

## Solutions to Homework 5.

(1) Let  $A$  be a Noetherian ring,  $M$  be a finitely generated  $A$ -module, and  $\{N_i\}_{i \in I}$  a set of  $A$ -modules. Show:

$$\operatorname{Hom}_A(M, \oplus_{i \in I} N_i) \cong \oplus_{i \in I} \operatorname{Hom}_A(M, N_i).$$

*Proof.* Obviously,

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Hom}_A(A, \oplus_{i \in I} N_i) &\cong \oplus_{i \in I} N_i \\ &\cong \oplus_{i \in I} \operatorname{Hom}_A(A, N_i). \end{aligned}$$

Thus for every finitely generated free  $A$ -module  $F = A^r$ :

$$\operatorname{Hom}_A(F, \oplus_{i \in I} N_i) \cong \oplus_{i \in I} \operatorname{Hom}_A(F, N_i).$$

If  $M$  is a finitely generated  $A$ -module, consider an exact sequence:

$$F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

where  $F_i$  are finitely generated  $A$ -modules. This yields a commutative diagram with exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{Hom}_A(M, \oplus_{i \in I} N_i) & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{Hom}_A(F_0, \oplus_{i \in I} N_i) & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{Hom}_A(F_1, \oplus_{i \in I} N_i) \\ \uparrow & & f \uparrow & & g \uparrow & & h \uparrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \oplus_{i \in I} \operatorname{Hom}_A(M, N_i) & \longrightarrow & \oplus_{i \in I} \operatorname{Hom}_A(F_0, N_i) & \longrightarrow & \oplus_{i \in I} \operatorname{Hom}_A(F_1, N_i) \end{array}$$

Since  $g$  and  $h$  are isomorphisms, the five Lemma yields that  $f$  is an isomorphism.

(2) Let  $A$  be a commutative ring and  $M$  an  $A$ -module. Suppose that

$$0 \rightarrow K_1 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \rightarrow K_2 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

are exact sequences with projective modules  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . Show that  $K_1 \oplus P_2 \cong K_2 \oplus P_1$ .

*Proof.* Consider the diagram with exact rows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & K_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & P_1 & \xrightarrow{g_1} & M & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \alpha \downarrow & & \beta \downarrow & & \operatorname{id}_M \downarrow & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & K_2 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & P_2 & \xrightarrow{g_2} & M & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

where the maps  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  have to be constructed so that the diagram commutes. Since  $P_1$  is projective and  $g_2$  surjective there is a map  $\beta : P_1 \rightarrow P_2$  so that  $g_2\beta = g_1$  and the right square commutes. This implies that  $\operatorname{im}(\beta f_1) \subseteq \ker(g_2) = \operatorname{im}(f_2) \cong K_2$ . Thus there is a linear map  $\alpha : K_1 \rightarrow K_2$  so that  $\beta f_1 = f_2\alpha$  and the left square commutes. Consider the sequence:

$$(*) \quad 0 \rightarrow K_1 \xrightarrow{\theta} P_1 \oplus K_2 \xrightarrow{\tau} P_2 \rightarrow 0$$

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where  $\theta$  and  $\tau$  are defined as follows:  $\theta(k_1) = (f_1(k_1), \alpha(k_1))$  and  $\tau(p_1, k_2) = \beta(p_1) - f_2(k_2)$ . This definition makes the sequence  $(*)$  exact. Since  $P_2$  is projective, the assertion follows.

(3) Let  $A$  be a commutative domain,  $K$  its field of quotients. Prove:

- (a) A torsion-free  $A$ -module  $M$  is injective if and only if  $M$  is divisible.
- (b)  $K$  is the injective hull of  $A$ .

