

**Math 603, Spring 2003, HW 1, due 1/27/2003**

**Part A**

- AI) (a) Say  $A \xrightarrow{\theta} B$  is a homomorphism of commutative rings. and suppose it makes  $B$  a faithfully flat  $A$ -module. Show that  $\theta$  is injective.
- (b) Hypotheses as in (a), but also assume  $B$  is finitely presented as an  $A$ -algebra (e.g.,  $B$  is finitely generated and  $A$  is noetherian). Show that there exists an  $A$ -module,  $M$ , so that  $B \cong A \amalg M$ , as  $A$ -modules.
- (c) Assume  $A$  and  $B$  are local rings,  $\theta : A \rightarrow B$  is a ring map (N.B. so that we assume  $\theta(\mathfrak{m}_A) \subseteq \mathfrak{m}_B$ ) and  $B$ , as an  $A$ -module, is flat. Write  $\mathcal{N}(A)$ , respectively  $\mathcal{N}(B)$  for the nilradicals of  $A$ , respectively  $B$ . That is,

$$\mathcal{N}(A) = \{\xi \in A \mid (\exists n \in \mathbb{N})(\xi^n = 0)\}, \text{ etc.}$$

Prove:

- i. If  $\mathcal{N}(B) = (0)$ , then  $\mathcal{N}(A) = (0)$ .
- ii. If  $B$  is an integral domain, so is  $A$ .

Are the converses of i., ii. true? Proof or counter-example.

- AII) Here,  $I$  is an index set and  $\mathcal{S}(I)$  is the set of all *finite* subsets of  $I$ . Partially order  $\mathcal{S}(I)$  by inclusion, then it has Moore–Smith. Also,  $\mathcal{C}$  is a category having *finite* products or finite coproducts as the case may be below (e.g. groups,  $\Omega$ -groups, modules). Say for each  $\alpha \in I$  we are given an object  $M_\alpha \in \mathcal{C}$ . For ease of notation below, write  $M_S = \prod_{\alpha \in S} M_\alpha$ ,  $M_S^* = \prod_{\alpha \in S} M_\alpha$ , where  $S \in \mathcal{S}(I)$  is given. Prove:

If  $\mathcal{C}$  has right limits and finite coproducts, then  $\mathcal{C}$  has arbitrary coproducts; indeed,

$$\varinjlim_{S \in \mathcal{S}(I)} M_S = \prod_{\alpha \in I} M_\alpha.$$

Prove a similar statement for left limits and products.

- AIII) Recall that a ring,  $\Lambda$ , is *semi-simple* iff every  $\Lambda$ -module,  $M$ , has the property:

$$(\forall \text{ submodules, } M', \text{ of } M)(\exists \text{ another submodule, } M'' \text{ of } M)(M \cong M' \amalg M'').$$

There is a condition on the positive integer,  $n$ , so that  $n$  has the condition  $\iff \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  is semi-simple. Find the condition and prove the theorem.

- AIV) In this problem,  $A \in \text{CR}$ . If  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$  are in  $A$ , write  $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$  for the ideal generated by  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$  in  $A$ . Recall that  $K_0(A)$ , the *Grothendieck group* of  $A$ , is the quotient of the free abelian group on the (isomorphism classes of) finitely generated  $A$ -modules (as generators) by the subgroup generated by the relations: if  $0 \rightarrow M' \rightarrow M \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow 0$  is exact in  $\text{Mod}(A)$ , then  $[M] \rightarrow [M'] \rightarrow [M'']$  is a relation.

- (a) If  $\alpha \in A$ , show that in  $K_0(A)$  we have

$$[(\alpha) \rightarrow 0] = [A/(\alpha)]$$

- (b) If  $A$  is a PID and  $M$  is a finite length  $A$ -module, show that  $[M] = 0$  in  $K_0(A)$ .
- (c) Prove: if  $A$  is a PID, then for all finitely generated  $A$ -modules,  $M$ , there exists a unique integer  $r = r(M)$ , so that  $[M] = r[A]$  in  $K_0(A)$ ; hence  $K_0(A)$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Prove further that  $r(M) = \dim(M \otimes_A \text{Frac}(A))$ .

**Part B**

BI) Write  $\mathcal{LCAb}$  for the category of locally compact abelian topological groups, the morphisms being continuous homomorphisms. Examples include: every abelian group with the discrete topology,  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{T}$ , etc. If  $G \in \mathcal{LCAb}$ , write

$$G^D = \text{Hom}_{\text{cts}}(G, \mathbb{T}),$$

make  $G^D$  a group via pointwise operations and topologize  $G^D$  via the compact-open topology; that is, take the sets

$$U(C, \epsilon) = \{f \in G^D \mid \text{Im} f \upharpoonright C \subseteq -\epsilon < \arg z < \epsilon\}$$

—where  $C$  runs over the compact subsets of  $G$  containing 0,  $\epsilon$  is positive and we identify  $\mathbb{T}$  with the unit circle in  $\mathbb{C}$ —as a fundamental system of neighborhoods at 0 in  $G^D$ .

