Topology

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Part I

Rings

Rings

1.1 Definition and Theorems

Definition 1 (Ring). A ring is a set A equipped with two binary operations + (addition) and \cdot (multiplication) satisfying the following three sets of axioms, called the ring axioms.

- 1. (A, +) is an abelian group.
- 2. (A, \cdot) is a semigroup.
- 3. Multiplication is distributive with respect to addition, meaning that
 - $a \cdot (b+c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$ for all $a,b,c \in A$ (left distributivity).
 - $(b+c) \cdot a = (b \cdot a) + (c \cdot a)$ for all $a,b,c \in A$ (right distributivity).

A ring is called unitary if it contains the multiplicative identity and commutative if multiplication is commutative.

Ideals

Definition 2 (Ideal). Let A be a ring. A subset $\mathfrak{a} \subset A$ is called an ideal if it satisfies the following two conditions.

- 1. $(\mathfrak{a}, +)$ is a subgroup of (A, +).
- 2. For every $r \in A$ and every $x \in \mathfrak{a}$, it is $rx \in \mathfrak{a}$.

Given a subset $S \subset A$, by the ideal (S) that S generates, we mean the smallest ideal containing S. If an ideal is generated by a subset $S \subset A$, then the elements of this subset are called generators.

An ideal that is generated by a single element is called principal.

If an ideal \mathfrak{a} is not the whole ring A, then the ideal is called proper.

Definition 3 (Ideal Operation). Let \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} be ideals of a ring A.

1. The sum of two ideals $\mathfrak a$ and $\mathfrak b$ is defined by

$$\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b} = \{ a + b \mid a \in \mathfrak{a} \text{ and } b \in \mathfrak{b} \} = (\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b})$$

which is again an ideal. It is the smallest ideal in A that contains \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} .

- 2. The product of an ideal
- 3. The intersection of
- 4. The radical of an ideal \mathfrak{a} is defined by

$$\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} = \left\{ x \in A \mid x^n \in \mathfrak{a} \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \right\}$$

which is again an ideal.

5. The transporter

Proof. We verify the statements made in the definition.

1. (a) " $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}$ is an ideal.":

Example 3.1. The union of two ideals is **not** an ideal in general. Consider (2) and (3) in \mathbb{Z} . If $(2) \cup (3)$ was an ideal, then 3-2=1 would be contained in $(2) \cup (3)$. But $1 \notin (2)$ and $1 \notin (3)$, thus $1 \notin (2) \cup (3)$.

Proposition 4. Let \mathfrak{a} be an ideal of A.

- 1. $\mathfrak{a} = A$ if and only if $1 \in \mathfrak{a}$ if and only if \mathfrak{a} contains an unit.
- 2. $\mathfrak{a}^2 \subset \mathfrak{a}$.
- 3. $a \cdot b \subset a \cap b \subset a + b$.
- 4. $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}$ and $\mathfrak{b} \subset \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}$.

Proposition 5. Let \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} be two ideals of a ring A.

- 1. $\mathfrak{a} \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$.
- $2. \ \sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}.$
- 3. If $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{b}$, then $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$.
- 4. $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} = A$ if and only if $\mathfrak{a} = A$.
- 5. $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b}} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \cap \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$.
- 6. $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}} = \sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}}$.
- 7. If $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{p}^n$ for some prime ideal \mathfrak{p} and $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, then $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} = \mathfrak{p}$.

Proof. We verify each statement.

