

MAT 540 : Problem Set 4

Due Thursday, October 10

1 Cartesian and cocartesian squares

(a). (4 points) Consider a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ g \downarrow & & \downarrow h \\ C & \xrightarrow{k} & D \end{array}$$

in an abelian category \mathcal{A} . Consider the morphisms $u = \begin{pmatrix} f \\ g \end{pmatrix} : A \rightarrow B \oplus C$ and $v = (h \ -k) : B \oplus C \rightarrow D$.

Prove that the following statements are equivalent :

- (i) The canonical morphism $A \rightarrow B \times_D C$ is an epimorphism.
 - (ii) The canonical morphism $B \sqcup_A C \rightarrow D$ is a monomorphism.
 - (iii) The complex $A \xrightarrow{u} B \oplus C \xrightarrow{v} D$ is exact.
- (b). (2 points) Let $A \xrightarrow{g} B \xrightarrow{f} C$ be morphisms in \mathcal{A} . Show that $g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f) = \text{Ker}(f \circ g)$.
- (c). (2 points) Keep the notation of the previous question, and suppose that g is surjective. Show that $g(\text{Ker}(f \circ g)) = \text{Ker } f$.
- (d). (2 points) Keep the notation and assumptions of the previous question. If $u : D \rightarrow B$ is a morphism such that $f \circ u = 0$, show that there exists a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} D' & \xrightarrow{g'} & D & & \\ u' \downarrow & & \downarrow u & & \\ C & \xrightarrow{g} & B & \xrightarrow{f} & A \end{array}$$

such that g' is surjective and $f \circ g \circ u' = 0$.

Solution.

- (a). We claim that the canonical morphism $B \times_D C \rightarrow B \times C = B \oplus C$ identifies $B \times_D C$ to $\text{Ker } v$. Indeed, we have, for every $E \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(E, B \times_D C) &= \{(w_1, w_2) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(E, B) \times \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(E, C) \mid h \circ w_1 = k \circ w_2\} \\ &= \{w \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(E, B \times C) \mid v \circ w = 0\} \\ &= \text{Hom}(E, \text{Ker } v). \end{aligned}$$

So (i) is equivalent to the fact that the morphism $A \rightarrow \text{Ker } v$ induced by u is an epimorphism, which implies that the canonical morphism $\text{Im}(u) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(v)$ is an epimorphism, hence an isomorphism (because it is automatically injective), which is (iii).

We prove that (ii) and (iii) are equivalent. Let $\iota : B \oplus C \rightarrow B \oplus C$ be the morphism with matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. Note that $\iota \circ \iota = \text{id}_{B \oplus C}$, and in particular ι is an isomorphism. Let $u' = \iota \circ u$ and $v' = v \circ \iota$. Then $v' \circ u' = v \circ u = 0$, and we have a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Im}(u) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(v) \\ \iota \downarrow \sim & & \downarrow \sim \iota \\ \text{Im}(u') & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(v') \end{array}$$

so (iii) is equivalent to the condition that the complex $(*) A \xrightarrow{u'} B \oplus C \xrightarrow{v'} D$ be exact. We claim that the canonical morphism $B \oplus C \rightarrow B \sqcup_A C$ identifies $B \sqcup_A C$ to $\text{Coker}(u')$. Indeed, for every $E \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Coker } u', E) &= \{w \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B \oplus C, E) \mid w \circ u' = 0\} \\ &= \{(w_1, w_2) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, E) \times \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(C, E) \mid w_1 \circ f = w_2 \circ g\} \\ &= \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B \sqcup_A C, E). \end{aligned}$$

So (ii) is equivalent to the injectivity of the morphism $\text{Coker}(u') \rightarrow D$ induced by v' ; if $p : B \oplus C \rightarrow \text{Coker}(u')$ is the canonical surjection, this means that (ii) is equivalent to the fact that, for every object E of \mathcal{A} , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \{f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(E, B \oplus C) \mid v' \circ f = 0\} &= \{f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(E, B \oplus C) \mid p \circ f = 0\} \\ &= \{f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(E, \text{Im}(u'))\}, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is because $\text{Im}(u') = \text{Ker}(p)$. This shows that condition (ii) is equivalent to $\text{Ker}(v') = \text{Im}(u')$, that is, to the exactness of the complex $(*)$.

- (b). By definition of $g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f)$, we have a commutative diagram, where the square is cartesian :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f) & \xrightarrow{g'} & \text{Ker } f & & \\ j \downarrow & & \downarrow i & & \\ A & \xrightarrow{g} & B & \xrightarrow{f} & C \end{array}$$

In particular, $f \circ g \circ j = f \circ i \circ g' = 0$, so $g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f) \subset \text{Ker}(f \circ g)$. Conversely, let C be an object of \mathcal{A} and $h : C \rightarrow A$ a morphism such that $f \circ g \circ h = 0$. Then we have a unique morphism $h' : C \rightarrow \text{Ker } f$ such that $i \circ h' = g \circ h$, and this in turns defines a unique morphism $k : C \rightarrow g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f)$ such that $j \circ k = h$ and $g' \circ k = h'$. Applying this to the inclusion $\text{Ker}(f \circ g) \rightarrow A$, we see that this inclusion factors through $g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f) \rightarrow A$, that is, $\text{Ker}(f \circ g) \subset g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f)$.

