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Lemma: Let  $X$  be an infinite set, let  $J_X$  be the partially ordered set consisting of non-empty totally ordered finite subsets of  $X$ . ( $J_X$  is thus fibred over the poset of non-empty finite subsets of  $X$ , the fibre over  $\sigma$  being the set of total orderings of  $\sigma$ ). Then  $J_X$  is contractible.

Proof: One has  $J_X = \bigcup_S J_S$  where  $S$  runs over the finite subsets of  $X$ . It suffices to show each  $J_S$  contracts to a point in  $J_X$ . But as  $X$  is infinite ~~there~~ we can choose  $x \in X - S$ . ~~Let~~ Given  $\sigma \in J_S$  let  $\sigma \cup x$  denote the union of  $\sigma$  and  $x$  ordered so that  $x$  is the maximum object. Then clearly we have natural transformations

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \sigma & \longrightarrow & \sigma \\ & & \parallel \\ & & \sigma \cup x \\ & & \vee \\ & \longrightarrow & x \end{array}$$

from  $J_S$  to  $J_X$ .

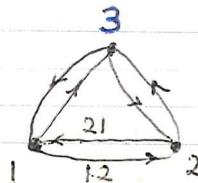
Conjecture: If  $X$  is finite, then  $J_X$  is spherical.

Examples:  $X = \emptyset$      $J_X = \emptyset$

$X = \bullet$  pt     $J_X = \text{pt}$

card  $(X) = 2$      $J_X \sim S^1$     

card  $(X) = 3$ .    One pastes 6-2 simplices onto



The result is simply-connected. In effect take the maximal tree  $(1,2) (1,3)$ . We then have to contract the loops  $(1,2)-(2,1)$ ,  $(1,3)-(3,1)$ ,  $\underbrace{(1,2)-(2,3)-(1,3)}_{\partial(1,2,3)}$ , and  $\underbrace{(1,2)-(3,2)-(1,3)}_{\partial(1,3,2)}$ .

As for  $(1,3)$  it deforms via  $\underbrace{(1,3,2)}_{(3,1)}$  to  $(1,2)-(3,2)$  so the loop  $(1,3)-(3,1)$  is homotopic to zero. Similarly for  $(1,2)-(2,1)$ .

~~... to the case as a simplicial field~~

Now consider the complex of ~~simplices~~ chains on  $J_X$ :

$$\dots \longrightarrow \coprod_{\sigma_0 < \sigma_1} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \coprod_{\sigma_0} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow 0$$

Better. I know that given any element  $\sigma$  of  $J_X$  the set of  $\sigma' < \sigma$  is the barycentric subdivision of the boundary of the simplex with vertices  $\sigma$ . Thus by Lusztig's observation I should have a resolution

$$\coprod_{\substack{x_0, x_1, x_2 \\ \text{distinct}}} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \coprod_{(x_0 \neq x_1)} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \coprod_{x \in X} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow 0$$

In any case I should be able to check this directly.  $X$  is an infinite set and I define the above complex by setting

$$d(x_0, \dots, x_s) = \sum_{i=0}^s (-1)^i (x_0, \dots, \hat{x}_i, \dots, x_s)$$

It is therefore ~~the~~ a subcomplex of the complex of singular chains for  $X$ . Now the homotopy operator should work because given any finite chain we can always find a vertex ~~outside the support of my chain~~ outside the support of my chain. Clear.

Now take  $X = \mathbb{P}_1(k)$ ,  $k$  an infinite field, and let  $G = GL_2(k)/\text{center}$  act on  $X$ . Then from the above resolution we get ~~a spectral~~ <sup>a spectral</sup> sequences. Now the point is that  $G$  acts <sup>simply-</sup>transitively on triples of distinct points in  $\mathbb{P}_1(k)$ , and that on quadruples there is a single invariant - the cross-ratio which is any element of  $k - \{0, 1\}$ . So in the spectral sequence

$$E_{0*}^1 = H_*(G)$$

$$E_{1*}^1 = H_*(B)$$

$$E_{2*}^1 = H_*(T)$$

$$E_{3*}^1 = H_*(\text{pt}) = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$E_{4*}^1 = \bigoplus_{k^x - \{1\}} \mathbb{Z}$$

Thus it would seem that the first two terms are:

$$\bigoplus_{k^x - \{1\}} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow H_*(T) \xrightarrow{1-\sigma} H_*(B) \longrightarrow H_*(G)$$

Suppose one tries to use this to ~~the~~ get information on the low dimensional homology of  $G$ . For example, ~~when~~ when  $k$  is infinite, or better, when one ~~has~~ has a splitting theorem, one knows  $H_*(T) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_*(B)$ , hence

~~$H_*(T) = H_*(B)$~~

$W =$  Weyl group  $\mathbb{Z}/2$ .

$$E_{2*}^2 = H_*(T)^W$$

$$E_{1*}^2 = \text{Ker} \{H_*(T)_W \rightarrow H_*(G)\}$$

~~So if  $k$  is algebraically closed and we ~~only~~ only look at torsion, then  $H_*(T)_W$  is  $(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})^n$  in odd degrees. ~~The result seems to be that for an algebraically~~~~

~~this~~

One should examine this spectral sequence carefully ignoring 2-torsion. (In effect one has a homomorphism

$$\del{GL_2(k)} \longrightarrow k^* \times PGL_2(k)$$

first component is the determinant. The kernel is  $\{\pm 1\}$  and the cokernel is  $k^*/(k^*)^2 = H^1(\text{Gal}(\bar{k}/k), \mathbb{Z}/2) =$  quadratic extensions of  $k$ . This sequence can be used to show  $GL_2(k)$  ~~and~~ and  $k^* \times PGL_2(k)$  have the same ~~homology~~ homology except for 2-torsion.)

~~this~~

$$H_1(T) = T = k^* = (k \times k / \Delta k)$$

and  $W$  ~~acts~~ acts as  $-1$ , so that ignoring 2-torsion

$$H_1(T)_W = H_1(T)^W = 0.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & & H_3 B & & H_3 G \\
 & & & & H_2 B & & H_2 G \\
 & & H_2 T & & \cancel{H_1 B} & & \cancel{H_1 G} \\
 & & \leftarrow & & & & \leftarrow 0 \text{ in } E^2 \\
 \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\circ} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{1} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\circ} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{1} & \mathbb{Z}
 \end{array}$$

So one sees that ignoring 2-torsion one has

$$H_2 B \longrightarrow H_2 G$$

~~Module torsion one has that  $H_2 T = \Lambda^2 T$  and  $w$  acts trivially on this. In general  $T \cong C \times F$  where  $C$  is a union of cyclic groups and  $F$  is torsion-free. Then~~

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_2(C \times F) &= H_2 C + H_1 C \otimes H_1 F + H_2 F \\
 &= \mathbb{O} + C \otimes F + \Lambda^2 F
 \end{aligned}$$

But for any abelian groups  $T$  one has

$$H_2 T = \Lambda^2 T$$

~~Since in the case  $k$  infinite, where I know that~~  
 ~~$H_2(B)$ , one has~~ and the Weyl group acts trivially on this. Thus what we find is an exact sequence

$$\bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{d_3} \Lambda^2(k^\circ) \xrightarrow{H_2 B} H_2 G \longrightarrow \mathbb{O}$$

ignoring 2-torsion,  $k$  infinite.

