

# Monomorphisms in categories of modules

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I will give descriptions of monomorphisms in several different categories of modules over rings which do not necessarily have an identity element. Firstly, I will describe monomorphisms in the category of all right modules  $\mathbf{Mod}_R$ . Secondly, in the category  $\mathbf{UMod}_R$ , which is the category of all unitary right modules (i.e. right modules  $M_R$  satisfying  $MR = R$ ) over an idempotent ring  $R$  (i.e.  $RR = R$ ). Then I will look at firm right modules, these are right modules  $M_R$  for which the canonical mapping

$$\mu_M: M \otimes R \rightarrow M, \quad \sum_{h=1}^k m_h \otimes r_h \mapsto \sum_{h=1}^k m_h r_h$$

is bijective. Thirdly, I will give a description of monomorphisms in  $\mathbf{FMod}_R$ , which is the category of all firm right modules over a firm ring  $R$  (i.e. the module  $R_R$  is firm). Also, I will show that in the category of firm right modules, the set of subobjects of an object forms a modular lattice. My talk will be based on my master's thesis, that I defended in June 2018, which in turn was influenced by articles [1] and [2].

## References

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