

ON FILTERED MODULES AND THEIR ASSOCIATED GRADED MODULES

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Introduction.

This paper considers the relation between a filtered ring A and its filtered modules on one hand and their associated graded objects on the other. The first two sections are devoted to definitions and elaboration of our main tools. Let A be a filtered ring and N a filtered A -module. In section 2 the main result states that

$$\text{l.w.dim}_A N \leq \text{gr.l.w.dim}_{E(A)} E(N),$$

where $E(\cdot)$ denotes the associated graded object, and that

$$\text{gl.w.dim } A \leq \text{gr.gl.w.dim } E(A).$$

In section 3 we discuss direct sums in the category of filtered modules. In section 4 we prove that, assuming certain finiteness conditions, then $E(N)$ injective over $E(A)$ implies that N is injective over A . Furthermore, we give an example which shows that some kind of finiteness condition is necessary. In section 5 we study the possibility of lifting projective modules over $E(A)$ to projective modules over A .

0. Definition of relevant concepts.

We shall study a filtered ring A and filtered (left or right) modules over A . All filtrations are supposed to be increasing and we always assume that $1 \in F_0 A$. If M is a filtered module then the filtration $F_* M$ is said to be:

1. discrete if $F_p M = 0$ for $p < p_0$, where p_0 depends on M ,
2. separated if $\bigcap F_p M = 0$,
3. exhaustive if $M = \bigcup F_p M$,
4. complete if $M = \text{projlim } M/F_p M$.

Thus a discrete filtration is complete and a complete filtration is separated. Note that if we topologize M , using $F_* M$ as a fundamental

system of neighborhoods of 0, then F_*M is discrete, separated or complete iff the associated topology is discrete, separated or complete respectively. The ring of integers Z , will always be assumed to be filtered by $F_p Z = 0$ for $p < 0$, $F_p Z = Z$ for $p \geq 0$. As a graded ring, Z will be given the grading $Z^n = 0$ for $n \neq 0$, $Z^0 = Z$. Note that in particular " $E_0(Z) = Z$ ".

Our interest will be in the three types of categories described below.

If C is a ring then ${}_C\mathfrak{M}$ (\mathfrak{M}_C) will denote the category of left (right) C -modules and the usual homomorphisms.

If B is a graded ring then we let the objects in $\text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{gr}\mathfrak{M}_B$) be the graded left (right) modules over B . The grading M^* of a graded module will be said to be discrete if $M^p = 0$ for $p < p_0$, where p_0 depends on M . A homomorphism $f: M \rightarrow N$ in ${}_B\mathfrak{M}$ (\mathfrak{M}_C), i.e. in the corresponding ungraded category, will be said to be of degree n if $f(M^p) \subset N^{p+n}$ for every integer p . This gives us a graded Z -module $\text{Hom}(M, N)$, where $(\text{Hom}(M, N))^n$ consists of the homomorphisms of degree n . As the morphisms in $\text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{gr}\mathfrak{M}_B$) we take $\text{hom}_B(M, N) = (\text{Hom}(M, N))^0$. Then $\text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{gr}\mathfrak{M}_B$) becomes an abelian category with "sufficiently many" projective and injective objects.

An object M in $\text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{gr}\mathfrak{M}_B$) is said to be gr-projective, -injective, -flat if it is projective etc. in $\text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{gr}\mathfrak{M}_B$). If we say that it is projective etc. without the prefix gr- then we mean that it is so in the corresponding ungraded category ${}_B\mathfrak{M}$ (\mathfrak{M}_B). We say that M is gr-free if it is free in ${}_B\mathfrak{M}$ (\mathfrak{M}_B) and has a basis consisting of homogeneous elements. It is easy to show that each M has a gr-free resolution and that M is gr-projective iff it is projective.

Note that Tor_n^B is a functor

$$\text{gr}\mathfrak{M}_B \times \text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \text{gr}_Z\mathfrak{M} .$$

Furthermore, $\text{Tor}_n^B(M, N)$ considered as an ungraded object is our usual $\text{Tor}_n^B(M, N)$ when B, M, N are regarded as ungraded. This follows immediately from the way we compute it. We have also defined a functor

$$\text{Hom}_B: \text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M} \times \text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \text{gr}_Z\mathfrak{M} .$$

It is clear that $\text{Hom}_B(\cdot, N)$ is exact iff N is gr-injective. Using the derived functors of Hom_B we get the functors

$$\text{Ext}_n^B: \text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M} \times \text{gr}_B\mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \text{gr}_Z\mathfrak{M} .$$

If A is a filtered ring then we let the objects in $\text{filt}_A\mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{filt}\mathfrak{M}_A$) be the filtered left (right) A -modules. Let M, N be filtered A -modules and let $f: M \rightarrow N$ be a homomorphism of A -modules. Then f is said to be of filt-degree n if $fF_p M \subset F_{p+n} N$ for every integer p . The homomorphisms $M \rightarrow N$

of finite filter-degree will be denoted by $\text{Hom}_A(M, N)$. As the morphisms in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{filt} \mathfrak{M}_A$) we take the homomorphisms of filt-degree 0 and the morphisms $M \rightarrow N$ will be denoted by $\text{hom}_A(M, N)$. It is clear that we then get a category and that this category is not abelian in general.

It is well-known that there is a functor

$$E_0: \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \text{gr}_{E_0(A)} \mathfrak{M}.$$

We shall denote this functor simply by E . A morphism $f \in \text{hom}_A(M, N)$ is said to be strict if $fF_p M = \text{im} f \cap F_p N$. It is shown in [2, pp. 36–37] that if

$$K \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} N$$

is strict exact (i.e. it is exact and f and g are strict) then

$$E(K) \xrightarrow{E(f)} E(M) \xrightarrow{E(g)} E(N)$$

is exact.

Finally, all rings are supposed to have a unit element and all modules are assumed to be unitary.

1. Strict morphisms and exactness. Free objects in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$.

We want to somewhat extend the above mentioned and some related results in [2].

LEMMA 1. *Let A be a filtered ring and let*

$$(1) \quad K \xrightarrow{f} M \xrightarrow{g} N$$

be a 0-sequence in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Consider

$$(2) \quad E(K) \rightarrow E(M) \rightarrow E(N).$$

We have

- (a) *If (1) is strict exact then (2) is exact.*
- (b) *If (2) is exact and $F_* M$ is exhaustive then g is strict.*
- (c) *If (2) is exact, $F_* K$ is complete and $F_* M$ is separated then f is strict.*
- (d) *If (2) is exact and $F_* M$ is discrete then f is strict.*
- (e) *If $F_* K$ is complete and $F_* M$ is exhaustive and separated or if $F_* M$ is exhaustive and discrete then (1) is strict exact iff (2) is exact.*

PROOF. (a) Let $E(g)m^p = 0$, where $m \in F_p M$ and m^p is its canonical image in

$$E^p(M) = F_p M / F_{p-1} M.$$

Then $g(m) \in F_{p-1}N$ so that $g(m) = g(m')$, where $m' \in F_{p-1}M$. It follows that $m - m' = f(k)$, where $k \in F_pK$, so that

$$m^p = (m - m')^p = f(k)^p = E(f)k^p.$$

Thus (2) is exact.

