
Homework 9

Topology II

Winter 2016/17

Problem 1

- (a) Discuss the definition of $\text{Ext}_R^n(G, H)$ of R -modules via free resolutions and present the necessary proofs. R is assumed to be a principal domain.
- (b) Compute $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}_4}^n(\mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2)$.
- (c) Compute $\text{Ext}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z})$ and $\text{Ext}(\mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{Z}_q)$ for prime numbers p and q .
- (d) Show that $\text{Ext}_R^n(G \oplus G', H) = \text{Ext}_R^n(G, H) \oplus \text{Ext}_R^n(G', H)$.

Problem 2

- (a) Show for a field F of characteristic 0 that $\text{Ext}(G, F) = 0$.
- (b) Show that if $H_*(X)$ is finitely generated then for any field F of characteristic 0 for the Euler characteristic

$$\chi(X) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \dim_F(H^k(X; F)).$$

- (c) Try to extend the claim to any field.

Problem 3

Show that if the reduced cohomology groups $\tilde{H}^k(X; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ and $\tilde{H}^k(X; \mathbb{Q})$ vanish for all primes p , then also $\tilde{H}^k(X; \mathbb{Z})$ vanishes.