## Homework 1

## Math 8246 PJW Date due: Monday February 15, 2016. We will discuss these questions on Wednesday 2/17/2016

- 1. Show that the two extensions  $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\epsilon} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\mu'} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\epsilon'} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  are not equivalent, where  $\mu = \mu'$  is multiplication by 3,  $\epsilon(1) \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  and  $\epsilon'(1) \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ .
- 2. Prove that if  $0 \to L \to M \to N \to 0$  is a split short exact sequence of  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -modules, then for every  $n \ge 0$  the sequence  $0 \to H^n(G,L) \to H^n(G,M) \to H^n(G,N) \to 0$  is also short exact and split. [Use a splitting homomorphism and functoriality of  $H^n$ .]
- 3. (a) Let M and N be  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -modules and suppose that N has the trivial G-action. Show that  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(M, N) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(M/(IG \cdot M), N).$ (b) Show that for all groups G,  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(\mathbb{Z}, IG) = 0$ ; and that if we suppose that G is finite then  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(IG,\mathbb{Z}) = 0$ . (c) By applying the functor  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(IG, \cdot)$  to the short exact sequence  $0 \to IG \to IG$  $\mathbb{Z}G \to \mathbb{Z} \to 0$  show that for all finite groups G, if  $f: IG \to \mathbb{Z}G$  is any  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module homomorphism then  $f(IG) \subseteq IG$ . (d) Show that if G is finite and  $d: G \to \mathbb{Z}G$  is any derivation then  $d(G) \subseteq IG$ . Is the same true for arbitrary groups G?
- 4. Let G be a finite group. Show that the endomorphism ring  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(IG, IG)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}G/(N)$  where  $N = \sum_{g \in G} g$  is the norm element which generates  $(N) = (\mathbb{Z}G)^G.$

[You may assume that every  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module homomorphism  $IG \to \mathbb{Z}G$  has image contained in IG. Apply the functor  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(-,\mathbb{Z}G)$  to the short exact sequence  $0 \to 0$  $IG \to \mathbb{Z}G \to \mathbb{Z} \to 0$ . You may assume for a finite group G that  $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(\mathbb{Z},\mathbb{Z}G) = 0$ .]

- 5. Show that for every group G:
  - (a) all derivations  $d: G \to M$  satisfy d(1) = 0, and
  - (b) the mapping  $d: G \to \mathbb{Z}G$  given by d(g) = g 1 is a derivation.
- 6. (a) Show that the short exact sequence  $0 \to IG \to \mathbb{Z}G \to \mathbb{Z} \to 0$  is split as a sequence of  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -modules if and only if G = 1. Deduce that the identity group is the only group of cohomological dimension 0.
  - (b) Show that if G is a free group then  $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{\mathbb{Z}G}(\mathbb{Z},\mathbb{Z}G) \neq 0$ .
- 7. Suppose that we have two commutative diagrams of group homomorphisms

where i = 1, 2, the maps labeled without the suffix i are the same in both diagrams, L and M are abelian and the two rows are group extensions (i.e. short exact sequences of groups). Assume that the two module actions of G on M given by conjugation within  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are the same. Show that the two bottom extensions are equivalent. [Hint: one way to proceed is to show that they are both equivalent to a third extension which you construct.]

## Extra questions: do not hand in!

8. If N is a right  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module and M is a left  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module we may make  $N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M$  into a left  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module via  $g(n \otimes m) = ng^{-1} \otimes gm$ , extended linearly to the whole of  $N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M$ . Show that  $N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} M \cong (N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M)_G$ .

[Not part of the question, just information: if N and M are two left modules we make  $N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M$  into a left  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module via  $g(n \otimes m) = gn \otimes gm$ . This is called the *diagonal* action on the tensor product.]

- 9. Let  $0 \to \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}/16\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \to 0$  be a short exact sequence.
  - (i) Construct its inverse under the group operation in  $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z})$  with sufficient precision that you can determine by examination of the two sequences whether or not they are equivalent.
  - (ii) Determine the isomorphism type of middle term of the sum of the sequence with itself. [By 'the sum' is meant the addition in  $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z},\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}).$ ]
- 10. Let  $G = \langle g \rangle$  be an infinite cyclic group. Consider an extension of  $\mathbb{Z}G$ -modules

$$0 \to \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\iota_1} \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \mathbb{Z} \to 0$$

in which the maps are inclusion into the first summand and projection onto the second summand, and where g acts on  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$  as the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  with respect to the basis given by this direct sum decomposition. In the identification  $\operatorname{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}G}^1(\mathbb{Z},\mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ , determine the Ext class of this extension, and conclude that the extension is not split. Find a description of an extension represented by  $5 \in \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}G}^1(\mathbb{Z},\mathbb{Z})$ .