HOMOLOGICAL ALGEBRA FOR THE REPRESENTATION GREEN FUNCTOR FOR ABELIAN GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we compute some derived functors Ext of the internal homomorphism functor in the category of modules over the representation Green functor. This internal homomorphism functor is the left adjoint of the box product.

When the group is a cyclic 2-group, we construct a projective resolution of the module fixed point functor, and that allows a direct computation of the graded Green functor Ext .

When the group is $G = \mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$, we can still build a projective resolution, but we do not have explicit formulas for the differentials. The resolution is built from long exact sequences of projective modules over the representation functor for the subgroups of G by using exact functors between these categories of modules. This induces a filtration which gives a spectral sequence which converges to the desired Ext functors.

INTRODUCTION

Homotopy groups are the object of study in homotopy theory and stable homotopy theory. In the equivariant analogue of homotopy theory, we need to consider not just homotopy groups but invariants in a larger abelian category, which is called the category of Mackey functors. In the category $\text{Mack}(G)$ of Mackey functors for a finite group G there is a product, the box product $\square$ [3, 4], that has similar properties to the tensor product in Ab . The objects R with a ring structure, i.e. a product $R \square R \longrightarrow R$ and a unit satisfying some properties, are called Green functors. There are also notions of modules over a Green functor, bimodules, etc. The box product has a right adjoint $\mathcal{H}$. Given two Mackey functors M and N , $\mathcal{H}(M, N)$ is the Mackey functor of internal homomorphisms from M to N . We can also talk about the box product over a Green functor, $\square_R$, and the R -module internal homomorphism functor, $\mathcal{H}_R$, and they are adjoint. Tor , Ext , Tor^R and Ext_R are the derived functors of $\square$, $\mathcal{H}$, $\square_R$ and $\mathcal{H}_R$. They always exist because the categories of Mackey functors and of R -modules have enough projectives and injectives [4]. Roughly, there are the following analogies between Mackey functors

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and abelian groups:

$$\begin{aligned} Mack(G) &\longleftrightarrow Ab, \\ \text{Green functors} &\longleftrightarrow \text{rings with unit,} \\ \text{modules over a Green functor } R &\longleftrightarrow \text{modules over a ring } R, \\ \square, \mathcal{H}, \square_R, \mathcal{H}_R &\longleftrightarrow \otimes, \text{Hom}, \otimes_R, \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}, \\ \text{Tor}, \text{Ext}, \text{Tor}^R, \text{Ext}_R &\longleftrightarrow \text{Tor}, \text{Ext}, \text{Tor}^R, \text{Ext}_R. \end{aligned}$$

Functors Tor and Ext taken over the representation ring (when regarded as a Green functor) occur in Künneth and other spectral sequences for equivariant K -theory, when regarded as a Mackey functor. Also Tor and Ext over the category of Mackey functors arise in certain spectral sequences studied by Gunnar Carlsson for computing derived completions of representation rings. The computations made here were intended as a first step towards investigating those which would be needed to apply such spectral sequences.

We compute the Green functors $\text{Ext}_R(F, F) = \bigoplus \text{Ext}_R^n(F, F)$ when the group G is $\mathbb{Z}/2^n$ and $\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$ (and when the ring of coefficients is $\mathbb{F}_2$), where R is the representation Green functor (Example 1.5) and F is the fixed point functor for the one-dimensional $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space with trivial G -action (Example 1.6). These Ext functors at the G -set G/e are always trivial.

Theorem A. *Let $G = \mathbb{Z}/2^n$. Then*

$$(1) \quad \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/H) = \mathbb{F}_2[x_4] \otimes E(y_3)$$

for all subgroups $H \neq e$, where y_3 has degree 3 and x_4 has degree 4.

Theorem B. *Let $G = \mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$. Then*

$$(2) \quad \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G) = \mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4] \otimes E(y_5),$$

$$(3) \quad \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/H) = \mathbb{F}_2[x_4] \otimes E(y_3) \quad \text{for all } H \subseteq G \text{ of index 2,}$$

where y_3 has degree 3, x_4 has degree 4 and y_5 has degree 5. The restriction morphism from $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G)$ to $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/H)$ is the ring map that sends y_3 and x_4 to the elements with the same name and sends y_5 to zero. Its transfer is zero.

The middle level (3) in Theorem B is isomorphic to the top level (1) in Theorem A when $n = 1$. This is a general fact. The functor $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$ for a certain group G at G/H is the top level of the “same” functor for the group H (Corollary 4.9).

In both cases, the classes x_4 come from a symmetry of a projective R -resolution of F . The classes y_i seem to be a consequence of using $\mathbb{F}_2$ as the coefficient ring. Actually, when $G = \mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$, there is a class x_6 of degree 6 also coming from another symmetry, but $y_3^2 = x_6$.

The obvious generalization of (2) for the groups $G = (\mathbb{Z}/2)^n$ is

$$\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G) = \mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4, y_5, x_6, \dots, y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}]/J,$$

where J is the ideal generated by $y_i^2 = x_{2i}$ for $i \leq n+1$ and $y_i^2 = 0$ for $i > n+1$, with surjective restriction maps and zero transfers between two different orbits. Unfortunately this fails for $n = 3$ and therefore for all larger n . When $n = 3$, there are classes corresponding to y_3 and x_4 , there is at least one class of degree 6 mapping to x_6 of (2) under the restriction map, and there is only one class of degree 5, but it does not map to y_5 of (2). The computations for higher n are much more difficult than for $n = 2$; even considering only low degrees, it seems that there

is no simple way of describing $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G)$ since there is no obvious relation with $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/H)$ for other subgroups $H \subseteq G$.

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Part I. Background and notation

1. MACKEY FUNCTORS

There are several equivalent ways of defining a Mackey functor for a finite group [4, 7, 1]. To fix notation and because that is what we will need in the rest of the paper, we will give two of these definitions. One is more abstract and is good to derive general properties, the other provides a better setting for the computations done in the second part.

Let G be a finite group. Consider the category $\mathcal{B}^+(G)$ whose objects are finite G -sets and whose morphisms from X to Y are equivalence classes of diagrams

$$(1.1) \quad X \xleftarrow{f} V \xrightarrow{g} Y,$$

where X, Y and V are G -sets, f and g are G -maps. Two diagrams

$$X \xleftarrow{f_1} V_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} Y \quad \text{and} \quad X \xleftarrow{f_2} V_2 \xrightarrow{g_2} Y$$

are equivalent if there is an isomorphism $h : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ of G -sets such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & V_1 & & \\ & f_1 \swarrow & & \searrow g_1 & \\ X & & & & Y \\ & f_2 \swarrow & & \searrow g_2 & \\ & & V_2 & & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \\ \downarrow h \\ \end{array}$$

The composition of the morphisms represented by $X \xleftarrow{f_1} V_1 \xrightarrow{g_1} Y$ and $Y \xleftarrow{f_2} V_2 \xrightarrow{g_2} Z$ is obtained from the pullback

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & V_1 \times_Y V_2 & & \\ & \pi_1 \swarrow & & \searrow \pi_2 & \\ & V_1 & & V_2 & \\ f_1 \swarrow & & & & \searrow g_2 \\ X & & Y & & Z \end{array}$$

This gives a diagram $X \xleftarrow{f_1 \pi_1} V_1 \times_Y V_2 \xrightarrow{g_2 \pi_2} Z$ that represents a morphism from X to Z .

A G -map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ induces two morphisms in $\mathcal{B}^+(G)$, one from X to Y represented by $X \xleftarrow{id} X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ and the other from Y to X represented by $Y \xleftarrow{f} X \xrightarrow{id} X$. Denote the first by f and the second by $\hat{f}$. We will call $\hat{f}$ the transfer map associated to f . So, any morphism in $\mathcal{B}^+(G)$ is the composition of morphisms of G -maps and transfer maps, more precisely, (1.1) is $g\hat{f}$.

The sets $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}^+(G)}(X, Y)$ are monoids under the disjoint union of the middle sets

$$(X \longleftarrow V_1 \longrightarrow Y) + (X \longleftarrow V_2 \longrightarrow Y) = X \longleftarrow V_1 \amalg V_2 \longrightarrow Y$$

and the zero corresponds to the diagram $X \longleftarrow \emptyset \longrightarrow Y$ with the empty set in the middle. Define a new category $\mathcal{B}(G)$, which is called the Burnside category, with the same objects as $\mathcal{B}^+(G)$ and where the group of morphisms $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}(G)}(X, Y)$ is the group completion of $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}^+(G)}(X, Y)$. The disjoint union of G -sets is a product and a coproduct, hence $\mathcal{B}(G)$ is an additive category. We can extend the coefficients to any commutative ring $\mathcal{Z}$ with unit and still get an additive category. Denote it by $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{Z}}(G)$ or $\mathcal{B}(G)$ or just $\mathcal{B}$.

There is an obvious isomorphism $\mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}^{op}$ that sends the morphism represented by (1.1) to the morphism represented by $Y \xleftarrow{g} V \xrightarrow{f} X$.

Definition 1.1. A Mackey functor for the group G with coefficients in $\mathcal{Z}$ is an additive contravariant functor from $\mathcal{B}(G)$ to the category of $\mathcal{Z}$ -modules.

A morphism between Mackey functors is just a natural transformation. Denote by $\text{Mack}(G)$ the category of Mackey functors for the group G . It is an abelian category. Kernels, cokernels and images of maps between Mackey functors, i.e. natural transformations, are defined objectwise.

Definition 1.2. For any Mackey functor M and any finite G -set X , define a new Mackey functor M_X as follows: $M_X(Y) = M(Y \times X)$ for all G -sets Y and $M_X(\alpha) = M(\alpha \times \text{Id}_X)$ for all morphisms α in $\mathcal{B}(G)$.

Since any G -set is a disjoint union of transitive sets and any morphism in $\mathcal{B}$ is a linear combination of compositions of morphisms induced by G -maps, to define a Mackey functor is enough to define it on transitive sets and on the morphisms induced by G -maps. For any $K \subseteq H \subseteq G$, let $\pi_K^H : G/K \longrightarrow G/H$ be the quotient map and let $\gamma_{x,H} : G/H \longrightarrow G/^xH$ be the map $H \mapsto Hx^{-1} = x^{-1}(^xH)$. Any G -map $f : G/K \longrightarrow G/H$ can be written as $\pi_{K^x}^H \gamma_{x^{-1},K}$, where $K^x \subseteq H$ (or $K \subseteq ^xH$). So, a Mackey functor M is completely determined by $M(G/H)$, $M(\pi_K^H)$, $M(\hat{\pi}_K^H)$ and $M(\gamma_{x,H})$ for all subgroups $K \subseteq H \subseteq G$ and $x \in G$. Notice that $\hat{\gamma}_{x,H}$ is $\gamma_{x^{-1},H}$.

Example 1.3. Let $A[H]$ be the Burnside ring of the group H . The Burnside functor A is defined by $A(G/H) = A[H]$ for every subgroup $H \subseteq G$ and

- $A(\hat{\pi}_K^H) : A[K] \longrightarrow A[H]$ is $X \mapsto H \times_K X = H \times X / \sim$, where $\sim$ is the equivalence relation $(hk, x) \sim (h, kx)$, $k \in K$,
- $A(\pi_K^H) : A[H] \longrightarrow A[K]$ is restriction of the H -action,
- $A(\hat{\gamma}_{x,H}) : A[H] \longrightarrow A[^xH]$ is defined on the transitive H -sets by $H/L \mapsto ^xH/^xL$ for all $L \subseteq H$ up to conjugacy in H .

The Burnside functor is also the representable functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}(G)}(\cdot, G/G)$.

Example 1.4. The representable functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}(G)}(\cdot, X)$ is A_X .

Example 1.5. Given a group H , let $R[H]$ be the representation ring over $\mathbb{C}$ of H . The representation functor R is defined by $R(G/H) = R[H]$ for every subgroup $H \subseteq G$. The morphism $R(\pi_K^H) : R[H] \longrightarrow R[K]$, $K \subseteq H$ is restriction of representations and $R(\hat{\pi}_K^H) : R[K] \longrightarrow R[H]$ is induction of representations. The G -map $\gamma_{x,H}$ induces the morphism $R(\hat{\gamma}_{x,H}) : R[H] \longrightarrow R[^xH]$ that sends an H -vector space V to the same vector space with xH -action given by $g \cdot v = x^{-1}gxv$, for all $g \in ^xH$ and $v \in V$.

As suggested by the previous example, for any G -map f and any Mackey functor M , $M(f)$ is called a restriction map and $M(\hat{f})$ is called an induction map or transfer. A map $M(\gamma_{x,H})$ is called conjugation.

Example 1.6. Let M be a $\mathcal{Z}$ -module with a G -action. The fixed point functor FP_M is defined by $FP_M(G/H) = M^H = \{m \in M : hm = m \ \forall h \in H\}$, $FP_M(\pi_K^H)$ is the inclusion $M^H \subseteq M^K$, $FP_M(\hat{\pi}_K^H)$ is the map $m \mapsto \sum_{h \in H/K} hm$, and $FP_M(\hat{\gamma}_{x,H}) : M^H \rightarrow M^{xH}$ is $m \mapsto xm$.

As a particular case, consider $M = \mathcal{Z}$, the free rank 1 $\mathcal{Z}$ -module with trivial action. Then $FP_{\mathcal{Z}}(G/H) = \mathcal{Z}$ for all $H \subseteq G$, $FP_{\mathcal{Z}}(f) = 1$ and $FP_{\mathcal{Z}}(\hat{f}) = [H : K]$ for all G -maps $G/K \xrightarrow{f} G/H$.

It is well known that a small abelian category is equivalent to a category of modules over a certain algebra. For $Mack(G)$ that algebra over $\mathcal{Z}$, denoted by $\mu(G)$ or μ , is called Mackey algebra and is defined by

$$\mu(G) = \bigoplus_{H, K \subseteq G} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}(G)}(G/K, G/H)$$

with the multiplication defined by composition of morphisms in $\mathcal{B}(G)$ or zero if two morphisms cannot be composed [7].

It can also be defined as the algebra generated by t_K^H , r_K^H and $c_{x,H}$, for $K \subseteq H \subseteq G$ and $x \in G$ with the following relations:

$$(1.2a) \quad t_K^H t_L^K = t_L^H, L \subseteq K \subseteq H,$$

$$(1.2b) \quad r_L^K r_K^H = r_L^H, L \subseteq K \subseteq H,$$

$$(1.2c) \quad c_{y, xH} c_{x, H} = c_{xy, H},$$

$$(1.2d) \quad t_H^H = r_H^H = c_{h, H}, h \in H,$$

$$(1.2e) \quad c_{x, H} t_K^H = t_{xK}^{xH} c_{x, K},$$

$$(1.2f) \quad c_{x, K} r_K^H = r_{xK}^{xH} c_{x, H},$$

$$(1.2g) \quad r_K^H t_L^H = \sum_{x \in K \backslash H/L} t_{K \cap xL}^K c_{x, K^x \cap L} r_{K^x \cap L}^L,$$

$$(1.2h) \quad \sum_{H \subseteq G} t_H^H = \sum_{H \subseteq G} r_H^H = 1,$$

$$(1.2i) \quad t_H^H t_K^K = 0, H \neq K.$$

The two definitions are equivalent [7], and an isomorphism is defined by sending $\hat{\pi}_K^H \mapsto t_K^H$, $\pi_K^H \mapsto r_K^H$ and $\hat{\gamma}_{x,H} \mapsto c_{x,H}$.

The identity morphism in $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}(G)}(G/H, G/H)$ corresponds to t_H^H . To simplify notation, let $1_H = t_H^H$. These elements are idempotents, hence the modules $\mu 1_H$ are projective.

As a $\mathcal{Z}$ -module, $\mu(G)$ is free and the elements $t_{xL}^K c_{x, L} r_L^H$, with $x \in K \backslash G/H$ and $L \subseteq H \cap K^x$ chosen up to $H \cap K^x$ -conjugacy, form a basis (see [7]).