- (c). By (b), it suffices to show that $g(g^{-1}(\text{Ker } f))$. In fact, this is true for any subobject of B , so let $B' \subset B$. We want to show that the morphism $g^{-1}(B') \rightarrow B'$ induced by g is surjective. By definition of $g^{-1}(B')$, we have a cartesian square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} g^{-1}(B') & \longrightarrow & B' \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ C & \xrightarrow{g} & B \end{array}$$

and then the conclusion follows from Corollary II.2.1.16 of the notes.

- (d). Let $B' = \text{Im}(u) \subset B$. The morphism u factors as $D \xrightarrow{v} B' \xrightarrow{i} B$ with v surjective and i injective, and we take $D' = g^{-1}(B') \times_{B'} D$. We have a commutative diagram where both squares are cartesian

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D' & \xrightarrow{g'} & D \\ a \downarrow & & \downarrow v \\ g^{-1}(B') & \longrightarrow & B' \\ b \downarrow & & \downarrow i \\ C & \xrightarrow{g} & B \end{array}$$

and we take $u' = b \circ a$. The morphism g' is surjective by Corollary II.2.1.16 of the notes, and $f \circ g \circ u' = f \circ i \circ v \circ g' = f \circ u \circ g' = 0$.

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2 A random fact

(2 points)

Let \mathcal{A} be an abelian category and $f : B \rightarrow A$ be a morphism of \mathcal{A} . Show that, for every object C of \mathcal{A} , the morphism $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Im}(f), C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, C)$ (induced by $B \rightarrow \text{Im}(f)$) induces an isomorphism

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Im}(f), C) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ker}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Ker } f, C)).$$

Solution. The statement is saying two things :

- (1) The map $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Im}(f), C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, C)$ is injective; this follows from the fact that $B \rightarrow \text{Im}(f)$ is surjective.
- (2) A morphism $g : B \rightarrow C$ factors through the quotient $\text{Im}(f)$ of B if and only if $g(\text{Ker } f) = 0$, or, in other words, the morphism $B \rightarrow \text{Im}(f)$ is the cokernel of the morphism $\text{Ker}(f) \rightarrow B$. This follows from the fact that $\text{Coim}(f) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Im}(f)$. (Remember that $\text{Coim}(f)$ is by definition the cokernel of the morphism $\text{Ker}(f) \rightarrow B$.)

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3 More sheaves on an abelian category

We use the notation of problem 6 of problem set 3 : We fix an abelian category, and we denote by Sh the category of sheaves of abelian groups on \mathcal{A} for the canonical topology. It is a full subcategory of the category of presheaves $\text{PSh} = \text{Func}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Ab})$. Both Sh and PSh are abelian categories, and the forgetful functor $\text{Sh} \rightarrow \text{PSh}$ is left exact but not exact; this functor admits a left adjoint $F \mapsto F^{\text{sh}}$, which is exact.

- (a). (2 points) Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a surjective morphism in \mathcal{A} . Show that, for every morphism

$u : C \rightarrow B$, there exists a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C' & \xrightarrow{f'} & C \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow u \\ A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \end{array}$$

with $f' : C' \rightarrow C$ surjective.

- (b). (3 points) Show that the Yoneda embedding $h_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Func}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set})$, $A \mapsto \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, A)$, factors as $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{h} \text{Sh} \xrightarrow{\text{For}} \text{Func}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set})$, where For is the forgetful functor and h is a fully faithful left exact additive functor.
- (c). (2 points) Show that the functor $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Sh}$ is exact.

Solution.