- 1. Let $x \in \mathfrak{a}$, then trivially, $x^1 \in \mathfrak{a}$, so $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$.
- 2. Since $\sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}}\supset\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ from above, it suffices to verify the other inclusion. Let $x\in\sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}}$, then $x^n\in\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ and in turn, $(x^n)^m\in\mathfrak{a}$. Thus, $x^{nm}\in\mathfrak{a}$, therefore, $x\in\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$.
- 3. Suppose $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{b}$ and let $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$. Then, $x^n \in \mathfrak{a}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, thus $x^n \in \mathfrak{b}$. It follows that $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$.
- 4. " \Rightarrow ": Let $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} = A$, then for all $x \in A$, we have that $x^n \in \mathfrak{a}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. In particular, $1^n \in \mathfrak{a}$, but $1^n = 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Thus, $\mathfrak{a} = A$.
 - " \Leftarrow ": On the other hand, let $\mathfrak{a} = A$. In general, it is $\mathfrak{a} \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$, therefore $A \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ which immediately yields the desired equality $A = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$.
- 5. " $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b}} \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}}$ ": If $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b}}$, then $x^n \in \mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Since $\mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b} \subset \mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}$, we have $x^n \in \mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}$, and it follows that $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}}$.
 - " $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b}} \supset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}}$ ": Let $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}}$, then $x^n \in \mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Hence it is $x^n \in \mathfrak{a}$ and $x^n \in \mathfrak{b}$, therefore $x^n \cdot x^n = x^{2n} \in \mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b}$. Conclude $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{b}}$.
 - " $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}} \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \cap \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$ ": If $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}}$, then $x^n \in \mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}$, thus $x^n \in \mathfrak{a}$ and $x^n \in \mathfrak{b}$. We may write $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ and $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$, therefore $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \cap \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$.
 - " $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}} \supset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \cap \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$ ": Finally, let $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \cap \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$. Then, $x\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ and $x\sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$, so $x^n \in \mathfrak{a}$ and $x^m \in \mathfrak{b}$ for some $n, m \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Say $n \geq m$, then $x^n \in \mathfrak{b}$. This yields $x^n \in \mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}$, thus $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}}$.
- 6. " $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}} \subset \sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}}$ ": Let $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}}$, then $x^n \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. By definition of sum of ideals, we have that $x^n = a + b$ for some $a \in \mathfrak{a}$ and $b \in \mathfrak{b}$. Since $\mathfrak{a} \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ and $\mathfrak{b} \subset \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$, we have $x^n \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$, thus $x \in \sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}}$.
 - " $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}} \supset \sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}}$ ": Now let $x \in \sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}}$, then $x^n \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Hence there exists $a \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ and $b \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$ such that $x^n = a + b$. We have that $a^p \in \mathfrak{a}$ and $b^q \in \mathfrak{b}$

for some $p, q \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Consider

$$(x^n)^{(p+q-1)} = (a+b)^{(p+q-1)}$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{p+q-1} {p+q-1 \choose k} a^k \cdot b^{p+q-1-k}.$$

For each $k \in \{0, 1, \dots, p+q-1\}$, we have $a^k \in \mathfrak{a}$ or $b^{p+q-1} \in \mathfrak{b}$. Thus, the whole sum lies in $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}$ or in other words $x^{n(p+q-1)} \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}$. Conclude $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}}$.

7. " $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \subset \mathfrak{p}$ ": Let $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$, then $x^m \in \mathfrak{a}$ for some $m \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Because $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{p}^n$, we have $x^m \in \mathfrak{p}^n$. We also have $\mathfrak{p}^n \subset \mathfrak{p}$, thus $x^m \in \mathfrak{p}$ and since \mathfrak{p} is prime, $x \in \mathfrak{p}$.

" $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \supset \mathfrak{p}$ ": On the other hand, if $x \in \mathfrak{p}$, then $x^n \in \mathfrak{p}^n = \mathfrak{a}$, therefore $x \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$.

Proposition 6. 1. $\mathfrak{a} \subset (\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b})$.

Example 6.1. Does $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}^2} = \mathfrak{a}$ hold?

Anatomy of Rings

Definition 7 (Nilpotent Element and Nilradical). An element x of a ring A is called nilpotent if there exists some positive integer $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, called the index or the degree, such that $x^n = 0$.

The set of all nilpotent elements is called the nilradical of the ring and is denoted by Nil(A).

Definition 8 (Reduced Ring). A ring A is called reduced ring if it has no non-zero nilpotent elements.

Proposition 9. Let A and B be two rings and $A' \subset A$ be a subring of A.

- 1. If A is reduced, then A' is also reduced.
- 2. If A and B are reduced, then $A \times B$ is also reduced. (XXX DOES THIS ALSO HOLD FOR ARBITARY MANY PRODUCTS?)

3.1 Exercises and Notes

Example 9.1. Let K be a field and $A = K[X,Y]/(X-XY^2,Y^3)$.

