

## Problem Set 9

**Due: 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28**

*Instructions:* Carefully read Sections 10.3 and 10.4 of the textbook. Work all of the following problems. A subset of the problems will be graded. Be sure to adhere to the expectations outlined on the sheet *Guidelines for Problem Sets*. Submit your solutions in-class or to Dr. Cooper's mailbox in the Department of Mathematics.

*Exercises:* For this Problem Set, unless otherwise stated assume that  $R$  is a ring with 1 and that  $M$  is a left  $R$ -module.

1. (Dummit and Foote §10.3 #7) Let  $N$  be a submodule of  $M$ . Prove that if both  $M/N$  and  $N$  are finitely generated then so is  $M$ .
2. (Dummit and Foote §10.3 #13) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and let  $F$  be a free  $R$ -module of finite rank. Prove the following isomorphism of  $R$ -modules:  $\text{Hom}_R(F, R) \cong F$ .
3. A non-zero unitary  $R$ -module  $M$  is called *simple* if its only submodules are 0 and  $M$ .
  - (i) Prove that if  $M$  is a simple  $R$ -module, then  $M$  is cyclic.
  - (ii) Let  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$  be a homomorphism between simple  $R$ -modules. Prove that  $\alpha$  is either 0 or an isomorphism.
  - (iii) Assume that  $R$  is commutative. Prove that  $M$  is a simple  $R$ -module if and only if there is a maximal ideal  $I \subseteq R$  such that  $M \cong R/I$  (as  $R$ -modules).
4. (Dummit and Foote §10.4 #16) Suppose  $R$  is commutative and let  $I$  and  $J$  be ideals of  $R$ , so  $R/I$  and  $R/J$  are naturally  $R$ -modules.
  - (a) Prove that every element of  $R/I \otimes_R R/J$  can be written as a simple tensor of the form  $(1 \bmod I) \otimes (r \bmod J)$ .
  - (b) Prove that there is an  $R$ -module isomorphism  $R/I \otimes_R R/J \cong R/(I + J)$  mapping  $(r \bmod I) \otimes (r' \bmod J)$  to  $rr' \bmod (I + J)$ .
5. Let  $R$  be a ring with identity and let  $M$  be a unital right  $R$ -module.
  - (i) Prove that every element of  $M \otimes_R R$  can be written as a simple tensor of the form  $m \otimes_R 1$ .
  - (ii) Prove that there is an Abelian group isomorphism  $F : M \otimes_R R \rightarrow M$  such that  $F(m \otimes_R r) = mr$  for all  $m \in M$  and  $r \in R$ .