

# Lang's Algebra Chapter 3 Solutions

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- (1) By the second isomorphism theorem, we have

$$\frac{U}{U \cap W} \cong \frac{U + W}{W}.$$

For two vector spaces,  $X \supseteq Y$  over a field  $K$ , we have  $\dim X/Y = \dim X - \dim Y$ . Thus  $\dim U - \dim U \cap W = \dim U + W - \dim W$ .

- (2) Let  $M$  be a module over a commutative ring  $R$ . Let  $I$  be a maximal ideal of  $R$ . We first show that for any proper ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $R$  and basis set  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  of  $M$ ,

**Lemma 1.**

$$\frac{M}{\mathfrak{a}M} \cong \bigoplus_i \frac{A}{\mathfrak{a}}(x_i + \mathfrak{a}x_i).$$

*Proof.*  $\mathfrak{a}M$  is submodule of  $M$  because  $\mathfrak{a}M \subseteq M$  by  $R$ -closure property of  $\mathfrak{a}$ . It immediately follows that  $\mathfrak{a}M = \bigoplus_i \mathfrak{a}x_i$ . By linear independence of  $x_i$ ,  $(\sum_i r_i x_i) \pmod{\mathfrak{a}x_i} = (r_j \pmod{\mathfrak{a}})x_j + \sum_{i \neq j} r_i x_i$ . Therefore,  $M/\mathfrak{a}M = \bigoplus_i Ax_i/\mathfrak{a}x_i$ . By the isomorphism  $x_i \mapsto 1_A \mapsto (x_i + \mathfrak{a}x_i)$ ,  $Ax_i/\mathfrak{a}x_i \cong A/\mathfrak{a} \cong A/\mathfrak{a}(x_i + \mathfrak{a}x_i)$ .  $\square$

Taking  $\mathfrak{a}$  as a maximal ideal of  $R$  in the above lemma, we see that  $M/\mathfrak{a}M$  is a direct product of vector spaces over the field  $A/\mathfrak{a}$  and thus admit a basis of the same cardinality as that of  $M$ . Because the dimension of a vector space is independent of the basis choice,  $M$  also has a fixed dimension.

- (3) Let  $\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  form the basis set of  $R$  over  $k$  and let  $1_R = k_1x_1 + \dots + k_mx_m$  for  $k_i \in k$ . For any element  $a \in R$ , define the sequences  $\{y_1, \dots, y_m\} \subseteq k$ ,  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m\} \subseteq R$  as:

$$f_1 = a, \quad y_1 = w_{1,1}^{-1}k_1$$

$$f_{i+1} = f_i y_i - k_i x_i, \quad y_i = k_i w_{i,i}^{-1},$$

where  $f_i = \sum_j w_{i,j} x_j$ . By construction,  $a^{-1} = \sum_i y_i x_i$ . Thus  $R$  is a field.

## (4) Direct Sums

- (a) First, we show the equivalence of the two statements of the theorem. Suppose there is  $\varphi$  such that  $g \circ \varphi = \text{id}$ .

By the injectivity of the composition,  $\text{Im } \varphi \cap \ker g = \{0\}$ . But by exactness,  $\ker g = \text{Im } f$ . We can unambiguously define  $\psi(u)$  to be the inverse image of  $f^{-1}(u')$  where  $u' \equiv u \pmod{\text{Im } \varphi}$  and  $u' = f(x)$  for some  $x \in M'$  because if  $f(x) = f(y) \pmod{\text{Im } \varphi}$ ,  $f(x - y) \in \text{Im } \varphi$  and by injectivity of  $f$ ,  $x = y$ . Since  $M/\text{Im } f \cong M'' = \text{Im } \varphi$ ,  $\psi$  is defined in all of  $M$ . Similarly, if the second statement is true,  $\ker \psi \cap \text{Im } f = \{0\}$  because  $\psi \circ f$  is injective. By exactness,  $\text{Im } f = \ker g$ . We can then define  $\varphi(u) = u'$  where  $u' = y \pmod{\ker \psi}$  and  $g(y) = u$  for some  $y$ .  $\varphi$  is well-defined because if  $g(y_1) = g(y_2)$  for  $y_1 \neq y_2$ , then  $y_1 \neq y_2 \pmod{\ker \varphi}$ .

Now suppose  $x \in M$ .  $x - \varphi(u) \in \text{Im } f$  for exactly one  $u$  by the argument mentioned previously. Thus we can express  $x = r + s$  where  $r = \varphi(u) \in \text{Im } \varphi$  and  $s = x - \varphi(u) \in \text{Im } f$ . This implies  $M = \text{Im } f \oplus \text{Im } \varphi$ . By bijectivity of  $g \circ \varphi$ ,  $\text{Im } \varphi \cong M''$ . By contrast, if  $M = \text{Im } f \oplus N$  for some  $N$ , with isomorphism  $t : N \rightarrow M''$ . We can define  $g : M \rightarrow M''$  as  $g(u) = u'$  such that there is  $u = y \pmod{N}$  and  $t^{-1}(u') = y$ . This definition is unambiguous because  $N \cap \text{Im } f = \{0\}$ . Since  $g \circ t^{-1} = \text{id}$ , the sequence splits.

Finally, we complete the details of proposition 3.2. We have just shown  $M = \text{Im } f \circ \text{Im } \varphi$ . By exactness,  $\text{Im } f = \ker g$ . Also,  $\text{Im } f \cong M'$  and  $\text{Im } \varphi \cong M''$  by injectivness of  $f$  and  $\varphi$  resp. This proves  $M \cong M' \oplus M''$ . We can write  $x \in M$  as  $f(u) + x - f(u)$  where  $x - f(u) \in \ker \psi$ .  $u$  is then uniquely determined by  $x$  as  $\ker \psi \cap \text{Im } f = \{0\}$  by bijectivness of  $\psi \circ f$ . This shows  $M = \text{Im } f \oplus \ker \psi$ .

- (b) First, we note that  $\varphi_i$  is injective because othewise the composition  $\psi_i \circ \varphi_i$  wouldn't be injectice, a contradiction. This implies, for every valid  $i$ , there is a submodule  $E'_i = \text{Im } \varphi_i$  of  $E$  that is isomorphic to  $E_i$ . Moreover, if  $c \in \text{Im } \varphi_i \cap \text{Im } \varphi_j$  for  $i \neq j$ , then  $\psi_i(c) = \psi_j(c) = 0$ , forcing  $c$  to be 0. These statements prove

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^n E'_i \subseteq E.$$

The inverse inclusion follows as follows. Let  $x \in E$ , then  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \varphi_i(\psi_i(x))$ , but  $\varphi_i(\psi_i(x)) \in E'_i$ . Therefore  $x \in \bigoplus_i E'_i$ .

Let  $x = x_1 + \dots + x_m$  where  $x_i \in E'_i$ . The map defined by  $x \mapsto (\psi_i x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  is therefore an isomorphism and the inverse map is given by  $(\psi_i x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mapsto \sum_i x_i$ .

- (5) Let  $v'_m = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m$ . Since  $a_m \neq 0$ ,  $v'_m$ , and by the assumption that  $\{v_i\}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$ , the set  $\{v_1, \dots, v_{m-1}, v'_m\}$  is linearly indepenedent over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . We also note that,  $v'_m - \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} a_i v_i \in A$ , thus we can safely assume  $a_1 = \dots = a_{m-1} = 0$ .

To show, the set spans  $A$ , we consider  $A/A_0$ . Suppose, there is  $av_m \in A/A_0$  such that  $av_m \neq nv'_m$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $r, s$  be two integers such that  $|ra_m + sa| < a_m$ . Since contradicts minimality of  $a_m$ , it must be the case that  $a_m \mid a$ . Therfore  $A/A_0 = \mathbb{Z}v'_m$ .

- (6) We induct on the size of  $S$ .

First assume that  $S = \{w\}$ . Then  $\mathbb{Z}\langle S \rangle = \{n[w] : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . If  $M$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}\langle S \rangle$ , then  $M = \mathbb{Z}\langle a[w] \rangle$  for some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Here we pick  $y_w = a[w]$  which is  $G$ -linear.

