

2 Modules

2.3 Projective modules and injective modules

1. Let ${}_D M$ be a vector space over a division ring D , according to Theorem 2.2.4, ${}_D M$ has a basis, then ${}_D M$ is free, therefore ${}_D M$ is projective.

Considering the diagram $0 \longrightarrow S \xrightarrow{\lambda} T$ where λ is injective, then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & S & \xrightarrow{\lambda} T \\ & \downarrow f & \swarrow \\ & M & \end{array}$$

$T = Im\lambda \oplus T'$ by Lemma 2.2.1. Define $\psi : T \rightarrow M$, $\psi(\lambda(a) + b) = f(a)$, thus $\psi \circ \lambda = f$, hence ${}_D M$ is injective.

2. (\Rightarrow): Suppose P is projective, then there is an index set I such that $f : R^{(I)} \cong P \oplus P'$. Define $f_i = \pi_i \circ f^{-1} \circ \lambda_1 : P \rightarrow R$ for each $i \in I$ where $\lambda_1 : P \rightarrow P \oplus P'$, $\lambda_1(a) = (a, 0)$, $\pi_i : R^{(I)} \rightarrow R$ the i th projection. Define $x_i = \pi_P f(e_i) \in P$ where $e_i = (\delta_{ij})_{j \in I}$, $\pi_P : P \oplus P' \rightarrow P$, $\pi_P((a, b)) = a$. Suppose $f^{-1}\lambda_1(m) = \sum r_i e_i = \pi_j(f^{-1}\lambda_1(m)) = \sum_i r_i \pi_j(e_i) = r_j$ for any $m \in P$, $\pi_P(f^{-1}\lambda_1(m)) = \pi_P \lambda_1(m) = m = \sum_i r_i \pi_P f(e_i) = \sum_i r_i x_i$, thus $f^{-1}\lambda_1(m) = \sum r_i e_i = \sum f_i(m) e_i$, hence $m = \pi_P f(f^{-1}\lambda_1(m)) = \sum f_i(m) \pi_P f(e_i) = \sum f_i(m) x_i$.

(\Leftarrow): Define $\pi : R^{(I)} \rightarrow P$, $\pi(e_i) = x_i (i \in I)$. Since for any $\sum_{i \in I} a_i x_i \in P$, there exist $(a_i)_{i \in I} \in R^{(I)}$ such that $\pi((a_i)_{i \in I}) = \sum_{i \in I} a_i x_i$, π is epimorphic. Define $h : P \rightarrow R^{(I)}$, $h(m) = (f_i(m))_{i \in I}$, then $\pi \circ h = id_P$, thus $R^{(I)} = Imh \oplus Ker\pi$. In fact, for any $a \in R^{(I)}$, then $h(\pi(a)) \in R^{(I)}$ and $a - h\pi(a)$ satisfies $\pi(h\pi(a)) = 0$, thus $a = h\pi(a) + (a - h\pi(a))$, hence $R^{(I)} = Imh + Ker\pi$. For any $h(a) \in Imh \cap Ker\pi$, then $\pi h(a) = a = 0$, thus $h(a) = 0$. Hence $R^{(I)} = Imh \oplus Ker\pi$ and $h(P) = h\pi(R^{(I)}) = Imh$. For any $a \in P$, $\pi h(a) = a$, then $\pi : Imh \rightarrow P$ is surjective. For any $\pi(x) = 0$, there is $y \in P$ such that $x = h(y)$, then $y = \pi h(y) = \pi(x) = 0$, thus $x = 0$, therefore π is injective. Hence $\pi : Imh \rightarrow P$ is isomorphism. Therefore $R^{(I)} \cong P \oplus P'$ where $P' = Ker\pi$, then P is projective.

