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**Question 1.** Can you embed the following groups into  $F_2$ ?

- $F_3$

Same as  $F_\infty$ , but restricted to first three generators.

- $F_\infty$

Let  $a, b$  be generators of  $F_2$ . Consider  $x_i = b^{-i}ab^{-i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ . Let's prove that  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots \rangle$  is free: Suppose that some reduced word  $w = x_{y_1}^{z_1} x_{y_2}^{z_2} \dots$  is equal to identity. It is reduced, so  $y_i \neq y_i + 1$  for any  $i$

$$b^{-y_1} a^{z_1} b^{y_1 - y_2} a^{z_2} b^{y_2 - y_3} \dots = e$$

All exponents in the above word are non-zero, so the above word is reduced and non-empty, so it is not equal to identity, contradiction. Hence  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots \rangle \cong F_\infty$ , so  $F_2$  has a subgroup isomorphic to  $F_\infty$ .

**Question 2.** How to recover  $d_i$ 's in classification of finitely generated abelian groups?

**Question 3.** Show that free  $R$ -modules are projective.

Let  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  be a basis for a free  $R$ -module  $P$ . Suppose  $f : N \rightarrow M$  is a surjective homomorphism and  $g : N \rightarrow M$  is a homomorphism.  $f$  is surjective, so let  $n_i$  be s.t.  $f(n_i) = g(p_i)$ . Now let  $h : P \rightarrow M$  be defined by  $h(r_i p_i) = r_i n_i$ . This is well defined, because  $P$  is free, and it's also a homomorphism. Moreover  $f \circ h(r_i p_i) = f(r_i n_i) = r_i g(p_i) = g(r_i p_i)$ , so  $g = f \circ h$ , so  $P$  is projective.

**Question 4.** Show that if  $P$  is projective then  $\otimes P$  preserves injectivity of maps.

Let's first prove the following: For any  $R$ -modules  $M, N, Q$  we have

$$(M \oplus N) \otimes Q \cong (M \otimes Q) \oplus (N \otimes Q).$$

*Proof.* Consider the bilinear map  $f : (M \oplus N) \times Q \rightarrow (M \otimes Q) \oplus (N \otimes Q)$  given by  $f((m, n), q) = m \otimes q + n \otimes q$ . Then by the fundamental property of tensor products the corresponding map  $\phi : (M \oplus N) \otimes Q \rightarrow (M \otimes Q) \oplus (N \otimes Q)$  that sends  $(m, n) \otimes q$  to  $m \otimes q + n \otimes q$  is a well-defined module homomorphism.

We would now like to find its inverse. Consider the "obvious" maps  $\varphi_N, \varphi_M : M \otimes Q, N \otimes Q \rightarrow (M \oplus N) \otimes Q$ . Then the map  $\psi : (M \otimes Q) \oplus (N \otimes Q) \rightarrow (M \oplus N) \otimes Q$  given by  $(m \otimes q_m, n \otimes q_n) \mapsto \varphi_M(m \otimes q_m) + \varphi_N(n \otimes q_n)$  is a well-defined homomorphism since it's a sum of two homomorphisms. Now it remains to check that  $\psi$  is an inverse of  $\phi$  but this is a trivial check, so we are done  $\square$

Now let's show that free modules preserve the injectivity of maps. I will denote a free  $R$ -module by  $R^n$  but everything that follows work just as well for modules of infinite rank. Let  $f : M \rightarrow N$  be injective. Then we claim that  $f \otimes id : M \otimes R^k \rightarrow N \otimes R^k$  is injective. Suppose that  $f(m) \otimes (r_1, \dots, r_k) = f(m') \otimes (r'_1, \dots, r'_k)$ . We would like to show that this implies the equality of arguments. Since  $M \otimes R^k \cong$

$M^k$  we can instead assume  $(r_1 f(m), \dots, r_k f(m)) = (r'_1 f(m'), \dots, r'_k f(m'))$ . But since  $f$  is a homomorphism we can move the  $r_i$  and  $r'_i$  inside the argument and use the injectivity of  $f$  to establish  $r_i m = r'_i m'$  which is exactly what we wanted, so we are done.  $\square$

One more step in the proof (which, in case it isn't apparent, was created by reading a lot of simpler facts on wikipedia, trying to prove these first and seeing if these lead to anything) : For any projective module  $P$  there exists a module  $Q$  s.t.  $M \oplus Q$  is free. Once again I will be assuming that  $P$  has a generating set of size  $n$  but  $n = \infty$  works the same.

