

Homework 2 Due date December 5th

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Problem 1. (5 x 5 points) Describe the following as abelian groups:

$$\text{hom}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{Z}/n) \quad \text{hom}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{Z}/m, \mathbf{Z}/n) \quad \text{hom}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{Z}/n, \mathbf{Z}) \quad \text{hom}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{Z}) \quad \text{hom}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{Q})$$

Problem 2. (10 points) Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism in a category C . Show that the following are equivalent:

- f is an isomorphism;
- for any object Z , the map of sets $f^* : \text{mor}_C(Y, Z) \rightarrow \text{mor}_C(X, Z)$ ($h \mapsto hf$) is a bijection;

Problem 3.

- (1) (10 points) Show that if M and N are simple left R modules, then any R -module homomorphism $f : M \rightarrow N$ is either zero or an isomorphism.
- (2) (10 points) Show that if M is a simple left R -module, then the ring $\text{End}_R(M)$ is a division ring, i.e. all non-zero elements have inverses.

Problem 4. Let $R = \mathbf{Z}[x]/(X^2 + 5)$.

- (1) (5 points) Show that there is a unique ring homomorphism $\pi : R \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}/2$.
- (2) (15 points) Let I be the kernel of the homomorphism $\pi : R \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}/2$. Recall that I^2 consists of finite sums of the form $\sum x_i y_i$, where x_i and y_i belong to I . Show that I^2 is the ideal of R generated by 2, I is projective R -module, and I is not free R -module.

Problem 5. (20 points) Let C be a category. Recall that a morphism $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is an epimorphism if for any object Z , the function $\text{mor}_C(Y, Z) \ni h \mapsto hf \in \text{mor}_C(X, Z)$ is 1 to 1. Prove that in the category of Groups a morphism $f : G \rightarrow H$ is an epimorphism if and only if it is onto.