~~But~~ If we do not ignore 2-torsion, ~~but~~ but still assume  $k$  infinite so that

$H_*(T) = H_*(B)$ , then our  $E_{*1}^1$  row is

$$\dots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow k^* \xrightarrow{2} k^* \rightarrow H_1(\mathrm{PGL}_2(k))$$

whereas the  $E_{*2}^1$  row is

$$\rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \Lambda^2 k^* \xrightarrow{0} \Lambda^2 k^* \rightarrow H_2(\mathrm{PGL}_2(k))$$

But one should observe that if we look at the spectral sequence for the central extension

$$1 \rightarrow k^* \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(k) \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}_2(k) \rightarrow 1$$

its 5 term exact sequence gives

$$H_2(\mathrm{GL}_2(k)) \rightarrow H_2(\mathrm{PGL}_2(k)) \rightarrow H_1^{\square}(k^*) \rightarrow H_1^{\square}(\mathrm{GL}_2 k) \rightarrow H_1^{\square}(\mathrm{PGL}_2 k)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \parallel & & \parallel \\ k^* & \xrightarrow{2} & k^* \end{array}$$

hence we see  $H_2(\mathrm{PGL}_2(k))$  maps onto  $\mu_2$ .

~~hence we see~~ This suggests

Conjecture:  $d_3(\lambda) = \lambda \wedge (1-\lambda)$   $\lambda \in k^* - \{1\}$ ,

hence one has an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow K_2(k) \rightarrow H_2(\mathrm{PGL}_2(k)) \rightarrow \mu_2 \rightarrow 0$$

for any infinite field.

This should also be true for a finite field with a "large" no. of elements. In fact ignoring 2-torsion one has  $H_2(\mathrm{SL}_2(k)) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_2(\mathrm{PGL}_2(k))$  is zero because  $\mathrm{SL}_2(k)$  is "simply-connected."

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &\longrightarrow \mu_2 \longrightarrow SL_2 \longrightarrow PSL_2 \longrightarrow 1 \\
 1 &\longrightarrow k^\times \longrightarrow GL_2 \longrightarrow PGL_2 \longrightarrow 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_2(SL_2) &\longrightarrow H_2(PSL_2) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_1(\mu_2) \longrightarrow H_1(SL_2) \\
 &\quad \downarrow \\
 H_2(GL_2) &\longrightarrow H_2(PGL_2) \longrightarrow H_1(k^\times) \longrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

shows that when  $SL_2$  is simply-connected that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_2(PSL_2) & & \\
 \downarrow & \nearrow \sim & \\
 H_2(PGL_2) & \longrightarrow & \mu_2
 \end{array}$$

On the other hand from the extension

$$0 \longrightarrow PSL_2 \longrightarrow PGL_2 \longrightarrow k/k^2 \longrightarrow 0$$

$\cong \mathbb{Z}/2$  if  $k$  finite

one get

$\mu_2$			
0	0	0	
$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}/2$	0	$\mathbb{Z}/2$

so one sees that  $H_2(PSL_2) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_2(PGL_2)$ . Thus the conjecture is true for a finite field when  $SL_2(k)$  is simply-connected.

But wait: If  $k = \mathbb{R}$ , then I remember vaguely that the symbol relations ~~were~~ were different. The point was that in  $H_2(SL_2 \mathbb{R})$  there is the Euler class, ~~which~~ which is ~~of infinite order~~ <sup>of infinite order</sup> and which becomes a ~~mod 2~~ <sup>order</sup> 2 class in  $H_2(SL_3 \mathbb{R})$ . But this class should already be a mod 2 class in  $H_2(GL_2 \mathbb{R})$ .

Further stability results. Let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$  over an infinite field  $k$ . Then it should be possible now to prove that ~~one~~ one has an acyclic complex

$$\longrightarrow \coprod_{x_1, x_2} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \coprod_{x_1 \neq 0} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow 0$$

where in dimension  $g$  I have subsets of  $V$  of card  $g$  which are in general position, i.e. every subset has rank = min of its cardinality and  $n$ . The proof works as before - given a finite subset of card  $g$  subsets in general position, one can always find an element of  $V$  which can be added as last vertex, etc.

Now I use the resolution above to get a spectral sequence converging to zero with

$$E_{st}^1 = H_* \left( \begin{array}{c|c} I_s & * \\ \hline 0 & GL_{n-s} \end{array} \right) \quad s \leq n$$

~~⊕~~  $\oplus \mathbb{Z}$   $s = n+1, t=0$   
 $k^n$ -coordinate hyperplanes

So it will look like this (recall  $k$  infinite)

	0	$H_1(GL)$	$H_1(GL_n)$
<u>wavy mess</u>	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$

n=2:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & H_2(GL_1) \longrightarrow H_2(GL_2) \\ 0 & 0 & H_1(GL_1) \longrightarrow H_1(GL_2) \end{array}$$

our mess  $\longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}$

gives  $H_1(GL_1) \twoheadrightarrow H_1(GL_2)$ , but not trivially

n=3:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_2(GL_1) & \xrightarrow{0} & H_2(GL_2) \longrightarrow H_2(GL_3) \\ 0 & H_1(GL_1) & \xrightarrow{0} H_1(GL_2) \longrightarrow H_1(GL_3) \end{array}$$

~~our mess~~  $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z} \quad \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}$

So it is clear from this that we get  $H_1(GL_2) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_1(GL_3) \xrightarrow{\sim} \dots$

However we cannot get  $H_2(GL_2)$  onto  $H_2(GL_3)$ .

n=4

$$\begin{array}{cccc} & & H_2(GL_3) & \longrightarrow H_2(GL_4) \\ & H_1(GL_1) & \twoheadrightarrow H_1(GL_2) & H_1(GL_3) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_1(GL_4) \\ \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

It seems that without further information, I get the stability range this way that I obtained before using the unimodular complexes mod 2. i.e.

$$H_n(GL_{2n}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_n(GL_{2n+1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \dots$$

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Let  $G = PGL_3(k) = GL_3(k)/\text{center}$  act on  $\mathbb{P}^2 = \text{lines}$   
 $L \subset k^3 \neq \emptyset$ . Claim  $G$  acts <sup>simply</sup> transitively on 4-tuples of  
 points in general position. In effect if  $L_1, L_2, L_3$  are  
~~lines~~ lines in general position, then  $V = L_1 \oplus L_2 \oplus L_3$ , so  
 if  $L$  is a fourth line ~~independent of these~~ in general  
 position with resp. to the  $L_i$ , one has  $L = k(x, y, z)$  with  
 $x, y, z$  all  $\neq 0$ . Thus there is a unique diagonal matrix  
 making  $x, y, z$  equal to 1. In other words we get a  
 unique ~~set~~ element of  $G$  carrying  $L_1, L_2, L_3, L$  to  
 the 4-tuple  $(ke_1, ke_2, ke_3, k(e_1 + e_2 + e_3))$ .

