

Lecture 20: Tensor product and direct sum

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Proposition. Consider the split short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N_1 \xrightarrow{j_1} N_1 \oplus N_2 \xrightarrow{p} N_2 \rightarrow 0. \text{ Then}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & N_1 \otimes_S M & \xrightarrow{j \otimes \text{id}} & (N_1 \oplus N_2) \otimes_S M & \xrightarrow{p \otimes \text{id}} & N_2 \otimes_S M \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & \curvearrowright & \uparrow \phi & \curvearrowright & \parallel \\ 0 & \rightarrow & N_1 \otimes_S M & \xrightarrow{j} & (N_1 \otimes_S M) \oplus (N_2 \otimes_S M) & \xrightarrow{p} & N_2 \otimes_S M \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

where $\phi(n_1 \otimes m_1, n_2 \otimes m_2) := j_1(n_1) \otimes m_1 + j_2(n_2) \otimes m_2$.

Pf. By the universal property of (external) direct sum \exists an R -mod.

hom. $\phi : (N_1 \otimes_S M) \oplus (N_2 \otimes_S M) \rightarrow (N_1 \oplus N_2) \otimes_S M$,

$\phi(n_1 \otimes m, 0) = j_1(n_1) \otimes m, \quad \phi(0, n_2 \otimes m) = j_2(n_2) \otimes m.$

Now one can see that the above diagram commutes. Hence by the Short

Five Lemma ϕ is an isomorphism. ■

Here is an alternative approach: let $\prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i} : S\text{-mod} \rightarrow Ab$

Then in your HW assignments you $(\prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i})(K) := \prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i}(K)$

have essentially proved that there

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K & & \prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i}(K) \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow \prod F_{N_i}(f) \\ K' & & \prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i}(K') \end{array}$$

is a natural transformation from $F_{\bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i}$ to

$\prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i}$. Hence $F_{\bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i} \circ F_M \cong \prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i} \circ F_M \Rightarrow F_{(\bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i) \otimes_S M} \cong \prod_{i \in I} F_{N_i \otimes_S M}$

which implies $(\bigoplus_{i \in I} N_i) \otimes_S M \cong \bigoplus_{i \in I} (N_i \otimes_S M)$.

$\cong F_{\bigoplus (N_i \otimes_S M)}$

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Corollary. Suppose M_1 and M_2 are left S -modules. Then

$M_1 \oplus M_2$ is flat if and only if M_1 and M_2 are flat.

Pf. Suppose $0 \rightarrow N \xrightarrow{f} N'$ is exact. Then

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \rightarrow & N \otimes_S M_1 & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes j_1} & N \otimes_S (M_1 \oplus M_2) & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes p} & N \otimes_S M_2 \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \parallel & & \downarrow \text{?} & & \parallel \\
 0 & \rightarrow & N \otimes M_1 & \xrightarrow{j_1} & (N \otimes_S M_1) \oplus (N \otimes_S M_2) & \xrightarrow{p_2} & N \otimes_S M_2 \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow f \otimes \text{id} & & \downarrow f \otimes \text{id} & & \downarrow f \otimes \text{id} \\
 0 & \rightarrow & N' \otimes M_1 & \xrightarrow{j_1} & (N' \otimes_S M_1) \oplus (N' \otimes_S M_2) & \xrightarrow{p_2} & N' \otimes_S M_2 \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \parallel & & \downarrow \text{?} & & \parallel \\
 0 & \rightarrow & N' \otimes M_1 & \rightarrow & N' \otimes_S (M_1 \oplus M_2) & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes p} & N' \otimes_S M_2 \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

$n \otimes (m_1, m_2)$
 $(n \otimes m_1, \downarrow ? n \otimes m_2)$
 $(f(n) \otimes m_1, \downarrow ? f(n) \otimes m_2)$
 $f(n) \otimes (m_1, m_2)$

By Short Five Lemma, if $f \otimes \text{id}_{M_1}$ and $f \otimes \text{id}_{M_2}$ are injective,

then $f \otimes \text{id}_{M_1 \oplus M_2}$ is injective; and so $M_1, M_2 : \text{flat} \Rightarrow M_1 \oplus M_2 : \text{flat}$.