(b) Let $n \in \text{im } g \cap F_pN$, $n = g(m)$. Since F_*M is exhaustive we can assume $m \in F_{p+s}M$. If $s = 0$ we are done. Suppose $s > 0$. Then $E(g)m^{p+s} = 0$ and hence

$$m^{p+s} = E(f)k_{p+s}^{p+s}, \quad \text{where } k_{p+s} \in F_{p+s}K,$$

$$m - f(k_{p+s}) \in F_{p+s-1}M \quad \text{and} \quad g(m - f(k_{p+s-1})) = n,$$

i.e. we can reduce s to $s - 1$. By induction we get $n \in gF_pM$.

(c), (d) Let $m \in \text{im } f \cap F_pM$. Hence $E(g)m^p = g(m)^p = 0$, which shows that $m^p = E(f)k_p^p$, that is,

$$m - f(k_p) \in \text{im } f \cap F_{p-1}M, \quad \text{where } k_p \in F_pK.$$

By induction we get an element $k_{p-s} \in F_{p-s}K$ such that

$$m - f(k_p + \dots + k_{p-s}) \in \text{im } f \cap F_{p-s-1}M.$$

If F_*M is discrete we shall be done after a finite number of steps, which proves (d). If F_*K is complete we get

$$k = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} k_{p-s} \in F_pK$$

and

$$m - f(k) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (m - f(k_p + \dots + k_{p-s})) = 0$$

if F_*M is discrete. This proves (c).

(e) It only remains to prove that if (2) is exact then (1) is exact. Let $m \in M$, $g(m) = 0$. Since F_*M is exhaustive we can assume that $m \in F_pM$. We have $E(g)m^p = 0$, so that $m - f(k_p) \in F_{p-1}M$ for some $k_p \in F_pK$, and $g(m - f(k_p)) = 0$. By induction we can choose $k_{p-s} \in F_{p-s}K$ such that

$$m - f(k_p + \dots + k_{p-s}) \in F_{p-s-1}M.$$

If F_*M is discrete we shall be done after a finite number of steps. If F_*K is complete and F_*M is separated then we get

$$m = f \sum_{0 \leq s < \infty} k_{p-s}.$$

Next we consider the free objects in $\text{filt } {}_A\mathfrak{M}$ (cf. [7]).

DEFINITION. Let $L \in \text{filt } {}_A\mathfrak{M}$. L is then said to be *filt-free* if L is free in ${}_A\mathfrak{M}$ and has a basis $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$ such that there are integers $p(i)$, $i \in I$ with the property

$$F_pL = \sum_{s+p(i)=p} F_sA \cdot x_i.$$

The set $\{(x_i, p(i))\}_{i \in I}$ will then be called a filt-basis for L .

The following lemma is easy to prove.

LEMMA 2. Let $L \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. We have

(a) If L is filt-free with filt-basis $\{(x_i, p(i))\}_{i \in I}$ then $E(L)$ is gr-free and $\{x_i^{p(i)}\}_{i \in I}$ is a homogeneous basis.

(b) If $E(L)$ is gr-free with homogeneous basis $\{x_i^{p(i)}\}_{i \in I}$ and F_*L is discrete then L is filt-free with filt-basis $\{(x_i, p(i))\}_{i \in I}$.

(c) If $M \in \text{gr}_{E(A)} \mathfrak{M}$ is gr-free then there is a filt-free $L \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ such that $E(L) = M$.

(d) Let L be filt-free with filt-basis $\{(x_i, p(i))\}_{i \in I}$. Suppose that $M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and that $f: \{x_i\}_{i \in I} \rightarrow M$ is a function such that $f(x_i) \in F_{s+p(i)}M$. Then there is unique homomorphism $L \rightarrow M$ of filter-degree s which extends f .

(e) Let L be filt-free, $M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and suppose that $g: E(L) \rightarrow E(M)$ is a homomorphism of degree s . Then there is a homomorphism $f: L \rightarrow M$ of filter-degree s such that " $E(f)$ " = g (cf. Lemma 15).

(f) Let L be filt-free. Then F_*L is exhaustive or separated iff F_*A is exhaustive or separated respectively. If F_*A is discrete and $\{p(i)\}_{i \in I}$ (defined as above) is bounded below then F_*L is discrete. If I is finite and F_*A is complete then F_*L is complete.

(g) Let $M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Then there is a resolution of M

$$\rightarrow L_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} L_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} L_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} M \rightarrow 0$$

such that every L_n is filt-free and every f_n is a strict homomorphism in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Such a resolution will be called a strict filt-free resolution of M . Note that if F_*A and F_*M are discrete then we can assume that every F_*L_n is discrete.

Furthermore, if F_*A is exhaustive and complete, $E(A)$ is noetherian and $E(M)$ is f.g. then we can assume that every L_n is f.g.

2. Weak dimension.

Let A be a filtered ring and assume that $M \in \text{filt} \mathfrak{M}_A$, $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Filter $M \otimes_A N$ by letting $F_p(M \otimes_A N)$ be the sub-Z-module of $M \otimes_A N$ generated by elements of type $m \otimes_A n$, where $m \in F_s M$, $n \in F_t N$ with $s + t \leq p$. This defines a functor

$$\otimes_A: \text{filt} \mathfrak{M}_A \times \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \text{filt}_2 \mathfrak{M}.$$

Clearly $F_*(M \otimes_A N)$ is exhaustive or discrete if F_*M and F_*N are exhaustive or discrete respectively.

Let

$$\kappa = \kappa(M, N): E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(N) \rightarrow E(M \otimes_A N)$$

be given by $\kappa(m^s \otimes_{E(A)} n^t) = (m \otimes_A n)^{s+t}$. This obviously well-defines κ since the right-hand expression is independent of the choice of representatives m, n and is bilinear in m^s, n^t . Clearly κ is a natural transformation and $\kappa(M, N)$ is always an epimorphism.