- (a) Suppose  $G$  is actually compact. Prove  $G^D$  is discrete in this topology. Likewise, prove if  $G$  is discrete, then  $G^D$  is compact in this topology. Finally prove  $G^D$  is locally compact in this topology.
- (b) If  $\{G_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha^\beta\}$  is a right (respectively left) mapping family of *finite* abelian groups, then  $\{G_\alpha^D, (\varphi_\alpha^\beta)^D\}$  becomes a left (respectively right) mapping family, again of *finite* abelian groups (how, why?). Prove that

$$\left(\varinjlim_\alpha G_\alpha\right)^D \cong \varprojlim_\alpha G_\alpha^D$$

and

$$\left(\varprojlim_\alpha G_\alpha\right)^D \cong \varinjlim_\alpha G_\alpha^D$$

as *topological* groups. We call a group *profinite*  $\iff$  it is isomorphic, as a *topological* group, to a left limit of finite groups.

- (c) Prove the following three conditions are equivalent for an abelian topological group,  $G$ :
  - i.  $G$  is profinite
  - ii.  $G$  is a compact, Hausdorff, totally disconnected group
  - iii.  $G^D$  is a discrete torsion group.
- (d) For this part,  $\{G_\alpha\}$  is a family of *compact* groups, not necessarily abelian, and the index set has Moore–Smith. Assume  $(\forall \alpha)(\exists S_\alpha)(S_\alpha = \text{closed, normal subgroup of } G_\alpha)$  and that  $b \geq \alpha \implies G_b \subseteq G_\alpha$  and  $S_b \subseteq S_\alpha$ . Show that the family  $\{H_\alpha = G_\alpha/S_\alpha\}_\alpha$  can be made into a left mapping family, in a natural way, and that

$$\varprojlim_\alpha H_\alpha \cong \bigcap_\alpha G_\alpha / \bigcap_\alpha S_\alpha \quad (\text{as topological groups.})$$

- (e) If  $G$  is a compact topological group, write  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$  for the family of *all open, normal* subgroups of  $G$ . Continue (c) by proving:

$$G \text{ is profinite} \iff G \text{ is compact and } \bigcap_\alpha U_\alpha = \{1\}.$$

- (f) In class, we defined  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  as  $\varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}$  as  $\varprojlim_n \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  (Artin ordering for the  $n$ 's). Quickly use (b) to compute  $\mathbb{Z}_p^D$  and  $(\hat{\mathbb{Z}})^D$ . Now consider the following mathematical statements:
  - i.  $\hat{\mathbb{Z}} \cong \prod_p \mathbb{Z}_p$
  - ii.  $\mathbb{Q}^* \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \amalg \prod_p \mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{iii. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - 1/p^s}, \quad \text{if } \operatorname{Re} s > 1$$

iv. A statement you know well and are to fill in here concerning arithmetic in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Show i-iv are mutually equivalent.

BII) Fix an abelian group,  $A$ , for what follows. Write  $A_n = A$ , all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and give  $\mathbb{N}$  the Artin ordering. If  $n \leq m$  (i.e.  $n|m$ ) define  $\varphi_n^m : A_n \rightarrow A_m$  by  $\varphi_n^m(\xi) = m\xi/n$ , and define  $\psi_m^n : A_m \rightarrow A_n$  by  $\psi_m^n(\xi) = m\xi/n$ , too. Let

$$\tilde{A} = \varinjlim \{A_n, \varphi_n^m\} \quad \text{and} \quad T(A) = \varinjlim \{A_m, \psi_m^n\}.$$

( $T(A)$  = full Tate group of  $A$ ).

(a) Prove that both  $\tilde{A}$  and  $T(A)$  are divisible groups.

(b) Show that if  $A = A_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} \tilde{A}$  is the canonical map into the direct limit, then  $\ker(\varphi) = t(A)$ , the torsion subgroup of  $A$ . Hence, every torsion free abelian group is a subgroup of a divisible group. Given any abelian group,  $A$ , write

$$0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow F \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0,$$

for some free abelian group  $F$ . Show that  $A$  may be embedded in  $\tilde{F}/K$ ; hence deduce anew that every abelian group embeds in a divisible abelian group.

(c) If  $A$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, what is  $T(A)$ ?

(d) If  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$  is exact, need  $T(A) \rightarrow T(B) \rightarrow 0$  also be exact? Proof or counterexample.

(e) Show that if  $T(A) \neq (0)$ , then  $A$  is not finitely generated.

BIII) Again, as in AI), let  $\theta : A \rightarrow B$  be a homomorphism of commutative rings and assume  $B$  is faithfully flat over  $A$  via  $\theta$ . If  $M$  is an  $A$ -module, write  $M_B$  for  $M \otimes_A B$ .

(a) Prove:  $M$  is finitely generated as an  $A$ -module iff  $M_B$  is finitely generated as a  $B$ -module.

(b) Same as (a) but for finite presentation instead of finite generation.

(c) Show:  $M$  is locally free over  $A$  iff  $M_B$  is locally free over  $B$ .

(d) When, if ever, is  $S^{-1}A$  faithfully flat over  $A$ ?

BIV) Here,  $\Lambda \in \text{RNG}$ . Say

$$0 \rightarrow M' \rightarrow M \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of  $\Lambda$ -modules.

(a) Assume  $M''$  is a flat  $\Lambda$ -module. Prove: for all  $\Lambda^{\text{op}}$ -modules,  $N$ , the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N \otimes_{\Lambda} M' \rightarrow N \otimes_{\Lambda} M \rightarrow N \otimes_{\Lambda} M'' \rightarrow 0$$

is again exact. (You might look at the special case when  $M$  is free first.)

(b) Again assume  $M''$  is flat; prove  $M$  and  $M'$  are flat  $\iff$  either is flat. Give an example of  $\Lambda$ ,  $M', M, M''$  in which both  $M$  and  $M'$  are flat but  $M''$  is NOT flat.