So now consider the ~~complex~~ complex

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \longrightarrow & \bigoplus \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & (L_1, L_2, L_3) & & (L_1, L_2) & & L_1 & \end{array}$$

where in degree  $s$  the sum is taken over ~~sets~~  
 $s$ -tuples of lines in  $\mathbb{P}^2$  with the standard  
 boundary operators. This gives a spectral sequence

~~$H_2(\mathbb{P}^2) \otimes H_2(G) \longrightarrow H_2(G) \otimes H_2(\mathbb{P}^2) \longrightarrow H_2(\mathbb{P}^2 \times G)$~~

$$E_{st}^1 = H_{\mathbb{Z}} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \begin{array}{c} k^* \\ \vdots \\ k^* \end{array} & * \\ \hline 0 & GL_{3-s} \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow 0$$

$s \leq 3$

$\mathbb{Z} \quad s = 4$

mess  $s \geq 5$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & \begin{array}{c} (k^*)^2 \\ \parallel \\ k^* \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} (k^*)^2 \\ \parallel \\ k^* \end{array} & & H_2\left(\begin{array}{c} k^* \\ \parallel \\ \text{GL}_2 \end{array} / \text{cent}\right) \longrightarrow H_2(\text{PGL}_3) \\
 0 & H_1\left(\begin{array}{c} k^* \\ \parallel \\ k^* \end{array} / \text{cent}\right) & \longrightarrow & H_1\left(\begin{array}{c} k^* \\ \parallel \\ k^* \end{array} / \text{cent}\right) & \longrightarrow & H_1\left(\begin{array}{c} k^* \\ \parallel \\ k^* \end{array}\right) & \longrightarrow H_1(\text{PGL}_3)^0 \\
 \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathbb{Z} & & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}
 \end{array}$$

Perhaps this is a bit too hard. Instead let us consider the spectral sequence with  $\text{GL}_3$  and we get

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \rightarrow & H_1(\mathbb{C}) & \xrightarrow{0} & H_1(\mathbb{T}) & \longrightarrow & H_1(\mathbb{T}) & \longrightarrow & H_1(k^* \times G_2) & \longrightarrow & H_1(G_3) \\
 & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 & k^* & & (k^*)^3 & & (k^*)^3 & & (k^*)^2 & & k^*
 \end{array}$$

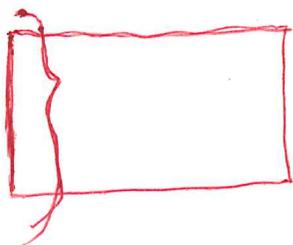
One hopes this is exact, but this doesn't seem to be the case.

Thus what seems to happen is that there is a kernel to the map  $H_2(\text{GL}_2) \twoheadrightarrow H_2(\text{GL}_3)$  which is generated by  $k^*$ . So it seems that one will not ~~have~~ have  $H_2(\text{GL}_2, \text{GL}_3) = K_2$  as I would have hoped, and that moreover you don't get a simplified proof of the Matsumoto result this way.

June 24, 1974. Classifying spaces.

Recall the two possible ways of topologizing the suspension of a space  $F$ :

1) ~~fine~~ <sup>fine</sup>: quotient space of  $I \times F$ . Here an open nbd of 0 is given by  $\{(t, f) \mid f \ll \alpha(t)\}$  where  $\alpha$  is a ~~semi~~ (---) semi-continuous function.



2) *coarse*: Take a nbd of 0 to be one containing a product nbd,  $\{(t, f) \mid t < \epsilon\}$ .

~~Version 1~~ Version 1) is suitable for maps into other spaces, while 2) is good for maps into the suspension. In fact for 2) one has

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{spaces}/\mathbb{I}}(T, \text{Susp}(F)) = \text{Hom}((0,1) \times_{\mathbb{I}} T, F)$$

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~~Generalization~~ Generalization: Let  $K$  be a simplicial complex

January 27, 1974. Stability.

Preliminaries:

Let  $u: P \rightarrow P'$  be a map of complexes in an abelian category. The cone of  $u$ , denoted  $C(u)$ , is defined to be the complex with  $C(u)_k = P'_k \times P_{k+1}$ ,  $d(x', x) = (dx' + u(x), -dx)$ ,  $x' \in P'_k, x \in P_{k+1}$ . If  $T_*$  is an exact  $\partial$ -functor on complexes, one has an exact seq.

$$\rightarrow T_g(P) \rightarrow T_g(P') \rightarrow T_g(C(u)) \rightarrow \dots$$

Define an increasing filtration of  $C(u)$  by putting  $Filt_s(C(u))$  equal to

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & P'_{s+1} & & P'_s & & P'_{s-1} & \\ & \swarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\ \rightarrow & \oplus & \longrightarrow & \oplus & \longrightarrow & \oplus & \longrightarrow \dots \\ & P_s & & P_{s-1} & & P_{s-2} & \end{array}$$

Then  $Filt_s / Filt_{s-1} = C(u_s: P_s \rightarrow P'_s)[s]$

where as usual we identify an object with a complex concentrated in degree zero, and  $[s]$  denotes  $s$ -fold suspension. This filtration gives rise to a spec. sequence

$$E_{st}^1 = T_{s+t}(Filt_s / Filt_{s-1}) \Rightarrow T_*(C(u))$$

or

$$E_{st}^1 = T_*(C(u_s: P_s \rightarrow P'_s)) \Rightarrow T_*(C(u))$$

Example: Let  $G$  be a group,  $H$  a subgroup, and  $M$  a  $G$ -module. By Shapiro's lemma one has ~~an~~ <sup>a</sup> canon. isom.

$$H_*(G, \mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[H]} M) = H_*(H, M)$$

Hence if we define relative homology gps

$$H_*(G, H; M) = H_*(G, C(\mathbb{Z}[G] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[H]} M \rightarrow M))$$

one gets a long exact sequence

$$\dots H_t(H, M) \xrightarrow{\text{res}} H_t(G, M) \longrightarrow H_t(G, H; M) \longrightarrow H_{t-1}(H, M) \dots$$

Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $k$ , and  $I(V) = \tilde{H}_{n-2}(T(V))$ , where  $T(V) =$  Tits building and  $n = \dim V$ . According to Luytjig, one has <sup>an</sup> exact sequence

$$L(V): 0 \rightarrow I(V) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\dim(W)=n-1} I(W) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\dim(W)=1} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

on which  $GL(V)$  operates. Recall this is ~~obtained~~ just the  $E_1^1$ -term of the homology spectral sequence obtained by filtering the ordered set of subspace of  $V$  by  $\dim + 1$ . Hence, if  $V \subset V'$ , then one has an embedding  $L(V) \subset L(V')$  compatible with the action of  $GL(V', V) = \{\alpha \in GL(V') \mid \alpha V = V\}$ .

Consider now the standard embedding of  ~~$GL_n$  into  $GL_{n+1}$~~   $k^n$  in  $k^{n+1}$ . ~~with the~~ ~~standard embedding~~ This induces a map of complexes  $L(k^n) \hookrightarrow L(k^{n+1})$  which is equivariant with respect to the standard embedding of  $GL_n$  into  $GL_{n+1}$ , ~~the~~ ~~map~~ hence it extends to a map of  $GL_{n+1}$  module

complexes

$$(*) \quad \mathbb{Z}[GL_{n+1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[GL_n]} L(k^n) \longrightarrow L(k^{n+1})$$

which we denoted  $u: P \longrightarrow P'$ .