For the induction step, suppose the statement is true for  $S$ ,  $0 \leq |S| \leq m-1$ . We shall prove the statement is true for  $S$  with  $m$  elements. Fix on element  $w \in S$ , and consider projection map  $\pi : \mathbb{Z}\langle S \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\langle G \cdot w \rangle$ . By correspondence,  $\pi(M)$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}\langle G \cdot w \rangle$  with basis  $\{\bar{y}_{gw}\}_{w \in G}$  which satisfy the property for  $\sigma \in G$ ,  $\sigma\bar{y}_{gw} = \bar{y}_{\sigma gw}$ . We then lift the basis of  $\mathbb{Z}\langle \pi(M) \rangle$  to  $\mathbb{Z}\langle S \rangle$  by picking a representatives  $\mathfrak{R} = \{y_w\}$  in  $M$  for  $\bar{y}_w$ . The  $y_w$  are linearly indepdndent thus form part of the basis for  $M$ . Again by hypothesis,  $M \cap \mathbb{Z}\langle S - G \cdot w \rangle$  has basis  $\mathfrak{B} = \{y_w\}_{w \in S - G \cdot w}$  that satisfy the given property. We finally combine  $\mathfrak{R}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  to get the basis of rank  $m$  for  $M$ .

- (7) For convenience, we identify the properties of a semi-norm as follows

$$\text{SN-1 } |v| \geq 0$$

$$\text{SN-2 } |nv| = |n||v|$$

$$\text{SN-3 } |u+v| \leq |u| + |v|$$

- (a) Let  $a, b \in M_0$ . Then by SN-2 and SN-3,  $|u-b| \leq |a| + |b| = 0$ . By SN-1, we have  $|a-b| \geq 0$ , this  $a-b \in M_0$ . By SN-2,  $|0| = |2 \cdot 0| = 2|0|$ . This implies  $0 \in M_0$ . Hence  $M_0$  is a subgroup of  $M$ .
- (b) If  $M_0 \neq \{0\}$ , we can make the transformation  $x \mapsto x + M_0$  without loss of generality as such map preserves the linear independence of  $\{v_i\}$ . Thus, we can assume  $M_0 = \{0\}$ .

Let  $N = \langle v_1, \dots, v_r \rangle$ . Since  $M$  has rank  $r$ , the exponent  $e$  of  $M/N$  is finite and thus  $eM$  is a subgroup of  $N$ . Moreover,  $N/eM$  is torsion group with finite number of elements. Therefore, we can pick the smallest positive integers  $n_{i,j}$  such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^i n_{i,j} v_j = dw_i \quad \text{for some } w_i \in M$$

The linear independence follows immediately. Picking  $n_{j,k}$  in the range  $[0, d-1]$ ,

$$d|w_i| = |dw_i| \leq \sum_{j=1}^i n_{i,j} |v_j| \leq d \sum_{j=1}^i |v_j|.$$

- (8) (a) SN-1 follows immediately because  $\log \geq 0$  for all  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ . Since,  $h(x^{-1}) = h(x)$ , it suffices to prove SN-2 for  $n \geq 0$  in which case  $h(x^n) = \log \max(|a^n|, |b^n|) = \log \max(|a|, |b|)^n = n \log \max(|a|, |b|) = nh(x)$ . Finally, if  $y = c/d$ ,  $h(xy) = h(ac/bd)$ . Let  $e = \gcd(a, d)$  and  $f = \gcd(c, b)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} h(xy) &= \log \max\left(\left|\frac{ac}{ef}\right|, \left|\frac{bd}{ef}\right|\right) \\ &= \log\left(\frac{1}{|ef|}(\max(|ac|, |bd|))\right) \\ &= \log \max(|ac|, |bd|) - \log |ef| \\ &\leq \log \max(|ac|, |bd|) \\ &\leq \log \max(|a|, |b|) + \log \max(|c|, |d|) \end{aligned}$$

Hence SN-3 is satisfied.  $\log \max(|a|, |b|) = 0$  if and only if  $|a| = |b| = 1$ , which makes the kernel of  $\ker h = \{\pm 1\}$ .

- (b) For a given rational number  $x = a/b$ , since there are finitely many prime divisors of  $p, q$  such that  $p|a$  and  $q|b$ ,  $M$  can be generated by the set  $\{-1, 1\} \cup \{p, 1/q \in \mathbb{Q}^* : p|\text{the numerator of } x_1 \cdots x_m, q|\text{the denominator of } x_1 \cdots x_m\}$ . From this we can set upper bound on the norm as

$$h(y) \leq \sum_p \log p$$

where the sum is over all primes  $p$  (not necessarily distinct) that divides the numerator or denominator of  $x_i$  for some  $i$ .

- (9) (a)  $S^{-1}M$  can be defined as a subset of  $M \times S$  for a commutative ring  $A$ , a multiplicative subset  $S$  and  $A$ -module  $M$  such that

$$(m_1, s_1) \sim (m_2, s_2)$$

, if there is an element  $s \in S$  that satisfy the equation  $s(s_2 m_1 - s_1 m_2) = 0$ . As with  $S^{-1}A$ , we can denote  $(m, s)$  with  $m/s$ . Since  $S^{-1}A$  is a commutative ring, we can define the action of  $S^{-1}A$  on  $S^{-1}M$  as

$$\frac{a}{s'} \cdot \frac{m}{s} = \frac{a \cdot m}{s' s}.$$

With this definition of the action of  $S^{-1}A$  on  $S^{-1}M$ , we can show that  $S^{-1}M$  is an  $S^{-1}A$ -module. Let  $a_1/b_1, a_2/b_2 \in S^{-1}A$  and let  $m_1/s_1, m_2/s_2 \in S^{-1}M$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_1}{b_1} \cdot \left( \frac{m_1}{s_1} + \frac{m_2}{s_2} \right) &= \frac{a_1}{b_1} \cdot \left( \frac{m_1 s_2 + m_2 s_1}{s_1 s_2} \right) \\ &= \frac{a_1 b_1}{b_1 b_1} \cdot \left( \frac{m_1 s_2 + m_2 s_1}{s_1 s_2} \right) \\ &= \frac{a_1 b_1 s_2 m_1 + a_1 b_1 s_1 m_2}{b_1 s_1 b_1 s_2} \\ &= \frac{a_1 m_1}{b_1 s_1} + \frac{a_1 m_1}{b_1 s_2} \\ &= \frac{a_1}{b_1} \cdot \frac{m_1}{s_1} + \frac{a_1}{b_1} \cdot \frac{m_2}{s_2}. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{a_1}{b_1} + \frac{a_2}{b_2}\right) \cdot \frac{m_1}{s_1} &= \left(\frac{a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1}{b_1 b_2}\right) \cdot \frac{m_1}{s_1} \\
&= \left(\frac{a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1}{a_1 a_2}\right) \cdot \frac{m_1 s_1}{s_1 s_1} \\
&= \frac{a_1 b_2 m_1 s_1 + a_2 b_1 m_1 s_1}{s_1 b_1 s_2 b_2} \\
&= \frac{a_1 m_1}{b_1 s_1} + \frac{a_2 m_1}{b_2 s_1} \\
&= \frac{a_1}{b_1} \cdot \frac{m_1}{s_1} + \frac{a_2}{b_2} \cdot \frac{m_1}{s_1}.
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Let

$$0 \rightarrow M' \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{f''} M'' \rightarrow 0$$

be exact. Then we have the induced sequence,

$$0 \rightarrow S^{-1}M' \xrightarrow{g} S^{-1}M \xrightarrow{g''} S^{-1}M'' \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $g$  is defined as  $g(m/s) = f(m)/s$  and  $g''$  is defined as  $g''(m/s) = f''(m)/s$ .  $\ker g = \{m/s : f(m)/s = 0\}$ . Since  $f$  is injective,  $f(m) = 0$  iff  $m = 0$ , i.e.,  $\ker g = \{0\}$ .

