

COHOMOLOGIES.

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02. “Hom” modules.

LEMMA 2.1. *Let R be a ring. Let $f : M \rightarrow N$ be a homomorphism of R -modules. Then for any R -module L we may define:*

- (1) *A homomorphism $\text{Hom}_R(L, f) : \text{Hom}_R(L, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(L, N)$ defined by $\text{Hom}_R(L, f)(g) = f \circ g$.*
- (2) *A homomorphism $\text{Hom}_R(f, L) : \text{Hom}_R(N, L) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, L)$ defined by $\text{Hom}_R(f, L)(h) = h \circ f$.*

PROPOSITION 2.2. *Let R be a ring. Let*

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \xrightarrow{f} M_2 \xrightarrow{g} M_3 \rightarrow 0$$

be an exact sequence of R -modules. Then for any R -module N , we have:

(1)

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(N, M_1) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_R(N, f)} \text{Hom}_R(N, M_2) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_R(N, g)} \text{Hom}_R(N, M_3)$$

is exact. The third arrow $\text{Hom}_R(N, g)$ need not be surjective.

(2)

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M_3, N) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_R(g, N)} \text{Hom}_R(M_2, N) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_R(f, N)} \text{Hom}_R(M_1, N)$$

is exact. The third arrow $\text{Hom}_R(f, N)$ need not be surjective.

EXERCISE 2.1. We consider an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow 3\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

where i is the inclusion map. Show that

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}(i, \mathbb{Z})} \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(3\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z})$$

is not surjective

EXERCISE 2.2. Assume R is a field. Then show that the third arrow which appear in the sequence (1) in Proposition 2.2 is surjective.