## ALGEBRA 611, FALL 2009. HOMEWORK 7<sup>(1)</sup>

In this worksheet *k* denotes an arbitrary field, *R* denotes a ring (as usual, commutative and with 1), and *p* is a prime number.

**1.** (a) Prove that the category of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules is equivalent to the category of Abelian groups. (b) Prove that the category of k[x]-modules is equivalent to the following category C: objects of C are pairs (V, L), where V is a k-vector space and  $L: V \to V$  is a linear map. Morphisms of C are ... (you have to say what they are yourself).

**2.** Let *C* be the category of  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ -modules and let  $F : C \to Ab$  be a forgetful functor. Find all prime numbers *p* such that  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$  is in the image of *F*.

**3.** Let *V* be a finite-dimensional *k*-vector space and let  $L : V \to V$  be a linear operator. Prove that there exists i > 0 such that  $\text{Ker}(L^i) \cap \text{Im}(L^i) = 0$ . **4.** Let *R* be a PID, let *M* be a f.g. *R*-module, and let  $r \in R$ . Let  $A_k = \{m \in M \mid r^k m = 0\}$  and let  $B_k = \{m \in M \mid m = r^k m'\}$  for some  $m' \in M$ . Prove that  $A_k \cap B_k = 0$  for some k > 0.

**5.** Let *A* be a non-singular square matrix. Show that there exists a polynomial  $f \in k[x]$  such that  $A^{-1} = f(A)$ .

**6.** Let *A* be a complex  $n \times n$  matrix such that every entry of *A* is equal to 1. Determine its (a) characteristic polynomial; (b) minimal polynomial; (c) Jordan normal form.

**7.** Let *A* be a complex square matrix. Show that there exist complex matrices *D* and *N* such that

• A = D + N, DN = ND;

• *D* is diagonalizable and *N* is nilpotent, i.e.  $N^s = 0$  for some *s*.

**8.** Let  $\mathbb{F}_{p^n}$  be a finite field with  $p^n$  elements and let  $F : \mathbb{F}_{p^n} \to \mathbb{F}_{p^n}$  be a Frobenius automorphism  $F(x) = x^p$ . (a) Considering  $\mathbb{F}_{p^n}$  as a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , prove that F is  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -linear. (b) Find a minimal polynomial of F.

**9.** Ideals  $I, J \subset R$  are called coprime if I + J = R. Prove that if I and J are coprime then  $I^7$  and  $J^9$  are also coprime.

**10.** Let I = (x, y) be an ideal in R = k[x, y]. Considering *I* as an *R*-module, prove that it is finitely presented, and find its finite presentation.

**11.** Let *R* be a PID and let *M* be a finitely generated *R*-module. Give a definition of an element  $r \in R$  such that if R = k[X] and *M* corresponds to a linear operator  $L: V \to V$ , *r* is equal to the minimal polynomial of *L*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This homework is due before class on Monday Nov 16. These problems will be discussed during the review section on Monday at 4pm. The grader will grade 5 random problems from this assignment. A problem with multiple parts (a), (b), etc. counts as one problem. There is a "bail-out" provision: you can ask the grader not to grade *two* of the problems. Please indicate clearly in the beginning of your homework which problems you don't wish to be graded.