By exactness  $\text{Im } f = \ker f''$ . Evaluating  $g''$  on  $\text{Im } g$ ,  $g''(g(m/s)) = g''(f(m)/s) = f''(f(m))/s = 0/s = 0$ . This shows  $\text{Im } g \subseteq \ker g''$ . Let  $g''(x/s) = f''(x)/s = 0$ . This implies  $f''(x) = 0$  for some  $x$ . By exactness,  $\ker f \subseteq \text{Im } f''$ , implying  $x = f(y)$  for some  $y \in M'$ . This proves  $\text{Im } g \supseteq \ker g''$ .

Finally, let  $x/s \in S^{-1}M''$ . Since  $x \in M''$ ,  $x = f''(y)$  for some  $y \in M$  by exactness of the first sequence. But then  $x/s = f''(y)/s = g''(y/s)$  making  $g''$  surjective.

(10) (a) The natural map under consideration is the map

$$f = x \mapsto (x/1, \dots).$$

If  $x/s' \sim 0/1$ , for some  $s' \in A - \mathfrak{p}$  and  $x \in M$ , then it means  $sx = 0$  for some  $s \in A - \mathfrak{p}$ . Therefore, the kernel of  $f$  is the set  $\{x : sx = 0, \text{ for some } s \in A - \mathfrak{p} \text{ for all maximal ideals } \mathfrak{p}\}$ . If  $x \in \ker f$ , then  $\text{Ann}(x)$  is not contained in any maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$ , implying  $\text{Ann}(x) = A \implies x = 0$ .

(b) Let  $f : M'' \rightarrow M$  and  $\hat{f} : M''_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Define  $g$  and  $\hat{g}$  similarly for the second halves of the sequences.

( $\implies$ ) This directly follows from part (b) of exercise 9.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $0 \rightarrow M'_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow M_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow M''_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is exact sequence for all primes  $\mathfrak{p}$ .

Let  $f(x) = 0$ , then  $\hat{f}(x/s) = f(x)/s = 0/1$  for all  $s \in \mathfrak{p}$ . By exactness,  $\hat{f}$  is injective. thus  $x/s = 0$ . By similar reasoning as part (a) of this problem  $x = 0$ . Hence  $f$  is injective.

Now let  $gf(x) = n$ . By definition,  $\hat{g}\hat{f}(x/s) = n/s$ . By exactness, the left-hand side is 0. Thus  $s'n = 0$  for  $s' \in \mathfrak{p}$  for all prime  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Again, by similar reasoning as part (a),  $n$  has to be 0 and  $\text{Im } f \subseteq \ker g$ . To see the converse, suppose  $g(y) = 0$ . Consequently,  $\hat{g}(y/s) = g(y)/s = 0$  for all  $s \in \mathfrak{p}$  and by exactness,  $y/1 = \hat{f}(x/t_{\mathfrak{p}}) = f(x)/t_{\mathfrak{p}}$  for some  $t_{\mathfrak{p}}$  depending on  $\mathfrak{p}$ . This implies  $s_{\mathfrak{p}}(f(x) - t_{\mathfrak{p}}y) = 0$  or equivalently  $f(s_{\mathfrak{p}}x) = r_{\mathfrak{p}}y$  for some  $x \in M'_{\mathfrak{p}}$  and  $r_{\mathfrak{p}} = s_{\mathfrak{p}}t_{\mathfrak{p}}$  implying  $r_{\mathfrak{p}}y \in \text{Im } f$  for all prime  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Since  $M/\text{Im } f$  is also an  $A$ -module, it implies  $r_{\mathfrak{p}}(x + \text{Im } f) = 0$  for all  $\mathfrak{p}$  implying  $x + \text{Im } f = 0 + \text{Im } f$  or in other words,  $x \in \text{Im } f$ . This proves  $\text{Im } f = \ker g$ .

Finally, suppose  $y \in M''$ . By surjectivity of  $\hat{g}$ ,  $y/1 = \hat{g}(x/s) = g(x)/s$  for some  $x \in M$ . By definition,  $s_{\mathfrak{p}}(g(x) - t_{\mathfrak{p}}y) = 0$ . By similar argument as above,  $y \in \text{Im } g$ , proving the exactness of the first sequence.

(c) Let  $\phi : M \rightarrow M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  be the natural map in question. Then  $\phi(x) = x/1$ . If  $\phi(x) = 0$ , then  $sx = 0$  for some  $s \in A - \mathfrak{p}$ . This contradicts the assumption  $M$  is torsion-free and since  $0 \notin A - \mathfrak{p}$ ,  $x = 0$ .

### Projective modules over Dedekind rings

- (11) Let  $\mathfrak{o}$  be a Dedekind domain, and let  $M$  be a finitely generated torsion-free  $\mathfrak{o}$ -module. For each prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$ , consider the localization  $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$  and the localized module  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is a Dedekind domain with only one prime ideal  $S^{-1}\mathfrak{p}$ , by the result from the previous chapter it is a PID. Finite generation and torsion-freeness of  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  follow from the corresponding properties of  $M$ , and Theorem 7.3 then implies that  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is a free  $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module (and hence projective).

Now let  $F$  be a free  $\mathfrak{o}$ -module, and suppose there is a surjective homomorphism

$$f : F \rightarrow M.$$

Localizing at  $\mathfrak{p}$ , we obtain a surjective map

$$f_{\mathfrak{p}} : F_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow M_{\mathfrak{p}}.$$

Since  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is projective, there exists a homomorphism

$$g_{\mathfrak{p}} : M_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow F_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

such that

$$f_{\mathfrak{p}} \circ g_{\mathfrak{p}} = \text{id}_{M_{\mathfrak{p}}}.$$

Because  $M$  is finitely generated, say by  $m_1, \dots, m_r$ , each  $g_{\mathfrak{p}}(m_i/1) \in F_{\mathfrak{p}}$  can be written with a denominator not in  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Let  $c_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \mathfrak{o} \setminus \mathfrak{p}$  be the product of all these denominators for  $i = 1, \dots, r$ . Then

$$c_{\mathfrak{p}} g_{\mathfrak{p}}(l_{\mathfrak{p}}(M)) \subseteq F,$$

where  $l_{\mathfrak{p}} : M \rightarrow M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is the localization map.

We claim that the set  $\{c_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathfrak{p} \text{ prime}\}$  generates the unit ideal (1). Indeed, if this ideal were proper, it would be contained in some maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$ ; but then  $c_{\mathfrak{m}} \in \mathfrak{m}$ , contradicting  $c_{\mathfrak{m}} \notin \mathfrak{m}$ . Thus there exist primes  $\mathfrak{p}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{p}_n$  and elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathfrak{o}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i c_{\mathfrak{p}_i} = 1.$$

Define

$$g := \sum_{i=1}^n x_i c_{\mathfrak{p}_i} \cdot g_{\mathfrak{p}_i} \circ l_{\mathfrak{p}_i} : M \rightarrow F.$$

This is well-defined since each  $c_{\mathfrak{p}_i} g_{\mathfrak{p}_i}(l_{\mathfrak{p}_i}(M)) \subseteq F$ .

For  $m \in M$ , we have

$$f(g(m)) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i c_{\mathfrak{p}_i} f(g_{\mathfrak{p}_i}(m/1)) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i c_{\mathfrak{p}_i} (m/1) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i c_{\mathfrak{p}_i} \right) m = 1 \cdot m = m.$$

Thus  $f \circ g = \text{id}_M$ , showing that  $M$  is a direct summand of  $F$  and hence projective.

