

last time:

$\text{Hom}_R(-, M)$

and

$\text{Hom}_R(M, -)$

are additive left exact functors

meaning that for every short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$$

of R -modules, the sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, B) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, C)$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(B, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, M)$$

are exact.

However, $\text{Hom}_R(M, -)$ and $\text{Hom}_R(-, M)$ are not necessarily exact.

tensor products

M, N R -modules

A function $f: M \times N \rightarrow L$ is R -bilinear if:

- $f(m+m', n) = f(m, n) + f(m', n)$ for all $m, m' \in M, n \in N$
- $f(m, n+n') = f(m, n) + f(m, n')$ for all $m \in M, n, n' \in N$
- $f(\pi m, n) = f(m, \pi n) = \pi f(m, n)$ for all $\pi \in R, m \in M, n \in N$

Example the product on R is an R -bilinear function $R \times R \rightarrow R$

Def M, N R -modules

the **tensor product** $M \otimes_R N$ is the R -module $M \otimes_R N$ together with an R -bilinear map $\tau: M \times N \rightarrow M \otimes_R N$ satisfying the following universal property:

for every R -bilinear function $f: M \times N \rightarrow A$, there exists a unique R -module homomorphism $\hat{f}: M \otimes_R N \rightarrow A$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 M \otimes_R N & \xrightarrow{\hat{f}} & A \\
 \tau \uparrow & \swarrow & \searrow \\
 M \times N & \xrightarrow{f} & A
 \end{array}$$

commutes

this universal property is encoded in the representable functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Bilin}(M \times N; -) : R\text{-mod} & \longrightarrow & \text{Set} \\
 L & \longmapsto & R\text{-bilinear maps } M \times N \longrightarrow L \\
 \begin{array}{c} A \\ f \downarrow \\ B \end{array} & \longmapsto & \text{postcomposition with } f
 \end{array}$$

via

$$\tau \in \text{Bilin}(M \times N, M \otimes_R N)$$

thm Given any R -modules M, N , $M \otimes_R N$ exists

Sketch

$F :=$ free module on $M \times N$

$$S := \left(\begin{array}{l} (m, n+n') - (m, n) - (m, n') \\ (m+m', n) - (m, n) - (m', n) \\ (xm, n) - x(m, n) \\ (m, xn) - x(m, n) \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{l} m, m' \in M \\ n, n' \in N \\ x \in R \end{array} \right)$$

$$M \otimes_R N := F/S$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \times N & \xrightarrow{\tau} & F/S \\ (m, n) & \mapsto & m \otimes n \end{array}$$

$$m \otimes n := (m, n) + S \text{ in } F/S$$

check: these satisfy our universal property \square

Def A simple tensor in $M \otimes_R N$ is an element of the form $m \otimes n$.

the simple tensors generate $M \otimes_R N$, but they are not all the elements.

so every element in $M \otimes_R N$ is of the form $\sum_{i=1}^k m_i \otimes n_i$

such expressions are not unique.

Warning Sometimes $M \otimes_R N$ are unexpectedly 0

- to define maps out of $M \otimes_R N$, use the universal property.
- to show $M \otimes_R N \neq 0$, give a nonzero R -bilinear map $M \times N \rightarrow A$.
- two R -module maps $M \otimes_R N \rightarrow A$ are the same if they agree on simple tensors.

lemma the tensor product is unique up to iso.

lemma $A \xrightarrow{f} C$, $B \xrightarrow{g} D$ R -module maps
there exists a unique R -module homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} f \otimes g : A \otimes_R B &\longrightarrow C \otimes_R D \\ a \otimes b &\longmapsto f(a) \otimes g(b) \end{aligned}$$

lemma $(f_2 \otimes g_2) \circ (f_1 \otimes g_1) = (f_2 \circ f_1) \otimes (g_2 \circ g_1)$

lemma f, g iso $\Rightarrow f \otimes g$ iso

theorem

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \otimes_R - : R\text{-mod} \longrightarrow R\text{-mod} & \text{and} & - \otimes_R M : R\text{-mod} \longrightarrow R\text{-mod} \\ \begin{array}{ccc} A & & M \otimes_R A \\ f \downarrow & \longmapsto & \downarrow 1 \otimes f \\ B & & M \otimes_R B \end{array} & & \begin{array}{ccc} A & & A \otimes_R M \\ f \downarrow & \longmapsto & \downarrow f \otimes 1 \\ B & & B \otimes_R M \end{array} \end{array}$$

are additive covariant functors.

Lemma there is a natural isomorphism $M \otimes_R N \cong N \otimes_R M$

Lemma $(A \otimes_R B) \otimes_R C \cong A \otimes_R (B \otimes_R C)$

thm there is a natural isomorphism

$$M \otimes_R \left(\bigoplus_i N_i \right) \xrightarrow{\cong} \bigoplus_{i \in I} (M \otimes_R N_i)$$

on both M and the family $\{N_i\}_{i \in I}$.

Lemma there is a natural isomorphism between $R \otimes_R -$ and $\text{Id}: R\text{-mod} \rightarrow R\text{-mod}$.