Theorem 1.7 ([7]). *The category of Mackey functors and the category of left μ -modules are equivalent.*

The equivalence $Mack(G) \rightarrow \mu\text{-mod}$ sends a Mackey functor M to $\widetilde{M} = \bigoplus M(G/H)$, where the direct sum is over all subgroups $H \subseteq G$. This is a left

μ -module with r_K^H acting as the restriction $M(\pi_K^H)$, t_K^H as the induction $M(\hat{\pi}_K^H)$ and $c_{x,H}$ as the conjugation $M(\hat{\gamma}_{x,H})$. Conversely, the equivalence $\mu\text{-mod} \longrightarrow \text{Mack}(G)$ sends a μ -module N to the Mackey functor $\bar{N}$ defined by $\bar{N}(G/H) = t_H^H N$ and the images of the morphisms in $\mathcal{B}(G)$ by the action of the corresponding elements in μ . Using the first definition of μ and the fact that $A_{G/H}$ is the representable functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}(G)}(\cdot, G/H)$, we can see that

$$\mu(G) = \bigoplus_{H, K \subseteq G} A_{G/H}(G/K) = \bigoplus_{H, K \subseteq G} A(G/K \times G/H) = A(\Omega^2),$$

where $\Omega = \coprod_{H \subseteq G} G/H$. This also shows that the μ -module corresponding to the Mackey functor $A_{G/H}$ is $\mu 1_H$.

Definition 1.8 ([3]). Let M and N be Mackey functors, and let Z be a finite G -set. The box product of M and N , denoted $M \square N$, is the Mackey functor defined at Z as the double coend

$$M \square N(Z) = \iint^{X, Y} M(X) \otimes N(Y) \otimes \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(Z, X \times Y)$$

over the category $\mathcal{B}$. Naturality in Z defines $M \square N$ on morphisms in $\mathcal{B}$.

The box product is commutative and associative, i.e., $M \square N \simeq N \square M$ and $(M \square N) \square P \simeq M \square (N \square P)$, and it has an adjoint functor which is the internal homomorphism functor $\mathcal{H}$.

Definition 1.9. Given Mackey functors M and N , let $\mathcal{H}(M, N)$ be the Mackey functor defined by $\mathcal{H}(M, N)(X) = \text{Hom}_{\text{Mack}(G)}(M, N_X)$ on every G -set X .

Proposition 1.10 ([1]). $\mathcal{H}(M \square N, P) \simeq \mathcal{H}(N, \mathcal{H}(M, P))$, in particular,

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{Mack}(G)}(M \square N, P) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{Mack}(G)}(N, \mathcal{H}(M, P)),$$

i.e. $\square$ is left adjoint to $\mathcal{H}$.

As a corollary, we get that $\square$ is right exact and $\mathcal{H}(\cdot, P)$ is left exact.

Proposition 1.11 ([1], [4]). For any Mackey functor M and any finite G -sets X and Y , we have $A_X \square M \simeq M \square A_X \simeq M_X$, in particular $A_X \square A_Y \simeq A_{X \times Y}$, and $\mathcal{H}(A_X, M) \simeq M_X$.

The last isomorphism in Proposition 1.11 can be seen as a generalization of the isomorphism

$$(1.3) \quad \phi : \text{Hom}_{\text{Mack}(G)}(A_X, M) \xrightarrow{\simeq} M(X)$$

which is the Yoneda Lemma: given a map $F : A_X \longrightarrow M$, then $\phi(F)$ is the image of $\text{Id}_X \in A_X(X) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X, X)$ under $F(X) : A_X(X) \longrightarrow M(X)$. Conversely, given $x \in M(X)$, the map $\phi^{-1}(x) : A_X \longrightarrow M$ is defined at the object Y by

$$A_X(Y) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(Y, X) \ni f \longmapsto M(f)(x) \in M(Y).$$

$\text{Mack}(G)$ with the box product is a closed symmetric monoidal category.

Here is another very useful property of $\square$ and $\mathcal{H}$.

Proposition 1.12 ([1]). There is an associative pairing

$$\hat{\circ} : \mathcal{H}(N, P) \square \mathcal{H}(M, N) \longrightarrow \mathcal{H}(M, P)$$

for any Mackey functors M , N and P .

2. GREEN FUNCTORS AND MODULES

In this section we give the definitions and some properties of Green functors and modules over Green functors. Most properties are generalizations of some corresponding property for Mackey functors. In fact, after giving the main definitions, we could go to the previous section and replace the Burnside functor A by a commutative Green functor R to obtain the rest of this section. The main references are [4], [7] and [1].

Definition 2.1. A Green functor R is a Mackey functor with two maps of Mackey functors: $A \xrightarrow{1_R} R$ and a multiplication $R \square R \xrightarrow{m} R$, where A is the Burnside functor, making the following diagrams commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R \square R \square R & \xrightarrow{\text{Id} \square m} & R \square R \\ \downarrow m \square \text{Id} & & \downarrow m \\ R \square R & \xrightarrow{m} & R \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} A \square R & \xrightarrow{1_R \square \text{Id}} & R \square R & \xleftarrow{\text{Id} \square 1_R} & R \square A \\ & \searrow \simeq & \downarrow m & \swarrow \simeq & \\ & & R & & \end{array}$$

The first diagram says that the multiplication is associative, the second diagram says that 1_R is a left and a right unit in R . A map between Green functors is a map of Mackey functors making the obvious diagrams commute.

Definition 2.2. A Green functor R is commutative if the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R \square R & \xrightarrow{\tau} & R \square R \\ & \searrow m & \swarrow m \\ & R & \end{array}$$

commutes, where τ permutes the coordinates and m is the multiplication in R .

Definition 2.3. A (left) module over the Green functor R is a Mackey functor M with a map of Mackey functors $R \square M \xrightarrow{a} M$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R \square R \square M & \xrightarrow{m \square \text{Id}} & R \square M \\ \downarrow \text{Id} \square a & & \downarrow a \\ R \square M & \xrightarrow{a} & M \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A \square M & \xrightarrow{1_R \square \text{Id}} & R \square M \\ & \searrow \simeq & \downarrow a \\ & & M \end{array}$$

commute, where m and 1_R are the multiplication and unit in R .

A map between two R -modules is a map of Mackey functors preserving the action of R . Denote by $R\text{-mod}$ the category of (left) modules over the Green functor R . Similarly we can define right modules over R and also bimodules.

The canonical isomorphism $A \square A \simeq A$ and the identity map Id_A give A the structure of a Green functor. Any Mackey functor M can be viewed as an A -module with the A -action given by the isomorphism $A \square M \simeq M$.

Green functors and modules over Green functors can also be defined as follows:

Definition 2.4. A Mackey functor R is a Green functor if $R(X)$ is a $\mathcal{Z}$ -algebra for any G -set X , the maps $R(f)$ are ring homomorphisms preserving the unit, and

$$a R(\hat{f})(b) = R(\hat{f})(R(f)(a) b) , \quad R(\hat{f})(b) a = R(\hat{f})(b R(f)(a))$$

for any G -map $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ and $a \in R(X)$, $b \in R(Y)$.

Definition 2.5. Let R and S be Green functors. A morphism of Mackey functors $f : R \longrightarrow S$ is a morphism of Green functors if each $f(X)$ is a morphism of rings.

Definition 2.6. A Mackey functor M is a (left) module over the Green functor R if $M(X)$ is a (left) module over $R(X)$, and if $f : X \longrightarrow Y$ is a G -map, then

$$\begin{aligned} M(f)(am) &= R(f)(a)M(f)(m) & \forall a \in R(Y), m \in M(Y), \\ aM(\hat{f})(m) &= M(\hat{f})(R(f)(a)m) & \forall a \in R(Y), m \in M(X), \\ R(\hat{f})(a)m &= M(\hat{f})(aM(f)(m)) & \forall a \in R(X), m \in M(Y). \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.7. Let M and N be modules over the Green functor R . The morphism of Mackey functors $f : M \longrightarrow N$ is a morphism of R -modules if each $f(G/H)$ is a morphism of $R(G/H)$ -modules.

These definitions are equivalent to the first ones ([1], [4]).

Example 2.8. With the second set of definitions, it is easy to check that the representation functor R defined in Example 1.5 is a Green functor which is commutative because the ring $R(X)$ is commutative for all finite G -sets X . Also, the fixed point functor $FP_{\mathcal{Z}}$ (see Example 1.6) is an R -module (R with coefficients in $\mathcal{Z}$) with the R -action induced by the map $\epsilon : R \longrightarrow FP_{\mathcal{Z}}$ which is defined at each transitive G -set G/H as the usual augmentation map $\epsilon(G/H) : R[H] \longrightarrow \mathcal{Z}$ (tensored with the ring $\mathcal{Z}$), i.e. a representation σ in $R(G/H) = R[H]$ acts on the module $FP_{\mathcal{Z}}(G/H) = \mathcal{Z}$ by multiplication by $\dim(\sigma)$.

Fix a Green functor R . Other examples of Green functors are R_X , with X any G -set. These are also R -modules. If M is an R -module, then M_X is a module over R and over R_X .

Another important example of a Green functor is $\mathcal{H}(M, M)$, where M is any Mackey functor. The product is given by the map of Proposition 1.12, and the unit $A \longrightarrow \mathcal{H}(M, M)$ is the map that sends $G/G \in A[G]$ to the identity map $\text{Id}_M \in \text{Hom}_{\text{Mack}(G)}(M, M) = \mathcal{H}(M, M)(G/G)$.

For any Green functor R , we can define a category $\mathcal{C}_R$ as follows: the objects are finite G -sets, the set of morphisms from X to Y is

$$R(X \times Y) \simeq \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(R_X, R_Y)$$

and the composition of morphisms in $\mathcal{C}_R$ is a composition of R -module morphisms. $\mathcal{C}_R$ plays the same role for R -modules as the Burnside category $\mathcal{B}$ for Mackey functors, which are A -modules. In fact we have $\mathcal{C}_A = \mathcal{B}$.

As in the case of the Burnside category, when R is commutative, we also have a natural isomorphism $\mathcal{C}_R \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_R^{op}$ since

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(X, Y) \simeq R(X \times Y) \simeq R(Y \times X) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(Y, X).$$

We will call it the opposite map.

Proposition 2.9 ([1]). *The category of R -modules is equivalent to the category of additive contravariant functors from $\mathcal{C}_R$ to $\mathcal{Z}\text{-mod}$.*

The unit of the Green functor R , $1_R : A \longrightarrow R$, gives a functor $\mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_R$ since both categories have the same objects and $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X, Y) = A(X \times Y)$ and $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(X, Y) = R(X \times Y)$. So $\mathcal{C}_R$ contains the morphisms in $\mathcal{B}$ (there might be

some identifications), which are generated by G -maps and transfers; composition of these morphisms in $\mathcal{C}_R$ is the same as in $\mathcal{B}$. The other morphisms in $\mathcal{C}_R$ encode the action of the ring $R(X)$ on the $R(X)$ -module $M(X)$, for any R -module M .

Notice that the representable functors $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(\cdot, X)$ are the R -modules R_X , by definition of the category $\mathcal{C}_R$. If R is the Burnside functor A , we recover Example 1.4. For $R = A$, Proposition 2.9 only says that the category of A -modules is equivalent to the category of Mackey functors.

Now we can define an algebra in the same way the Mackey algebra was defined:

$$\rho = \bigoplus_{H, K \subseteq G} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(G/K, G/H) \simeq R(\Omega^2),$$

where Ω is the disjoint union of all transitive G -sets, and the product is given by composition of morphisms in $\mathcal{C}_R$ or zero if two morphisms cannot be composed.

Proposition 2.10 ([1]). *The algebra ρ is generated by $t_K^H, r_K^H, c_{x,H}, \lambda_{H,a}$ for $K \subseteq H \subseteq G, x \in G, a \in R(G/K)$. The relations among t_K^H, r_K^H and $c_{x,H}$ are the same as in the Mackey algebra, (1.2). The other relations are*

$$(2.1a) \quad \lambda_{K,a} + \lambda_{K,b} = \lambda_{K,a+b}, \quad a, b \in R(G/K),$$

$$(2.1b) \quad \lambda_{K,a} \lambda_{K,b} = \lambda_{K,ab}, \quad a, b \in R(G/K),$$

$$(2.1c) \quad \lambda_{K,z1} = z t_K^K, \quad z \in \mathcal{Z}, \text{ where } 1 \text{ is the unit of } R(G/K),$$

$$(2.1d) \quad r_K^H \lambda_{H,a} = \lambda_{K, r_K^H(a)} r_K^H, \quad a \in R(G/H), \quad K \subseteq H \subseteq G,$$

$$(2.1e) \quad \lambda_{H,a} t_K^H = t_K^H \lambda_{K, r_K^H(a)}, \quad a \in R(G/H), \quad K \subseteq H \subseteq G,$$

$$(2.1f) \quad c_{x,H} \lambda_{H,a} = \lambda_{xH, c_{x,H}(a)} c_{x,H}, \quad a \in R(G/H), \quad x \in G,$$

$$(2.1g) \quad t_K^H \lambda_{K,a} r_K^H = \lambda_{H, t_K^H(a)}, \quad a \in R(G/K), \quad K \subseteq H \subseteq G.$$

The opposite map $\mathcal{C}_R \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_R^{op}$ induces an anti-isomorphism of the algebra ρ that sends an element v to its transfer $\hat{v}$. On the generators of ρ , it is given by

$$(2.2) \quad \hat{r}_K^H = t_K^H, \quad \hat{t}_K^H = r_K^H, \quad \hat{c}_{x,H} = c_{x^{-1}, xH} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\lambda}_{H,a} = \lambda_{H,a}.$$

Proposition 2.11 ([1]). *The category of left R -modules is equivalent to the category of left ρ -modules.*

The isomorphism $\rho\text{-mod} \longrightarrow R\text{-mod}$ is $V \mapsto M_V$, where $M_V(X) = R(X \times \Omega) \otimes_{R(\Omega^2)} V$ for all G -sets X and $\Omega = \coprod_{H \subseteq G} G/H$. If $X = G/H$, then

$$M_V(G/H) = R(G/H \times \Omega) \otimes_{R(\Omega^2)} V = (1_H \rho) \otimes_\rho V = 1_H V$$

because $R(G/H \times \Omega) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(G/H, \Omega) = 1_H \rho$. The isomorphism from $R\text{-mod}$ to $\rho\text{-mod}$ is $M \mapsto M(\Omega)$. If $M = R_{G/H}$, then

$$R_{G/H}(\Omega) = R(\Omega \times G/H) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(\Omega, G/H) = \rho 1_H.$$

We now finish this section with the definitions of the box product over R , $\square_R$, and the internal homomorphism functor over R , $\mathcal{H}_R$, a subfunctor of $\mathcal{H}$, and a list of properties that $\square_R$ and $\mathcal{H}_R$ satisfy.

Definition 2.12. Let M be a right R -module and N a left R -module. The Mackey functor $M \square_R N$ is the coequalizer of $M \square R \square N \xrightarrow{a_M \square id} M \square N$ and $M \square R \square N \xrightarrow{id \square a_N} M \square N$, where a_M and a_N are the actions of R in M and N .

Definition 2.13. Let M and N be left R -modules. $\mathcal{H}_R(M, N)$ is the Mackey functor defined by $\mathcal{H}_R(M, N)(X) = \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(M, N_X)$ for all G -sets X .

Proposition 2.14 ([1]). *Let M be a bimodule, and let N and P be left modules. Then*

$$\mathcal{H}_R(M \square_R N, P) \simeq \mathcal{H}_R(N, \mathcal{H}_R(M, P)).$$

In particular, $\text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(M \square_R N, P) \simeq \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(N, \mathcal{H}_R(M, P))$.

Corollary 2.15. $\mathcal{H}_R(\cdot, P)$ is left exact, and $\square_R$ is right exact.

For simplicity, from now on assume that R is a commutative Green functor.

Proposition 2.16 ([4]). *If R is commutative and M and N are R -modules, then $M \square_R N$ and $\mathcal{H}_R(M, N)$ are R -modules, and $M \square_R N \simeq N \square_R M$.*

Since the categories of left modules, right modules and bimodules over a commutative Green functor are all equivalent, Proposition 2.14 says that $\square_R$ and $\mathcal{H}_R$ are adjoint functors in the category $R\text{-mod}$ if R is commutative, i.e. $R\text{-mod}$ is a closed symmetric monoidal category, just like $\text{Mack}(G)$.

