

FOUNDATIONS OF REPRESENTATION THEORY

9. EXERCISE SHEET

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Exercise 33:

Assume that ${}_AA \cong {}_AA \oplus {}_AA$ and let $\phi : {}_AA \rightarrow {}_AA \oplus {}_AA$ be an algebra homomorphism. We set

$$(b_0, b_1) := \phi(1)$$

and notice that for all $a \in A$

$$\phi(a) = \phi(a \cdot 1) = a\phi(1) = a(b_0, b_1) = (ab_0, ab_1).$$

Because ϕ is surjective we find $a_0, a_1 \in A$ with

$$\begin{aligned} (1, 0) &= \phi(a_0) = (a_0b_0, a_0b_1) \text{ and} \\ (0, 1) &= \phi(a_1) = (a_1b_0, a_1b_1). \end{aligned}$$

In particular we have $a_0b_0 = a_1b_1 = 1$ and $a_0b_1 = a_1b_0 = 0$. Because

$$\phi(b_0a_0 + b_1a_1) = (b_0a_0b_0 + b_1a_1b_0, b_0a_0b_1 + b_1a_1b_1) = (b_0, b_1) = \phi(1)$$

it follows from the injectivity of ϕ that $b_0a_0 + b_1a_1 = 1$.

Now assume that there exist elements $a_0, a_1, b_0, b_1 \in A$ with $a_0b_0 = a_1b_1 = 1$, $a_0b_1 = a_1b_0 = 0$ and $b_0a_0 + b_1a_1 = 1$. We define

$$\psi : {}_AA \rightarrow {}_AA \oplus {}_AA, a \mapsto a(b_0, b_1) = (ab_0, ab_1).$$

It is clear that ψ is an A -module homomorphism. For all $(c_0, c_1) \in {}_AA \oplus {}_AA$ we have

$$\psi(c_0a_0 + c_1a_1) = (c_0a_0b_0 + c_1a_1b_0, c_0a_0b_1 + c_1a_1b_1) = (c_0, c_1),$$

so ψ is surjective. For $x \in A$ with $\psi(x) = 0$ we have $(xb_0, xb_1) = (0, 0)$, so $(xb_0a_0, xb_1a_1) = (0, 0)$ and thus

$$0 = xb_0a_0 + xb_1a_1 = x(b_0a_0 + b_1a_1) = x \cdot 1 = x.$$

So ψ is injective. This shows that ψ is an A -module isomorphism and therefore ${}_AA \cong {}_AA \oplus {}_AA$.

One trivial example of such an algebra is $A = 0$.

Exercise 34:

We notice that $\text{im}(h_2 f_1) \subseteq \text{im } g_1$. Because the upper row is exact we have $f_2 f_1 = 0$ and from the commutativity of the diagram it follows that

$$0 = h_3 f_2 f_1 = g_2 h_2 f_1.$$

Because the lower row is exact this gives us

$$\text{im}(h_2 f_1) \subseteq \ker g_2 = \text{im } g_1.$$

Because g_1 is injective it induces an isomorphism $\bar{g}_1 : Y_1 \rightarrow \text{im } g_1$. In particular $1_{Y_1} = \bar{g}_1^{-1} g_1$ and $1_{\text{im } g_1} = g_1 \bar{g}_1^{-1}$. Therefore $h_1 := \bar{g}_1^{-1} h_2 f_1$ is an homomorphism with

$$g_1 h_1 = g_1 \bar{g}_1^{-1} h_2 f_1 = 1_{\text{im } g_1} h_2 f_1 = h_2 f_1.$$

This homomorphism is unique because for $h'_2 : X_1 \rightarrow Y_1$ with $g_1 h'_1 = h_2 f_1$ we have

$$h'_1 = 1_{Y_1} h'_1 = \bar{g}_1^{-1} g_1 h'_1 = \bar{g}_1^{-1} h_2 f_1 = h_1.$$

Exercise 36:

A basis of KH/J is given by the residue classes

$$A = (e_1, e_{2'}, e_{2''}, e_3, a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2, c, a_1 b_1)$$

and a basis of KQ/I is given by the residue classes

$$B = (e_1, e_2, e_3, a, b, c, e, eb, ae, aeb).$$

Thus the linear map $\phi : KH/J \rightarrow KQ/I$ given by

v	e_1	$e_{2'}$	$e_{2''}$	e_3	a_1	a_2	b_1	b_2	c	$a_1 b_1$
$\phi(v)$	e_1	e	$e_2 - e$	e_3	ae	$a - ae$	eb	$b - eb$	c	aeb

is a vector space isomorphism. By testing out all possible combinations (which will not be included here) we find that for alle $x, y \in A$ we have $\phi(xy) = \phi(x)\phi(y)$. Therefore ϕ is an algebra isomorphism.