*Proof.* (a) By (6.79) every injective module is divisible. It remains to show that a torsion-free divisible  $A$ -module  $M$  is injective. Let  $I \subseteq A$  be an ideal and  $f : I \rightarrow M$  an  $A$ -linear map. We need to show that  $f$  extends to a  $A$ -linear map  $g : A \rightarrow M$ . If  $f = 0$  there is nothing to show. If  $f \neq 0$  let  $a \in I$  with  $f(a) = m \neq 0$ . Since  $A$  is a domain, there is an element  $n \in M$  so that  $m = an$ . We claim that the map  $g : A \rightarrow M$  defined by  $g(1) = n$  extends  $f$ . Let  $b \in I$ , then  $f(ab) = af(b) = bm = abn = g(ab) = ag(b)$ . Since  $M$  is torsion-free,  $f(b) = g(b)$ . By (6.27)  $M$  is injective.

(b) By (a)  $K$  is an injective  $A$ -module. Since  $K$  is an essential extension of  $A$ , the quotient field  $K$  is the injective hull of  $A$ .

(4) Let  $A$  be a Noetherian ring. Show that a direct sum of injective  $A$ -modules is an injective  $A$ -module.

*Proof.* Let  $\{E_i\}_{i \in J}$  be a set of injective  $A$ -modules and  $E = \bigoplus_{i \in J} E_i$ . By (6.27) we have to show that every  $A$ -linear map  $g : I \rightarrow E$  extends to an  $A$ -linear map  $f : A \rightarrow E$  for every ideal  $I$  of  $A$ . Let  $I \subseteq A$  be an ideal and  $g : I \rightarrow E$  an  $A$ -linear map. Since  $A$  is Noetherian,  $I$  is finitely generated, say:  $I = (a_1, \dots, a_m)$ . For all  $1 \leq k \leq m$  the  $i$ th component  $g(a_k)_i$  is zero for all but finitely many  $i \in J$ . Let  $i_1, \dots, i_r \in J$  so that  $g(a_k)_i = 0$  for all  $i \in J - \{i_1, \dots, i_r\}$  and all  $1 \leq k \leq m$ . Then

$$\text{im}(g) \subseteq E' = \bigoplus_{j=1}^r E_{i_j} \subseteq E.$$

Let  $g' : I \rightarrow E'$  be the map defined by  $g(a) = g'(a)$  for all  $a \in I$ . Since the direct product of injective modules is injective,  $E'$  is an injective  $A$ -module and  $g'$  extends to an  $A$ -linear map  $f' : A \rightarrow E'$ .  $f'$  combined with the embedding  $\epsilon : E' \rightarrow E$  extends  $g$ .

(5) Let  $A$  be a Noetherian ring and  $P \subseteq A$  a prime ideal.

- (a) If  $E$  is an injective  $A$ -module show that  $E_P$  is both  $A_P$ -injective and  $A$ -injective.
- (b) Let  $M$  be an  $A$ -module and  $E(M)$  the injective hull of  $M$ . Then  $E(M)_P$  is the injective hull of the  $A_P$ -module  $M_P$ .
- (c) Let  $E^\bullet$  be a minimal injective resolution of an  $A$ -module  $M$ . Show that  $E_P^\bullet$  is a minimal injective resolution of the  $A_P$ -module  $M_P$ .

*Proof.* (a) Let  $P, Q \subseteq A$  be prime ideals and let  $E(A/Q)$  be the injective hull of  $A/Q$ . If  $Q \subseteq P$ , by (7.59) and (7.60):

$$E(A/Q) = E(A/Q)_P = E_{A_P}(A_P/QA_P)$$

is an injective  $A_P$ -module and an injective  $A$ -module. If  $Q \not\subseteq P$ , let  $a \in Q - P$  and  $\zeta \in E(A/Q)$ . By (7.59) there is an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  so that  $Q^n \zeta = 0$ . Thus  $a^n \zeta = 0$  and  $E(A/Q)_P = 0$ .

If  $E$  be any injective  $A$ -module, then by (7.53)

$$E \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Lambda} E(A/Q_\alpha)$$

where  $Q_\alpha \in \text{Spec}(A)$  for all  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . Thus

$$E_P = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Lambda} E(A/Q_\alpha)_P$$

and  $E_P$  is an injective  $A_P$ -module and an injective  $A$ -module (Problem 3).