3. Since P is a finitely generated projective left R -module, there is P' such that $P \oplus P' = R^n$, then $(P \oplus P')^* \cong P^* \oplus P'^* = Hom_R(R^n, R) \cong R_R^n$. Hence P^* is a projective right R -module.
4. Suppose every submodule of a projective left R -module is projective, N is a submodule of injective module E . For any left ideal I of R , embedding homomorphism $\lambda : I \rightarrow R$ and any $f : I \rightarrow E/N$, canonical homomorphism $\pi : E \rightarrow E/N$. Since I is projective, there is $\varphi : I \rightarrow E$ such that $f = \varphi \circ \pi$. Since E is injective, there is $\psi : R \rightarrow E$ such that $\psi \circ \lambda = \varphi$, then $(\pi \circ \psi) \circ \lambda = \pi \circ \varphi = f$, i.e. $\pi \circ \psi$ is an extension of f . According to Theorem 2.3.2, E/N is injective.

Conversely, for any submodule L of projective module P , any epimorphism $\pi_1 : M \rightarrow N$ and any homomorphism $\varphi : L \rightarrow N$. Let $\lambda : M \rightarrow E$ is injective and E is an injective module, $K = \text{Ker}\pi_1$, then $\lambda(K)$ is a submodule of E , thus $\pi_2 : E \rightarrow E/\lambda(K)$ is a canonical homomorphism. Define $\eta : N \rightarrow E/\lambda(K)$, $\eta(\pi_1(m)) = \pi_2\lambda(m)$. If $\pi_1(m_1) = \pi_2(m_2)$, then $m_1 - m_2 \in K$, thus $\lambda(m_1 - m_2) \in \lambda(K)$, hence $\pi_2(\lambda(m_1) - \lambda(m_2)) = 0$, therefore η is well-defined. Since $E/\lambda(K)$ is injective, there is $\psi : P \rightarrow E/\lambda(K)$ such that $\psi\tau = \eta\varphi$ where $\tau : L \rightarrow P$ is an embedding homomorphism. Since P is projective, there is $\xi : P \rightarrow E$ such that $\pi_2 \circ \xi = \psi$. Suppose canonical homomorphism $\pi_3 : E \rightarrow E/\lambda(M)$, $\lambda(K) \subset \lambda(M)$, then $\pi_4 : (a + \lambda(K)) \rightarrow a + \lambda(M)$ is a R -module homomorphism and $\pi_4 \circ \pi_2 = \pi_3$, then $\pi_3 \circ \xi \circ \tau = \pi_4 \pi_2 \xi \tau = \pi_4 \psi \tau = \pi_4 \eta \varphi$, while $\pi_4 \eta \pi_1 = \pi_4 \pi_2 \lambda = \pi_3 \lambda = 0$, while π_1 is surjective, $\pi_4 \eta = 0$, then $\pi_3 \xi = \pi_4 \pi_2 \xi = \pi_4 \eta \varphi = 0$, thus $\text{Im}\xi \subset \text{Ker}\pi_3 = \lambda(M)$. Let $\zeta = \lambda^{-1}\xi$, then $\zeta : P \rightarrow M$ satisfies $\pi_1 \zeta \tau = \varphi$, this means that L is projective.

5. Example: $I = \mathbb{R}[x]x \leq \mathbb{R}[x]$ is free, but there is not idempotent element e such that $\mathbb{R}[x]x = \mathbb{R}[x]e$.

6. Since $\varphi : Re \rightarrow Rf$ is a left R -module isomorphism, $\varphi(e) = rf$, $\varphi^{-1}(f) =$

$$se, \text{ then } e = \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(e)) = rse, f = \varphi\varphi^{-1}(f) = srf, \text{ and } \begin{cases} erf = rf \\ fse = se \\ erse = e \\ fsrf = f \end{cases}$$

Define right R -module homomorphism $\psi : eR \rightarrow fR$, $\psi(ea) = fsea$ and right R -module homomorphism $\psi^{-1} : fR \rightarrow eR$, $\psi^{-1}(fa) = erfa$, then $\psi^{-1}\psi(ea) = erfsea = er(fse)a = (erse)a = ea$ and $\psi\psi^{-1}(fa) = fserfa = fs(erf)a = (fsrf)a = fa$, thus ψ is a right R -module isomorphism. Similarly, if $\psi : eR \rightarrow fR$ is right R -module isomorphism, then $\varphi : Re \rightarrow Rf$ is a left R -module isomorphism.

