FOUNDATIONS OF REPRESENTATION THEORY

9. Exercise sheet

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Exercise 33:

Assume that ${}_AA\cong {}_AA\oplus {}_AA$ and let $\phi:{}_AA\to {}_AA\oplus {}_AA$ be an A -module isomorphism. 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

$$(1,0) = \phi(a_0) = (a_0b_0, a_0b_1)$$
 and $(0,1) = \phi(a_1) = (a_1b_0, a_1b_1)$.

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 $(c_0, c_1) \in {}_A A \oplus {}_A A$ 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

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

Therefore ψ in 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 $\operatorname{im}(h_2f_1)\subseteq \operatorname{im} g_1$: Because the upper row is exact we have $f_2f_1=0$ and from the commutativity of the diagram it follows that

$$0 = h_3 f_2 f_1 = q_2 h_2 f_1$$
.

Because the lower row is exact this gives us

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

Because g_1 is injective it induces an isomorphism $\bar{g}_1:Y_1\to \operatorname{im} g_1$. In particular $1_{Y_1}=\bar{g}_1^{-1}g_1$ and $1_{\operatorname{im} g_1}=g_1\bar{g}_1^{-1}$. Therefore $h_1:=\bar{g}_1^{-1}h_2f_1$ 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 $h_2': X_1 \to Y_1$ with $g_1h_1' = h_2f_1$ 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

$$A = (e_1, e_{2'}, e_{2''}, e_3, a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2, c, a_1b_1)$$

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 $\phi: KH/J \to KQ/I$ given by

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.