(b) By (7.63):

$$E(M) = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Lambda} E(A/Q_\alpha).$$

Let  $\Lambda' = \{\alpha \in \Lambda \mid Q_\alpha \subseteq P\}$ . Then

$$E(M)_P = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Lambda'} E(A/Q_\alpha).$$

Moreover, we can consider  $E(M)_P$  as an  $A$ -submodule of  $E(M)$ . By (a)  $E(M)_P$  is an injective  $A_P$ -module which contains  $M_P$ . It remains to show that  $E(M)_P$  is an essential extension of  $M_P$ . Let  $N \subseteq E(M)_P$  be a nonzero  $A_P$ -submodule of  $E(M)_P$ . Considering  $N$  as an  $A$ -submodule of  $E(M)$  we obtain that  $U = N \cap M \neq 0$  since  $E(M)$  is an essential extension of  $M$ . Then  $U_P \subseteq N \cap M_P$ . By (7.59) every  $a \in A - P$  induces an automorphism on  $E(M)_P$ . This implies that  $U_P \neq 0$  and that  $E(M)_P$  is an essential extension of  $M_P$  (as  $A_P$ -modules).

(c) Let  $(E^\bullet, \partial^\bullet)$  be a minimal injective resolution of  $M$ . Then  $E^i = E(Z^i(E^\bullet)) = E(\ker(\partial^i))$  for all  $i$ . By (a)  $(E_P^\bullet, \partial_P^\bullet)$  is an injective resolution of  $M_P$ . Since localization is flat, for all  $i$ :

$$\ker(\partial^i)_P = \ker(\partial_P^i)$$

and  $(E_P^\bullet, \partial_P^\bullet)$  is a minimal resolution of  $M_P$ .

(6) Let  $M$  be an  $A$ -module. Show that the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $M$  is a flat  $A$ -module.
- (b) For every ideal  $I \subseteq A$  the canonical morphism:

$$I \otimes_A M \longrightarrow IM$$

is injective.

- (c) For every finitely generated ideal  $I \subseteq A$  the canonical morphism:

$$I \otimes_A M \longrightarrow IM$$

is injective.

*Proof.* (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c): trivial

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (b): Suppose that  $I \subseteq A$  is an ideal and that the canonical map  $\varphi : I \otimes_A M \longrightarrow IM$  is not injective. Then there are elements  $a_i \in I$  and  $m_i \in M$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \otimes m_i \neq 0$  in  $I \otimes_A M$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i m_i = 0$  in  $M$ . Let  $I_0 = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \subseteq A$  and consider the commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I_0 \otimes_A M & \xrightarrow{\delta} & I_0 M \\ \psi \downarrow & & \downarrow \epsilon \\ I \otimes_A M & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & IM \end{array}$$

where  $\epsilon$  is the embedding. By assumption (c)  $\delta$  is injective. Then  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \otimes m_i \neq 0$  in  $I_0 \otimes_A M$  and  $\epsilon\delta(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \otimes m_i) = 0$ , a contradiction.

