

Homological Functor $\tilde{H}_n : \text{Comp}(\mathcal{A}) \longrightarrow \text{Ab}$ Where $\mathcal{A}$ Is an Abelian Category and n is an Integer in $\mathbb{Z}$

Ablaye Diallo*

Department of Applied Mathematics, Gaston Berger University, Saint-Louis, Senegal

Email address:

diallo.ablaye@ugb.edu.sn (Ablaye Diallo)

*Corresponding author

To cite this article:

Ablaye Diallo. (2025). Homological Functor $\tilde{H}_n : \text{Comp}(\mathcal{A}) \longrightarrow \text{Ab}$ Where $\mathcal{A}$ Is an Abelian Category and n is an Integer in $\mathbb{Z}$. *American Journal of Applied Mathematics*, 13(6), 412-418. <https://doi.org/10.11648/j.ajam.20251306.13>

Received: 10 October 2025; **Accepted:** 27 October 2025; **Published:** 6 December 2025

Abstract: The study of the homological functor has been carried out in particular cases of abelian categories, notably in the category of left A -modules (resp. right A -modules) and Categories of graded A -modules where A is a ring. We call category of complexes of an abelian category $\mathcal{A}$ the category denoted by $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$ whose objects are the complexe sequence of $\mathcal{A}$ and morphisms are the chain maps of $\mathcal{A}$. In this paper, we consider the functor $\tilde{H}_n$ define by the composition of functors $H_n \circ \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, -)$, where $\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, -)$ is define by $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \text{Comp}(\text{Ab})$, the functor H_n is define by $\text{Comp}(\text{Ab}) \rightarrow \text{Ab}$ and X is a projective object of $\mathcal{A}$. In this article, we study how the homological functor $\tilde{H}_n$ define by $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A}) \longrightarrow \text{Ab}$ where $\mathcal{A}$ is an abelian category and n is an integer in $\mathbb{Z}$ transforms a short exact sequence into a long exact sequence. The main results of this paper are: the construction of the connecting morphism ϕ_n associated to the covariant functor $\tilde{H}_n$, and show that $\tilde{H}_n$ transforms all short exact sequence of morphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$ into a long exact sequence of morphisms in Ab , where X is an projectif object in $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{A}$ is an abelian category.

Keywords: Abelian Category, Homological Functor, Category of Abelian Groups

1. Introduction

The main objective of this paper is to study the exactness of the homological functor in an arbitrary abelian category $\mathcal{A}$ by developing certain concepts in homological algebra. We are inspired by the homological functor $H_n : \text{Comp}(A\text{-Mod}) \longrightarrow \text{Ab}$ in the category of left A -modules $A\text{-Mod}$ (resp. right A -modules $\text{Mod-}A$) and complexes of left A -modules $\text{Comp}(A\text{-Mod})$ (resp. complexes of right A -modules $\text{Comp}(\text{Mod-}A)$). Some authors have already worked on additive categories, abelian categories and the homological functor: Pierre Gabriel [1], Charles A Weibel [2], Peter J Freyd [3], Joseph J Rotman [4], [5], Aurelien Djamen and Antoine Touze [6], Arij Benkhadra [7], Alex Heller [8], Carol Peercy Walker [9], Manfred Hartl and Bruno Loiseau [10], Deren Luo [11], Lidia Angeleri Hugel [12], Sebastian Posur [13], Aurelien Djament and Antoine Touze [14], Xi Tang and Zhao

Yong Huang [15]. Thus, the paper is structured as follows:

In *Section 2.1*, entitled Preliminaries, we define the basic concepts in an arbitrary abelian category.

In *Section 3*, we show that:

Let

$$(0) \longrightarrow (Y, \alpha) \xrightarrow{f} (Z, \beta) \xrightarrow{g} (T, \theta) \longrightarrow (0)$$

be a short exact sequence of morphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$, where $\mathcal{A}$ is an abelian category. Then:

1. The morphism called the connecting morphism is defined by $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\phi_n : \frac{\tilde{H}_n((T, \theta))}{k_{n+1}} \longrightarrow \frac{\tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha))}{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k_{n+1})))}$$

2. The sequence

$$\dots \longrightarrow \tilde{H}_n((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(f)} \tilde{H}_n((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(g)} \dots$$

$$\tilde{H}_n((T, \theta)) \xrightarrow{\phi_n} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(g)} \dots$$

$$\tilde{H}_{n+1}((T, \theta)) \xrightarrow{\phi_{n+1}} \dots$$

is a long exact sequence of morphisms of abelian groups. That is, for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f)) = \ker(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \\ \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) = \ker(\phi_n) \\ \text{Im}(\phi_n) = \ker(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)) \end{cases}$$