- (12) (a) Define a map  $\mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{b} \rightarrow \mathfrak{o}$  as

$$(a, b) \mapsto ca + b,$$

where  $c$  is as defined in question 19 of chapter II. Since  $c\mathfrak{a}$  and  $\mathfrak{b}$  are coprime the image of this map is  $\mathfrak{o}$ . The kernel of this map which is given by  $c\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b} \supseteq c\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$  also satisfies the reverse inclusion because for  $d \in c\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}$ , we can write  $d = d(ca + b) = ca \cdot d + d \cdot a \in c\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$ . Therefore, kernel is  $c\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$ . Since the map  $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} \rightarrow c\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$  is bijective, and  $\mathfrak{o}$  is finitely generated and torsion-free (thus free), it follows that

$$\mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{b} \cong \mathfrak{o} \oplus \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$$

- (b) First we show that  $f = m_c$  for some  $c \in K$ . Let  $a_1, a_2 \in \mathfrak{a}$ . For fixed elements,  $a_1, a_2$ , we can assume  $f(a_1) = c_1 a_1$  and  $f(a_2) = c_2 a_2$  for  $c_1, c_2 \in K$  since both  $\mathfrak{a}$  and  $\mathfrak{b}$  are contained in the field  $K$ . By the definition of fractional ideals, there is an element  $c \in \mathfrak{o}$  such that  $ca_1, ca_2 \in \mathfrak{o}$  and  $ca_1 a_2 \in \mathfrak{a}$ . By the  $\mathfrak{o}$ -linearity  $f$  and by commutativity of  $K$ ,  $f(ca_1 a_2) = ca_1 f(a_2) = ca_2 f(a_1) \implies c_1 = c_2$ . Thus  $f = m_c$ . This also proves  $\mathfrak{b} = c\mathfrak{a}$  for some  $c \in K$ .

We can define an extension of  $f$ ,  $f_K$ , in  $K$  as  $f_K(x) = f_K(a^{-1}ax) = a^{-1}x f(a) = a^{-1}f(a)x = cx$ .  $f_K$  is clearly  $K$ -linear and agrees with  $f$  on  $\mathfrak{a}$ .

*Remark 2.* Lang takes for granted that the assumption that there exists a  $K$ -linear map  $f_K$ . This is not obvious and we have just proved that in fact there exists a  $K$ -linear map that is an extension of  $f$ .

- (c) The assertion that  $m_b$  is an element of  $\mathfrak{a}^\vee$  follows directly from the inclusion  $b\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{o}$ . This implies  $\mathfrak{a}^{-1} \subseteq \mathfrak{a}^\vee$ . We show the reverse inclusion holds.

Let  $\phi \in \mathfrak{a}^\vee$ . By the previous subproblem, it suffices to show that  $\phi(\mathfrak{a})$  is an ideal of  $\mathfrak{o}$ . Since  $\phi(\mathfrak{a})$  is a  $\mathfrak{o}$ -submodule of  $\mathfrak{o}$ ,  $\phi(\mathfrak{a})$  is an additive subgroup of  $\mathfrak{o}$ . For  $a, b \in \mathfrak{a}$ , by properties of  $\mathfrak{o}$ -homomorphism  $\phi$ ,  $\phi(\phi(a)b) = \phi(a)\phi(b) \in \phi(\mathfrak{a})$ . Finally, for  $c \in \mathfrak{o}$ ,  $c\phi(\mathfrak{a}) = \phi(c\mathfrak{a}) \subseteq \phi(\mathfrak{a})$  where the last inclusion followed from the definition of fractional ideals.

Thus, we have  $\phi(\mathfrak{a}) = c\mathfrak{a}$  where  $c = \phi_K(1)$ .  $c$  has to be a member of  $\mathfrak{a}^{-1}$  because otherwise  $c\mathfrak{o} + \mathfrak{a}^{-1}$  would be an inverse of  $\mathfrak{a}$  making  $\mathfrak{a}^{-1}$  non-unique, a contradiction in Dedekind domains.

- (13) (a)  $M$  should be torsion-free. Otherwise, by projectivity of  $M$ , for some free module  $F \supseteq M$  and any surjective  $\mathfrak{o}$ -homomorphism  $f : F \rightarrow M$ , there is a corresponding  $g : M \rightarrow F$  such that  $f \circ g = \text{id}_M$ . If non-zero  $x \in M$  is a torsion element, say with exponent  $a \in \mathfrak{o}$ , then  $0 = g(ax) = ag(x) \in F$  implying either  $a = 0$  or  $g(x) = 0$ . Since  $f(g(x)) = x \neq 0$ , it follows  $a = 0$ , proving  $M$  is torsion free.

Localizing  $M$  at any prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $\mathfrak{o}$ , we see that the module  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is a PID that is torsion-free and finitely generated. This makes  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  free. Let  $M_{\mathfrak{p}} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}} m_i$ . By finiteness of  $m_i$ , there is an element  $c \in \mathfrak{o}$  such that  $cm_i \in M$  for all  $i$ . We then find  $F'$  as

$$F' = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{o}(cm_i) \subseteq M.$$

Now, let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  be the generators of  $M$  and let

$$v_i = \sum_{j=1}^n r_j^{(i)} m_i.$$

Pick  $d \in \mathfrak{o}$  such that  $dr_j^{(i)} \in \mathfrak{o}$  which exists by the finiteness of  $r_j^{(i)}$ . It follows that  $dM \subseteq \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{o}m_i$  and that

$$M \subseteq \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{o}\left(\frac{1}{d}m_i\right) = F.$$

The equality  $\text{rank } F = \text{rank } F'$  immediately follows.

- (b) Let  $\frac{1}{d}m_i = e_i$  in the proof of (b). We prove the statement by induction on the number of basis elements,  $n$ . When  $n = 1$ , then define  $\mathfrak{a}_1 = \{a : ae_1 \in M\}$ . This subset of  $\mathfrak{o}$  is an ideal of  $\mathfrak{o}$  because if  $m = ae_1$  for some  $a$ , then  $rae_1 = rm \in M$  for any  $r \in \mathfrak{o}$ .

For the induction step, suppose  $N$  is a submodule of  $M$  spanned by  $e_1, \dots, e_{n-1}$ . By induction hypothesis,  $N = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n-1} \mathfrak{a}_i e_i$ . Consider the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow M \rightarrow M/N \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $\text{rank } M/N = \text{rank } M - \text{rank } N = 1$ , and by the projectivity of  $M/N$ , the induction follows.

- (c) The statement that  $M \cong \mathfrak{o}^{n-1} \oplus \mathfrak{a}$  for some ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  follows immediately from part (b) of this problem and part (a) of problem 12.

Let  $F : K_o(\mathfrak{o}) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(\mathfrak{o})$  be the given association. First, we show that this association is a group homomorphism. By the linear independence of  $F$  (as defined in (a)), the 'decomposition' of  $M$  in terms of  $\mathfrak{a}_i$  is unique. Thus,  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}_1 \cdots \mathfrak{a}_n$  is uniquely determined by  $M$ , making  $F$  a well-defined mapping.

Consider  $M, N$  are two finite projective modules. Then  $F(M) + F(N) = \mathfrak{o}^{n-1} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{o}^{m-1} \oplus \mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{o}^{n-m-2} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{o}^{n-m+1} \oplus \mathfrak{ab} = F(M \oplus N)$ . Thus  $F$  is a group homomorphism.

Let  $M \in \ker F$ . Then,  $F(M) = \mathfrak{o}$ . This implies  $M = \mathfrak{o}^n$  is free which is a single equivalence class in  $K_0(A)$ . Therefore,  $M = [0]$ . Finally, taking  $M$  as any ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $\mathfrak{o}$  as  $\mathfrak{o}$ -module, we see that  $F(M) = \mathfrak{a}$ , making  $F$  surjective and thus an isomorphism.

### A few snakes

- (14) Let  $M' \xrightarrow{\phi'} M \xrightarrow{\phi} M'' \rightarrow 0$  and let  $0 \rightarrow N' \xrightarrow{\psi'} N \xrightarrow{\psi} N''$  be the two exact sequences in the diagram.