- (a). We take $C' = A \times_B C$ and $f' : C' \rightarrow C$ equal to the second projection. The surjectivity of f' follows from Corollary II.2.1.16 of the notes.
- (b). For every $A \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A})$, the functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, A) : \mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ factors through the forgetful functor $\mathbf{Ab} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$, so we can see $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, A)$ as an object of PSh; also, if $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a morphism, then $f^* : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, B) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, A)$ is a morphism of presheaves of abelian groups (and not just of presheaves of sets), because composition is bilinear. So the Yoneda embedding factors as $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{h'} \text{PSh} \xrightarrow{\text{For}} \text{Func}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set})$, where For is the forgetful functor. The functor h' is additive and left exact because $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ is additive and left exact in both variables (and in particular the second). Also, for every $A \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A})$, the representable presheaf $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, A)$ is a sheaf for the canonical topology by problem 6(c) of problem set 3, so we get the factorization of the statement. Finally, the functor h is left exact because the sheafification functor $\text{PSh} \rightarrow \text{Sh}$ is exact and isomorphic to the identity functor on Sh, so any complex of sheaves $0 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow F_3$ that is exact in PSh is also exact in Sh.
- (c). By question (b) and Lemma II.2.3.2 of the notes, it suffices to show that h sends surjections to surjections. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a surjective morphism, and let $C \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A})$. Let $u : C \rightarrow B$ be an element of $h_B(C)$. Choose a commutative diagram as in question (a). Then $f' : C' \rightarrow C$ is a covering family for the canonical topology of \mathcal{A} , and the morphism $u' : C' \rightarrow A$ gives an element of $h_A(C')$ whose image by $f^* : h_A(C') \rightarrow h_B(C')$ is $f \circ u' = f'^*(u)$. This shows that $f^* : h_B \rightarrow h_A$ is surjective in the category Sh.

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4 Other embedding theorems

If we weaken the assumptions in Morita's theorem, we can still get interesting results. There are many variants, we will prove two here.

Let \mathcal{A} be an abelian category, Q an object of \mathcal{A} and $R = \text{End}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q)$. As explained in the paragraph before Theorem II.3.1.6 of the notes, we can see the functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot)$ as an additive left exact functor from \mathcal{A} to \mathbf{Mod}_R .

Note that we are *not* assuming that Q is projective for now.

We assume that \mathcal{A} admits all small colimits. From now on, we assume that \mathcal{A} admits all small colimits. (You can mostly ignore the smallness condition. It basically means that you can take colimits indexed by all sets that are built out of sets like $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(A, B)$. The rigorous way to say it is that \mathcal{A} is a \mathcal{W} -category, with \mathcal{W} a universe, and that it admits limits indexed by \mathcal{W} -small categories.)

- (a). (3 points) Show that, for every right R -module M , the functor $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$, $A \mapsto \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A))$ is representable. We denote a pair representing this functor by $(M \otimes_R Q, \eta(M))$.
- (b). (1 point) Show that the functor $G = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot) : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}_R$ admits a left adjoint F .
- (c). (2 points) If M is a free right R -module, show that $\eta(M) : M \rightarrow G(F(M))$ is injective, and that it is bijective if M is also finitely generated.
- (d). Let $\mathcal{A}' \subset \mathcal{A}$ be a full subcategory of \mathcal{A} that is stable by taking finite limits and finite colimits.
 - (i) (1 point) Show that \mathcal{A}' is an abelian category and that the inclusion functor $\mathcal{A}' \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ is exact.

From now on, we assume that the category \mathcal{A}' is small. Suppose that Q is a generator of \mathcal{A} . For every object A of \mathcal{A} , consider the surjective morphism $q_A : \bigoplus_{\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A)} Q \rightarrow A$ of Proposition II.3.1.3(i)(e) of the notes. Let $P = \bigoplus_{A \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A}')} \bigoplus_{\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A)} Q$; for every $A \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A}')$, we have a surjective morphism $p_A : P \rightarrow A$, which is given by q_A on the summand of P indexed by A and by 0 on the other summands. Let $S = \text{End}_{\mathcal{A}}(P)$, and consider the functor $G' = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(P, \cdot) : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}_S$.

- (ii) (2 points) Show that G' is faithful, and that it is exact if Q is projective.
- (iii) (3 points) If Q is projective, show that the restriction of G' to \mathcal{A}' is fully faithful.

From now on, we also assume that small filtrant colimits are exact in \mathcal{A} and that Q is a generator of \mathcal{A} .¹ We do not assume that Q is projective.

- (e). The goal of this question is to show that G is fully faithful. Let \mathcal{C} be the full subcategory of \mathcal{A} whose objects are finite direct sums of copies of P , and \mathcal{D} the full subcategory of \mathbf{Mod}_R whose objects are finitely generated free R -modules. We denote by $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})$ the functor $A \mapsto \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, A)|_{\mathcal{C}}$, and by $h' : \mathbf{Mod}_R \rightarrow \text{PSh}(\mathcal{D})$ the functor $M \mapsto \text{Hom}_R(\cdot, M)|_{\mathcal{D}}$.
 - (i) (1 point) Show that G induces an equivalence of categories $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$.
 - (ii) (1 points) Show that $h' : \mathbf{Mod}_R \rightarrow \text{PSh}(\mathcal{D})$ is fully faithful.
 - (iii) (1 points) Assuming that $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})$ is fully faithful, show that $G : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}_R$ is fully faithful.
 - (iv) (3 points) Show that h is left exact and faithful, and that, for any morphism f of \mathcal{A} , if $h(f)$ is surjective, then f is surjective.
 - (v) (2 points) For any object B of \mathcal{C} , any morphism $f : B \rightarrow A$ in \mathcal{A} and any object C of \mathcal{A} , show that the map

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Im } f, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(\text{Im}(h(B) \rightarrow h(A)), h(C))$$

is an isomorphism. (Hint : problem 2.)

