

# TCC Homological Algebra: Assignment #4

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This is the last of 4 problem sheets. Solutions should be submitted to me (via any appropriate method) by **noon on Monday 9th January**. This problem sheet will be marked out of a total of 25; the number of marks available for each question is indicated.

Note that rings are assumed to be unital (i.e. having a multiplicative identity element 1), ring homomorphisms are assumed to map 1 to 1, and modules are left modules, unless otherwise stated. Calligraphic letters  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  refer to arbitrary abelian categories.

1. [1 point] A *first-quadrant homological spectral sequence* in  $\mathcal{C}$  is exactly the same data as a first-quadrant cohomological spectral sequence in  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}$ . Write out carefully a formulation of this definition in terms of objects and morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$  (i.e. without mentioning  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}$ ).
2. (a) [2 points] Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. For  $n \geq 0$ , the Tor functor  $\text{Tor}_n^R : R\text{-Mod} \times R\text{-Mod} \rightarrow R\text{-Mod}$  is defined by

$$\text{Tor}_n^R(A, B) = L_n(- \otimes_R B)(A) = L_n(A \otimes_R -)(B).$$

Show that if  $A_\bullet$  is a chain complex of projective  $R$ -modules, with  $A_i = 0$  for  $i < 0$ , and  $B$  is any  $R$ -module, then we have the following:

- i. a first-quadrant homological spectral sequence in  $R\text{-Mod}$

$$E_{pq}^2 = \text{Tor}_p^R(H_q(A_\bullet), B) \Rightarrow H_q(A_\bullet \otimes_R B).$$

- ii. a first-quadrant cohomological spectral sequence in  $R\text{-Mod}$

$$E_2^{pq} = \text{Ext}_R^p(H_q(A_\bullet), B) \Rightarrow H^q(\text{Hom}_R(A_\bullet, B)).$$

- (b) [2 points] Show that if  $R = \mathbf{Z}$  we have short exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow H_n(A_\bullet) \otimes B \rightarrow H_n(A_\bullet \otimes B) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1^{\mathbf{Z}}(H_{n-1}(A_\bullet), B) \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbf{Z}}^1(H_{n-1}(A_\bullet), B) \rightarrow H^n(\text{Hom}(A_\bullet, B)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(H_n(A_\bullet), B) \rightarrow 0$$

for every  $n \geq 0$ .

3. Let  $X^\bullet$  be an object of  $\text{Ch}^\bullet(\mathcal{C})$ . We say  $X^\bullet$  is *split exact* if all cohomology objects  $H^n(X^\bullet)$  are zero and the short exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow Z^n(X^\bullet) \longrightarrow X^n \xrightarrow{d^n} B^{n+1}(X^\bullet) \longrightarrow 0$$

are split for every  $n$ .

- (a) [2 points] Show that the identity map  $\text{id}_{X^\bullet}$  is null-homotopic if and only if  $X^\bullet$  is split exact.
- (b) [2 points] Suppose  $X^\bullet$  is an injective object in  $\text{Ch}^\bullet(\mathcal{C})$ . Show that  $X^\bullet$  is a split exact complex of injective objects of  $\mathcal{C}$ . [Hint: To show that injective  $\Rightarrow$  split exact, consider the injective map of complexes  $X^\bullet \rightarrow \text{cone}(\text{id}_{X^\bullet})$ . By assumption the identity map  $X^\bullet \rightarrow X^\bullet$  must extend to  $\text{cone}(\text{id}_{X^\bullet})$ . What does this imply?]