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. [Abelian Category]

An abelian category is a category $\mathcal{A}$ that satisfies the following conditions:

1. the category $\mathcal{A}$ has a zero object;
2. for every pair of objects X and Y in $\mathcal{A}$, the set $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, Y)$ is endowed with an abelian group structure, with composition law written additively $((\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, Y), +)$ is an abelian group);
3. composition in $\mathcal{A}$ is bilinear with respect to these additions;
4. every finite family of objects in $\mathcal{A}$ admits a coproduct;
5. every morphism in $\mathcal{A}$ has a kernel and a cokernel;
6. every monomorphism in $\mathcal{A}$ is the kernel of its cokernel;
7. every epimorphism in $\mathcal{A}$ is the cokernel of its kernel.

Definition 2.2 (Left Exact Sequence in $\mathcal{A}$).

Let (S) be:

$$0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$$

a short sequence of morphisms in $\mathcal{A}$. Then (S) is said to be *left exact* if:

1. $g \circ f = e_{X,Z}$, where $e_{X,Z}$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, Z)$.
2. The kernel of f , $N(f) = (0, e_{0,X})$, where $e_{0,X} : 0 \rightarrow X$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(0, X)$.
3. The cokernel of h , $\text{coN}(h) = (0, e_{K,0})$, where $e_{K,0} : K \rightarrow 0$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(K, 0)$.
4. h is the morphism satisfying $i \circ h = f$ and $\text{Ker}(g) = (K, i)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & K & & \\ & \nearrow h & \downarrow i & \searrow & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Z \end{array}$$

Definition 2.3 (Right Exact Sequence in $\mathcal{A}$). Let $(S): X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \rightarrow 0$ be a short sequence of morphisms in $\mathcal{A}$. Then we say that (S) is *right exact* if:

1. $g \circ f = e_{X,Z}$, where $e_{X,Z}$ is the zero morphism of the

abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, Z)$.

2. $\text{coN}(g) = (0, e_{Z,0})$, where $e_{Z,0} : Z \rightarrow 0$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Z, 0)$.
3. $\text{coN}(h) = (0, e_{K,0})$, where $e_{K,0} : K \rightarrow 0$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(K, 0)$.
4. h is the morphism satisfying $i \circ h = f$ and $\text{Ker}(g) = (K, i)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & K & & \\ & \nearrow h & \downarrow i & \searrow & \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Z & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Definition 2.4 (Exact Sequence in $\mathcal{A}$).

Let (S) be:

$$0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \rightarrow 0$$

a short sequence of morphisms in $\mathcal{A}$. We say that (S) is *exact* if it is exact on the left and on the right, that is:

1. $g \circ f = e_{X,Z}$, where $e_{X,Z}$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, Z)$.
2. $\text{coN}(g) = (0, e_{Z,0})$, where $e_{Z,0} : Z \rightarrow 0$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Z, 0)$.
3. $\text{coN}(h) = (0, e_{K,0})$, where $e_{K,0} : K \rightarrow 0$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(K, 0)$.
4. h is the morphism satisfying $i \circ h = f$ and $\text{Ker}(g) = (K, i)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & K & & \\ & \nearrow h & \downarrow i & \searrow & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Z & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Remark 2.1. 0 denotes the zero object of the category $\mathcal{A}$.

Definition 2.5 (Comp($\mathcal{A}$)).

We call the *category of complexes* of an abelian category $\mathcal{A}$ the category denoted by $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$, defined as follows:

1. The objects are the *complex sequences* of $\mathcal{A}$.

A complex sequence of $\mathcal{A}$ is a sequence of morphisms of $\mathcal{A}$ $(\alpha_n : X_n \rightarrow X_{n+1})_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$, denoted (X, α) , such that

$$\alpha_{n+1} \circ \alpha_n = 0 = e_{X_n, X_{n+2}} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z},$$

where $e_{X_n, X_{n+2}}$ is the zero morphism of the abelian group $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X_n, X_{n+2})$.

2. The arrows (morphisms) are the *chain maps* of $\mathcal{A}$.

Let $(X, \alpha) = (\alpha_n : X_n \rightarrow X_{n+1})_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ and $(Y, \beta) = (\beta_n : Y_n \rightarrow Y_{n+1})_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ be two complex sequences of $\mathcal{A}$. A chain map of $\mathcal{A}$ $(f_n : X_n \rightarrow Y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is the chain map denoted $f : (X, \alpha) \rightarrow (Y, \beta)$ such that

$$f_{n+1} \circ \alpha_n = \beta_n \circ f_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proposition 2.1.

Let $\mathcal{A}$ be an abelian category. Then $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$ is an abelian category.

