

Comm & Hom

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1 Intro

Theorem 1.0.1. *radical ideal is generated by a polynomial f with no multiple roots.*

Suppose $J \subset \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is an ideal. Then $I(Z(J)) = \text{rad}(J) = \{f \mid f^n \in J\}$

Definition 1.0.2. *radical ideal is generated by a polynomial f with no multiple roots. cokernel: take the image of f and mod out by image of f .*

1.1 Modules

Let R be a commutative ring. An R -module M is an abelian group $(+)$ with a map $R \times M \rightarrow M$ written $(r, m) \mapsto rm$. Satisfying

1. associativity: $r(sm) = (rs)m$ for all $r, s \in R, m \in M$.
2. distributivity: $r(m + m') = rm + rm'$ and $(r + r')m = rm + r'm$ for all $r, r' \in R, m, m' \in M$.
3. unitality: $1m = m$ for all $m \in M$.

Several things you could derive from the definition: $0m = 0, (-1)m = -m$, etc.

Example 1.1.1. *Let $R = k[x]$. A $k[x]$ -module is*

- *a k -vector space M*
- *with a map $xM \rightarrow M$, where $m \mapsto xm$, a k linear transformation.*

Example 1.1.2. *What is an R -submodule of R ? It's*

1. $J \subseteq R$;
2. *closed under addition, 0, negatives;*

3. for any $r \in R, j \in J, r, j \in J$.

an ideal.

Definition 1.1.3. If M is an R -module, we shall write $\text{ann } M$ for the annihilator of M ; that is,

$$\text{ann } M = \{r \in R \mid rM = 0\},$$

which is an ideal.

Definition 1.1.4. Let $I \subseteq R$ an ideal, M an R -module. We denote

$$IM = \left\{ \sum a_i m_i \mid a_i \in I, m_i \in M \right\} \subseteq M$$

the smallest R -submodule of M containing all elements of the form am , where $a \in I, m \in M$.

Example 1.1.5. Suppose M is an R -module. For $N, N' \subseteq M$ submodules,

$$[N : N'] \subseteq R \quad x \in [N : N'] \iff xN' \subseteq N.$$

For N a submodule, I an ideal

$$[N : I] \subseteq M. \quad y \in [N : I] \iff Iy \subseteq N.$$

The point of having the above is to generalize the annihilator.

Example 1.1.6. $\text{ann } M = [0 : M]$.

Some operations we could do. Given a sequence of modules M_1, M_2, \dots

Definition 1.1.7. We denote

$$\prod_{i \in I} M_i = \{(m_1, m_2, \dots) \mid m_i \in M_i\}.$$

$\prod M_i$ is an R -module with componentwise addition and scalar multiplication.

Note that $\oplus M_i \subseteq \prod M_i$, a sub- R -module.

Also, $\oplus M_i = \{(m_i)_{i \in I} \mid \text{only finitely many } m_i \text{ are zero}\}$

Suppose we have an R -module homomorphism

$$f : M \rightarrow N.$$

We could construct 3 modules: $\ker(f) \subseteq M, \text{Im}(f) \subseteq N, \text{coker}(f) = N/\text{Im}(f)$

Definition 1.1.8. Suppose we have R -module homomorphism

$$f : m \rightarrow N \quad g : N \rightarrow P.$$

This is exact if $\text{Im } f = \ker g$.

Definition 1.1.9. If we have a sequence of maps

$$\cdots \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow M_3 \rightarrow \cdots .$$

then we say it's exact iff each 2-term sequence is exact.

Saying $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow N$ is exact is saying f is injective. And $M \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$ is exact is saying f is surjective.

Definition 1.1.10. A short exact sequence is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \rightarrow P \rightarrow 0 \quad f : M \rightarrow N, g : N \rightarrow P.$$

This tells us that

1. M iso to $Im(f)$
2. P iso to $N/ker(g)$
3. $ker(g) = Im(f)$, P iso $coker(f)$

Definition 1.1.11. A free R -module is an R -module isomorphic to $\oplus_{i \in I} R$. In particular, R^n are the finitely generated free modules.

Definition 1.1.12. A module M is finitely generated if there exists $m_1, \dots, m_n \in M$ such that every element of M is of the form $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i m_i$ for some $a_i \in R$.

Definition 1.1.13. A module M is finitely presented if there exists an exact sequence

$$R^n \rightarrow R^m \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0.$$

1.2 Localization

Suppose R is a ring, $U \subseteq R$ is a subset that is closed under multiplication, and contains the unit $1 \in R$.