7. Suppose ${}_R R^n = {}_R P \oplus {}_R P'$ where ${}_R P$ is a finitely generated projective module. Suppose $P' \neq 0$ (otherwise $P = R^n$ is free), assume that $e \in \text{End}_R R^n$ satisfies $e^2 = e$, $P = R^n e$, $P' = R^n(1 - e)$, let $e_i \in \text{End}_R R^n$ satisfy $\{(0, \dots, 0, 1_{i_{th}}, 0, \dots, 0) | r \in R\} = R^n e_i$ (i.e. $e_i = \lambda_i \pi_i$ where $\pi_i : R^n \rightarrow R$ and $\lambda_i : R \rightarrow R^n$), then $e_1 \text{End}_R R^n e_1 \cong R$, $e_1 = e_1 e e_1 + e_1(1 - e)e_1 \in R$ where R is a local ring and e_1 is identity of $e_1 \text{End}_R R^n e_1$. If $e_1 e e_1$ and $e_1(1 - e)e_1$ are not invertible and M is the unique ideal of R , then $\langle e_1 e e_1 \rangle \neq R$ and $\langle e_1(1 - e)e_1 \rangle \neq R$, thus $\langle e_1 e e_1 \rangle \subseteq M$ and $\langle e_1(1 - e)e_1 \rangle \subseteq M$, then $e_1 \in M$, thus $M = R$, it is contradiction. Let $e_1 f e_1$ represent invertible element of $\{e_1 e e_1, e_1(1 - e)e_1\}$ and $K_1 = \text{Im}(e_1 f)$, since $e_1 f e_1$ and e_1 are isomorphism ${}_R R \rightarrow {}_R R$, then $f : R \rightarrow K_1$ and $e_1 : K_1 \rightarrow R$ are isomorphism, thus $R^n = K_1 \oplus R^{n-1}$ (When $f = e$, $K_1 = R^n e_1 e \subseteq P$, then $R^n = K_1 \oplus P_1 \oplus P'$ where $P = K_1 \oplus P_1$, when $f = (1 - e)$, $K_1 = R^n e_1(1 - e) \subseteq P'$, then $R^n = P \oplus K_1 \oplus P''$ where $P' = K_1 \oplus P''$), then by introduction, $P \cong K_1 \oplus \dots \oplus K_m$ where $K_i \cong {}_R R$,

thus P is free.