Proof. See page 319 of [5].

Definition 2.6 (Right Exact Sequence in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$).

Let

$$(S) : (Y, \alpha) \xrightarrow{f} (Z, \beta) \xrightarrow{g} (T, \gamma) \rightarrow (0)$$

be a short sequence of morphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$, where $\mathcal{A}$ is an abelian category. We say that (S) is *right exact* if, for every integer $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the sequence

$$Y_n \xrightarrow{f_n} Z_n \xrightarrow{g_n} T_n \longrightarrow 0$$

is a short right exact sequence of morphisms in $\mathcal{A}$.

Definition 2.7 (Left Exact Sequence in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$).

Let

$$(S) : (0) \rightarrow (Y, \alpha) \xrightarrow{f} (Z, \beta) \xrightarrow{g} (T, \gamma)$$

be a short sequence of morphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$, where $\mathcal{A}$ is an abelian category. We say that (S) is *left exact* if, for every integer $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow{f_n} Z_n \xrightarrow{g_n} T_n$$

is a short left exact sequence of morphisms in $\mathcal{A}$.

Definition 2.8 (Exact Sequence in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$).

Let

$$(S) : (0) \rightarrow (Y, \alpha) \xrightarrow{f} (Z, \beta) \xrightarrow{g} (T, \gamma) \rightarrow (0)$$

be a short sequence of morphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$, where $\mathcal{A}$ is an abelian category. We say that (S) is *exact* if, for every integer $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow{f_n} Z_n \xrightarrow{g_n} T_n \longrightarrow 0$$

is a short exact sequence of morphisms in $\mathcal{A}$.

Definition 2.9 (Homological Functor H_n).

Let A be a ring and $\text{Comp}(A\text{-Mod})$ the category of complex sequences of morphisms of $A\text{-Mod}$. We call *homological functor of degree $n \in \mathbb{Z}$* the covariant functor defined by:

$$H_n : \text{Comp}(A\text{-Mod}) \rightarrow \text{Ab}$$

such that:

1. for every complex sequence $(X, \alpha) \in \text{Ob}(\text{Comp}(A\text{-Mod}))$, we have

$$H_n(X, \alpha) = \text{Ker}(\alpha_{n+1}) / \text{Im}(\alpha_n);$$

2. for every complex chain $f : (X, \alpha) \rightarrow (Y, \beta)$ in $A\text{-Mod}$, we have:

$$H_n(f) : H_n((X, \alpha)) \longrightarrow H_n((Y, \beta))$$

$$\overline{z_n} \longmapsto \overline{f_n(z_n)}.$$

Example 2.1.

$H_n : \text{Comp}(\text{Ab}) = \text{Comp}(\mathbb{Z} - \text{Mod}) \rightarrow \text{Ab}$ which is a particular case of the homological functor $H_n : \text{Comp}(A\text{-Mod}) \rightarrow \text{Ab} \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

3. Homological Functor of Degree n :

$$\tilde{H}_n : \text{Comp}(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \text{Ab}$$

Consider $\tilde{H}_n = H_n \circ \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, -)$, where $\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, -) : \text{Comp}(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \text{Comp}(\text{Ab})$ and $H_n : \text{Comp}(\text{Ab}) \rightarrow \text{Ab}$, and X is a projective object of $\mathcal{A}$ so that the functor $\tilde{H}_n$ is exact.

Theorem and Definition 3.1.

Let

$$(0) \longrightarrow (Y, \alpha) \xrightarrow{f} (Z, \beta) \xrightarrow{g} (T, \theta) \longrightarrow (0)$$

be a short exact sequence of morphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$, where $\mathcal{A}$ is an abelian category. Then:

1. the *connecting morphism* is defined by $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\phi_n : \frac{\tilde{H}_n((T, \theta))}{\overline{k_{n+1}}} \longrightarrow \frac{\tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha))}{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k_{n+1})))};$$

see (figure 1).

2. the sequence

$$\dots \longrightarrow \tilde{H}_n((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(f)} \tilde{H}_n((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(g)}$$

$$\tilde{H}_n((T, \theta)) \xrightarrow{\phi_n} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)}$$

$$\tilde{H}_{n+1}((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(g)} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((T, \theta)) \xrightarrow{\phi_{n+1}} \dots$$

is a long exact sequence of abelian group morphisms. That is:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z} : \begin{cases} \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f)) = \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \\ \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) = \text{Ker}(\phi_n) \\ \text{Im}(\phi_n) = \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)). \end{cases}$$

Proof.

(i.)