For $M = A$ we have a morphism $\tau: A \otimes_A N \rightarrow N$ in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ given by $\tau(a \otimes_A n) = an$. Now τ is an isomorphism in ${}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and

$$F_p N = 1 \cdot F_p N \subset F_0 A \cdot F_p N \subset \tau F_p(A \otimes_A N) \subset F_p N.$$

Consequently $\tau F_p(A \otimes_A N) = F_p N$ and thus $\tau^{-1} F_p N = F_p(A \otimes_A N)$ so that τ is an isomorphism in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. We have a commutative diagram in $\text{gr}_{E(A)} \mathfrak{M}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E(A) \otimes_A E(N) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & E(N) \\ \kappa(A, N) \downarrow & & \uparrow E(\tau) \\ E(A \otimes_A N) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \end{array}$$

where $\varphi(b \otimes_{E(A)} y) = by$. It follows that $\kappa(A, N)$ is an isomorphism. Similarly $\kappa(M, A)$ is always an isomorphism. We summarize in

LEMMA 3. *There is a natural epimorphism*

$$\kappa(M, N): E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(N) \rightarrow E(M \otimes_A N)$$

given by $\kappa(m^s \otimes_{E(A)} n^t) = (m \otimes_A n)^{s+t}$. Furthermore, $\kappa(A, N)$ and $\kappa(M, A)$ are isomorphisms in $\text{gr}_{E(A)} \mathfrak{M}$ ($\text{gr} \mathfrak{M}_{E(A)}$).

Using κ we get the following result

LEMMA 4. *Let A be a filtered ring and let $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Suppose that $F_* A, F_* N$ are discrete and exhaustive and that $E(N)$ is gr-flat. Then N is flat.*

PROOF. Let J be a right ideal in A . Filter J by $F_p J = J \cap F_p A$ that is, give J the filtration making the inclusion $i: J \rightarrow A$ a strict morphism in $\text{filt} \mathfrak{M}_A$. Then $E(i): E(J) \rightarrow E(A)$ is a monomorphism by lemma 1. Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E(J) \otimes_{E(A)} E(N) & \xrightarrow{E(i) \otimes_{E(A)} 1} & E(A) \otimes_{E(A)} E(N) \\ \kappa(J, N) \downarrow \text{epi} & & \text{iso} \downarrow \kappa(A, N) \\ E(J \otimes_A N) & \xrightarrow{E(i \otimes_A 1)} & E(A \otimes_A N) \end{array}$$

Since $E(N)$ is gr-flat we infer that $E(i) \otimes_{E(A)} 1$ is a monomorphism. Thus $\varkappa(J, N)$ is a monomorphism and hence an isomorphism. It follows that $E(i \otimes_A 1)$ is a monomorphism. Now $F_*(J \otimes_A N)$ is discrete and exhaustive and so, by lemma 1, $i \otimes_A 1$ is a monomorphism. This proves that N is flat.

LEMMA 5. *Let A be filtered ring and let $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Suppose that $F_* A$ and $F_* N$ are discrete and exhaustive. Then*

$$\text{l.w.dim}_A N \leq \text{gr.l.w.dim}_{E(A)} E(N)$$

PROOF. Suppose that the right-hand side is $\leq n$. Let

$$0 \rightarrow L \xrightarrow{f} L_{n-1} \xrightarrow{f_{n-1}} \dots \xrightarrow{f_2} L_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} L_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} N \rightarrow 0$$

be a strict exact sequence, where L_0, \dots, L_{n-1} are filt-free and $F_* L_0, \dots, F_* L_{n-1}, F_* L$ are discrete and exhaustive. This gives us an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow E(L) \xrightarrow{E(f)} E(L_{n-1}) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow E(L_1) \xrightarrow{E(f_1)} E(L_0) \xrightarrow{E(f_0)} E(N) \rightarrow 0$$

in $\text{gr}_{E(A)} \mathfrak{M}$, where $E(L_0), \dots, E(L_{n-1})$ are gr-free and consequently gr-flat. Thus $E(L)$ is gr-flat, which by lemma 4 implies that L is flat. Consequently $\text{l.w.dim}_A N \leq n$ and the proof is complete.

THEOREM 1. *Let A be a discretely and exhaustively filtered ring. Then*

$$\text{gl.w.dim } A \leq \text{gr.gl.w.dim } E(A)$$

PROOF. Suppose that the right-hand side is $\leq n$. Let $N \in {}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Filter N by $F_p N = F_p A \cdot N$. Then $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and $F_* N$ is discrete and exhaustive. Thus $\text{l.w.dim}_A N \leq \text{gr.l.w.dim}_{E(A)} E(N) \leq n$ and it follows that $\text{gl.w.dim } A \leq n$ and this concludes the proof.

Now let us consider a graded ring B . Let $M \in \text{gr} \mathfrak{M}_B$, $N \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$. Then $M \otimes_B N$ is a graded \mathbb{Z} -module (this is due to the fact that there is an exact sequence

$$M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} B \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} N \xrightarrow{\varphi} M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} N \rightarrow M \otimes_B N \rightarrow 0$$

where $\varphi(m \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} b \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} n) = mb \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} n - m \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} bn$). Give B, M, N the associated filtrations i.e. $F_p B = \bigoplus_{n \leq p} B^n$ etc. Note that $(M \otimes_B N)^q$ is the \mathbb{Z} -submodule of $M \otimes_B N$ generated by elements of type $m \otimes_B n$, where $m \in M^s$, $n \in N^t$ and $s+t=q$. Thus the associated filtration of $M \otimes_B N$ is given by letting $F_p(M \otimes_B N)$ be the \mathbb{Z} -submodule of $M \otimes_B N$ generated by elements of type $m \otimes_B n$, where $m \in M^s$, $n \in N^t$ and $s+t \leq p$. But this

submodule $F_p(M \otimes_B N)$ is then also the \mathbb{Z} -submodule of $M \otimes_B N$ generated by elements of type $m \otimes_B n$, where $m \in F_s M$, $n \in F_t N$ and $s+t \leq p$ that is, the earlier introduced filtration, induced by $F_* M$, $F_* N$, coincides with the associated filtration. Note that the associated filtration is exhaustive and separated for any graded module. In particular $F_*(M \otimes_B N)$ is exhaustive and separated. If we re-examine the proof of lemma 4 we find that in order to conclude that $i \otimes_A 1$ is a monomorphism we really only need $F_*(J \otimes_A N)$ to be separated (instead of discrete). Furthermore it is clear that $N \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$ is gr-flat iff $J \otimes_B N \rightarrow B \otimes_B N$ is a monomorphism for each graded (even f.g. graded) right ideal J . Furthermore, " $E(B)=B$, $E(M)=M$, $E(N)=N$ " as graded objects.

All this adds up to,

LEMMA 6. *Let B be a graded ring and let $N \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$. Then N is gr-flat iff it is flat.*

In the same way as before we obtain

THEOREM 2. *Let B be a graded ring and let $N \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$. Then*

$$\text{gr.l.w.dim}_B N = \text{l.w.dim}_B N ,$$

$$\text{gr.gl.w.dim } B \leq \text{gl.w.dim } B$$

with equality also on the last line if B^ is discrete.*

PROOF. The inequalities \leq are both trivial. The reverse inequality on the first line follows from lemma 6 using a gr-flat resolution of N . On the second line the reverse inequality follows from theorem 1 when B^* is discrete since then the associated filtration of B is discrete.

