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Let S be a set. Let A be an algebra

A free A -module on S is a pair (A^S, α) where

A^S is an A -module

$\alpha: S \rightarrow A^S$ is a function

such that, if M is an A -module with a function $\gamma: S \rightarrow M$ then there exists a unique morphism $\tilde{\gamma}: A^S \rightarrow M$ such that $\tilde{\gamma} \circ \alpha = \gamma$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & A^S \\ & \searrow \gamma & \downarrow \tilde{\gamma} \\ & & M \end{array}$$

This is a definition by a universal property.

A morphism in the category of sets is a function.
A morphism in the category of categories is a functor.

The forgetful functor is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F: A\text{-modules} & \rightarrow & \text{Sets} \\ M & \mapsto & M \end{array}$$

The free module functor is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Sets} & \rightarrow & A\text{-modules} \\ S & \mapsto & A^S \end{array}$$

The universal property for free modules tells us

$$\text{Hom}_A(A^S, M) \cong \text{Hom}_{\text{sets}}(S, M)$$

$$\tilde{J} \longleftarrow J$$

The free module functor is the left adjoint to the forgetful functor.

Let M be an A -module.

A presentation of M is an exact sequence

$$A^T \rightarrow A^S \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

where A^T and A^S are free modules.

The term exact sequence means that

(a) $\text{im } p = \text{ker } \alpha$

(b) $\text{im } \alpha = \text{ker } 0$.

Let X be a group

A presentation of X is an exact sequence

$$R \rightarrow G \rightarrow X \rightarrow \{1\}$$

where R and G are free groups.

Example

(1) $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ is generated by 1 with relation $\underbrace{1+1+\dots+1}_{m \text{ times}} = 0$.

The cyclic group of order m

C_m is generated by g with relation $g^m = 1$. ⑦

Alternatively:

$\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ is presented by

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \\ & & & & 1 & \longrightarrow & 1 \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \\ & & & & 1 & \longrightarrow & m \end{array}$$

and C_m is presented by

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} G^{\{r\}} & \longrightarrow & G^{\{g\}} & \longrightarrow & C_m & \longrightarrow & \{1\} \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \\ & & & & g & \longrightarrow & g \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \\ & & & & g^m & \longrightarrow & 1 \end{array}$$

where G^S denotes the free group on the set S .

Example 2

The dihedral group of order $2m$, $G_{m,m,2}$ is generated by x and y with relations

$$x^2 = 1, \quad y^m = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad xy = y^{-1}x$$

Alternatively:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} F_3 & \longrightarrow & F_2 & \longrightarrow & G_{m,m,2} & \longrightarrow & \{1\} \\ r_3 \downarrow & & r_1 \downarrow & & & & \\ & & g_1 & \longrightarrow & x & & \\ & & g_2 & \longrightarrow & y & & \\ & & \downarrow & & & & \\ & & g_1^2 & & & & \\ & & \downarrow & & & & \\ & & g_2^m & & & & \end{array}$$

where F_k denotes a free group on a set with k elements

Let K be a field

An algebra is a vector space A with a linear transformation

$$A \otimes A \rightarrow A$$

$$a \otimes b \mapsto ab$$

such that

(a) If $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$ then $(a_1 a_2) a_3 = a_1 (a_2 a_3)$,

(b) There exists $1 \in A$ such that

if $a \in A$ then $1 \cdot a = a$ and $a \cdot 1 = a$.

Let A be an algebra. An A -module is a vector space M with a linear transformation

$$A \otimes M \rightarrow M$$

$$a \otimes m \mapsto am$$

such that

(a) If $a_1, a_2 \in A$ and $m \in M$ then $a_1 (a_2 m) = (a_1 a_2) m$,

(b) If $m \in M$ then $1 \cdot m = m$.

Let A be an algebra. Let M, N be A -modules.

A morphism from M to N is a linear transformation $f: M \rightarrow N$ such that

if $a \in A$ and $m \in M$ then $f(am) = a f(m)$.

Let A and B be algebras. A morphism from A to B ②
 is a linear transformation $f: A \rightarrow B$ such that
 (a) if $a_1, a_2 \in A$ then $f(a_1 a_2) = f(a_1) f(a_2)$, and
 (b) $f(1) = 1$.

Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a morphism of algebras.
 Let N be a B -module.

Define $f^*(N)$ to be the A -module with

- vector space N and
- A -action given by $an = f(a)n$.

Then f^* , restriction along f , is a functor

$$f^*: B\text{-modules} \rightarrow A\text{-modules}.$$

If A is a subalgebra of B , $A \hookrightarrow B$,
 the functor f^* is called restriction and denoted
 Res_A^B .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_A^B: B\text{-modules} &\rightarrow A\text{-modules} \\ N &\longmapsto \text{Res}_A^B(N) \end{aligned}$$

Induction is the left adjoint to restriction

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ind}_A^B: A\text{-modules} &\rightarrow B\text{-modules} \\ M &\longmapsto \text{Ind}_A^B(M) \end{aligned}$$

determined by

$$\text{Hom}_B(\text{Ind}_A^B(M), N) \cong \text{Hom}_A(M, \text{Res}_A^B(N))$$

$$\tilde{\varphi} \longleftarrow \varphi$$

Alternatively: $\text{Ind}_A^B(M)$ is a pair $(\text{Ind}_A^B(M), \tau)$ where

$\text{Ind}_A^B(M)$ is a B -module with
a morphism $\tau: M \rightarrow \text{Ind}_A^B(M)$

such that if N is a B -module with an
morphism $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$

then there exists a unique $\tilde{\varphi}: \text{Ind}_A^B(M) \rightarrow N$
such that $\tilde{\varphi} \circ \tau = \varphi$.