Sketch $R \times M \rightarrow M$ is R -bilinear and surjective
 $(r, m) \mapsto rm$

\Rightarrow induces homomorphism $R \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{\varphi_M} M$

$M \xrightarrow{f_M} R \otimes_R M$ is an inverse to φ_M
 $m \mapsto 1 \otimes m$

the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R \otimes_R M & \xrightarrow{\varphi_M} & M \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow g \\ R \otimes_R N & \xrightarrow{\varphi_N} & N \end{array} \quad \text{commutes}$$

□

Examples

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \mathbb{Z}/2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} = 0$$

$$a \otimes p = a \otimes \frac{2p}{2} = \underbrace{(2a)}_{=0} \otimes \frac{p}{2} = 0$$

all simple tensors 0 \Rightarrow tensor product is 0

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} = 0 \quad \text{because all simple tensors are 0:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{p}{q} + \mathbb{Z} \right) \otimes \left(\frac{a}{b} + \mathbb{Z} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{bp}{bq} + \mathbb{Z} \right) \otimes \left(\frac{a}{b} + \mathbb{Z} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{p}{bq} + \mathbb{Z} \right) \otimes b \left(\frac{a}{b} + \mathbb{Z} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{p}{bq} + \mathbb{Z} \right) \otimes \underbrace{(a + \mathbb{Z})}_{=0} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad 2\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \neq 0 \quad \text{because}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \\ (a, b) & \longmapsto & \frac{ab}{2} \end{array}$$

is \mathbb{Z} -bilinear, so it induces an \mathbb{R} -module homomorphism

$$2\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{and } f(2 \otimes 1) = \frac{2 \cdot 1}{1} = 1 \neq 0$$

theorem $M \otimes_R -$ is right exact, meaning that for every seq

$$0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} C \rightarrow 0$$

we get an exact sequence

$$M \otimes_R A \xrightarrow{1 \otimes i} M \otimes_R B \xrightarrow{1 \otimes p} M \otimes_R C \rightarrow 0$$

Proof ① $(1 \otimes p)(1 \otimes i) = 0$

$$(1 \otimes p)(1 \otimes i) = 1 \otimes \underbrace{pi}_0 = 0$$

② $1 \otimes p$ is surjective

Given any $m_1 \otimes c_1 + \dots + m_n \otimes c_n \in M \otimes_R C$,

pick $b_1, \dots, b_n \in B$ such that $p(b_i) = c_i$ (p surjective)

$$\text{then } (1 \otimes p)(m_1 \otimes b_1 + \dots + m_n \otimes b_n) = m_1 \otimes c_1 + \dots + m_n \otimes c_n.$$

③ $\ker(1 \otimes p) = \text{im}(1 \otimes p)$

$$\text{let } I := \text{im}(1 \otimes p) \subseteq \ker(1 \otimes p).$$

$$1 \otimes p \text{ induces a map } M \otimes_R B / I \xrightarrow{q} M \otimes_R C$$

Consider the canonical projection $\pi: M \otimes_R B \rightarrow M \otimes_R B / I$

$$\text{By construction: } q \pi = 1 \otimes p$$

$$M \times C \xrightarrow{f} M \otimes_R B / I$$

$$(m, c) \longmapsto m \otimes b$$

where $p(b) = c$

• f is R -bilinear (exercise)

• f is well-defined:

if $p(b) = p(b') = c$, then

$$b - b' \in \ker p = \text{im } i \Rightarrow m \otimes (b - b') \in \text{im } (1 \otimes i) = I$$

$$\text{so } m \otimes b - m \otimes b' \in I$$

$$\Rightarrow f \text{ induces } R\text{-module map } M \otimes_R C \xrightarrow{\hat{f}} M \otimes_R B / I$$

Claim $\hat{f} \circ q = \text{id}_{M \otimes_R B / I}$

$$\hat{f} \circ q \left(\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \otimes b_i \right) = \hat{f} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \otimes p(b_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \otimes b_i$$

Conclusion: q is injective

$$q \circ \pi = 1 \otimes p \quad q \text{ injective}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ker(1 \otimes p) = \ker(q \circ \pi) \stackrel{q \text{ injective}}{=} \ker \pi = \text{im}(1 \otimes i)$$

But tensor is not necessarily exact

Example $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{Q} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$

Apply $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} -$:

$$\underbrace{\mathbb{Z}/2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}}_{\cong \mathbb{Z}/2} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes i} \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}/2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}}_{=0} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

Hom-tensor adjunction there is a natural isomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}_R(M \otimes_R N, P) & \cong & \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_R(N, P)) \\ f & \longmapsto & (m \mapsto (n \mapsto f(m \otimes n))) \\ m \otimes n \mapsto g(m)(n) & \longleftarrow & g \end{array}$$

What does this mean?

It says $(-\otimes_R M, \text{Hom}_R(M, -))$ is an adjoint pair.

two covariant functors $\mathcal{C} \xrightleftharpoons[G]{F} \mathcal{D}$ form an adjoint pair if $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(F(C), D) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(C, G(D))$ naturally on \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D} .

we say F is a left adjoint of G , G is a right adjoint of F

"the slogan is "adjoint functors arise everywhere" " Mac Lane

Idea An adjoint functor is a way of giving the most efficient solution to a problem in a functorial way

Example

Problem Given a set I , what is the most efficient functorial way of getting an R -module out of I ?

Solution take the free R -module on I , $\bigoplus_I R$.

Fact $R\text{-mod} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{Forget}} \\ \xleftarrow{\text{Free}} \end{array} \text{Set}$

(Free, Forget) form an adjoint pair.