1. Compute the nilradical Nil(A).

Solution. Denote
$$(X - XY^2, Y^3) =: \mathfrak{a}$$
.

$$\begin{split} X+\mathfrak{a}&=XY^2+\mathfrak{a} & \text{because } X-XY^2\Rightarrow X\sim XY^2.\\ &=XY^2Y^2+\mathfrak{a} & \text{because } XY^2-XY^2Y^2=Y^2(X-XY^2)=0\Rightarrow XY^2\sim XY^2Y^2\\ &=XY\cdot Y^3+\mathfrak{a}\\ &=XY\cdot 0+\mathfrak{a}\\ &=0+\mathfrak{a}. \end{split}$$

Thus, $X \in (X-XY^2,Y^3)$. We have therefore the isomorphism ${}^{K[X,Y]}/(X-XY^2,Y^3) \simeq {}^{K[Y]}/(Y^3)$. [I WANT A ELEGANT REASON FOR THIS. PROBABLY ISOMORPHISM THEOREM.]

Clearly, $Y \in \text{Nil}(A)$ or in other words $(Y) \subset \text{Nil}(A)$. But we also have that K[Y]/(Y) = K which is a field, therefore (Y) is a maximal ideal. Because $1 \notin \text{Nil}(A)$ conclude Nil(A) = (Y).

Polynomial Rings

Quotient

Localization

6.1 Definition and Theorems

Definition 10 (Multiplicative Subset). A subset S of a ring A is called a multiplicative subset if the following conditions hold.

- 1. $1 \in S$.
- 2. For all $x, y \in S$ it is $xy \in S$.

Example 10.1. Let A be a ring. Important examples of a multiplicative subset include the following.

- 1. The set of units A^{\times} is a multiplicative subset.
- 2. The set of non-zero-divisors $A \setminus ZD(A)$ is a multiplicative subset.

Example 10.2. Let A be a ring. Other examples of multiplicative subsets are the following.

- 1. For any element $x \in A$, the set generated by its power $\{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots\}$ is a multiplicative subset
- 2. For any ideal $\mathfrak{a} \subset A$, the set $1 + \mathfrak{a}$ is a multiplicative subset.

Lemma 11. An ideal \mathfrak{p} of a ring A is prime if and only if its complement $A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ is a multiplicative subset.

Definition 12 (Localization). $S^{-1}A$ is again a ring.

Lemma 13. Let A be a ring and S a multiplicative subset, then the following are equivalent.

- 1. $S^{-1}A = 0$.
- 2. S contains a nilpotent element.
- 3. $0 \in S$.

Proof. "1. \Rightarrow 2.": Let $S^{-1}A = 0$, then for all $x \in A$ and $s \in S$ it is $(x, s) \sim (0, 1)$, thus $x \cdot u = 0$ for some $u \in S$. In particular, this holds for x = 1, therefore $1 \cdot u = 0$. Since a unit can never be a zero divisor, we must have u = 0 which is nilpotent and lies in S.

"1. \Leftarrow 2.": On the other hand, let $x \in S$ be nilpotent, i.e. $x^n = 0$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. Because S is multiplicatively closed $x^n = 0$ lies in S. Fix an element $(y, s) \in S^{-1}A$, then $y \cdot 1 \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot s \cdot 0$. Hence $(y, s) \sim (0, 1)$ and we have $S^{-1}A = 0$.

"2. \Rightarrow 3.": Again, let $x \in S$ be nilpotent, thus $x^n = 0$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. S is multiplicatively closed and we have $x^n = 0 \in S$.

"2. \Leftarrow 3.": If $0 \in S$, then S simply contains a nilpotent element because 0 is nilpotent.

Remark. In the lemma above, the condition $0 \notin S$ is required because if S contains 0, then $S^{-1}A = 0$ and by definition, an integral domain is a nonzero ring.

Proposition 14. Let A be a ring. A is reduced if and only if all its localizations $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ at $\mathfrak{p} \in \operatorname{Spec} A$ is reduced.

Proof. " \Rightarrow ": We prove the statement by contrapositive. Let $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be not reduced for all $\mathfrak{p} \in \operatorname{Spec} A$. Thus, in all $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$, there is an element, say x/s that is nilpotent and not zero, i.e. $(x/s)^n = 0$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$. By the definition of localization, we get $x^n \cdot u = 0$ for some $u \in A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$. Now, $u \in A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ cannot be zero, because if it was, $A_{\mathfrak{p}} = 0$ which is reduced. Thus, x is nilpotent and A is not reduced.