- (a) Let  $g(x) = 0$ . By commutativity,  $\psi(gx) = h(\phi x) = 0$ . By the injectivity of  $h$ ,  $\phi(x) = 0$ . By exactness of the top sequence,  $x = \phi'(y)$  for  $y \in M'$ . By commutativity of the diagram,  $0 = g(\phi'y) = \psi'(fy)$ . By exactness of the bottom sequence  $f(y) = 0$ . By the injectivity of  $f$ , then  $y = 0$  and its image under  $\psi'$ ,  $x$  is also 0. This proves  $g$  is a mono-morphism.
- (b) Let  $x \in N$ . Then  $\psi x \in N''$ . By surjectivity of  $h$  and  $\phi$ , there is an element  $y \in M$  such that  $h(\phi y) = \psi x$ . By commutativity, it follows that  $\psi x = \psi(gy)$  and consequently  $x - gy \in \ker \psi$ . By exactness,  $x - gy = \psi'z$  for some  $z \in N'$  and by surjectivity of  $f$ ,  $x - gy = \psi'(fw)$  for some  $w \in M'$ . By commutativity, it follows that  $x - gy = g(\phi'w)$  or  $x = g(y + \phi'w)$ , implying  $x \in \text{Im } g$  ( $g$  is surjective).
- (c) If  $f$  and  $h$  are isomorphisms, then  $g$  is isomorphims by (a) and (b) of this problem.

Consider  $g$  and  $h$  are isomorphims, i.e.,  $\ker g = \ker h = \text{Coker } g = \text{Coker } h = 0$ . By the snake lemma, there is a map  $\ker h \rightarrow \text{Coker } f$  showing  $f$  is surjective. By injectivity of the map  $M' \rightarrow M$ ,  $\ker f \rightarrow \ker g$  is injective, making  $\ker f = 0$ . Hence,  $f$  is an isomorphism.

Now suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are isomorphisms. By the snake lemma,  $\ker g \rightarrow \ker h \rightarrow \text{Coker } f$  is exact. Since  $\ker g = \text{Coker } f = 0$ ,  $\ker h = 0$ . Similarly, by the exactness of the sequence  $\text{Coker } g \rightarrow \text{Coker } h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\text{Coker } h = 0$ .

(15) We denote the module homomorphisms as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} M_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & M_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta} & M_3 & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & M_4 & \xrightarrow{\delta} & M_5 \\ \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow f_2 & & \downarrow f_3 & & \downarrow f_4 & & \downarrow f_5 \\ N_1 & \xrightarrow{\alpha'} & N_2 & \xrightarrow{\beta'} & N_3 & \xrightarrow{\gamma'} & N_4 & \xrightarrow{\delta'} & N_5 \end{array}$$

We apply the snake lemma on the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \beta M_2 & \longrightarrow & M_3 & \longrightarrow & \gamma M_3 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow f_3|_{\beta M_2} & & \downarrow f_3 & & \downarrow f_4|_{\gamma M_3} & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \beta' N_2 & \longrightarrow & N_3 & \longrightarrow & \gamma' N_3 & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Exactness of the top and bottom sequence and commutitvity of the diagram follow immediately. By the snake lemma, we have the short exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow \ker f_3|_{\beta M_2} \rightarrow \ker f_3 \rightarrow \ker f_4|_{\gamma M_3} \rightarrow \text{Coker } f_3|_{\beta M_2} \rightarrow \text{Coker } f_3 \rightarrow \text{Coker } f_4|_{\gamma M_3} \rightarrow 0$$

- (a) By assumption  $\ker f_4|_{\gamma M_3} = 0$ . Thus, it suffices to show that  $\ker f_3|_{\beta M_2} = 0$ .

Let  $x \in \ker f_3|_{\beta M_2}$ . Then  $x = \beta(y)$  for some  $y \in M_2$ . By commutitivity, we have  $0 = f_3(\beta y) = \beta'(f_2 y)$ , implying  $f_2 y \in \ker \beta' = \alpha' N_1$  where the last equality follows from the exactness of the bottom sequence. Since  $f_1$  is surjective, there is an element  $z \in M_1$  such that  $\alpha'(f_1 z) = f_2(\alpha z) = f_2 y$ . By injectivity of  $f_2$ ,  $y = \alpha(z) \implies x = \beta(\alpha z) = 0$ . Hence  $f_3$  is injective.

- (b) Let  $x = \beta'(y) \in \beta' N_2$ . By surjectivity of  $f_2$ ,  $y = f_2(z)$  for some  $z \in M_2$ . By commutitivity,  $\beta'(y) = f_3(\beta z) \in f_3 \beta M_2 \implies \text{Coker } f_3|_{\beta M_2} = 0$ . Hence, it suffices to prove that  $\text{Coker } f_4|_{\gamma M_3} = 0$ .

Now let  $x = \gamma'(y)$  for some  $y \in N_3$ . By exactness  $x \in \ker \delta'$ . By surjectivity of  $f_4$ , there is  $f_4(z) = x$  and by commutitivity  $0 = \delta'(f_4 z) = f_5(\delta z)$ . Since  $f_5$  is injective,  $\delta z = 0 \implies z \in \ker \delta = \gamma M_3$  where the last equality followed from the exactness of the top sequence. Hence  $x \in f_4|_{\gamma M_3}$  and  $\text{Coker } f_4|_{\gamma M_3} = 0$ . This proves the statement.

*Remark 3.* The diagram-chasing argument is more direct and arguably a better proof. I provided this proof as a practice on the application of the snake lemma.

### Inverse limits

- (16) Let  $I$  be a directed set and let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a system of simple groups with surjective homomorphisms  $f_{ij} : A_i \rightarrow A_j$  for every  $j \leq i$ . By the first isomorphism theorem we have  $A_j = A_i/N$  for some nomral subgroup  $N$  of  $A_i$ . By simplicity of each  $A_i$ , it follows that either  $A_i = 0$  or  $A_i = A_j$  for all  $j \leq i$  (or both). There are two types of such families of groups that could arise:

Case 1 : All  $A_i = 0$ . In this case,  $\varprojlim A_i = 0$ .

Case 2 :  $A_i = 0$  for all  $i < n$  and  $A_i = A$  for all  $n \leq i$  for some  $n \in I$ . In this case  $f_{ij}$  is an isomorphism for  $j \geq n$  and the elements of  $\varprojlim A_i$  have the form  $(0, \dots, 0, x_n, f_{n+1,n}^{-1}x_n, \dots) \sim x_n \in A$ . In other words,  $\varprojlim A_i \cong A$  which is simple.

- (17) (a) The set of positive integers is inherently directed by  $<$ . We define  $f_{ij} = \pi_{ij} : A_i \rightarrow A_j$  by  $\pi([x]_{p^i}) = [x]_{p^j}$ . Let  $k \geq j \geq i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then we have  $\pi_{ji} \circ \pi_{kj}(x) = [[x]_{p^j}]_{p^i} = [x]_{p^i} = \pi_{ki}(x)$  and trivially  $\pi_{ii} = \text{id}$ . Hence,  $\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$  form a projective system under  $(\pi_{ij})$ .

Let  $\mathbb{Z}_p = \varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/p^i\mathbb{Z}$  along with the morphisms  $\psi_i : \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/p^i\mathbb{Z}$ . Consider the projection maps  $\mu_i : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/p^i\mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\pi_{ij} \circ \mu_i(x) = \pi_{ij}([x]_{p^i}) = [x]_{p^j} = \mu_j(x)$ . By universality of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , there is a unique morphism  $\phi$  from  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$  such that  $\psi_i \circ \phi = \mu_i$ . By definition,  $\mu_i$  are surjective. Hence  $\psi_i$  is surjective.

We use induction to show that  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  has no divisors of 0. Let  $(x_1, x_2, \dots), (y_1, y_2, \dots)$  are non zero elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  such that their product is 0. This implies

$$x_i y_i = 0 \pmod{p^i} \text{ for all } i.$$

For  $i = 1$ , then by the field properties of  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ , either  $x_1 = 0$  or  $y_1 = 0$ . With out loss of generality, let  $x_1 = 0$ .