Assertion: The spectral sequence on page 1 for

(\*) ~~has~~ has

$$E_{st}^1 \cong \begin{cases} H_t \left( \begin{array}{c|c} (GL_s \times & \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ 0 \end{array}; I(k^s) \right) & 0 \leq s \leq n \\ H_t (GL_{n+1}, I(k^{n+1})) & s = n+1 \\ 0 & s > n+1 \end{cases}$$

and it abuts to zero

Proof: The complex  $L(V)$  ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> acyclic, and  $\mathbb{Z}[GL_{n+1}]$  is flat over  $\mathbb{Z}[GL_n] \implies P, P'$  are acyclic so the abutment is zero.

Statements about  $E_{st}^1$   $s \geq n+1$  are obvious, so suppose  $0 \leq s \leq n$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} L_s(k^n) &= \bigoplus_{d(W)=s} I(W) \\ &= \mathbb{Z}[GL_n] \otimes \mathbb{Z} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} (GL_s \times & \\ \hline & GL_{n-s} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ 0 \end{array} \right] I(k^s) \end{aligned}$$

where the subgroup  $\begin{pmatrix} GL_s \times & \\ 0 & GL_{n-s} \end{pmatrix}$  acts on  $I(k^s)$  via the obvious surjection onto  $GL_s$ . So

$$P_0 = \mathbb{Z}[GL_{n+1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} (GL_s \times & \\ \hline & GL_{n-s} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ 0 \end{array} \right] I(k^s)$$

$$P'_n = \mathbb{Z}[GL_{n+1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & 0 \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \end{array} \right] \mathbb{I}(k^s)$$

and it is clear that the map  $u_s: P_n \rightarrow P'_n$  is induced by the inclusion.

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \\ \hline & & 1 \end{array} \right) \subset \left( \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \end{array} \right)$$

Therefore

$$(P_n \rightarrow P'_n) = \mathbb{Z}[GL_{n+1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \end{array} \right] \left( \mathbb{Z} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \end{array} \right] \otimes \mathbb{Z} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n-s} \\ \hline & & 1 \end{array} \right] \right) \mathbb{I}(k^s)$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\mathbb{I}(k^s)$

and so via Shapiro's lemma

$$E_{\mathbb{Z}}^i = H_i(GL_{n+1}, C(u_s)) = H_i \left( \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \end{array}, C \left( \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \right) \right)$$

which by defn  $= H_i \left( \begin{array}{c|c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n+1-s} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} GL_n & * \\ \hline & GL_{n-s} \\ \hline & & 1 \end{array}; \mathbb{I}(k^s) \right)$

Q.E.D.

Assume now

Prop. 1:  $H_0(GL_n, \mathbb{I}(k^s)) = 0$  for  $s \geq 2$ .

Prop. 2:  $k$  infinite  $\Rightarrow$   $H_* \left( \begin{array}{c|c} I_n & * \\ \hline 0 & GL_n \end{array} \right) \leftarrow H_* \left( \begin{array}{c|c} I_n & 0 \\ \hline 0 & GL_n \end{array} \right)$ .  
needs to be strengthened  
see page 13

Then I claim I can prove

$$H_i(GL_{n+1}, GL_n) = 0 \text{ if } i \leq n$$

by induction on  $i$ . Assume this is true for  $i < i_0$

Using Lemma 2 ~~and~~ and H-S spec. seq. of the extension

$$1 \rightarrow \left( \begin{matrix} I_s * \\ G_{n+1-s} \end{matrix} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{matrix} G_{L_s} * \\ G_{L_{n+1-s}} \end{matrix} \right) \rightarrow G_{L_s} \rightarrow 1$$

one finds that for  $0 \leq s \leq n$

$$E_{st}^1 = H_t \left( \left( \begin{matrix} G_{L_s} * \\ G_{L_{n+1-s}} \end{matrix} \right), \left( \begin{matrix} G_{L_s} * \\ G_{L_{n-s}} \end{matrix} \right), I(k^s) \right)$$

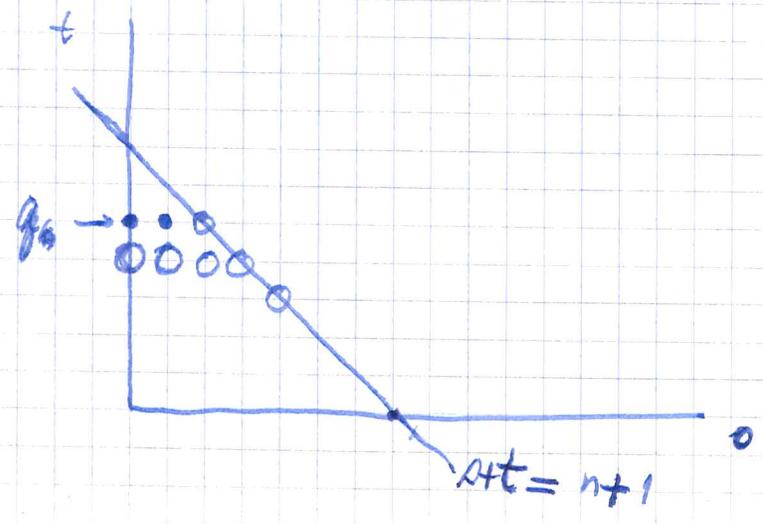
$$\cong H_t \left( \left( \begin{matrix} G_{L_s} & 0 \\ 0 & G_{L_{n+1-s}} \end{matrix} \right), \left( \begin{matrix} G_{L_s} & 0 \\ 0 & G_{L_{n-s}} \end{matrix} \right), I(k^s) \right)$$

which by Kunneth can be written

$$E_{st}^1 \cong \bigoplus_{s+j=t} H_i(G_{L_s}, I_s) \otimes H_j(G_{L_{n+1-s}}, G_{L_{n-s}}) \\ \oplus \bigoplus_{s+j=t-1} \text{Tor}_1(H_i(G_{L_s}, I_s), H_j(G_{L_{n+1-s}}, G_{L_{n-s}}))$$

~~Suppose~~ suppose  $s \geq 2$ , so that  $H_0(G_{L_s}, I_s) = 0$ ; then as  $H_j(G_{L_{n+1-s}}, G_{L_{n-s}}) = 0$  for  $j \leq \min(q_s - 1, n - s)$ , one has  $E_{st}^1 = 0$  for  $t \leq \min(q_s, n - s + 1)$ . Here  $0 \leq n$ .

If  $s = 1, 0$  then we get  $E_{st}^1 = 0$  for  $t \leq \min(q_0 - 1, n - s)$ . Thus the ~~0~~ 0 range is



Note, for  $s = n+1, t = 0$   
 $E_{n+1,0}^1 = H_0(G_{L_{n+1}}, I(k^{n+1})) = 0$   
 so we are still OKAY.

so we can conclude that for  $n \geq g$ , one has

$$E_{st}^1 = 0 \quad s+t = g+1, \quad s \geq 2.$$

As the spectral sequence abuts to zero this implies  $E_{0g}^2 = 0$  i.e. that the map

$$H_g(G_1 \times G_{n-1}, G_1 \times G_{n-1}) \rightarrow H_g(G_{n+1}, G_n)$$

induced by the inclusion of  $G_1 \times G_n \subset G_{n+1}$  is surjective for  $n \geq g$ . But by Künneth one has

$$H_g(G_n, G_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_g(G_1 \times G_n, G_1 \times G_{n-1})$$

as  $H_i(G_n, G_{n-1}) = 0$  for  $i < g \leq n$ . Thus we find that the map

$$H_g(G_n, G_{n-1}) \rightarrow H_g(G_{n+1}, G_n)$$

induced by the embedding  $X \mapsto 1 \otimes X : G_n \rightarrow G_{n+1}$  is surjective. However it is also zero by commutativity hopefully. BE CAREFUL - see page 8.

