

Algebra II – Problem Sheet 2

Exercise 1 (4 points)

Determine the tensor product of each two of the following \mathbb{Z} -modules:

$$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, \quad \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}, \quad \mathbb{Q}, \quad \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} \quad (n, m \geq 2)$$

Exercise 2 (4 points)

Let M, N, P be R -modules. Show that

$$\mathrm{Hom}(M \otimes_R N, P) \cong \mathrm{Hom}(M, \mathrm{Hom}(N, P)).$$

Exercise 3 (4 points)

- a) Let R be a ring. Determine all free submodules of R .

Now let $R := \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$ and $I := (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$.

- b) Show that I is not free.
- c) Show that I is projective. (Hint: Use the homomorphism $\Phi : I \rightarrow R^2$ that maps 2 to $(1 - 3\sqrt{-5}, 5 + \sqrt{-5})$ and $1 + \sqrt{-5}$ to $(8 - \sqrt{-5}, 3\sqrt{-5})$.)

Exercise 4 (4 points)

- a) Show that every subgroup A of a free abelian group F is free. Use without proof that every basis B of F can be well-ordered, that means, it can be totally ordered such that every nonempty subset of B has a least element. (Hint: For every $b_j \in B$, consider $F_j := \langle \{b' \in B : b' \leq b_j\} \rangle$ and $p_j : F_j \cap A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, \sum_{b' \leq b_j} \lambda_{b'} b' \mapsto \lambda_{b_j}$. There is some $u_j \in F_j \cap A$ such that $p_j(u_j)$ generates $\mathrm{im}(p_j)$.)
- b) Show that every projective abelian group is free.

Solutions to be handed in on Tuesday, 29. 4. 2008, at the beginning of the problem session in S12.