

Facts about Rings of Fractions

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1 Introduction

Fact 1.1. *If $0 \in S$, then $S^{-1}A$ is a trivial ring.*

Proof. Any $(a, s), (a', s')$ are related because $(as' - a's) \cdot 0 = 0$ with $0 \in S$. □

Fact 1.2. *A a PID, the equivalence relation in $A \times S$ is: $(a, s) \equiv (a', s')$ iff $as' = a's$.* □

Fact 1.3. *For A a field, and $S = \{-1, 1\}$, $S^{-1}A \cong A$.*

Proof. It is easily verified that the standard isomorphism from A to $S^{-1}A$ is 1-1 and onto. □

Fact 1.4. *For A a field, and S a multiplicatively closed subset of A not containing zero, $S^{-1}A \cong A$.*

Proof. The standard homomorphism $f : a \mapsto a/1$ of A into $S^{-1}A$ is injective: if $a/1 = a'/1$ then $a \cdot 1 = a' \cdot 1$, then $a = a'$. It is surjective: $f(as^{-1}) = f(a)f(s^{-1}) = (a/1)(s^{-1}/1) = \dots$, but $s^{-1}/1 = 1/s$ as $s^{-1}s = 1 \cdot 1$; continuing, $\dots = (a/1)(1/s) = a/s$. □

Fact 1.5. *For A a field, the ring of fractions and the field of fractions are isomorphic.*

Proof. For isomorphism of A with its field of fractions, see Math Exchange 79188. About the isomorphism with its ring of fractions, is the fact above. □

Example 1.6. *Some example.*

Fact 1.7. *The quotient ring A/I can be viewed as an A -module, and then the ring of fractions $T^{-1}(A/I)$, where T is the image of S in A/I , equals the module of fractions $S^{-1}(A/I)$.*

Proof. On the left, the relation is in $(A/I) \times T$: $([a], [s]) \equiv ([a'], [s'])$ iff (ring notation) $([a][s'] - [a'][s])[s''] = [0]$ iff $[as's'' - a'ss''] = [0]$. On the right, the relation works in $(A/I) \times S$: $([a], s) \equiv ([a'], s')$ iff (module notation) $s''(s'[a] - s[a']) = [0]$ iff $[as's'' - a'ss''] = [0]$. The conditions are identical so the classes must be in bijective correspondence. However, they are not identical as sets, so saying *equals* is too much. □p000000000000000000000000

Fact 1.8. *What are $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $\mathfrak{a}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

In the Solutions by Y. P. Gaillard, the residue field is $A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$, so the single maximal ideal of $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ from the Example 1, p. 38 of ItCA must be just $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$

$$\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} = \{a/s : a \in \mathfrak{p}, s \notin \mathfrak{p}\}$$

Then $\mathfrak{a}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ must be the generalization

$$\mathfrak{a}A_{\mathfrak{p}} = \{a/s : a \in \mathfrak{a}, s \notin \mathfrak{p}\}$$

□

Fact 1.9. *What is $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$?*

It can be either an $S^{-1}A$ -module $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$, because \mathfrak{a} is an A -module, or the extension $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}S^{-1}A$ in $S^{-1}A$ of the ideal \mathfrak{a} in A . In both cases elements of $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$ are written as a/s with $a \in \mathfrak{a}$, $s \in S$, but they come from different sets. In the first, module case, a/s is in the quotient of $\mathfrak{a} \times S$, in the second, extension ideal case, a/s is in the quotient of $A \times S$. We are talking of $S^{-1}A$ -modules, not rings, so there can only be A -module and $S^{-1}A$ -module isomorphism:

$$\mathfrak{a} \times S / \sim_{\mathfrak{a}} \ni a/s \mapsto a/s \in A \times S / \sim_A$$

□

Fact 1.10. *What is $\mathfrak{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

It is the A -module \mathfrak{a} localized at \mathfrak{p} . It is an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module. We also use this notation for the ideal $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$ of $S^{-1}A$, where $S = A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$. How are they isomorphic? $a/s \mapsto a/s$ with $a \in \mathfrak{a}$, $s \notin \mathfrak{p}$. Of what it is an isomorphism? Of A -modules, of $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -modules. They are not rings.

