

**Date due: Monday November 12, 2012. In class on Wednesday November 14 we will grade your answers, so it is important to be present on that day, with your homework.**

Rotman 6.6, 6.8 (page 339), 6.12 (page 340) 6.13 (page 376) .

Questions 1 – 3 below.

1. Let  $R = k[X]/(X^3)$  where  $k$  is a field. Let  $C$  be the complex  $R \xrightarrow{X^2} R$ .
  - (a) Find  $\dim_k \text{Hom}_R \text{Comp}(C, C)$ , the dimension of the space of chain maps from  $C$  to  $C$ .
  - (b) Find the dimension of the subspace of chain maps  $C \rightarrow C$  which are homotopic to zero. Hence find the dimension of the space  $\text{Hom}_R \text{HoComp}(C, C)$  of homotopy classes of chain maps  $C \rightarrow C$ .
  - (c) Show that, for this complex  $C$ , the set of chain maps  $C \rightarrow C$  which are non-isomorphisms forms a vector subspace of the space of all endomorphisms of  $C$ . Find the dimension of this subspace.
  - (d) Show that it is possible to find another complex  $D$  for which the set of non-isomorphisms  $D \rightarrow D$  does not form a vector subspace of all endomorphisms.
  - (e) Show that, for this complex  $C$ , all chain maps  $C \rightarrow C$  which are equivalences are, in fact, automorphisms
  - (f) Determine, for this complex  $C$ , whether or not all invertible chain maps  $C \rightarrow C$  are homotopic to each other.
  
2. (a) Suppose that  $U, V$ , and  $W$  are  $R$ -modules and that there are homomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} U & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & V & \xrightarrow{\beta} & W \\ & & \xleftarrow{\delta} & & \xleftarrow{\gamma} \end{array}$$

such that  $\beta\alpha = 0$  and such that the identity map on  $V$  can be written  $1_V = \alpha\delta + \gamma\beta$ . Show that  $\beta = \beta\gamma\beta$ . Suppose in addition to all this that  $\alpha = \alpha\delta\alpha$ . Show that  $V \cong \alpha\delta(V) \oplus \gamma\beta(V)$ .

- (b) Recall that a chain complex  $C$  of  $R$ -modules is called *contractible* if it is chain homotopy equivalent to the zero chain complex. Prove that  $C$  is contractible if and only if  $C$  can be written as a direct sum of chain complexes of the form  $\cdots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\alpha} B \rightarrow 0 \cdots$  where  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism.

3. (a) Suppose that we have chain maps  $C \xrightarrow{f} D \xrightarrow{g} E$  and suppose that  $D$  is a contractible complex. Show that the composite  $gf$  is homotopic to zero (i.e. null homotopic).

(b) By considering the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 C : & \cdots & \xrightarrow{d} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{d} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{d} & C_0 & \xrightarrow{d} & \cdots \\
 & \downarrow i_C & & \downarrow \binom{d}{1} & & \downarrow \binom{d}{1} & & \downarrow \binom{d}{1} & & \\
 I_C : & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\delta} & C_1 \oplus C_2 & \xrightarrow{\delta} & C_0 \oplus C_1 & \xrightarrow{\delta} & C_1 \oplus C_0 & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \cdots
 \end{array}$$

where  $\delta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  show that any complex  $C$  can be embedded in a contractible complex  $I_C$ .

(c) Show that if  $f = Td + eT : C \rightarrow D$  is any null-homotopic map of complexes then  $f$  defines a chain map  $I_C \rightarrow D$  as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 I_C : & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\delta} & C_1 \oplus C_2 & \xrightarrow{\delta} & C_0 \oplus C_1 & \xrightarrow{\delta} & C_1 \oplus C_0 & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \cdots \\
 & \downarrow & & \downarrow (T, eT) & & \downarrow (T, eT) & & \downarrow (T, eT) & & \\
 D : & \cdots & \xrightarrow{e} & D_2 & \xrightarrow{e} & D_1 & \xrightarrow{e} & D_0 & \xrightarrow{e} & \cdots
 \end{array}$$

such that the composite of this morphism with  $i_C$  is  $f$ . Deduce that any null-homotopic map factors through a contractible complex.

### Extra questions: do not hand in!

Given a homomorphism of chain complexes of  $R$ -modules  $\phi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  we may define  $E_n = C_{n-1} \oplus D_n$ , and a mapping  $e_n : E_n \rightarrow E_{n-1}$  by  $e_n(a, b) = (-\partial a, \phi a + \partial b)$ , where we denote the boundary maps on  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  by  $\partial$ . The specification  $\mathcal{E}(\phi) = \{E_n, e_n\}$  is called the *mapping cone* of  $\phi$ .

A. Show that  $\mathcal{E} = \{E_n, e_n\}$  is indeed a chain complex.

B. Show that there is a short exact sequence of chain complexes  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}[1] \rightarrow 0$  where  $\mathcal{C}[1]$  denotes the chain complex with the same  $R$ -modules and boundary maps as  $\mathcal{C}$  but with the labeling of degrees shifted by 1 in an appropriate direction. Deduce that there is a long exact sequence

$$\cdots \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{E}(\phi)) \rightarrow H_{n-1}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \cdots$$

Show that  $\mathcal{E}(\phi)$  is acyclic if and only if  $\phi$  induces an isomorphism  $H_n(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{D})$  for every  $n$ .