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a): Let  $0 \rightarrow N' \rightarrow N$  be an exact sequence of  $A$ -modules. We have to show that the sequence  $0 \rightarrow N' \otimes_A M \rightarrow N \otimes_A M$  is exact. We may consider  $N' \subseteq N$  as a submodule of  $N$ . Consider the following set of submodules of  $N$ :  $\Gamma = \{T \subseteq N \mid T \text{ a submodule of } N \text{ with } N' \subseteq T \text{ and } 0 \rightarrow N' \otimes_A M \rightarrow T \otimes_A M \text{ exact}\}$ . Since  $N' \in \Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma \neq \emptyset$ .  $\Gamma$  is partially ordered by inclusion. We want to show that  $\Gamma$  is inductively ordered. Let  $\{T_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a chain in  $\Gamma$  and let  $T_0 = \cup_{i \in I} T_i$ . Let  $\rho : N' \otimes_A M \rightarrow T_0 \otimes_A M$  be the induced map and let  $m_i \in M$  and  $t_i \in N'$  with  $\rho(\sum_{i=0}^n n_i \otimes m_i) = 0$ . Write  $T_0 \otimes_A M$  as  $A^{(T_0 \times M)}/U$  where  $A^{(T_0 \times M)}$  is the free module with basis  $T_0 \times M$  and  $U$  is the submodule generated by elements  $(x+x', y) - (x, y) - (x', y)$ ,  $(x, y+y') - (x, y) - (x, y')$ ,  $(ax, y) - a(x, y)$ ,  $(x, ay) - a(x, y)$  for  $x, x' \in T_0, y, y' \in M$  and  $a \in A$ . Since  $\sum_{i=0}^n n_i \otimes m_i = 0$  in  $T_0 \otimes_A M$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^n n_i \otimes m_i$  is a finite linear combination of the generators of  $U$ . Thus there is an  $j \in I$  so that  $\sum_{i=0}^n n_i \otimes m_i = 0$  in  $T_j \otimes_A M$ . This implies that  $\sum_{i=0}^n n_i \otimes m_i = 0$  in  $N' \otimes_A M$  and  $\rho$  is injective.

By Zorn's Lemma  $\Gamma$  contains a maximal element  $T$ . If  $T \neq N$  take an element  $n \in N - T$  and consider the submodule  $K = T + An$ . Then  $K/T \cong A/I$  for some ideal  $I \subseteq A$ . Consider the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow A \rightarrow A/I \rightarrow 0.$$

Tensoring with  $M$  yields a long exact sequence:

$$\mathrm{Tor}_1^A(A, M) = 0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_1^A(A/I, M) \rightarrow I \otimes_A M \xrightarrow{h} M \rightarrow M/IM \rightarrow 0.$$

By assumption  $h$  is injective and therefore  $\mathrm{Tor}_1^A(A/I, M) = 0$ . The exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow T \rightarrow K \rightarrow K/T \rightarrow 0$$

yields a long exact sequence:

$$\rightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_1^A(K/T, M) \rightarrow T \otimes_A M \xrightarrow{\tau} K \otimes_A M \rightarrow K/T \otimes_A M \rightarrow 0$$

Since  $\mathrm{Tor}_1^A(K/T, M) \cong \mathrm{Tor}_1^A(A/I, M) = 0$ ,  $\tau$  is injective and so is the composition of maps:

$$N' \otimes_A M \rightarrow T \otimes_A M \xrightarrow{\tau} K \otimes_A M.$$

Thus  $K \in \Gamma$  and the assertion that  $T = N$  follows.

(7) Let  $A$  be a ring,  $S = A[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  the polynomial ring over  $A$  in  $n$  variables, and let

$$f = \sum_{(i) \in \mathbb{N}^n} a_{(i)} x_1^{i_1} \dots x_n^{i_n}$$

be a polynomial in  $S$ . Put  $T = S/(f)$ . Show:

- (a) If  $(a_{(i)})_{(i) \in \mathbb{N}^n} = A$  then  $T$  is flat over  $A$ .
- (b) If  $(a_{(i)})_{(i) \in \mathbb{N}^n - (0)} = A$  then  $T$  is faithfully flat over  $A$ .

*Proof.* (a) Let  $S = A[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  and

$$f = \sum_{(i) \in \mathbb{N}^n} a_{(i)} x_1^{i_1} \dots x_n^{i_n} \in S$$

with  $(a_{(i)}) = A$ . Problem 7 of Homework 1 implies that  $f$  is a regular element of  $A$ . The same argument shows that for all ideals  $I \subseteq A$  the element  $f + IS$  is a regular element of  $(A/I)[x_1, \dots, x_n] \cong S/IS$ . Fix an ideal  $I \neq (0)$  of  $A$ . We claim that  $\text{Tor}_1^A(A/I, S) = 0$ . Let  $T = S/(f)$ . Then there is an exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow S \xrightarrow{f} S \rightarrow T \rightarrow 0$$