Lemma 15. Let A be a ring and $S \subset A$ be a multiplicative subset that does not contain 0.

- 1. A is an integral domain if and only if $S^{-1}A$ is an integral domain.
- 2. A is a unique factorization domain if and only if $S^{-1}A$ is a unique factorization domain.

Proof. " \Rightarrow ": Let A be an integral domain. Since S does not contain 0, the localization $S^{-1}A$ is a nonzero ring (see EXAMPLE). Let $(x,s) \in S^{-1}A \setminus \{0\}$ be a nonzero element and suppose there is a $(y,t) \in S^{-1}A$ with $(x,s) \cdot (y,t) = 0$. It is (xy,st) = (0,1) and thus $xy \cdot u = 0$ for some $u \in S$. Because x was nonzero and S does not contain 0 we must have y = 0. Hence $S^{-1}A$ is an integral domain.

" \Leftarrow ": On the other hand, let $S^{-1}A$ be an integral domain. JUST USE THE CANONIC MAPPING $\varphi_S:A\longrightarrow S^{-1}A$.

6.2 Exercises and Notes

Example 15.1. Let A_1 and A_2 be rings. Consider $A = A_1 \times A_2$ and set $S := \{ (1,1), (1,0) \}$. Prove $A_1 \simeq S^{-1}A$.

Solution. I don't understand the solution?

Example 15.2. Find all intermediate rings $\mathbb{Z} \subset A \subset \mathbb{Q}$, and describe each A as a localization of \mathbb{Z} . As a starter, prove $\mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{2}{3}\right] = S_3^{-1}\mathbb{Z}$ where $S_3 := \left\{3^i \mid i \in \mathbb{N}^+\right\}$.

Hierarchy of Rings

- 7.1 Definition and Theorems
- 7.1.1 Integral Domains

Classification of Rings

8.1 Definition and Theorems

8.1.1 Noetherian Ring

Lemma 16. All principal ideal domains are Noetherian.

Remark. By the lemma above, it follows that any

- 1. Euclidean domains
- 2. fields

are Noetherian.

Example 16.1.

Example 16.2.

Theorem 17 (Hilbert's Basis Theorem). If A is a Noetherian ring, then the polynomial ring with finitely many variables $A[X_1, \ldots, X_n]$ is Noetherian. In particular, if A is Noetherian, so is A[X].

Corollary 1. If A is Noetherian, the power series ring A[[X]] is Noetherian.

Remark. The polynomial ring with infinitely many variables $A[X_1, X_2, \ldots]$ is never Noetherian.

Part II Modules

Definition 18 (Module).

Example 18.1. 1. If A is a field, then an A-module is a vector space.

2. A Z-module is just an abelian group.

Definition 19. An A-module is finitely generated if there exists a finite set $\{m_1, \ldots, m_n\}$ with $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ in M such that for any x in M, there exists $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n$ in A with

$$x = \lambda_1 m_1 + \dots + \lambda_n m_n$$

Lemma 20. An A-module is finitely generated if and only if there exists a surjective A-module homomorphism

$$A^n \longrightarrow M$$

for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$.

Definition 21. Let M be an A-module. A set $B \subset M$ is a basis of M if

- 1. B is a generating set for M
- 2. B is linearly independent

A free module is a module with a basis.

Remark. An A-module being free does **not** imply the module being finitely generated. Similary, an A-module being finitely generated does **not** imply the module being free.

Example 21.1. Two examples to illustrate the remark above.

- 1. As an \mathbb{Z} -module, $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ is finitely generated but is not free.
- 2. As an \mathbb{Z} -module, $\bigoplus_{\mathbb{N}} \mathbb{Z}$ is free, but is not finitely generated.

Proof. 1. $\{1\}$ is a generating set of $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ since $1 \cdot 1 = 1$ and $2 \cdot 1 = 0$. However, $\{1\}$ and ...

Proposition 22. Let M and N be an A-module, and $\varphi: M \to N$ be an A-module homomorphism.

- 1. $\operatorname{im}(\varphi)$ is a submodule of M.
- 2. $ker(\varphi)$ is a submodule of N.
- 3. For any submodule N' of N, its preimage $\varphi^{-1}(N')$ is a submodule of M.

Definition 23 (Annihilator).

Definition 24 (Radical).