Proposition 2.17. $R_X \square_R M \simeq M \square_R R_X \simeq M_X$ and $\mathcal{H}_R(R_X, M) \simeq M_X$, for any R -module M .

This is the analogue of Proposition 1.11 and the second part is a generalization of

$$(2.3) \quad \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(R_X, M) \simeq M(X)$$

which is again the Yoneda lemma as in (1.3).

Proposition 2.18 ([1]). *If M is an R -module, then $\mathcal{H}_R(M, M)$ is a Green functor with the product $\hat{\circ}$ defined in Proposition 1.12.*

Proposition 2.19. *The product $\hat{\circ}$ defined in Proposition 1.12 induces an associative pairing*

$$\mathcal{H}_R(N, P) \square \mathcal{H}_R(M, N) \longrightarrow \mathcal{H}_R(M, P).$$

3. HOMOLOGICAL ALGEBRA

Lewis in [4] shows that $\text{Mack}(G)$ and the categories of left and right R -modules are abelian categories with enough injectives and projectives. The projectives in $\text{Mack}(G)$ are generated, as modules, by the representable functors A_X . The projectives in $R\text{-mod}$ are generated by R_X ; they are representable in the category of functors from $\mathcal{C}_R$ to $\mathcal{Z}$ -modules, which is equivalent to $R\text{-mod}$ (Proposition 2.9). Let Tor , Ext , Tor^R and Ext_R be the derived functors for $\square$, $\mathcal{H}$, $\square_R$ and $\mathcal{H}_R$, respectively. By definition, $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N)$ and $\text{Tor}_n^R(M, N)$ are just Mackey functors if M and N are R -modules. If R is commutative, then $\mathcal{H}_R(M, N)$ and $M \square_R N$ are R -modules and that induces an R -module structure on $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N)$ and $\text{Tor}_n^R(M, N)$. Moreover the graded Mackey functor $\text{Ext}_R(M, M) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \text{Ext}_R^n(M, M)$ is a Green functor with a Yoneda product induced by the pairing of Proposition 2.19 on the $\mathcal{H}$ cochain complex, which is constructed in the same way the Hom cochain complex is for ordinary modules over a ring.

In the category of modules over an ordinary ring, we have the following standard results that we will need later.

Proposition 3.1 (The short exact sequence trick). *Given a short exact sequence of modules over a fixed ring*

$$0 \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{j} C \longrightarrow 0,$$

a projective resolution (P_, d_*) for A and a projective resolution (Q_*, δ_*) for C , there is a projective resolution for B of the form*

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} B & \longleftarrow & P_0 & \xleftarrow{d_0} & P_1 & \xleftarrow{d_1} & P_2 \xleftarrow{d_2} \cdots \\ & \searrow & \oplus & \swarrow & \oplus & \swarrow & \oplus \swarrow \\ & & Q_0 & \xleftarrow{\delta_0} & Q_1 & \xleftarrow{\delta_1} & Q_2 \xleftarrow{\delta_2} \cdots \end{array}$$

We are assuming the sign conventions in [9], namely if (C, d) is a chain complex, then the n^{th} translate of C , $C[n]$, is the complex defined by $C[n]_i = C_{i+n}$ with differentials $(-1)^n d$.

Lemma 3.2. *Let P_* be a projective resolution for a module M*

$$0 \longleftarrow M \xleftarrow{\epsilon} P_0 \xleftarrow{\partial_0} P_1 \xleftarrow{\partial_1} P_2 \longleftarrow \cdots$$

and let Q_ be a projective resolution for a module N*

$$0 \longleftarrow N \xleftarrow{\epsilon} Q_0 \xleftarrow{\partial_0} Q_1 \xleftarrow{\partial_1} Q_2 \longleftarrow \cdots.$$

Let $f : P_ \rightarrow Q[-n]_*$ be a chain map. Let T_* be the chain complex with $T_n = N$ and $T_i = 0$ if $i \neq n$. Let $\tilde{\epsilon} : Q[-n]_* \rightarrow T_*$ be the chain map defined by $\tilde{\epsilon}_n = (-1)^n \epsilon : Q_0 \rightarrow N$ and $\tilde{\epsilon}_i = 0$ for $i \neq n$, where $\epsilon : Q_0 \rightarrow N$ is the augmentation map. Then f is chain homotopic to zero if and only if $\tilde{\epsilon}f : P_* \rightarrow T_*$ is chain homotopic to zero.*

Proposition 3.3. $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N) \simeq [P_*, Q[-n]_*]$.

$[P_*, Q[-n]_*]$ denotes the group of chain homotopy equivalence classes of chain maps $P_* \rightarrow Q[-n]_*$. The isomorphism sends a chain map $f : P_* \rightarrow Q[-n]_*$ to the class represented by $(-1)^n \epsilon f$. Lemma 3.2 shows that this map is injective. See [9] for more details.

4. SOME EXACT FUNCTORS

In this section we describe some exact functors defined on the category of modules over a Green functor. They are used in Part II to reduce the computation of the Green functor $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$ to the computation of the algebra $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G)$, and also to build projective resolutions.

4.1. Induction and restriction. Fix a subgroup H of G . Given a G -set X , let $\text{Res}_H^G X$ denote the H -set obtained from X by restricting the action. For any H -set Y , let $\text{Ind}_H^G Y$ be the G -set $G \times_H Y$ defined in Example 1.3. Res_H^G and Ind_H^G are the restriction map $A(\pi_H^G)$ and the induction map $A(\hat{\pi}_H^G)$ in Example 1.3. Now define the functors $\text{Res}_H^G : \text{Mack}(G) \rightarrow \text{Mack}(H)$ and $\text{Ind}_H^G : \text{Mack}(H) \rightarrow \text{Mack}(G)$ by

$$(\text{Res}_H^G M)(Y) = M(\text{Ind}_H^G Y) \quad \text{and} \quad (\text{Ind}_H^G M)(X) = M(\text{Res}_H^G X)$$

for every H -set Y and G -set X .

Proposition 4.1 ([8]). $\text{Res}_H^G : \text{Mack}(G) \rightarrow \text{Mack}(H)$ is left and right adjoint of $\text{Ind}_H^G : \text{Mack}(H) \rightarrow \text{Mack}(G)$.

Proposition 4.2 ([1]). $\mathcal{H}(M, N)(G/H) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{Mack}(H)}(\text{Res}_H^G M, \text{Res}_H^G N)$.

The functors Res_H^G and Ind_H^G also have good properties when considering only Green functors or modules over a fixed Green functor. In [1] Bouc proves the following results.

Proposition 4.3. *Let R be a Green functor for the group G and let M be an R -module. Then $\text{Res}_H^G R$ is a Green functor for H and $\text{Res}_H^G M$ is a module over $\text{Res}_H^G R$. If N is a $\text{Res}_H^G R$ -module, then $\text{Ind}_H^G N$ is a module over R .*

So we have well-defined functors

$$\text{Res}_H^G : R\text{-mod} \longrightarrow \text{Res}_H^G R\text{-mod}$$

and

$$\text{Ind}_H^G : \text{Res}_H^G R\text{-mod} \longrightarrow R\text{-mod}.$$

Proposition 4.4. *The restriction functor Res_H^G is left and right adjoint to the induction Ind_H^G .*

Corollary 4.5. Res_H^G and Ind_H^G are exact.

Proposition 4.6. *Let M and N be R -modules and $H \subseteq G$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_R(M, N)(G/H) &\simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{Res}_H^G R\text{-mod}}(\text{Res}_H^G M, \text{Res}_H^G N) \\ &= \mathcal{H}_{\text{Res}_H^G R}(\text{Res}_H^G M, \text{Res}_H^G N)(H/H). \end{aligned}$$

An obvious and useful corollary is:

Corollary 4.7. *Let M, N be R -modules. Then*

$$\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N)(G/H) \simeq \text{Ext}_{\text{Res}_H^G R\text{-mod}}^n(\text{Res}_H^G M, \text{Res}_H^G N)(H/H)$$

for any subgroup $H \subseteq G$.

Now let R^G and R^H denote the representation functors for G and H , respectively. In the same way, let F^G and F^H denote the fixed point functors for the groups G and H .

Lemma 4.8. $\text{Res}_H^G R^G = R^H$ and $\text{Res}_H^G F^G = F^H$.

Proof. Trivial by the definitions of R^G , R^H , F^G and F^H . □

Corollary 4.9. $\text{Ext}_{R^G}(F^G, F^G)(G/H) \simeq \text{Ext}_{R^H}(F^H, F^H)(H/H)$.

Proof. Apply Corollary 4.7 with R the representation functor for G and $M = N = F^G$. □

Corollary 4.10. $\text{Ext}_{R^G}^n(F^G, F^G)(G/e) = 0$ for all $n > 0$.

Proof. Since $\text{Res}_e^G R^G = \mathcal{Z}$, the category of modules over the Green functor $\text{Res}_e^G R^G$ is the category of $\mathcal{Z}$ -modules. The module $\text{Res}_e^G F^G = \mathcal{Z}$ is free, so

$$\text{Ext}_{R^G}^n(F^G, F^G)(G/e) \simeq \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{Z}\text{-mod}}^n(\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{Z}) = 0. \quad \square$$

4.2. The upside down functor $\mathcal{U}$. In this subsection G is a finite abelian group and R is the representation Green functor for G and with coefficients in any commutative ring $\mathcal{Z}$ with unit. The goal is to define an exact functor $\mathcal{U} : R\text{-mod} \rightarrow R\text{-mod}$ that will allow us to build a projective resolution in Sections 6 and 7 in half the steps we would have to do without it. The functor $\mathcal{U}$ is induced by an isomorphism ι of the algebra ρ associated to the functor R .

Note. $R(X)$ denotes the value of the functor R at the G -set X and $R[H]$ denotes the representation algebra of the group H . So $R(G/H)$ is the value of the functor R at G/H , i.e. $R(G/H) = R[H]$ and G/H is just a G -set. The representation algebra $R[G/H]$ is not the same as $R(G/H)$, the first only makes sense if H is normal in G (which is always true for abelian groups), and the latter is always defined even if the group is not abelian.

For any finite abelian group G , we define its dual to be

$$G^* = \text{Hom}(G, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}).$$

There is a pairing $G^* \times G \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ defined by $(\sigma, g) \mapsto \sigma(g)$, i.e. it is the evaluation of a map $\sigma \in G^*$ at $g \in G$. Given $H \subseteq G$, let

$$H^\perp = \{\sigma \in G^* : \sigma(h) = 0 \text{ for all } h \in H\}.$$

$H^\perp$ is a subgroup of G^* . Since G is abelian, G is isomorphic to its dual. Fix an isomorphism $\varphi : G^* \rightarrow G$ and let $H' = \varphi(H^\perp)$. The functor $\mathcal{U}$ depends on this isomorphism φ .

Proposition 4.11. *For any subgroups K and H of G , we have:*

- (i) $(K \cap H)' = K' \cap H'$.
- (ii) $(KH)' = K' \cap H'$.
- (iii) If $K \subseteq H$ then $H' \subseteq K'$ and $[H : K] = [K' : H']$.

Let ρ be the algebra associated to R defined in Section 2. Its generators are $t_K^H, r_K^H, c_{x,H}$, where x are representatives of the left cosets G/H , and $\lambda_{H,\sigma}$ where $\sigma \in R[H]$. It is enough to consider $\lambda_{H,\sigma}$ for irreducible characters. If σ is not irreducible, then it is a linear combination of irreducible characters $\sigma = \sum z_i \sigma_i$ and, applying (2.1a) and (2.1c), $\lambda_{H,\sigma} = \sum z_i \lambda_{H,\sigma_i}$.

Extend the isomorphism $\varphi : G^* \rightarrow G$ used to define H' to the group algebra $\mathcal{Z}[G^*]$. Since the group G is abelian, we identify $\mathcal{Z}[G^*]$ with $R[G]$, so that

$$r_H^G : \mathcal{Z}[G^*] \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}[H^*] \quad \text{and} \quad t_H^G : \mathcal{Z}[H^*] \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}[G^*]$$

denote the usual restriction and induction maps between $R[G]$ and $R[H]$. For each $\sigma \in \mathcal{Z}[H^*]$ choose $\chi \in \mathcal{Z}[G^*]$ such that $r_H^G(\chi) = \sigma$. Such χ exists because r_H^G is surjective (G is abelian). Let $\psi_H(\sigma) = p\varphi(\chi)$, where $p : G \rightarrow G/H'$ is the quotient map. If $r_H^G(\chi_1) = r_H^G(\chi_2)$ for two characteres $\chi_1, \chi_2 \in G^*$, then $\chi_1 \chi_2^{-1} \in H^\perp$ and so $p\varphi(\chi_1 \chi_2^{-1}) = 1$, i.e. $p\varphi(\chi_1) = p\varphi(\chi_2)$. So we get a well-defined map of algebras $\psi_H : \mathcal{Z}[H^*] \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}[G/H']$, which is obviously an isomorphism. The map ψ_H was defined so that, with $p^{-1}(x) = \sum_{p(y)=x} y$, the following diagrams are commutative:

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{Z}[G^*] = R[G] & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \mathcal{Z}[G] \\ \downarrow r_H^G & & \downarrow p \\ \mathcal{Z}[H^*] = R[H] & \xrightarrow{\psi_H} & \mathcal{Z}[G/H'] \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} R[G] & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \mathcal{Z}[G] \\ \uparrow t_H^G & & \uparrow p^{-1} \\ R[H] & \xrightarrow{\psi_H} & \mathcal{Z}[G/H'] \end{array}$$

Now we will define the algebra homomorphism $\iota : \rho \longrightarrow \rho$.

Since $\rho \simeq R(\Omega^2)$, where $\Omega = \bigoplus_{H \subseteq G} G/H$, for every Green functor over any finite group G , there is a $\mathcal{Z}$ -module isomorphism

$$\rho \simeq \bigoplus_{H, K \subseteq G} \bigoplus_{x \in H \backslash G/K} R(G/(H \cap {}^x K)) ,$$

whose inverse is given by

$$R(G/(H \cap {}^x K)) \ni a \longmapsto t_{H \cap {}^x K}^H \lambda_{H \cap {}^x K, a} c_{x, H^x \cap K} r_{H^x \cap K}^K .$$

If G is abelian, then

$$\rho \simeq \bigoplus_{H, K \subseteq G} \mathcal{Z}[G/HK] R(G/(H \cap {}^x K)) .$$

If we also assume that R is the representation functor, then

$$R(G/(H \cap K)) = R[H \cap K] \simeq \mathcal{Z}[(H \cap K)^*] \simeq \mathcal{Z}[G/H'K'] ,$$

where the last isomorphism is the map $\psi_{H \cap K}$ (together with Proposition 4.11) defined above. Thus

$$(4.2) \quad \rho \simeq \bigoplus_{H, K \subseteq G} (\mathcal{Z}[G/HK] \otimes \mathcal{Z}[G/H'K']) .$$

If $H, K \subseteq G$, $u \in \mathcal{Z}[G/HK]$ and $u' \in \mathcal{Z}[G/H'K']$, denote by $[u \otimes u']_{H, K}$ the element $u \otimes u'$ in the (H, K) -component of this decomposition.

Define the product in the right-hand side of (4.2) of the elements $[u \otimes u']_{H, K}$ and $[v \otimes v']_{L, M}$ by 0 if $K \neq L$, and by

$$(4.3) \quad \gamma_{K, H, M} \sum_{\substack{x \in HKM/HM \\ x' \in H'K'M'/H'M'}} [xuv \otimes x'u'v']_{H, M}$$

otherwise, where

$$\gamma_{K, H, M} = [(K \cap HM) : (K \cap H)(K \cap M)] .$$

Lemma 4.12. *The $\mathcal{Z}$ -module isomorphism (4.2) is an algebra isomorphism.*

Proof. To simplify notation, in this proof we will drop the index in the maps ψ_H , and denote by λ_a and c_x the elements $\lambda_{H, a}$ and $c_{x, H}$, respectively, where $a \in R(G/H)$ and $x \in H$.