where the first map is multiplication by  $f$ . Tensoring with  $A/I$  yields a long exact sequence:

$$\text{Tor}_1^A(A/I, S) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1^A(A/I, S/(f)) \rightarrow S/IS \xrightarrow{f} S/IS \rightarrow T/IT \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $S$  is a free  $A$ -module,  $\text{Tor}_1^A(A/I, S) = 0$  and since  $f$  is  $S/IS$ -regular, it follows that  $\text{Tor}_1^A(A/I, S/(f)) = 0$ .

The exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow A \rightarrow A/I \rightarrow 0$  yields the long exact sequence:

$$\text{Tor}_1^A(A/I, S/(f)) = 0 \rightarrow I \otimes_A S/(f) \rightarrow S/(f) \rightarrow A/I \otimes_A (S/(f)) \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus the canonical map  $I \otimes_A (S/(f)) \rightarrow IS/(f)$  is bijective and the assertion follows with Problem 6.

(b) Assume that  $(a_{(i)})_{(i) \in \mathbb{N}^n - (0)} = A$ . By (a)  $S/(f)$  is a flat  $A$ -module. We have to show that for every maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  of  $A$ :  $\mathfrak{m}S/(f) \neq S/(f)$  or equivalently that  $(\mathfrak{m}S, f) \neq S$ . Since  $(a_{(i)})_{(i) \in \mathbb{N}^n - (0)} = A$  there is a  $(j) \in \mathbb{N}^n$  so that  $a_{(j)} \notin \mathfrak{m}$ . Thus  $f + \mathfrak{m}S \in S/\mathfrak{m}S \cong (A/\mathfrak{m})[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a non constant polynomial. In particular,  $f + \mathfrak{m}S$  is not a unit and thus  $(\mathfrak{m}S, f) \neq S$ .

(8) Let  $\varphi : (R, \mathfrak{m}) \rightarrow (S, \mathfrak{n})$  be a local homomorphism of local Noetherian rings, and let  $N$  be an  $R$ -flat  $S$ -module such that  $N/\mathfrak{m}N$  has finite length (as an  $S$ -module). Show that for every finite length  $R$ -module  $M$ :

$$l_S(M \otimes_R N) = l_R(M)l_S(N/\mathfrak{m}N).$$

*Proof.* We show by induction on  $n = l_R(M)$  that  $l_S(M \otimes_R N) < \infty$  and that  $l_S(M \otimes_R N) = l_R(M)l_S(N/\mathfrak{m}N)$ . If  $n = 1$ , then  $M \cong R/\mathfrak{m}$  and  $M \otimes_R N \cong R/\mathfrak{m} \otimes_R N \cong N/\mathfrak{m}N$ .

Suppose that  $l_R(M) = n + 1$ . Since  $M$  is an  $R$ -module of finite length, we know that  $\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Ass}(M)$ . Thus there is an element  $v \in M$  so that  $U = Av \cong A/\mathfrak{m}$ . Consider the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow U \rightarrow M \rightarrow M/U \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $l_R(U) = 1$  and  $l_R(M/U) = n$ . Since  $N$  is  $R$ -flat, the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow U \otimes_R N \rightarrow M \otimes_R N \rightarrow M/U \otimes_R N \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. By induction hypothesis  $l_S(U \otimes_R N) < \infty$  and  $l_S((M/U) \otimes_R N) < \infty$ , thus  $l_S(M \otimes_R N) < \infty$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} l_S(M \otimes_R N) &= l_S(U \otimes_R N) + l_S((M/U) \otimes_R N) \\ &= l_S(N/\mathfrak{m}N) + (l_R(M) - 1)l_S(N/\mathfrak{m}N) \\ &= l_R(M)l_S(N/\mathfrak{m}N). \end{aligned}$$