We show that the connecting morphism ϕ_n is well-defined. We have:

$$\phi_n : \frac{\tilde{H}_n((T, \theta))}{\overline{k_{n+1}}} \longrightarrow \frac{\tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha))}{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k_{n+1})))}.$$

First, we show that ϕ_n is a correspondence.

Let $k_{n+1} = g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k_{n+1}) \in \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Z_{n+1})$.

For all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have:

$$\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}) \in \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Z_{n+2}).$$

We show that $\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}) \in \text{Im}(f_{n+2}^*)$. From the diagram below (page 6) we have:

$$g_{n+2}^* \circ \beta_{n+1}^* = \theta_{n+1}^* \circ g_{n+1}^* \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Hence, for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{n+2}^*(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1})) &= \theta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1})) \\ &= \theta_{n+1}^*(\theta_n^*(k'_n)), \\ &\text{since } \exists k'_n \in \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_n) : \\ \theta_n^*(k'_n) &= g_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}) \\ &= 0 = e_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_n), \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_{n+2})} \\ &\text{because } \theta_{n+1}^* \circ \theta_n^* = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} g_{n+2}^*(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1})) &= 0 = e_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_n), \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_{n+1})} \\ &\Rightarrow \beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}) \in \text{Ker}(g_{n+2}^*) = \text{Im}(f_{n+2}^*) \\ &\Rightarrow \beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}) \in \text{Im}(f_{n+2}^*). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$f_{n+2}^* : \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Y_{n+2}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Z_{n+2}),$$

we have:

$$f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1})) = f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k_{n+1}))) \text{ is well-defined.}$$

Next, we show that the correspondence ϕ_n is well-defined. It is enough to show that for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the choice of ϕ_n does not depend on k_{n+1} , i.e., $\phi_n(\overline{k_{n+1}}) = \overline{h_{n+1}}$.

Let $\overline{k_{n+1}} = \overline{g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k_{n+1})}$, $\overline{k'_{n+1}} = \overline{g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k'_{n+1})} \in \tilde{H}_n((T, \theta))$ such that $\overline{k_{n+1}} = \overline{k'_{n+1}}$.

We show that $\phi_n(\overline{k_{n+1}}) = \phi_n(\overline{k'_{n+1}})$.

Set:

$$\phi_n(\overline{k_{n+1}}) = \overline{h_{n+1}} \text{ and } \phi_n(\overline{k'_{n+1}}) = \overline{h'_{n+1}}.$$

We show that $\overline{h_{n+1}} = \overline{h'_{n+1}}$.

We have:

$k_{n+1} - k'_{n+1} \in \text{Im}(f_{n+1}^*)$ and so there exists $j_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Y_{n+1})$ such that

$$f_{n+1}^*(j_{n+1}) = k_{n+1} - k'_{n+1}.$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{n+1}^*(j_{n+1}) &= k_{n+1} - k'_{n+1} \\ \Rightarrow \beta_{n+1}^*(f_{n+1}^*(j_{n+1})) &= \beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1} - k'_{n+1}) \\ &= f_{n+2}^*(\alpha_{n+1}^*(j_{n+1})) \\ &\quad (\text{since } \beta_{n+1}^* \circ f_{n+1}^* = f_{n+2}^* \circ \alpha_{n+1}^*) \\ \Rightarrow \alpha_{n+1}^*(j_{n+1}) &= f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1} - k'_{n+1})) \\ &= f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1})) - f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(k'_{n+1})) \\ &= h_{n+1} - h'_{n+1} \in \text{Im}(\alpha_{n+1}^*) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \overline{h_{n+1} - h'_{n+1}} &= \overline{0} \Rightarrow \overline{h_{n+1}} = \overline{h'_{n+1}} \\ \Rightarrow \phi_n(\overline{k_{n+1}}) &= \phi_n(\overline{k'_{n+1}}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, ϕ_n is well-defined.

(ii.)

Recall that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, -) : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Ab}$ is a covariant, additive, left exact functor, and it is exact if and only if X is a projective object of $\mathcal{A}$.

(ii.1) Let's show that $\text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f)) = \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} (0) &\longrightarrow (Y, \alpha) \xrightarrow{f} (Z, \beta) \xrightarrow{g} (T, \theta) \\ &\longrightarrow (0) \end{aligned}$$

a short exact sequence of morphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$, so we have the following diagrams:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} (0) : \cdots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \longrightarrow \cdots \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ (Y, \alpha) : \cdots & \longrightarrow & Y_n & \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} & Y_{n+1} & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n+1}} & Y_{n+2} \longrightarrow \cdots \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow f_n & & \downarrow f_{n+1} & & \downarrow f_{n+2} \\ (Z, \beta) : \cdots & \longrightarrow & Z_n & \xrightarrow{\beta_n} & Z_{n+1} & \xrightarrow{\beta_{n+1}} & Z_{n+2} \longrightarrow \cdots \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow g_n & & \downarrow g_{n+1} & & \downarrow g_{n+2} \\ (T, \theta) : \cdots & \longrightarrow & T_n & \xrightarrow{\theta_n} & T_{n+1} & \xrightarrow{\theta_{n+1}} & T_{n+2} \longrightarrow \cdots \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ (0) : \cdots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \longrightarrow \cdots \end{array}$$

(ii.1.a) Let's show that $\text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f)) \subset \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$.