C. Show that if  $\phi \simeq \psi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  then  $\mathcal{E}(\phi) \cong \mathcal{E}(\psi)$ .

prove that the following diagram is commutative and has exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 A'_n / \text{im } d'_{n+1} & \rightarrow & A_n / \text{im } d_{n+1} & \rightarrow & A''_n / \text{im } d''_{n+1} & \rightarrow & 0 \\
 d' \downarrow & & \downarrow d & & \downarrow d'' & & \\
 0 & \rightarrow & \ker d'_{n-1} & \rightarrow & \ker d_{n-1} & \rightarrow & \ker d''_{n-1}.
 \end{array}$$

(iv) Use part (ii) and this last diagram to give another proof of Theorem 6.10, the Long Exact Sequence.

- 6.6** Let  $f, g: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}'$  be chain maps, and let  $F: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}'$  be an additive functor. If  $f \simeq g$ , prove that  $Ff \simeq Fg$ ; that is, if  $f$  and  $g$  are homotopic, then  $Ff$  and  $Fg$  are homotopic.
- \*6.7** Let  $0 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}' \xrightarrow{i} \mathbf{C} \xrightarrow{p} \mathbf{C}'' \rightarrow 0$  be an exact sequence of complexes in which  $\mathbf{C}'$  and  $\mathbf{C}''$  are acyclic; prove that  $\mathbf{C}$  is also acyclic.
- 6.8** Let  $R$  and  $A$  be rings, and let  $T: {}_R\mathbf{Mod} \rightarrow {}_A\mathbf{Mod}$  be an exact additive functor. Prove that  $T$  commutes with homology; that is, for every complex  $(\mathbf{C}, d) \in {}_R\mathbf{Comp}$  and for every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there is an isomorphism

$$H_n(T\mathbf{C}, Td) \cong TH_n(\mathbf{C}, d).$$

- \*6.9** (i) Prove that homology commutes with direct sums: for all  $n$ , there are natural isomorphisms

$$H_n\left(\bigoplus_{\alpha} \mathbf{C}^{\alpha}\right) \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha} H_n(\mathbf{C}^{\alpha}).$$

- (ii) Define a direct system of complexes  $(\mathbf{C}^i)_{i \in I}, (\varphi_j^i)_{i \leq j}$ , and prove that  $\varinjlim \mathbf{C}^i$  exists.
- (iii) If  $(\mathbf{C}^i)_{i \in I}, (\varphi_j^i)_{i \leq j}$  is a direct system of complexes over a directed index set, prove, for all  $n \geq 0$ , that

$$H_n(\varinjlim \mathbf{C}^i) \cong \varinjlim H_n(\mathbf{C}^i).$$

- \*6.10** Assume that a complex  $(\mathbf{C}, d)$  of  $R$ -modules has a contracting homotopy in which the maps  $s_n: C_n \rightarrow C_{n+1}$  satisfying

$$1_{C_n} = d_{n+1}s_n + s_{n-1}d_n$$

are only  $\mathbb{Z}$ -maps. Prove that  $(\mathbf{C}, d)$  is an exact sequence.

- \*6.11 (Barratt–Whitehead).** Consider the commutative diagram with exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 \rightarrow & A_n & \xrightarrow{i_n} & B_n & \xrightarrow{p_n} & C_n & \xrightarrow{\partial_n} & A_{n-1} & \rightarrow & B_{n-1} & \rightarrow & C_{n-1} & \rightarrow \\
 & f_n \downarrow & & \downarrow g_n & & \downarrow h_n & & \downarrow f_{n-1} & & \downarrow g_{n-1} & & \downarrow h_{n-1} & \\
 \rightarrow & A'_n & \xrightarrow{j_n} & B'_n & \xrightarrow{q_n} & C'_n & \rightarrow & A'_{n-1} & \rightarrow & B'_{n-1} & \rightarrow & C'_{n-1} & \rightarrow \cdot
 \end{array}$$

If each  $h_n$  is an isomorphism, prove that there is an exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow A_n \xrightarrow{(f_n, i_n)} A'_n \oplus B_n \xrightarrow{j_n - g_n} B'_n \xrightarrow{\partial_n h_n^{-1} q_n} A_{n-1} \\ \rightarrow A'_{n-1} \oplus B_{n-1} \rightarrow B'_{n-1} \rightarrow, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(f_n, i_n): a_n \mapsto (f_n a_n, i_n a_n) \text{ and } j_n - g_n: (a'_n, b_n) \mapsto j_n a'_n - g_n b_n.$$