Definition 25 (Simple Modules). Let A be a ring. A nonzero A-module M is called simple if the only submodules are $\{0\}$ and M itself.

Example 25.1. If M is a simple A-module, then any $f \in \text{Hom}_A(M, M) \setminus \{0\}$ is an isomorphism.

Proof. Fix an $f \in \text{Hom}_A(M, M) \setminus \{0\}$. Since $\ker(f)$ is a submodule of M, it must be either $\{0\}$ or whole M. But $\ker(f) = M$ would mean that f = 0 which was explicitly excluded, thus $\ker(f) = \{0\}$. By the isomorphism theorem, we also have $\operatorname{im}(f) \cong M/\ker(f) \cong M$. Therefore, f is bijective.

Definition 26 (Indecomposable). Let A be a ring. A nonzero A-module M is called indecomposable if it cannot be written as a direct sum of two non-zero submodules.

Proposition 27. Every simple module is indecomposable.

Example 27.1. Not all indecomposable modules are simple. For example, \mathbb{Z} is indecomposable, but is not simple.

8.2 Exercises and Notes

Example 27.2. Let $f: M \to N$ be a surjective homomorphism of two finitely generated A-modules.

1. If $N \cong A^n$ is a free A-module, show that $M \cong \ker(f) \oplus N$.

Proof. Since N is finitely generated, let
$$(e_1, \ldots, e_n)$$
 be a set of generators.

Example 27.3. Let A be a ring, \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} ideals, M and N A-modules. Set

$$\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) := \left\{ m \in M \mid \mathfrak{a} \subset \sqrt{\operatorname{Ann}(m)} \right\}.$$

Prove the following statements.

1. If $\mathfrak{a} \supset \mathfrak{b}$, then $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \subset \Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}}(M)$.

Proof. The proof is a matter of verification. Let $m \in \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$. It is

$$m \in \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \Rightarrow \mathfrak{a} \subset \sqrt{\operatorname{Ann}(m)}$$

 \Rightarrow For all $a \in \mathfrak{a}$ there is a $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that $a^n \in \operatorname{Ann}(m)$.
 \Rightarrow For all $a \in \mathfrak{a}$ there is a $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that $a^n \cdot m = 0$.

Since $\mathfrak{a} \supset \mathfrak{b}$, the last statement is true for all $a \in \mathfrak{b}$. We have

$$\Rightarrow$$
 For all $a \in \mathfrak{b}$ there is a $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that $a^n \cdot m = 0$.
 \Rightarrow For all $a \in \mathfrak{b}$ there is a $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that $a^n \in \text{Ann}(m)$.
 $\Rightarrow \mathfrak{b} \subset \sqrt{\text{Ann}(m)}$
 $\Rightarrow m \in \Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}}(M)$

Thus,
$$\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \subset \Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}}(M)$$
.

2. If $M \subset N$, then $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) = \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) \cap M$.

Proof. Again, the proof is a matter of verification.

" \subset ": $M \subset N$ implies $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \subset \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N)$. Moreover, it is $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \subset M$. Thus, $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \subset \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) \cap M$.

"\(\)": Let $m \in \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) \cap M$. It is

$$m \in \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) \cap M \Rightarrow \mathfrak{a} \subset \sqrt{\operatorname{Ann}(m)} \text{ and } m \in M.$$

$$\Rightarrow m \in \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M).$$

Hence,
$$\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(N) \cap M \subset \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M)$$
.

- 3. In general, it is $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(\Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}}(M)) = \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{b}}(M) = \Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) \cap \Gamma_{\mathfrak{b}}(M)$.
- 4. In general, it is $\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) = \Gamma_{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}}(M)$.
- 5. If a is finitely generated, then

$$\Gamma_{\mathfrak{a}}(M) = \bigcup_{n>1} \{ m \in M \mid \mathfrak{a}^n m = 0 \}.$$

Example 27.4. Let A be a ring, M a module, $x \in \text{Rad}(M)$, and $m \in M$. If (1+x)m = 0, then m = 0.

Proof. By definition of radical of a module, it is

$$\operatorname{Rad}(A/\operatorname{Ann}(M)) = \operatorname{Rad}(M)/\operatorname{Ann}(M).$$

Thus, if $x \in \operatorname{Rad}(M)$, then its residue $x' := x + \operatorname{Ann}(M)$ lies in $\operatorname{Rad}(A/\operatorname{Ann}(M))$ which means x' is nilpotent. SOME THEOREM yields (1 + x') is an unit in $A/\operatorname{Ann}(M)$.

