

Homework I
Due February 8

Throughout, R is a (unital) ring, M , M_λ and N are (unital) left R modules.

1. Prove that $\text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ is a ring via composition.
2. Show that $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ and $\text{Hom}_R(N, M)$ are left and right $\text{Hom}_R(M, M)$ modules via composition.
3. Prove that there is a ring isomorphism $\text{Hom}_R(M^{\oplus n}, M^{\oplus n}) \cong M_{n \times n}(\text{Hom}_R(M, M))$.
4. Recall that if G is a group we can form the group ring $R[G]$ which is also naturally an R -module. Suppose G is finite. Is $\text{Hom}_R(R[G], R[G])$ isomorphic to a group ring $R[H]$ for some group H ? If not, why not? If so, prove it.
5. Suppose now that M is actually an R - S module (that is, S is a ring and M is an R - S bimodule). Prove that $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ is naturally a left S -module and that $\text{Hom}_R(N, M)$ is naturally a right S -module.
6. Let $I \subseteq R$ be a left ideal. Let $M_I = \{m \in M \mid rm = 0 \text{ if } r \in I\}$. Prove that $\text{Hom}_R(R/I, M) \cong M_I$.
7. Show that the following groups are trivial: $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z})$, $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}/m, \mathbb{Z})$, and $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}/m, \mathbb{Z}/n)$ when $\text{g.c.d.}(m, n) = 1$.
8. Let Λ be a possibly infinite set. Show the following natural maps are generally not isomorphisms by explicit example (be sure to prove your examples):

$$\bigoplus_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Hom}_R(M_\lambda, N) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R\left(\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} M_\lambda, N\right) \longrightarrow \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Hom}_R(M_\lambda, N)$$

$$\bigoplus_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Hom}_R(N, M_\lambda) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_R\left(N, \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \Lambda} M_\lambda\right) \longrightarrow \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{Hom}_R(N, M_\lambda)$$