

Exercises for the lecture Algebra 1

—Exercise sheet 11—

Exercise sheet 12 (next week) will be the last regular exercise sheet. Exercise sheet 13 will only serve for repetition.

Definition: Let R be a ring and M, N, P three R -modules.

- (i) A map $f : M \times N \rightarrow P$ is R -bilinear if $f(-, n) : M \rightarrow P$ and $f(m, -) : N \rightarrow P$ are R -linear for all $m \in M, n \in N$.
- (ii) A tensor product of M and N over R is an R -module T together with a bilinear map $\tau : M \times N \rightarrow T$, such that for every bilinear map $f : M \times N \rightarrow P$ into an R -module P there exists a unique linear map $\varphi : T \rightarrow P$ such that $f = \varphi \circ \tau$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \times N & \xrightarrow{f} & P \\ \downarrow \tau & \nearrow \exists! \varphi & \\ T & & \end{array}$$

Exercise 1 (15 points). (Tensor products) a) Let $(T_1, \tau_1), (T_2, \tau_2)$ be two tensor products of M and N . Show that there exists a unique R -module isomorphism $\varphi : T_1 \rightarrow T_2$ such that $\tau_2 = \varphi \circ \tau_1$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \times N & \xrightarrow{\tau_2} & T_2 \\ \downarrow \tau_1 & \nearrow \exists! \varphi & \\ T_1 & & \end{array}$$

Therefore one simply talks about *the* tensor product $M \otimes N$ of M and N . The element $\tau(m, n)$ is denoted by $m \otimes n$.

b) Consider the free R -module $R^{M \times N}$ with basis $M \times N$. Its elements are linear combinations $\sum a_i(x_i, y_i)$ with $a_i \in R, x_i \in M, y_i \in N$. Let $U \subset R^{M \times N}$ be the submodule which is generated by expressions of the form

$$\begin{aligned} (ax + a'x', y) - a(x, y) - a'(x', y) \\ (x, ay + a'y') - a(x, y) - a'(x', y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $a, a' \in R, x, x' \in M, y, y' \in N$. Define T and τ via $T = R^{M \times N} / U$ and

$$\tau : M \times N \rightarrow R^{M \times N} / U, (x, y) \mapsto (x, y) + U.$$

Show that the pair (T, τ) satisfied the universal property of the tensor product.

c) Let $\varphi : M \rightarrow N, \varphi' : M' \rightarrow N'$ be two R -linear maps. Show that there is an induced R -linear map

$$\varphi \otimes \varphi' : M \otimes M' \rightarrow N \otimes N'$$

such that $(\varphi \otimes \varphi')(m \otimes m') = \varphi(m) \otimes \varphi'(m')$.

Exercise 2 (10 points). (Tensor products 2) For all R -modules M, N, P exist isomorphisms (independent of the choice of a basis)

(i) $M \otimes N \cong N \otimes M$.

(ii) $M \otimes R \cong M$.

(iii) $(M \oplus N) \otimes P \cong (M \otimes P) \oplus (N \otimes P)$.

(iv) $M \otimes N \otimes P \cong (M \otimes N) \otimes P \cong M \otimes (N \otimes P)$.

Conclude that for free R -modules M and N with bases $(x_i)_{i \in I}$ and $(y_j)_{j \in J}$ the tensor product $M \otimes N$ is free with basis $(x_i \otimes y_j)_{i \in I, j \in J}$.

Exercise 3 (15 Points). (Exaktness and adjunction) a) For all R -modules M, N, P

$$\text{Hom}(M, \text{Hom}(N, P)) \cong \text{Hom}(M \otimes N, P).$$

b) Let

$$M_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} M_2 \xrightarrow{\varphi_2} M_3 \longrightarrow 0$$

be short exact. For every R -module N the sequence

$$M_1 \otimes N \xrightarrow{\varphi_1 \otimes id} M_2 \otimes N \xrightarrow{\varphi_2 \otimes id} M_3 \otimes N \longrightarrow 0$$

is short exact (i.e. $- \otimes N$ is a right exact functor).

c) Show via an example that $- \otimes N$ is in general not left exact.

d) An R -module N is called flat if $- \otimes N$ is exact. Show: If N is free, then N is flat.

Due date: Monday, 27.06.2019, around 2pm before the lecture.