

# Homework 11

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- (1) **Proof** Firstly, we have a natural bilinear mapping  $i$  from  $(A/\mathfrak{a}, M)$  to  $M/\mathfrak{a}M$ , that is, sending  $(\tilde{a}, m)$  to  $\widetilde{am}$ , where  $\tilde{a}, \widetilde{am}$  is the image of  $a$  in  $A/\mathfrak{a}$  and  $am \in M$  respectively,  $a \in A, m \in M$ . Suppose that  $(\tilde{a}, m) = (\tilde{b}, n)$ , then we have  $a-b \in \mathfrak{a}$  and  $m = n$ . Then we know that  $\widetilde{am} - \widetilde{bn} = \widetilde{(a-b)m} = 0$  and hence this mapping is well defined. Besides, we can check that it is bilinear.

Let  $N$  be an  $A$ -module and we consider a bilinear mapping from  $(A/\mathfrak{a}, M) \rightarrow N$ . Then we prove that  $f$  can induce a mapping  $\tilde{f} : M/\mathfrak{a}M \rightarrow N$  such that  $\tilde{f} \circ i = f$ . In fact, we only need to set  $\tilde{f}(x + \mathfrak{a}M) = f(\tilde{1}, x)$ , where  $\tilde{1}$  is the image of 1 in  $A/\mathfrak{a}$ . We check that  $\tilde{f}$  is well defined: let  $x_1, x_2 \in M$  such that  $x_1 - x_2 \in \mathfrak{a}M$  and hence  $x_1 - x_2 = am$  for some  $a \in \mathfrak{a}, m \in M$ . Then we have:

$$f(\tilde{1}, x_1) - f(\tilde{1}, x_2) = f(\tilde{1}, x_1 - x_2) = f(\tilde{1}, am) = f(\tilde{a}, m) = f(0, m) = 0.$$

And we can check that:

$$\tilde{f} \circ i(\tilde{a}, m) = \tilde{f}(\widetilde{am}) = f(\tilde{1}, am) = f(\tilde{a}, m).$$

Therefore,  $M/\mathfrak{a}M$  satisfies the universality property of  $A/\mathfrak{a} \otimes_A M$  and hence  $M/\mathfrak{a}M \simeq A/\mathfrak{a} \otimes_A M$ .  $\square$

- (2) **Proof** For  $m \in M$ , we can write it as  $p(m) + m - p(m)$ . We can check that  $p(m - p(m)) = p(m) - p^2(m) = p(m) - p(m) = 0$  and hence  $m - p(m) \in M_1$  and  $p(m) \in M_2$ . Therefore,  $M = M_1 + M_2$ . Then we pick  $m \in M_1 \cap M_2$ . Since  $m \in M_2$ , we can find  $n \in M$  such that  $m = p(n)$ . Notice that  $m \in M_1$ , we have:

$$0 = p(m) = p(p(n)) = p^2(n) = p(n) = m.$$

Therefore, this is a direct sum and hence  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ .  $\square$

- (3) **Proof** We set  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathfrak{a} = (m)$ . Then by exercise (3), we know that  $\mathbb{Z}_m \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_n \simeq \mathbb{Z}_n / (m)\mathbb{Z}_n$ . Then we only need to prove that  $\mathbb{Z}_n / (m)\mathbb{Z}_n \simeq \mathbb{Z}_d$ , where  $d = \gcd(m, n)$ .

We consider a the natural mapping  $\phi$  from  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_d$ , by sending the image of  $x$  (an integer) in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  to its image in  $\mathbb{Z}_d$ . Since  $d|n$ , we can find that the mapping is well defined and surjective. Then we prove  $\text{Ker } \phi = (m)\mathbb{Z}_n$ . For  $\tilde{a} \in (m)\mathbb{Z}_n$ ,  $m|a$  and hence the image of  $a$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_d$  is 0. Then we consider  $\tilde{a} \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\phi(\tilde{a}) = 0$ . Then we know that  $d|a$ . Since  $d = \gcd(m, n)$ , we can find  $s, t$  such that  $sm + nt = d$  and hence we have  $s', t'$  such that  $s'm + t'n = a$ . Then we can find  $\tilde{a} = \widetilde{s'm} = \widetilde{m s'}$  and hence  $\text{Ker } \phi \subseteq (m)\mathbb{Z}_n$ . Therefore, we know that  $\mathbb{Z}_n / (m)\mathbb{Z}_n \simeq \mathbb{Z}_d$ , and hence  $\mathbb{Z}_m \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_n \simeq \mathbb{Z}_{\gcd(m, n)}$ .  $\square$