**\*6.12 (Mayer-Vietoris).** Given a commutative diagram of complexes with exact rows,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & \mathbf{C}' & \xrightarrow{i} & \mathbf{C} & \xrightarrow{p} & \mathbf{C}'' \rightarrow 0 \\ & & f \downarrow & & \downarrow g & & \downarrow h \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \mathbf{A}' & \xrightarrow{j} & \mathbf{A} & \xrightarrow{q} & \mathbf{A}'' \rightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

if every third vertical map  $h_*$  in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \rightarrow & H_n(\mathbf{C}') & \xrightarrow{i_*} & H_n(\mathbf{C}) & \xrightarrow{p_*} & H_n(\mathbf{C}'') & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_{n-1}(\mathbf{C}') \rightarrow \\ & f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow g_* & & \downarrow h_* & & \downarrow f_* \\ \rightarrow & H_n(\mathbf{A}') & \xrightarrow{j_*} & H_n(\mathbf{A}) & \xrightarrow{q_*} & H_n(\mathbf{A}'') & \xrightarrow{\partial'} & H_{n-1}(\mathbf{A}') \rightarrow \end{array}$$

is an isomorphism, prove that there is an exact sequence

$$\rightarrow H_n(\mathbf{C}') \rightarrow H_n(\mathbf{A}') \oplus H_n(\mathbf{C}) \rightarrow H_n(\mathbf{A}) \rightarrow H_{n-1}(\mathbf{C}') \rightarrow \cdot$$

## 6.2 Derived Functors

In order to apply the general results in the previous section, we need a source of short exact sequences of complexes. The idea is to replace every module by a deleted resolution of it; given a short exact sequence of modules, we shall see that this replacement gives a short exact sequence of complexes. We then apply either Hom or  $\otimes$ , and the resulting homology modules are called Ext or Tor.

We know that a module has many presentations; since resolutions are generalized presentations, the next result is fundamental.

**Theorem 6.16 (Comparison Theorem).** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an abelian category. Given a morphism  $f: A \rightarrow A'$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ , consider the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \rightarrow & P_2 & \xrightarrow{d_2} & P_1 & \xrightarrow{d_1} & P_0 & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} & A \rightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow \check{f}_2 & & \downarrow \check{f}_1 & & \downarrow \check{f}_0 & & \downarrow f \\ \rightarrow & P'_2 & \xrightarrow{d'_2} & P'_1 & \xrightarrow{d'_1} & P'_0 & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon'} & A' \rightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

where  $\partial_n = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i d_n^i$ . The given identities for  $d_n^i$  imply  $\partial\partial = 0$ . Thus, simplicial objects have homology. The degeneracies allow one to construct an abstract version of homotopy groups as well (see Gelfand–Manin, *Methods of Homological Algebra*, May, *Simplicial Objects in Algebraic Topology*, and Weibel, *An Introduction to Homological Algebra*).

## Exercises

- 6.13** If  $\tau: F \rightarrow G$  is a natural transformation between additive functors, prove that  $\tau$  gives chain maps  $\tau_C: FC \rightarrow GC$  for every complex  $C$ . If  $\tau$  is a natural isomorphism, prove that  $FC \cong GC$ .

**\*6.14** Consider the commutative diagram with exact row

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} B' & \xrightarrow{j} & C & \xrightarrow{q} & B'' \\ & \searrow i & \downarrow k & \downarrow \ell & \nearrow p \\ & & B & & \end{array}$$

If  $k$  is an isomorphism with inverse  $\ell$ , prove exactness of

$$B' \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} B''.$$

- 6.15** Let  $T: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  be an exact additive functor between abelian categories, and suppose that  $P$  projective implies  $TP$  projective. If  $B \in \text{obj}(\mathcal{A})$  and  $\mathbf{P}_B$  is a deleted projective resolution of  $B$ , prove that  $T\mathbf{P}_{TB}$  is a deleted projective resolution of  $TB$ .
- 6.16** Let  $R$  be a  $k$ -algebra, where  $k$  is a commutative ring, which is flat as a  $k$ -module. Prove that if  $B$  is an  $R$ -module (and hence a  $k$ -module), then

$$R \otimes_k \text{Tor}_n^k(B, C) \cong \text{Tor}_n^R(B, R \otimes_k C)$$

for all  $k$ -modules  $C$  and all  $n \geq 0$ .

**6.17** Let  $R$  be a semisimple ring.

- (i) Prove, for all  $n \geq 1$ , that  $\text{Tor}_n^R(A, B) = \{0\}$  for all right  $R$ -modules  $A$  and all left  $R$ -modules  $B$ .
- (ii) Prove, for all  $n \geq 1$ , that  $\text{Ext}_R^n(A, B) = \{0\}$  for all left  $R$ -modules  $A$  and  $B$ .

**\*6.18** If  $R$  is a PID, prove, for all  $n \geq 2$ , that  $\text{Tor}_n^R(A, B) = \{0\} = \text{Ext}_R^n(A, B)$  for all  $R$ -modules  $A$  and  $B$ .

**Hint.** Use Corollary 4.15.

**\*6.19** Let  $R$  be a domain with fraction field  $Q$ , and let  $A, C$  be  $R$ -modules. If either  $C$  or  $A$  is a vector space over  $Q$ , prove that  $\text{Tor}_n^R(C, A)$  and  $\text{Ext}_R^n(C, A)$  are also vector spaces over  $Q$ .

**Hint.** Use Exercise 2.38 on page 97.