Now suppose  $x_i = 0 \pmod{p^i}$  for all  $i \leq n-1$  and  $x_n \neq 0 \pmod{p^n}$ . Since  $x_n y_n = 0 \pmod{p^n}$  and  $x_{n-1} = 0 \pmod{p^{n-1}}$ ,  $x_n = r_1 p^{n-1} \pmod{p^n}$  for some  $r_1$  not divisible by  $p$ . On the other hand,  $y_i = s_1 p \pmod{p^n}$  for  $s_1 \neq 0 \pmod{p^{n-1}}$  otherwise all  $y_i = 0 \pmod{p^i}$  for all  $i \leq n$  and the induction step is fullfilled. Similary, we can deduce that

$$x_{2n-1} = r_1 p^{n-1} + \dots + r_n p^{2n-1} \pmod{p^{2n-2}} \quad \text{and} \quad y_{2n-1} = s_1 p + s_2 p^n + \dots + s_n p^{2n-2} \pmod{p^{2n-1}}$$

Note tha we didn't assume  $r_i, s_i \neq 0$  for  $i \geq 2$ . The product  $x_{2n-2} y_{2n-2}$  reduces to  $r_1 s_1 p^n \pmod{p^{2n-1}}$ . Since  $x_{2n-1} y_{2n-1} = 0 \pmod{p^{2n-1}}$ , and  $p \nmid r_1$  by assumptions  $p^{n-1} \mid s_1$  and  $y = 0 \pmod{p^n}$  a contradiction. Thus  $p \mid r_1$  and  $x_n = 0 \pmod{p^n}$ .

Since  $x_i = 0$  for all  $i$  by induction, it implies  $(x_1, x_2, \dots) = 0$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  has no zero divisors itself.

Next we show that  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  has a unique maxmial ideal generated by  $p = (0, p, p, \dots)$ . To show that the ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  generated by  $p$  is maximal consider the quotient group  $\mathbb{Z}_p/\mathfrak{a}$ . Since  $\mathbb{Z}/p^i\mathbb{Z}/(0, p, \dots)\mathbb{Z}_p \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ , the quotient group  $\mathbb{Z}_p/\mathfrak{a}$  is (isomorphic to) a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \times \dots$  that satisfies the projective system of morphisms  $\pi'_{ij} = \text{id}$ . Therefore, by surjectivity of  $\psi_i$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_p/\mathfrak{a}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{F}_p$  which is a field and thus  $\mathfrak{a}$  is maximal.

To see that  $\mathfrak{a}$  is unique, note that if  $(x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathfrak{b}$  for some proper ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  and if  $x_1 \neq 0$ , then  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  is a unit whose inverse is  $(x_1^{p-2}, x_2^{p^2-p-1}, \dots)$ . Therefore, any proper ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  should have its first component of its elements equal to 0. This implies  $x_i = px$  for all  $i \geq 2$  which implies  $\mathfrak{b} = 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{a}}$  implying  $\mathfrak{a}$  is unique.

Finally, to see that  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is a factorial ring, we show that it is a PID. Let  $\mathfrak{b}$  be an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . Then every component of  $\mathfrak{b}$  must be an ideal in its domain. But ideals in  $\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$  are PIDs say with generators  $y_n$  (resp.). Then  $\mathfrak{b}$  is generated by  $(y_1, y_2, \dots)$ .  $p$  is the only prime of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  because otherwise an ideal generated by another prime in PID is maximal which contradicts the uniqueness of  $p\mathbb{Z}_p$ .

- (b) By the chinese remainder theorem, there is a homomorhism  $k : \prod_p \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a$ -th component of  $y = k(x)$  is the solutions for equation  $y_a = x_n \pmod{p^n}$  for all  $p^n \mid a$  and  $p^{n+1} \nmid a, n \geq 1$ .  $y = 0$  iff  $y_p = 0 \pmod{p}$  for all  $p$  which is impossible. Hence  $k$  is injective. By the uniqueness of the solution  $y_a$  given the projective system,  $k$  is also surjective. Hence  $k$  is an isomorphism.

- (18) (a) Trivially, we define the action of  $\varprojlim A_i$  on  $\varprojlim M_i$  as the component-wise action of  $A_i$  on  $M_i$ . This action is well-defined by the commutitvity of the diagram. The module properties  $\varprojlim M_i$  as a  $\varprojlim A_i$ -module follow directly from the module properties of  $M_i$  as an  $A_i$ -module.

- (b) By section chapter I, §10,  $T_p(M) = \varprojlim_i \ker p_M^n$  where  $p_M : M \rightarrow M$  is the multiplication by  $p$  mapping from  $M$  onto itself. We can define the action of  $\mathbb{Z}/p^{i+1}\mathbb{Z}$  on  $M$  by multiplication of  $[x]_{p^{i+1}}$ . We also note that for some  $m \in M$ ,  $[x]_{p^i}m = [x]_{p^i}m + kp_M^i m = [x]_{p^i}m + kp^i m = [x]_{p^{i+1}}m$ . Therefore, if we take  $A_i = \mathbb{Z}/p^i\mathbb{Z}$  in part (a) of this question, the diagram commutes and  $T_p(M)$  is a module over  $\varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/p^i\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_p$ .

- (c) By (a) and (b) and the distributivity of multiplication by  $p$ ,  $T_p(M \oplus N)$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -module and so is  $T_p(M) \oplus T_p(N)$ . There is a homomorphism between the former and the latter defined by  $(m_1 + n_1, \dots) \mapsto (m_1, \dots) + (n_1, \dots)$ .

### Direct limits

(19) By definition, if  $a_k = 0$  for all  $k$ , the  $a \sim 0$  which implies  $f_{ij}(a) = f_{kj}(0) = 0$  for all  $j \geq n$  for some  $n \in I$ .

(20) Let  $\{f_{(a,b),(c,d)}\}_{(a,b),(c,d) \in I \times I}$  be the given  $I \times I$ -indexed direct family of morphisms. Let  $f_{ij}^k = f_{(k,i),(k,j)} : A_{ki} \rightarrow A_{kj}$  and  $g_{ij}^k = f_{(i,k),(j,k)} : A_{ik} \rightarrow A_{jk}$ . By definition  $\{f_{ij}^k\}$  and  $\{g_{ij}^k\}$  form a direct family of morphisms. Let  $A^{(i)} = \lim_j A_{ij}$  and let  $N^{(i)}$  be an ideal/normal subgroup generated by the elements

$$x_{jk} = (0, \dots, 0, x, \dots, 0, -f_{jk}^i(x), 0, \dots),$$

where  $x$  and  $-f_{jk}^i(x)$  are the at the  $j$ -th and  $k$ -th components of  $x_{jk}$  resp. Let  $[x]_i = x \pmod{N^i}$ . Define the map  $\mu_{ij} : A^{(i)} \rightarrow A^{(j)}$  by

$$\mu_{ij}([x]_i) = [g_{ij}^k(x)]_j,$$

where  $x \in A_{rk}$  for some  $r$ . Then  $\mu_{ii}([x]_i) = [g_{ii}^k(x)]_i = [x]_i$  and for  $i < m < j$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{ij}([x]_i) &= [g_{ij}^k(x)]_j \\ &= [g_{mj}^k \circ g_{im}^k(x)]_j \\ &= \mu_{mj}([g_{im}^k(x)]_m) \\ &= \mu_{mj} \circ \mu_{im}([x]_i). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\{\mu_{ij}\}$  form a direct family of morphism and  $\lim_i \lim_j A_{ij}$  exists. By symmetry  $\lim_j \lim_i A_{ij}$  also exists.

Now suppose  $A$  is the group of infinite dimensional matrices  $\{a_{ij}\}$  where  $a_{ij} \in A_{ij}$  under component-wise group operation, and let  $N$  be the ideal generated by the matrices

$$X_{ijkl} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & \dots & x & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & -f_{ij}^k(g_{ik}^l x) & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $i \leq j$  and  $i \leq k$  and  $x$  is the  $(i,l)$ -th entry and  $-f_{ij}^k(g_{ik}^l x) = -g_{ik}^l(f_{lj}^i x)$  is the  $(k,j)$ -th entry of  $X_{ijkl}$ . From the description above, it is clear that both direct limits are naturally isomorphic to  $A/N$ .