¹In other words, \mathcal{A} is a Grothendieck abelian category.

Let A be an object of \mathcal{A} . Denote by \mathcal{C}/A the category of pairs (B, f) , where $B \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ and $f : B \rightarrow A$ is a morphism of \mathcal{A} ; a morphism $u : (B, f) \rightarrow (B', f')$ is a morphism $u : B \rightarrow B'$ such that $f = f' \circ u$.

Let I be the set of finite subsets of $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{C}/A)$, ordered by inclusion; the corresponding category is clearly filtrant. Define a functor $\xi : I \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ by sending a finite set $J = \{(B_1, f_1), \dots, (B_n, f_n)\}$ to $B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_n$; note that $\xi(J)$ comes with a morphism to A , given by $(f_1 \ \dots \ f_n)$.

- (vi) (1 point) Show that the canonical morphism $\varinjlim_{J \in I} h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)$ is an epimorphism.
 - (vii) (1 point) Show that the canonical morphism $\varinjlim_{J \in I} \text{Im}(h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)) \rightarrow h(A)$ is an isomorphism.
 - (viii) (2 points) Show that the canonical morphism $\varinjlim_{J \in I} \xi(J) \rightarrow A$ is an epimorphism.
 - (ix) (1 point) Show that the canonical morphism $\varinjlim_{J \in I} \text{Im}(\xi(J) \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A$ is an isomorphism.
 - (x) (2 points) For C another object of \mathcal{A} , show that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(A, C) \xrightarrow{h} \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(A), h(C))$ is bijective.
- (f). The goal of this question is to show that F is exact.
- (i) (2 points) Show that it suffices to prove that F preserves injections.

Let $f : M \rightarrow N$ be a morphism in \mathbf{Mod}_R .

- (ii) (2 points) Suppose that M is finitely generated free and that N is free. Show that the composition of $\eta(\text{Ker } f) : \text{Ker } f \rightarrow G(F(\text{Ker } f))$ and of the canonical morphism $G(F(\text{Ker } f)) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(G(F(f)))$ is an isomorphism.

Hint : Use the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{f} & N \\ \eta(M) \downarrow & & \downarrow \eta(N) \\ G(F(M)) & \xrightarrow{G(F(f))} & G(F(N)) \end{array}$$

- (iii) (3 points) Suppose that M is finitely generated, that N is free and that f is injective. Show that $F(f)$ is injective. (Hint : question 1(c).)
- (iv) (1 point) Suppose that N is free and that f is injective. Show that $F(f)$ is injective. (Hint : M is the union of its finitely generated submodules.)
- (v) (1 point) Suppose that f is injective. Show that we can find a commutative diagram with exact rows :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & M' & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow f' & & \downarrow f & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & N' & \longrightarrow & N & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

such that f' is injective and N' is free.

- (vi) (3 points) Suppose that f is injective. Applying F to the diagram of (v) and using 1(a), show that $F(f)$ is injective.

In conclusion, here are our embedding results so far :

- (1) If \mathcal{A} admits small colimits and a projective generator, we have shown that every small full abelian subcategory \mathcal{A}' of \mathcal{A} such that $\mathcal{A}' \subset \mathcal{A}$ is exact admits a fully faithful exact functor into a category of modules over some ring.
- (2) If \mathcal{A} is a Grothendieck abelian category (it admits small colimits, small filtrant colimits are exact, and \mathcal{A} has a generator), then we have shown that \mathcal{A} admits a fully faithful left exact functor into a category of modules over a ring, with an exact left adjoint. This is known as the Gabriel-Popescu embedding theorem.
- (3) We also have Morita's theorem (Theorem II.3.1.6 of the notes) : If \mathcal{A} admits small colimits and has a projective generator P such that the functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(P, \cdot)$ commutes with small direct sums, then \mathcal{A} is equivalent to a category of modules over a ring.

Solution.

(a). This is similar to what happens in the proof of Theorem II.3.1.6 of the notes, with a few changes to reflect the fact that $\eta(M)$ is not an isomorphism anymore. We denote by $\Phi_M : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ the functor $A \mapsto \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A))$.

- (1) If $M = R$, then the functor $\Phi_M : A \mapsto \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A)) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A)$ is representable by Q , and the morphism $\eta(M) \in \text{Hom}_R(R, \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q)) = \text{Hom}_R(R, R)$ is the identity of R .
- (2) If $M = R^{(X)}$ with X a set, then we have isomorphisms of functors

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_M = \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot)) &\simeq \prod_X \text{Hom}_R(R, \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot)) \simeq \prod_X \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot) \\ &\simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q^{(X)}, \cdot), \end{aligned}$$

so the functor Φ_M is representable by $Q^{(X)}$, and the morphism $\eta(M) \in \text{Hom}_R(R^{(X)}, \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(X)}))$ is the canonical morphism $R^{(X)} = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q)^{(X)} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(X)})$ of Subsection I.5.4.2 of the notes (which might not be an isomorphism).

