

Write your answers neatly, in complete sentences, and prove all assertions. Start each problem on a new page (this makes it easier in Gradescope). Revise your work before handing it in, and submit a .pdf created from a LaTeX source to Gradescope. Correct and crisp proofs are greatly appreciated; oftentimes your work can be shortened and made clearer.

Due Monday 8 March.

- Let M_R and ${}_R N$ be right- and left- modules over a ring R and P be an abelian group. Prove that the first two (additive) conditions on a balanced map $f: M \times N \rightarrow P$ imply that $f(0, n) = f(m, 0) = 0$ and that $f(-m, n) = -f(m, n) = f(m, -n)$. (Remember, $-a$ is the additive inverse of a .)
- Let A be an abelian group and $m \geq 1$ a positive integer. Show that $A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} (\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}) \simeq A/mA$. Use this to deduce that $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \otimes \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/\gcd(m, n)\mathbb{Z}$ and to describe the tensor product of any two finitely generated abelian groups.
- Let A be a module over a commutative ring R . Show that $A \times A^* \rightarrow R$ defined by $(a, f) \mapsto f(a)$ is R -bilinear (balanced). Show that $A \otimes_R A^*$ has a natural map to $\text{End}_R(A)$.
- Let $f: M_R \rightarrow M'_R$ and $g: {}_R N \rightarrow {}_R N'$ be R -module homomorphisms. Explain the difference between the induced homomorphism $f \otimes g$ of tensor products of R -modules and the element $f \otimes g$ of the tensor product of abelian groups $\text{Hom}_R(M, M') \otimes \text{Hom}_R(N, N')$
- Consider an attempt to define an \mathbb{R} -linear map

$$f: \mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C},$$

in either direction given by the formula

$$f(x \otimes y) = x \otimes y.$$

In which direction is this map well-defined? Is it then surjective? Is it injective?

- Let $m > 1$ be an integer. Consider the exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot m} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$, where $\cdot m$ is the map with image $m\mathbb{Z}$ induced by $1 \mapsto m$.
Apply the tensor product functor $_ \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ to this exact sequence, determining all groups and maps. Do you obtain an exact sequence?
- Let R be a commutative ring and $I, J \subset R$ ideals of R . Prove that there is an R -module isomorphism $R/I \otimes_R R/J \simeq R/(I+J)$.
- Let $\varphi: R \rightarrow S$ be a ring homomorphism. Show that this induces on S the structure of an R - R bimodule. Let M be a left R -module and show that $S \otimes_R M$ is a left S -module. (This is called *base extension*, and induces a functor from R -mod to S -mod.)