The case for inverse limits is also similar. Let  $\{f_{(a,b),(c,d)}\}_{(a,b),(c,d) \in I \times I}$  be the given  $I \times I$ -indexed direct family of morphisms. Let  $f_{ij}^k = f_{(k,i),(k,j)} : A_{ki} \rightarrow A_{kj}$  and  $g_{ij}^k = f_{(i,k),(j,k)} : A_{ik} \rightarrow A_{jk}$  for all  $j \leq i$ . Let  $A^{(i)} = \varprojlim_j A_{ij}$  with projections  $\pi_j^{(i)} : A^{(i)} \rightarrow A_{ij}, (\dots, x_j, \dots) \mapsto x_j$ . Then there are maps  $\nu_{ijk} : A^{(i)} \rightarrow A_{kj}$  for some  $k \leq i$  and all  $j \in I$  defined by

$$\nu_{ijk}(x) = g_{ik}^j(\pi_j^{(i)}(x)).$$

By universality, there is a unique map  $\nu_{ik} : A^{(i)} \rightarrow A^{(k)}$  for fixed  $i, k$  such that  $\nu_{ijk} = \pi_j^{(k)} \circ \nu_{ik}$ . We see that these maps are defined as

$$\nu_{ik}(x_0, x_1, \dots) \mapsto (g_{ik}^0(x_0), g_{ik}^1(x_1), \dots).$$

Since,  $g_{ik}^j$  form a directed family of morphisms,  $A^{(i)}$  form a directed family and thus posses an inverse limit. By symmetry,  $\varprojlim_i \varprojlim_j A_{ij}$  also exists. For fixed  $i \leq k, j \leq l$ , since  $g_{ki}^j \circ f_{lj}^k = f_{lj}^i \circ g_{ki}^l$ , the two inverse limits are naturally isomorphic.

- (21) The  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  commute with the direct family of morphisms of  $M'_i, M_i$  and  $M_i, M''_i$  resp., we can define the maps between limits unambiguously as maps that send representative  $[x] \mapsto [u_i(x)]$  and  $[y] \mapsto [v_i(y)]$  where  $x \in M'_i$  and  $y \in M_i$ . Let

$$0 \rightarrow \lim M' \xrightarrow{u} \lim M \xrightarrow{v} \lim M'' \rightarrow 0.$$

and let  $f_{ij}, g_{ij}$  and  $h_{ij}$  be the directed family of morphisms of  $M'_i, M_i$  and  $M''_i$  resp. If  $[x] \in \ker u$ , the  $g_{ij}(u_i(x)) = 0$  for some  $i, j$ . By commutativity, this implies  $u_j(f_{ij}(x)) = 0$ . By exactness,  $u_j$  is injective and  $f_{ij}(x) = 0 \implies [x] = 0$ . Thus  $u$  is injective.

Similarly, if  $[x] \in \ker v$ , then  $h_{ij}(v_i(x)) = 0 = v_j(g_{ij}(x))$  by commutativity. Since  $\ker v_j = \text{Im } u_j$ ,  $g_{ij}(x) = u_j(y)$  for some  $y \in M'_j$ . It directly follows that  $u([y]) = [x]$  and thus  $[x] \in \text{Im } u \implies \ker v \subseteq \text{Im } u$ . For the reverse inclusion, let  $[x] = u([y])$ . Then  $g_{kj}(x) = u_j(f_{ij}(y))$  for some  $i, k \leq j$ . By exactness,  $v_j(g_{kj}(x)) = 0$  or  $[x] \in \ker v$ .

Finally,  $[x] \in \lim M''$ , then  $h_{ij}(x) = v_j(y)$  for some  $y \in M''_j$  by surjectivity of  $v_j$ . It immediately follows  $v([y]) = [x]$ , proving the direct limit preserves the exactness of a sequence

- (22) All constructed maps are homomorphisms inherently.

- (a) Let  $f \in \text{Hom}(\bigoplus M_i, N)$  and let  $f_i = f|_{M_i} : M_i \rightarrow N, x \mapsto f(x)$ . By definition,  $f = (f_i)$  and hence  $f \in \prod_i \text{hom}(M_i, N)$ . Now, let  $f_i \in \text{Hom}(M_i, N)$ . Define  $f : \bigoplus M_i \rightarrow N$  by  $f((x_i)) = \sum_i f_i(x_i)$ . Therefore  $\prod_i \text{Hom}(M_i, N) \subseteq \text{Hom}(\bigoplus M_i, N)$ .
- (b) Let  $f \in \text{Hom}(N, \prod_i M_i)$  and let  $\pi_j : \prod_i M_i \rightarrow M_j$  projection map to the  $j$ -th component. By definition,  $f = (f \circ \pi_i)_i \in \prod_i \text{Hom}(M_i, N)$ , implying the forward inclusion. Let  $f_i : N \rightarrow M_i$ . Similarly to the previous subproblem, define  $f(x) = (f_i(x)) \in \text{Hom}(N, \prod_i M_i)$ .

- (23) Let  $f_{ij}$  be the directed family of morphism of  $\{M_i\}$ . Then the induced morphism  $\phi_{ij} : g \rightarrow f_{ij} \circ g$  form a directed family morphisms for  $\text{Hom}(N, M_i)$  because

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{ii}(g) &= f_{ii} \circ g = \text{id} \circ g = g \quad \text{and} \\ \phi_{jk}(g) &= f_{jk} \circ g = f_{ik} \circ f_{ji} \circ g = f_{ik} \circ \phi_{ji}(g) = \phi_{ik} \circ \phi_{ji}(g), k \leq i \leq j. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the inverse limit  $\varprojlim_i \text{Hom}(N, M_i)$  exists. Let  $\pi_j : \varprojlim_i M_i \rightarrow M_j$  be the natural projection map to the  $j$ -th component.

If  $(g_i) \in \varprojlim_i \text{Hom}(N, M_i)$ , then  $g_i = \phi_{ji}(g_j) = f_{ij} \circ g_j$  for all  $j \geq i$ . This is isomorphic to a morphism in  $\text{Hom}(N, \varprojlim_i M_i)$  naturally as  $(g_i)(x)$  satisfies  $g_i(x) = f_{ij}(g_j(x))$  making the image of  $(g_i)$  a subset of  $\varprojlim_i M_i$ . Thus  $\varprojlim_i \text{Hom}(N, M_i) \subseteq \text{Hom}(N, \varprojlim_i M_i)$ .

Similarly, for any  $f \in \text{Hom}(N, \varprojlim_i M_i)$ , define  $f_i : N \rightarrow M_i$  by  $f_i(x) = \pi_i(f(x))$ . Then  $(f_i)_i \in \varprojlim_i \text{Hom}(N, M_i)$ .

- (24) Let index set  $I$  be the set of all fintely generated submodules of  $M$  ordered by inclusion. For  $A, B \in I$ ,  $\{f_{AB} : A \rightarrow B\}$  be a family of morphisms indexed by  $I$  defined by  $f_{AB} = i_{AB}$ , the canonical inclusion of  $A$  into  $B$ . Clearly, this family is directed and admits a direct limit. Since  $M = \bigsqcup_{A \in I} A / \sim$ , We can express  $M$  as a direct limit of fintely generated submodules.

- (25) Let  $M$  be a fintely-generated module. Then there exists a free module  $F$  and a (potentially infinitely-generated) module of relations  $N$  such that  $M = F/N$ . Let  $I(M)$  be the set of fintely-generated ideals of submodule of relation  $N$  of  $M$  ordered by inclusion. By the previous problem, there is a directed family of fintely-generated modules  $N_A = A$  and a directed family of morphisms  $f_{AB}$  indexed by  $I(M)$  admitting  $N$  as a direct limit. In other words,  $M = F / \lim_A A$  where the limit is taken over all fintely-generated submodules of the relation module  $N$ .