- (3) In general, we chose an exact sequence $R^{(X)} \xrightarrow{u} R^{(Y)} \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$, with X and Y sets. This induces morphisms of functors $\Phi_M \rightarrow \Phi_{R^{(Y)}} \xrightarrow{u^*} \Phi_{R^{(X)}}$, and the second of these comes from a morphism $f : Q^{(X)} \rightarrow Q^{(Y)}$ between the objects representing $\Phi_{R^{(X)}}$ and $\Phi_{R^{(Y)}}$ such that the following diagram commutes :

$$(*) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} R^{(X)} & \xrightarrow{\eta(R^{(X)})} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(X)}) \\ \downarrow u & & \downarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, f) \\ R^{(Y)} & \xrightarrow{\eta(R^{(Y)})} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(Y)}) \end{array}$$

Let $B = \text{Coker } f$. By Subsection I.5.4.2 of the notes, there is a canonical morphism $M = \text{Coker}(G(f)) \rightarrow G(\text{Coker } f) = G(B)B$, which might not be an isomorphism. This induces a morphism of functors $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, \cdot) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(G(B), G(\cdot)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, G(\cdot)) = \Phi_M$. To show that this morphism is an isomorphism, we use, as in the proof of Theorem II.3.1.6 of the notes,

that we have a commutative diagram with exact columns for every $A \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A})$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & & 0 \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\Phi_M(A) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, A) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\Phi_{R^{(Y)}}(A) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q^{(Y)}, A) \\
u^*(A) \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(f, A) \\
\Phi_{R^{(X)}}(A) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q^{(X)}, A)
\end{array}$$

(The fact that the columns are exact only uses the left exact of the Hom functors.) We get the morphism $\eta(M) : M \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, B)$ by taking the morphism between the cokernels of the vertical maps in the commutative square (*).

- (b). This follows from (a) and from Proposition I.4.7 of the notes; in fact, we have $F(M) = M \otimes_R Q$. Also, by the proof of that proposition, the morphisms $\eta(M) : M \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, M \otimes_R Q) = G(F(M))$ define a morphism of functors $\text{id}_{\text{Mod}_R} \rightarrow G \circ F$, which is the unit of the adjunction.
- (c). If $M = R^{(X)}$ with X a set, we saw in the solution of (a) that $M \otimes_X Q = Q^{(X)}$ and that $\eta(M) : R^{(X)} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(X)})$ is the canonical morphism $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q)^{(X)} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(X)})$. If X is finite, this morphism is an isomorphism because $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot)$, being an additive functor, commutes with finite coproducts. In general, we claim that $\eta(M)$ is injective. Let $Q^X = \prod_X Q$; we have a family of morphisms $(q_x : Q^{(X)} \rightarrow Q)_{x \in X}$, such that the composition of q_x with the morphism $Q \rightarrow Q^{(X)}$ corresponding to $y \in X$ is id_Q if $y = x$, and 0 if $y \neq x$. This gives a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q)^{(X)} & \xrightarrow{\eta(M)} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(X)}) \\
(1) \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q)^X & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^X)
\end{array}$$

where the map (1) is the inclusion of the direct sum into the direct product (in the category of abelian groups), hence an injection. So $\eta(M)$ is injective.

- (d). (i) The category \mathcal{A}' is clearly preadditive. It is additive, because finite products in \mathcal{A} of objects of \mathcal{A}' are in \mathcal{A}' by hypothesis, and they are finite products in \mathcal{A}' by the fullness of \mathcal{A}' . For the same reason, every morphism in \mathcal{A}' has a kernel and a cokernel, which are its kernel and its cokernel in \mathcal{A} . If f is a morphism in \mathcal{A}' , then the canonical morphism from its coimage to its image in \mathcal{A}' is the same as the canonical morphism from its image to its coimage in \mathcal{A} , so it is an isomorphism. This shows that \mathcal{A}' is an abelian. We have seen in the construction of finite products, kernels and cokernels in \mathcal{A}' that the inclusion functor from \mathcal{A}' to \mathcal{A} commutes with these, so it commutes with finite limits and colimits, so it is exact.
- (ii) By the universal property of the direct sum, the functor G' is isomorphism to $\prod_{A \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{A})} \prod_{\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A)} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot)$. As Q is a generator, the functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, \cdot)$ is faithful; so G' is also faithful.

If Q is projective, then, by Lemma II.2.4.3 of the notes, P is also projective, and then the functor $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(P, \cdot)$ is exact.

