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1. (a) Suppose $\forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$, $\text{Nil}(A_{\mathfrak{p}}) = 0$. Prove that $\text{Nil}(A) = 0$.

(Hint. Suppose $x \in \text{Nil}(A) \setminus \{0\}$. Consider $(0 : x)$.)

(b) Suppose B is a boolean ring; that means $a^2 = a \ \forall a \in B$.

(b-1) Prove that $\text{Spec}(B) = \text{Max}(B)$ and $\forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(B)$, $B_{\mathfrak{p}} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

(b-2) Prove that, $\forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(B)$, $B_{\mathfrak{p}} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

(Hint. If $a \in \mathfrak{p}$, then $1-a \notin \mathfrak{p}$ and $\frac{a}{1-a} = \frac{a(1-a)}{1-a} = 0$.)

(b-3) Let $B = \mathcal{P}(X)$ be the power set of X ; and let

$b_1 + b_2 := b_1 \Delta b_2$ be the symmetric difference and

$b_1 \cdot b_2 := b_1 \cap b_2$. Convince yourself that $(B, +, \cdot)$ is a boolean

ring. Prove that B is Noetherian if and only if $|X| < \infty$.

(c) Suppose, $\forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$, $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is an integral domain;

Is A necessarily an integral domain?

(d) Suppose, $\forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$, $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is Noetherian; Is A

necessarily Noetherian?

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2. Let B be a flat A -algebra. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i) $\mathcal{O}^{ec} = \mathcal{O}$ for any $\mathcal{O} \triangleleft A$.

(ii) $\text{Spec}(B) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(A)$ is surjective.

(iii) $\forall \mathfrak{m} \in \text{Max}(A), \mathfrak{m}^e \neq B$.

(iv) If M is any non-zero A -module, then $M \otimes_A B \neq 0$.

(v) For every A -module M , $M \rightarrow M \otimes_A B$ is injective.
 $x \mapsto x \otimes 1$

(Hint. (i) \Rightarrow (ii); we proved $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Im } f^* \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}^{ec}$;

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii); is clear;

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv); For any $x \in M$, $0 \rightarrow Ax \rightarrow M$ is exact

Since B is a flat A -module, $0 \rightarrow Ax \otimes_A B \rightarrow M \otimes_A B$ is exact.

So it is enough to show $Ax \otimes_A B \neq 0$. Notice $Ax \simeq A/\mathcal{O}$

and $A/\mathcal{O} \otimes_A B \simeq B/\mathcal{O}^e$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (v); Suppose $M' = \ker(M \rightarrow M \otimes_A B)$. Since B is a

flat A -mod, $0 \rightarrow M' \otimes_A B \rightarrow M \otimes_A B \xrightarrow{f} (M \otimes_A B) \otimes_A B$ is

exact. Let $g: \underbrace{(M \otimes_A B)}_{B\text{-mod}} \otimes_A B \rightarrow M \otimes_A B$, $g(x \otimes b) := xb$. Show that

g is a well-defined B -mod. hom, and $g \circ f = \text{id}$. And so f is injective.

(v) \Rightarrow (i) Show $A/\mathcal{O} \hookrightarrow B/\mathcal{O}^e$.)

We say B is faithfully flat over A if these properties hold.

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3. (a) Let $A = k[x, y, z] / \langle xy - z^2 \rangle$, $\mathfrak{p} := \langle \bar{x}, \bar{z} \rangle$. Prove that

$\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$ and \mathfrak{p}^2 is NOT primary.

(b) Let $\mathfrak{q} = \langle x, y^2 \rangle \triangleleft k[x, y]$. Prove $\sqrt{\mathfrak{q}} = \langle x, y \rangle \in \text{Max}(k[x, y])$;

Deduce that \mathfrak{q} is \mathfrak{m} -primary. Show $\mathfrak{q} \neq \mathfrak{m}^n$ ($\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$).

(c) Let $\mathfrak{a} = \langle x^2, xy \rangle \triangleleft k[x, y]$. Find two reduced primary

decompositions for \mathfrak{a} .

(In this problem, k is a field; x, y, z are indeterminants.)

4. For $\mathfrak{a} \triangleleft A$, let $\mathfrak{a}[x] = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^m a_i x^i \mid a_i \in \mathfrak{a} \right\}$. Consider $A \hookrightarrow A[x]$.

(a) Convince yourself that $\mathfrak{a}^e = \mathfrak{a}[x]$. Show that

$\text{Spec}(A) \xrightarrow{e} \text{Spec}(A[x])$ is a well-defined injection.

(b) Prove that, if \mathfrak{q} is a \mathfrak{p} -primary ideal of A , then

\mathfrak{q}^e is a \mathfrak{p}^e -primary ideal of $A[x]$.

(d) Prove that $0 \subseteq \langle x_1 \rangle \subseteq \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \subseteq \dots \subseteq \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ is a chain of prime ideals of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and $\langle x_1, \dots, x_r \rangle^s$ is $\langle x_1, \dots, x_r \rangle$ -primary. (k : field and x_i 's are indeter.)

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5. Suppose $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$. Consider $A \rightarrow A_{\mathfrak{p}}$; and let $\mathfrak{p}^{(n)} := (\mathfrak{p}^n)^{ec}$.

(i) Prove that $\mathfrak{p}^{(n)}$ is \mathfrak{p} -primary.

(ii) Prove that, if \mathfrak{p}^n is decomposable, then \mathfrak{p} is the smallest element of $\text{Ass}(\mathfrak{p}^n)$; and $\mathfrak{p}^{(n)}$ is its \mathfrak{p} -factor.

In particular, \mathfrak{p}^n is primary if and only if $\mathfrak{p}^n = \mathfrak{p}^{(n)}$.