

Before giving the inverse map, we need one remark.  
Given the data

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{i} S \xrightarrow{\pi} M \rightarrow 0, \\ R \xrightarrow{j} N, \end{array} \right.$$

we may construct an extension

$$(F) \quad 0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow F \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

as follows: Define  $\mu = j \oplus i: R \rightarrow N \oplus S$  and  $F = (N \oplus S) / \mu(R)$ . Then  $n \oplus s \mapsto -\pi(s)$  and  $n \mapsto n \oplus (0)$  gives the exact sequence (F).

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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & N & \xrightarrow{\ell} & \cancel{N \oplus S} & \longrightarrow & M \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \mu(R) & & \\ & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \\ & & n & \longmapsto & n + \mu(R) & & \\ & & & & (n \oplus s) + \mu(R) & \longmapsto & -\pi(s) \end{array}$$

$\pi(\mu(r)) = \pi(j(r) \oplus i(r)) = \pi(i(r)) = 0$  by the exactness of  $0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{i} S \xrightarrow{\pi} M \rightarrow 0$ .

If  $\pi((n \oplus s) + \mu(R)) = 0$ , then  $\pi(s) \stackrel{=0}{=} 0$ .  
 $\Rightarrow s = i(r)$ .

$$\Rightarrow (n \oplus s) + \mu(R) = (n \oplus i(r)) + \mu(R) =$$

$$((n - j(r) + j(r)) \oplus i(r)) + \mu(R)$$

$$= ((n - j(r)) \oplus (0)) + \mu(R) + (j(r) \oplus i(r)) + \mu(R)$$

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$$= ((n - j(r)) \oplus (0)) + \mu(R) = \ell(n - j(r))$$