~~Lemmas Let  $H' \subset H$ ,  $G' \subset G$  and let  $u, v$  be homomorphisms from  $H$  to  $G$  carrying  $H'$  into  $G'$ . Suppose  $g$~~

simpler argument would be to suppose that

$$n > g \quad \text{whence} \quad E_{st}^1 = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad s+t = g+2, \quad s \geq 2.$$

Since the spectral sequence abuts to zero this implies (the groups represent all positions mapping by diff to  $E_{1g}^n$ )

that  $E_{1g}^1 \hookrightarrow E_{0g}^1$  i.e. that

$$n > g \Rightarrow H_g(G_1 \times G_n, G_1 \times G_{n-1}) \hookrightarrow H_g(G_{n+1}, G_n)$$

$H_g(G_n, G_{n-1})$

Thus for  $n > g$  we have

$$H_g(GL_n, GL_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_g(GL_{n+1}, GL_n) \xrightarrow{\sim} \dots$$

where the maps are induced by  $\alpha \mapsto 1 \oplus \alpha$ , where  $GL_{n-1} \subset GL_n$  is embedded via  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha \oplus 1$ . Now write down the exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 H_g(GL_{n-1}) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & H_g(GL_n) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_n, GL_{n-1}) & \longrightarrow & H_{g-1}(GL_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{j_*} H_{g-1}(GL_n) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow i_* & & \downarrow S & & \downarrow i_* \\
 H_g(GL_n) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & H_g(GL_{n+1}) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_{n+1}, GL_n) & \longrightarrow & H_{g-1}(GL_n) \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow S & & \downarrow \\
 & & & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_{n+2}, GL_{n+1}) & \longrightarrow & 
 \end{array}$$

Using the fact that  $i_* = j_*$  (Here  $i$  is induced by  $\alpha \mapsto 1 \oplus \alpha$ , and  $j$  by  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha \oplus 1$ ), one diagram chase and finds

$$H_g(GL_n, GL_{n-1}) = 0 \quad \text{for } g < n$$

and ~~so~~ so we have proved (modulo Prop's 1 and 2).

Theorem:  $k$  an <sup>see page 13</sup> infinite field. Then

$$H_i(GL_i) \longrightarrow H_i(GL_{i+1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_i(GL_{i+2}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \dots$$

On  $H_*(G, H; M)$ :

First of all one has ~~from the exact sequence~~

$$H_0(G, H; M) = \text{Tor}_{\mathbb{Z}[G]}^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(\mathbb{Z}[H \backslash G], M)$$

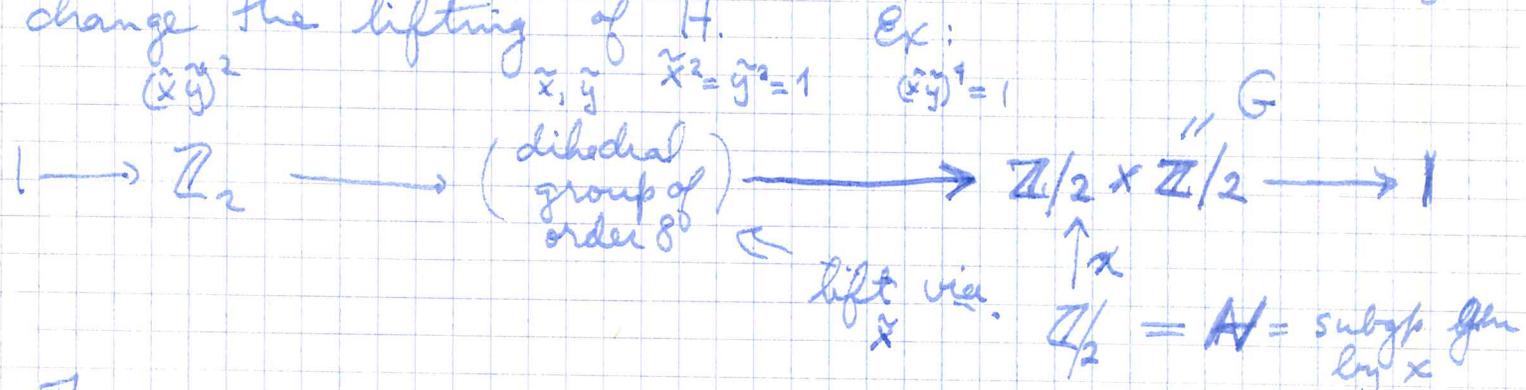
where  $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[H \backslash G] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[H \backslash G] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$   
and  $\mathbb{Z}$  acts on the right. Similarly

$$H^0(G, H; M) = \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}[G]}^{\mathbb{Z}[G]}(\mathbb{Z}[G/H], M).$$

Question: Let  $x \in G$  centralize  $H$ ; does  $x$  act trivially on  $H_*(G, H; A)$ ,  $A$  ~~trivial~~ trivial action?

This is false. Here is an example in cohomology.

An element  $x \in H_{\text{triv}}^2(G, H; A)$  is an iso. class of central extensions  $E$  of  $G$  by  $A$  trivialized over  $H$ . If we lift  $x$  to  $E$  and conjugate we don't change the iso. class of  $E$  but we might change the lifting of  $H$ .



Then conjugating by  $y$  which centralizes  $x$  in  $G$ , changes  $\tilde{x}$  to  $\tilde{y}\tilde{x}\tilde{y} \neq \tilde{x}$ .

any field:

Proposition 1:  $H_0(GL_n(k), I(k^n)) = 0$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

Proof: First take  $n=2$ . Then one has

$$0 \rightarrow I(k^2) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{L \subset k^2} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

~~and by Shapiro~~ and by Shapiro

$$H_x(GL_2, \bigoplus_{L \subset k^2} \mathbb{Z}) = H_x(B)$$

where  $B = \begin{pmatrix} GL_1 & * \\ 0 & GL_1 \end{pmatrix} =$  stabilizer of  $ke, e \in k^2$ . Thus

$$H_1(B) \rightarrow H_1(GL_2) \rightarrow H_0(GL_2, I(k^2)) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

so we need that  $H_1(B) \rightarrow H_1(GL_2)$ . But this is clear ~~as  $GL_2 = B \cup BwB$~~  as  $GL_2 = B \cup BwB$  and  $w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  itself is a product of elementary matrices which are in the normal subgp. generated by  $B$ .

