

ON THE GROUP ISOMORPHISM OF $E(C, A)$ WITH $H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A))$

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§ 1. Introduction

In this paper, we assume that K is a field, G is a finite group, and A, C are KG -modules.

In Chapter 10 of [4], it is proved that there is a one-to-one correspondence between the set of all equivalence classes of extensions of A by C and the 1-st cohomology group $H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A))$.

The same fact appears in Chapter 8 of [2]. On the other hand, in Chapter 3 of [3], it is proved that the former set $E(C, A)$ has the group structure with the *Baer sum*. In this paper, we shall prove with the direct computation that the one-to-one correspondence in [4] is a group isomorphism, which can be proved homologically by connecting the result of Chapter 11, § 8, and Chapter 14, § 1 in [1].

§ 2. The one-to-one correspondence

For an extension

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E} : 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \longrightarrow 0, \\ 0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_K(C, A) \xrightarrow{f_*} \text{Hom}_K(C, B) \xrightarrow{g_*} \text{Hom}_K(C, C) \longrightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

is an exact sequence of KG -modules and KG -homomorphisms.

Thus we have the following exact cohomology sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{KG}(C, A) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{KG}(C, B) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{KG}(C, C) \xrightarrow{\Delta} H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A)) \\ \longrightarrow H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, B)) \longrightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

where Δ is the connecting homomorphism.

To the equivalence class (\mathcal{E}) of \mathcal{E} , associate $\Delta(1_C)$, then we have the one-to-one correspondence in [4]:

$$E(C, A) \longleftrightarrow H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A)).$$

In the extension \mathcal{E} , let ϕ be a K -splitting of g . Then, ϕ is in $\text{Hom}_K(C, B)$, and if $\delta: \text{Hom}_K(C, B) = C^0(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, B)) \longrightarrow C^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, B))$ is the differential map, then $\delta\phi$ is actually in $Z^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A))$, and the cohomology class of $\delta\phi$ is $\Delta(l_C)$.

Conversely for any element of $H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A))$, let ψ be the representative 1-cocycle.

Take for B the set of all pairs (a, c) , where $a \in A$ and $c \in C$, and regard it as the direct sum of A and C considered simply as K -spaces. Next define $\sigma(a, c)$ by

$$\sigma(a, c) = (\sigma a + \phi_c(\sigma c), \sigma c).$$

This makes B into a KG -module as is easily verified.

With the mappings $f: a \mapsto (a, 0)$ and $g: (a, c) \mapsto c$, the sequence

$$\mathcal{E}: 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \longrightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of KG -modules and KG -homomorphisms, *i. e.*, an extension of A by C .

Moreover K -homomorphism $\phi: C \longrightarrow B$ such that $\phi(c) = (0, c)$ is a K -splitting of g and if we construct $\Delta(l_C)$ through ϕ , then it coincides with ψ .

§ 3. The Baer sum

Let (\mathcal{E}_1) and (\mathcal{E}_2) are in $E(C, A)$, *i. e.*,

$$\mathcal{E}_1: 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f_1} B_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} C \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\mathcal{E}_2: 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f_2} B_2 \xrightarrow{g_2} C \longrightarrow 0,$$

and ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 be K -splittings of g_1 and g_2 , respectively.

First we describe the *Baer sum* of (\mathcal{E}_1) and (\mathcal{E}_2) .

Let $\Delta: C \longrightarrow C \oplus C$ be the diagonal map and let X be KG -submodule of $B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus C$ which is the set $\{(b_1, b_2, c) \in B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus C \mid f_1(b_1) = f_2(b_2) = c\}$, then we have the commutative diagram of row exact:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & A \oplus A & \xrightarrow{f_1 \oplus f_2} & B_1 \oplus B_2 & \xrightarrow{g_1 \oplus g_2} & C \oplus C \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \uparrow \alpha & & \uparrow \Delta \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & A \oplus A & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} & X & \xrightarrow{\tilde{g}} & C \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

where $\tilde{f}(a_1, a_2) = (f_1(a_1), f_2(a_2), 0)$, $\tilde{g}(b_1, b_2, c) = c$, $\alpha(b_1, b_2, c) = (b_1, b_2)$.

Corresponding to the K -space structure of

$$B_1 \oplus B_2 = (A \oplus C) \oplus (A \oplus C),$$

we have

$$(A \oplus C) \oplus (A \oplus C) \supset X = \{(a_1, c), (a_2, c), c \mid a_1, a_2 \in A, c \in C\}.$$

Next let $\varphi: A \oplus A \rightarrow A$ be the map $(a_1, a_2) \mapsto a_1 + a_2$, and let B be the factor module of $A \oplus X$ by N where $N = \{(-\varphi(a_1, a_2), \tilde{f}(a_1, a_2)) \mid a_1, a_2 \in A\}$, then we have the commutative diagram of row exact:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & A \oplus A & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} & X & \xrightarrow{\tilde{g}} & C & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow A & & \downarrow \beta & & \parallel & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{f} & B & \xrightarrow{g} & C & \longrightarrow & 0, \end{array}$$

where $f(a) = (a, 0) + N$, $g((a, x) + N) = \tilde{g}(x)$, $\beta(x) = (0, x) + N$.