Fact 1.11. *What is $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$ in case $S = A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$?*

It can be either an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module $\mathfrak{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}$, because \mathfrak{a} is an A -module, or the extension $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ in $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ of the ideal \mathfrak{a} in A . In both cases elements of $S^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$ are written as a/s with $a \in \mathfrak{a}$, $s \notin \mathfrak{p}$, but they come from different sets. In the first, module case, a/s is in the quotient of $\mathfrak{a} \times (A \setminus \mathfrak{p})$, in the second, extension ideal case, a/s is in the quotient of $A \times (A \setminus \mathfrak{p})$. We are talking of $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -modules, not rings, so there can only be an A -module and $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module isomorphism:

$$\mathfrak{a} \times (A \setminus \mathfrak{p}) / \sim_{\mathfrak{a}} \ni a/s \mapsto a/s \in A \times (A \setminus \mathfrak{p}) / \sim_A$$

□

Fact 1.12. *What is $\mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

It is the A -module \mathfrak{p} localized at \mathfrak{p} . We also use this notation for the ideal $S^{-1}\mathfrak{p}$ of $S^{-1}A$, where $S = A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$, that is, the ideal $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

Fact 1.13. *Case $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{p}$, a prime ideal. What is $S^{-1}\mathfrak{p}$?*

It can be either the $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module $\mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}}$, because \mathfrak{p} is an A -module, or the extension $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ in $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ of the ideal \mathfrak{p} in A , via the canonical $A \rightarrow A_{\mathfrak{p}} : a \mapsto a/s$. Looks like we don't have the $\cdot_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -instead-of- S^{-1} notation in the ideal extension case, but then, the quotient notation $A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is used, which makes sense only if $\mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is an ideal in $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$

$$\mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

□

Fact 1.14. *When $S = A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$, as $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -modules*

$$S^{-1}\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}A_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathfrak{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

$$S^{-1}\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

□

Fact 1.15. *How is $B_{\mathfrak{q}}$ an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module?*

Let $g = \psi \circ f$ be the composition $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow T^{-1}B : a \rightarrow f(a) \rightarrow f(a)/1$. This composition sends $s \in S$ to a unit in $T^{-1}B$, as $(f(s)/1)(1/f(s)) = 1/1$, where $f(s) \in f(S) = f(A \setminus \mathfrak{p}) \subseteq B \setminus \mathfrak{q} = T$. Why the inclusion? If $a \notin \mathfrak{p} = f^{-1}(\mathfrak{q})$ then $f(a) \notin \mathfrak{q}$. By the universal property of the ring of fractions, g factorizes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\phi} & S^{-1}A \\ \downarrow f & \searrow g & \downarrow h \\ B & \xrightarrow{\psi} & T^{-1}B \end{array}$$

where the recipe for h is given in **Proposition 3.1** of ItCA as $a/s \mapsto g(a)g(s)^{-1} = (f(a)/1)(1/f(s)) = f(a)/f(s)$. □

Fact 1.16. *What is $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

(For $f : A \mapsto B$ and \mathfrak{p} a prime ideal of A).

The ring B is an A -module by the restriction of scalars. We can localize it in the prime ideal \mathfrak{p} of A . The cartesian product is $B \times (A \setminus \mathfrak{p})$, the relation is

$$(b, s) \sim (b', s') \iff \exists t \notin \mathfrak{p} \ t(sb' - s'b) = 0$$

The condition reads

$$f(t)(f(s)b' - f(s')b) = 0$$

The obvious addition

$$\frac{b}{s} + \frac{b'}{s'} = \frac{s'b + sb'}{ss'} = \frac{f(s')b + f(s)b'}{ss'}$$

The obvious scalar multiplication

$$\frac{a}{s'} \cdot \frac{b}{s} = \frac{ab}{s's} = \frac{f(a)b}{s's}$$

□

Fact 1.17. *How is $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module?*

And f is an A -module homomorphism:

$$f(a'a) = f(a')f(a) = a' \cdot f(a)$$

It gives rise to an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module homomorphism $S^{-1}f : A_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{p}}$

$$a/s \mapsto f(a)/s$$

See how it is different from the map $A_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{q}}$

$$a/s \mapsto f(a)/f(s)$$

By the restriction of scalars, $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module.

