

## Lecture 17.

- 1) Tensor-Hom adjunction.
- 2) Tensor product of algebras.

Ref: [AM], Sections 2.8, 2.9, 2.11.

Goal: investigate interactions between:

- tensor products (last week)
- representing objects/adjoint functors (2 weeks ago)

### 1) Tensor-Hom adjunction.

$A$  is a comm'v ring,  $A$ -module  $L \rightsquigarrow$  functors  $L \otimes_A \cdot : \text{Hom}_A(L, \cdot)$ :  
 $A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$ .

Preliminary Thm:  $L \otimes_A \cdot$  is left adjoint to  $\text{Hom}_A(L, \cdot)$ .

We'll need a more general version of Thm involving different rings.

#### 1.1) Tensor products of modules over different rings.

Let  $\beta: A \rightarrow B$ , a homomorphism of comm'v rings. Let  
 $L^B$  be  $B$ -module (& hence also  $A$ -module),  $M^A$  be  $A$ -module  
 $\rightsquigarrow A$ -module  $L^B \otimes_A M^A$ .

Lemma:  $\exists!$   $B$ -module str're on  $L^B \otimes_A M^A$  that extends  
 $A$ -module str're & satisfies  $b(l \otimes m) = bl \otimes m$ .

(compare w.  $B$ -module str're on  $\text{Hom}_A(L^B, M^A)$  - Lecture 15).

Proof: For  $b \in B$ ,  $\varphi_b: L \rightarrow L$ ,  $\varphi_b(l) = bl$ ,  $A$ -linear map  $\rightsquigarrow$   
 $bx = (\varphi_b \otimes \text{id}_{M^A})(x)$  for  $x \in L^B \otimes_A M^A \rightsquigarrow$  map  
 $B \times (L^B \otimes_A M^A) \rightarrow L^B \otimes_A M^A$ . We claim that

this is a  $B$ -module str're. Need to check assoc'y & distributivity in the  $B$ -argument, it's enough to do this on generators of  $L^B \otimes_A M^A$  (b/c  $x \mapsto bx$  is  $A$ -linear in  $x$  by const'n). We'll check assoc'y:  $b \cdot (b_2 \cdot (l \otimes m)) = (b_1 b) \otimes m = (b, b_2) \cdot (l \otimes m)$

So we have  $B$ -module str're w/ required properties.

Uniqueness follows from cond'n  $b(l \otimes m) = bl \otimes m$  b/c  $l \otimes m$  spans  $L^B \otimes_A M^A$ .  $\square$

Exer: For  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_A(M_1^A, M_2^A)$ ,  $\text{id}_B \otimes \varphi: L^B \otimes_A M^A \rightarrow L^B \otimes_A M_2^A$  is  $B$ -linear.

1.2) Main result. Fix  $L^B \rightsquigarrow$  functor  $L^B \otimes_A \cdot: A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow B\text{-Mod}$

Also have a functor  $\text{Hom}_B(L^B, \cdot): B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$ , the composition

$$B\text{-Mod} \xrightarrow[\text{Hom}_B(L_B, \cdot)]{} B\text{-Mod} \xrightarrow{\quad \text{For} \quad} A\text{-Mod}.$$

Theorem:  $L^B \otimes_A \cdot: A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow B\text{-Mod}$  is left adjoint to  $\text{Hom}_B(L^B, \cdot): B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$ .

Proof: We need: for  $A$ -module  $M^A$ ,  $B$ -module  $N^B$ , produce a set bijection  $\gamma_{M,N}: \text{Hom}_B(L^B \otimes_A M^A, N^B) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_A(M^A, \text{Hom}_B(L^B, N^B))$  which is "natural" (a.k.a. functorial) in  $M^A$  &  $N^B$ .

We'll establish "natural" bijections of two sets above

w.  $\text{Bilin}_{B,A}(L^B \times M^A, N^B) := \left\{ \beta: L^B \times M^A \rightarrow N^B \mid B\text{-linear in } L\text{-argument, } A\text{-linear in the } M\text{-argument} \right\}$

• Bijection  $\gamma'_{M,N}: \text{Hom}_B(L^B \otimes_A M^A, N^B) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Bilin}_{B,A}(L^B \times M^A, N^B)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}_A(L^B \otimes_A M^A, N^B) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Bilin}_{B,A}(L^B \times M^A, N^B) \\ \beta & \longleftrightarrow & \beta \end{array}$$

w.  $\tilde{\beta}(\ell \otimes m) = \beta(\ell, m)$ . We need to show that  $\tilde{\beta}$  is  $B$ -linear  
 $\Leftrightarrow \beta$  is  $B$ -linear in the  $L$ -argument; enough to check on  
generators  $\ell \otimes m$ :  $\checkmark \tilde{\beta}$  is  $B$ -linear

$$\tilde{\beta}(b(\ell \otimes m)) = b\tilde{\beta}(\ell \otimes m) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{\beta}((6\ell) \otimes m) = 6\tilde{\beta}(\ell \otimes m) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\beta(6\ell, m) = 6\beta(\ell, m).$$

$\beta$  is  $B$ -linear in  $L$ -argument.