Let $\bar{h}_n \in \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f))$. For all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{h}_n &\in \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f)) \\ \Rightarrow \exists \bar{k}_n \in \tilde{H}_n(Y, \alpha) : \tilde{H}_n(f)(\bar{k}_n) &= \bar{h}_n \\ \Rightarrow \overline{f_n(k_n)} &= \bar{h}_n \\ \Rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(g)(\overline{f_n(k_n)}) &= \tilde{H}_n(g)(\bar{h}_n) \\ \Rightarrow \overline{g_n(f_n(k_n))} &= \tilde{H}_n(g)(\bar{h}_n) \\ \Rightarrow \bar{0} &= \tilde{H}_n(g)(\bar{h}_n) \text{ since } g_n \circ f_n = 0 = e_{Y_n, T_n} \\ \Rightarrow \bar{h}_n &\in \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f)) \subset \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
(0)_{\text{Ab}} : \dots & \longrightarrow & 0_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, 0_{\mathcal{A}})} & \longrightarrow & 0_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, 0_{\mathcal{A}})} & \longrightarrow & 0_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, 0_{\mathcal{A}})} \longrightarrow \dots \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, -)(Y, \alpha) : \dots & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Y_n) & \xrightarrow{\theta_n^*} & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Y_{n+1}) & \xrightarrow{\theta_{n+1}^*} & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Y_{n+2}) \longrightarrow \dots \\
\downarrow g^* & & \downarrow g_n^* & & \downarrow g_{n+1}^* & & \downarrow g_{n+2}^* \\
\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, -)(Z, \beta) : \dots & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Z_n) & \xrightarrow{\beta_n^*} & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Z_{n+1}) & \xrightarrow{\beta_{n+1}^*} & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Z_{n+2}) \longrightarrow \dots \\
\downarrow f^* & & \downarrow f_n^* & & \downarrow f_{n+1}^* & & \downarrow f_{n+2}^* \\
\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, -)(T, \theta) : \dots & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_n) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_n^*} & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_{n+1}) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n+1}^*} & \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, T_{n+2}) \longrightarrow \dots \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
(0)_{\text{Ab}} : \dots & \longrightarrow & 0_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, 0_{\mathcal{A}})} & \longrightarrow & 0_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, 0_{\mathcal{A}})} & \longrightarrow & 0_{\text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, 0_{\mathcal{A}})} \longrightarrow \dots
\end{array}$$

Figure 1. Commutative diagram of induced homomorphisms in $\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})$.

(ii.1.b) Next, we show that $\text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \subset \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f))$.

Let $\bar{h}_n \in \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \subset \tilde{H}_n(Z, \beta) = \text{Ker}(\beta_n^*)/\text{Im}(\beta_{n-1}^*)$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{h}_n &\in \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \\
&\Rightarrow \overline{g_n(h_n)} = \bar{0} \in \tilde{H}_n(T, \theta) \\
&\Rightarrow g_n(h_n) \in \text{Im}(\theta_{n-1}^*) \\
&\Rightarrow \exists k_{n-1} \in \text{Hom}(X, T_{n-1}) : g_n^*(h_n) = \theta_{n-1}^*(k_{n-1}) \\
&\Rightarrow \exists k_{n-1} \in \text{Hom}(X, T_{n-1}) : g_n(h_n) = \theta_{n-1}(k_{n-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Since g_{n-1}^* is an epimorphism:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\exists h'_{n-1} \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_{n-1}) \text{ such that} \\
&\quad g_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1}) = g_{n-1}(h'_{n-1}) \\
&\quad = k_{n-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus:

$$h_n - \beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1}) \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_n)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
g_n^*(h_n - \beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1})) &= g_n^*(h_n) - g_n^*(\beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1})) \\
&= g_n^*(h_n) - \theta_{n-1}^*(g_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1})) \\
&\quad (\text{since } g_n^* \circ \beta_{n-1}^* = \theta_{n-1}^* \circ g_{n-1}^*) \\
&= g_n^*(h_n) - \theta_{n-1}^*(k_{n-1}) \\
&\quad (\text{since } g_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1}) = k_{n-1}) \\
&= g_n(h_n) - g_n(h_n) \\
&= 0 = e_{X, T_n}.
\end{aligned}$$

