

Problem Sheet 9

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1. Let A_1, \dots, A_n be R -modules. Let $B_i \subset A_i$ be submodules. Show that $(A_1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_n)/(B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_n)$ is isomorphic to $A_1/B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_n/B_n$.
2. Let $M = \mathbb{Z}^2$ be the free \mathbb{Z} -module of rank 2. Let N be the submodule $24\mathbb{Z} \oplus 30\mathbb{Z}$. Find a basis y_1, y_2 for M and integers a_1, a_2 such that $a_1 \mid a_2$ and $a_1 y_1, a_2 y_2$ is a basis for N . Deduce that $\mathbb{Z}/24\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/30\mathbb{Z}$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/120\mathbb{Z}$.
3. Let $R = \mathbb{Z}[x]$, let M be the free module of rank 1. Consider the submodule N generated by 2 and x . Show that the rank of N is 1. Show that N is not a free module of rank 1 (This is equivalent to N being a principal ideal).
4. Show that an integral domain R is a PID iff every submodule of a free module is a free module. (Note we proved one direction in class. For the other direction consider cyclic modules.)
5. Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ with basis e_1, e_2 . Show that $e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \in V \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} V$ cannot be written as any element $v \otimes w$.
6. Let $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ and let v, v' be non zero elements. Prove that $v \otimes v' = v' \otimes v$ in $V \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} V$ if and only if $v = av'$ for some $a \in \mathbb{R}$.
7. Show that $\mathbb{Z}[i] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R}$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} .
8. Show that $\mathbb{Z}[x] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Q}[x]$.
9. Show that $\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}$ is an \mathbb{R} -module via $r(c \otimes c') = (rc) \otimes c'$. Show that it is a free \mathbb{R} -module of rank 2. Show that the \mathbb{R} -module $\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ has rank > 2 .
10. Let R be an integral domain contained in a field Q . Let M be a torsion R module. Show that $M \otimes_R Q = 0$.
11. Let R be an integral domain, Q the field of fractions, M an R -module. Show that every element of $M \otimes_R Q$ can be written as $(1/d) \otimes c$ for some $c \in M, d \in R$.

The following questions are for extra credit!!!

12. Show that $\bigoplus_i = 1^\infty \mathbb{Z}/2^i \mathbb{Z}$ is a torsion \mathbb{Z} -module but $\prod_{i=1}^\infty \mathbb{Z}/2^i \mathbb{Z}$ is not a torsion \mathbb{Z} -module by showing that the element $(1, 1, \dots)$ has infinite order.
13. Let R be an integral domain and Q the field of fractions. Show that if N is a submodule of an R -module M , then $N \otimes_R Q$ is a submodule of $M \otimes_R Q$.
14. Deduce from the above that tensor product does not commute with direct products. Namely that $(\prod_{i=1}^\infty \mathbb{Z}/2^i \mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} \neq \prod_{i=1}^\infty (\mathbb{Z}/2^i \mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q})$