(H_{n-1}(C), G) \longrightarrow H^n(C; G) \xrightarrow{h} \operatorname{Hom}(H_n(C), G) \longrightarrow 0.$$

**Corollary 1.** If the homology groups  $H_n$  and  $H_{n-1}$  of a chain complex C of free abelian groups are finitely generated, with torsion subgroups  $T_n \subset H_n$  and  $T_{n-1} \subset H_n$ , then

$$H^n(C;Z) \cong (H_n/T_n) \oplus T_{n-1}.$$

**Corollary 2.** If a chain map between chain complexes of free abelian groups induces an isomorphism on homology groups, then it induces an isomorphism on cohomology groups with any coefficient group G.