- (4) **Proof** We define the  $f : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow P_{\alpha}$  by sending  $1_m \in \mathbb{Z}_m$  to  $e_1 \in P_{\alpha}$  and  $g : P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$  sending  $e_1, e_2$  to  $0, 1_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  respectively. Then we prove that the following sequence:

$$1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m \xrightarrow{f} P_{\alpha} \xrightarrow{g} \mathbb{Z}_n \longrightarrow 1$$

is exact. Since  $f(m) = me_1 = 0$  and  $0 = g(\alpha e_1) = g(ne_2) = n = 0$ , we can find that  $f, g$  are well defined. Suppose that  $f(k_1) = k_1 e_1 = k_2 e_1 = f(k_2)$ , then  $k_1 - k_2 = 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  and hence  $f$  is injective. Since  $g(e_2) = 1_n$ ,  $g$  is a surjective mapping. And we have  $g \circ f(1_m) = g(e_1) = 0$ . Besides, suppose that  $g(k_1 e_1 + k_2 e_2) = k_2 = 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ , then we have  $n|k_2$ . Suppose that  $k_2 = np$  and we have  $k_2 e_2 = p \alpha e_1$  and hence  $f(k_1 + p \alpha)k_1 e_1 + k_2 e_2$ . Therefore, we have  $\text{Im } f = \text{Ker } g$ , which implies the sequence is exact.  $\square$

- (5) **Proof** The sufficient and necessary condition is that  $d|(\alpha - \beta)$ , where  $d = \gcd(m, n)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Suppose that we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_m & \xrightarrow{f_{\alpha}} & P_{\alpha} & \xrightarrow{g_{\alpha}} & \mathbb{Z}_n & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \text{Id} \downarrow & & \phi \downarrow & & \text{Id} \downarrow & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_m & \xrightarrow{f_{\beta}} & P_{\beta} & \xrightarrow{g_{\beta}} & \mathbb{Z}_n & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

where  $\phi$  is an isomorphism. And we assume that  $P_{\alpha} = \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle$  and  $P_{\beta} = \langle e'_1, e'_2 \rangle$  the definition in exercise 9. Then we have  $g_{\beta} = g_{\alpha} \circ \phi^{-1}$  and  $f_{\beta}^{-1} = f_{\alpha}^{-1} \circ \phi^{-1}$ . By exercise 8, we know that  $\mathbb{Z}_m \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_n \simeq \mathbb{Z}_d$  and we can check that  $1_m \otimes 1_n = 1_d$ , where  $1_m, 1_n, 1_d$  is the identity of  $\mathbb{Z}_m, \mathbb{Z}_n, \mathbb{Z}_d$  respectively. Then we have:

$$\alpha 1_d = \alpha 1_m \otimes 1_n = \alpha \otimes 1_n = f_{\alpha}^{-1}(ne_2) \otimes g_{\alpha}(e_2)$$

and similarly,  $\beta 1_d = f_\beta^{-1}(ne'_2) \otimes g_\beta(e'_2)$ . Then we have:

$$f_\beta^{-1}(ne'_2) \otimes g_\beta(e'_2) = f_\alpha^{-1} \circ \phi^{-1}(ne'_2) \otimes g_\alpha \circ \phi^{-1}(e'_2).$$

Then we consider the difference

$$\begin{aligned} & f_\alpha^{-1}(ne_2) \otimes g_\alpha(e_2) - f_\alpha^{-1} \circ \phi^{-1}(ne'_2) \otimes g_\alpha \circ \phi^{-1}(e'_2) \\ &= f_\alpha^{-1}(n(e_2 - \phi^{-1}(e'_2))) \otimes g_\alpha(e_2) + f_\alpha^{-1} \circ \phi^{-1}(ne'_2) \otimes g_\alpha \circ \phi^{-1}(e_2 - \phi^{-1}(e'_2)) \end{aligned}$$

We can find that  $g_\alpha(e_2 - \phi^{-1}(e'_2)) = 1_m - 1_m = 0$  and hence  $e_2 - \phi^{-1}(e'_2) = ke_1$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  since  $\text{Ker } g_\alpha = \text{Im } f_\alpha$ . Therefore, we know that:

$$f_\alpha^{-1}(n(e_2 - \phi^{-1}(e'_2))) \otimes g_\alpha(e_2) = f_\alpha^{-1}(nke_1) \otimes g_\alpha(e_2) = nk(1_m \otimes 1_n) = 0.$$

And we can check that the second term is also 0 and hence

$$\alpha 1_d = f_\alpha^{-1}(ne_2) \otimes g_\alpha(e_2) = f_\alpha^{-1} \circ \phi^{-1}(ne'_2) \otimes g_\alpha \circ \phi^{-1}(e'_2) = \beta 1_d.$$

Therefore, we have  $d | (\alpha - \beta)$ .

$\Leftarrow$  Since  $d | (\alpha - \beta)$ , we can find  $a$  such that  $m | (\alpha - \beta - an)$ . Then we define  $\phi(e_1) = e'_1$  and  $\phi(e_2) = ae'_1 + e_2$ . We can check that  $\phi$  is well defined ( $(na + \beta)e'_1 = n\phi(e_2) = \phi(ne_2) = \alpha e'_1$ .) and we have:

$$f_\alpha \circ \phi = f_\beta \circ \text{Id} \quad \text{Id} \circ g_\alpha = g_\beta \circ \phi.$$

So we only need to prove that  $\phi$  is bijective. By the definition, we can find that  $\phi(e_1) = e'_1$  and  $\phi(e_2 - ae'_1) = e'_2$  and hence we define  $\psi(e'_1) = e_1$  and  $\psi(e'_2) = e_2 - ae_1$ . We can check that  $\psi \circ \phi = \text{Id}_{P_\alpha}$  and  $\phi \circ \psi = \text{Id}_{P_\beta}$  and hence  $\phi$  is bijective.  $\square$