□

Fact 1.18. *$B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a ring.*

The multiplication

$$\frac{b}{s} \cdot \frac{b'}{s'} = \frac{bb'}{ss'}$$

is distributive over the addition.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{b''}{s''} \left(\frac{b'}{s'} + \frac{b}{s} \right) &= \frac{b''}{s''} \frac{sb' + s'b}{s's} \\ &= \frac{b''(sb' + s'b)}{s''s's} \\ &= \frac{sb''b' + s'b''b}{s''s's} \\ &= \frac{b''b'}{s''s'} + \frac{b''b}{s''s} \\ \frac{b''}{s''} \frac{b'}{s'} + \frac{b''}{s''} \frac{b}{s} &= \frac{s''sb''b' + s''s'b''b}{s''s's's} \\ &= \frac{f(s'')f(s)b''b' + f(s'')f(s')b''b}{s''s's's} \\ &= \frac{f(s'')f(s)b''b'}{s''s's's} + \frac{f(s'')f(s')b''b}{s''s's's} \end{aligned}$$

How can we cancel here? In a general $S^{-1}A$ -module $S^{-1}M$

$$\frac{f(s)m}{s} = \frac{s \cdot m}{s} = \frac{s}{s} \cdot \frac{m}{1} = \frac{1}{1} \cdot \frac{m}{1} = \frac{m}{1}$$

With this cancellation rule, both sides of the distributivity become equal.

□

Fact 1.19. *$S^{-1}B$ (an $S^{-1}A$ -module) is a ring.*

By argument identical to that for the $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ ring.

□

Fact 1.20. *The ring $f(S)^{-1}B$.*

The subset $f(S)$ of the ring B is multiplicatively closed, and we can take the ring of fractions. The construction starts from $B \times f(S)$,

$$(b, f(s)) \sim (b', f(s')) \iff \exists u \in S \ f(u)(f(s')b - f(s)b') = 0$$

□

Fact 1.21. The rings $S^{-1}B$ and $f(S)^{-1}B$ are isomorphic via $b/s \mapsto b/f(s)$

The well-definition and injectivity are easily verified and the surjectivity is obvious. \square

Fact 1.22. The homomorphisms $B \rightarrow S^{-1}B : b \mapsto b/s$ and $B \rightarrow f(S)^{-1}B : b \mapsto b/f(s)$.

The second is natural as $f(S)$ is a multiplicatively closed subset of B . The first can arise from the isomorphism of both rings, making the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & S^{-1}B & \\ B \nearrow & \downarrow \cong & \\ & f(S)^{-1}B & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & b/s & \\ b \nearrow & \downarrow & \\ & b/f(s) & \end{array}$$

commutative, or can be verified directly, and the diagram after it. The top homomorphism \square

Fact 1.23. What are general ideals of $f(S)^{-1}B$ and $S^{-1}B$?

Every ideal of $f(S)^{-1}B$ is an extended ideal $f(S)^{-1}\mathfrak{b} = \{b/f(s) : b \in \mathfrak{b}, s \in S\}$. The isomorphic set in $S^{-1}B$ is $\{b/s : b \in \mathfrak{b}, s \in S\}$. \square

Fact 1.24. How does $(S^{-1}f)^* : \text{Spec}(S^{-1}B) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(S^{-1}B)$ work?

We show that $(S^{-1}f)^*(S^{-1}\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{p}$ where $\mathfrak{p} = f^{-1}(\mathfrak{q})$.

$$\begin{aligned} (S^{-1}f)^*(S^{-1}\mathfrak{q}) &= (S^{-1}f)^* (\{b/s : b \in \mathfrak{q}, s \in S\}) \\ &= \{a/s : (S^{-1}f)(a/s) \in S^{-1}\mathfrak{b}\} \\ &= \{a/s : f(a)/s \in \mathfrak{b}\} \end{aligned}$$

We can show that this is $\mathfrak{p} = f^{-1}(\mathfrak{q})$.