Now need check functoriality for  $\gamma_{M,N}^2$  - 2 comm'v diagrams, e.g.  
if  $\psi \in \text{Hom}_B(N^B, N'^B)$  we have comm'v diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}_B(L^B \otimes_A M^A, N^B) & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{M,N}^2} & \text{Bilin}_{B,A}(L^B \times M^A, N^B) \\ \downarrow \psi \circ ? & & \downarrow \psi \circ ? \\ \text{Hom}_B(L^B \otimes_A M^A, N'^B) & \xrightarrow{\gamma_{M,N'}^2} & \text{Bilin}_{B,A}(L^B \times M^A, N'^B) \end{array}$$

- comm'v by constr'n (exercise).

Similarly, have comm'v diagram for  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_A(M'^A, M^A)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \cdot \text{ Bijection } \gamma_{M,N}^2: \text{Bilin}_{B,A}(L^B \times M^A, N^B) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Hom}_A(M^A, \text{Hom}_B(L^B, N^B)) \\ \downarrow \psi & & \downarrow \text{Hom}_B(L^B, N^B) \\ B & \xrightarrow{\quad \varphi \quad} & [m \mapsto \beta_m] \in \square \end{array}$$

$$\beta_m(\ell) = \beta(\ell, m).$$

Exercise:  $\gamma_{M,N}^2$  is a functorial bijection.  $\square$

### 1.3) Special cases & variations.

•  $L^B := B$ , then  $L^B \otimes_A \cdot = B \otimes_A \cdot$  &  $\text{Hom}_B(L^B, N^B) = \text{Hom}_B(B, N^B) = N^B$  so the Hom-functor = For:  $B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$ .

Corollary:  $B \otimes_A \cdot: A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow B\text{-Mod}$  (known as induction, base change,

extension of scalars) is left adjoint to  $\text{For}: B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$ .

E.g.  $\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \cdot$  is complexification (often used in linear algebra)

Variation of Thm: Let  $L^B$  be a  $B$ -module  $\sim \text{Hom}_A(L^B, \cdot): A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow B\text{-Mod}$  (see Section 2.1 in Lec 15),  $L^B \otimes_B \cdot: B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$

Thm:  $L^B \otimes_B \cdot: B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$  is left adjoint of  $\text{Hom}_A(L^B, \cdot): A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow B\text{-Mod}$ .

Sketch of proof: Need to identify  $\text{Hom}_A(L^B \otimes_B M^B, N^A) \cong \text{Hom}_B(M^B, \text{Hom}_A(L^B, N^A))$  w. the set:

$$\left\{ \beta \in \text{Bilin}_A(L^B \times M^B, N^A) \mid \beta(bl, m) = \beta(l, bm) \quad \forall b \in B, l \in L^B, m \in M^B \right\}$$

Exercise: to establish a bijection of  $\text{Hom}_A(L^B \otimes_B M^B, N^A)$  w. this set of bilinear maps show that we have a well-defined  $A$ -linear map  $L^B \otimes_A M^B \rightarrow L^B \otimes_B M^B$ ,  $l \otimes m \mapsto l \otimes m$ , it's surjective &  $\ker = \text{Span}_A(bl \otimes m - l \otimes bm)$ .  $\square$

Corollary: The functor  $\text{Hom}_A(B, \cdot): A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow B\text{-Mod}$  (coinduction) is right adjoint to  $\text{For}: B\text{-Mod} \rightarrow A\text{-Mod}$ .

## 2) Tensor product of algebras.

A comm'v unital ring,  $B, C$  are  $A$ -algebras that are comm'v (& unital)  $\sim B \otimes_A C$ ,  $A$ -module.

Proposition:  $\exists! A$ -algebra str're on  $B \otimes_A C$  s.t.

$(b_1 \otimes c_1) \cdot (b_2 \otimes c_2) = b_1 b_2 \otimes c_1 c_2$  & this alg. str're is comm've & unital.

Proof: Uniqueness will follow if  $b/c$   $B \otimes C$ , span  $B \otimes_A C$ .

Need to show existence. The product map  $B \times B \rightarrow B$  is

A-bilinear  $\rightarrow \mu_B: B \otimes_A B \rightarrow B$ ,  $b_1 \otimes b_2 \mapsto b_1 b_2$ . Similarly, have

$\mu_C: C \otimes_A C \rightarrow C \rightsquigarrow$

$\mu_B \otimes \mu_C: B \otimes_A B \otimes_A C \otimes_A C \longrightarrow B \otimes_A C$

$$x \otimes y \in (B \otimes_A C) \otimes_A (B \otimes_A C)$$

$$(x, y) \in (B \otimes_A C) \times (B \otimes_A C)$$

our multiplication map

So we've shown existence. The properties (associativity, comm'v & unit) - distributivity follows from bilinearity) can be checked on decomposable tensors, e.g.

$$\text{comm': } (b_1 \otimes c_1)(b_2 \otimes c_2) = b_1 b_2 \otimes c_1 c_2 = [b_1 b_2 = b_2 b_1, c_1 c_2 = c_2 c_1] = \\ = b_2 b_1 \otimes c_1 c_2 = (b_2 \otimes c_2)(b_1 \otimes c_1)$$

$1 \otimes 1$  is a unit. □

In next lecture, we'll see  $B \otimes_A C$  for  $BC$  comm've, is the coproduct of  $B \otimes C$  in  $A$ -CommAlg.