

Homological dimensions of Köthe algebras

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$$\lambda(P) = \left\{ x = (x_i) \in \mathbb{C}^I : \|x\|_p = \sum_i |x_i| p_i < \infty \quad \forall p \in P \right\}$$

This is a complete locally convex space w.r.t. the topology determined by the family of seminorms $\{\|\cdot\|_p : p \in P\}$.

In what follows, we assume that P is countable.

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 - 5.2) $\alpha_n = n^{1/m} \implies \Lambda_R(\alpha) \cong \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{D}_R^m)$,
 where $\mathbb{D}_R^m = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^m : |z_i| < R, i = 1, \dots, m\}$.

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Notation. Let P, Q be Köthe sets on I .

$$P \prec Q \iff \forall p \in P \quad \exists C > 0 \quad \exists q \in Q : \quad p_i \leq Cq_i \quad \forall i \in I.$$

$$P \sim Q \iff P \prec Q \text{ and } Q \prec P.$$

$$P \cdot Q = \{(p_i q_i)_{i \in I} : p \in P, q \in Q\}.$$

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Examples: ℓ^1 , $\mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$, s , $\Lambda_R(\alpha)$ ($R \geq 1$) are Köthe algebras. In particular,

$$\Lambda_R(\{n^{1/m}\}) = (\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{D}_R^m), \text{Hadamard product}) = \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{D}_R^m).$$

All of them (except $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$) are locally m -convex.

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$$X \hat{\otimes}_A Y = X \hat{\otimes} Y / \overline{\text{span}}\{x \cdot a \otimes y - x \otimes a \cdot y : x \in X, y \in Y, a \in A\}.$$

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$$X_{\bullet} = (\dots \leftarrow X_{n-1} \xleftarrow{d_n} X_n \leftarrow X_{n+1} \leftarrow \dots)$$

in $A\text{-mod}$ is **admissible** if it splits in the category of Fréchet spaces

(i.e., if X_{\bullet} has a contracting homotopy consisting of continuous linear maps)

$\iff X_{\bullet}$ is exact, and $\text{Ker } d_n$ is a complemented subspace of X_n for all n .

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Fact: Each projective module is flat.

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Fact: $A\text{-mod}$ has **enough projectives**, i.e., each $X \in A\text{-mod}$ has a projective resolution.

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Is $X \hat{\otimes} Y$ flat in $A\text{-mod-}A$? (Yes, if either X or Y is projective; yes, if A is a Banach algebra and X, Y are Banach modules).

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Problem. Suppose that $\lambda(P)$ is approximately contractible. Does it imply that $\lambda(P)$ is biprojective? Does it imply any of the conditions (1)–(4) of the above corollary?