The \subseteq : $f(a)/s = b/s'$ for some $b \in \mathfrak{q}, s \in S$; we move to $f(S)^{-1}B$; $f(a)/f(s) = b/f(s')$; $(f(a)f(s') - bf(s))f(u) = 0$ for some $u \in S$; $f(a)f(s')f(u) = bf(s)f(u) \in \mathfrak{b}$; $f(a) \in \mathfrak{q}$; $a \in f^{-1}(\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{p}$; $a/s \in S^{-1}\mathfrak{p}$.

What if we did not move to $f(S)^{-1}B$? $u(s'f(a) - sb) = 0$ in the $S^{-1}A$ -module $S^{-1}B$; $us'f(a) = usb$. But what is the multiplication by scalar from A ? It is multiplication by f of it. $f(u)f(s')f(a) = f(u)f(s)b \in \mathfrak{q} \dots$ We proceed the same way.

The \supseteq : $a/s \in S^{-1}\mathfrak{p}$; $a \in \mathfrak{p}$; $f(a) \in \mathfrak{q}$; $f(a)/s \in S^{-1}\mathfrak{q}$. \square

Fact 1.25. The contraction of $S^{-1}\mathfrak{p}$ is \mathfrak{p} .

$$\begin{aligned} \{a : a/1 \in S^{-1}\mathfrak{p}\} &= \{a : a/1 = a'/s' \text{ for some } a' \in \mathfrak{p}, s' \notin \mathfrak{p}\} \\ &= \{a : \exists u \in S (as' - a')u = 0\} \\ &= \{a : \exists u \in S, s' \in S, a' \in \mathfrak{p} \quad as'u = a'u\} \end{aligned}$$

The set finally is \mathfrak{p} :

\implies : $as'u \in \mathfrak{p}$, so $a \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $s'u \in \mathfrak{p}$ but $\mathfrak{p} \cap S = \emptyset$; must be $a \in \mathfrak{p}$.

\impliedby : $a \in \mathfrak{p}$; $(a \cdot 1 - a) \cdot 1 = 0$, so a is in the set. \square

Fact 1.26. How is $B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}_{\mathfrak{q}} = B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}$ an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module?

We know the map $A_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{q}} : a/s \mapsto f(a)/f(s)$ from 1.15. The kernel of the composition $A_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{q}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}} : a/s \mapsto f(a)/f(s) + \mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}$ contains $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$: element of $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a/s where $a \in \mathfrak{p}, s \notin \mathfrak{p}$; it follow that $f(s) \notin \mathfrak{q}$ (otherwise $s \in f^{-1}(\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{p}$); so the image in the first map of a/s is in $\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}$, the kernel of the second map, then a/s is in the kernel of the composition. The composition then factors through $A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}} : a/s + \mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \mapsto f(a)/f(s) + \mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}$. This is a ring homomorphism that makes $B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}$ an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module. \square

Fact 1.27. *What is $\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

When $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is seen as an A -module, $\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}} = \{am/s : a \in \mathfrak{p}, m \in M, s \notin \mathfrak{p}\}$. When $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is seen as an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module, \mathfrak{p} is not even an ideal in $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$, but its extension, $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is, and $(\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}})M_{\mathfrak{p}} = \{(a/s')(m/s) : a \in \mathfrak{p}, m \in M, s, s' \notin \mathfrak{p}\} = \{am/s : a \in \mathfrak{p}, m \in M, s \notin \mathfrak{p}\}$, the same set, which we write $\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ for:

$$\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}} = (\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}})M_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

\square

Fact 1.28. *How*

$$\frac{(B \otimes_A M)_{\mathfrak{q}}}{\mathfrak{q}(B \otimes_A M)_{\mathfrak{q}}} \cong \frac{B_{\mathfrak{q}}}{\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}} \otimes_B B \otimes_A M$$

?