Tensor Product

9.1 Definition and Theorems

Definition 28. Let M and N be A-modules. Their tensor product is a pair $(M \otimes_A N, \theta)$ where

- 1. $M \otimes_A N$ is an A-module.
- 2. $\theta: M \times N \to M \otimes_A N$ is an A-bilinear mapping.

satisfying the universal property, for every pair (P, ω) of an A-module and an A-bilinear mapping $\omega: M \times N \to P$, there exists a unique A-module homomorphism $f: M \otimes_A N \to P$ with $\omega = f \circ \theta$.

Definition 29. Let M and N be A-modules. Their tensor product is the pair $(M \otimes_A N, \theta)$, where

1. $M \otimes_A N$ is the quotient of the free A-module $A^{M \times N}$ on the direct product $M \times N$, by the submodule generated by the set of elements of the form:

$$(\lambda m_1 + m_2, n) - \lambda(m_1, n) - (m_2, n)$$

 $(m, \lambda n_1 + n_2) - \lambda(m, n_1) - (m, n_2)$

for $m, m_1, m_2 \in M$; $n, n_1, n_2 \in N$; and $\lambda \in A$, where we denote (m, n) for its image under the canonical mapping $M \times N \to A^{(M \times N)}$.

2. $\theta: M \times N \to M \otimes_A N$ is the composition of the canonical mapping $M \times N \to A^{(M \times N)}$ with the quotient module homomorphism $A^{(M \times N)} \to M \otimes_A N$.

Example 29.1. It is $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} = 0$.

Proof. Let's show this in multiple concrete ways.

Method 1: I want to do this conretely. First, we have

$$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} = \{ (0,0); (0,1); , (0,2); (1,0); (1,1); (1,2) \}.$$

Thus, the elements of $\mathbb{Z}^{(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}\times\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})}$ are in the form

$$(x_{(0,0)}, x_{(0,1)}, x_{(0,2)}, x_{(1,0)}, x_{(1,1)}, x_{(1,2)})$$

where $x_{(i,j)} \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $i \in \{0,1\}$ and $j \in \{0,1,2\}$.

Now, we want to find the submodule generated by the rules in the definition.

1. Set $m_1 = m_2 = n = \lambda = 0$, then

$$(0 \cdot 0 + 0, 0) + 0 \cdot (0, 0) - (0, 0) = (0, 0) = 1 \cdot (0, 0) \rightarrow (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0).$$

2. Set $m = n_2 = 0$, $n_1 = 1$, and $\lambda = 2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} (0,2\cdot 1+0) - 2\cdot (0,1) - (0,0) &= (0,2) - (2\cdot 0,1) \\ &= (0,2) - (0,1) \\ &= (0,1) \\ &= 1\cdot (0,1) \\ &\to (0,1,0,0,0,0) \end{aligned}$$

3. I think the rest is clear for now.

We may conclude that the submodule generated by the rules defined is the whole module, thus $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}\otimes\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}=0$.

Method 2: https://www.math.brown.edu/reschwar/M153/tensor.pdf

Proposition 30. Let A be a ring, and M, N and P be A-modules.

- 1. (identity) $A \otimes_A M = M$.
- 2. (commutative law) $M \otimes_A N = N \otimes_A M$.

Proof. As in the proposition, let A be a ring, and M, N and P be A-modules.

1. Define $\beta: A \times M \to M$ by $\beta(x,m) := xm$. Clearly, β is bilinear.

9.2 Exercises and Notes

Example 30.1. Let $A \to B \to C$ be ring homomorphisms and M and N be A-modules. Show the following.

1. $(M \otimes_A B) \otimes_B C \cong M \otimes_A C$

Proof. It is

$$(M \otimes_A B) \otimes_B C \cong M \otimes_A (B \otimes_B C)$$
$$\cong M \otimes_A C$$

2. $(M \otimes_A N) \otimes_A B \cong (M \otimes_A B) \otimes_B (N \otimes_A B)$

Proof. trivial

Example 30.2. Let A be a ring.