8. Suppose ${}_R P$ is projective and $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$ is exact. If $f_*(\alpha) = f \circ \alpha = 0$, since f is injective, $\alpha = 0$. Since $g_* \circ f_* = (g \circ f)_* = 0$, $\text{Im} f_* \subset \text{Ker} g_*$, if $\beta \in \text{Ker} g_*$, i.e. $g \circ \beta = 0, \beta \in \text{Hom}_R(P, B)$, then $\text{Im} \beta \subset \text{Ker} g = \text{Im} f$, let $f^{-1} : \text{Im} f \rightarrow A$, $\alpha = f^{-1} \beta \in \text{Hom}_R(P, A)$ and $f_*(\alpha) = f(f^{-1} \circ \beta) = \beta \in \text{Im} f_*$, then $\text{Im} f_* = \text{Ker} g_*$. For any $\xi \in \text{Hom}_R(P, C)$, since P is projective and $g : B \rightarrow C$ is epimorphism, there is $\zeta : P \rightarrow B$ such that $g \circ \zeta = \xi = g_*(\zeta)$, thus g_* is epimorphic. Hence $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(P, A) \xrightarrow{f_*} \text{Hom}_R(P, B) \xrightarrow{g_*} \text{Hom}_R(P, C) \rightarrow 0$ is exact. Conversely, let $0 \rightarrow L \xrightarrow{f} F \xrightarrow{g} P \rightarrow 0$ is exact where F is free, then $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(P, L) \xrightarrow{f_*} \text{Hom}_R(P, F) \xrightarrow{g_*} \text{Hom}_R(P, P) \rightarrow 0$ is exact, thus there is $h \in \text{Hom}_R(P, F)$ such that $g_*(h) = gh = \text{id}_P$, hence $0 \rightarrow L \xrightarrow{f} F \xrightarrow{g} P \rightarrow 0$ is splitting, therefore P is projective.
9. Suppose ${}_R P$ is injective and $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$ is exact. If $g^*(\alpha) = \alpha \circ g = 0$, since f is surjective, $\alpha = 0$. Since $f^* \circ g^* = (g \circ f)^* = 0$, $\text{Im} g^* \subset \text{Ker} f^*$, if $\beta \in \text{Ker} f^*$, i.e. $\beta \circ f = 0, \beta \in \text{Hom}_R(B, E)$, then $\text{Ker} g = \text{Im} f \subset \text{Ker} \beta$, let $g^{-1} : C \rightarrow C/\text{Ker} g$, $\alpha = \beta g^{-1} \in \text{Hom}_R(C, E)$ and $g^*(\alpha) = \beta \circ g \circ g^{-1} = \beta \in \text{Im} g^*$, then $\text{Im} g^* = \text{Ker} f^*$. For any $\xi \in \text{Hom}_R(A, E)$, since E is injective and $f : A \rightarrow B$ is monomorphism, there is $\zeta : B \rightarrow E$ such that $\zeta \circ f = \xi = f^*(\zeta)$, thus f^* is epimorphic. Hence $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, E) \xrightarrow{g^*} \text{Hom}_R(B, E) \xrightarrow{f^*} \text{Hom}_R(A, E) \rightarrow 0$ is exact. Conversely, let $0 \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{f} J \xrightarrow{g} K \rightarrow 0$ is exact where F is injective, then $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(K, E) \xrightarrow{g^*} \text{Hom}_R(J, E) \xrightarrow{f^*} \text{Hom}_R(E, E) \rightarrow 0$ is exact, thus there is $h \in \text{Hom}_R(J, E)$ such that $f^*(h) = hf = \text{id}_E$, hence $0 \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{f} J \xrightarrow{g} K \rightarrow 0$ is splitting, therefore E is injective.
10. If ${}_R A$ is injective, $0 \rightarrow L \xrightarrow{\lambda} R$, then $g(r) = \bar{g}\lambda(r) = \bar{g}(r \cdot 1) = r\bar{g}(1)$, let
- $$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \bar{g} \\ & \searrow & \\ g \downarrow & & \\ & A & \end{array}$$
- $a = \bar{g}(1)$, then $g(r) = ra$ for every $r \in R$. Conversely, $0 \rightarrow L \xrightarrow{\lambda} R$, let
- $$\begin{array}{c} \forall g \\ \downarrow \\ A \end{array}$$
- $\bar{g} : R \rightarrow A$, $\bar{g}(r) = ra$ for any $r \in R$, then \bar{g} is a R -module homomorphism, and $\bar{g} \circ \lambda = g$, according to Theorem 2.3.2, A is injective.
11. Let $e_i \in R$ satisfy $e_i(\sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k) = a_i x^i$ and $S = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e_i R$, for any right ideal

I of R_R , then there is I' such that $I \oplus I'$ is an essential submodule of R_R , while $e_i R$ is simple and $e_i R \cap (I \oplus I') \neq 0$, then $e_i R \subseteq I \oplus I'$, thus $S \subseteq I \oplus I'$, consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & S & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} & I \oplus I' \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} R, \\ & & \searrow \varphi \lambda_1 & \downarrow \forall \varphi & \swarrow \bar{\varphi} \\ & & & R_R & \end{array}$$

