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Review  $R$ -modules  $M, N$  and abelian group  $L$ .  $\psi: M \times N \rightarrow L$  is middle linear i.e.

$$\psi(m_1 + m_2, n) = \psi(m_1, n) + \psi(m_2, n)$$

$$\psi(m, n_1 + n_2) = \psi(m, n_1) + \psi(m, n_2)$$

$$\psi(m, r \cdot n) = \psi(mr, n)$$

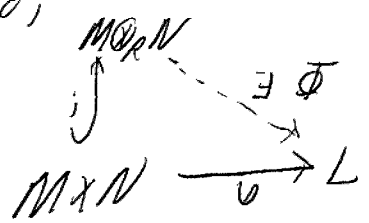
$$\forall m, m_1 \in M, n, n_1 \in N, r \in R$$

Key Example The map  $i(m, n) = m \otimes n$  from  $M \times N \hookrightarrow M \otimes_R N$  is middle linear by virtue of the relations imposed in the definition of  $M \otimes_R N$ .

Thm (Universal Property of tensor product)  $(R)$ ,  $M, N$   $R$ -modules,  $i: M \otimes_R N$  as above.

1. Suppose  $\Phi: M \otimes_R N \rightarrow L$  is a group homomorphism. Then  $\Phi \circ i$  is balanced.

2. Suppose  $\psi: M \times N \rightarrow L$  is balanced. Then  $\exists!$   $\Phi: M \otimes_R N \rightarrow L$  such that  $\psi = \Phi \circ i$ .



Balanced maps  $M \times N \rightarrow L$   $\longleftrightarrow$  Group homom.  $M \otimes_R N \rightarrow L$ .

Proof 1.  $\Phi_{ij}(m, n) = \Phi(m \otimes n) = \Phi(m \otimes n) = \Phi_{ij}(m, n)$   
 $\Phi_{ij}(m_1, m_2, n) = \Phi(m_1 \otimes m_2 \otimes n) = \Phi(m_1 \otimes (m_2 \otimes n)) = \Phi(m_1, m_2 \otimes n) + \Phi(m_2 \otimes n)$   
 $= \Phi_{ij}(m_1, n) + \Phi_{ij}(m_2, n)$   
 etc

2. Let  $F$  be free abelian group on  $M \times N$ , recall that  $M \otimes_R N$  is  $F$ /relations  
 Now  $\varphi$  extends (by U.Pot free ab groups) to a group homo  $\hat{\varphi}: F \rightarrow L$ . But  $\varphi$  balanced makes  $\{relations\}$  in kernel, so we get  $\Phi: M \otimes_R N \rightarrow L$ . Then  
 $\Phi(m \otimes n) = \varphi(m, n) = \varphi(m, n)$  so  $\varphi = \Phi_{ij}$   
 But  $\{m \otimes n\}$  generate  $M \otimes_R N$  //

Application To define a group homo  $M \otimes_R N \rightarrow L$  we must only define a balanced map  $M \times N \rightarrow L$ .

Cor Dabelian,  $i: M \times N \rightarrow D$  balanced such that  
 1. Image of  $i$  generates  $D$   
 2. Every balanced map on  $M \times N$  factors through  $i$ .  
 Then  $\exists f: M \otimes_R N \cong D$  w/  $i = f \circ i$ .

Recall  $R \subset S, {}_R M$  an  $R$ -module then  $S \otimes_R M$  is a left  $S$ -module  
 since  $S$  acts on  $S$  on left.

Def  $S, R$  rings w/1,  $M$  an abelian group is an  $(S, R)$  bimodule if it is a left  $S$ -module and a right  $R$ -module  
 and  $s(mr) = (sm)r \quad \forall s \in S, r \in R, m \in M$ . Write  ${}_S M_R$

Examples

1. Any ring  $R$  is an  $R$ - $R$  bimodule. (assoc of mult)
2.  $R$  commutative means any  $R$ -module is actually an  $R$ - $R$  bimodule.
3.  $R$  a subring of  $S$  then  $S$  is an  $S$ - $R$  bimodule

Suppose  $R$  is commutative,  $M, N$   $R$ -modules. Then  $M$  is an  $R$ - $R$  bimodule

so  $M \otimes_R N$  is a left  $R$ -module

$$r(m \otimes n) = r m \otimes n = m r \otimes n = m \otimes r n$$

Notice that  $r(l(m, n)) = i(rm, n) = i(m, rn)$

Def  $R$  comm w/  $M, N, L$  left  $R$ -modules.

$\varphi: M \times N \rightarrow L$  is  $R$ -bilinear if ...

Cor As above then

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R\text{-bilinear maps} \\ \varphi: M \times N \rightarrow L \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} R\text{-module homs} \\ \mathcal{D}: M \otimes_R N \rightarrow L \end{array} \right\}$$

Example

$$1. \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \quad a \otimes b = 3a \otimes b = a \otimes 3b \\ = a \otimes 0 = 0$$

$$\text{Thus } \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} = 0.$$

$$2. \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

Prop  $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/(m,n)\mathbb{Z}$

Proof  $a \otimes b = ab \cdot (1 \otimes 1)$  so cyclic.

Also  $m \cdot (1 \otimes 1) = n \cdot (1 \otimes 1) = 0$  so  $m$  and  $n$  annihilate  $1 \otimes 1$  so order  $(m,n)$

Finally define  $\psi: \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/(m,n)\mathbb{Z}$  by

$\psi(a,b) = ab$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -bilinear so induces

$\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  taking  $1 \otimes 1 \rightarrow 1$ , so onto  $\mathbb{Z}/(m,n)\mathbb{Z}$ .

Ex Compare  $\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$  as left  $\mathbb{C}$ -modules

Elementary Properties of Tensor Products

1. Associative  $({}_S M_R \otimes_R N_T) \otimes_T L \cong {}_S M_R \otimes_R (N_T \otimes_T L)$

For example let  $M, N, L$  be  $R$ -modules,  $R$  comm. Then

$(M \otimes N) \otimes L \cong M \otimes (N \otimes L)$  as left  $R$ -modules

Warning! Let  $M, N$  be  $R$ -modules,  $R$  commutative. Let  $U \subset M$  be a submodule. Then

$U \otimes N$  and  $M \otimes N$  are both  $R$ -modules

but it may not be that  $M \otimes N$  has a submodule  $\cong$  to  $U \otimes N$ .

Example  $R = \mathbb{Z}$   $U = \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} = M$ ,  $N$  a finite abelian group  
 $\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} N \cong N$   
 $\mathbb{Q} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} N = 0$ .

2.  $\oplus$  and  $\otimes$  distribute by + and  $\times$ . i.e.

$M_R, M'_R, {}_R N, {}_R N'$  then

$$(M \oplus M') \otimes_R N \cong (M \otimes_R N) \oplus (M' \otimes_R N)$$

$$M \otimes_R (N \oplus N') \cong (M \otimes_R N) \oplus (M \otimes_R N')$$

• If  $M, M'$  are left  $S$ -modules then these  $\cong$ 's are of left  $S$ -modules.

3.  $R$  commutative,  $M, N$  left modules then

$$M \otimes_R N \cong N \otimes_R M \text{ as } R\text{-modules.}$$