Definition 1.2.1. We can form the localization $R[U^{-1}]$, whose elements are

$$\{(r, s) \mid r \in R, s \in U\}.$$

We also put an equivalence relation on the elements.

$$(r, s) \equiv (r', s') \iff \exists u, v \in U, (ur, us) = (vr', vs').$$

Note that the equivalence relation is different from cross-multiplication as what we do in fractions.

Example 1.2.2. Let $R = \mathbb{Z}, U = \{1, 2, 4, 6, 16, \dots\}$. Then

$$R[U^{-1}] = \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}] = \left\{ \frac{p}{q} \mid p \in \mathbb{Z}, q = 2^k \right\}.$$

Definition 1.2.3. In $R[U^{-1}]$, we have a ring.

$$\begin{aligned}(r, s) + (r', s') &= (rs' + r's, ss') \\ (r, s) \cdot (r', s') &= (rr', ss') \\ 0 &= (0, 1) \\ 1 &= (1, 1)\end{aligned}$$

Example 1.2.4. Let $R = \mathbb{Z}/6, U = \{1, 3\}$. Then localization is smaller:

$$R[U^{-1}] = \mathbb{Z}/2.$$

Example 1.2.5. Let $R = \mathbb{C}[x], U = \{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots\}$. Then

$$R[U^{-1}] = \mathbb{C}[x, x^{-1}] = \{f(x)/x^n \mid f(x) \text{ poly}, n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \left\{ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} a_n x^n \mid a_n \in \mathbb{C} \right\}.$$

Note that in the summation there should only be finitely many n . The ring is also called Laurent polynomials.

This ring is isomorphic to

$$\mathbb{C}[x, y]/(yx - 1).$$

Note that there is always a ring homomorphism

$$\phi : R \rightarrow R[U^{-1}] \quad \phi(r) = \frac{r}{1}.$$

Example 1.2.6. $R = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n], U = R - \{0\}$. Note U is closed under multiplication because R is an integral domain.

$$R[U^{-1}] = \{f(\vec{x})/g(\vec{x}) \mid f, g \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n], g \neq 0\}.$$

Proposition 1.2.7. The theory of ideals in $R[U^{-1}]$ is closely related to the theory of ideals in R . Given an ideal J in R , we could have $J \cdot R[U^{-1}]$, which is an ideal in $R[U^{-1}]$.

The map from ideals of $R[U^{-1}]$ to ideals of R is an injection. They are sort of “ideals that don’t meet the set U ”.

An ideal J is of the form $\phi^{-1}(L)$ iff for any a, b s.t. $a \in R, b \in U, ab \in J \implies a \in J$.

There is a correspondence between prime ideals of $R[U^{-1}]$ and prime ideals of R that don’t contain any elements of U .

Example 1.2.8. prime ideals of \mathbb{Q} ; prime ideals of \mathbb{Z} that don’t contain any elements of the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}; \{(0)\}$.

Definition 1.2.9. Suppose R is a ring. $P \subseteq R$ is a prime ideal. We define R_P to be the localization of the set $U = R - P$.

Note that U is closed under multiplication because P is prime.

Also, R_P has one maximal ideal: PR_P .

There is a correspondance between prime ideals of R_P ; prime ideals of R that don't contain any elements of U ; prime ideals of R contained in P .

Example 1.2.10.

$$\mathbb{Z}_{(2)} = \left\{ \frac{n}{m} \mid m \text{ odd} \right\}.$$

This has 2 ideals: $(0), (2)$.

Definition 1.2.11. A ring R is *local* if it has a unique maximal ideal.

R_P is always local if P is prime.

If R is a ring, M is an R -module, $U \subseteq R$ is a subset closed under multiplication and 1. We can construct

$$M[U^{-1}] = \left\{ \frac{m}{s} \mid m \in M, s \in U \right\}.$$

$M[U^{-1}]$ is an abelian group and a module on $R[U^{-1}]$.

Example 1.2.12. $R = \mathbb{Z}, U = \{1, 3, 9, 27, \dots\}, M = \mathbb{Z}/10$. Check that $M[U^{-1}] \cong \{0\}$.

1.3 Hom

For R -modules M, N . There is a new R -module $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$

$$\text{Hom}_R(M, N) \subseteq \{f : M \rightarrow N\}.$$

Functions that are

1. group homomorphisms
2. R -linear: $f(rx) = rf(x)$

Definition 1.3.1. $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ is an R -module in the following way.

- $f + g : (f + g)(m) = f(m) + g(m)$
- $rf : (rf)(m) = rf(m)$

There are some properties of Hom .