The inverse isomorphism given in (4.2) sends the element $[u \otimes u']_{H, K}$ to $\alpha := t_{H \cap K}^H \lambda_{\psi^{-1}(u')} c_u r_{K \cap H}^K$, and $[v \otimes v']_{L, M}$ to $\beta := t_{L \cap M}^L \lambda_{\psi^{-1}(v')} c_v r_{L \cap M}^M$.

If $L \neq K$, then the product $\alpha\beta$ is 0. If $L = K$, applying the relations (1.2) and (2.1) in the algebra ρ to simplify the product $\alpha\beta$, we get

$$\alpha\beta = \sum_{x \in K/(H \cap K)(K \cap M)} t_{H \cap K \cap M}^H \lambda_{r_{H \cap K \cap M}^{H \cap K}(\psi^{-1}(u'))} r_{H \cap K \cap M}^{K \cap M}(\psi^{-1}(v')) c_{xuv} r_{M \cap K \cap H}^M .$$

If $x \in K \cap HM$, then $t_{H \cap K \cap M}^H c_{xuv} r_{H \cap K \cap M}^M = t_{H \cap K \cap M}^H c_{uv} r_{H \cap K \cap M}^M$. Also, since

$$\begin{aligned} & t_{H \cap K \cap M}^{H \cap M} \lambda_{r_{H \cap K \cap M}^{H \cap K}(\psi^{-1}(u'))} r_{H \cap K \cap M}^{K \cap M}(\psi^{-1}(v')) r_{H \cap K \cap M}^{H \cap M} \\ &= \lambda_{t_{H \cap K \cap M}^{H \cap M} (r_{H \cap K \cap M}^{H \cap K}(\psi^{-1}(u')) r_{H \cap K \cap M}^{K \cap M}(\psi^{-1}(v')))} \\ &= \sum_{x' \in H'K'M'/H'M'} \lambda_{H \cap M, \psi^{-1}(x'u'v')} \end{aligned}$$

(the first equality is relation (2.1g), and the second follows from the definition of the isomorphisms ψ and the commutative diagrams (4.1)), the product $\alpha\beta$ simplifies to

$$\alpha\beta = \gamma_{K,H,M} \sum_{\substack{x \in K/(K \cap HM) \\ x' \in H'K'M'/H'M'}} t_{H \cap M}^H \lambda_{\psi^{-1}(x'u'v')} c_{xuv} r_{H \cap M}^M,$$

which is the image of (4.3). $\square$

Let $\bar{\iota}$ be the map defined on the right-hand side of (4.2) that sends the element $[u \otimes u']_{H,K}$ to the element $[u' \otimes u]_{H',K'}$.

Lemma 4.13. *The map $\bar{\iota}$ is an algebra homomorphism.*

Proof. It is enough to show that $\gamma_{H,K,M} = \gamma_{H',K',M'}$. By Proposition 4.11, we have

$$(K' \cap H'M') / ((K' \cap H')(K' \cap M')) = (K(H \cap M))' / (KH \cap KM)'$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{H',K',M'} &= [(K(H \cap M))' : (KH \cap KM)'] \\ &= [KH \cap KM : K(H \cap M)]. \end{aligned}$$

Using the group isomorphism

$$(K \cap HM) / ((K \cap H)(K \cap M)) \simeq (KH \cap KM) / (K(H \cap M)),$$

we finally get $\gamma_{H,K,M} = \gamma_{H',K',M'}$. $\square$

Denote by ι the conjugate of $\bar{\iota}$ by the algebra isomorphism (4.2). Since $\bar{\iota}$ is an algebra isomorphism, this map $\iota : \rho \longrightarrow \rho$ is also an algebra isomorphism.

Proposition 4.14. *The map $\iota : \rho \longrightarrow \rho$ is an algebra isomorphism such that $\iota^2 = id$ and*

$$\begin{aligned} \iota(t_K^H) &= r_{H'}^{K'}, \quad \iota(r_K^H) = t_{H'}^{K'}, \\ \iota(c_{x,H}) &= \lambda_{H',\psi_{H'}^{-1}(x)} \quad \text{and} \quad \iota(\lambda_{H,\sigma}) = c_{\psi_H(\sigma),H'} \end{aligned}$$

if $\sigma \in R[H]$ is irreducible.

Proof. Obviously $\iota^2 = id$ because $\bar{\iota}$ also satisfies this property.

The isomorphism (4.2) interchanges the following pairs of elements:

$$\begin{aligned} t_K^H &\longleftrightarrow [1 \otimes 1]_{H,K} \quad \text{if } K \subseteq H, \\ r_K^H &\longleftrightarrow [1 \otimes 1]_{K,H} \quad \text{if } K \subseteq H, \\ c_{x,H} &\longleftrightarrow [x \otimes 1]_{H,H}, \\ \lambda_{H,\sigma} &\longleftrightarrow [1 \otimes \psi_H(\sigma)]_{H,H}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the map $\bar{\iota}$ to the elements on the right, we get respectively the following four elements:

$$[1 \otimes 1]_{H',K'}, \quad [1 \otimes 1]_{K',H'}, \quad [1 \otimes x]_{H',H'} \quad \text{and} \quad [\psi_H(\sigma) \otimes 1]_{H',H'}$$

(note that $H' \subseteq K'$ because $K \subseteq H$), which are mapped under the isomorphism (4.2) to

$$r_{H'}^{K'}, \quad t_{H'}^{K'}, \quad \lambda_{H',\psi_{H'}^{-1}(x)} \quad \text{and} \quad c_{\psi_H(\sigma),H'}.$$

$\square$

The isomorphism $\iota : \rho \longrightarrow \rho$ induces a functor

$$\mathcal{U} : \rho\text{-mod} \longrightarrow \rho\text{-mod}, \quad M \longmapsto M',$$

where M' is the module M with ρ -action defined by $r \cdot m = \iota(r)m$, for all $m \in M$ and $r \in \rho$. Using the equivalence between $\rho\text{-mod}$ and $R\text{-mod}$, $\mathcal{U}$ can also be written as a functor $\mathcal{U} : R\text{-mod} \longrightarrow R\text{-mod}$, $M \longmapsto M'$, where M' is the Mackey functor defined by $M'(G/H) = M(G/H')$ and $M'(\alpha) = M(\iota(\alpha))$ for all morphisms α in $\mathcal{C}_R$.

Proposition 4.15. *The functor*

$$\mathcal{U} : \rho\text{-mod} \longrightarrow \rho\text{-mod}$$

(or $\mathcal{U} : R\text{-mod} \longrightarrow R\text{-mod}$) is exact and $\mathcal{U}^2 = \text{id}$.

Proposition 4.16. $\mathcal{U}(\rho 1_H) \simeq \rho 1_{H'}$ and $\mathcal{U}(R_{G/H}) \simeq R_{G/H'}$.

Proof. The map $\iota|_{\rho 1_H} : \rho 1_H \longrightarrow \rho 1_{H'}$ is an isomorphism from $(\rho 1_H)'$ to $\rho 1_{H'}$ because $\iota : \rho \longrightarrow \rho$ is an isomorphism of algebras. The second part is equivalent to the first using the equivalence between R -modules and ρ -modules. $\square$

Part II. The proofs

5. PRELIMINARIES

Fix a finite group G and a commutative ring $\mathcal{Z}$ with unit. Let R be the representation functor for G with coefficients in $\mathcal{Z}$ and let $F = FP_{\mathcal{Z}}$ be the fixed point functor defined in Example 1.6. Proposition 2.17 gives the image of the functor $\mathcal{H}_R(\cdot, F)$ on the projective R -modules R_X . In this section, we will see what the image is on maps between projective modules and, in particular, what $\mathcal{H}_R(\cdot, F)(G/G)$ is. Needless to say, this is what we need to know to compute the derived functor $\text{Ext}_R(\cdot, F)$ of $\mathcal{H}_R(\cdot, F)$.

As we saw before, the representation functor R is a commutative Green functor and F is a module over R . The action of the ring $R(G/H) = R[H]$ on the $R(G/H)$ -module $F(G/H) = \mathcal{Z}$ is given by $\sigma \cdot z = \dim(\sigma)z$ for all representations $\sigma \in R[H]$ and $z \in \mathcal{Z}$. The functor F is also a Green functor since $F(G/H) = \mathcal{Z}$ is a ring for all $H \subseteq G$ and $F(f) = 1$ is a ring map for all G -maps $f : G/H \longrightarrow G/K$. The maps $F(\hat{f})$ also satisfy the transfer conditions in Definition 2.4.

Let $\epsilon : R \longrightarrow F$ be the map defined by the usual augmentation map $R[H] \longrightarrow \mathcal{Z}$, $\sigma \longmapsto \dim \sigma$ (tensored with $\mathcal{Z}$) at each G/H . This is a map of R -modules and a map of Green functors. As a map of Green functors, ϵ induces a map of algebras $\epsilon : \rho \longrightarrow \rho(F)$, where ρ and $\rho(F)$ are the algebras associated to the Green functors R and F , respectively. As a map of R -modules, since ϵ is surjective, it gives $F \simeq R/I$, where $I = \ker \epsilon$ is the augmentation ideal. Kernels of maps of Mackey functors are defined levelwise, in this case $I(G/H) = I[H]$ is the usual augmentation ideal of the ring $R[H]$. Still as a map of R -modules, ϵ induces surjective maps $\epsilon_X : R_X \longrightarrow F_X$ for all G -sets X , and $\ker(\epsilon_X) = (\ker \epsilon)_X = I_X$.

We will say that a map of R -modules $f : R_{G/H} \longrightarrow R_{G/K}$ is determined by $v \in R_{G/K}(G/H) = 1_H \rho 1_K$, if f corresponds to the map of ρ -modules $\rho 1_H \longrightarrow \rho 1_K$ given by multiplication on the right by v .

Proposition 5.1. *Let*

$$f : R_{G/H} \longrightarrow R_{G/K}$$

be the map determined by $v \in R_{G/K}(G/H) = 1_H \rho 1_K$. Then the map $\mathcal{H}_R(f, R) : R_{G/K} \longrightarrow R_{G/H}$ is determined by $\hat{v} \in R_{G/H}(G/K) = 1_K \rho 1_H$.

Proof. This proposition is really about the isomorphism

$$\mathcal{H}_R(R_X, R) \xrightarrow{\varphi} R_X$$

in Proposition 2.17 when $M = R$. At the G -set Y , by definition of $\mathcal{H}_R$

$$\mathcal{H}_R(R_X, R)(Y) = \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(R_X, R_Y) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(X, Y),$$

by (2.3)

$$R_X(Y) = \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(R_Y, R_X) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_R}(Y, X).$$

So φ is the opposite map $\mathcal{C}_R \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{C}_R^{op}$ that sends a morphism g to its transfer $\hat{g}$.

The proof now should be easy. Let $f^* = \mathcal{H}_R(f, R)$. At the G -set G/K , the map $f^*(G/K)$ sends the identity map $id \in \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(R_{G/K}, R_{G/K})$ to $f \in \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(R_{G/H}, R_{G/K})$. By Proposition 2.17, $f^* : R_{G/K} \longrightarrow R_{G/K}$ is determined by $f^*(G/K)(id)$, which is f identified with $\hat{v}$ as an element in $R_{G/H}(G/K) = 1_K \rho 1_H$. $\square$

Proposition 5.2. *Let f be the map on Proposition 5.1. Then $\mathcal{H}_R(f, F) : F_{G/K} \longrightarrow F_{G/H}$ is the map determined by $\epsilon(\hat{v})$.*

Proof. We already know that $\mathcal{H}_R(f, R)$ is $\times \hat{v}$. Let $f^* = \mathcal{H}_R(f, F)$. The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R_{G/K} & \xrightarrow{\times \hat{v}} & R_{G/H} \\ \downarrow \epsilon_{G/K} & & \downarrow \epsilon_{G/H} \\ F_{G/K} & \xrightarrow{f^*} & F_{G/H} \end{array}$$

is commutative. It can also be written as

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \rho 1_K & \xrightarrow{\times \hat{v}} & \rho 1_H \\ \downarrow \epsilon & & \downarrow \epsilon \\ \rho(F) 1_K & \xrightarrow{f^*} & \rho(F) 1_H \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} m & \xrightarrow{\times \hat{v}} & m \hat{v} \\ \downarrow \epsilon & & \downarrow \epsilon \\ \epsilon(m) & \xrightarrow{f^*} & \epsilon(m \hat{v}) \end{array}$$

(The bottom row is actually a map of $\rho(F)$ -modules but is also a map of ρ -modules via the augmentation map $\epsilon : \rho \longrightarrow \rho(F)$.) The vertical arrows are surjective and $\epsilon(m \hat{v}) = \epsilon(m) \epsilon(\hat{v})$ so f^* is $\times \epsilon(\hat{v})$. $\square$

There is an abuse of notation in the statement of Proposition 5.2. The element $\epsilon(\hat{v}) \in \rho(F)$ determines a map of F -modules from $F_{G/K}$ to $F_{G/H}$ which corresponds to the map of $\rho(F)$ -modules $\rho(F) 1_K \xrightarrow{\times \epsilon(\hat{v})} \rho(F) 1_H$. But since F is an R -module, the map $F_{G/K} \xrightarrow{\times \epsilon(\hat{v})} F_{G/H}$ is also a map of R -modules. We will write $\times \epsilon(\hat{v})$, or even just $\times \hat{v}$, to denote the map of R -modules too, as we did in Proposition 5.2.

Let X be a transitive G -set. The functor F_X is representable as an F -module. As an R -module, F_X is a quotient of a representable R -module, $F_X \simeq R_X/I_X$. In terms of modules over the algebra ρ , the corresponding module $\tilde{F}_X$ is a quotient of the submodule of $\tilde{R}_X$ of ρ . The units 1_R and 1_F of the Green functors R and

F induce maps of algebras $\mu \xrightarrow{1_R} \rho$ and $\mu \xrightarrow{1_F} \rho(F)$. It is easy to check that 1_F is surjective and it factors through ρ , i.e. the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mu & \xrightarrow{1_R} & \rho \\ & \searrow 1_F & \downarrow \epsilon \\ & & \rho(F) \end{array}$$

Since 1_F is surjective, the elements $\lambda_{H,a}$ in $\rho(F)$ can be written in terms of r_K^H , t_K^H and $c_{x,H}$ which are in μ and also in ρ . By abuse of notation, we will consider $\tilde{F}_X$ as a submodule of ρ since we do not need any of the extra generators $\lambda_{H,a} \in \rho(F)$, and drop any references to the algebra $\rho(F)$, unless it is needed to clarify some argument.

Let $\tilde{F}$ be the ρ -module corresponding to F . Then $\tilde{F} = \bigoplus_{H \subseteq G} \mathcal{Z}$ with ρ -action defined by: r_K^H sends the H -th to the K -th component, t_K^H is multiplication by $[H : K]$ from the K -th to the H -th component, $c_{x,H}$ sends the H -th component to the ${}^x H$ -th component, and $\lambda_{H,\sigma}$ is multiplication by $\dim(\sigma)$ in the H -th component. So $\tilde{F}$ is isomorphic to the submodule generated by the elements r_H^G with $H \subseteq G$. We will denote this module by $\mathcal{Z}[r_H^G : H \subseteq G]$.

Proposition 5.3. (i) $\text{Hom}_\rho(\rho 1_H, \tilde{F}) = \mathcal{Z}$ is generated as a $\mathcal{Z}$ -module by $1_H \mapsto r_H^G$,

- (ii) $\text{Hom}_\rho(r_K^H, \tilde{F}) = 1 \quad \forall K \subseteq H \subseteq G$,
- (iii) $\text{Hom}_\rho(t_K^H, \tilde{F}) = [H : K] \quad \forall K \subseteq H \subseteq G$,
- (iv) $\text{Hom}_\rho(c_{x,H}, \tilde{F}) = 1 \quad \forall x \in G, H \subseteq G$,
- (v) $\text{Hom}_\rho(\lambda_{H,\sigma}, \tilde{F}) = \dim \sigma \quad \forall H \subseteq G, \sigma \in R[H]$,

where $r_K^H : \rho 1_K \rightarrow \rho 1_H$, $t_K^H : \rho 1_H \rightarrow \rho 1_K$, $c_{x,H} : \rho 1_{H^x} \rightarrow \rho 1_H$ and $\lambda_{H,\sigma} : \rho 1_H \rightarrow \rho 1_H$ denote multiplication on the right by r_K^H , t_K^H , $c_{x,H}$ and $\lambda_{H,\sigma}$, respectively.