That is, $h_n - \beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1}) \in \text{Ker}(g_n^*) = \text{Im}(f_n^*)$. Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
\exists \ell_n \in \text{Hom}(X, Y_n) \text{ such that } f_n^*(\ell_n) &= f_n(h_n) \\
&= h_n - \beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, $\overline{\beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1})} \in \tilde{H}_n(Z, \beta) = \text{Ker}(\beta_n^*)/\text{Im}(\beta_{n-1}^*)$, and since $\beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1}) = \beta_{n-1}(h'_{n-1}) \in \text{Im}(\beta_{n-1}^*)$, we

have $\overline{\beta_{n-1}^*(h'_{n-1})} = \bar{0}_{\tilde{H}_n(Z, \beta)}$.

Thus:

$$\bar{h}_n = \overline{f_n(\ell_n)} + \bar{0}_{\tilde{H}_n(Z, \beta)} = \overline{f_n(\ell_n)} \in \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f))$$

Hence, $\text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \subset \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f))$.

(ii.1.a) and (ii.1.b) imply that: $\text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(f)) = \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$.

(ii.2) Let's show that $\text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) = \text{Ker}(\phi_n)$.

(ii.2.a) Show that $\text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \subset \text{Ker}(\phi_n)$.

Let $\bar{h}_{n+1} \in \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$. Then for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{h}_{n+1} &\in \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \\
&\Rightarrow \exists \bar{k}_{n+1} \in \tilde{H}_n(Z, \beta) : \tilde{H}_n(g)(\bar{k}_{n+1}) = \bar{h}_{n+1} \\
&\Rightarrow \overline{g_{n+1}(k_{n+1})} = \bar{h}_{n+1} \in \tilde{H}_n(T, \theta).
\end{aligned}$$

By definition of ϕ_n we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi_n(\bar{h}_{n+1}) &= \phi_n(\overline{g_{n+1}(k_{n+1})}) \\
&= \overline{f_{n+2}^*(\beta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^*(h_{n+1})))} \\
&\in \tilde{H}_{n+1}(Y, \alpha) = \text{Ker}(\alpha_{n+1}^*)/\text{Im}(\alpha_n^*).
\end{aligned}$$

where

$h_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, T_{n+1})$, $w_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_{n+1})$ such that $g_{n+1}(w_{n+1}) = h_{n+1}$, $\beta_{n+1}(w_{n+1}) \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_{n+2})$.

Set $w_{n+1} = k_{n+1}$. Then:

$$g_{n+1}(k_{n+1}) = g_{n+1}(w_{n+1}) = h_{n+1}$$

and thus

$$\overline{k_{n+1}} \in \tilde{H}_n(Z, \beta) = \text{Ker}(\beta_{n+1}^*)/\text{Im}(\beta_n^*)$$

We have:

$$\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}) = \beta_{n+1}(k_{n+1}) = 0 = e_{X, Z_{n+2}}$$

so

$$\overline{\beta_{n+1}(k_{n+1})} = \bar{0}$$

Hence,

$$\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}) = \beta_{n+1}(k_{n+1}) \in \text{Im}(\beta_n^*)$$

and therefore there exists $z_n \in \text{Hom}_{\text{Comp}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Z_n)$ such that

$$\beta_n^*(z_n) = \beta_n(z_n) = \beta_{n+1}(k_{n+1}).$$

Thus:

$$f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1})) = f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_n^*(z_n)) = \alpha_n^*(f_{n+1}^{-1}(z_n))$$

That is:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{n+2}^{-1}(\beta_{n+1}(k_{n+1})) &= f_{n+2}^{-1}(\beta_n(z_n)) \\ &= \alpha_n^*(f_{n+1}^{-1}(z_n)) \in \text{Im}(\alpha_n^*). \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\overline{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}))} = \bar{0} \in \tilde{H}_{n+1}(Y, \alpha).$$

Thus

$$\phi_n(\overline{h_{n+1}}) = \overline{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(k_{n+1}))} = \bar{0} \in \tilde{H}_{n+1}(Y, \alpha)$$

which shows that $\overline{h_{n+1}} \in \text{Ker}(\phi_n)$.

Hence

$$\text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g)) \subset \text{Ker}(\phi_n).$$

(ii.2.b) Show that $\text{Ker}(\phi_n) \subset \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$.

