

Problem 1 (7.26). Let M and N be finitely generated R -modules over a PID R . Compute $M \otimes_R N$. As a special case, if M is a finite abelian group with invariant factors s_1, \dots, s_t (where as usual we assume that s_i divides s_{i+1}), show that $M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M$ is a finite group of order $\prod_{j=1}^t s_j^{2t-2j+1}$.

Proof. □

Problem 2 (7.30). (a) Let F be a field and K a field containing F . If $f(X) \in F[X]$, show that there is an isomorphism of K -algebras:

$$K \otimes_F (F[X]/\langle f(X) \rangle) \cong K[X]/\langle f(X) \rangle$$

(b) By choosing $F, f(x)$, and K appropriately, find an example of two fields K and L containing F such that the F -algebra $K \otimes_F L$ has nilpotent elements.

Proof. □

Problem 3 (7.31). Let F be a field. Show that $F[X, Y] \cong F[X] \otimes_F F[Y]$ where the isomorphism is an isomorphism of F -algebras.

Proof. □

Problem 4 (7.34). Let F be a field, V and W finite-dimensional vector spaces over F , and let $T \in \text{End}_F(V), S \in \text{End}_F(W)$.

(a) If α is an eigenvalue of S and β is an eigenvalue of T , show that the product $\alpha\beta$ is an eigenvalue of $S \otimes T$.

(b) If S and T are diagonalizable, show that $S \otimes T$ is diagonalizable.

Proof. □

Problem 5 (10.4.3). Show that $\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ and $\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}$ are both left \mathbb{R} modules but are not isomorphic as \mathbb{R} -modules.

Proof. □

Problem 6 (10.4.5). Let A be a finite abelian group of order n and let p^k be the largest power of a prime p dividing n . Prove that $\mathbb{Z}/p^k\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} A$ is isomorphic to the Sylow p -subgroup of A .

Proof. □

Problem 7 (10.4.10). Suppose R is commutative and $N \cong R^n$ is a free R -module of rank n with R -module basis e_1, \dots, e_n .

- (a) For any nonzero R -module M show that every element of $M \otimes N$ can be written uniquely in the form $\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \otimes e_i$ where $m_i \in M$. Deduce that if $\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \otimes e_i = 0$ in $M \otimes N$ then $m_i = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$.
- (b) Show that if $\sum m_i \otimes n_i = 0$ in $M \otimes N$ where the n_i are merely assumed to be R -linearly independent then it is not necessarily true that all the m_i are 0. [Consider $R = \mathbb{Z}, n = 1, M = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$, and the element $1 \otimes 2$.]

Proof.

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Problem 8 (10.4.24). Prove that the extension of scalars from \mathbb{Z} to the Gaussian integers $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ of the ring \mathbb{R} is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} as a ring: $\mathbb{Z}[i] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R} \cong \mathbb{C}$ as rings.

Proof.

□

Problem 9 (10.4.27). (a) Write down a formula for the multiplication of two elements $a \cdot 1 + b \cdot e_2 + c \cdot e_3 + d \cdot e_4$ and $a' \cdot 1 + b' \cdot e_2 + c' \cdot e_3 + d' \cdot e_4$ in the example $A = \mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ following proposition 21 (where $1 = 1 \otimes 1$ is the identity of A).

- (b) Let $\epsilon_1 = \frac{1}{2}(1 \otimes 1 + i \otimes i)$ and $\epsilon_2 = \frac{1}{2}(1 \otimes 1 - i \otimes i)$. Show that $\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 = 0$, $\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 = 1$, and $\epsilon_j^2 = \epsilon_j$ for $j = 1, 2$ (ϵ_1 and ϵ_2 are called orthogonal idempotents in A). Deduce that A is isomorphic as a ring to the direct product of two principle ideals: $A \cong A\epsilon_1 \times A\epsilon_2$ (cf. Exercise 1, Section 7.6).
- (c) Prove that the map $\varphi : \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$ by $\varphi(z_1, z_2) = (z_1 z_2, z_1 \bar{z}_2)$, where \bar{z}_2 denotes the complex conjugate of z_2 , is an \mathbb{R} -bilinear map.
- (d) Let Φ be the \mathbb{R} -module homomorphism from A to $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$ obtained from φ in (c). Show that $\Phi(\epsilon_1) = (0, 1)$ and $\Phi(\epsilon_2) = (1, 0)$. Show also that Φ is \mathbb{C} -linear, where the action of \mathbb{C} is on the left tensor factor in A and on both factors in $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$. Deduce that Φ is surjective. Show that Φ is a \mathbb{C} -algebra isomorphism.

Proof.

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