

1. Consider the setup of the  $3 \times 3$  lemma, i.e. a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & X' & \rightarrow & Y' & \rightarrow & Z' \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & X & \rightarrow & Y & \rightarrow & Z \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & X'' & \rightarrow & Y'' & \rightarrow & Z'' \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

with exact rows. Show that the exactness of the first and third column does not imply the exactness of the middle column.

**Solution.** Let us consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & X' & \xrightarrow{\varphi'} & Y' & \xrightarrow{\psi'} & Z' \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow \alpha' & & \downarrow \beta' & & \downarrow \gamma' \\
 0 & \rightarrow & X & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & Y & \xrightarrow{\psi} & Z \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow \alpha'' & & \downarrow \beta'' & & \downarrow \gamma'' \\
 0 & \rightarrow & X'' & \xrightarrow{\varphi''} & Y'' & \xrightarrow{\psi''} & Z'' \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

A simple diagram chasing shows that under the assumptions  $\beta'$  is injective and  $\beta''$  is surjective. For example, if  $\beta'(y') = 0$  for some  $y' \in Y$  then  $\psi\beta'(y') = \gamma'\psi'(y') = 0$ . Since  $\gamma'$  is injective, this gives that  $\psi'(y') = 0$ , hence  $y' \in \text{Ker } \Psi' = \text{Im } \varphi'$ . Thus there exists  $x' \in X'$  such that  $y' = \varphi'(x')$ . But then  $\varphi\alpha'(x') = \beta'\varphi'(x') = \beta'(y') = 0$  and since both  $\varphi$  and  $\alpha'$  are injective, we get that  $x' = 0$ . But this implies that  $y' = \varphi(x') = 0$ , giving that  $\beta'$  is injective. (The proof that  $\beta''$  is surjective is similar.) One should also observe that if the middle column would be half exact at  $Y$  then we would have a short exact sequence of complexes (the vertical columns) where the homologies would be everywhere 0 with one possible exception, the homology at  $Y$ . But taking the long exact sequence of homologies would imply that the homology at  $Y$  is also 0. Thus, if we want to construct a counterexample, we really need a diagram where  $\text{Im } \beta' \not\subseteq \text{Ker } \beta''$ . The following diagram provides such a counterexample in the category of  $K$  vector spaces:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & 0 & \xrightarrow{0} & K & \xrightarrow{[1]} & K \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow 0 & & \downarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} & & \downarrow [1] \\
 0 & \rightarrow & K & \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} & K \oplus K & \xrightarrow{[0 \ 1]} & K \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow [1] & & \downarrow [1 \ 1] & & \downarrow 0 \\
 0 & \rightarrow & K & \xrightarrow{[1]} & K & \xrightarrow{0} & 0 \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

2. Consider the chain map  $f_{\bullet} : X_{\bullet} \rightarrow Y_{\bullet}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc}
 \dots & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_4 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 4} & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 1} & \mathbb{Z}_2 & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & \dots \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 \dots & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 2} & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 4} & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & \dots
 \end{array}$$

Here the vertical maps are the natural embeddings. Compute the long exact sequence of homologies obtained from the short exact sequence of complexes

$$0_{\bullet} \longrightarrow X_{\bullet} \xrightarrow{f_{\bullet}} Y_{\bullet} \longrightarrow \text{Coker } f_{\bullet} \longrightarrow 0_{\bullet}.$$

**Solution.** Here is the complete diagram, completed with the cokernel terms.

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccccc} \dots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_4 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 4} & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 1} & \mathbb{Z}_2 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & & & \downarrow f_2 & & \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow f_0 & & & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 2} & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto 4} & \mathbb{Z}_8 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & & & \downarrow g_2 & & \downarrow g_1 & & \downarrow g_0 & & & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_2 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_2 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

Here the columns form short exact sequences (the endterms are omitted) and the other vertical maps are defined by  $f_2 : 1 \mapsto 2$ ,  $f_1 : 1 \mapsto 1$  and  $f_0 : 1 \mapsto 4$ , furthermore  $g_i : 1 \mapsto 1$  ( $i = 2, 1, 0$ ). The homologies are the following:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 2\mathbb{Z}_4 & 2\mathbb{Z}_8/4\mathbb{Z}_8 & \mathbb{Z}_2/\mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 0 & 4\mathbb{Z}_8 & 2\mathbb{Z}_8/2\mathbb{Z}_8 & \mathbb{Z}_8/4\mathbb{Z}_8 & 0 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2 & 0 & \mathbb{Z}_2/0 & 0 \end{array}$$

