

Tuesday, the 1st of May is a public holiday: *please, exceptionally hand in your Exercises in Patrick Wegener's mailbox by Monday 6pm, instead Tuesday 10am.*

Unless otherwise stated, throughout these exercises R is a ring, all rings are unital and associative and modules are left modules.

EXERCISE 1

Let A, B be R -modules. Prove that:

- $\text{End}_R(A)$, endowed with the usual composition and the usual sum, is a ring.
- If R is commutative then the abelian group $\text{Hom}_R(A, B)$ is a left R -module.

EXERCISE 2

Prove:

- the universal property of the direct product (Proposition 4.1 of the lecture).
- the universal property of the direct sum (Proposition 4.2 of the lecture).

EXERCISE 3

Prove that if $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$ is an R -module homomorphism, then there is always an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker(\varphi) \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\varphi} N \rightarrow \text{Coker}(\varphi) \rightarrow 0.$$

Compute the sequences associated with the following \mathbb{Z} -homomorphisms:

- $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot p} \mathbb{Z}$, multiplication by a prime p in \mathbb{Z} ;
- $\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot 3} \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}$, multiplication by 3.

EXERCISE 4

Let K be a field and n a positive integer.

- Prove that in $K[X]$ the multiples of X^{2018} form a submodule, isomorphic to $K[X]$ as a $K[X]$ -module.
- Prove that the data of a $K[X]/\langle X^n \rangle$ -module is equivalent to the data of a pair (V, φ) where V is a K -vector space and $\varphi : V \rightarrow V$ is a K -endomorphism such that $\varphi^n = 0$.
- Give a comprehensive list of the submodules of $K[X]/\langle X^n \rangle$, up to isomorphism.
- For $1 \leq k \leq n$ denote by V_k the $K[X]/\langle X^n \rangle$ -module $K[X]/\langle X^k \rangle$. Compute the matrix of V_k in a "well-chosen" K -basis and show that for every $1 \leq r < k$ there exists an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow V_r \rightarrow V_k \rightarrow V_{k-r} \rightarrow 0.$$

EXERCISE 5

Let Q be an R -module and let $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$ be a short exact sequence of R -modules.

- (a) Find a counterexample in which the functor $\text{Hom}_R(Q, -)$ does not preserve surjectivity, i.e. find a surjective R -linear map $g : B \rightarrow C$ such that the induced homomorphism $g_* : \text{Hom}_R(Q, B) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(Q, C)$ is not surjective.
- (b) Prove that the induced sequence of abelian groups

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, Q) \xrightarrow{g_*} \text{Hom}_R(B, Q) \xrightarrow{f_*} \text{Hom}_R(A, Q)$$

is exact.

Find a counterexample of an injective R -linear map $f : A \rightarrow B$ such that the induced homomorphism $f_* : \text{Hom}_R(B, Q) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, Q)$ is not surjective.