1. $\text{Hom}_R(R, N) \cong N$, where $f \mapsto f(1), n \in N \mapsto f(r) = rn$. Basically the same as picking an element from N .
- 2.

$$\text{Hom}_R(\oplus_{i \in I} M_i, N) \cong \prod_{i \in I} \text{Hom}_R(M_i, N).$$

The RHS is choosing for each $i \in I$, a homomorphism $M_i \rightarrow N$. There's also

$$\text{Hom}_R(M, \prod_{i \in I} N_i) \cong \prod_{i \in I} \text{Hom}_R(M, N_i).$$

3. If I have R -module homomorphisms

$$\alpha : M \rightarrow M' \quad \beta : N \rightarrow N'.$$

I get a map

$$\text{Hom}_R(\alpha, \beta) : \text{Hom}_R(M', N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N') \quad \text{where} \quad f \mapsto \beta f \alpha.$$

This respects identity functions and function composition. Functorial.

4. Exactness. Hom_R is *left-exact*:

(a) If $M' \rightarrow M \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence, then for any N ,

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M'', N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M', N)$$

is also exact.

(b) If $0 \rightarrow N' \rightarrow N \rightarrow N''$ is exact then

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N') \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N'')$$

is exact.

For R -module M, N there is a tensor product $M \otimes_R N$, which we get by taking all formal sums of symbols $m \otimes n, m \in M, n \in N$, mod out by subgroup generated by elements of the form

- $(m + m') \otimes n - m \otimes n - m' \otimes n$;
- $m \otimes (n + n') - m \otimes n - m \otimes n'$;
- $(rm) \otimes n - m \otimes (rn)$.

Example 1.3.2.

$$R[x_1, \dots, x_n] \otimes_R R[y_1, \dots, y_n] \cong R[x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n].$$

Properties of \otimes_R .

1.

$$R \otimes_R M \cong M \quad \sum r_i \otimes m_i \mapsto \sum r_i m \quad 1 \otimes m \mapsto m.$$

2.

$$(\oplus M_i) \otimes_R N \cong \oplus (M_i \otimes_R N).$$

3. Functoriality. For R -module homomorphisms $\alpha : M \rightarrow M', \beta : N \rightarrow N'$, we get an R -module homomorphism

$$\alpha \otimes \beta : M \otimes_R N \rightarrow M' \otimes_R N' \quad \sum m_i \otimes n_i \mapsto \sum \alpha(m_i) \otimes \beta(n_i).$$

4. Right exactness. If $M' \rightarrow M \rightarrow M''$ is exact, then

$$M' \otimes_R N \rightarrow M \otimes_R N \rightarrow M'' \otimes_R N \rightarrow 0.$$

is exact.

5. Symmetry.

$$M \otimes_R N \cong N \otimes_R M \quad \sum m_i \otimes n_i \mapsto n_i \otimes m_i.$$

Proposition 1.3.3.

$$M[U^{-1}] \cong R[U^{-1}] \otimes_R M.$$

Proof sketch. The procedure we could do is

$$\frac{m}{u} \mapsto \frac{1}{u} \otimes m \quad \frac{rm}{u} \mapsto \frac{r}{u} \otimes m.$$

□

Definition 1.3.4. An R -module F is *flat* whenever

$$f : M \rightarrow N \quad \text{is injective,}$$

and the map

$$F \otimes_R M \rightarrow F \otimes_R N \quad \text{is injective.}$$

Alternatively,

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \text{ exact} \implies 0 \rightarrow F \otimes_R M \rightarrow F \otimes_R N \text{ exact}.$$

Theorem 1.3.5. $R[U^{-1}]$ is always a flat module over R .

Proof. Suppose $f : M \rightarrow N$ is injective. We need to check $M[U^{-1}] \rightarrow N[U^{-1}]$ is also injective.

Suppose $\frac{m}{u} \in M[U^{-1}]$ which goes to 0 in $N[U^{-1}]$, then $\frac{f(m)}{u} = \frac{0}{1}$ in $N[U^{-1}]$. This means there exists $v \in U$ s.t. $vf(m) = 0$, which leads to $vf(m) = f(vm) = 0$. Since f is injective, $vm = 0$ in M . Then $\frac{m}{u} = \frac{vm}{vu} = \frac{0}{m} = \frac{0}{1}$. □

Example 1.3.6. \mathbb{Q} is a flat module over \mathbb{Z} . $\mathbb{Z}/2$ is a flat module over $\mathbb{Z}/6$. Both $\mathbb{C}(x)$ and $\mathbb{C}[x, x^{-1}]$ are flat over $\mathbb{C}[x]$.

Theorem 1.3.7. A module M over R is zero iff for every maximal ideal m , the localization M_m is zero.