- (iii) Let A and B be objects of \mathcal{A}' , and let $u : G'(A) \rightarrow G'(B)$ be a morphism of right S -modules. We want to show that there exists $g \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(A, B)$ such that $G'(g) = u$. By construction of P , we have surjective morphisms $p_A : P \rightarrow A$ and $p_B : P \rightarrow B$. As G' is exact, we get a diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} S & \xrightarrow{G'(p_A)} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(P, A) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ | & & \downarrow u & & \\ \downarrow v & & & & \\ S & \xrightarrow{G'(p_B)} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(P, B) & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

As S is a projective in \mathbf{Mod}_S , there exists a morphism $v : S \rightarrow S$ making the diagram. This morphism is of the form $g \mapsto f \circ g$, with $f = v(1) \in S = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(P, P)$. Consider the diagram with exact rows :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(p_A) & \xrightarrow{i} & P & \xrightarrow{p_A} & A \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow g \\ & & & & P & \xrightarrow{p_B} & B \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

To show that there exists a morphism $g : A \rightarrow B$ making this diagram commute, it suffices to show that $p_B \circ f \circ i = 0$. As G' is faithful, it suffices to show that $G'(p_B) \circ G'(f) \circ G'(i) = 0$; as $G'(p_B) \circ G'(f) = G'(p_B) \circ u = v \circ G'(p_A)$, we have $G'(p_B) \circ G'(f) \circ G'(i) = v \circ G'(p_A \circ i) = 0$.

To finish the proof, it suffices to prove that $G'(g) = u$. We know that $G'(g) \circ G'(p_A) = G'(p_B) \circ v = u \circ G'(p_A)$, so the equality $G'(g) = u$ follows from the fact that $G'(p_A)$ is surjective.

- (e). The idea of this seemingly strange procedure is that we are showing that the subcategory \mathcal{C} (resp. \mathcal{D}), that contains a generator, “generates” \mathcal{A} (resp. \mathbf{Mod}_R) in some precise sense (this notion is called being *strictly generating*, see Definition 5.3.1 of Kashiwara-Schapira); so the equivalence $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ of (i) will extend to a fully faithful functor $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}_R$. The proof of this fact is a specialization to our case of the proof of Theorem 5.3.6 of Kashiwara-Schapira.

- (i) If X is a finite set, then the canonical morphism $R^{(X)} = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q)^{(X)} \rightarrow G(Q^{(X)}) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, Q^{(X)})$ is an isomorphism. Just as in the second paragraph of the proof of Theorem II.3.1.6 of the notes, we deduce that, if X and Y are finite sets, then the map $G : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q^{(X)}, Q^{(Y)}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(R^{(X)}, R^{(Y)})$ is bijective. (As Y is finite, we only use the fact that additive functors commute with finite direct sums, and so we don’t need Q to have the extra property of that theorem.)

We have just shown that the restriction of the functor G to \mathcal{C} is fully faithful, and that its essential image is \mathcal{D} . So G induces an equivalence of categories from \mathcal{C} to \mathcal{D} by Corollary I.2.3.9 of the notes.

- (ii) Let $H : \text{PSh}(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Mod}_R$ be the functor sending a presheaf \mathcal{F} to $\mathcal{F}(R)$ (and a morphism $u : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ of presheaves to $u(R) : \mathcal{F}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(R)$).

For every right R -module M , we have a canonical isomorphism $H(h'(M)) = \text{Hom}_R(R, M) \xrightarrow{\sim} M$, $u \mapsto u(1)$. This defines an isomorphism of functors $H \circ h' \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{id}_{\mathbf{Mod}_R}$. Let M and N be right R -modules. Then we get a sequence of morphisms of abelian groups

$$\text{Hom}_R(M, N) \xrightarrow{h'} \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{D})}(h'(M), h'(N)) \xrightarrow{H} \text{Hom}_R(H(h'(M)), H(h'(N))) \simeq \text{Hom}_R(M, N),$$

whose composition is equal to $\text{id}_{\text{Hom}_R(M,N)}$. So the first map is injective. Also, as the functors $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, M)$ and $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, N)$ are additive, the presheaves $h'(M)$ $h'(N)$ commute with finite direct sums, so they are determined by their sections on R ; this shows that the second map in the sequence above is also injective; as it is surjective, it must be bijective, and this implies that $h' : \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{D})}(h'(M), h'(N))$ is bijective.

(iii) We have a diagram of categories and functors

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{G} & \mathbf{Mod}_R \\ h \downarrow & & \downarrow h' \\ \text{PSh}(\mathcal{C}) & \xleftarrow{\Phi} & \text{PSh}(\mathcal{D}) \end{array}$$

where Φ is the equivalence of categories induced by the equivalence $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ of (i). This diagram is not necessarily commutative, but we have an isomorphism of functors $\Phi \circ h \circ G \simeq h'$. We already know that Φ and h' are fully faithful, so, if h is fully faithful, we can conclude that G is fully faithful.