~~Now for  $n \geq 2$  we need~~

~~Lemma: If  $A \subset V$ , then there is a canonical isom of  $GL(V, A)$ -modules~~

~~$$I(V) \cong \bigoplus_{\text{splittings of } 0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow V \rightarrow V/A \rightarrow 0} I(A) \otimes I(V/A)$$~~

~~Assuming this for the moment if  $\dim(V) \geq 2$ , take  $A$  to be a 2-diml. subspace. Then  $H_0(GL(V), I(V))$  is a quotient of~~

~~$$\begin{aligned} H_0(GL(V, A), I(V)) &\stackrel{\text{Shapiro}}{=} H_0(GL(A) \times GL(V/A), I(A) \otimes I(V/A)) \\ &= H_0(GL(A), I(A)) \otimes H_0(GL(V/A), I(V/A)) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$~~

Now for  $n > 2$  we use induction on  $n$ . Recall that if  $L$  is a line in  $V$  we have a canonical homotopy equivalence

$$T(V) \sim \bigvee_H \text{Susp } I(V/L)$$

where  $H$  runs over the hyperplanes complementary to  $L$ . Thus, <sup>one</sup> has a  $GL(V, L)$ -module isomorphism

$$I(V) \cong \bigoplus_{\{H\}} \mathbb{Z} \otimes I(V/L)$$

Hence if we look at  $I(k^n)$  as a  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & * \\ & GL_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$ -module, it is ~~the~~ the module induced from the subgp  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & GL_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$  and the module  $I(k^{n-1})$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} H_0\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & * \\ & GL_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, I(k^n)\right) &= H_0(GL_{n-1}, I(k^{n-1})) \\ &= 0 \quad \text{by induction.} \end{aligned}$$

But  $H_0(\begin{matrix} G, M \\ \text{[scribble]} \end{matrix})$  is a quotient of  $H_0(H, M)$  for  $H \subset G$ , so we are done.

Remark: Still need a proof of the canon. isom

$$I(V) = \mathbb{Z}[GL(V, A)] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[GL(A) \times GL(B)]} (I(A) \otimes I(B))$$

where  $V = A \oplus B$ .

Proposition 2:  $k$  infinite field  $\Rightarrow$   
 $H_* \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1_n & 0 \\ \hline & GL_n \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_* \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1_n & * \\ \hline & GL_n \end{array} \right)$

More generally consider the following situation.  
 Let

$$1 \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow G \longrightarrow 1$$

be a group extension with  $N$  abelian. We would like conditions implying  $H_*(E) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_*(G)$ . By universal coefficient it is enough to show  $H_*(E, \Delta) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_*(G, \Delta)$  for some field  $\Delta$  of each characteristic; (here  $\Delta$  is given the trivial group action). In view of the spec. seq.

$$E_{pq}^2 = H_p(G, H_q(N, \Delta)) \implies H_{p+q}(E, \Delta)$$

it suffices to show  $E_{pq}^2 = 0$  for  $q > 0$ .

Now in general if  $M$  is a  $\Delta[G]$ -module and  $c$  is an element of the center of  $\Delta[G]$ , we know that the ~~endo~~ endo of  $H_q(G, M)$  induced by mult. by  $c$  on  $M$  is the same as mult. by  $\varepsilon(c)$  where  $\varepsilon: \Delta[G] \rightarrow \Delta$  is the augmentation. Thus we have

Lemma: If  $c$  is in the center of  $\Delta[G]$  and multiplication by  $c - \varepsilon(c)$  is ~~an~~ an autom. of  $M$ , then  $H_*(G, M) = 0$ .

So we therefore get the following

Principle: If there exists an element  $c$  in the center of  $G$  such that  $c^{-1}$  is an automorphism of  $H_g(N, \Delta)$  for  $0 < g \leq d$ , then  $H_g(E, \Delta) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_g(G, \Delta)$  for  $0 \leq g \leq d$ .

Next we need to know how to compute the homology of an abelian group with coefficients in the field  $\Delta$ . Formulas:

$\text{char}(\Delta) = 0$  :  $H_i(N, \Delta) = \Lambda^i(N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \Delta)$

$\text{char}(\Delta) = p > 0$ . Here there is a filtration such that

$$\text{gr}\{H_*(N, \Delta)\} = \Lambda^*(N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \Delta [1]) \otimes \Gamma^*(pN \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \Delta [2])$$

where  $pN = \text{Ker}\{p: N \rightarrow N\}$ . (For  $p$  odd, the  $\text{gr}$  can be dropped.)

$$\text{gr}\{H_n(N, \Delta)\} \simeq \bigoplus_{i+2j=n} \Lambda^i(N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \Delta) \otimes \Gamma_j(pN \otimes \Delta)$$

So I am interested now in proving this:

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Lemma: Let  $k$  be an infinite field, let  $N$  be a  $k$ -module, and let  $\Delta$  be a field. Then given an integer  $d$ , there exists a  $c \in k^*$  such that  $c^{-1}$  is an automorphism of  $H_g(N, \Delta)$  for  $0 < g \leq d$ .

Proof: Case 1:  $\text{char}(k) \neq \text{char}(\Delta)$ . In this case  ~~$\Lambda^2 N$~~   
 $H_*(N, \Delta) = \Delta$ .

Case 2:  $\text{char}(k) = \text{char}(\Delta) = 0$ . Take  $c$  to be a prime number  $p$  in  $\mathbb{Q}^* \subset k^*$ . Then the action of  $c$  on  $N \otimes \Delta$  is mult. by  $p$ , hence on  $H_i(N, \Delta) = \Lambda^i(N \otimes \Delta)$  it is mult. by  $p^i$ . Since  $p^i - 1 \neq 0$  done.

Case 3:  $\text{char}(k) = \text{char}(\Delta) = p > 0$ , ~~and  $k$  is a trans~~  
~~extension of  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Can suppose  $k = \mathbb{F}_p(T)$  and  $k$~~   
 is a transcendental extension of  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Say  $k = \mathbb{F}_p(T)$ .  
~~If  $N = k$ , then taking  $\Delta = k$  we have~~  
 ~~$N \otimes \Delta = \mathbb{F}_p(T) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \mathbb{F}_p(T) = \mathbb{F}_p[T_1, T_2]$  localized~~  
~~wrt  $\{f(T_1), g(T_2) \mid f, g \neq 0\}$ .~~

If  $N = k$ , then  $\Lambda^2 N \oplus \Gamma_2 N = N \otimes N$  ( $p \neq 2$ ) and

$$N \otimes N = \mathbb{F}_p(T) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \mathbb{F}_p(T)$$

$$= \mathbb{F}_p[T_1, T_2] \text{ localized wrt } \{f(T_1), g(T_2) \mid f, g \neq 0\}$$

I wanted to take  $c = T$ , but then  $c$  on  $N \otimes N$  is mult. by  $T_1, T_2$  and  $T_1, T_2 - 1$  is not invertible in  $\mathbb{F}_p(T_1) \otimes \mathbb{F}_p(T_2)$ . Thus method doesn't work.

$\Rightarrow$  HYPOTHESIS  $k$  infinite should be replaced by either  $k$  of char. 0 or  $k$  of charac.  $p$  and  $\mu(k)$  infinite.

Case 3:  $\text{char}(k) = \text{char}(\Delta) = p$  and  $k = \mathbb{F}_{p^d}$  for arbitrarily large  $d$ . Here we take  $c$  to be a generator of  $(\mathbb{F}_{p^d})^*$  which is cyclic of order  $p^d - 1$ . Suppose  $N$  is a vector space over  $F = \mathbb{F}_{p^d}$  for the moment and that  $\Delta = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ . Then as a rep. of  $F^*$  over  $\Delta$

$$N \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \Delta = \text{direct sum of } F \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \Delta$$

and  $F \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_p} \Delta \xrightarrow{\sim} \Delta^d$   
 $x \otimes y \longmapsto (x^{p^a} y)_{a=0, \dots, d-1}$

i.e.  $N \otimes \Delta$  is a direct sum of the characters  $\chi, \chi^p, \dots, \chi^{p^{d-1}}$ . ~~It follows that~~ where  $\chi: F^* \rightarrow \Delta^*$  sends  $x$  to  $x$ .

