EXERCISES FOR MA4J7 ALGEBRAIC TOPOLOGY II

WEEK 4

- (1) Let A and B be open subsets of X, let $C_k(A+B)$ denote the subgroup of $C_k(X)$ generated by singular simplices with images in A or in B, and $C^k(X, A+B)$ denote cochains on X which vanish on $C_k(A+B)$. Use long exact sequences and the 5-lemma to show that $H^k(X, A+B) \cong H^k(X, A \cup B)$.
- (2) Use the relative cup product $H^k(X,A;R) \times H^\ell(X,B;R) \to H^{k+\ell}(X,A\cup B;R)$ to show that if X is the union of contractible open subsets A and B, then all cup products of positive-dimensional classes in $H^*(X;R)$ are zero. (First part of Exercise 2, p. 228)
- (3) Calculate the following tensor products:
 - (a) $\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})$
 - (b) $(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})$
 - (c) $(\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})} (\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z})$
 - (d) $R[x,y] \otimes_R R[z]$