- (c) [1 point] Prove the converse: split exact sequences of injective objects of  $\mathcal{C}$  are injective objects of  $\text{Ch}^\bullet(\mathcal{C})$ .
4. [1 point] Let  $\underline{\text{Vect}}(k)$  denote the category of vector spaces over some field  $k$ . Show that every cochain complex over  $\underline{\text{Vect}}(k)$  is quasi-isomorphic to a complex with all differentials zero.
5. [3 points] Let  $R$  be a left-Noetherian ring, and let  $X^\bullet$  be a bounded-above cochain complex of  $R$ -modules, such that  $H^i(X)$  is finitely-generated as an  $R$ -module for all  $i$ .
- (a) Show that there exists a subcomplex  $Y^\bullet$  of  $X^\bullet$  such that every  $Y^i$  is finitely-generated as an  $R$ -module, and the inclusion  $Y^\bullet \hookrightarrow X^\bullet$  is a quasi-isomorphism.
- (b) Show that if there exists  $M \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $H^i(X)$  is zero for  $i < M$ , there exists a bounded cochain complex of finitely-generated modules  $Z^\bullet$  and a quasi-isomorphism  $Y^\bullet \rightarrow Z^\bullet$ .
6. Let  $E_r^{pq}$  be a first-quadrant cohomological spectral sequence in  $\underline{\text{Ab}}$  (starting at some  $r = r_0$ ). Suppose that  $E_{r_0}^{pq}$  is a finite group for all  $p, q$ , and there is some  $N$  such that  $E_{r_0}^{pq}$  is zero when  $p + q > N$ .
- (a) [1 point] Show that for all  $r > r_0$ ,  $E_r^{pq}$  is finite for all  $p, q$ , and is zero if  $p + q > N$ .
- (b) [3 points] Show that the product

$$\prod_{\substack{p, q \geq 0 \\ p+q \leq N}} \left( \#E_r^{pq} \right)^{(-1)^{p+q}}$$

is independent of  $r \geq r_0$ .

- (c) [1 point] Show that in the above setting, if  $E_r^{pq}$  converges to some limit  $(X^n)_{n \geq 0}$ , then  $X^n$  is finite for all  $n$  and  $X^n = 0$  for  $n > N$ , and the product

$$\prod_{n=0}^N (\#X^n)^{(-1)^n}$$

is equal to the common value of the products from part (b).

- (d) [1 point] Hence show that if  $G$  is the group  $\mathbf{Z}^m$ , for any  $m \geq 1$ , then for every finite  $\mathbf{Z}[G]$ -module  $M$ , the cohomology groups  $H^i(G, M)$  are finite for all  $i$  and zero for  $i > m$ , and we have

$$\prod_{i=0}^m \left( \#H^i(G, M) \right)^{(-1)^i} = 1.$$

7. [2 points] Let  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  be a morphism in  $\text{Ch}^\bullet(\mathcal{C})$ , and  $C_f$  its mapping cone (see sheet 2). Let  $\alpha_f$  and  $\beta_f$  denote the natural maps  $Y \rightarrow C_f$  and  $C_f \rightarrow X[1]$ , so there is a triangle

$$X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{\alpha_f} C_f \xrightarrow{\beta_f} X[1].$$

If  $D$  denotes the mapping cone of  $\alpha_f$ , construct an isomorphism of triangles in  $K(\mathcal{C})$  between the triangles

$$Y \xrightarrow{\alpha_f} C_f \xrightarrow{\alpha_{\alpha_f}} D \xrightarrow{\beta_{\alpha_f}} Y[1]$$

and

$$Y \xrightarrow{\alpha_f} C_f \xrightarrow{\beta_f} X[1] \xrightarrow{f[1]} Y[1].$$

(This is one of the axioms for  $K(\mathcal{C})$  being a triangulated category.)

8. [3 points] Let  $I^\bullet$  and  $X^\bullet$  be two cochain complexes over  $\mathcal{C}$ , supported in degrees  $\geq 0$  (that is,  $I^p = X^p = 0$  for all  $p < 0$ ), with  $I^p$  an injective object for all  $p$ . Let  $f^\bullet : I^\bullet \rightarrow X^\bullet$  be a quasi-isomorphism.

Show that there is a cochain map  $g^\bullet : X^\bullet \rightarrow I^\bullet$  such that  $g \circ f$  is homotopic to  $\text{id}_{I^\bullet}$ .