In analogy with [7] we also obtain,

THEOREM 3. *Let B be a positively graded ring. Suppose that $\text{gl.w.dim } B^0 = 0$ that is B^0 is von-Neumann regular. Then*

$$\text{gl.w.dim } B = \text{l.w.dim}_B B^0 = \text{r.w.dim}_B B^0 .$$

PROOF. Let $M \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$ and give B the associated filtration. Filter M by $F_p M = 0$ for $p < 0$ and $F_p M = M$ for $p \geq 0$. Then $E^p(M) = 0$ for $p \neq 0$ and hence $E(M)$ is annihilated by the ideal $J = \bigoplus_{n>0} B^n$, which shows that we can consider $E(M)$ as a module over $B^0 = B/J$. By lemma 5 and [3, exercise 5 page 360] we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{l.w.dim}_B M &\leq \text{l.w.dim}_B E(M) \leq \text{l.w.dim}_B B^0 + \text{l.w.dim}_{B^0} E(M) = \\ &= \text{l.w.dim}_B B^0 . \end{aligned}$$

Since M is arbitrary we get $\text{gl.w.dim } B = \text{l.w.dim}_B B^0$ and by symmetry also $\text{gl.w.dim } B = \text{r.w.dim}_B B^0$.

3. Direct sums, suspensions and the natural transformation κ .

In the following A is supposed to be a filtered ring.

LEMMA 7. *Let*

$$(1) \quad f_\alpha: M_\alpha \rightarrow M, \quad \alpha \in I$$

be morphisms in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Then (1) is a direct sum system in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ iff it is a direct sum system in ${}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and

$$F_p M = \sum_\alpha f_\alpha(F_p M_\alpha) .$$

PROOF. Suppose that (1) is a direct sum system in ${}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and

$$F_p M = \sum_\alpha f_\alpha(F_p M_\alpha) .$$

Let $g_\alpha: M_\alpha \rightarrow N$, $\alpha \in I$ be morphisms in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Then there is a unique morphism $g: M \rightarrow N$ such that $gf_\alpha = g_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in I$. But

$$gF_p M = g \sum_\alpha f_\alpha F_p M_\alpha = \sum_\alpha g_\alpha F_p M_\alpha \subset F_p N .$$

Thus (1) is a direct sum system in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Now assume that (1) is a direct sum system in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Let $g_\alpha: M_\alpha \rightarrow N$, $\alpha \in I$ be a direct sum system in ${}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Filter N by

$$F_p N = \sum_\alpha g_\alpha F_p M_\alpha .$$

Clearly this makes N an object in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and it follows from what we have already proved that it is a direct sum system in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Thus there is a unique isomorphism $f: N \rightarrow M$ in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ such that $fg_\alpha = f_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in I$ and this implies that

$$F_p M = \sum_\alpha f_\alpha F_p M_\alpha .$$

Note that the proof above at the same time shows that $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ has arbitrary direct sums.

LEMMA 8. *Let*

$$f_\alpha: M_\alpha \rightarrow M, \quad \alpha \in I$$

be a direct sum system in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Then

$$E(f_\alpha): E(M_\alpha) \rightarrow E(M), \quad \alpha \in I$$

is a direct sum system in $\text{gr}_{E(A)}\mathfrak{M}$ (and thus also in $E(A)\mathfrak{M}$).

PROOF. Let $m^p \in E^p(M)$. Then $m \in F_p M$ and $m = \sum_\alpha f_\alpha m_\alpha$, where $m_\alpha \in F_p M_\alpha$ and all but a finite number is 0. Consequently

$$m^p = (\sum_\alpha f_\alpha m_\alpha)^p = \sum_\alpha (f_\alpha m_\alpha)^p = \sum_\alpha E(f_\alpha) m_\alpha^p.$$

On the other hand suppose that $E(f_\alpha) m_\alpha^p = 0$. Then

$$f_\alpha m_\alpha \in F_{p-1} M = \sum_\beta f_\beta F_{p-1} M_\beta$$

and it follows that $f_\alpha m_\alpha = \sum_\beta f_\beta n_\beta$, where $n_\beta \in F_{p-1} M_\beta$. Then $m_\beta = 0$ for $\beta \neq \alpha$ and $m_\alpha = n_\alpha \in F_{p-1} M_\alpha$. Thus we get $m_\alpha^p = 0$, which concludes the proof.

DEFINITION. Let $M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Then the n th suspension $s^n M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ is defined by $s^n M = M$ as A -module but with filtration

$$F_p s^n M = F_{p+n} M.$$

Similarly if B is a graded ring and $N \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$ then the n th suspension $s^n N$ is N as a B -module but with grading $(s^n M)^p = M^{p+n}$.

It is clear that $L \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ is filt-free iff L is the direct sum in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ of suspensions of A considered as a filtered left A -module. Furthermore, if $\{(x_\alpha, p(\alpha))\}_{\alpha \in I}$ is a filt-basis for L then $L = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in I} s^{-p(\alpha)} A$ in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. We have $E(s^n M) = s^n E(M)$ and

$$s^m M \otimes_A s^n N = s^{m+n}(M \otimes_A N)$$

in $\text{filt}_Z \mathfrak{M}$ (or $\text{gr}_Z \mathfrak{M}$) if A is a filtered (or graded) ring. If $f: M \rightarrow N$ is a morphism of filtered (graded) modules then we get a morphism $s^n f: s^n M \rightarrow s^n N$, where $s^n f = f$ as a morphism of modules. It is clear that under these identifications we also have

$$\kappa(s^m M, s^n N) = s^{m+n} \kappa(M, N).$$

In particular $\kappa(s^m M, s^n N)$ is an isomorphism iff $\kappa(M, N)$ is an isomorphism.

Now suppose that $f_\alpha: M_\alpha \rightarrow M, \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $g_\beta: N_\beta \rightarrow N, \beta \in \mathfrak{B}$ are direct sum systems in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{N}$ respectively. This gives us a direct sum system

$$f_\alpha \otimes_A g_\beta: M_\alpha \otimes_A N_\beta \rightarrow M \otimes_A N$$

in ${}_Z \mathfrak{M}$ and $f_\alpha \otimes g_\beta$ are morphisms in $\text{filt}_Z \mathfrak{M}$. Let $x \in F_p(M \otimes_A N)$. Then

$$x = \sum_{i \in I} m^{(i)} \otimes_A n^{(i)},$$

where $m^{(i)} \in F_{s(i)}M$, $n^{(i)} \in F_{t(i)}N$ and $s(i) + t(i) = p$. Consequently

$$m^{(i)} = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} m_{\alpha}^{(i)},$$

where $m_{\alpha}^{(i)} \in F_{s(i)}M_{\alpha}$ and $n^{(i)} = \sum_{\beta} g_{\beta} n_{\beta}^{(i)}$, where $n_{\beta}^{(i)} \in F_{t(i)}N_{\beta}$. Thus

$$m_{\alpha}^{(i)} \otimes_A n_{\beta}^{(i)} \in F_p(M_{\alpha} \otimes_A N_{\beta})$$

and

$$x = \sum_i m^{(i)} \otimes_A n^{(i)} = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} f_{\alpha} \otimes g_{\beta} \sum_i m_{\alpha}^{(i)} \otimes_A n_{\beta}^{(i)},$$

which shows that

$$F_p(M \otimes_A N) = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} f_{\alpha} \otimes_A g_{\beta} F_p(M_{\alpha} \otimes_A N_{\beta}).$$

