

Math 211 - Bonus Exercise 13 (please discuss on Forum)

Let Ab be the category whose objects are abelian groups, and whose morphisms are group homomorphisms.

1. Prove that Ab is a category;
2. Prove that there is a functor $I : \text{Ab} \rightarrow \text{Gr}$ such that $I(A) = A$;
3. Prove that there is a functor $(-)^{\text{ab}} : \text{Gr} \rightarrow \text{Ab}$ such that $G^{\text{ab}} = G/[G, G]$;
4. Prove that $(-)^{\text{ab}}$ and I are adjoint: there exists a natural bijection

$$\text{Mor}_{\text{Ab}}(G^{\text{ab}}, A) \cong \text{Mor}_{\text{Gr}}(G, I(A))$$

for all groups G and abelian groups A .