

MA3204 - Exercise 6

1. Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category. Let $f^\bullet : A^\bullet \rightarrow B^\bullet$ be a morphism of complexes in $\mathbf{C}(\mathcal{A})$. Show that $\text{Cone}((-1)^n f^\bullet[n]) = \text{Cone}(f^\bullet)[n]$.
2. Let \mathcal{C} be a category. Show that a morphism in \mathcal{C} is an isomorphism if and only if it is both a split monomorphism and a split epimorphism.
3. Let $(\mathcal{T}, \Sigma, \Delta)$ be a triangulated category. Let $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \xrightarrow{h} X[1]$ be a distinguished triangle. Show that the triangles

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are also distinguished.

4. Let $(\mathcal{T}, \Sigma, \Delta)$ be a triangulated category.
 - (a) [Opp16, Exercise VI.1] Let $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \xrightarrow{h} X[1]$ be a distinguished triangle. If $h = 0$, show that f is a split monomorphism and g is a split epimorphism.
Hint: apply (TR3) to a diagram with morphisms between the given triangle and the trivial triangle of X .
 - (b) Show that any monomorphism in \mathcal{T} is a split monomorphism and any epimorphism in \mathcal{T} is a split epimorphism. Conclude that a morphism in \mathcal{T} is an isomorphism if and only if it is both a monomorphism and an epimorphism.
Hint: use part (a).
5. Let $(\mathcal{T}, \Sigma, \Delta)$ be a triangulated category. Let $(0, \alpha, 0)$ and $(0, \beta, 0)$ be two endomorphisms of a distinguished triangle $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \xrightarrow{h} X[1]$. Show that $\alpha \circ \beta = 0$.
Hint: apply (TR3) to a diagram with morphisms between the given triangle and a rotation of the trivial triangle of Y .
6. Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category. The aim of this exercise is to fill-in the details in the proof that $(\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A}), [1], \Delta)$ satisfies (TR3). Assume that we have a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} A^\bullet & \xrightarrow{f^\bullet} & B^\bullet & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(f^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & A^\bullet[1] \\ \alpha^\bullet \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta^\bullet & & & & \downarrow \alpha^\bullet[1] \\ A'^\bullet & \xrightarrow{f'^\bullet} & B'^\bullet & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(f'^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & A'^\bullet[1] \end{array}$$

in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$ such that $f'^\bullet \circ \alpha^\bullet = \beta^\bullet \circ f^\bullet$. That is, there exist morphisms $h^n : A^n \rightarrow B'^{n-1}$ in \mathcal{A} satisfying

$$\beta^n \circ f^n - f'^n \circ \alpha^n = d_{B'}^{n-1} \circ h^n + h^{n+1} \circ d_A^n$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Define $\gamma^\bullet : \text{Cone}(f^\bullet) \rightarrow \text{Cone}(f'^\bullet)$ by $\gamma^n = \begin{pmatrix} \beta^n & h^{n+1} \\ 0 & \alpha^{n+1} \end{pmatrix}$.

- (a) Show that γ^\bullet is a morphism in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$.

- (b) Show that $\gamma^\bullet \circ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \circ \beta^\bullet$ in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$.
(c) Show that $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \circ \gamma^\bullet = \alpha^\bullet[1] \circ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$.

Hint: show that the claims (a), (b) and (c) hold in $\mathbf{C}(\mathcal{A})$ even.

7. Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category. The aim of this exercise is to fill-in the details in the proof that $(\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A}), [1], \Delta)$ satisfies (TR4). Assume that we have the solid part of the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
A^\bullet & \xrightarrow{f^\bullet} & B^\bullet & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(f^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & A^\bullet[1] \\
\parallel & & \downarrow g^\bullet & & \downarrow \begin{pmatrix} g^\bullet & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & & \parallel \\
A^\bullet & \xrightarrow{g^\bullet \circ f^\bullet} & C^\bullet & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(g^\bullet \circ f^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & A^\bullet[1] \\
& & \downarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & & \downarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & f^\bullet[1] \end{pmatrix} & & \downarrow f^\bullet[1] \\
& & \text{Cone}(g^\bullet) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \text{Cone}(g^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & B^\bullet[1] \\
& & \downarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & & \downarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & & \\
& & B^\bullet[1] & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(f^\bullet)[1] & &
\end{array}$$

in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$ and consider the dashed part.

- (a) Check that the maps in the dashed part are well-defined and that all squares commute in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$.
(b) Show that

$$\text{Cone}(f^\bullet) \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} g^\bullet & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \text{Cone}(g^\bullet \circ f^\bullet) \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & f^\bullet[1] \end{pmatrix}} \text{Cone}(g^\bullet) \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \text{Cone}(f^\bullet)[1]$$

is isomorphic to a standard triangle in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$.

Hint: show that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
\text{Cone}(f^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} g^\bullet & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(g^\bullet \circ f^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & f^\bullet[1] \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(g^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(f^\bullet)[1] \\
\parallel & & \parallel & & \downarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & & \parallel \\
\text{Cone}(f^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} g^\bullet & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(g^\bullet \circ f^\bullet) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}\left(\begin{pmatrix} g^\bullet & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) & \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} & \text{Cone}(f^\bullet)[1]
\end{array}$$

is an isomorphism of triangles in $\mathbf{K}(\mathcal{A})$.

8. Let $(\mathcal{T}, [1], \Delta)$ be a triangulated category. Let $[1]^{\text{op}} : \mathcal{T}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{\text{op}}$ be the functor defined by
- if $X \in \mathcal{T}^{\text{op}}$, then $X[1]^{\text{op}} = X[-1]$, and
 - if $f : X \rightarrow Y$ in \mathcal{T}^{op} , so that $f : Y \rightarrow X$ in \mathcal{T} and $f[-1] : Y[-1] \rightarrow X[-1]$ in \mathcal{T} , then $f[1]^{\text{op}}$ is defined as the arrow $f[-1] : X[-1] \rightarrow Y[-1]$ in \mathcal{T}^{op} .

Let Δ^{op} be a class of triangles in \mathcal{T} defined by

$$\Delta^{\text{op}} = \{ Z \xrightarrow{g} Y \xrightarrow{f} X \xrightarrow{-h[1]^{\text{op}}} Z[1]^{\text{op}} \mid X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \xrightarrow{h} X[1] \in \Delta \}.$$

Show that $(\mathcal{T}^{\text{op}}, [1]^{\text{op}}, \Delta^{\text{op}})$ is a triangulated category.

Hint: to show that (TR4) holds you may want to use Problem 3.

References

- [Opp16] Steffen Oppermann. *Notes in homological algebra*. <https://folk.ntnu.no/opperman/HomAlg.pdf>, 2016.