

Exercises for Algebra II, WS 12/13

Sheet 9 – Solutions

Exercise 39

If $U \rightarrow X$ and $U \rightarrow Y$ are given, then they determine a unique morphism into $X \times Y$ that gives the original morphism after composition with the respective projection morphisms. Since the compositions of $U \rightarrow X$ and of $U \rightarrow Y$ to a Z -valued morphisms coincide, it follows that the morphism $U \rightarrow X \times Y$ actually takes values in $\{(x, y) \mid f(x) = g(y)\}$.

Exercise 40

Spelling out the definitions one sees that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B & \longrightarrow & C \end{array}$$

is a pull-back if and only if $A \rightarrow B$ is a kernel of $B \rightarrow C$. Similarly, the diagram is a push-out if and only if $B \rightarrow C$ is a cokernel of $A \rightarrow B$. Thus $A \rightarrow B$ is mono (kernels are always monomorphisms), $\ker(B \rightarrow C) \cong \text{coker}(A \rightarrow B)$, and $B \rightarrow C$ is epi (likewise).

Exercise 41

Let $f: A \rightarrow U$ and $g: B \rightarrow U$ be group homomorphisms that agree on $A \cap B$. Then we may define $\tilde{f}: \langle A \cup B \rangle \rightarrow U$ by setting it to $f(a)$ if $a \in A$, $g(b)$ if $b \in B$ and extend it as a group homomorphism to $\langle A \cup B \rangle$. This is well-defined, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 \cdot b_1 = a_2 \cdot b_2 &\Rightarrow a_2^{-1} \cdot a_1 = b_2 \cdot b_1^{-1} \in A \cap B \\ &\Rightarrow f(a_2)^{-1} \cdot f(a_1) = g(b_2) \cdot g(b_1)^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow \tilde{f}(a_1 \cdot b_1) = f(a_1) \cdot g(b_1) = f(a_2) \cdot g(b_2) = \tilde{f}(a_2 \cdot b_2). \end{aligned}$$

Since \tilde{f} is uniquely determined by its restriction to A and B this shows the claim since $G = \langle A \cup B \rangle$. This also shows that in general a push-out of two subgroups A and B is given by the subgroup generated by A and B .

Exercise 42

- a) An inverse to the morphism

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Ab}}(N, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Mod-R}}(N, \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Ab}}(R, A)), \quad \varphi \mapsto (n \mapsto \varphi(n \cdot r))$$

is given by

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Mod-R}}(N, \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Ab}}(R, A)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Ab}}(N, A), \quad \varphi \mapsto (a \mapsto \varphi(a, 1)).$$

- b) Since the forgetful functor $\mathbf{Mod-R} \rightarrow \mathbf{Ab}$ is exact (check this), it follows from Proposition ... that the right adjoint preserves injectives. Since \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} is divisible and thus is injective, $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Ab}}(R, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ is injective.

- c) This also follows from Proposition ..., since the product functor is right adjoint to the diagonal functor (which is of course exact).
- d) We define

$$\Phi: M \rightarrow \prod_{\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Mod-R}}(M, I_0)} \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Ab}}(R, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}), \quad (\Phi(m)_{\psi})(r) := \psi(m)(r).$$

This is injective, since for each $m \in M$ we find a homomorphism $\psi_m: M \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ (of abelian groups) making the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \langle M \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}} & \longrightarrow & M \\ \downarrow & \swarrow \psi_m & \\ \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} & & \end{array}$$

commute. If we identify ψ_m with the associated homomorphism $M \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Ab}}(R, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$, then $(\Phi(m)_{\psi_m})(1) \neq 0$ and thus Φ is injective.

By b) we know that I_0 is injective, by c) we know that $I(M)$ is injective. Since M injects into $I(M)$ this shows that $\mathbf{R-Mod} \cong \mathbf{Mod-R}$ has enough injectives.