We have proved,

LEMMA 9. *Let $f_{\alpha}: M_{\alpha} \rightarrow M$, $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $g_{\beta}: N_{\beta} \rightarrow N$, $\beta \in \mathfrak{B}$ be direct sum systems in $\text{filt } \mathfrak{M}_A$, $\text{filt } \mathfrak{N}$ respectively. Then*

$$f_{\alpha} \otimes_A g_{\beta}: M_{\alpha} \otimes_A N_{\beta} \rightarrow M \otimes_A N, \quad (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathfrak{A} \times \mathfrak{B}$$

is a direct sum system in $\text{filt}_Z \mathfrak{M}$.

Let the situation be as in lemma 7 and consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E(M_{\alpha}) \otimes_{E(A)} E(N_{\beta}) & \xrightarrow{\kappa(M_{\alpha}, N_{\beta})} & E(M_{\alpha} \otimes_A N_{\beta}) \\ E(f_{\alpha}) \otimes_{E(A)} E(g_{\beta}) \downarrow & & \downarrow E(f_{\alpha} \otimes_A g_{\beta}) \\ E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(N) & \xrightarrow{\kappa(M, N)} & E(M \otimes_A N) \end{array}$$

for $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$, $\beta \in \mathfrak{B}$. By lemmas 8 and 9 it follows that both systems of vertical arrows are direct sum systems. Hence $\kappa(M, N) = \bigoplus \kappa(M_{\alpha}, N_{\beta})$ is an isomorphism if every $\kappa(M_{\alpha}, N_{\beta})$ is an isomorphism. If we combine this result with lemma 3 we get,

LEMMA 10. *If either $M \in \text{filt } \mathfrak{M}_A$ or $N \in \text{filt } \mathfrak{N}$ is filt -free then $\kappa(M, N)$ is an isomorphism.*

Lemma 10 gives us an alternative proof of lemma 5 as follows: Let

$$\rightarrow L_2 \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow L_0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$$

be a strict filt -free resolution of N , where every $F_* L_n$ is discrete and exhaustive. Let $M \in \text{filt } \mathfrak{M}_A$. We get a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \rightarrow & E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(L_2) & \rightarrow & E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(L_1) & \rightarrow & E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(L_0) & \rightarrow 0 \\
 & \downarrow \text{iso } \kappa & & \downarrow \text{iso } \kappa & & \downarrow \text{iso } \kappa & \\
 \rightarrow & E(M \otimes_A L_2) & \rightarrow & E(M \otimes_A L_1) & \rightarrow & E(M \otimes_A L_0) & \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_1^{*,n}(M \otimes_A L_*) &= H_n E(M \otimes_A L_*) = H_n(E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(L_*)) \\
 &= \text{Tor}^{E(A)}_n(E(M), E(N)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\text{Tor}^{E(A)}_n(E(M), E(N)) = 0$ yields $E_1^{*,n}(M \otimes_A L) = 0$, whence

$$\text{Tor}^A_n(M, N) = H_n(M \otimes_A L_*) = 0$$

if $F_*(M \otimes_A L_*)$ is exhaustive and complete (cf. [4, page 18]). In our particular case we even have $F_*(M \otimes_A L_*)$ exhaustive and discrete.

We have proved,

LEMMA 11. *Suppose that F_*A is discrete and exhaustive. Let $M \in \text{filt } \mathfrak{M}_A$ and $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$, where F_*M and F_*N are discrete and exhaustive. Then $\text{Tor}^{E(A)}_n(E(M), E(N)) = 0$ implies that $\text{Tor}^A_n(M, N) = 0$.*

Now lemma 5 follows easily from lemma 11 since we can filter any $M \in \mathfrak{M}_A$ by putting $F_p M = M \cdot F_p A$.

The following result implies proposition 7 in [8] by considering K as a filtered ring with $F_p K = 0$ for $p < 0$ and $F_p K = K$ for $p \geq 0$.

LEMMA 12. *Let A be a filtered ring and let $M \in \text{filt } \mathfrak{M}_A$, $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Suppose that F_*A , F_*M , F_*N are all discrete and exhaustive. Then $\kappa(M, N)$ is an isomorphism if either $E(M)$ or $E(N)$ is flat (which is equivalent to gr-flat by lemma 5).*

PROOF. Assume that $E(M)$ is flat. Let

$$(1) \quad 0 \rightarrow S \xrightarrow{f} L \xrightarrow{g} N \rightarrow 0$$

be strict exact, where L is filt-free and all filtrations are discrete and exhaustive. Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 \rightarrow & E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(S) & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes_{E(A)} E(f)} & E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(L) & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes_{E(A)} E(g)} & E(M) \otimes_{E(A)} E(N) & \rightarrow 0 \\
 & \downarrow \text{epi } \kappa(M, S) & & \downarrow \text{iso } \kappa(M, L) & & \downarrow \text{epi } \kappa(M, N) & \\
 0 \rightarrow & E(M \otimes_A S) & \xrightarrow{E(1 \otimes_A f)} & E(M \otimes_A L) & \xrightarrow{E(1 \otimes_A g)} & E(M \otimes_A N) & \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

Since (1) is strict exact and $E(M)$ is flat it follows that the upper row is exact. Hence $E(1 \otimes_A f)$ is a monomorphism and $E(1 \otimes_A g)$ is an epimorphism. Now $F_*(M \otimes_A S)$, $F_*(M \otimes_A L)$, $F_*(M \otimes_A N)$ are all discrete and exhaustive. Thus by lemma 1 (b) (with $L=0$) $1 \otimes_A f$ is strict and by lemma 1 (c) or (d) (with $N=0$) $1 \otimes_A g$ is strict.

By lemma 4 M is flat so that

$$0 \rightarrow M \otimes_A S \xrightarrow{1 \otimes_A f} M \otimes_A L \xrightarrow{1 \otimes_A g} M \otimes_A N \rightarrow 0$$

is strict exact. Thus the lower row above is exact by lemma 1 (a). The 5-lemma now shows that $\kappa(M, N)$ is an isomorphism.

The proof that $\kappa(M, N)$ is an isomorphism when $E(N)$ is flat is of course analogous.