for any right R -module homomorphism $\varphi : I \oplus I' \rightarrow R$, $\varphi \lambda_1 : S \rightarrow R$ is right R -module homomorphism. Define $\bar{\varphi} : R \rightarrow R$, $\bar{\varphi}(f)(\sum a_k x^k) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} [\varphi \lambda_1(e_i)](e_i(f(\sum a_k x^k)))$ for any $\sum a_k x^k \in \mathbb{P}[x]$ and any $f \in R$. In particular, $\bar{\varphi}(e_l) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \varphi \lambda_1(e_i)(e_i e_l) = \varphi \lambda_1(e_l)$, thus $\bar{\varphi} \lambda_2 \lambda_1 = \varphi \lambda_1$, hence $(\bar{\varphi} \lambda_2 - \varphi) \lambda_1 = 0$, then $\text{Ker}(\bar{\varphi} \lambda_2 - \varphi) \supseteq S$. Since for any $a \in I \oplus I'$ there is $r \in R$ such that $ar \neq 0, ar \in S$, therefore $(\bar{\varphi} \lambda_2 - \varphi)(ar) = (\bar{\varphi} \lambda_2 - \varphi)(a)r = 0$. Hence ${}_R R$ is injective.

12. Let $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \middle| a_{1i} \in D \right\}$, then S is an ideal of $\mathfrak{t}(n, D) = R$, $S \cdot M_n(D) \leq R$, $s(a_{ij}) = 0$, thus $e_{1k}(a_{ij}) = 0$ for $1 \leq k \leq n$, hence $(a_{ij}) = 0$. For any submodule $N \neq 0$ of ${}_R M_n(D)$, there is $0 \neq (a_{ij}) \notin N$, then $S(a_{ij}) \neq 0$, $RS(a_{ij}) \cap R = RS(a_{ij}) \neq 0$, thus $N \cap R \neq 0$, hence ${}_R R$ is an essential submodule of ${}_R Q$. Suppose $\varphi : I \rightarrow Q$ is left R -module homomorphism where I is an ideal of Q . For any $\sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i \in QI$ where $q_i \in Q$ and $a_i \in I$, define $\psi(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \varphi(a_i)$, if $\sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i = 0$, then for any $s \in S$, $sq_i \in R$, thus $\sum_{i=1}^n sq_i a_i = 0$, hence $s \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \varphi(a_i) = 0$, therefore $\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \varphi(a_i) = 0$. Hence ψ is well-defined Q -module homomorphism. Since Q/Q is injective, there is Q -module homomorphism $\phi : Q \rightarrow Q$, $\phi|_{QI} = \psi$, $\phi|R : R \rightarrow Q$. Since $\phi|_{QI} = \psi$, $\phi_I = (\phi|_{QI})|_{RI} = \psi|_{RI} = \psi_I = \varphi$, $(\phi|R)|_I = \phi_I$, hence ${}_R Q$ is injective.
13. Suppose $0 \rightarrow K \xrightarrow{f_1} P \xrightarrow{g_1} M \rightarrow 0$ and $0 \rightarrow K' \xrightarrow{f_2} P' \xrightarrow{g_2} M \rightarrow 0$ are exact, let $Q = \{(x, y) \in P \oplus P' | g_1(x) = g_2(y)\}$, consider commutative diagram in Figure 1, $\text{Ker} \pi_2 = \{(x, 0) | (x, 0) \in Q\} = \{(x, 0) | g_1(x) = g_2(0) = 0\} = \{(x, 0) | x \in \text{Ker} g_1 = K\}$, then $\lambda_1(x) = (x, 0)$, thus there is exact sequence $0 \rightarrow K \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} Q \xrightarrow{\pi_2} P' \rightarrow 0$. Similarly, $\text{Ker} \pi_1 = \{(0, y) | y \in P'\}$ and there is exact sequence $0 \rightarrow K' \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} Q \xrightarrow{\pi_1} P \rightarrow 0$. Since P and P' are projective, $K \oplus P' \cong K' \oplus P$.
14. Consider commutative diagram in Figure 2, let $Q = E \oplus E'/N$ where $N = \{(f_1(m), f_2(m)) | m \in M\}$, $\pi_1((x, y) + N) = g_1(x)$, $\pi_2((x, y) + N) = g_2(y)$,