Let $\overline{k_{n+1}} \in \text{Ker}(\phi_n) \subset \tilde{H}_n(T, \theta)$. Then for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\overline{k_{n+1}} \in \text{Ker}(\phi_n) \Rightarrow \phi_n(\overline{k_{n+1}}) = \bar{0} \in \tilde{H}_{n+1}(Y, \alpha)$$

Let $w_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_{n+1})$ such that:

$$g_{n+1}^*(w_{n+1}) = g_{n+1}(w_{n+1}) = k_{n+1}$$

The connecting morphism gives:

$$\phi_n(\overline{k_{n+1}}) = \overline{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(w_{n+1}))} = \bar{0}$$

which implies:

$\exists y_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, Y_{n+1})$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{n+1}^*(w_{n+1}) &= \beta_{n+1}(w_{n+1}) \\ &= f_{n+2}(\alpha_{n+1}(y_{n+1})) \\ &= f_{n+2}^*(\alpha_{n+1}(y_{n+1})). \end{aligned}$$

Consider:

$$w'_{n+1} = w_{n+1} - f_{n+1}(y_{n+1}) \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_{n+1})$$

Then:

$$g_{n+1}^*(w'_{n+1}) = g_{n+1}(w'_{n+1}), \quad \beta_{n+1}^*(w'_{n+1}) = \beta_{n+1}(w'_{n+1})$$

so:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{n+1}(w'_{n+1}) &= g_{n+1}(w_{n+1} - f_{n+1}(y_{n+1})) \\ &= g_{n+1}(w_{n+1}) - g_{n+1}(f_{n+1}(y_{n+1})) \\ &= k_{n+1} \quad \text{since } g_{n+1} \circ f_{n+1} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{n+1}(w'_{n+1}) &= \beta_{n+1}(w_{n+1} - f_{n+1}(y_{n+1})) \\ &= \beta_{n+1}(w_{n+1}) - \beta_{n+1}(f_{n+1}(y_{n+1})) \\ &= f_{n+2}(\alpha_{n+1}(y_{n+1})) - \beta_{n+1}(f_{n+1}(y_{n+1})) \\ &= 0 \quad \text{since } \beta_{n+1} \circ f_{n+1} = f_{n+2} \circ \alpha_{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Thus:

$$\overline{k_{n+1}} = \overline{g_{n+1}(w'_{n+1})} \in \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$$

Hence $\text{Ker}(\phi_n) \subset \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$.

(ii.2.a) and (ii.2.b) imply that: $\text{Ker}(\phi_n) = \text{Im}(\tilde{H}_n(g))$.

(ii.3) Show that $\text{Im}(\phi_n) = \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f))$.

(ii.3.a) Show that $\text{Im}(\phi_n) \subset \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f))$.

Let $\overline{y_{n+1}} \in \text{Im}(\phi_n)$. Then for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\overline{y_{n+1}} \in \text{Im}(\phi_n) \Rightarrow \exists \bar{t}_{n+1} \in \tilde{H}_n(T, \theta) : \phi_n(\bar{t}_{n+1}) = \overline{y_{n+1}}$$

By definition of the connecting morphism ϕ_n :

$$\phi_n(\bar{t}_{n+1}) = \overline{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^{*-1}(t_{n+1})))} \in \tilde{H}_{n+1}(Y, \alpha)$$

Since g_{n+1}^* is an epimorphism:

$$\forall t_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, T_{n+1}),$$

$$\exists z_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_{n+1}) : g_{n+1}^*(z_{n+1}) = t_{n+1}.$$

Moreover:

$$\theta_{n+1}^* \circ g_{n+1}^* = g_{n+2}^* \circ \beta_{n+1}^*$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{n+1}(g_{n+1}(z_{n+1})) &= g_{n+2}(\beta_{n+1}(z_{n+1})) \\ &= g_{n+2}(f_{n+2}(y_{n+1})) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$\beta_{n+1}^*(z_{n+1}) \in \text{Ker}(g_{n+2}^*) = \text{Im}(f_{n+2}^*)$$

Hence, there exists $y_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, Y_{n+2})$ such that

$$f_{n+2}^*(y_{n+1}) = \beta_{n+1}^*(z_{n+1}).$$

Set $t_{n+1} = g_{n+1}(z_{n+1})$, with $z_{n+1} = g_{n+1}^{-1}(t_{n+1})$.

Then $\phi_n(\bar{t}_{n+1}) = \overline{y_{n+1}}$, which implies

$$\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)(\overline{y_{n+1}}) = \overline{f_{n+2}(y_{n+1})} = \bar{0}$$

Hence $\overline{y_{n+1}} \in \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f))$.

So $\text{Im}(\phi_n) \subset \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f))$.

(ii.3.b) Show that $\text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)) \subset \text{Im}(\phi_n)$.

