

**ALGEBRA 612, SPRING 2010. HOMEWORK 7**

In this worksheet  $R$  is a ring and  $k = \bar{k}$  is an algebraically closed field.

1. Let  $f, g \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  be polynomials such that  $f$  is irreducible and  $V(f) \subset V(g)$ . Show that  $f$  divides  $g$ .

2. Let  $\alpha : \mathbb{A}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^2$  be a morphism given by polynomials  $f$  and  $g$  in  $k[x, y]$ .

(a) Show that if  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism then the polynomial

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g(x,y)}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g(x,y)}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

is a nonzero constant (the converse of this is a famous open problem).

(b) Give an example when  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism but polynomials  $f, g$  are not both linear polynomials.

3. Let  $X \subset \mathbb{A}^2$  be defined by equations  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $x = 1$ . Is it true that  $I(X) = (f, g)$ ?

4. (a) Let  $X \subset \mathbb{A}^2$  be a cuspidal cubic  $x^2 = y^3$ . Let  $f : \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow X$  be defined by formulas  $t \mapsto (t^3, t^2)$ . Is it an isomorphism? (b) Is a hyperbola  $xy = 1$  isomorphic to  $\mathbb{A}^1$ ?

5. Consider the morphism  $\mathbb{A}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^2$  defined by formulas  $(x, y) \mapsto (x, xy)$ . Is the image Zariski closed? Zariski open? Zariski dense?

6. Show that the category of irreducible algebraic sets and morphisms between them is equivalent to the category of finitely generated  $k$ -algebras without zero-divisors and homomorphisms between them.

7. Consider the morphism  $\alpha : \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^n$  given by  $t \mapsto (t, t^2, \dots, t^n)$ . Show that  $\alpha$  induces an isomorphism between  $\mathbb{A}^1$  and  $V(I)$ , where  $I$  is generated by  $2 \times 2$  minors of the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_{n-1} \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

In the problems 8–11, let  $S$  be a multiplicative system in  $R$ .

8. Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be submodules of an  $R$ -module  $N$ . Show that

$$(a) \quad (S^{-1}M_1) + (S^{-1}M_2) = S^{-1}(M_1 + M_2);$$

$$(b) \quad (S^{-1}M_1) \cap (S^{-1}M_2) = S^{-1}(M_1 \cap M_2);$$

$$(c) \quad \text{if } M_1 \supset M_2 \text{ then } S^{-1}(M_1/M_2) \simeq (S^{-1}M_1)/(S^{-1}M_2).$$

9. Let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Let  $\text{Ann } M = \{r \in R \mid rM = 0\}$ . Show that

$$S^{-1}(\text{Ann } M) \simeq \text{Ann}(S^{-1}M).$$

10. Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be  $R$ -modules. Show that

$$S^{-1}(M_1 \otimes_R M_2) \simeq (S^{-1}M_1) \otimes_{S^{-1}R} (S^{-1}M_2).$$

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<sup>0</sup>This homework is due before class on Monday April 12. The grader will grade 5 random problems from this assignment. A problem with multiple parts (a), (b), etc. counts as one problem. You can ask the grader not to grade *two* of the problems.

11. Show that the nilradical of  $S^{-1}R$  is isomorphic to the localization of the nilradical of  $R$ .

12. (a) Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. Show that  $M = 0$  if and only if  $M_{\mathfrak{m}} = 0$  for any maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m} \subset R$ . (b) The ring is called *reduced* if its nilradical is trivial. Show that the ring  $R$  is reduced if and only if  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is reduced for any prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p} \subset R$ .

13. Let  $R$  be an integral domain. For any  $R$ -module  $M$ , let

$$T(M) = \{x \in M \mid rx = 0 \text{ for some } r \in R\}$$

be the torsion submodule of  $M$ . (a) Show that  $M \rightarrow T(M)$  is a left-exact functor  $\text{Mod}_R \rightarrow \text{Mod}_R$ . (b) Show that  $T(M) = 0$  if and only if  $T(M)_{\mathfrak{m}} = 0$  for any maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{p} \subset R$ .

14. Let  $R$  be a local Noetherian ring with a maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Show that

$$\bigcap_{n \geq 1} \mathfrak{m}^n = 0.$$

15. Show that the Nakayama's lemma fails if the module  $M$  is not assumed to be finitely generated.

16. Let  $M$  and  $N$  be finitely generated modules over a local ring  $R$ . Show that if  $M \otimes_R N = 0$  then  $M = 0$  or  $N = 0$ .

17. For any  $f \in R$ , let  $D(f) \subset \text{Spec } R$  be the complement of the closed set  $V(f)$ . (a) Show that sets  $D(f)$  form a base of Zariski topology, i.e. any Zariski open subset of  $\text{Spec } R$  can be expressed as a union of open sets of the form  $D(f)$ . (b) Show that if  $D(f) = D(g)$  then  $R[1/f] \simeq R[1/g]$ .

18. Let  $x, y \in \text{Spec } R$ . (a) Show that there exists either a neighborhood of  $x$  that does not contain  $y$  or a neighborhood of  $y$  that does not contain  $x$ . (b) Show that the nilradical of  $R$  is a prime ideal if and only if  $\text{Spec } R$  contains a "generic point"  $\eta$  such that  $\bar{\eta} = \text{Spec } R$ .

19. For any  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } R$ , let  $k(\mathfrak{p})$  be the quotient field of  $R/\mathfrak{p}$ . This field is called the residue field at  $\mathfrak{p}$ . (a) Show that

$$k(\mathfrak{p}) \simeq R_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}}.$$

(b) Let  $M$  be a finitely-generated  $R$ -module. The  $k(\mathfrak{p})$ -vector space

$$M \otimes_R k(\mathfrak{p})$$

is called *the fiber* of  $M$  at  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Show that if  $M \otimes_R k(\mathfrak{p}) = 0$  for any  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } R$  then  $M = 0$ . (c) Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  and let  $M$  be a finitely generated Abelian group. Compute all fibers of  $M$  on  $\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$  and verify (b) in this case.