$\lambda_1(x) = (x, 0) + N$ and $\lambda_2(y) = (0, y) + N$. For any $x \in \text{Ker}\lambda_1$, there is $m \in M$ such that $(x, 0) = (f_1(m), f_2(m))$, since f_2 is injective, $m = 0$, then $x = 0$. If $(x, y) + N \in \text{Ker}\pi_2$, then $(x, y) + N = (x, f_2(m)) + N = (x + f_1(m), 0) + (-f_1(m), f_2(m)) + N = (x + f_1(m), 0) + N \in \lambda_1$ for some $m \in M$, while $\pi_2\lambda_1(x) = \pi_2((x, 0) + N) = 0$, then $\text{Ker}\pi_2 = \text{Im}\lambda_1$. Similarly, $\text{Ker}\pi_1 = \text{Im}\lambda_2$, since E and E' are injective, $E \oplus L' \cong Q \cong E' \oplus L$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
& & 0 & & 0 & & \\
& & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
& & K' & \xrightarrow{=} & K' & & \\
& & \downarrow \lambda_2 & & \downarrow f_2 & & \\
0 \rightarrow & K & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} & Q & \xrightarrow{\pi_2} & P' & \rightarrow 0 \\
& \parallel \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi_1 & & \downarrow g_2 & \\
0 \rightarrow & K & \xrightarrow{f_1} & P & \xrightarrow{g_1} & M & \rightarrow 0 \\
& & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
& & & 0 & & 0 &
\end{array}$$

Figure 1: Exercise 2.3.13

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
& & 0 & & 0 & & \\
& & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
0 \rightarrow & M & \xrightarrow{f_1} & E & \xrightarrow{g_1} & L & \rightarrow 0 \\
& \downarrow f_2 & & \downarrow \lambda_1 & & & \\
0 \rightarrow & E' & \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} & Q & \xrightarrow{\pi_1} & L & \rightarrow 0 \\
& \downarrow g_2 & & \downarrow \pi_2 & & & \\
& L' & & L' & & & \\
& \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & \\
& 0 & & 0 & & &
\end{array}$$

Figure 2: Exercise 2.3.14

15. Let $\varphi : P \oplus P \rightarrow R \oplus R$, $\varphi((f_1, f_2)) = (f_1, f_2) \begin{pmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x \\ \sin x & \cos x \end{pmatrix}$. Let $F_1 = f_1 \cos x + f_2 \sin x$ and $F_2 = -f_1 \sin x + f_2 \cos x$. When $f_1, f_2 \in P$, then $F_1, F_2 \in R$, it is obvious that φ is a R -module homomorphism. $\varphi^{-1}(F_1, F_2) = (F_1, F_2) \begin{pmatrix} \cos x & \sin x \\ -\sin x & \cos x \end{pmatrix}$ is invertible homomorphism of φ . Hence $P \oplus P \cong R \oplus R$.
16. If $x \in \text{Ker}\psi$, then $g'\psi(x) = \phi g(x) = 0$, thus $g(x) \in \text{Ker}\phi = 0$, then there is $y \in A$ such that $x = f(y)$, thus $\psi(x) = \psi f(y) = f'\eta(y) = 0$, since f' is injective, $\eta(y) = 0$. While η is injective, $y = 0$, then $x = f(y) = 0$. Hence ψ is injective. For any $x \in B'$, there is $y \in C$ such that $\phi(y) = g'(x)$, thus there is $z \in B$ such that $g(z) = y$, then $\phi(y) = \phi g(z) = g'(x)$, thus $x - \psi(z) \in \text{Ker}g' = \text{Im}f'$. Hence there is $u \in A'$ such that $x - \psi(z) = f'(u)$, while η is surjective, there is $v \in A$ such that $\eta(v) = u$, then $f'(u) = f'\eta(v) = \psi f(v) = x - \psi(z)$, thus $x = \psi(f(v) + z)$. Hence ψ is surjective.
17. Let $\Omega = \{L \leq E \mid N \text{ is an essential submodule of } L\}$, it is obvious that $\Omega \neq \emptyset$. Let $L_1 \leq L_2$ if $L_1 \subseteq L_2$, if $\dots \subseteq L_n \subseteq L_{n+1} \subseteq \dots$ is an ascending chain of element in Ω , then $L = \cup L_i \leq E$, for any $0 \neq x \in L$, there is i such that $x \in L_i$ and $N \cap Rx \neq 0$, thus N is an essential submodule of

