

# Math250aHw10

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**Exercise 4:** Let  $\varphi : A \rightarrow B$  be a commutative ring homomorphism. Let  $E$  be an  $A$ -module and  $F$  a  $B$ -module. Let  $F_A$  be the  $A$ -module obtained from  $F$  via the operation of  $A$  on  $F$  through  $\varphi$ , that is for  $y \in F_A$  and  $a \in A$  this operation is given by

$$(a, y) \mapsto (\varphi(a)y)$$

Show that there is a natural isomorphism

$$\text{Hom}_B(B \otimes_A E, F) \cong \text{Hom}_A(E, F_A).$$

*Proof.* Consider the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (B, (E, F)) & \longrightarrow & (E, F_A) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ (B, (E', F)) & \longrightarrow & (E', F_A) \end{array}$$

We know that

$$\text{Hom}_B(B \otimes_A E, F) \cong (B, (E, F))$$

So if  $\pi \in (B, (E, F))$ , we can send  $\pi \mapsto \pi(1_B)$  for the top morphism. If  $\psi : E \rightarrow E'$ , then we have that the left morphism sends  $f \in (B, (E', F)) \mapsto f(-) \circ \psi \in (B, (E, F))$ . For the bottom morphism, we can take  $f(-) \circ \psi \mapsto f(1_B) \circ \psi$ . So we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f(-) \circ \psi & \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_{1_B}} & f(1_B) \circ \psi \\ \uparrow - \circ \psi & & \uparrow - \circ \psi \\ f(-) & \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_{1_B}} & f(1_B) \end{array}$$

This is invertible because ... idk.

As for naturality in the other part, we have:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (B, (E, F)) & \longrightarrow & (E, F_A) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ (B, (E, F')) & \longrightarrow & (E, F'_A) \end{array}$$

If we have a morphism  $\psi : F \rightarrow F'$  and  $f \in (E, F)$ , we have the natural transformations:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f(-) & \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_{1_B}} & f(1_B) \\ \downarrow \psi \circ - & & \downarrow \psi \circ - \\ \psi \circ f(-) & \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_{1_B}} & \psi \circ f(1_B) \end{array}$$

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**Exercise 6:** Let  $M, N$  be flat. Show that  $M \otimes N$  is flat.

*Proof.* Let  $E' \rightarrow E \rightarrow E''$  be an exact sequence. By definition, we have that

$$E' \otimes M \rightarrow E \otimes M \rightarrow E'' \otimes M$$

is exact also. Now we tensor again by  $N$  which should also preserve flatness:

$$(E' \otimes M) \otimes N \rightarrow (E \otimes M) \otimes N \rightarrow (E'' \otimes M) \otimes N$$

is exact. By the associative property of tensor products, we have that for any exact sequence

$$E' \rightarrow E \rightarrow E''$$

tensoring with  $M \otimes N$  preserves exactness, so  $N \otimes M$  is flat.  $\square$

**Exercise 8:** Prove Proposition 3.2

*Proof.* (Part I) Let  $S$  be a multiplicative subset of  $R$ . Then  $S^{-1}R$  is flat over  $R$ .

We need to show that if we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow E' \rightarrow E$$

then we also have the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow R[S^{-1}] \otimes E' \rightarrow R[S^{-1}] \otimes E$$

Then we just need to show that

$$0 \rightarrow E[S^{-1}] \rightarrow E'[S^{-1}]$$

is exact. Suppose that we have some elements  $\frac{e_1}{s_1}, \frac{e_2}{s_2}$  such that

$$\varphi\left(\frac{e_1}{s_1}\right) = \varphi\left(\frac{e_2}{s_2}\right)$$

Then we have

$$\varphi\left(\frac{e_1}{s_1} - \frac{e_2}{s_2}\right) = 0$$

Since this is a module morphism we can multiply by anything in  $r \in S^{-1}$  and we see that

$$\varphi(e_1 s_2 - e_2 s_1) = 0$$

(Part II) A module  $M$  is flat over  $R$  if and only if the localization  $M_p$  is flat over  $R_p$  for each prime ideal  $p$  of  $R$ .

( $\rightarrow$ ) Suppose that  $M$  is flat over  $R$ . Then we have  $M_p \cong M \otimes R_p$ . Since  $M$  is flat and  $R_p$  is flat, we have that  $M_p \cong M \otimes R_p$  is flat over  $R$ . Then it is also flat over  $R_p$ . So this is true for any  $p$  prime.

( $\leftarrow$ ) Idk < Help needed.

