

MATH 571: Higher Algebra I, Winter 2005

Solutions to Assignment 5

Chapter IV, Section 5, #2: (a) Consider the map $\phi : A \times \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow A/mA$ defined by $(a, k + m\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow ka + m\mathbb{Z}$. ϕ is a well-defined bilinear map, so by the universal property of tensor product it follows that there exists a unique homomorphism $\tilde{\phi} : A \otimes \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow A/mA$. The map $\psi : A/mA \rightarrow A \otimes \mathbb{Z}_m$ defined by $a + m\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow a \otimes (1 + m\mathbb{Z})$ is a well-defined homomorphism and it can be seen easily that ψ is inverse to $\tilde{\phi}$. Thus, $\tilde{\phi}$ is bijective.

(b) Consider the map $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_c$ defined by $(k + m\mathbb{Z}, l + n\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow kl + c\mathbb{Z}$. ϕ is a well-defined bilinear map, so by the universal property of tensor product it follows that there exists a unique homomorphism $\tilde{\phi} : \mathbb{Z}_m \otimes \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_c$. The map $\psi : \mathbb{Z}_c \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m \otimes \mathbb{Z}_n$ defined by $k + c\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow (k + m\mathbb{Z}) \otimes (1 + n\mathbb{Z})$ is a well-defined homomorphism and it can be seen easily that ψ is inverse to $\tilde{\phi}$. Thus, $\tilde{\phi}$ is bijective.

(c) If A and B are f.g. abelian groups then

$$A \simeq \mathbb{Z}^k \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{i=1}^l \mathbb{Z}_{p_i}^{k_i} \right), \quad B \simeq \mathbb{Z}^m \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{j=1}^n \mathbb{Z}_{q_j}^{m_j} \right).$$

Now, since

$$\mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n \simeq \mathbb{Z}_{\gcd(m,n)}, \quad \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_n \simeq \mathbb{Z}_n, \quad \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{Z}$$

and

$$(K \oplus M) \otimes N \simeq (K \otimes N) \oplus (M \otimes N)$$

then it can be concluded that $A \otimes B$ is finitely generated, in which the free abelian part has rank km .

Chapter IV, Section 5, #3(b): Consider the map $\phi : \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ defined by $(p, q) \rightarrow pq$. ϕ is a well-defined bilinear map, so by the universal property of tensor product it follows that there exists a unique homomorphism $\tilde{\phi} : \mathbb{Q} \otimes \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$. The map $\psi : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ defined by $p \rightarrow p \otimes 1$ is a well-defined homomorphism and it can be seen easily that ψ is inverse to $\tilde{\phi}$. Thus, $\tilde{\phi}$ is bijective.

Chapter IV, Section 5, #8: In all cases it is enough to show that $1_D \otimes f$ is injective.

(a) Since $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$ splits then there exists an isomorphism $\tilde{f} : B \rightarrow A \oplus C$ such that $\tilde{f} \circ f = 1_A$. Hence, $(1_D \otimes \tilde{f}) \circ (1_D \otimes f) = 1_D \otimes 1_A = 1_{D \otimes A}$, that is, $1_D \otimes f$ is injective.

(b) D is free, hence, $D \simeq \oplus_{i \in I} R$. Thus,

$$D \otimes A = (\oplus_{i \in I} R) \otimes A = \oplus_{i \in I} (R \otimes A) \simeq \oplus_{i \in I} A,$$

$$D \otimes B = (\oplus_{i \in I} R) \otimes B = \oplus_{i \in I} (R \otimes B) \simeq \oplus_{i \in I} B.$$

Now, since $f : A \rightarrow B$ is injective, it follows that $1_D \otimes f : \oplus_{i \in I} A \rightarrow \oplus_{i \in I} B$ is injective too.

(c) Since D is projective it follows that there exists a free module F such that $F = D \oplus K$ for some K . From (b) it follows that $1_F \otimes f : F \otimes A \rightarrow F \otimes B$ is injective. Finally, observe that $F \otimes A \simeq (D \otimes A) \oplus (K \otimes A)$, $F \otimes B \simeq (D \otimes B) \oplus (K \otimes B)$, and $1_D \otimes f$ is the restriction of $1_F \otimes f$, so is injective.

Chapter IV, Section 5, #11(b)(i): Since every bilinear map $\phi : A \times B \rightarrow C$ induces a unique map $\tilde{\phi} : A \otimes B \rightarrow C$ then the map $\theta : \mathcal{L}(A, B; C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A \otimes B, C)$ is well-defined by $\phi \rightarrow \tilde{\phi}$. θ is obviously a homomorphism of modules. On the other hand, for each $\psi \in \text{Hom}_R(A \otimes B, C)$ one can consider $\hat{\psi} = \psi \circ i \in \mathcal{L}(A, B; C)$, where i is a canonical projection of $A \times B$ onto $A \otimes B$. That is, the homomorphism $\eta : \text{Hom}_R(A \otimes B, C) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(A, B; C)$ is well-defined by $\psi \rightarrow \hat{\psi}$. Finally, it is easy to verify that η and θ are inverse to each other.

Chapter IV, Section 6, #3: Direct computations.

Chapter IV, Section 6, #5: One can take \mathbb{Z}_4 as a counterexample. Indeed, the minimal annihilator of \mathbb{Z}_4 is 4 which is divisible by 2, but \mathbb{Z}_2 is not a direct summand of \mathbb{Z}_4 .