If $f \otimes \text{id}_{M_1 \oplus M_2}$ is injective, then using above diagram you can

see that $f \otimes \text{id}_{M_1}$ is injective; and so $M_1 \oplus M_2 : \text{flat} \Rightarrow M_1 : \text{flat}$

And, by symmetry, $M_1 \oplus M_2 : \text{flat} \Rightarrow M_2 : \text{flat}$. ■

Corollary. $R^n \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{\sim} M^n$, $(r_1, \dots, r_n) \otimes m \mapsto (r_1 m, \dots, r_n m)$.

Pf. $R^n \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{\sim} (R \otimes_R M)^n \xrightarrow{\sim} M^n$ (why?)

$$(r_1, \dots, r_n) \otimes m \mapsto (r_1 \otimes m, \dots, r_n \otimes m) \mapsto (r_1 m, \dots, r_n m) \quad \blacksquare$$

Lecture 20: Free implies projective

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Lemma. A free module is flat.

Pf. By $R \otimes_R M \simeq M$, we deduce that R is a flat R -mod.

$$r \otimes m \mapsto m$$

By induction and the previous corollary, R^n is flat for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Now suppose $\sum_{j=1}^n (r_i^{(j)}) \otimes m_j \in \ker \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} R \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes f} \bigoplus_{i \in I} R \otimes_R M' \right)$

where $f: M \rightarrow M'$ is an injective R -mod homomorphism.

Let $I_0 := \{i \in I \mid \exists j \text{ s.t. } r_i^{(j)} \neq 0\}$. Then I_0 is finite.

Notice that $\bigoplus_{i \in I} R \simeq \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} R \right) \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I \setminus I_0} R \right)$. And so

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} R \right) \otimes_R M & \xrightarrow{J \otimes \text{id}} & \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} R \right) \otimes_R M \\ \downarrow \text{id} \otimes f & \curvearrowright & \downarrow \text{id} \otimes f \\ \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} R \right) \otimes_R M' & \xrightarrow{J \otimes \text{id}} & \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} R \right) \otimes_R M' \end{array}$$

And so $((\text{id} \otimes f) \circ (J \otimes \text{id})) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n (r_i^{(j)}) \otimes m_j \right) = 0$. (*)

The above diagram together with (*) implies $\text{id} \otimes f \left(\sum_{j=1}^n (r_i^{(j)}) \otimes m_j \right) = 0$

Since $|I_0| < \infty$, $\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} R$ is flat. And so

$$0 \rightarrow \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} R \right) \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes f} \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} R \right) \otimes_R M' \text{ is exact.}$$

Hence $\sum_{j=1}^n (r_i^{(j)}) \otimes m_j = 0$ in $\left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} R \right) \otimes_R M$; and so it is zero

in $\left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} R \right) \otimes_R M$. ■

Lecture 20: Projective implies flat; tensor of algebras

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Theorem. Any projective module is flat.

Pf. Suppose P is a projective module. Then P is a direct summand of a free module F ; that means $F = P \oplus N$. Since F is a flat, P is flat. ■

Def. Let R be a unital commutative ring, A be a (unital) ring, and $\phi: R \rightarrow A$ be a (unital) ring homomorphism. If $\text{Im}(\phi) \subseteq Z(A)$, we say A is an R -algebra.

Remark. Typically we assume R is a subring of A . For instance any unital ring A is a $Z(A)$ -algebra.

Remark. An R -algebra is an (R, R) -bimodule.

Theorem. Let A and B be two R -algebras. Then the following is a well-defined operation on $A \otimes_R B$; and $A \otimes_R B$ with its R -module structure and this multiplication is an R -algebra:

$$(a \otimes b) \cdot (a' \otimes b') := aa' \otimes bb'$$

Pf. For fixed a' and b' , let $f_{(a', b')} : A \times B \rightarrow A \otimes_R B$,
 $f_{(a', b')}(a, b) := aa' \otimes bb'$.