4. Injectivity.

Let $M, N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ and filter $\text{Hom}_A(M, N)$ by letting $F_p \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$ be the homomorphisms $M \rightarrow N$ of filt-degree p (cf. [4, page 19] and [6]). This gives us a functor

$$\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M} \times \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \text{filt}_Z \mathfrak{M}.$$

It is clear that $F_* \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$ is exhaustive. However, we need not have $\text{Hom}_A(M, N) = \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$ even if M is filt-free and $N = A$ is discrete and exhaustive (let M has a filt-basis $\{(x_i, 0)\}_{1 \leq i < \infty}$ and let $f: M \rightarrow A$ be given by $f(x_i) = a_i$, where $a_i \notin F_i A$, which is possible if $A \neq F_p A$ for every p). We have,

LEMMA 13. *Let $M, N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Then*

- (a) *If $F_* M$ is exhaustive and $F_* N$ is separated then $F_* \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$ is separated.*
- (b) *If $F_* M$ is exhaustive and $F_* N$ is discrete then $F_* \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$ is discrete.*
- (c) *If $F_* M$ is exhaustive and $F_* N$ is complete then $F_* \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$ is complete.*

PROOF. (a) Suppose that $f \in \bigcap_p F_p \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$. Then $f F_p M \subset \bigcap_s F_{p+s} N = 0$. Thus $f M = f \bigcup_p F_p M = 0$. The same argument proves (b).

(c) We have to show that the projective system

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \text{Hom}_A(M, N) & \\
 \varphi_p \downarrow & \text{---} & \downarrow \varphi_q \\
 \text{Hom}_A(M, N)/F_p \text{Hom}_A(M, N) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_q^p} & \text{Hom}_A(M, N)/F_q \text{Hom}_A(M, N)
 \end{array}$$

represents $\mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$ as $\text{projlim } \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)/F_p \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$.

Suppose that we are given $f_p \in \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)/F_p \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$, for each $p \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that $\varphi_q^p f_p = f_q$ when $p > q$. Then we have to show that there is a unique $f \in \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$ such that $\varphi_q f = f_q$, for each $q \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since each φ_p is an epimorphism we have $f_p = \varphi(g_p)$ where $g_p \in \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$. The uniqueness of f , if it exists, follows from (a). As for existence, let g_p be given as above. Then $g_p - g_q \in F_q \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$ for $q > p$ and consequently $(g_p - g_q)F_s M \subset F_{s+q} N$ for each integer s . Let $x \in M$. We may assume that $x \in F_t M$, for some t , since $F_* M$ is exhaustive. Then

$$g_p(x) - g_q(x) = (g_p - g_q)(x) \in F_{t+q} N,$$

which shows that $(g_p(x))$ is a Cauchy-sequence in N . Since N is complete we may define a function $f: M \rightarrow N$ by

$$f(x) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} g_p(x).$$

It is clear that $f \in \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$. Note that for $x \in F_t M$

$$g_p(x) \in g_q(x) + F_{t+q} N, \quad p \geq q,$$

whence $f(x) \in g_q(x) + F_{t+q} N$. Thus $(f - g_q)F_t M \subset F_{t+q} N$ so that $f - g_q \in F_q \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$. We conclude that $f \in \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N)$ and that $\varphi_q f = f_q$ for every integer q .

DEFINITION. Let $M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. We say that M is filt f.g. if there exists a finite set $\{(x_i, p(i))\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$, where $x_i \in M$ and $p(i)$ are integers, such that

$$F_p M = \sum_{s+p(i) \leq p} F_s A \cdot x_i.$$

In particular, every f.g. filt-free object in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ is filt f.g.

Following [2] page 41 we get,

LEMMA 14. Let $M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Assume that $F_* A$ is complete and $F_* M$ is separated and exhaustive. Then M is tilt f.g. if $E(M)$ is f.g.

PROOF. Let $\{x_i^{p(i)}\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ be a homogeneous set of generators of $E(M)$. Let L be filt-free with filt-basis $\{(y_i, p(i))\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$. Define $f: L \rightarrow M$ by $f(y_i) = x_i$. Then $E(f)$ is an epimorphism. By lemma 2(f) $F_* L$ is complete and thus, by lemma 1(e) (with $N = 0$), f is an epimorphism, which shows that M is filt f.g.

LEMMA 15. Let $M, N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$. Assume that M is filt f.g. and $F_* M$ is exhaustive. Then

$$\mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N) = \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, N).$$

PROOF. Let $\{(x_i, p(i))\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ be as in the definition of filt f.g. and let $f \in \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$. Then there is an integer s , such that $f(x_i) \in F_{p(i)+s}N$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. It is then obvious that

$$f \in F_s \text{Hom}_A(M, N) \subset \text{Hom}_A(M, N).$$

We can construct a natural transformation (cf. [6])

$$\varphi = \varphi(M, N): E \text{Hom}_A(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{E(A)}(E(M), E(N))$$

by $\varphi(f^p)(x^q) = f(x)^{p+q}$, between functors from $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M} \times \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ to $\text{gr}_Z \mathfrak{M}$.

LEMMA 16. *Let $\varphi(M, N)$ be as above. Then $\varphi(M, N)$ is always a monomorphism and it is an isomorphism if M is filt-free.*

PROOF. Suppose that $\varphi(f^p) = 0$. Then $f(x)^{p+q} = 0$ for every $x \in F_q M$ and every integer q and hence $fF_q M \subset F_{p+q-1}N$, for every integer q . Thus $f \in F_{p-1} \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$, which shows that $f^p = 0$.

Now assume that $\{(x_i, p(i))\}_{i \in I}$ is a filt-basis in M . Then $\{x_i^{p(i)}\}_{i \in I}$ is a homogeneous basis in $E(M)$. Thus, if $g \in \text{Hom}_{E(A)}(E(M), E(N))^p$, then we have

$$gx_i^{p(i)} = y_i^{p(i)+p}$$

so that if we define $f: M \rightarrow N$ by $f(x_i) = y_i$ then $\varphi(f^p) = g$.

LEMMA 17. *Suppose that B is a graded ring. Let $N \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$. Then the following statements are equivalent,*

- (a) N is gr-injective (i.e. injective in $\text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$).
- (b) $\text{hom}_B(\cdot, N)$ is exact.
- (c) $\text{Hom}_B(\cdot, N)$ is exact.
- (d) $\text{Hom}_B(i, 1): \text{Hom}_B(B, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_B(J, N)$ is an epimorphism for every homogeneous left ideal J in B .

PROOF. Obviously (a) and (b) are equivalent and (c) implies (b) and (d). That (b) implies (c) follows by using suspensions, noting that

$$\text{Hom}_B(M, N)^p = \text{hom}_B(s^{-p}M, N).$$

Finally (a) follows from (d) as in [3, page 9].