Then we have:  $H_2(f_{\bullet}) : [2] \mapsto [4]$ , that is the generating element of  $2\mathbb{Z}_4 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$  maps to the generating element of  $4\mathbb{Z}_8 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $H_2(g_{\bullet}) : [4] \mapsto [4] = [0]$ ,  $\partial_2 : [1] \leftarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \leftarrow [2]$ ,  $H_0(g_{\bullet}) : [1] \mapsto [1]$ , and the rest of the maps of the long exact sequence is obviously 0. Thus the long exact sequence of homologies is as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} & & 0 & & \mathbb{Z}_2 & & \mathbb{Z}_2 & & 0 & & 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \nearrow & \downarrow \cong & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow \\ \dots & & 0 & & \mathbb{Z}_2 & & 0 & & \mathbb{Z}_4 & & 0 & \dots \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow 0 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \\ & & 0 & & \mathbb{Z}_2 & & 0 & & \mathbb{Z}_4 & & 0 \end{array}$$

3. Let  $A$  be a  $K$ -algebra,  $M$  and  $N$   $A$ -modules, and let  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{E}'$  be two non-split extensions in the  $K$ -space  $\text{Ext}_A^1(M, N)$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{E}'$  are linearly dependent. Show that the middle terms in  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{E}'$  are isomorphic.

**Solution.** We may assume that  $\mathcal{E}' = \lambda \cdot \mathcal{E} = (\lambda \text{id}_N)\mathcal{E}$  with  $\lambda \in K$  nonzero. Then we get:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & N & \rightarrow & K & \rightarrow & M & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow \lambda \text{id}_N & & \downarrow \kappa & & \downarrow \text{id}_M & & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & N & \rightarrow & \tilde{K} & \rightarrow & M & \rightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Since the first and third vertical map is an isomorphism, so is  $\kappa$ . Thus  $K \simeq \tilde{K}$ .

4. a) Consider the algebra given by  $A_A = \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \oplus \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 3 \end{smallmatrix} \oplus 3$ . Find the projective resolutions of the modules  $X = \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ & 2 \end{smallmatrix}$  and of  $Y = 2$ .  
 b) Consider the algebra given by  $B_B = \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 2 \end{smallmatrix} \oplus \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 2 \end{smallmatrix}$ . Compute the projective resolution of the module  $Z = \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ 1 & 2 \\ & 2 \end{smallmatrix}$ .

**Solution.** a)

$$\begin{array}{l} 0 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & \\ 1 & 3 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & \\ 1 & 3 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \oplus 3 \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & \\ 1 & 3 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

and here the image of a generating element of a projective module is indicated by a bold face number in the next term.

b)

$$\dots \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & \\ 2 & 2 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & \\ 2 & 2 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 2 & \\ 2 & 2 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 2 \end{smallmatrix} \oplus \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 2 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & \\ 2 & 2 \end{smallmatrix} \rightarrow 0$$

The map  $P_1 \rightarrow P_0$  will take the generating element of  $\begin{smallmatrix} 2 & \\ 2 & 2 \end{smallmatrix}$  into the difference of the two basis elements, indicated by bold face letters.

5. Take the deleted projective resolution of the module  $X$  from the previous problem and apply to it the contravariant functor  $\text{Hom}(-, \frac{1}{2})$ . Compute the dimension of the cohomologies of this new complex.

**Solution.** The deleted projective resolution is the following:

$$0 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \mathbf{3} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \rightarrow 0,$$

and after applying the functor  $\text{Hom}(-, \frac{1}{2})$  we get the following sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix}, \frac{1}{2}) \xrightarrow{d^0} \text{Hom}(\begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix}, \frac{1}{2}) \xrightarrow{d^1} \text{Hom}(\begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \mathbf{3}, \frac{1}{2}) \xrightarrow{d^2} \text{Hom}(3, \frac{1}{2}) \rightarrow 0.$$

Here  $\text{Hom}(\begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix}, \frac{1}{2})$  is one dimensional, generated by the natural homomorphism from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to the quotient module obtained by factoring out with the simple socle. The image of this generating element under the action of  $d^0$  is 0 thus  $d^0$  is the zero map. The same element is taken by  $d^1$  into a nontrivial morphism in  $\text{Hom}(\begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \mathbf{3}, \frac{1}{2})$  which is also one dimensional. Hence it is an isomorphism. Finally  $\text{Hom}(3, \frac{1}{2}) = 0$ , hence  $d^2 = 0$ . This gives us that the 0-th cohomology of the sequence is one dimensional, while the other cohomologies are 0.

6. Consider the algebra  $A_A = 1 \oplus 2 \oplus \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \mathbf{2}$  and take the short exact sequence

$$\mathcal{E} : 0 \longrightarrow 1 \oplus 2 \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \mathbf{2} \longrightarrow 3 \longrightarrow 0.$$

Find the (pullback) sequence  $\mathcal{E}\mu$  if  $\mu : \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \longrightarrow 3$  is the natural epimorphism.

**Solution.** The following is the required diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{E}\mu : & 0 & \longrightarrow & 1 \oplus 2 & \longrightarrow & \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \mathbf{2} \oplus 2 & \longrightarrow & \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{matrix} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \mu & & \\ \mathcal{E} : & 0 & \longrightarrow & 1 \oplus 2 & \longrightarrow & \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \mathbf{2} & \longrightarrow & 3 & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$