(iv) The functor h is left exact because $A \mapsto \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\cdot, A)$ is.

Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a morphism in \mathcal{A} such that $h(f) = 0$. Then the R -linear map $h(A)(Q) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, A) \xrightarrow{f^*} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Q, B) = h(B)(Q)$ is 0; in other words, we have $G(f) = 0$. As G is faithful (by Proposition II.3.1.3 of the notes, we get that $f = 0$). So h is faithful.

Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a morphism in \mathcal{A} such that $h(f)$ is surjective. Let $g_1, g_2 : B \rightarrow C$ be two morphisms such that $g_1 \circ f = g_2 \circ f$. Then $h(g_1) \circ h(f) = h(g_2) \circ h(f)$, so $h(g_1) = h(g_2)$ by the surjectivity of $h(f)$; as h is faithful, this implies that $g_1 = g_2$. So f is an epimorphism.

(v) By problem 2 and the left exactness of h , we have isomorphisms

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Im } f, C) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ker}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Ker } f, C))$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(\text{Im}(h(B) \rightarrow h(A)), h(C)) \\ & \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ker}(\text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(B), h(C)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(\text{Ker}(h(f)), h(C))) \\ & \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ker}(\text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(B), h(C)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(\text{Ker}(f)), h(C))). \end{aligned}$$

By these isomorphisms, the map that we are trying to understand corresponds to the map

$$\begin{aligned} u : \text{Ker}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Ker } f, C)) \\ \rightarrow \text{Ker}(\text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(B), h(C)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(\text{Ker}(f)), h(C))) \end{aligned}$$

induced by h . As $h : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(B, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(B), h(C))$ is an isomorphism (by Yoneda's lemma, applied to the representable presheaf $h(B)$ on \mathcal{C}) and the map $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Ker } f, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(\text{Ker } f), h(C))$ is injective (because h is faithful), the map u is bijective.

(vi) Let C be an object of \mathcal{C} . Then applying the morphism $\varinjlim_{J \in I} h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)$ to C gives the map

$$\varinjlim_{J \in I} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(C, \xi(J)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(C, A).$$

Saying that this is surjective means that every morphism $f : C \rightarrow A$ factors as $C \rightarrow \xi(J) \rightarrow A$ for $J \in I$, which is true : just take $J = \{(C, f)\}$ and $C \rightarrow \xi(J)$ equal to id_C . So $\varinjlim_{J \in I} h(\xi(J))(C) \rightarrow h(A)(C)$ is surjective for every $C \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$, which implies that $\varinjlim_{J \in I} h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)$ is an epimorphism.

- (vii) As I is filtrant, we have $\text{Im}(\varinjlim_{J \in I} h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)) = \varinjlim_{J \in I} \text{Im}(h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A))$. So the result follows immediately from (vi).
- (viii) Note that $\varinjlim_{J \in I} h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)$ factors as $\varinjlim_{J \in I} h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(\varinjlim_{J \in I} \xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)$, where the first morphism is that of Subsection I.5.4.2 of the notes and the second is the image by h of the canonical morphism $\varinjlim_{J \in I} \xi(J) \rightarrow A$. By (vi), the second morphism is an epimorphism, so, by (iv), the morphism $\varinjlim_{J \in I} \xi(J) \rightarrow A$ is an epimorphism.
- (ix) As in (vii), this follows immediately from (viii) and from the fact that I is filtrant.
- (x) The map $h : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(A, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(A), h(C))$ is equal to the composition

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(A, C) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\varinjlim_{J \in I} \text{Im}(\xi(J) \rightarrow A), C) \text{ by (ix)} \\
&\simeq \varprojlim_{J \in I^{\text{op}}} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\text{Im}(\xi(J) \rightarrow A), C) \\
&\xrightarrow{\sim} \varprojlim_{J \in I^{\text{op}}} \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(\text{Im}(h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)), h(C)) \text{ by (v)} \\
&\simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(\varinjlim_{J \in I} \text{Im}(h(\xi(J)) \rightarrow h(A)), h(C)) \\
&\simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{PSh}(\mathcal{C})}(h(A), h(C)) \text{ by (vii)}.
\end{aligned}$$

- (f). (i) We already know that F is right exact, because it is a left adjoint (Proposition II.2.3.3 of the notes.) So the statement follows from Lemma II.2.3.2 of the notes.
- (ii) We have a commutative diagram with exact rows :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker } f & \longrightarrow & M & \xrightarrow{f} & N \\
& & \eta(\text{Ker } f) \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
& & G(F(\text{Ker } f)) & & \eta(M) & & \eta(N) \\
& & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(G(F(f))) & \longrightarrow & G(F(M)) & \xrightarrow{G(F(f))} & G(F(N))
\end{array}$$

where the unmarked vertical one is the canonical morphism. So the result follows from a diagram chase in \mathbf{Mod}_R .