L . By Zorn's Lemma, there is a maximal element $E(N) \in \Omega$. Suppose $N' \leq E$ is maximal such that $N' \cap E(N) = 0$, then $E(N) \oplus N'$ is an essential submodule of E . For any $N' \subsetneq L \leq E$, if $(E(N) + N') \cap L = N' + (E(N) \cap L) \subseteq N'$, then $E(N) \cap L' = 0$, it is contradiction for N' is maximal. Hence $(E(N) + N')/N'$ is an essential submodule of E/N' . Since $(E(N) \oplus N')/N' \cong E(N) \hookrightarrow E$, there is monomorphism $g : (E(N) \oplus N')/N' \hookrightarrow E$. Since E is injective, there is h such that $h \circ \lambda = g$. Since $\text{Ker } g = 0$, $\text{Im } \lambda \cap \text{Ker } h = 0$, while $\text{Im } \lambda$ is an essential submodule of E/N' , then $\text{Ker } h = 0$, i.e. h is injective. While N is an essential submodule of $E(N)$, and $E(N) = \text{Im } g = h((E(N) + N')/N')$ is an essential submodule of $h(E/N')$, then N is an essential submodule of $h(E/N')$. Since $E(N)$ is maximal, $E(N) = h(E/N') = h((E(N) + N')/N')$, while h is injective, $E/N' = E(N) + N'/N'$, then $E = E(N) + N' = E(N) \oplus N'$. Hence $E(N)$ is injective.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
& & 0 & & \\
& & \downarrow & & \\
0 & \longrightarrow & (E(N) \oplus N')/N' & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & E/N' \\
& & \downarrow g & \nearrow h & \\
& & E & &
\end{array}$$

18. Suppose $\mathbb{Z}a + K = \mathbb{Q}$. If $a \in K$, then $\mathbb{Z}a \subseteq K$, $\mathbb{Z}a + K = K = \mathbb{Q}$. If $a = \frac{m}{n}$, $(m, n) = 1$, $m, n > 0$, then $\frac{1}{n^k} \notin K$ for any $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. $\frac{1}{n^k} = \frac{x_k m}{n} + y_k$ where $x_k \in \mathbb{Z}, y_k \in K$, then $\frac{1}{n^{k-1}} = x_k m + n y_k$, thus $y_k = \frac{1}{n^k} - \frac{x_k n^{k-1} m}{n^k} = \frac{1 - x_k n^{k-1} m}{n^k}$, hence $1 = u \frac{m}{n} + v = \frac{um + nv}{n}$ where $u \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n = um + nv, nv \in K \cap \mathbb{Z}$. If $1 \in K$, then $\frac{1}{n^{k-1}} \in K$ for $\frac{1}{n^{k-1}} = x_k m + n y_k$, it is contradiction. If $1 \notin K$, then for any $p \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\frac{1}{p} \notin K$, thus $\frac{1}{p} \in \mathbb{Z} \frac{1}{n}$, it is impossible. Hence submodule $\mathbb{Z}a \leq \mathbb{Q}$ is superfluous for any $a \in \mathbb{Q}$.
19. $\text{Ker } \pi = N = Re_{13}$. If $Re_{13} + M = R$, then $e_{22} = ke_{13} + a$ where $k \in R, a \in M$, thus $e_{22} = e_{22}^2 = e_{22}a \in M$. Similarly, $e_{33} \in M$, then $e_{12} = e_{12}e_{22} \in M$, $e_{13} = e_{13}e_{33} \in M$ and $e_{23} = e_{23}e_{33} \in M$, thus $Re_{13} \subseteq M$, hence Re_{13} is a superfluous submodule of ${}_R R$. Therefore $\pi : R \rightarrow R/N$ is a projective cover of R/N .