LEMMA 18. *Let B be a graded ring and let $N \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$. Then N is gr-injective if N is injective.*

PROOF. Consider a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & N & \\
 & \uparrow f & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow M & \xrightarrow{g} K
 \end{array}$$

in $\text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$, with exact row. Then there is an $h \in \text{Hom}_B(L, N)$ such that $hg = f$. Let $H: K \rightarrow N$ be given by $H(k_n) =$ the component in N_n of $h(k_n)$, where $k_n \in K_n$. Then $H \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$ and $Hg = f$. Thus N is gr-injective.

THEOREM 4. *Let $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$, where $F_* A$ is exhaustive and $F_* N$ complete. Suppose that $E(N)$ is gr-injective. Then*

$$\text{Hom}_A(i, 1): \text{Hom}_A(A, N) = \text{Hom}_A(A, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(J, N)$$

is an epimorphism for every left ideal J of A i.e. every homomorphism $f: J \rightarrow N$ of finite filt-degree can be extended to a homomorphism $A \rightarrow N$.

PROOF. Filter J by $F_p J = J \cap F_p A$ so that $i: J \rightarrow A$ is a strict monomorphism. Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E \text{Hom}_A(A, N) & \xrightarrow{E \text{Hom}_A(i, 1)} & E \text{Hom}_A(J, N) \\
 \downarrow \varphi(A, N) \text{ iso} & & \downarrow \text{mono } \varphi(J, N) \\
 \text{Hom}_{E(A)}(E(A), E(N)) & \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_{E(A)}(E(i), 1)} & \text{Hom}_{E(A)}(E(J), E(N))
 \end{array}$$

$E(i)$ is mono and $E(N)$ is gr-injective. Thus $\text{Hom}_{E(A)}(E(i), 1)$ is epi. Hence $\varphi(J, N)$ is an epimorphism and therefore also an isomorphism. It follows that $E \text{Hom}_A(i, 1)$ is an epimorphism. Now $F_* \text{Hom}_A(A, N)$ and $F_* \text{Hom}_A(J, N)$ are exhaustive and complete by lemma 13(c). Thus $\text{Hom}_A(i, 1)$ is an epimorphism by lemma 1(e) (with $N = 0$).

DEFINITION. Let C be a ring. Then $N \in {}_C \mathfrak{M}$ is said to be principal-injective if every homomorphism

$$f: Cx \rightarrow N, \quad x \in C$$

can be extended to C .

THEOREM 5. *Let $N \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$, where $F_* A$ is exhaustive, $F_* N$ complete and $F_p N = N$ for $p \geq t$. Suppose that N is principal-injective and $E(N)$ is gr-injective. Then N is injective.*

PROOF. Let J be a left ideal in A and give J the induced filtration. Suppose that $f: J \rightarrow N$ is a homomorphism. By theorem 4 it is sufficient to prove that f is of finite filt-degree. Assume the contrary. Then there is an $a \in F_p J$ such that $f(a) \notin F_{p+t} N$. Consider $f/Ca: Ca \rightarrow N$. This homomorphism has an extension $A \rightarrow N$ and consequently $f(a) = ac$ for some $c \in N = F_t N$. Thus $f(a) \in F_{p+t} N$ which is a contradiction.

REMARKS. (a) A filtration which stops as above is obtained e.g. if one filters with ideals.

(b) By lemmas 14, 15 and theorem 4 it follows that if $F_* A$ is exhaustive and complete and $E(A)$ is noetherian and self-injective that is a QF-ring then A is a QF-ring (thus $F_* A$ will automatically be discrete if $F_0 A = A$ since A is artinian). In this way J.-E. Roos in [6] gives a very short proof of the main result in [1]. At the same time he strenghtens this, using a spectral sequence, to:

$E(A)$ noetherian, $F_* A$ exhaustive and discrete yields

$$\text{l.inj.dim}_A A \leq \text{gr.l.inj.dim}_{E(A)} E(A) .$$

This works even if $F_* A$ is only assumed to be complete instead of discrete.

(c) Let B be any non-left-noetherian ring. Grade B by $B^0 = B$ and $B^n = 0$ for $n \neq 0$. Let $J_1 \subset J_2 \subset \dots$ be a strictly increasing sequence of left ideals in B and put $J = \bigcup_{1 \leq i < \infty} J_i$. Define $M \in \text{gr}_B \mathfrak{M}$ by

$$M = \bigoplus_{1 \leq i < \infty} I(J/J_i) ,$$

where $I(J/J_i)$ is the injective envelope of J/J_i in ${}_B \mathfrak{M}$ (as a matter of fact any injective module in ${}_B \mathfrak{M}$ containing J/J_i will do). Let $f: J \rightarrow M$ be given by

$$f(j) = \bigoplus_{1 \leq i < \infty} (j + J_i) .$$

Then f is well-defined, since $j + J_i = 0$ for $i \geq n(j)$, and f is a homomorphism in ${}_B \mathfrak{M}$. This homomorphism has no extension $F: B \rightarrow M$ since then we would have

$$F(1) \in \bigoplus_{1 \leq i < n} E(J/J_i)$$

and thus $f(J) \subset \bigoplus_{1 \leq i < n} E(J/J_i)$, whence

$$f(J) \subset \bigoplus_{1 \leq i < n} J/J_i .$$

This implies $J \subset J_n$, which is a contradiction. Consequently M is not injective. Now let L be a left ideal in B and let $g \in \text{Hom}_B(L, M)^p$ that is $g: L \rightarrow E(J/J_p)$. Since $E(J/J_p)$ is injective there is an extension $G: B \rightarrow E(J/J_p)$ of g , which shows that M is gr-injective. Hence M is a positively graded ring which is gr-injective but not injective. If we give B and M

the associated filtrations we get a discretely and exhaustively filtered ring B and a discretely and exhaustively filtered $M \in \text{filt}_B \mathfrak{M}$ such that $E(M)$ is gr-injective but M is not injective.

5. More about direct sums.

We have the following slight strengthening of [5, page 72].

LEMMA 19. *Let A be a complete topological ring, which has a fundamental neighborhood system of 0 consisting of additive subgroups. Let $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ be a ring-homomorphism such that every $x \in \ker \varphi$ is topologically nilpotent that is $x^n \rightarrow 0$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then every idempotent in $\text{im } \varphi$ can be lifted to A .*

PROOF. Let $b \in \text{im } \varphi$ be an idempotent. Suppose that $b = \varphi(a)$. Thus $\varphi(a^2 - a) = 0$ so that $n = a^2 - a \in \ker \varphi$. Put

$$c = a + d(1 - 2a)$$

where d is to be determined (note that $1 - 2a = f'(a)$, where $f(x) = x - x^2$). Suppose that d commutes with a . Then $c^2 = c$ is equivalent to

$$(1) \quad (d^2 - d)(1 + 4n) + n = 0$$

which has the formal solution

$$d = \frac{1}{2}(1 - (1 + 4n)^{-\frac{1}{2}}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq k < \infty} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{2k}{k} n^k.$$

Now $\frac{1}{2} \binom{2k}{k}$ is an integer since $\binom{2k}{k}$ is the coefficient of $1^k (-1)^k$ in the binomial expansion of $(1 - 1)^{2k} = 0$ and the other terms occur pairwise and thus have an even sum. It follows that the expression obtained for d is a power-series in n with integer coefficients and since any sequence $a_k n^k$, where a_k are integers, tends to 0 we conclude that the power-series converges. We find that d given by this series really commutes with a and hence satisfies (1). Consequently $c = a + d(1 - 2a)$ is an idempotent and since

$$d = n \sum_{1 \leq k < \infty} \frac{1}{2} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{2k}{k} n^{k-1} \in \ker \varphi$$

we conclude that $c - a \in \ker \varphi$. This shows that c lifts a .