Proof. A morphism of ρ -modules $\rho 1_H \rightarrow \tilde{F}$ is determined by the image of 1_H . Since $\tilde{F} = \mathcal{Z}[r_H^G : H \subseteq G]$, the $\mathcal{Z}$ -module $\text{Hom}_\rho(\rho 1_H, \tilde{F})$ is generated by the maps $\varphi_K : 1_H \mapsto r_K^G$. But

$$\varphi_K(1_H) = \varphi_K(1_H^2) = 1_H \varphi_K(1_H) = 1_H r_K^G = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } K \neq H, \\ r_H^G & \text{if } K = H \end{cases}$$

so φ_H generates $\text{Hom}_\rho(\rho 1_H, \tilde{F})$.

Parts (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) follow from part (i) and the remark before the lemma. $\square$

Proposition 5.4. If $K \subseteq H$ and $K \neq H$, then $t_K^H r_K^H$ acts as multiplication by $[H : K]$ on the ρ -module $\tilde{F}_{G/L}$ for all $L \subseteq G$.

Proof. To make this proof precise, we need to go back to the algebra $\rho(F)$. By (2.1g) $t_K^H r_K^H = \lambda_{H, t_K^H(1)}$ in $\rho(F)$, where $t_K^H(1)$ is notation for $F(\hat{\pi}_K^H)(1)$ and $\pi_K^H : G/K \rightarrow G/H$ is the quotient map. Since $F(\hat{\pi}_K^H)(1) = [H : K]$, the result follows from (2.1c) and from the fact that the action of ρ on $\tilde{F}_{G/L}$ is induced by the action of $\rho(F)$ on $\rho(F)1_L$. $\square$

Let $\tilde{\epsilon} : \rho 1_H \longrightarrow \tilde{F}$ be the map of ρ -modules corresponding to $\epsilon : R \longrightarrow F$. It is defined by $1_G \longmapsto r_G^G = 1_G$. Recall that $I = \ker \epsilon$ is the augmentation ideal. So $\tilde{I}$ is the kernel of $\tilde{\epsilon}$.

Lemma 5.5. *Suppose G is abelian and is generated by $\{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$. Then*

$$\tilde{I} = \rho\{\lambda_{G, \sigma_i} - 1_G | i = 1, \dots, n\},$$

where $\sigma_i = \varphi(g_i)$ for some fixed isomorphism $\varphi : \mathcal{Z}[G] \longrightarrow R[G]$.

Proof. Since the map $r_H^G : R[G] \longrightarrow R[H]$ is surjective because G is abelian, then $I[H] = r_H^G(I[G])$, and this implies that $\tilde{I}$ is generated by $1_G \tilde{I} = I[G]$. The ideal $I[G]$ is generated by $\{\sigma - 1 | \sigma \text{ irreducible character}\}$. Since $R[G]$ is isomorphic to the group ring $\mathcal{Z}[G]$, the characters σ_i generate $R[G]$ and $\sigma_i - 1$ generate $I[G]$ as an $R[G]$ -module. $\square$

Corollary 5.6. *Let $\partial_0 : (\rho 1_G)^n \longrightarrow \rho 1_G$ be the map*

$$\partial_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{G, \sigma_1} - 1_G & \dots & \lambda_{G, \sigma_n} - 1_G \end{bmatrix},$$

where σ_i was defined in Lemma 5.5. Then

$$0 \longleftarrow \tilde{F} \xleftarrow{\epsilon} \rho 1_G \xleftarrow{\partial_0} (\rho 1_G)^n$$

is exact.

Another way of stating this corollary is

$$\tilde{F} = \rho 1_G / \rho\{\lambda_{G, \sigma_i} - 1_G | i = 1, \dots, n\}.$$

In general

Corollary 5.7. *If G is abelian, then*

$$\tilde{F}_{G/H} = \rho 1_H / \rho\{\lambda_{H, \sigma} - 1_H | \sigma \in R[H] \text{ irreducible}\}$$

for all $H \subseteq G$.

Proof. Since $\epsilon : R \longrightarrow F$ is surjective, $\epsilon_{G/H} : R_{G/H} \longrightarrow F_{G/H}$ is also. As in Lemma 5.5, $\ker \epsilon_{G/H}$ is generated by $\ker \epsilon_{G/H}(G/H)$ which is generated by $\lambda_{H, \sigma} - 1_H$. $\square$

Let $G = (\mathbb{Z}/2)^n$ and μ be the Mackey algebra for G .

Proposition 5.8. *If $G = (\mathbb{Z}/2)^n$, the algebra ρ is generated by*

$$\{t_K^H, r_K^H | K \subseteq H \subseteq G\}.$$

Proof. If σ_K is an irreducible representation (or character) of $H \subseteq G$ with $\ker = K$, then $[H : K] = 2$ and $t_K^H(1) = 1 + \sigma_K$, where 1 is the trivial representation. Equation (2.1g) with $a = 1$ gives

$$(5.1) \quad \lambda_{H, \sigma_K} = t_K^H r_K^H - 1_H.$$

Given any representation σ of the subgroup H , it can be written as a sum of irreducible representations and so, applying (2.1a) and (5.1), we can write $\lambda_{H, \sigma}$ as a linear combination of products of inductions and restrictions.

The relation (1.2g) with $L = K$ and $H = \langle K, x \rangle$ gives

$$(5.2) \quad c_{x, K} = r_K^{\langle K, x \rangle} t_K^{\langle K, x \rangle} - 1_K$$

for all $x \in G/H$, $x \notin H$. $\square$

Corollary 5.9. *Let $\pi : \mu \longrightarrow \rho$ be the map that sends any element of μ to the element in ρ with the same name. Then π is surjective and $\rho \simeq \mu / \ker \pi$.*

Corollary 5.10. *Let $G = (\mathbb{Z}/2)^n = \langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ and $\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{F}_2$. Let $\partial_0 : (\rho 1_G)^n \longrightarrow \rho 1_G$ be*

$$\partial_0 = \begin{bmatrix} t_{\langle T_1 \rangle}^G, r_{\langle T_1 \rangle}^G & \cdots & t_{\langle T_n \rangle}^G, r_{\langle T_n \rangle}^G \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$0 \longleftarrow \tilde{F} \xleftarrow{\epsilon} \rho 1_G \xleftarrow{\partial_0} (\rho 1_G)^n$$

is exact.

Proof. Trivial from Lemma 5.5 and (5.1). $\square$

6. THE CYCLIC CASE

In this section $G = \mathbb{Z}/2^n = \langle T \rangle$ and the coefficient ring is $\mathbb{F}_2$. Let R be the representation functor and F be the fixed point functor as in Section 5. We prove the following theorem.

Theorem 6.1. *The Green functor $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$ is given by*

$$(6.1) \quad \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/H) = \mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4] / (y_3^2 = 0)$$

for $H \subseteq G$, $H \neq e$, where x_4 has degree 4 and y_3 has degree 3, and

$$(6.2) \quad \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/e) = \mathbb{F}_2.$$

If $K \neq e$, the restriction map r_K^H is the ring map that sends y_3 to zero and x_4 to x_4 , the induction map t_K^H sends $y_3 x_4^i$ to $y_3 x_4^i$ and x_4^i to zero, for all $i \geq 0$.

Let ρ be the algebra associated to R . Fix an isomorphism $\varphi : G^* \longrightarrow G$ and let $\varphi(\sigma) = T$. The upside down functor $\mathcal{U}$ defined in Section 4.2 switches the maps $\times_{cT,e}$ and $\times_{\lambda_{G,\sigma}}$. We also denote by T the generators of the subgroups $\mathbb{Z}/2^k \subseteq \mathbb{Z}/2^n$ and by σ the restriction of σ to $\mathbb{Z}/2^k$. So $\mathcal{U}$ switches $c_{T,H}$ with $\lambda_{H',\sigma}$ for all $H \subseteq G$. Also, we will drop the $\times$ on the maps $\times v$. As a map, an element v of ρ always denotes multiplication on the right.

Proposition 6.2. *The long exact sequence*

$$(6.3) \quad R \xleftarrow{1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma}} R \xleftarrow{r_e^G} R_{G/e} \xleftarrow{1_e + c_{T,e}} R_{G/e} \xleftarrow{t_e^G} R \xleftarrow{1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma}} \cdots$$

is a projective R -resolution for F .

Proof. The first differential $\partial_0 = 1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma}$ comes from Corollary 5.6. Levelwise, i.e. at the G -set G/H with $H = \mathbb{Z}/2^k$, $\partial_0(G/H)$ is $R[H] \xrightarrow{1+\sigma} R[H]$ and its kernel is generated by the regular representation $1 + \sigma + \cdots + \sigma^{2^k-1} = t_e^H(1)$. This implies that $\ker \partial_0$ is generated as an R -module by the trivial representation of $R(G/e) = R[e]$ and so the next term of the resolution is $R_{G/e}$ and the differential ∂_1 is r_e^G .

It looks like ∂_1 should be t_e^G and not r_e^G , but recall that the elements of ρ act on the left as the morphisms in an R -module and act on the right to define maps between representable R -modules (or ρ -submodules). Also, the trivial representation of the trivial subgroup lies in $R(G/e) = 1_e \rho 1_G$ and corresponds to the element r_e^G , and so $\ker \partial_0 = \rho r_e^G$.

At G/H with $H = \mathbb{Z}/2^k$, $\partial_1(G/H)$ is the map $R[e]^{2^{n-k}} \longrightarrow R[H]$ that sends 1 of each component to $1 + \sigma + \cdots + \sigma^{2^k-1}$. The kernel is generated by the elements

$(1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), (0, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, 1, 1)$. Again all of them are obtained from the kernel of $\partial_1(G/e)$, and all of the elements of $\ker \partial_1(G/e)$ are obtained from $(1, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ by conjugation. Since $(1, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ in $R_{G/e}(G/e) = 1_e \rho 1_e$ corresponds to $1_e + c_{T,e}$, $\ker \partial_1 = \rho(1_e + c_{T,e})$, and so the next term of the resolution is $R_{G/e}$ with differential $\partial_2 = 1_e + c_{T,e}$.

Now notice that $\mathcal{U}(\ker \partial_1) = \mathcal{U}(\rho(1_e + c_{T,e})) = \rho(1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma})$ and, by Lemma 5.5, this is the augmentation ideal. To get the rest of the resolution, including ∂_2 , just apply the upside down functor $\mathcal{U}$ to the bit of the resolution we already have: $\partial_2 = \mathcal{U}(\partial_0)$, $\partial_3 = \mathcal{U}(\partial_1)$, $\partial_4 = \mathcal{U}(\partial_2) = \mathcal{U}^2(\partial_0) = \partial_0$ and we are back to the beginning. $\square$

We constructed the resolution with both R -modules and ρ -modules. These two categories are equivalent and sometimes one of them is better than the other. The functors have the advantage of breaking the computation of kernels to each level, and the algebra ρ provides a good way to put everything together and identify the maps more easily, since we are dealing with submodules of ρ . We can also write the resolution (6.3) as

$$(6.4) \quad \rho 1_G \xleftarrow{1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma}} \rho 1_G \xleftarrow{r_e^G} \rho 1_e \xleftarrow{1_e + c_{T,e}} \rho 1_e \xleftarrow{t_e^G} \rho 1_G \xleftarrow{1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma}} \dots$$

Let M be the Mackey functor defined by $M(G/H) = \mathcal{Z}$ if $H \neq e$ and $M(G/e) = 0$, $M(f) = 1$ for all G -maps $f : G/K \rightarrow G/H$ if $K \neq e$ and all transfers $M(\hat{f}) = 0$. Let N be the R -module that has the same value on objects as M with morphisms $N(\pi_K^H) = 0$, $N(\gamma_{x,H}) = 1$ and $N(\hat{\pi}_K^H) = 1$, where $\pi_K^H : G/K \rightarrow G/H$ is the quotient map and $\gamma_{x,H} : G/H \rightarrow G/H$ is a conjugation map.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M(G/H) = \mathcal{Z} & & N(G/H) = \mathcal{Z} \\ \downarrow 1 & \uparrow 0 & \downarrow 0 & \uparrow 1 \\ M(G/K) = \mathcal{Z} & & N(G/K) = \mathcal{Z} \\ \downarrow 0 & \uparrow 0 & \downarrow 0 & \uparrow 0 \\ M(G/e) = 0 & & N(G/e) = 0 \end{array}$$

Proposition 6.3.

$$\text{Ext}_R^n(F, F) = \begin{cases} F & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } n = 1 + 4k \text{ or } n = 2 + 4k, k \geq 0, \\ N & \text{if } n = 3 + 4k, k \geq 0, \\ M & \text{if } n = 4k, k > 0. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since the resolution (6.3) is 4-periodic, $\text{Ext}_R^{i+4}(F, F) = \text{Ext}_R^i(F, F)$ for all $i \geq 1$.

Apply the functor $\mathcal{H}_R(\cdot, F)$ to the resolution (6.3). By Proposition 2.17 we get the complex

$$F \xrightarrow{\delta_0} F \xrightarrow{\delta_1} F_{G/e} \xrightarrow{\delta_2} F_{G/e} \xrightarrow{\delta_3} F \xrightarrow{\delta_0} F \xrightarrow{\delta_1} \dots,$$

where $\delta_i = \mathcal{H}_R(\partial_i, F)$. From Proposition 5.2, we have $\delta_0 = 1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma}$, $\delta_1 = t_e^G$, $\delta_2 = 1_e + c_{T,e}$ and $\delta_3 = r_e^G$. Since $\dim(\sigma) = 1$, $\delta_0 = 0$, and so $\text{Ext}_R^0(F, F) = \ker \delta_0 = F$.

A map of R -modules from a functor $F_{G/K}$ to any module is determined at the G -set G/K . So δ_1 , δ_2 and δ_3 are determined by $\delta_1(G/G)$, $\delta_2(G/e)$ and $\delta_3(G/e)$. Writing the differentials in matrix form, instead of using an element of ρ , the complex becomes

$$\text{at } G/G : \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{1} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \cdots,$$

$$\text{at } G/H : \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\Delta} \mathbb{F}_2^{2^{n-k}} \xrightarrow{A} \mathbb{F}_2^{2^{n-k}} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \cdots,$$

$$\text{at } G/e : \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\Delta} \mathbb{F}_2^{2^n} \xrightarrow{A} \mathbb{F}_2^{2^n} \xrightarrow{\epsilon} \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{0} \cdots,$$

where $H = \mathbb{Z}/2^k$ for $1 < k < n$, Δ is the diagonal map and

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \ddots & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now compute the cohomology of each row to get $\text{Ext}_R^n(F, F)$ at each transitive G -set. The morphisms are induced from F and $F_{G/e}$ since each $\text{Ext}_R^n(F, F)$ is a subfunctor of one of these. $\square$

Proposition 6.4. *As an algebra, $\text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F}) = \mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4]/(y_3^2 = 0)$, where x_4 has degree 4 and y_3 has degree 3.*

Proof. As a graded vector space, $\text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F}) = \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G)$. The algebra structure is given by composition of chain maps since $\text{Ext}_\rho^i(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F}) = [P_*, P[-i]_*]$, where P_* is the resolution (6.4).

Let x_4 and y_3 be the nonzero classes in $\text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F})$ of degree 3 and 4, respectively. Let $\alpha_* : P_* \rightarrow P[-4]_*$ be

$$\alpha_i = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq i \leq 3, \\ 1, & i \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

and $\beta_* : P_* \rightarrow P[-3]_*$ be

$$\beta_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq i \leq 2, \\ r_e^G & \text{if } i = 3 + 4k, k \geq 0, \\ \sum_{j \text{ even}} \lambda_{G, \sigma^j} & \text{if } i = 4 + 4k, k \geq 0, \\ t_e^G & \text{if } i = 5 + 4k, k \geq 0, \\ \sum_{j \text{ even}} c_{T^j, e} & \text{if } i = 6 + 4k, k \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that both α_* and β_* are chain maps. To see that they are not chain homotopic to zero, we are going to apply Lemma 3.2.

