## TCC Homological Algebra: Assignment #2

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This is the second of 3 problem sheets. Solutions should be submitted to me (by email, or via my pigeonhole for Warwick students) by **noon on 6th December**. This problem sheet will be marked out of a total of 20; the number of marks available for each question is indicated. Questions marked [\*] are optional and not assessed.

Note that rings are not necessarily commutative, but are always assumed to be unital (i.e. having a multiplicative identity element 1), and ring homomorphisms are assumed to map 1 to 1. The notation <u>Ab</u> denotes the category of abelian groups, and <u>R-Mod</u> the category of left modules over the ring *R*.

- 1. Let <u>FAb</u> denote the full subcategory of <u>Ab</u> whose objects are finite abelian groups.
  - (a) [1 point] Show that <u>FAb</u> is an abelian category. (You may assume that <u>Ab</u> is abelian.)
  - (b) [2 points] Show that the only injective object in <u>FAb</u> is 0. (Hint: if *G* is a non-zero injective, consider homomorphisms from cyclic groups to *G*.)
- 2. [3 points] Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be an abelian category,  $\Sigma$  a set, and for each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ , let  $M_{\sigma}$  be an object of  $\mathcal{C}$ . We define  $\prod_{\sigma \in \Sigma} M_{\sigma}$  to be the limit of the diagram consisting of the objects  $M_{\sigma}$  with no morphisms between them, and  $\bigoplus_{\sigma \in \Sigma} M_{\sigma}$  its colimit, assuming these limits exist.
  - (a) Show that if  $M_{\sigma}$  is projective for all  $\sigma$ , then so is  $\bigoplus_{\sigma \in \Sigma} M_{\sigma}$ .
  - (b) Show that if  $M_{\sigma}$  is injective for all  $\sigma$ , then so is  $\prod_{\sigma \in \Sigma} M_{\sigma}$ .
  - (c) Show that  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\bigoplus_{\sigma\in\Sigma}M_{\sigma},Z)=\prod_{\sigma\in\Sigma}\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(M_{\sigma},Z)$  for any object Z of  $\mathcal{C}$ .
- 3. [3 points] Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be an abelian category and  $A^{\bullet}$ ,  $B^{\bullet}$  cochain complexes over  $\mathcal{C}$ . Define a complex  $\mathcal{H} = \underline{Hom}(A^{\bullet}, B^{\bullet}) \in \operatorname{Ch}(\underline{Ab})$  by  $\mathcal{H}^i = \prod_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A^j, B^{j+i})$ .
  - (a) Show that the maps  $d^i_{\mathcal{H}}:\mathcal{H}^i o \mathcal{H}^{i+1}$  defined by

$$d_{\mathcal{H}}^{i}\left((f^{j})_{j\in\mathbf{Z}}\right) = (f^{j+1} \circ d_{A}^{j} - (-1)^{i}d_{B}^{j+i} \circ f^{j})_{j\in\mathbf{Z}}$$

are well-defined, and satisfy  $d_{\mathcal{H}}^{i+1} \circ d_{\mathcal{H}}^{i} = 0$ .

- (b) Show that  $\ker(d^0_{\mathcal{H}}) = \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{Ch}(\mathcal{C})}(A^{\bullet}, B^{\bullet}).$
- (c) Show that  $\operatorname{im}(d_{\mathcal{H}}^{(-1)})$  is the null-homotopic maps.
- 4. [2 points] Let X, Y be two objects in an abelian category C, and  $I^{\bullet}$ ,  $J^{\bullet}$  injective resolutions of X, Y respectively. Let  $f^{\bullet}: I^{\bullet} \to J^{\bullet}$  a morphism of complexes which induces the zero map  $X \to Y$  on  $H^0$ . Show that  $f^{\bullet}$  is null-homotopic.

[Hint: We are looking for maps  $s^i: I^i \to J^{i-1}$  for all i such that f = ds + sd. For  $i \le 0$  the target of  $s^i$  is the zero object, so the first nontrivial step is to construct  $s^1: I^1 \to J^0$  compatible with  $f^0$ . Then look for an opportunity to induct on i.]

- 5. [2 points] Give an example of a morphism in  $Ch(\underline{Ab})$  which is a quasi-isomorphism, but not a homotopy equivalence.
- 6. [2 points] Show that if  $F: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$  a left-exact functor between abelian categories, and  $0 \to A \to B \to C \to 0$  is an exact sequence with A injective, then  $0 \to F(A) \to F(B) \to F(C) \to 0$  is exact. [Hint: We are **not** assuming that C has enough injectives, so it is not enough to say that  $R^1(F)(A) = 0$ .]

- 7. [1 point] Let  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{E}$  be abelian categories and  $\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{D} \xrightarrow{G} \mathcal{E}$  additive functors. Assume  $\mathcal{C}$  has enough injectives, G is exact, and F is left-exact. Show that  $R^i(G \circ F) = G \circ R^i(F)$  for all i, as functors  $\mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{E}$ .
- 8. [3 points] Let  $G = C_2 = \{1, \sigma\}$ .
  - (a) Show that

$$\dots \mathbf{Z}[G] \xrightarrow{\sigma-1} \mathbf{Z}[G] \xrightarrow{\sigma+1} \mathbf{Z}[G] \xrightarrow{\sigma-1} \mathbf{Z}[G]$$

is a projective resolution of the trivial module Z as a Z[G]-module.

- (b) Hence compute the cohomology groups of
  - i. **Z** with the trivial *G*-action;
  - ii. **Z** with the generator  $\sigma$  acting as -1.
- 9. Let R be a ring, A, B objects of R-Mod, and  $\sigma \in \operatorname{Ext}^1(A, B)$ , represented by a homomorphism  $f \in \operatorname{Hom}(A, Z^1(I^{\bullet}))$  where  $I^{\bullet}$  is an injective resolution of B.
  - (a) [1 point] Show that the module

$$E = \{(x, a) \in I^0 \oplus A : d(x) = f(a)\},\$$

with the obvious maps from B and to A, defines an extension of A by B; and show that the equivalence class of this extension depends only on  $\sigma$  and not on the representative f.

(b) [\*] Show that this construction an inverse of the map

(equivalence classes of extensions) 
$$\rightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^1(A, B)$$

that we defined in lectures.