LEMMA 20. *Let A be a filtered ring and let $M \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$, where $F_* M$ is exhaustive and complete. Assume that $f: M \rightarrow M$ is a homomorphism in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ such that $E(f)^2 = E(f)$. Then there is a homomorphism $g: M \rightarrow M$ in $\text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$ such that $g^2 = g$ and $E(g) = E(f)$. The homomorphism g is automatically strict.*

PROOF. Consider the mapping

$$\varphi: \text{hom}_A(M, M) \rightarrow \text{hom}_{E(A)}(E(M), E(M))$$

given by $\varphi(h) = E(h)$. Note that $\text{hom}_A(M, M)$ and $\text{hom}_{E(A)}(E(M), E(M))$ are rings with multiplication defined by composition and that φ is a ring-homomorphism. Filter $\text{hom}_A(M, M) \subset \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, M)$ by the induced filtration. Since

$$\text{hom}_A(M, M) = F_0 \mathbf{Hom}_A(M, M)$$

we see that $\text{hom}_A(M, M)$ is closed in $\mathbf{Hom}_A(M, M)$. Thus $\text{hom}_A(M, M)$ is complete by lemma 13(c). Note that $\text{hom}_A(M, M)$ is a topological ring since

$$f \in F_{-p} \text{hom}_A(M, M), \quad g \in F_{-q} \text{hom}_A(M, M)$$

implies that $fg \in F_{-p-q} \text{hom}_A(M, M)$. Now

$$\ker \varphi = F_{-1} \text{hom}_A(M, M).$$

Let $h \in F_{-1} \text{hom}_A(M, M)$. Then $h^n F_p M \subset F_{p-n} M$ that is

$$h^n \in F_{-n} \text{hom}_A(M, M)$$

and we find that $h^n \rightarrow 0$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence, by lemma 19, every idempotent in $\text{im } \varphi$ can be lifted. It only remains to prove that any idempotent g in $\text{hom}_A(M, M)$ is strict. Suppose that $g(x) \in F_p M$. Then $g(g(x)) = g(x)$ so that $g(x) \in gF_p M$ that is g is strict.

Let M be as in lemma 20. Then every $f \in F_{-1} \text{hom}_A(M, M)$ is topologically nilpotent. Thus $1 - f$ has an inverse $\sum_{0 \leq n < \infty} f^n$, which shows that

$$F_{-1} \text{hom}_A(M, M) \subset \text{Rad} \text{hom}_A(M, M).$$

Following [5, page 73], we obtain,

COROLLARY. *Let M be as in the previous lemma. Then any finite or countable orthogonal set of idempotents in*

$$\text{im } \varphi \subset \text{hom}_{E(A)}(E(M), E(M))$$

can be lifted to $\text{hom}_A(M, M)$.

Note that φ is an epimorphism if M is filt-free. Furthermore we know that each gr-free object $N \in \text{gr}_{E(A)} \mathfrak{M}$ equals $E(L)$ for some filt-free object $L \in \text{filt}_A \mathfrak{M}$.

THEOREM 6. *Let A be a filtered ring, where F_*A is exhaustive. Let $\bar{P} \in \text{gr}_{E(A)}\mathfrak{M}$ be projective (which is equivalent to gr-projective). Assume that either F_*A and \bar{P}^* are discrete or \bar{P} finitely generated and F_*A complete. Then there is a $P \in \text{filt}_A\mathfrak{M}$ such that $E(P) = \bar{P}$. Furthermore, if $M \in \text{filt}_A\mathfrak{M}$ then any homomorphism $\bar{g}: \bar{P} \rightarrow E(M)$ of degree p can be written $\bar{g} = "E(g)"$, where $g: P \rightarrow M$ is a homomorphism in $_A\mathfrak{M}$ of filt-degree p .*

PROOF. Let \bar{L} be gr-free and let $\bar{f}: \bar{L} \rightarrow \bar{P}$ be an epimorphism in $\text{gr}_{E(A)}\mathfrak{M}$. If \bar{P} is f.g. we assume that \bar{L} is f.g. There is a right inverse $\bar{i}: \bar{P} \rightarrow \bar{L}$ of \bar{f} in $\text{gr}_{E(A)}\mathfrak{M}$. Put $\bar{h} = \bar{i} \circ \bar{f}: \bar{L} \rightarrow \bar{L}$. Then $\bar{h}^2 = \bar{h}$. We can assume that $\bar{L} = E(L)$, where L is filt-free and f.g. if \bar{P} is. Since F_*A is exhaustive it follows that F_*L is exhaustive. If F_*A is complete and \bar{P} , and therefore \bar{L} , is f.g. then F_*L is complete. If F_*A and \bar{P}^* are discrete then we may assume that F_*L is discrete. Thus in either case we may apply lemma 20 to find an idempotent $h \in \text{hom}_A(L, L)$ such that $E(h) = \bar{h}$. Let $P = \text{im } h$. We get

$$h: L \xrightarrow[\text{epi}]{f} P \xrightarrow[\text{mono}]{i} L.$$

Filter P by the filtration induced by f . Since h is strict we have

$$F_p P = f F_p L = h F_p L = \text{im } h \cap F_p L = P \cap F_p L$$

that is the filtration on P is also induced by i . Thus f and i are strict and this gives us

$$E(h): E(L) \xrightarrow[\text{epi}]{E(f)} E(P) \xrightarrow[\text{mono}]{E(i)} E(L)$$

which shows that we can identify $E(P)$ with \bar{P} and put $\bar{f} = E(f)$, $\bar{i} = E(i)$.

Now suppose that $M \in \text{filt}_A\mathfrak{M}$ and that $\bar{g}: E(P) \rightarrow E(M)$ is a homomorphism of degree p . By using a suitable suspension of M we may assume that $p = 0$. We have

$$\bar{g} = \bar{g} \circ E(f) \circ E(i).$$

But $\bar{g} \circ E(f): E(L) \rightarrow E(M)$. Thus we can put $\bar{g} \circ E(f) = E(k)$, where $k \in \text{hom}_A(L, M)$. It follows that $\bar{g} = E(ki)$, where $ki \in \text{hom}_A(P, M)$.

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