The chain map α_* is chain homotopic to zero if and only if there is a map $\phi : \rho 1_e \rightarrow \tilde{F}$ such that $\phi \partial_3 = \epsilon \alpha_4$, where $\epsilon : \rho 1_G \rightarrow \tilde{F}$ is the augmentation map.

A map $\phi : \rho 1_e \longrightarrow \tilde{F}$ is either r_e^G or zero. So $\phi \partial_3$ is $1_G + \lambda_{G,\sigma}$ or zero, which is always different from $\epsilon \alpha_4 = 1_G$.

Again by Lemma 3.2, the chain map β_* is chain homotopic to zero if and only if there is a map $\phi : \rho 1_e \longrightarrow \tilde{F}$ such that $\phi \partial_2 = \epsilon \beta_3 = r_e^G$. As above, a nonzero map ϕ must be r_e^G , so $\phi \partial_2 = (1_e + c_{T,e})r_e^G = 0 \neq \epsilon \beta_3$.

Since α_* and β_* are not chain homotopic to zero, they represent the classes x_4 and y_3 .

The class y_3^2 is zero because $\text{Ext}_\rho^6(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F}) = 0$.

Composing any chain map $\gamma : P_* \longrightarrow P[-n]_*$ with α_* , on the left or on the right, gives

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} P_0 & \xleftarrow{\partial_0} & P_1 & \xleftarrow{\partial_1} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+3}} & P_{n+3} & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+4}} & P_{n+4} & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+5}} & P_{n+5} & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+6}} & \cdots \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \gamma_{n+4} & & \downarrow \gamma_{n+5} & & \\ 0 & \xleftarrow{\partial_0} & 0 & \xleftarrow{\partial_1} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+3}} & 0 & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+4}} & P_0 & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+5}} & P_1 & \xleftarrow{\partial_{n+6}} & \cdots \end{array}$$

Since the resolution P_* is 4-periodic, i.e. $\partial_{i+4} = \partial_i$ for all $i \geq 0$, we can assume that γ_* satisfies $\gamma_{i+4} = \gamma_i$ for $i \geq n$ (if not, we can replace γ_* by a chain homotopic map satisfying this condition). So, by Lemma 3.2, if γ_* is not chain homotopic to zero, $\alpha_* \gamma_* = \gamma_* \alpha_*$ is not either. This argument implies that α_*^j and $\beta_* \alpha_*^j$ are not chain homotopic to zero for all $j \geq 0$, and since all these classes have different degrees, they are linearly independent. $\square$

Propositions 6.3 and 6.4 together imply Theorem 6.1.

7. THE $\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$ CASE

Let $G = \mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$ and let the coefficient ring be $\mathbb{F}_2$. The goal of this section is to compute the graded Green functor $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$, where R is the representation Green functor and F is the fixed point functor, a module over R . First we build a projective resolution. The tools used are the short exact sequence trick (Proposition 3.1), the upside down functor $\mathcal{U}$ defined in Section 4.2 and the induction functor Ind_H^G of Section 4.1. Then we compute the algebra $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G)$. The value of $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$ at the other orbits and morphisms are obtained by applying the restriction functor Res_H^G .

7.1. A projective resolution. Let μ be the Mackey algebra over $\mathbb{F}_2$ for the group $\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$. Let ρ be the algebra associated to R . Let S and T be two generators of the group G . We will also denote by S , T and ST the subgroups of order two generated by these elements.

Proposition 7.1. $\rho = \mu / (t_e^G r_e^G + t_S^G r_S^G + t_T^G r_T^G + t_{ST}^G r_{ST}^G)$.

Proof. By Corollary 5.9 all we need to do is to compute $\ker \pi$.

The rank of μ is $\text{rk} A(\Omega^2) = 53$, where $\Omega = \coprod_{H \subseteq G} G/H$. The rank of ρ is $\text{rk} R(\Omega^2) = 52$. So $\ker \pi$ has rank 1.

Equation (2.1g) with $H = G$, $K = e$ and $a = 1$ gives

$$t_e^G r_e^G = \lambda_{G, 1 + \sigma_S + \sigma_T + \sigma_{ST}},$$

where σ_L denotes the irreducible character with kernel L . Now apply (5.1) and (2.1a) to get

$$(7.1) \quad t_e^G r_e^G = t_S^G r_S^G + t_T^G r_T^G + t_{ST}^G r_{ST}^G.$$

Notice that the relation (7.1) does not hold in μ because the four elements involved are linearly independent in μ (see [7]), so $\ker \pi$ is generated by $t_e^G r_e^G + t_S^G r_S^G + t_T^G r_T^G + t_{ST}^G r_{ST}^G$. $\square$

Lemma 7.2. *The sequences*

$$\rho 1_H \xleftarrow{t_e^H r_e^H} \rho 1_H \xleftarrow{r_e^H} \rho 1_e \xleftarrow{r_e^H t_e^H} \rho 1_e \xleftarrow{t_e^H} \rho 1_H \xleftarrow{t_e^H r_e^H} \dots$$

for $H = S, T, ST$, are exact.

Proof. Apply the functor Ind_H^G to the resolution (6.4) with G replaced by H . The sequence obtained is exact because Ind_H^G is an exact functor. $\square$

Lemma 7.3. *The sequences*

$$\rho 1_H \xleftarrow{r_H^G t_H^G} \rho 1_H \xleftarrow{t_H^G} \rho 1_G \xleftarrow{t_H^G r_H^G} \rho 1_G \xleftarrow{r_H^G} \rho 1_H \xleftarrow{r_H^G t_H^G} \dots$$

for $H = S, T, ST$, are exact.

Proof. Apply the upside down functor $\mathcal{U}$ to Lemma 7.2. $\square$

Let $M = R_{G/S} \oplus R_{G/T} \oplus R_{G/ST}$ and let $\widetilde{M}$ be the ρ -module corresponding to M .

Lemma 7.4. *Let $\partial_0 : \rho 1_G^2 \longrightarrow \rho 1_G$, $\partial_1 : \widetilde{M} \longrightarrow \rho 1_G^2$ and $\partial_2 : \widetilde{M} \oplus \rho 1_e \longrightarrow \widetilde{M}$ be the maps*

$$\partial_0 = \begin{bmatrix} t_S^G r_S^G & t_T^G r_T^G \end{bmatrix}, \quad \partial_1 = \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G & 0 & r_{ST}^G \\ 0 & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\partial_2 = \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G t_S^G & 0 & 0 & r_e^S \\ 0 & r_T^G t_T^G & 0 & r_e^T \\ 0 & 0 & r_{ST}^G t_{ST}^G & r_e^{ST} \end{bmatrix},$$

where an entry $m \in \rho$ is a map $\rho 1_K \xrightarrow{\times m} \rho 1_H$. Then

$$\rho 1_G \xleftarrow{\partial_0} \rho 1_G^2 \xleftarrow{\partial_1} \widetilde{M} \xleftarrow{\partial_2} \widetilde{M} \oplus \rho 1_e$$

is exact.

Proof. $\text{Im } \partial_{i+1} \subseteq \ker \partial_i, i = 0, 1$: Trivial.

$\ker \partial_0 \subseteq \text{Im } \partial_1$: The elements in $\ker \partial_0$ are of the form $(v_1, 0)$ with $v_1 \in \ker t_S^G r_S^G$, or $(0, v_2)$ with $v_2 \in \ker t_T^G r_T^G$, or (v_1, v_2) with $v_1 \notin \ker t_S^G r_S^G$, $v_2 \notin \ker t_T^G r_T^G$ and $v_1 t_S^G r_S^G = v_2 t_T^G r_T^G$. The first case gives $\rho(r_S^G, 0) \subseteq \ker \partial_0$, the second case gives $\rho(0, r_T^G) \subseteq \ker \partial_0$, and if (v_1, v_2) is in the third case, then both $v_1 t_T^G r_T^G$ and $v_2 t_S^G r_S^G$ belong to

$$\rho t_S^G r_S^G \cap \rho t_T^G r_T^G = \mathbb{F}_2 \langle t_e^G r_e^G, t_e^{ST} r_e^G \rangle = \rho t_e^{ST} r_e^G$$

and so $(v_1, v_2) \in \rho(r_{ST}^G, r_{ST}^G)$ because $t_e^{ST} r_e^G = r_{ST}^G (t_T^G r_T^G) = r_{ST}^G (t_S^G r_S^G)$.

$\ker \partial_1 \subseteq \text{Im } \partial_2$: The element $(v_1, v_2, v_3) \in \widetilde{M}$ is in $\ker \partial_1$ iff

$$(7.2) \quad v_1 r_S^G = v_2 r_T^G = v_3 r_{ST}^G.$$

Obviously $(v_1, 0, 0)$, $(0, v_2, 0)$ and $(0, 0, v_3)$ are in the kernel of ∂_1 if $v_1 \in \ker r_S^G = \rho r_S^G t_S^G$, $v_2 \in \ker r_T^G = \rho r_T^G t_T^G$ and $v_3 \in \ker r_{ST}^G = \rho r_{ST}^G t_{ST}^G$.

Now suppose that $(v_1, v_2, v_3) \in \ker \partial_1$ with $v_1 \notin \ker r_S^G$. Then $v_2 \notin \ker r_T^G$ and $v_3 \notin \ker r_{ST}^G$. We want to show that

$$(7.3) \quad (v_1, v_2, v_3) \in \rho(r_e^S, r_e^T, r_e^{ST}) \bmod \rho(r_S^G t_S^G, 0, 0) \oplus \rho(0, r_T^G t_T^G, 0) \oplus \rho(0, 0, r_{ST}^G t_{ST}^G).$$

Since

$$v_1 r_S^G \in \rho r_T^G \cap \rho r_{ST}^G = \mathbb{F}_2 \langle r_e^G, t_e^G r_e^G, t_e^S r_e^G, t_e^T r_e^G, t_e^{ST} r_e^G \rangle = \rho r_e^G,$$

then $v_1 \in \rho r_e^S$. Similarly $v_2 \in \rho r_e^T$ and $v_3 \in \rho r_e^{ST}$. If we replace $v_1 = r_e^S$ in (7.2), we get $v_2 = c_{g,e} r_e^T$ and $v_3 = c_{h,e} r_e^{ST}$ for some $g, h \in G$ (check the multiplication table in the appendix). But $c_{g,e} r_e^T = t_e^T + (1_e + c_{g,e}) r_e^T$, where $(1_e + c_{g,e}) r_e^T \in \rho r_T^G t_T^G$, and similarly for v_3 . This proves (7.3) which implies

$$\ker \partial_1 \subseteq \rho \langle (r_S^G t_S^G, 0, 0), (0, r_T^G t_T^G, 0), (0, 0, r_{ST}^G t_{ST}^G), (r_e^S, r_e^T, r_e^{ST}) \rangle = \text{Im } \partial_2. \quad \square$$

Lemma 7.5. Let $\partial'_0 : \rho 1_e^2 \longrightarrow \rho 1_e$, $\partial'_1 : \widetilde{M} \longrightarrow \rho 1_e^2$ and $\partial'_2 : \widetilde{M} \oplus \rho 1_G \longrightarrow \widetilde{M}$ be the maps

$$\partial'_0 = \begin{bmatrix} r_e^S t_e^S & r_e^T t_e^T \end{bmatrix}, \quad \partial'_1 = \begin{bmatrix} t_e^S & 0 & t_e^{ST} \\ 0 & t_e^T & t_e^{ST} \end{bmatrix},$$

and

$$\partial'_2 = \begin{bmatrix} t_e^S r_e^S & 0 & 0 & t_S^G \\ 0 & t_e^T r_e^T & 0 & t_T^G \\ 0 & 0 & t_e^{ST} r_e^{ST} & t_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$\rho 1_e \xleftarrow{\partial'_0} \rho 1_e^2 \xleftarrow{\partial'_1} \widetilde{M} \xleftarrow{\partial'_2} \widetilde{M} \oplus \rho 1_G$$

is exact.

Proof. Apply the upside down functor $\mathcal{U}$ to Lemma 7.4. $\square$

Proposition 7.6. There is a projective ρ -resolution for $\widetilde{F}$ of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} \rho 1_G & \xleftarrow{\partial_0} & \rho 1_G^2 & \xleftarrow{\partial_1} & \widetilde{M} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \widetilde{M} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \rho 1_G^3 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \rho 1_G^3 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \widetilde{M} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \cdots \\ & & & & \nwarrow & & \oplus & \nwarrow & \oplus & \nwarrow & \oplus & \nwarrow & \oplus & \nwarrow & \\ & & & & \rho 1_e & \xleftarrow{\partial'_0} & \rho 1_e^2 & \xleftarrow{\partial'_1} & \widetilde{M} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \widetilde{M} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \widetilde{M} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \cdots \\ & & & & & & & & \nwarrow & & \oplus & \nwarrow & \oplus & \nwarrow & \\ & & & & & & & & \rho 1_G & \xleftarrow{\partial_0} & \cdots \end{array}$$

where each row becomes 4-periodic after the first two maps, and so do the correction maps between any two different rows. The maps ∂_0 , ∂_1 , ∂'_0 and ∂'_1 were defined in Lemmas 7.4 and 7.5.

Proof. The exact sequence of Lemma 7.4 is the beginning of a resolution P_* for $\widetilde{F}$. The idea is to apply the short exact sequence trick (Proposition 3.1) with $A = \text{Im}(\partial_2|_{\widetilde{M}})$, $B = \text{Im } \partial_2$ and $C = B/A$. We only need projective resolutions for A and C .

The map $\partial_2|_{\widetilde{M}} : \widetilde{M} \longrightarrow \widetilde{M}$ is diagonal and each diagonal entry is $r_H^G t_H^G : \rho 1_H \longrightarrow \rho 1_H$ ($H = S, T$ or ST), which occurs as a map in the exact sequence of Lemma 7.3. So a resolution for A is obtained by taking the direct sum of the three long exact sequences of Lemma 7.3, and that is the first row of the resolution P_* .

By definition

$$C = \text{Im}(\partial_2|_{\rho 1_e}) / (\text{Im}(\partial_2|_{\rho 1_e}) \cap \text{Im}(\partial_2|_{\widetilde{M}})),$$

where $\text{Im}(\partial_2|_{\rho 1_e}) = \rho(r_e^S, r_e^T, r_e^{ST})$ and

$$\text{Im}(\partial_2|_{\widetilde{M}}) = \rho(r_S^G t_S^G, 0, 0) \oplus \rho(0, r_T^G t_T^G, 0) \oplus \rho(0, 0, r_{ST}^G t_{ST}^G).$$

Using the multiplication table in the appendix, we get

$$C = \mathbb{F}_2 \langle (t_e^H r_e^S, t_e^H r_e^T, t_e^H r_e^{ST}) : H \subseteq G \rangle.$$

Now it is easy to see that C is a ρ -module with rank 5, $1_H C = \mathbb{F}_2$ for every subgroup H , t_K^H acts by left multiplication and r_K^H acts as zero if $H \neq K$, i.e. C is isomorphic to $\mathcal{U}(\widetilde{F}) = \mathbb{F}_2 \langle t_e^H : H \subseteq G \rangle$. So $\mathcal{U}(P_*)$ is a projective resolution for C . $\square$

Next we will give a more detailed description of the maps in the resolution P_* . Everything follows from the way P_* was constructed, namely the short exact sequence trick.

If we write the differential maps of P_* as matrices as in Lemmas 7.4 and 7.5, we get

$$\partial_{3+i} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{3+i} & * \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(\partial_i) \end{bmatrix}$$

for $i \geq 0$, where D_{3+i} is a 3×3 block whose entries are the maps in the first row of the resolution for F , so the index $3+i$ should be taken mod 4, i.e. there are only four of these blocks and they appear periodically with period four. They are

$$\begin{aligned} D_0 &= \begin{bmatrix} t_S^G r_S^G & & \\ & t_T^G r_T^G & \\ & & t_{ST}^G r_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}, & D_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} t_S^G & & \\ & t_T^G & \\ & & t_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}, \\ D_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G t_S^G & & \\ & r_T^G t_T^G & \\ & & r_{ST}^G t_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}, & D_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G & & \\ & r_T^G & \\ & & r_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

These blocks correspond to the direct sum of the three long exact sequences of Lemma 7.3.