Let  $P$  be generated by  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ . Consider  $f : R^n \rightarrow P$  that sends the  $i$ -th basis element to  $p_i$ . This is clearly a surjective module homomorphism. Then by the defining property of projective modules, there exists a homomorphism  $h : P \rightarrow R^n$  s.t.  $f \circ h = id_P$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R^n & & \\ \uparrow h & \searrow f & \\ P & \xrightarrow{id} & P \end{array}$$

Now clearly  $h$  is injective, because  $f \circ h$  has trivial kernel, so  $h(P) = P$ . We claim that  $R^n \cong \text{im}(h) \oplus \ker(f)$  and the isomorphism between these is

$$\begin{aligned} (r_1, \dots, r_n) &\mapsto \left( h \left( \sum r_i p_i \right), h \left( \sum r_i p_i \right) - (r_1, \dots, r_n) \right) = \\ &= (h \circ f(r_i), h \circ f(r_i) - (r_i)). \end{aligned}$$

**First question** : Why is the second term in the kernel of  $f$ ?

Because applying  $f$  to both sides gives identity on first term and sth that cancels it on the second.

**Bad question** : Is this a well-defined homomorphism? Yes.

**Second question**: Is it surjective?

An arbitrary element of the image of  $h$  can be written as  $h \circ f(r_i)$  since  $f$  is surjective. Also let  $(r'_i) \in \ker f$ . We want to find a preimage  $(w_i)$  of this pair. Let  $(w_i) = h \circ f(r_i) - (r'_i)$  (note we don't really have any other choice by definition of our map). Then applying  $(h \circ f)$  and using the composition properties of  $h, f$  we immediately see that it works.

**Third question** : Is it injective?

Just need to show trivial kernel. Assume that  $(r_i)$  is sent to zero. Then by looking at the image entry we get that it's in the kernel of  $h \circ f$  and  $h$  has trivial kernel so in the kernel of  $f$ . Then applying this to second term we get  $(r_i) = 0$ . Hence our map is an isomorphism and we are done.  $\square$

Finally, let's put it together. Given a free module  $P$  we can find  $Q$  s.t.  $P \oplus Q \cong R^n$ . Then given an injective map  $f : M \rightarrow N$  we get an injective map  $M \otimes R^n \rightarrow N \otimes R^n$ . Then using the distributivity of tensor product over direct sum (or the other way around) we see it's an injective homomorphism  $(M \otimes P) \oplus (M \otimes Q) \rightarrow (N \otimes P) \oplus (N \otimes Q)$  and, importantly, the homomorphism had the  $f \otimes id$  form on each of the summands. Now putting 0 in the  $\otimes Q$  entry this gives an injective homomorphism  $M \otimes P \rightarrow N \otimes P$ , which is what we wanted to show.

**Question 5.** Show that  $\text{Hom}_{S\text{-mod}}(S \otimes_R M, N) = \text{Hom}_{R\text{-mod}}(M, N_R)$ .

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**Question 6.** Check why dividing by  $\{m \otimes m : m \in M\}$  implies that  $m_1 \otimes m_2 + m_2 \otimes m_1 = 0$  but the opposite doesn't hold in characteristic 2

**Question 7.** Assume  $M$  is free of rank  $n$ . What is  $\Lambda^i M$ ?

**Question 8.** Given  $f : M \rightarrow M$  a homomorphism of  $R$ -modules, write down two "interesting" maps

$$\Lambda^i M \rightarrow \Lambda^i M$$

induced by  $f$ . Interpret these maps when  $i = n$ .

Let  $g_1 : \Lambda^i M \rightarrow \Lambda^i M$  be defined by  $g_1(m_1 \otimes \dots \otimes m_i) = f(m_1) \otimes \dots \otimes f(m_i)$ . Let  $g_2 : \Lambda^i M \rightarrow \Lambda^i M$  be defined by  $g_2(m_1 \otimes \dots \otimes m_i) = f(m_1) \otimes \dots \otimes m_i + m_1 \otimes f(m_2) \otimes \dots \otimes m_i + \dots + m_1 \otimes m_2 \otimes \dots \otimes f(m_i)$ . They are well defined because they factor through the quotient defining the exterior algebra. If  $i = n$ , let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  be the basis of  $M$ , and let  $f_{ij}$  be the  $j$ -th component of  $f(e_i)$  in this basis. The only basis vector for  $\Lambda^n M$  is  $e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \dots \otimes e_n$ :

$$g_1(Ce_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \dots \otimes e_n) = Cf(e_1) \otimes (e_2) \otimes \dots \otimes f(e_n) = C(f_{1j}e_j) \otimes (f_{2j}e_j) \otimes \dots \otimes (f_{nj}e_j) = C \det(f_{ij}) e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \dots \otimes e_n$$

So  $g_1$  corresponds to multiplication by  $\det(f_{ij})$ . Similarly:

$$\begin{aligned} g_2(C(e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \dots \otimes e_n)) &= C(f(e_1) \otimes \dots \otimes e_n + e_1 \otimes f(e_2) \otimes \dots \otimes e_i + \dots + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \dots \otimes f(e_n)) \\ &= C(e_{11} + e_{22} + \dots + e_{nn}) e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \dots \otimes e_n = C \operatorname{Tr}(f_{ij}) e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \dots \otimes e_n \end{aligned}$$

So  $g_2$  corresponds to multiplication by  $\operatorname{Tr}(f_{ij})$ .