Proof was not covered during lecture

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R-balanced. $f_{(a',b')} (ar, b) = ara' \otimes bb' = aa'r \otimes bb' = aa' \otimes rbb'$
 $= f_{(a',b')} (a, rb)$.

R-linear in A. $f_{(a',b')} (r_1 a_1 + r_2 a_2, b) = (r_1 a_1 + r_2 a_2) a' \otimes bb'$
 $= r_1 (a_1 a' \otimes bb') + r_2 (a_2 a' \otimes bb')$ ✓

R-linear in B is similar. So \exists an (R, R) -bimodule

$$\tilde{\varphi}_{(a',b')} : A \otimes_R B \rightarrow A \otimes_R B, \tilde{\varphi}_{(a',b')} (a \otimes b) = aa' \otimes bb'.$$

Fix $\alpha \in A \otimes_R B$, let $\phi_\alpha : A \times B \rightarrow A \otimes_R B$, $\phi_\alpha (a', b') := \tilde{\varphi}_{(a',b')} (\alpha)$.

And so $\phi_{a \otimes b} (a', b') = aa' \otimes bb'$. Hence, if $\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \otimes b_i$,

then $\phi_\alpha (a', b') = \tilde{\varphi}_{(a',b')} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \otimes b_i \right)$
 $= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i a' \otimes b_i b'$.

R-balanced. $\phi_\alpha (a' r, b') = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i a' r \otimes b_i b'$
 $= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i a' \otimes r b_i b' = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i a' \otimes b_i (r b')$
 $= \phi_\alpha (a', r b')$.

Similarly one can check that ϕ_α is bi-R-linear. Hence

$$\exists \tilde{\varphi}_\alpha : A \otimes_R B \rightarrow A \otimes_R B \text{ st. } \tilde{\varphi}_\alpha (a' \otimes b') = \tilde{\varphi}_{(a',b')} (\alpha)$$

in particular $\tilde{\varphi}_{a \otimes b} (a' \otimes b') = aa' \otimes bb'$.

Let $m : (A \otimes_R B) \times (A \otimes_R B) \rightarrow A \otimes_R B$, $m(\alpha, \alpha') := \tilde{\varphi}_\alpha (\alpha')$.

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Then $m(\alpha, \alpha') = \tilde{\Phi}_\alpha(\alpha')$ is \mathbb{R} -linear in α' . And if

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha' = \sum a'_i \otimes b'_i, \text{ then } m(\alpha, \alpha') &= \tilde{\Phi}_\alpha(\sum a'_i \otimes b'_i) \\ &= \sum \tilde{\Phi}_\alpha(a'_i \otimes b'_i) \\ &= \sum \underbrace{\tilde{\Psi}_{(a'_i, b'_i)}}_{\mathbb{R}\text{-linear in } \alpha}(\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow m$ is bi- \mathbb{R} -linear.

$$\text{And } m\left(\sum_i a_i \otimes b_i, \sum_j a'_j \otimes b'_j\right) = \sum_{i,j} a_i a'_j \otimes b_i b'_j.$$

Associative. $m\left(m\left(\sum_i a_i \otimes b_i, \sum_j a'_j \otimes b'_j\right), \sum_k a''_k \otimes b''_k\right)$

$$= \sum_{i,j,k} (a_i a'_j) a''_k \otimes (b_i b'_j) b''_k$$

$$= \sum_{i,j,k} a_i (a'_j a''_k) \otimes b_i (b'_j b''_k)$$

A & B
are rings

$$= m\left(\sum_i a_i \otimes b_i, m\left(\sum_j a'_j \otimes b'_j, \sum_k a''_k \otimes b''_k\right)\right).$$

And so $\alpha \cdot \beta := m(\alpha, \beta)$ defines a mult. on $A \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} B$,

and it has distribution properties and it is associative.

• Let $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow A \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} B$, $\phi(r) := r(1 \otimes 1) = r \otimes 1 = 1 \otimes r$

Then it is easy to check that ϕ is a ring homomorphism and $\phi(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq Z(A \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} B)$; and claim follows. ■