

HW 3

Throughout, A is a commutative ring. Recall that if M_1, \dots, M_n are A -modules, the tensor product $(M_1 \otimes_A \cdots \otimes_A M_n, \Psi_u)$ is an A -module $M_1 \otimes_A \cdots \otimes_A M_n$ together with an A -multilinear map $\Psi_u: M_1 \times \cdots \times M_n \rightarrow M_1 \otimes_A \cdots \otimes_A M_n$ such that if $\psi: M_1 \times \cdots \times M_n \rightarrow T$ is A -multilinear, there exists a unique map of A -modules $\varphi: M_1 \otimes_A \cdots \otimes_A M_n \rightarrow T$ such that $\varphi \circ \Psi_u = \psi$. In other words there is a unique way to fill the dotted arrow to make the diagram below commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 M_1 \times \cdots \times M_n & & \\
 \downarrow \Psi_u & \searrow \psi & \\
 & & T \\
 & \nearrow \varphi & \\
 M_1 \otimes_A \cdots \otimes_A M_n & &
 \end{array}$$

In what follows, a “module” means an “ A -module”. Similarly, “multilinear”, “bilinear” mean “ A -multilinear” and “ A -bilinear” respectively.

You are expected to use the universal property of tensor products to solve the problems below. You will never need the actual construction of the tensor product.

- (1) Let M_1, M_2, M_3 be modules. Show that there are canonical isomorphisms

$$(M_1 \otimes_A M_2) \otimes_A M_3 \xrightarrow{\sim} M_1 \otimes_A M_2 \otimes_A M_3 \xrightarrow{\sim} M_1 \otimes_A (M_2 \otimes_A M_3).$$

- (2) Let M, N, T be A -modules.

- (a) Suppose $\psi: M \times N \rightarrow T$ is bilinear. For each $m \in M$, let $\psi_m: N \rightarrow T$ be the map $n \mapsto \psi(m, n)$. Show that the map $\varphi: M \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(N, T)$ given by $m \mapsto \psi_m$ is A -linear.
- (b) Conversely, show that if $\varphi: M \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(N, T)$ is A -linear, then the map $\psi: M \times N \rightarrow T$ given by $(m, n) \mapsto \varphi(m)(n)$ is bilinear. Show also that $\varphi(m)$ is the map ψ_m of the part (a).
- (c) Show that we have a canonical isomorphism

$$\text{Hom}_A(M, \text{Hom}_A(N, T)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_A(M \otimes_A N, T).$$

- (3) Let $M \in \text{Mod}_A$. For an A -linear map $\varphi: N \rightarrow T$, let $M \otimes_A \varphi: M \otimes_A N \rightarrow M \otimes_A T$ be the map defined by $m \otimes n \mapsto m \otimes \varphi(n)$.

- (a) Show that $M \otimes_A \varphi$ is well defined.
- (b) Show that if

$$0 \rightarrow N' \rightarrow N \rightarrow N'' \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence, then

$$M \otimes_A N' \rightarrow M \otimes_A N \rightarrow M \otimes_A N'' \rightarrow 0$$

is exact.

(c) With the notations and hypotheses of part (b) show that

$$0 \rightarrow M \otimes_A N' \rightarrow M \otimes_A N \rightarrow M \otimes_A N'' \rightarrow 0$$

need not be exact.

(4) Let (M_λ) be a direct system of modules. Show that

$$\varinjlim_\lambda M_\lambda \otimes_A N = \varinjlim_\lambda (M_\lambda \otimes_A N).$$

(5) Let M_1, \dots, M_n be modules.

(a) Show that

$$\left(\bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i \right) \otimes_A N = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n (M_i \otimes_A N).$$

(b) Show that

$$\left(\bigoplus_{\alpha \in I} M_\alpha \right) \otimes_A N = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in I} (M_\alpha \otimes_A N)$$

for an arbitrary direct sum $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in I} M_\alpha$.

(6) Let I be an ideal of A and M a module. Show that $M \otimes_A (A/I) = M/IM$.