Proposition 3.5 states, in the language of subscript- \mathfrak{p} , that $M_{\mathfrak{p}} \cong A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_A M$ over $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Here $(B \otimes_A M)_{\mathfrak{q}} \cong B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_B (B \otimes_A M)$ over $B_{\mathfrak{q}}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_B (B \otimes_A M)}{(\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}})(B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_B (B \otimes_A M))} &\cong \frac{B_{\mathfrak{q}}}{\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}} \otimes_{B_{\mathfrak{q}}} (B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_B (B \otimes_A M)) \\ &\cong \frac{B_{\mathfrak{q}}}{\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}} \otimes_B B \otimes_A M \end{aligned}$$

\square

The first equality is from Exercise 2.2: $M/\mathfrak{a}M \cong A/\mathfrak{a} \otimes_A M$. In P. Y. Gaillard solution to ItCA Exercise 3.19 (viii).

Fact 1.29. *How*

$$\frac{A_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}} \otimes_A M \cong \frac{M_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}}}$$

?

$$\frac{A_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}} \otimes_A M \cong \frac{A_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_A M \cong \frac{A_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} M_{\mathfrak{p}} \cong \frac{M_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}}}$$

The second by Proposition 3.5, the third by Exercise 2.2.

In Y. P. Gaillard solution of ItCA Exercise 3.19 (viii). \square

Fact 1.30. *How $(B \otimes_A M)_{\mathfrak{q}} = B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} M_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

$$\begin{aligned} (B \otimes_A M)_{\mathfrak{q}} &= B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_B (B \otimes_A M) \\ &= B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_A M \\ &= (B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} A_{\mathfrak{p}}) \otimes_A M \\ &= B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} (A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_A M) \\ &= B_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} M_{\mathfrak{p}} \end{aligned}$$

The first and the last equalities are applications of Proposition 3.5:

$$S^{-1}A \otimes_A M \cong S^{-1}M$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_A M &\cong M_{\mathfrak{p}} \\ \frac{a}{s} \otimes m &\mapsto \frac{am}{s} \end{aligned}$$

In Y. P. Gaillard solution to ItCA Exercise 3.19 (iii). \square

Fact 1.31. *The diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_{\mathfrak{p}} & \xrightarrow{\phi} & A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \\ \downarrow f & \searrow \eta & \downarrow h \\ B_{\mathfrak{q}} & \xrightarrow{\psi} & B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} a/s & \xrightarrow{\phi} & a/s + \mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \\ \downarrow f & \searrow \eta & \downarrow h \\ f(a)/f(s) & \xrightarrow{\psi} & f(a)/f(s) + \mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}} \end{array}$$

is commutative.

All calculated on the diagram. □

Now $\kappa_{\mathfrak{q}} = B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}$ is an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module by $A_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \rightarrow B_{\mathfrak{q}}/\mathfrak{q}B_{\mathfrak{q}}$ (with the formula as on the bottom diagram) and we may tensor over $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

If a field K is an A -module for some ring A , can it be a zero A -module?

$$1_A 1_K = 1_K \neq 0_K$$

It cannot.

Now that $\kappa_{\mathfrak{q}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} M_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}} = 0$, both tensorands finitely generated, and $\kappa_{\mathfrak{q}} \neq 0$, it must be $M_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}} = 0$ by ItCA Exercise 2.3.

In solution of ItCA 3.19 (viii) by J. D. Taylor.

Fact 1.32. *What is $\mathfrak{p}B$?*

For $f : A \rightarrow B$, we can think in two ways. As we identify $ab = f(a)b$, $\mathfrak{p}B = \{ab = f(a)b : a \in \mathfrak{p}, b \in B\}$ is the extension $f(\mathfrak{p})B$ of the ideal \mathfrak{p} . The second way is that B is an A -module, and \mathfrak{p} a prime ideal in A , so we can form $\mathfrak{p}B = \{\sum a_i b_i = \sum f(a_i) b_i\}$ with $a_i \in \mathfrak{p}$, $b_i \in B$, getting the same set. □

Fact 1.33. *What is $\mathfrak{p}B_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