Thus  $\Lambda^i(N \otimes \Delta) \otimes \Gamma_j(N \otimes \Delta)$

is a sum of ~~the~~ characters occurring in  $(N \otimes \Delta)^{\otimes \frac{1}{2}(i+j)}$  which are

~~$\chi^{a_0 + a_1 p + \dots + a_{d-1} p^{d-1}}$~~   
 $\chi^{a_0 + a_1 p + \dots + a_{d-1} p^{d-1}}$        $\sum_{i=0}^{d-1} a_i = i+j$

~~This will give us to contain the~~ Thus  $\Lambda^i(N \otimes \Delta) \otimes \Gamma^j(N \otimes \Delta)$  will contain the trivial character of  $F^*$  only if  $\exists$

$$a_0, \dots, a_{d-1} \geq 0 \quad \exists \quad \sum a_i = i+j$$

$$\sum a_i p^i \equiv 0 \pmod{p^d - 1}$$

and I've seen before that this happens ~~with~~ with  $i+j > 0$  ~~only~~ only if  $\sum a_i \geq d(p-1)$ . Thus as  $i+2j \geq i+j$ , we has that  $H_g(N, \Delta)$  doesn't contain the trivial repn. for  $0 < g < d(p-1)$ .

It seems therefore that the good statement is:

Theorem: Let  $k$  be a field. Then one has

(\*)  $H_i(G_{L_i}) \rightarrow H_i(G_{L_{i+1}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_i(G_{L_{i+2}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \dots$

if either  $k$  is of char. 0, or if  $\text{char}(k) = p > 0$  and  $k$  contains arbitrarily large finite subfields. In any case, one has (\*) modulo  $p$ -torsion when  $\text{char}(k) = p > 0$ .

January 30, 1974.

Crude stability.

Let  $k$  be a field. If  $k$  is of char  $p > 0$ , either ignore  $p$ -torsion in what follows, or else suppose  $\mu(k)$  is infinite. With these assumptions I can ignore unipotent subgroups of parabolic gps.

Suppose  $k$  is infinite ~~and consider the complex~~  
let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$  over  $k$ , and let  $L(V)$  be the complex given by

$$L(V)_s = \text{free abelian group generated by independent sequences } (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s) \text{ in } V.$$

Then because  $k$  is infinite I know that the complex  $L(V)$  is acyclic in degrees  $\leq n$ . Since  $GL(V)$  acts transitively on the indep. sequences of a given length  $s$ , one has

$$H_x(GL(V), L(V)_s) = H_x\left(\begin{array}{c|c} 1_s & * \\ \hline & GL_{n-s} \end{array}\right)$$

and so I get a spectral sequence

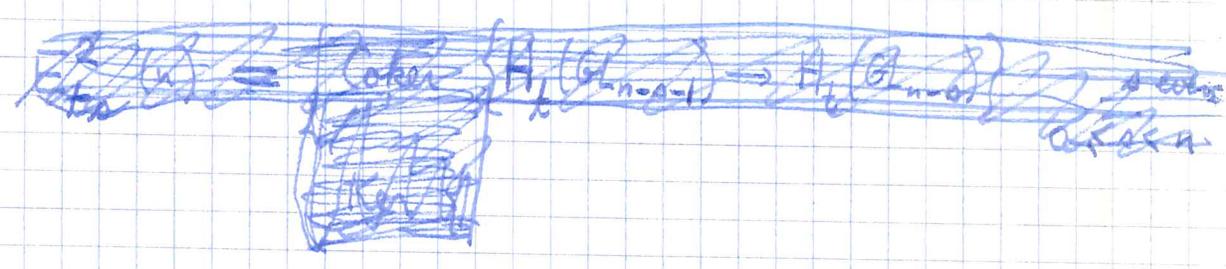
$$E_{st}^1(n) = H_x\left(\begin{array}{c|c} 1_s & * \\ \hline & GL_{n-s} \end{array}\right) \implies 0 \text{ in degrees } < n.$$

|| hyp on  $k$

$$H_x(GL_{n-s}).$$

The differential  $d_1: E_{st}^1 \rightarrow E_{s-1,t}^1$  is an alternating sum of face operators which are all the same, hence

~~It~~ it is zero where  $s$  is even. Thus one finds that the  $E_{st}^1$  term looks as follows



$$H_t(G_0) \rightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{res} H_t(G_{n-2}) \xrightarrow{0} H_t(G_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{res} H_t(G_n)$$

$n \qquad \qquad \qquad 0$

In particular if one assumes inductively that

$$H_t(G_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_t(G_n) \quad \text{for } t < g, n \text{ large}$$

One has that  $E_{st}^2 = 0$   $t < g, s \leq g - t + 2$   
 hence  $E_{1g}^2 = E_{0g}^2$  i.e.

$$H_g(G_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_t(G_n)$$

for  $n$  large enough.

But even if we don't care to compute  $d_1$ , we can argue as follows. ~~It is obvious~~ We have an obvious map of  $L(k^n)$  to  $L(k^{n+1})$  compatible with the actions of  $G_n$  and  $G_{n+1}$ , hence a map of spectral sequences. Assuming  $H_t(G_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_t(G_n)$  for  $t < g$  and  $n$  large, one has that the map  $E_{st}^1(n) \rightarrow E_{st}^1(n+1)$  is an isomorphism for  $s \leq g+1, t < g$ , so as abutments are trivial, the comparison theorem tells us that

$$E_{0g}^2(n) \xrightarrow{\sim} E_{0g}^2(n+1) \quad \text{and} \\ E_{1g}^2(n) \xrightarrow{\sim} E_{1g}^2(n+1)$$

for  $n$  large. Thus

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 H_g(GL_{n-1}) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_n) & \longrightarrow & E_{0g}^2 \longrightarrow 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 H_g(GL_{n-2}) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_{n+1}) & \longrightarrow & E_{0g}^2(n+1) \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

and since the two maps from  $H_x(GL_n)$  to  $H_x(GL_{n+1})$  coincide, this gives  $H_g(GL_n) \rightarrow H_g(GL_{n+1})$  for  $n$  large. So this implies

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E_{2g}^1(n) & \longrightarrow & E_{2g}^1(n+1) \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 H_g(GL_{n-2}) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_{n-1})
 \end{array}$$

is onto, so  $B_{2g}^1(n) \rightarrow B_{2g}^1(n+1)$  for large  $n$ .  
~~From~~ From

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 B_{2g}^1(n) & \longrightarrow & Z_{2g}^1(n) & \longrightarrow & E_{2g}^1(n) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 B_{2g}^1(n+1) & \longrightarrow & Z_{2g}^1(n+1) & \longrightarrow & E_{2g}^1(n+1) & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

we get  $Z_{2g}^1(n) \rightarrow Z_{2g}^1(n+1)$ . From

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \longrightarrow & Z_{2g}^1(n) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_{n+1}) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_n) & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & \downarrow & & \downarrow \xrightarrow{\text{same map}} & & \downarrow & \\
 0 \longrightarrow & Z_{2g}^1(n+1) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_n) & \longrightarrow & H_g(GL_{n+1}) & \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