If $i \geq 1$, the block $*$ has at least 3 columns, so we can write

$$\partial_{3+i} = \left[\begin{array}{c|cc} D_{3+i} & A_{3+i} & * \\ \hline 0 & & \mathcal{U}(\partial_i) \end{array} \right],$$

where A_{3+i} is a 3×3 block obtained by applying the short exact sequence trick once. Like the blocks in the diagonal, the A_{3+i} are also 4-periodic. They are

$$A_0 = A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G \\ r_S^G & 0 & r_{ST}^G \\ r_S^G & r_T^G & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A_2 = A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & r_e^S & r_e^S \\ r_e^T & 0 & r_e^T \\ r_e^{ST} & r_e^{ST} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The second application of the short exact sequence trick allows us to write the differential maps in the form

$$\partial_{6+i} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{6+i} & A_{6+i} & * \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_{6+i+1}) & * \\ 0 & 0 & \partial_i \end{bmatrix}$$

for $i \geq 0$.

If $i \geq 1$, then we can write

$$\partial_{6+i} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c|cc} D_{6+i} & A_{6+i} & B_{6+i} & * \\ \hline 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_{6+i+1}) & \mathcal{U}(A_{6+i+1}) & * \\ \hline 0 & 0 & & \partial_i \end{array} \right],$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B_0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & \\ & 0 & \\ & t_e^{ST} r_e^{ST} & \end{bmatrix}, & B_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G \\ r_S^G & 0 & r_{ST}^G \\ r_S^G & r_T^G & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ B_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{G,ST} & \lambda_{G,ST} & \lambda_{G,ST} \\ \lambda_{G,S} & \lambda_{G,S} & \lambda_{G,S} \\ \lambda_{G,T} & \lambda_{G,T} & 1_G \end{bmatrix}, \\ B_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & t_S^G & t_S^G + t_e^G r_e^S \\ t_T^G + t_e^G r_e^T & 0 & t_T^G \\ t_{ST}^G & t_{ST}^G + t_e^G r_e^{ST} & t_e^G r_e^{ST} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

We can keep on breaking ∂_i into 3×3 blocks, each of them occurring with period 4. But since ∂_i is a $(i+1) \times (i+2)$ matrix, there are also blocks of size 1×2 , 2×3 , 3×1 and 3×2 . The nonzero 1×2 blocks are either ∂_0 or ∂'_0 and occur in the right lower corner of ∂_{3k} , $k \geq 0$. The nonzero 2×3 blocks are either ∂_1 or ∂'_1 and occur in the right lower corner of ∂_{1+3k} , $k \geq 0$. The 3×1 blocks occur in the last column of ∂_{2+3k} , $k \geq 0$. The 3×2 blocks occur in the last two columns of ∂_{3k} , $k \geq 1$.

In Section 7.2, we will need the following differentials:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} D_2 & Z \end{bmatrix}, & \partial_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} D_3 & Y \\ 0 & \partial'_0 \end{bmatrix}, & \partial_4 &= \begin{bmatrix} D_0 & A_0 \\ 0 & \partial'_1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \partial_5 &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & A_1 & X \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_2) & \mathcal{U}(Z) \end{bmatrix}, & \partial_6 &= \begin{bmatrix} D_2 & A_2 & W \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_3) & \mathcal{U}(Y) \\ 0 & 0 & \partial_0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \partial_7 &= \begin{bmatrix} D_3 & A_3 & B_1 \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_0) & \mathcal{U}(A_0) \\ 0 & 0 & \partial_1 \end{bmatrix}, & \partial_8 &= \begin{bmatrix} D_0 & A_0 & B_0 & V \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_1) & \mathcal{U}(A_1) & \mathcal{U}(X) \\ 0 & 0 & D_2 & Z \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\partial_9 = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & A_1 & B_1 & U \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_2) & \mathcal{U}(A_2) & \mathcal{U}(W) \\ 0 & 0 & D_3 & Y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \partial'_0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \begin{bmatrix} r_e^G \\ r_e^G \\ r_e^G \end{bmatrix}, & W &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & t_S^G \\ t_T^G + t_e^G r_e^T & 0 \\ t_{ST}^G & t_{ST}^G + t_e^G r_e^{ST} \end{bmatrix}, \\ X &= \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{G,ST} \\ \lambda_{G,S} \\ \lambda_{G,T} \end{bmatrix}, & Y &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & r_e^S \\ r_e^T & 0 \\ r_e^{ST} & r_e^{ST} \end{bmatrix}, & Z &= \begin{bmatrix} r_e^S \\ r_e^T \\ r_e^{ST} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and U is 0.

7.2. The algebra $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G)$. Since

$$\partial_i = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & \partial_{i-6} \end{bmatrix}$$

we can write $P_i = Q_i \oplus P_{i-6}$ for $i \geq 6$. Let $x : P_* \longrightarrow P[-6]_*$ be the chain map where x_i is the projection $Q_i \oplus P_{i-6} \longrightarrow P_{i-6}$, $i \geq 6$.

Lemma 7.7. *Let $f : P_* \longrightarrow P[-n]_*$ be any chain map. Then $f \simeq 0$ iff $fx \simeq 0$.*

Proof. Apply Lemma 3.2. □

Proposition 7.8. *Let (P_*, ∂_*) be the resolution in Proposition 7.6. There are chain maps $\alpha : P_* \longrightarrow P[-3]_*$, $\beta : P_* \longrightarrow P[-4]_*$ and $\gamma : P_* \longrightarrow P[-5]_*$, all not homotopic to zero, such that*

- (i) α, β and γ commute with each other up to a chain homotopy,
- (ii) $\alpha^2 \simeq x$,
- (iii) $\gamma^2 \simeq 0$,
- (iv) $\beta^n \neq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 0$,
- (v) $\alpha\beta^n \neq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 0$,
- (vi) $\gamma\beta^n \neq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 0$,
- (vii) $\gamma\alpha\beta^n \neq 0$ and $\gamma\alpha\beta^n \neq \beta^{n+2} \quad \forall n \geq 0$.

Proof. Let

$$\alpha_3 = \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \beta_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1_G & 1_G & 1_G & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\gamma_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since the image of $\alpha_3\partial_3$ is in the image of ∂_0 , we can lift $\alpha_3 : P_3 \longrightarrow P_0$ to a chain map $\alpha : P_* \longrightarrow P[-3]_*$. Similarly, $\beta_4 : P_4 \longrightarrow P_0$ and $\gamma_5 : P_5 \longrightarrow P_0$ also define chain maps $\beta : P_* \longrightarrow P[-4]_*$ and $\gamma : P_* \longrightarrow P[-5]_*$.

Lemma 7.9. *α, β and γ are not chain homotopic to 0.*

Proof. By Lemma 3.2, $\alpha \simeq 0$ iff there is $\pi : \widetilde{M} \longrightarrow \widetilde{F}$ such that

$$\phi\partial_2 = \epsilon\alpha_3 = \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\epsilon : \rho 1_G \longrightarrow \widetilde{F}$ is surjective. But all maps from $\widetilde{M}$ to $\widetilde{F}$ are of the form $\phi = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \end{bmatrix}$ with $a_1 : \rho 1_S \longrightarrow \widetilde{F}$, so a_1 is either 0 or r_S^G . Similarly for a_2 and a_3 . So $\phi\partial_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{bmatrix} \neq \epsilon\alpha_3$ for all ϕ .

The same argument works for β .

If $\gamma \simeq 0$, then there is $\phi : \rho 1_G^3 \oplus \rho 1_e^2 \longrightarrow \widetilde{F}$ such that

$$\phi\partial_4 = \epsilon\gamma_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}.$$

ϕ must be $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 & a_5 \end{bmatrix}$ with $a_i = 1_G$ or 0 for $i = 1, 2, 3$, and $a_i = r_e^G$ or 0 for $i = 4, 5$. If $a_4 = r_e^G$ and $a_5 = 0$, then

$$\phi\partial_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}.$$

If $a_4 = 0$ and $a_5 = r_e^G$, then $\phi\partial_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & r_S^G & 0 & r_{ST}^G \end{bmatrix}$. There are at most two nonzero entries in $\phi\partial_4$ and so $\phi\partial_4 \neq \epsilon\gamma_5$ for all ϕ . □

To prove parts (i), (ii) and (iii), we need the following liftings of the chain maps α , β and γ :

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_6 &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1_S & & & & & \\ & 1_T & & & t_e^T r_e^T & \\ & & 1_{ST} & & & \\ \hline & & & t_e^S & t_e^T & t_e^{ST} \\ & & & & & t_e^G \end{array} \right], \\ \alpha_7 &= \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} r_S^G & & & & & 1_G \\ & r_T^G & & & & 1_G \\ & & r_{ST}^G & & r_e^G & 1_G \\ \hline & & & 1_e & 1_e & 1_G + t_T^G r_T^G \\ & & & & 1_e & c_{S,e} \end{array} \right], \\ \alpha_8 &= \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} 1_G & & & & & \\ & 1_G & & & & \\ & & 1_G & & & \\ \hline & & & r_e^S & & r_S^G \\ & & & & r_e^T & r_T^G \\ & & & & (1_e + c_{S,e})r_e^T & 1_S \\ & & & & r_e^{ST} & c_{S,T} \\ & & & & & 1_{ST} \end{array} \right], \\ \beta_7 &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1_S & & & & & \\ & 1_T & & & r_e^T & r_e^T \\ & & 1_{ST} & & & \\ \hline & & & 1_e & 1_e & 1_e \\ & & & & & t_e^G \end{array} \right], \\ \beta_9 &= \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc} 1_G & & & & & & & \\ & 1_G & & & & & & \\ & & 1_G & & & & & \\ \hline & & & r_S^G & r_{ST}^G & & r_{ST}^G & \\ & & & & & & r_{ST}^G & \\ & & & & & & r_{ST}^G & \\ \hline & & & 1_S & & r_S^G & & \\ & & & & 1_T & t_e^T r_e^S & & \\ & & & & & 1_T & t_e^{ST} r_e^T & c_{S,e} r_e^{ST} \\ & & & & & 1_{ST} & & r_e^{ST} \end{array} \right], \\ \gamma_8 &= \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} 0 & & & & & \\ & 0 & & & & \\ & & 0 & & & \\ \hline & & & r_e^T & r_e^S & 1_S \\ & & & & & 1_T + t_e^T r_e^T \\ & & & r_e^{ST} & & 1_{ST} \\ \hline & & & & t_e^S & t_e^T & t_e^{ST} \end{array} \right], \\ \gamma_9 &= \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} 0 & & & & & \\ & 0 & & & & \\ & & 0 & & & \\ \hline & & & r_S^G & r_{ST}^G & r_S^G \\ & & & & r_T^G & r_T^G \\ & & & & & r_{ST}^G \\ \hline & & & & t_e^T c_{S,e} & t_e^{ST} \\ & & & & t_e^S & t_e^T \\ & & & & & 1_e + c_{T,e} \end{array} \right], \\ \gamma_{10} &= \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} 0 & & & & & \\ & 0 & & & & \\ & & 0 & & & \\ \hline & & & r_S^G & r_{ST}^G & t_T^G r_T^G \\ & & & & r_T^G & t_{ST}^G r_{ST}^G \\ & & & & & t_S^G r_S^G \\ \hline & & & & & t_S^G \\ & & & & t_T^G & c_{T,e} r_e^S \\ & & & & & r_e^T \\ & & & & & c_{S,e} r_e^T \\ & & & & & r_e^{ST} \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

All of them are obtained by direct computation using the differential maps up to ∂_9 which were listed at the end of Section 7.1.

Part (i): By Lemma 3.2, to see that $\alpha\beta \simeq \beta\alpha$, it is enough to find a ϕ such that $\phi\partial_7 = \epsilon(\alpha_3\beta_7 - \beta_4\alpha_7)$. In this case

$$\phi = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

does the job. Since $\epsilon(\alpha_3\gamma_8 - \gamma_5\alpha_8) = 0$ and $\epsilon(\beta_4\gamma_9 - \gamma_5\beta_9) = 0$, we can take $\phi = 0$ to show that $\alpha\gamma \simeq \gamma\alpha$ and $\beta\gamma \simeq \gamma\beta$.

Part (ii): Let $\phi = \begin{bmatrix} 1_G & 1_G & 1_G & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Then

$$\phi\partial_5 = \epsilon(\alpha_3\alpha_6 - x_6) = \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1_G \end{bmatrix},$$

so $\alpha^2 \simeq x$.

Part (iii): $\epsilon\gamma_5\gamma_{10} = 0$, so $\gamma^2 \simeq 0$.

To prove parts (iv) and (v) we need the following

Lemma 7.10. *If $i \geq 7$, then*

$$(7.4) \quad \beta_i = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & & & * \\ & 1 & & * \\ & & 1 & * \\ \hline & 0 & & * \end{array} \right].$$

Proof. Suppose it is true for β_i . Recall that

$$\partial_i = \begin{bmatrix} D_i & * \\ 0 & * \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_{i-4} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{i-4} & * \\ 0 & * \end{bmatrix}$$

with $D_{i-4} = D_i$. β_{i+1} is a map that satisfies $\beta_i\partial_i = \partial_{i-4}\beta_{i+1}$, so it can be of the form (7.4). $\square$

From Lemma 7.10, we have

$$\alpha_3\beta_7 \cdots \beta_{3+4n} = \begin{bmatrix} r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G & * \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\beta_4\beta_8 \cdots \beta_{4+4n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1_G & 1_G & 1_G & * \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now the proof that shows $\alpha \not\simeq 0$ and $\beta \not\simeq 0$ also works in this case, and so we get $\alpha\beta^n \not\simeq 0$ and $\beta^n \not\simeq 0$.

Lemma 7.11. *If $i \geq 10$, then*

$$\beta_i = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & * & * \\ & & 1 & & \\ \hline & & & 1 & \\ & & & & 1 \\ \hline & & & & * \\ \hline & & & & * \end{array} \right].$$

Proof. β_{10} can be computed directly from β_9 . One possible lifting is

$$\beta_{10} = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|c} 1_S & & & t_e^{ST} r_e^S & & & r_e^S \\ & 1_T & & t_e^S r_e^T & & * & \\ & & 1_{ST} & & & & \\ \hline & & & 1_S & & t_T^G & \\ & & & & 1_T & t_T^G & \\ & & & & & 1_{ST} & \\ \hline & & & & & & 1_G \quad 1_G \quad 1_G \\ & & & & & & r_e^G \end{array} \right].$$

The result now follows by induction as in Lemma 7.10, but using

$$\partial_i = \begin{bmatrix} D_i & A_i & * \\ 0 & \mathcal{U}(D_{i+1}) & * \\ 0 & 0 & * \end{bmatrix}. \quad \square$$

Part (vi): From Lemma 7.11

$$\gamma_5 \beta_9 \cdots \beta_{5+4n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & r_S^G & r_T^G & r_{ST}^G & * \end{bmatrix}$$

so, as in parts (iv) and (v), the proof that $\gamma \neq 0$ also shows that $\gamma \beta^n \neq 0$.

Part (vii): If $\gamma \alpha \beta^n \simeq 0$, then there is $\phi : \widetilde{M} \oplus \rho 1_e^3 \oplus \cdots \longrightarrow \widetilde{F}$ such that $\phi \partial_{7+4n} = \epsilon \gamma_5 \alpha_8$. Since

$$\epsilon \gamma_5 \alpha_8 \beta_{12} \beta_{16} \cdots \beta_{8+4n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & r_e^G & r_e^G & r_e^G & * \end{bmatrix},$$

it is enough to consider ϕ of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & * \end{bmatrix}$ with $a_i : \rho 1_e \longrightarrow \widetilde{F}$. So a_i is either 0 or r_e^G . But

$$\phi \partial_{7+4n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{bmatrix} \neq \epsilon \gamma_5 \alpha_8 \beta_{12} \beta_{16} \cdots \beta_{8+4n}$$

for all possible ϕ because $(1_e + c_{x,e}) r_e^G = 0$ for all $x \in G$. This shows that $\gamma \alpha \beta^n \neq 0$.