The lower row of this diagram is the *Baer sum* of \mathcal{E}_1 and \mathcal{E}_2 .

Corresponding to the K -space structure of

$$X = \{(a_1, c), (a_2, c), c \mid a_1, a_2 \in A, c \in C\},$$

we have

$$N = \{(-a_1 - a_2, (a_1, 0), (a_2, 0), 0)\} \subset A \oplus (A \oplus C) \oplus (A \oplus C) \oplus C,$$

so

$$B = \{(a, (0, c), (0, c), c) + N\}.$$

Now let $\phi: C \rightarrow B$ be the K -homomorphism such that

$$\phi(c) = (0, (0, c), (0, c), c) + N = (0, \phi_1(c), \phi_2(c), c) + N,$$

then ϕ is a K -splitting of g .

On the other hand, let us observe the K -module-structure of G .

For any σ in G , and $(a, (0, c), (0, c), c) + N$ in B ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma((a, (0, c), (0, c), c) + N) &= (\sigma a, \sigma(0, c), \sigma(0, c), \sigma c) + N \\ &= (\sigma a, (\phi_{1\sigma}(\sigma c), \sigma c), (\phi_{2\sigma}(\sigma c), \sigma c), \sigma c) + N, \end{aligned}$$

where ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are 1-cocycles corresponding to the extensions \mathcal{E}_1 and \mathcal{E}_2 , which are constructed through ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 , respectively.

§ 4. A direct proof of the group isomorphism $E(C, A) \cong H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A))$

Let \mathcal{E}_1 and \mathcal{E}_2 be the following extensions:

$$\mathcal{E}_1: 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f_1} B_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} C \longrightarrow 0,$$

$$\mathcal{E}_2: 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f_2} B_1 \xrightarrow{g_2} C \longrightarrow 0.$$

Then $B_1 = A \oplus C$, $B_2 = A \oplus C$ as K -spaces, and K -splittings ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 of g_1 and g_2 are given as

$$\phi_1(c) = (0, c) \in B_1, \quad \phi_2(c) = (0, c) \in B_2.$$

Let ψ_1 and ψ_2 be 1-cocycles $G \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_K(C, A)$ which are obtained through ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 , respectively, then

$$\psi_{i\sigma}(c) = (\sigma\phi_i - \phi_i)(c) = \sigma\phi(\sigma^{-1}c) - \phi_i(c) \quad (\sigma \in G, c \in C, i = 1, 2).$$

Here $\mathcal{E}_1 + \mathcal{E}_2$ is the extension

$$\mathcal{E}: 0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \longrightarrow 0$$

described in § 3.

Our purpose is to prove that the 1-cocycle corresponding to \mathcal{E} is cohomologous to $\psi_1 + \psi_2$.

If ϕ is the 1-cocycle corresponding to \mathcal{E} through ϕ which is described in § 3, then for any σ in G , and any c in C ,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_\sigma(c) &= (\sigma\phi - \phi)(c) = \sigma\phi(\sigma^{-1}c) - \phi(c) \\ &= \sigma(0, \phi_1(\sigma^{-1}c), \phi_2(\sigma^{-1}c), \sigma^{-1}c) - (0, \phi_1(c), \phi_2(c), c) + N \\ &= \sigma(0, (0, \sigma^{-1}c), (0, \sigma^{-1}c), \sigma^{-1}c) - (0, (0, c), (0, c), c) + N \\ &= (0, (\psi_{1\sigma}(c), c), (\psi_{2\sigma}(c), c), c) - (0, (0, c), (0, c), c) + N \\ &= (0, (\psi_{1\sigma}(c), 0), (\psi_{2\sigma}(c), 0), 0) + N \\ &= ((\psi_{1\sigma} + \psi_{2\sigma})(c), (0, 0), (\psi, 0), 0) + N, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\psi_\sigma(c) = (\psi_1 + \psi_2)_\sigma(c) \quad (\sigma \in G, c \in C).$$

So we have proved that ϕ is actually equal to $\psi_1 + \psi_2$, and the proof of the group isomorphism

$$E(C, A) \cong H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A))$$

is completed.

Now $H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A))$ is a bifunctor in variables C and A ([2]), and $E(C, A)$ is also a bifunctor in variables C and A ([1]).

We can easily verify that the isomorphism above is an equivalence of functors. Thus we have, with direct computations:

Theorem. *Let G be a finite group, K be a field, and A, C be left KG -modules. Moreover let $E(C, A)$ be the set of equivalence classes of extensions of A by C , and observe it as an abelian group with the Baer sum. Then we have the natural equivalence of bifunctors*

$$E(C, A) \cong H^1(G, \text{Hom}_K(C, A)).$$

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