- (iii) As M is finitely generated, there exists a surjective R -linear map $g : M' \rightarrow M$, with M' free of finite type. As F is right exact, the morphism $F(g)$ is also surjective. So, by question 1(c), we have $\text{Ker}(F(f)) = F(g)(\text{Ker}(F(f \circ g)))$. Hence, to prove that $\text{Ker}(F(f)) = 0$, it suffices to show that the composition $\text{Ker}(F(f \circ g)) \rightarrow F(M') \xrightarrow{F(g)} F(M)$ is 0. As G is conservative, it suffices to prove this after applying G , and as G is left exact, it suffices to prove that the composition $\text{Ker}(G(F(f \circ g))) \rightarrow G(F(M')) \xrightarrow{G(F(g))} G(F(M))$ is 0. We have a commutative

diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
\text{Ker}(f \circ g) & \xrightarrow{u} & M' & \xrightarrow{g} & M \\
(1) \downarrow & & \downarrow \eta(M') & & \downarrow \eta(M) \\
\text{Ker}(G(F(f \circ g))) & \xrightarrow{v} & G(F(M')) & \xrightarrow{G(F(g))} & G(F(M))
\end{array}$$

We know that $g \circ u = 0$ because $0 = \text{Ker } f = g(\text{Ker}(f \circ g))$ by question 1(c), so $\eta(M) \circ g \circ u = 0$. As the morphism (1) is surjective by (ii), this implies that $G(F(g)) \circ v = 0$, as desired.

(iv) Let I be the set of all the finitely generated submodules of M ; for $i \in I$, we denote the corresponding submodule by M_i . Then I is filtrant, and $M = \varinjlim_{i \in I} M_i$. As F is a left adjoint, the canonical morphism $\varinjlim_{i \in I} F(M_i) \rightarrow F(M)$ is an isomorphism by Proposition I.5.4.3 of the notes, and $F(f)$ corresponds to $\varinjlim_{i \in I} F(f|_{M_i})$ by this isomorphism. For each $i \in I$, the morphism $F(f|_{M_i})$ is injective by (iii). As filtrant colimits are exact in \mathbf{Mod}_R by Corollary II.2.3.4 of the notes, this implies that $F(f)$ is also injective.

(v) Let $g : N' \rightarrow N$ be a surjective R -linear map with N' free, let $M' = N' \times_N M$ and let $f' : M' \rightarrow M$ and $g' : N' \rightarrow N$ be the two projections. The morphism g' is surjective by Corollary II.2.1.16 of the notes. As f is injective, so is f' (it is true and easy to prove that in any abelian category the pullback of an injective morphism is injective, but in the category of R -modules it is immediate). Let $i : K = \text{Ker } g \rightarrow N'$ and $i' : \text{Ker}(g') \rightarrow M'$ be the canonical injections. We have a commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(g') & \xrightarrow{i'} & M' & \xrightarrow{g'} & M & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
& & \downarrow u & & \downarrow f' & & \downarrow f & & \\
0 & \longrightarrow & K & \xrightarrow{i} & N' & \xrightarrow{g} & N & \longrightarrow & 0
\end{array}$$

As $g \circ f' \circ i' = f \circ g \circ i' = 0$, there exists a unique morphism $u : \text{Ker}(g') \rightarrow K$ such that $i \circ u = f' \circ i'$. We want to show that u is an isomorphism. As f' is injective, the map $f' \circ i'$ is injective, hence u is also injective. To prove that u is surjective, we can do a bit of diagram chasing : Let $x \in K$. Then $g(i(x)) = 0 = f(0)$, so $y = (i(x), 0) \in N' \times M$ is actually in M' , and we have $f'(y) = i(x)$ and $g'(y) = 0$. In particular, there exists $z \in \text{Ker}(g')$ such that $y = i'(z)$. As $i(u(z)) = f'(i'(z)) = i(x)$ and i is injective, we get that $x = u(z)$.

(vi) Applying F to the diagram of (v) gives a commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
F(K) & \longrightarrow & F(M') & \longrightarrow & F(M) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
\parallel & & \downarrow F(f') & & \downarrow (*) F(f) & & \\
F(K) & \longrightarrow & F(N') & \longrightarrow & F(N) & \longrightarrow & 0
\end{array}$$

By (iv), the map $F(f')$ is injective. Also, as F is a left adjoint, it commutes with colimits, so the square (*) is cocartesian. By question 1(a), the morphism $F(M') \rightarrow F(N') \times_{F(N)} F(M)$ is surjective. As $F(f')$ is injective, this morphism is also injective, so it is an isomorphism; in other words, the square (*) is cartesian. By Corollary II.2.1.16 of the notes, the morphism $F(f)$ is injective.

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