To prove that $\gamma \alpha \beta^n \neq \beta^{n+2}$, do the same as in part (v). It works because

$$\epsilon(\gamma_5 \alpha_8 \beta_{12} \cdots \beta_{8+4n} - \beta_4 \beta_8 \cdots \beta_{8+4n}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1_G & 1_G & 1_G & * \end{bmatrix}. \quad \square$$

Corollary 7.12. *The algebra $\text{Ext}_\rho(\widetilde{F}, \widetilde{F})$ contains a subalgebra isomorphic to*

$$\mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4, y_5]/(y_5^2 = 0),$$

where $\deg(y_i) = i$ and $\deg(x_4) = 4$.

Let $Q_i = \text{Hom}_\rho(P_i, \widetilde{F})$, $\delta_i = \text{Hom}_\rho(\partial_i, \widetilde{F})$ and $\delta'_i = \text{Hom}_\rho(\mathcal{U}(\partial_i), \widetilde{F})$. By Proposition 5.3, $Q_i = \mathbb{F}_2^{i+1}$. Let $Q = \bigoplus Q_i$. Keeping track of the blocks of δ_i , which are induced by the blocks of ∂_i discussed at the end of Section 7.1, after applying the functor $\text{Hom}_\rho(\cdot, \widetilde{F})$ to the resolution of Proposition 7.6, we get the following picture where each arrow is one block:

$$(7.5) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccccccc} \mathbb{F}_2 & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & \mathbb{F}_2^2 & \xrightarrow{\delta_1} & \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \longrightarrow & \cdots \\ & & & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \\ & & & & \oplus & & \oplus & & \oplus & & \oplus & & \\ & & & & \mathbb{F}_2 & \xrightarrow{\delta'_0} & \mathbb{F}_2^2 & \xrightarrow{\delta'_1} & \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \longrightarrow & \cdots \\ & & & & & & & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \\ & & & & & & & & \oplus & & \oplus & & \\ & & & & & & & & \mathbb{F}_2 & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & \cdots & & \end{array}$$

This block decomposition defines a decreasing filtration $F^0 Q \supset F^1 Q \supset \cdots \supset F^p Q \supset \cdots$ of Q , where $F^0 Q = Q$, $F^1 Q$ is Q without the first row of blocks, i.e.

the first row of (7.5), in general $F^p Q$ is Q without the first p rows of blocks. There is a spectral sequence associated to the filtration with $E_1^{p,q} = H^{p+q}(F^p Q/F^{p+1} Q)$ converging to $H(Q) = \text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F})$ (Theorem 2.6 in [6]). The differentials d_1 of the spectral sequence are $\text{Hom}_\rho(A_i, \tilde{F})$ (A_i are the blocks of ∂_i above the blocks in the diagonal), the d_2 are $\text{Hom}_\rho(B_i, \tilde{F})$ (B_i are the blocks above the A_i), etc.

Lemma 7.13. *If p is even, then*

$$H^i(F^p Q/F^{p+1} Q) = \begin{cases} 0 & i < 3p, \\ \mathbb{F}_2 & i = 3p, \\ 0 & i = 3p+1, \\ \mathbb{F}_2 & i = 3p+2, \\ \mathbb{F}_2^3 & i = 3p+3+4k \text{ or } 3p+4+4k, k \geq 0, \\ 0 & i = 3p+5+4k \text{ or } 3p+6+4k, k \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

If p is odd, then

$$H^i(F^p Q/F^{p+1} Q) = \begin{cases} 0 & i < 3p, \\ \mathbb{F}_2 & i = 3p, \\ \mathbb{F}_2^2 & i = 3p+1, \\ \mathbb{F}_2^3 & i = 3p+2+4k \text{ or } 3p+5+4k, k \geq 0, \\ 0 & i = 3p+3+4k \text{ or } 3p+4+4k, k \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Proof. The quotient $F^p Q/F^{p+1} Q$ is the p -th row of blocks of (7.5), which is the image of the p -th row of P_* under the functor $\text{Hom}_\rho(\cdot, \tilde{F})$. So, if p is even, then $H^i(F^p Q/F^{p+1} Q)$ is the cohomology of the complex

$$(7.6) \quad \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\delta_0} \mathbb{F}_2^2 \xrightarrow{\delta_1} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d_0} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d_1} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d_2} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d_3} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d_0} \dots$$

shifted by $3p$, where $d_i = \text{Hom}_\rho(D_i)$. Also, if p is odd, then $H^i(F^p Q/F^{p+1} Q)$ is the cohomology of

$$(7.7) \quad \mathbb{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\delta'_0} \mathbb{F}_2^2 \xrightarrow{\delta'_1} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d'_0} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d'_1} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d'_2} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d'_3} \mathbb{F}_2^3 \xrightarrow{d'_0} \dots$$

shifted by $3p$, where $d'_i = \text{Hom}_\rho(\mathcal{U}(D_i))$. □

Corollary 7.14. *The E_1 -term of the spectral sequence is*

$$E_1^{0,q} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_2 & \text{if } q = 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } q = 1, \\ \mathbb{F}_2 & \text{if } q = 2, \\ \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \text{if } q = 3+4k \text{ or } 4+4k, k \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } q = 5+4k \text{ or } 6+4k, k \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

$$E_1^{1,q} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } q = 0, 1, \\ \mathbb{F}_2 & \text{if } q = 2, \\ \mathbb{F}_2^2 & \text{if } q = 3, \\ \mathbb{F}_2^3 & \text{if } q = 4k \text{ or } 3+4k, k \geq 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } q = 1+4k \text{ or } 2+4k, k \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

and $E_1^{p+2,q+4} = E_1^{p,q}$ for all $p, q \geq 0$.

Proposition 7.15. *There is a map $x : E_r \longrightarrow E_r$ of graded modules such that $x(E_r^{p,q}) \subseteq E_r^{p+2,q+4}$.*

Proof. Since the chain map $x : P_* \longrightarrow P[-6]_*$ preserves the filtration of P_* , x acts on the E_r -terms of the spectral sequence increasing the degree by 6. x represents a class in $\text{Ext}_\rho(\widetilde{F}, \widetilde{F})$, so $x : E_r \longrightarrow E_r$ is not the zero map, and it must send $1 \in E_r^{0,0}$ to a class in E_r of degree 6. The only nonzero class of degree 6 in E_1 lies in $E_1^{2,4}$, so $x : E_r^{p,q} \longrightarrow E_r^{p+2,q+4}$, for all $p, q \geq 0$. $\square$

Lemma 7.16. *The E_2 -term of the spectral sequence is*

$$E_2^{0,q} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_2 & q = 4k \text{ or } 3 + 4k, k \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$E_2^{1,q} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_2 & q = 4k \text{ or } 3 + 4k, k \geq 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and $E_2^{p+2,q+4} = E_2^{p,q}$ for all $p, q \geq 0$.

Proof. From Lemma 5.3 we have

$$\text{Hom}(Z) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{Hom}(Y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{Hom}(A_i) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{U}(Z)) = 0, \quad \text{Hom}(\mathcal{U}(Y)) = 0, \quad \text{Hom}(\mathcal{U}(A_i)) = 0.$$

The differentials $d_1^{1,q}$ are induced by the maps $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{U}(Z))$, $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{U}(Y))$ and $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{U}(A_i))$, so they are zero.

The differential $d_1^{0,2} : E_1^{0,2} \longrightarrow E_1^{1,2}$ is the restriction of $\text{Hom}(Z)$ to the quotient $E_1^{0,2} = \ker d_0 / \text{Im } \delta_1$ which is generated by the class $(1, 1, 1)$ (recall that $E_1^{0,q}$ is the homology of the complex (7.6)). Since $\text{Hom}(Z)(1, 1, 1) = 1$, then $d_1^{0,2} = 1$.

From (7.6) and (7.7), we see that $E_1^{p,q}$ is a quotient by 0 if $q = 3 + 4k$ or $4 + 4k$, $k \geq 0$ and $p = 0, 1$, so $d_1^{0,3} = \text{Hom}(Y)$ and $d_1^{0,q} = \text{Hom}(A_q)$, for $q = 7 + 4k, 4 + 4k$, $k \geq 0$.

All other $d_1^{0,q} : E_1^{0,q} \longrightarrow E_1^{1,q}$ are zero because $E_1^{0,q} = 0$ or $E_1^{1,q} = 0$.

Now it is easy to compute $E_2^{p,q} = \ker d_1^{p,q} / \text{Im } d_1^{p-1,q}$ for $p = 0, 1$ (set $d_1^{p,q} = 0$ if $p < 0$).

Finally, $E_2^{p+2,q+4} = E_2^{p,q}$ because the same is true for the E_1 -term, $d_1^{1,q} = 0$, and the maps $d_1^{p+2,q+4}$ and $d_1^{p,q}$ are induced by the same differential map of the resolution P_* , hence they are equal. $\square$

Theorem 7.17. $\text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F}) \simeq \mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4, y_5]/(y_5^2 = 0)$.

Proof. Corollary 7.12 says that $\text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F})$ is at least the graded algebra

$$B = \mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4, y_5]/(y_5^2 = 0).$$

To show that $\text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F})$ is at most B , it is enough to check that the rank of $\text{Ext}_\rho^i(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F})$ is less than or equal to the rank of B_i for all degrees i .

Since the spectral sequence converges to $\text{Ext}_\rho(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F})$, we have

$$rk(\text{Ext}_\rho^i(\tilde{F}, \tilde{F})) \leq rk\left(\bigoplus_{p+q=i} E_2^{p,q}\right).$$

Let $f : B \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{p,q \geq 0} E_2^{p,q}$ be defined by $f(x_4^n) = 1 \in E_2^{0,4n}$, $f(y_3 x_4^n) = 1 \in E_2^{0,3+4n}$, $f(y_5 x_4^n) = 1 \in E_2^{1,4(n+1)}$, $f(y_5 y_3 x_4^n) = 1 \in E_2^{1,3+4(n+1)}$, $f(xb) = 1 \in E_2^{p+2,q+4}$ if $f(b) = 1 \in E_2^{p,q}$, for all $n \geq 0$, i.e. f is a map of graded modules that sends x_4^n and $y_3 x_4^n$ into $E_2^{0,q}$, sends the previous elements multiplied by y_5 into $E_2^{1,q}$, and commutes with the action of x . Here is the picture of the image of f :

Lemma 7.16 implies that f is an isomorphism, so $rk(\bigoplus_{p+q=i} E_2^{p,q}) = rk(B_i)$. $\square$

7.3. The Green functor $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$. Proposition 6.4, Theorem 7.17 and Corollaries 4.9 and 4.10 give the value of $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$ on the objects of $\mathcal{B}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G) &= \mathbb{F}_2[y_3, x_4] \otimes E(y_5), \\ \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/H) &= \mathbb{F}_2[x_4] \otimes E(y_3) \quad \text{for } H \text{ of index 2,} \\ \text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/e) &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

The only thing left is to find the morphisms r_H^G and t_H^G .

Proposition 7.18. *The restriction map r_H^G is the ring map that sends y_3, x_4 to the elements in $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/H)$ with the same name and sends y_5 to zero. The induction map t_H^G is zero.*

Proof. The spectral sequence used to compute $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)(G/G)$ comes from a filtration of the complex (7.5) which was obtained from the resolution of Proposition 7.6 by applying $\text{Hom}_\rho(\cdot, \tilde{F})$. This was all done in the category of modules over ρ . If we translate the resolution in Proposition 7.6 into the language of Mackey functors, we obtain a projective resolution for the module F over the Green functor R . Now apply the functor $\mathcal{H}_R(\cdot, F)$ to this resolution to get a complex of R -modules which looks like (7.5) with $\mathbb{F}_2$ replaced by F . This complex can be filtered in the same way (7.5) was and we get a spectral sequence of R -modules converging to the graded R -module $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$. The “old” spectral sequence is the value of this one at the G -set G/G , so we know that the “new” spectral sequence collapses at the E_2 -term. A direct computation of the E_2 -term gives $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$ as an R -module, including the above descriptions of r_H^G and t_H^G . This is made easier since we already know that $\text{Ext}_R(F, F)$ is a Green functor, which implies that r_H^G is a ring map, so we only need to know its value on the generators y_3, x_4 and y_5 . Surjectivity of r_H^G implies that t_H^G is zero. $\square$

APPENDIX A. MULTIPLICATION TABLES

Let $G = \mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$. Let H, K and L be subgroups of order 2. Let $x \in G/H$, $x \notin H$, $y \in G/K$, $y \notin K$, $z \in G/L$, $z \notin L$. Tables 1–3 contain the nonzero products of the generators of the Mackey algebra $\mu = \mu_{\mathbb{F}_2}(G)$.

TABLE 1.

	$c_{g,e}$	$c_{g,e}r_e^H$	r_e^G
$c_{h,e}$	$c_{hg,e}$	$c_{hg,e}r_e^H$	r_e^G
$t_e^K c_{h,e}$	$t_e^K c_{hg,e}$	$\begin{cases} t_e^K r_e^H, & \text{if } H \neq K \\ t_e^H c_{hg,e} r_e^H, & \text{if } H = K \end{cases}$	$t_e^K r_e^G$
t_e^G	t_e^G	$t_e^G r_e^H$	$t_e^G r_e^G$

TABLE 2.

	$t_e^H c_{g,e}$	$c_{g,H}$	$t_e^H c_{g,e} r_e^H$	$t_e^H r_e^L$ $L \neq H$	r_H^G	$t_e^H r_e^G$
$c_{h,e} r_e^H$	$\sum_{a \in H} c_{hag,e}$	$c_{hg,e} r_e^H$	0	$(1_e + c_{z,e}) r_e^L$	r_e^G	0
$c_{h,H}$	$t_e^H c_{hg,e}$	$c_{hg,H}$	$t_e^H c_{hg,e} r_e^H$	$t_e^H r_e^L$	r_H^G	$t_e^H r_e^G$
$t_e^H c_{h,e} r_e^H$	0	$t_e^H c_{hg,e} r_e^H$	0	0	$t_e^H r_e^G$	0
$t_e^K r_e^H$ $K \neq H$	$t_e^K (1_e + c_{y,e})$	$t_e^K r_e^H$	0	$\begin{cases} t_e^K (1_e + c_{y,e}) r_e^K & \text{if } K = L \\ 0, & \text{if } K \neq L \end{cases}$	$t_e^K r_e^G$	0
t_H^G	t_e^G	t_H^G	$t_e^G r_e^H$	$t_e^G r_e^L$	$t_H^G r_H^G$	$t_e^G r_e^G$
$t_e^G r_e^H$	0	$t_e^G r_e^H$	0	0	$t_e^G r_e^G$	0

TABLE 3.

	t_e^G	t_H^G	$t_e^G r_e^H$	1_G	$t_H^G r_H^G$	$t_e^G r_e^G$
r_e^G	$\sum_{g \in G} c_{g,e}$	$(1_e + c_{x,e}) r_e^H$	0	r_e^G	0	0
r_H^G	$t_e^H (1_e + c_{x,e})$	$1_H + c_{x,H}$	$t_e^H (1_e + c_{x,e}) r_e^H$	r_H^G	0	0
$t_e^H r_e^G$	0	$t_e^H (1_e + c_{x,e}) r_e^H$	0	$t_H^G r_e^G$	0	0
r_K^G $K \neq H$	$t_e^K (1_e + c_{y,e})$	$t_e^K r_e^H$	0	r_K^G	$t_e^K r_e^G$	0
$t_e^K r_e^G$ $K \neq H$	0	0	0	$t_e^K r_e^G$	0	0
1_G	t_e^G	t_H^G	$t_e^G r_e^H$	1_G	$t_H^G r_H^G$	$t_e^G r_e^G$
$t_H^G r_H^G$	0	0	0	$t_H^G r_H^G$	0	0
$t_K^G r_K^G$ $K \neq H$	0	$t_e^G r_e^H$	0	$t_K^G r_K^G$	$t_e^G r_e^G$	0
$t_e^G r_e^G$	0	0	0	$t_e^G r_e^G$	0	0

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