1. If M, N are A-modules, then $\operatorname{Hom}_A(M, N)$ may be viewed as an A-module via

$$a \cdot \varphi := (m \mapsto a \cdot \varphi(m))$$

for $a \in A$ and $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_A(M, N)$.

Proof. this is trivial \Box

2. If M, N, L are A-modules, then there exists a natural isomorphism of A-modules

$$\operatorname{Hom}_A(L \otimes_A M, N) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_A(L, \operatorname{Hom}_A(M, N))$$

Example 30.3. Let A be a ring, \mathfrak{a} an ideal of A, and M an A-module.

1. Show that $M/\mathfrak{a}M \cong M \otimes_A A/\mathfrak{a}$.

Proof. Define $\varphi: M \otimes_A A/\mathfrak{a} \to M/\mathfrak{a}M$ by

$$m \otimes_A \overline{x} \mapsto x \cdot m + \mathfrak{a}M.$$

 φ is an homomorphism because

(a)
$$\varphi((m_1 \otimes_A \overline{x_1}) + (m_2 \otimes_A \overline{x_2})) =$$

Exact Sequences

10.1 Definition and Theorems

Definition 31. Exact at, exact sequence, short exact sequence

Example 31.1. Let M and N be A-modules. Then, the sequence

$$0 \to M \to M \oplus N \to N \to 0$$

is short exact.

Lemma 32. If $0 \to M \to N \to P \to 0$ is exact, and M and P are finitely presented, then N is finitely presented.

Proof.

Proposition 33. Let M be an A-module, m_{λ} with $\lambda \in \Lambda$ a set of generators. Then there is an exact sequence $0 \to K \to A^{\oplus \Lambda} \to M \to 0$

10.2 Notes and Exercises

Noetherian Modules

Definition 34. An A-module M is called Noetherian if one of the following equivalent conditions hold.

- 1. Its submodules satisfies the asending chain condition, i.e. MISSING.
- 2. All submodules of M are finitely generated.

Proof. " \Rightarrow ": Let M be an A-module that satisfies the ascending chain condition and assume a submodule N is not finitely generated. In this case, we may construct a chain of submodules

$$N_1 \subset N_2 \subset \cdots \setminus N_i \subset \cdots$$

where $N_i = (n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{i-1})$ with $n_i \in N$ and $n_i \notin N_i$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}^+$. This chain never stabilizes, thus N must be finitely generated. \square

Lemma 35. Let $0 \to M \to N \to P \to 0$ be an exact sequence of A-modules. Then N is Noetherian if and only if M and P are Noetherian.

Proof. Let $0 \to M \to N \to P \to 0$ be an exact sequence of A-modules. " \Rightarrow ": Let N be Noetherian.

- 1. We show that M is Noetherian by verifying all its submodules are finitely generated. Let M' be a submodule of M. In that case, $\alpha(M')$ is a submodule of N and thus finitely generated. α restricted
- 2. We show that P is Noetherian by verifying all its submodules are finitely generated. Let P' be a submodule of P. Since β is surjective, we have $P' = \beta \left(\beta^{-1}(P')\right)$. $\beta^{-1}(P')$ is a submodule of N and it is finitely generated because N is Noetherian.

Proposition 36. The property Noetherian is stable under intersection, direct sum, addition, and localization. Let M be an A-module, N_1 and N_2 submodules of M.

1. If N_1 and N_1 are Noetherian, so is $N_1 \cap N_2$, $N_1 \oplus N_2$, and $N_1 + N_2$.

Proof. 1. Since all submodules of a Noetherian module is again Noetherian, $N_1 \cap N_2$ is Noetherian because it is a submodule of M which is Noetherian.

2. Consider the sequence $0 \to N_1 \to N_1 \oplus N_2 \to N_2 \to 0$.

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Example 36.1. Let M be an A-module, and N_1 and N_2 submodules of M. In general, $N_1 \otimes N_2$ is not Noetherian.

Artinian Modules

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Definition 37 (Artinian Module).

Example 37.1 (Examples of Artinian Modules). 1. For $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is Artinian.

Example 37.2 (Counterexamples of Artinian Modules). 1. \mathbb{Z} is not Artinian.

Lemma 38. Let $0 \to M \to N \to P \to 0$ be an exact sequence of A-modules. Then N is Artinian if and only if M and P are Artinian.

Proposition 39. The property of Artinian is stable under intersection, direct sum, addition, localization,

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