(Part III) ( $\rightarrow$ ) Consider an injective mapping

$$\varphi := r \rightarrow ar$$

with the corresponding exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow R$$

Since  $F$  is flat:

$$0 \longrightarrow R \otimes F \longrightarrow R \otimes F$$

is exact and the morphism is given by

$$\varphi \otimes 1 := r \otimes f \mapsto ar \otimes f$$

which is injective, so  $af \neq 0$  for any  $a$ .

( $\leftarrow$ ) Torsion free modules over a PID are free, since any module over a PID can be written as:

$$E = E_{\text{tor}} \oplus F$$

for  $F$  free. Free modules are flat modules.  $\square$

**Exercise 9:** We continue to assume that rings are commutative. Let  $M$  be an  $A$ -module. We say that  $M$  is **faithfully flat** if  $M$  is flat, and if the functor

$$T_M : E \mapsto M \otimes_A E.$$

is faithful, that is  $E \neq 0$  implies  $M \otimes_A E \neq 0$ . Prove that the following conditions are equivalent.

- $M$  is faithfully flat.
- $M$  is flat, and if  $u : F \rightarrow E$  is a homomorphism of  $A$ -modules,  $u \neq 0$ , then  $T_M(u) : M \otimes_A F \rightarrow M \otimes_A E$  is also  $\neq 0$ .
- $M$  is flat, and for all maximal ideals  $\mathfrak{m}$  of  $A$ , we have  $\mathfrak{m}M \neq M$ .
- A sequence of  $A$ -modules  $N' \rightarrow N \rightarrow M''$  is exact if and only if the sequence tensored with  $M$  is exact.

*Proof.* (1  $\rightarrow$  2) Consider the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F & \xrightarrow{u} & E \\ T_M(F) \downarrow & & \downarrow T_M(E) \\ M \otimes_A F & \xrightarrow{T_M(u)} & M \otimes_A (E) \end{array}$$

Since  $E \neq 0$ , and supposing  $u \neq 0$ , we can construct the exact sequence  $K \rightarrow F \rightarrow E$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} K & \xrightarrow{k} & F & \xrightarrow{u} & E \\ & & \downarrow T_M(F) & & \downarrow T_M(E) \\ M \otimes_A K & \longrightarrow & M \otimes_A (F) & \xrightarrow{T_M(u)} & M \otimes_A (E) \end{array}$$

where  $k$  is the kernel of  $u$ . Since  $M$  is flat, we have an exact sequence on the bottom also. Since  $M \otimes_A (E)$  is not 0,  $M \otimes_A K \rightarrow M \otimes_A (F)$  is not surjective. Then the image is not all of  $M \otimes_A F$  and therefore, the kernel of  $T_M(u)$  is not all of  $M \otimes_A F$ . So  $T_M(u)$  is not the 0 map.

(2  $\rightarrow$  3) Consider the exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathfrak{m} \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow R/\mathfrak{m} \longrightarrow 0$$

Since  $M$  is flat, tensoring, we get:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathfrak{m} \otimes M \longrightarrow R \otimes M \longrightarrow R/\mathfrak{m} \otimes M \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact or

$$0 \longrightarrow mM \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow M/mM \longrightarrow 0$$

But because  $R \rightarrow R/m$  is not the zero map,  $R \otimes M \rightarrow R/m \otimes M$  is not the zero map also. Then  $M/mM$  is not the zero module. Therefore,  $mM \rightarrow M$  is not surjective, and so  $mM$  is not equal to  $M$  for any  $m$ .

(3  $\rightarrow$  4) If  $M$  is flat, by definition, we already have the  $\rightarrow$  direction. Suppose that

$$N' \otimes M \longrightarrow N \otimes M \longrightarrow M'' \otimes M$$

is exact. Then we tensor everything with  $R/m$  for some maximal ideal  $m$ . To get:

$$N' \otimes M/mM \longrightarrow N \otimes M/mM \longrightarrow M'' \otimes M/mM$$

where  $R/m \otimes M$  is a vector space and therefore a free module. Furthermore, it is a one dimensional vector space because we only have one copy of  $R/m$ . Then for any module  $T$ , we just have  $T \otimes M/mM \cong T$ . So we have:

$$N' \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow M''$$

is exact.

(4  $\rightarrow$  1) First, assume that tensoring  $M$  with any short exact sequence on three modules gives a short exact sequence. Then by definition,  $M$  is flat. So now we will show that the functor

$$T_M : E \mapsto M \otimes_A E$$

is faithful. We will prove the contrapositive. Suppose that  $M \otimes E = 0$ . Then we have that the sequence

$$0 \otimes M \longrightarrow E \otimes M \longrightarrow 0 \otimes M$$

is exact. But by assuming 4, we can say that detensoring by  $M$  gives an exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow 0$$

and we therefore conclude that  $E = 0$ . So we have proved equality of the four conditions.  $\square$