$B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is an A -module, \mathfrak{p} is a prime ideal of A , so $\mathfrak{p}B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ makes sense and consists of finite sums $\sum a_i(b_i/s)$ where $a_i \in \mathfrak{p}$, $b_i \in B$, and $s_i \in A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$. After bringing to common denominator, the sum becomes ab/s where $a \in \mathfrak{p}$, $b \in B$ and $s_i \in A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ that is, b/s where $b \in \mathfrak{p}B$ and $s_i \in A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$. □

Fact 1.34. *How is $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ an A -module?*

The canonical map $\phi : A \rightarrow A_{\mathfrak{p}} : a \mapsto \frac{a}{1}$ gives the multiplication by scalars from A

$$a' \frac{a}{s} = \phi(a') \frac{a}{s} = \frac{a'}{1} \frac{a}{s} = \frac{a'a}{s}$$

□

Fact 1.35. *What is $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

As $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is an A -module, we can multiply it by a prime ideal in A in a standard way

$$\sum a'_i \frac{a_i}{s_i} = \sum \frac{a'_i a_i}{s_i}$$

After bringing to a common denominator, this is

$$\frac{a}{s}$$

with $a \in \mathfrak{p}$, so $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is the single maximal ideal of the local ring $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$. □

Fact 1.36. *What is $(\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}})B_{\mathfrak{p}}$?*

As $B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is an $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -module, and $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is the single maximal ideal of the local ring $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$, Any element is, from the definition of the ideal-by-module and from the general element of $\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ ($a \in \mathfrak{p}$)

$$\sum_i \frac{a_i}{s'_i} \frac{b_i}{s_i} = \sum \frac{ab}{s's}$$

After bringing to a common denominator, this becomes

$$ab/s = f(a)b/s$$

where $a \in \mathfrak{p}$. Notice we got the general element of $\mathfrak{p}B_{\mathfrak{p}}$, so

$$(\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}})B_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathfrak{p}B_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

□

Fact 1.37. How $B_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}B_{\mathfrak{p}} = A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} B_{\mathfrak{p}}$?

Apply Exercise 2.2

$$A/\mathfrak{a} \otimes_A M \cong M/\mathfrak{a}M$$

to $M := B_{\mathfrak{p}}$, $A := A_{\mathfrak{p}}$, $\mathfrak{a} := \mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}}$

$$A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} B_{\mathfrak{p}} = B_{\mathfrak{p}}/(\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}})B_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

now apply $(\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}})B_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathfrak{p}B_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

□

Fact 1.38. How $A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_A B \cong B_{\mathfrak{p}}$?

Apply Proposition 3.5: $S^{-1}A \otimes_A M \cong S^{-1}M$.

□

We now understand the isomorphisms in the solution of ItCA's 3.21(iv) by J D. Taylor.

$$\begin{aligned} B_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}B_{\mathfrak{p}} &= A_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} B_{\mathfrak{p}} \\ &= K_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_{A_{\mathfrak{p}}} A_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_A B \\ &= K_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_A B \end{aligned}$$

Fact 1.39. $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq \mathfrak{a} \iff S^{-1}\mathfrak{p} \supseteq S^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$

The \implies direction is universal for ideal extensions. For the \impliedby direction, $(S^{-1}\mathfrak{p})^c \supseteq (S^{-1}\mathfrak{a})^c$ meaning $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq \mathfrak{a}^{ec} \supseteq \mathfrak{a}$ □

Fact 1.40. If $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq \mathfrak{a}$ then $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq \mathfrak{a}^{ec} \supseteq \bigcup_{s \in S} (\mathfrak{a} : s)$

If $x \in (\mathfrak{a} : s)$ then $xs \in \mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$ then $xs \in \mathfrak{p}$ then $x \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $s \in \mathfrak{p}$ but $\mathfrak{p} \cap S = \emptyset$ so $x \in \mathfrak{p}$. □

2 Saturated

Fact 2.1. For saturated S , if $f(a)$ is a unit in $S^{-1}A$, then $a \in S$.

Proof.

$$\frac{a}{1} \cdot \frac{b}{t} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$\frac{ab}{t} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$(ab, t) \equiv (1, 1)$$

$$(ab - t)u = 0$$

$$abu = tu$$

$$abu \in S$$

As S is saturated, $a \in S$. □