

Math 654 - Algebraic Topology

Homework 10

Fall 2015

1. (a) Show that free abelian groups are **flat**, meaning that if F is free abelian and

$$0 \longrightarrow A \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow 0$$

is short exact, then so is

$$0 \longrightarrow F \otimes A \longrightarrow F \otimes B \longrightarrow F \otimes C \longrightarrow 0$$

- (b) Show that if $\alpha : M \longrightarrow N$ is a homomorphism of abelian groups and F is free abelian, then

$$F \otimes \ker(\alpha) \cong \ker(F \otimes \alpha), \quad F \otimes \operatorname{im}(\alpha) \cong \operatorname{im}(F \otimes \alpha), \quad F \otimes \operatorname{coker}(\alpha) \cong \operatorname{coker}(F \otimes \alpha).$$

- (c) Show that if C_* is a chain complex of abelian groups and F is a free abelian group, then $F \otimes H_n(C_*) \cong H_n(F \otimes C_*)$.

- (d) Show that if $q : C_* \longrightarrow D_*$ is a quasi-isomorphism, then so is $F \otimes C_* \xrightarrow{F \otimes q} F \otimes D_*$.

2. Show that in item (d) above, F can be replaced by a chain complex of free abelian groups. That is, show that if $q : C_* \longrightarrow D_*$ is a quasi-isomorphism, then so is the homomorphism

$$F_* \otimes C_* \xrightarrow{F_* \otimes q} F_* \otimes D_*.$$

3. In this problem, A denotes a finitely generated abelian group.

- (a) Compute $\operatorname{Tor}(\mathbb{Z}, A)$.
- (b) Compute $\operatorname{Tor}(\mathbb{Z}/n, A)$.
- (c) Compute $\operatorname{Tor}(\mathbb{Q}, A)$.
- (d) Compute $\operatorname{Tor}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}, A)$.