

## Exam 1

Let  $\Gamma$  be a group and  $\mathbb{Z}\Gamma$  its group ring. As before (in the previous homework assignment, for instance) we sometimes refer to  $\mathbb{Z}\Gamma$ -modules as  $\Gamma$ -modules.

**Definition 1.** Let  $A$  be a  $\Gamma$ -module and equip  $\mathbb{Z}$  with the trivial  $\Gamma$ -module structure (i.e.  $\Gamma$  acts on it trivially).

The  $A$ -valued cohomology groups of  $\Gamma$  are the groups

$$H^i(\Gamma, A) := \text{Ext}^i(\mathbb{Z}, A).$$

The  $i^{\text{th}}$  cohomology group of  $\Gamma$  is  $H^i(\Gamma) := H^i(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z})$ . ♦

The first problem requires the following concept.

**Definition 2.** Let  $\Gamma$  be a group and  $A$  a  $\Gamma$ -module. The subgroup of invariants of  $A$  is

$$A^\Gamma := \{a \in A \mid \gamma a = a, \forall \gamma \in \Gamma\}.$$

In other words, it is the largest subgroup of  $A$  on which  $\Gamma$  acts trivially. ♦

**Problem 1.** Let  $\Gamma$  be a group. Show that the invariant functor  $(-)^\Gamma$  defined as above by

$${}_{\mathbb{Z}\Gamma}\text{Mod} \ni A \mapsto A^\Gamma \in \text{Ab}$$

is left exact and that for every  $\Gamma$ -module  $A$  the cohomology group  $H^i(\Gamma, A)$  is precisely the image of  $A$  through the right derived functor

$$R^i(-)^\Gamma$$

of the invariant functor.

**Problem 2.** Let  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}/n$  for some positive integer  $n \geq 2$  and  $A$  a  $\Gamma$ -module. Describe the cohomology groups  $H^i(\Gamma, A)$  for an arbitrary  $\Gamma$ -module  $A$ .

(Hint: The previous assignment laid out a projective resolution of the trivial  $\Gamma$ -module  $\mathbb{Z}$  and had you use that to compute homology instead. Use that resolution similarly here.)

**Problem 3.** Let  $R$  be a ring and  $M$  a left  $R$ -module. Prove that the following conditions on  $M$  are equivalent.

- (i)  $M$  is flat.
- (ii)  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, M) = 0$  for all right  $R$ -modules  $N$  and all  $i \geq 1$ ;
- (iii)  $\text{Tor}_1^R(N, M) = 0$  for all right  $R$ -modules  $N$ .

**Problem 4.** Let  $R$  be a ring.

(a) If

$$0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow F \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$$

is a short exact sequence of right  $R$ -modules with  $F$  flat, then for all left  $R$ -modules  $M$  and all positive integers  $n$  we have

$$\text{Tor}_{n+1}^R(N, M) = \text{Tor}_n^R(K, M).$$

(b) Given a non-negative integer  $n$ , prove that the following conditions on a left module  $M$  are equivalent.

- (i)  $\text{Tor}_i^R(N, M) = 0$  for all right  $R$ -modules  $N$  and all  $i \geq n + 1$ ;
- (ii)  $\text{Tor}_{n+1}^R(N, M) = 0$  for all right  $R$ -modules  $N$ .
- (iii) For every exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow F_n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

of left modules with flat  $F_i$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$  the last term  $F_n$  is also flat.