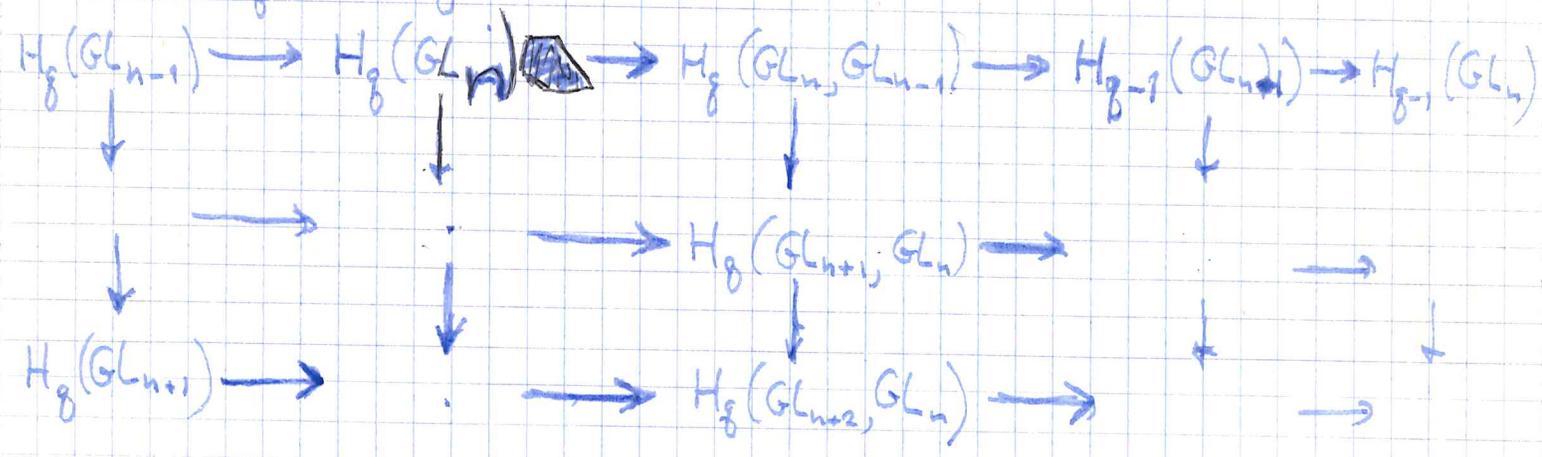
One deduces  $H_g(GL_{n-2}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_g(GL_{n+1})$  for large  $n$  as desired.

Question: Is  $H_x(G_{L_n}, G_{L_{n+1}}) \rightarrow H_x(G_{L_{n+1}}, G_{L_n})$  zero where the map is the embedding  $A \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & A \end{pmatrix}$  from  $G_n$  to  $G_{n+1}$ ?

Partial answer:

$H_g(G_{L_n}, G_{L_{n-1}}) \rightarrow H_g(G_{L_{n+2}}, G_{L_{n+1}})$  is zero.

Proof: Diagram chase in



and use always that the ~~maps~~ two embeddings  $G_n \rightarrow G_{n+1}$  are conjugate, hence induces the same map on homology.

January 31, 1974. Weak stability for a Dedekind domain.

Let  $A$  be a Dedekind domain with quotient field  $K$ .  
 Let  $E$  be a proj. f.t.  $A$ -module of rank  $n$  and  
 let  $GL(E) = \text{Aut}(E)$  act on the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow I(\overset{V}{\square}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\dim(W)=n-1 \\ W \subset V}} I(W) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\text{LCV}} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

where  $V = K \otimes_A E$ . Because  $A$  is a Dedekind domain  
 to give a subspace  $W$  of  $K \otimes_A E$  is the same as  
 given a direct summand  $E' \subset E$ . If we agree  
 to put  $I(E) = I(K \otimes_A E)$  for any  $E \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ , then we  
 get the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow I(E) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{F \in G_{n-1}(E)} I(F) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bigoplus_{F \in G_1(E)} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

where  $G_p(E) =$  direct summands of rank  $p$ . This  
 exact sequence gives rise to a spectral sequence

$$E_{0t}^1 = H_{\neq}^t(GL(E), \bigoplus_{F \in G_0(E)} I(F)) \Rightarrow 0$$

But the orbits of  $GL(E)$  on  $G_2(E)$  are easy to classify.

In effect given  $F_1, F_2 \in G_2(E)$ , then  $F_1, F_2$  are isom.

$\Leftrightarrow [\wedge^2 F_1] = [\wedge^2 F_2]$  in  $\text{Pic}(A)$ . This implies  $E/F_1 \cong E/F_2$

and since  $E = F_1 \oplus E/F_1$  it follows that ~~we get a~~

$F_1, F_2 \in G_2(E)$  are  $GL(E)$ -conjugate  $\Leftrightarrow \wedge^2 F_1 = \wedge^2 F_2$   
 in  $\text{Pic}(A)$ .

~~On the other hand~~ On the other hand  
 provided  $\begin{matrix} 0 < \alpha < n \\ \alpha \geq 2 \end{matrix}$  given  $\alpha \in \text{Pic}(A)$  one can find an  $F \in G_\alpha(E)$  with

$\wedge^\alpha F \in \alpha$ . In effect, one can choose  $L$  invertible  $\exists$

$F \oplus L \oplus A^{n-s-1}$  has same determinant in  $\text{Pic}(A) \Rightarrow$   
 $F \oplus L \oplus A^{n-s-1} \simeq E.$

Let me denote by  $E_{n,\alpha}$  a representative for the iso. class of proj. ft.  $A$ -module of rank  $n$  and with  $[\wedge^n E_{n,\alpha}] = \alpha$  in  $\text{Pic}(A)$ . Then for  $0 < s < n = \text{rank}(E)$ , one can choose an isom

$$E_{s,\alpha} \oplus E_{n-s, c_1(E)-\alpha} = E_{n, c_1(E)} = E$$

and for each  $\alpha$  one gets a representation for  $GL(E) \setminus G_s(E)$ . The stabilizer of this is the "matrix" group

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c} GL(E_{s,\alpha}) & * \\ \hline 0 & GL(E_{n-s, c_1(E)-\alpha}) \end{array} \right) \quad * = \text{Hom}(E_{s,\alpha}, E_{n-s, c_1(E)-\alpha})$$

Thus for each  $(n, \alpha)$  we get a spectral sequence

$$E_{st}^1(n, \alpha) \Rightarrow 0$$

with

$$E_{tot}^1(n, \alpha) = H_t(GL(E_{n,\alpha}))$$

$$E_{st}^1(n, \alpha) = \bigoplus_{\beta \in \text{Pic}(A)} H_t \left( \begin{array}{c|c} GL(E_{s,\beta}) & * \\ \hline 0 & GL(E_{n-s, \alpha-\beta}) \end{array}, I(E_{s,\beta}) \right)$$

for  $0 < s < n$

$$E_{nt}^1(n, \alpha) = H_t(GL(E_{n,\alpha}), I(E_{n,\alpha}))$$

$$E_{st}^1(n, \alpha) = 0 \quad s > n$$