To proceed, we prove that  $F / \lim_A A = \lim_A F / A$ . In fact, consider the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow A \hookrightarrow F \xrightarrow{\text{mod } A} F/A \rightarrow 0.$$

Taking  $g_{AB} = \text{id}_F$  and  $h_{AB} = x + A \mapsto x + B$  in the proof of exercise (21), we get the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \lim_A A \hookrightarrow F \rightarrow \lim_A F/A \rightarrow 0,$$

which proves the assertion  $M = F / \lim_A A = \lim_A F / A$ . Since  $F / A$  is finitely-presented module, the statement is proved for  $M$  finitely-generated.

If  $M$  is not finitely-generated, then by problem (24),

$$M = \varinjlim_B B,$$

where the limit is taken over all finitely-generated submodules of  $M$ . We now define the index set

$$J = \bigcup_{\substack{B \subset M \\ B \text{ finitely-generated}}} \{(B, A) : A \in I(B)\}$$

using the ordering  $(A, B) \leq (C, D)$  if and only if  $A \subseteq C$  or  $A = B$  and  $B \leq D$ . The directed family of morphisms  $f_{A'B'} : A' \rightarrow B'$  indexed by  $I(M)$  associated with the direct limit  $M$ , and the directed family of morphisms between finitely-presented modules  $g_{AB}^C : A \rightarrow B$  for a fixed finitely-generated module  $C$  indexed by  $I(C)$  naturally induce a directed family of finitely-presented submodules of the free module  $F$  directed by the index set  $J$ , with direct limit  $M$ .

- (26) Let  $(f_i) \in \lim_i \text{Hom}(E, M_i)$  with the direct family of morphisms induced by  $f_{ij} : M_i \rightarrow M_j$ . Since  $f_j = f_{ij} \circ f_i$ , we can define (naturally) a map  $\phi : \lim_i \text{Hom}(E, M_i) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(E, \lim_i M_i)$  defined by

$$\phi((f_i)) = e \mapsto (f_i(e)).$$

Now let  $(f_i) \in \ker \phi$ , i.e.,  $(f_i(e)) = [0]$  for all  $e \in E$ . If  $E$  is finitely generated, say by  $(x_1, \dots, x_m)$ , then there is a  $N \in I$  such that  $f_i(x_j) = 0$  for all  $i \geq N$  and all  $j$ . This implies  $f_i = 0$  for all  $i \geq N$  which implies  $(f_i) = [0]$ .

For the rest of the statement, first let  $E = R^n$  for a ring  $R$ . Then we have  $\text{Hom}(R^n, \lim_i M_i) = \text{Hom}(R, \lim_i M_i)^n$  and  $\lim_i \text{Hom}(R^n, M_i) = \lim_i \text{Hom}(R, M_i)^n = (\lim_i \text{Hom}(R, M_i))^n$ . Thus, it suffices to show that  $\phi$  is isomorphism for  $E = R$ .

Let  $g \in \text{Hom}(R, \lim_i M_i)$  such that  $g(1) = (e_i) \in \lim_i M_i$ . Defining  $f_i(1) = e_i$ , and  $f = (f_i) \in \lim_i \text{Hom}(R, M_i)$ , we see that  $\phi$  is surjective, and thus isomorphism.

Finally, when  $E$  is finitely presented, let  $\psi_k : \lim_i \text{Hom}(F_k, M_i)$ . Applying the snake lemma, we have the exact sequence

$$0 = \ker \psi_1 \rightarrow \text{Coker } \phi \rightarrow \text{Coker } \psi_0 = 0.$$

Hence  $\text{Coker } \phi = 0$ , making it isomorphism for this case.

### Graded Algebras

- (27) Let  $x \in A_i$  and  $y \in A_j$  for some  $i, j$ . Let  $(\cdot)$  be the bilinear operator associated with the  $k$ -algebra  $A$ . Define the natural product  $(*)$

$$(x + A_{i-1}) * (y + A_{j-1}) = (x \cdot y + A_{i+j-1})$$

By this product,  $\text{gr}_i(A)\text{gr}_j(A) \subseteq \text{gr}_{i+j}(A)$ .

- (28) (a) Define

$$\text{gr}_i(L)(x + A_{i-1}) = L(x) + B_{i-1}.$$

Since  $L(A_i) \subseteq B_i$ ,  $\text{gr}_i(L)(A_i) \subseteq B_i / B_{i-1} = \text{gr}_i(B)$ . Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{gr}_i(L)((c + A_{i-1}) * (a + A_{i-1})) &= \text{gr}_i(L)(ca + A_{i-1}) \\ &= L(ca) + B_{i-1} \\ &= L(c)L(a) + B_{i-1} \\ &= (L(c) + B_{i-1}) * (L(a) + B_{i-1}) \\ &= \text{gr}_0(L)(c + A_{i-1}) * \text{gr}_i(L)(a + A_{i-1}). \end{aligned}$$

- (b)  $\hookrightarrow$  Let  $x \in A$  such that  $L(x) = 0$ . Let  $i$  be the smallest  $i$  such that  $x \in A_i$ . By definition,  $\text{gr}_i(L)(x + A_{i-1}) = L(x) + B_{i-1} = 0 + B_{i-1} \implies x \in A_{i-1}$  a contradiction unless  $x \in A_{-1} = \{0\}$ .

- $\hookrightarrow$  Let  $x \in B$ . Then there is smallest  $i$  such that  $x \in B_i$  and consequently,  $x + B_{i-1} \in \text{gr}_i B$ . By surjectiveness of  $\text{gr}_i(L)$ , there is  $y_i$  such that  $x - L(y_i) \in B_{i-1}$ . Applying this procedure  $i$  more times, we get  $x - \sum_{j=0}^i L(y_j) \in B_{-1} = \{0\}$ . This implies  $x = \sum_{j=0}^i L(y_j) = L(\sum_{j=0}^i y_j)$  showing  $L$  is surjective.

(29) (a) The given definition of  $\mathfrak{n}_c$  is equivalent to

$$\mathfrak{n}_c := \{X = [x_{ij}] \in \mathfrak{n} : x_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } j - i < n - c\} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq c \leq n - 1.$$

By the trivial action of component-wise addition and scalar multiplication  $\mathfrak{n}_c$  is a vector space over the field  $k$ . What remains is to show the standard matrix multiplication is closed under  $\mathfrak{n}_c$  as it is bi-linear by definition. To see that consider the multiplication of two matrices  $X = [x_{ij}], Y = [y_{ij}] \in \mathfrak{n}_c$ ,  $XY$  is given by the  $[\sum_k x_{ik}y_{kj}]$ . For an entry,  $\sum_k x_{ik}y_{kj} \neq 0$ , we require,  $k - i \geq n - c$  and  $j - k \geq n - c$  or in other words,  $j - c \leq n - (2c - n)$ . Hence  $XY \in \mathfrak{n}_{2c-n} \subseteq \mathfrak{n}_c$ . Since  $2c - n < c$  for all  $c$ ,  $X^{c+1} = 0$ .

- (b) Associativity follows from associativity of standard matrix multiplication. Since  $0 \in \mathfrak{n}$ ,  $I \in U$ . Finally, for every  $I + X$ , by nilpotence  $I + Y = \prod_{k \geq 0} (I - X^{2k})$  is a unique inverse of  $I + X$  hence  $U$  satisfies all the group properties.
- (c) Let  $\exp(X) = I + X + \frac{1}{2!}X^2 + \dots$  and  $\log(I + Y) = Y - \frac{1}{2}Y^2 + \frac{1}{3}Y^3 - \dots$ . Injectivity of  $\exp$  directly follows from the definition.

Let  $Z = \exp(\log(I + Y))$ , then we have

$$Z = I + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} Y^n \sum_{i_1 + \dots + i_n = k} \frac{(-1)^{k+n}}{i_1 \cdots i_n}.$$

The RHS famously evaluates to  $I + Y$ . Hence,  $\log$  is a well-defined inverse of  $\exp$  making it a bijection.