

**MATH G4307 PROBLEM SET 8**  
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Exercises to turn in:

- (E1) Recall that given chain complexes  $C_*$  and  $D_*$  we defined  $\text{Mor}(C_*, D_*)$  to be the chain complex with  $k^{\text{th}}$  chain group

$$\text{Mor}_k(C_*, D_*) = \bigoplus_i \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(C_i, D_{i-k})$$

and  $d_k: \text{Mor}_k(C_*, D_*) \rightarrow \text{Mor}_{k+1}(C_*, D_*)$  given by  $d_k(f) = \partial_D \circ f + (-1)^{k-1} f \circ \partial_C$ .

Prove: given  $f \in \text{Mor}_k(C_*, D_*)$  and  $g \in \text{Mor}_\ell(D_*, E_*)$ ,

$$d_{\text{Mor}(C_*, E_*)}(g \circ f) = (d_{\text{Mor}(D_*, E_*)}g) \circ f + (-1)^\ell g \circ (d_{\text{Mor}(C_*, D_*)}f).$$

(Hint: this is very easy.)

- (E2) Prove that  $C^n(X, A; G) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(C_n(X, A), G)$ , and that this isomorphism commutes with the coboundary maps  $d_n: C^n(X, A; G) \rightarrow C^{n+1}(X, A; G)$ .

(Hint: this is also easy.)

- (E3) (a) Suppose

$$A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} C \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of  $R$ -modules (e.g., abelian groups), and  $M$  is an  $R$ -module. Then

$$\text{Hom}_R(A, M) \xleftarrow{i^T} \text{Hom}_R(B, M) \xleftarrow{p^T} \text{Hom}_R(C, M) \leftarrow 0$$

is exact.

- (b) Suppose

$$0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} C \rightarrow 0$$

is a short exact sequence of  $R$ -modules. If  $C$  is free then

$$0 \leftarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, M) \leftarrow \text{Hom}_R(B, M) \leftarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, M) \leftarrow 0$$

is exact. (Hint: show that the sequence  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$  splits.)

- (E4) Hatcher 3.1.4 (p. 205). (Hint: this is also very easy.)

- (E5) Hatcher 3.1.5 (p. 205).

- (E6) Hatcher 3.1.6 (p. 205).

- (E7) Hatcher 3.1.7 (p. 205).

Problems to think about but not turn in:

- (P1) An  $R$ -module  $P$  is *projective* if given any modules  $M$  and  $N$ , a surjective map  $f: M \rightarrow N$  and a map  $p: P \rightarrow N$  there is a map  $q: P \rightarrow M$  so that  $p = f \circ q$ , i.e.:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & P & & \\
 & \swarrow q & \downarrow p & & \\
 M & \xrightarrow{f} & N & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

In Problem (E3), and in general when we're doing homological algebra in this course, the condition "free" could be replaced by "projective." Try solving Problem (E3) with "free" replaced by "projective"; it's easier, actually.

- (P2) Change of coefficients...
- Suppose  $f: G \rightarrow H$  is a map of abelian groups. Show: there is an induced map  $f_*: H^n(X; G) \rightarrow H^n(X; H)$  for any topological space  $X$ .
  - Suppose  $0 \rightarrow G \rightarrow H \rightarrow K \rightarrow 0$  is a short exact sequence of abelian groups. Show that

$$0 \rightarrow H^n(X; G) \rightarrow H^n(X; H) \rightarrow H^n(X; K)$$

is exact. (In fact, you don't need that  $H \rightarrow K$  is surjective, here.)

- In the situation of the previous part, find an example showing that

$$0 \rightarrow H^n(X; G) \rightarrow H^n(X; H) \rightarrow H^n(X; K) \rightarrow 0$$

need not be exact.

**Remark.** Though we won't focus much on change of coefficients in this class, the material is important. In particular, this is the basis for the definition of sheaf cohomology.

- (P3) Read through the remaining problems in the section and do any that seem difficult, surprising or interesting.

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