Let $\overline{y_{n+1}} \in \text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f))$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)(\overline{y_{n+1}}) &= \overline{f_{n+2}(y_{n+1})} = \bar{0} \\ \Rightarrow f_{n+2}(y_{n+1}) &\in \text{Im}(\beta_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\exists z_{n+1} \in \text{Hom}(X, Z_{n+1})$ such that $f_{n+2}^*(y_{n+1}) = \beta_{n+1}(z_{n+1})$.

Set $t_{n+1} = g_{n+1}(z_{n+1})$ with $z_{n+1} = g_{n+1}^{-1}(t_{n+1})$. Then $\overline{t_{n+1}} \in \tilde{H}_n(T, \theta)$ and

$$\phi_n(\overline{t_{n+1}}) = \overline{y_{n+1}}$$

Hence $\overline{y_{n+1}} \in \text{Im}(\phi_n)$, i.e., $\text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)) \subset \text{Im}(\phi_n)$.

(ii.3.a) and (ii.3.b) imply that: $\text{Ker}(\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)) = \text{Im}(\phi_n)$. Therefore, (ii.1), (ii.2), and (ii.3) imply that the sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \dots &\longrightarrow \tilde{H}_n((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(f)} \tilde{H}_n((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(g)} \tilde{H}_n((T, \theta)) \\ &\xrightarrow{\phi_n \tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(g)} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((T, \theta))} \\ &\xrightarrow{\phi_{n+1}} \dots \end{aligned}$$

is a long exact sequence of abelian group morphisms.

4. Conclusion

In this work the connecting morphism is well defined for $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ $\phi_n : \tilde{H}_n((T, \theta)) \xrightarrow{k_{n+1}} \frac{\tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha))}{f_{n+2}^{*-1}(\beta_{n+1}^*(g_{n+1}^{*-1}(k_{n+1})))}$ and the sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \dots &\longrightarrow \tilde{H}_n((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(f)} \tilde{H}_n((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_n(g)} \tilde{H}_n((T, \theta)) \\ &\xrightarrow{\phi_n \tilde{H}_{n+1}((Y, \alpha)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(f)} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((Z, \beta)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}_{n+1}(g)} \tilde{H}_{n+1}((T, \theta))} \\ &\xrightarrow{\phi_{n+1}} \dots \end{aligned}$$

is a long exact sequence of abelian group morphisms.

ORCID

0009-0002-4186-2558 (Ablaye Diallo)

Author Contributions

Ablaye Diallo is the sole author. The author read and approved the final manuscript.

Conflicts of Interest

The author declares no conflicts of interest.

References

- [1] Pierre Gabriel. On abelian categories. Bulletin de the Mathematical Society of France, 90:323-448, 1962.
- [2] Charles A Weibel. *An Introduction to Homological Algebra*, Number 38. Cambridge university press, 1994.
- [3] Peter J Freyd. *Abelian Categories*, volume 1964. Harper & Row New York, 1964.
- [4] Joseph J Rotman. Notes on homological algebras, university of Illinois, *Urbana*, 1968.
- [5] Joseph J Rotman. *An Introduction to Homological Algebra*, Springer, 2nd edition, 2009.
- [6] Aurelien Djament and Antoine Touze. Finitude homologique des foncteurs sur une categorie additive et applications, *Transactions of the American Mathematical Society* 376(02): 1113-1154, 2023.
- [7] Arij Benkhadra, Two categorical studies: relative homological algebra of R-modules, fixpoint theorems for Q-categories, Ph.D. Thesis, Universite du Littoral Côte d'Opale; Universite Mohammed V (Rabat). Faculte, 2023.
- [8] Alex Heller, Homological algebra in abelian categories, *Annals of Mathematics* 68(3): 484-525, 1958.
- [9] Carol Peercy Walker. Relative homological algebra and abelian groups. *Illinois Journal of Mathematics*, 10(2):186-209, 1966.
- [10] Manfred Hartl and Bruno Loiseau. Internal object actions in homological categories. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1003.0096*, 2010.
- [11] Deren Luo. Homological algebra in n-abelian categories, *Proceedings-Mathematical Sciences*, 127(4): 625-656, 2017.
- [12] Lidia Angeleri Hügel. Henning Krause: Homological theory of representations, cambridge university press, 2021, 375 pp., 2022.
- [13] Sebastian Posur. On free abelian categories for theorem proving, *Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra* 226(7): 106994, 2022.
- [14] Aurelien Djament and Antoine Touze. The homology of additive functors in prime characteristic. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2407.10522*, 2024.
- [15] Xi Tang and Zhao Yong Huang. Homological Transfer between additive categories and higher differential additive categories, *Acta Mathematica Sinica, English Series* 40(5): 1325-1344, 2024.