

# Homework 3

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1. Suppose any  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$  is finitely generated. Prove that  $A$  is Noetherian.

(Hint: Let  $\Sigma := \{ \mathfrak{a} \triangleleft A \mid \mathfrak{a} \text{ is not finitely generated} \}$ . Suppose

$\Sigma \neq \emptyset$ . Prove that  $\Sigma$  has a maximal element  $\mathfrak{a}$ . By assumption  $\mathfrak{a}$  is not prime. And so  $\exists x, y \notin \mathfrak{a}$  s.t.  $xy \in \mathfrak{a}$ .

• Show that  $\exists a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathfrak{a}$  s.t.  $\mathfrak{a} + \langle x \rangle = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n, x \rangle$ .

• Show that  $\mathfrak{a} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle + (\mathfrak{a} : x)x$

• Show that  $(\mathfrak{a} : x)$  is finitely generated

• Deduce that  $\mathfrak{a}$  is finitely generated and get a contradiction.)

2. Suppose, for any  $\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Max}(A)$ ,  $A_{\mathfrak{m}}$  is Noetherian and for any  $x \in A \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $|\{ \mathfrak{m} \in \text{Max}(A), \mathfrak{m} \mid \langle x \rangle \}| < \infty$ . Prove that  $A$  is Noetherian.

(Hint: Suppose  $\mathfrak{a} \triangleleft A$ . Then  $|\{ \mathfrak{m} \in \text{Max}(A) \mid \mathfrak{m} \mid \mathfrak{a} \}| < \infty$ ; and

for any  $\mathfrak{m} \mid \mathfrak{a}$ ,  $\exists$  a f.g. ideal  $\mathfrak{a}(\mathfrak{m}) \subseteq \mathfrak{a}$  s.t.  $\mathfrak{a}(\mathfrak{m})_{\mathfrak{m}} = \mathfrak{a}_{\mathfrak{m}}$ .

Take  $a \in \mathfrak{a} \setminus \{0\}$ , and for any  $\mathfrak{m} \nmid \mathfrak{a}$  and  $\mathfrak{m} \mid \langle a \rangle$ ,

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Let  $a \in \mathfrak{m} \in \mathcal{O} \setminus \mathfrak{m}$ . Consider

$$\mathcal{O}' := \sum_{\mathfrak{m} \mid \mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{m}) + \langle a \rangle + \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{m} \nmid \mathcal{O} \\ \mathfrak{m} \mid \langle a \rangle}} \langle a(\mathfrak{m}) \rangle \subseteq \mathcal{O}.$$

Show that  $\mathcal{O}'_{\mathfrak{m}} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{m}}$  for any  $\mathfrak{m} \in \text{Max}(A)$ .

3. Show that  $\langle x, y \rangle^2$  is a primary ideal of the ring of polynomials  $k[x, y]$  where  $k$  is a field, but  $\langle x, y \rangle^2$  is not irreducible.

4. Height of  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A)$  is defined to be

$$\text{ht}(\mathfrak{p}) := \sup \{ n \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0} \mid \mathfrak{p}_0 \subsetneq \mathfrak{p}_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq \mathfrak{p}_n = \mathfrak{p} \}.$$

$\mathfrak{p}_i \in \text{Spec}(A).$

Later in the course we will prove Krull's principal ideal

theorem: Suppose  $A$  is Noetherian, and  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a minimal prime in  $V(\langle a \rangle)$  where  $a \notin A^\times$ . Then  $\text{ht}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq 1$ .

In this problem you can use Krull's Principal Ideal Theorem.

Suppose  $A$  is a Noetherian integral domain. Prove that  $A$  is a UFD if and only if every prime ideal of height 1 is principal.

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5. For any  $A$ -module  $M$ , let  $[M]$  be vaguely the class of all  $A$ -modules isomorphic to  $M$ . Let

$$\text{Pic}(A) := \{ [M] \mid M \text{ is a finitely generated projective } A\text{-module s.t.} \\ \forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(A), M_{\mathfrak{p}} \simeq A_{\mathfrak{p}} \}$$

(a) Show that, if  $[M]$  and  $[M'] \in \text{Pic}(A)$ , then  $[M \otimes_A M'] \in \text{Pic}(A)$ .

(b) Show that, if  $[M] \in \text{Pic}(A)$ , then  $[M^*] \in \text{Pic}(A)$  where

$$M^* := \text{Hom}_A(M, A).$$

(c) Prove that  $M^* \otimes_A M \simeq A$ .

(d) Show that  $\text{Pic}(A)$  is a group where  $[M_1] \cdot [M_2] := [M_1 \otimes_A M_2]$ .

(This is called the Picard group of  $A$ ).

6. (Gelfand-Kirillov dimension). In this problem, you will explore basic properties of  $\text{GKdim}(A)$ . This combinatorial dimension tells us about the growth rate of an algebra, and works equally well for non-commutative rings. So here we assume that  $A$  is a unital ring which is not necessarily commutative.

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Suppose  $A$  is a finitely generated  $k$ -algebra where  $k$  is a field. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional subspace of  $A$  that contains  $1$  and a generating set of  $A$ . Then  $0 \subseteq V \subseteq V \cdot V \subseteq V \cdot V \cdot V \subseteq \dots$ .

Let  $\prod_n V := \underbrace{V \cdot V \cdot \dots \cdot V}_{n \text{ times}} = \{v_1 \dots v_n \mid v_i \in V\}$ ; notice that  $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\prod_n V)$ . Let  $d_V := \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log(\dim_k \prod_n V)}{\log n}$ .

(a) Suppose  $W$  is another finite dimensional subspace of  $A$  that contains  $1$  and generates  $A$ . Prove that  $d_V = d_W$ .

This value is called the Gelfand-Kirillov dimension of  $A$ ; and it is denoted by  $\text{GKdim } A$ .

(b) Prove the following basic properties of  $\text{GKdim } A$ :

(b-1) Suppose  $A \subseteq B$  are two finitely generated  $k$ -algebras.

Prove that  $\text{GKdim } A \leq \text{GKdim } B$ .

(b-2) Suppose  $\mathfrak{a} \triangleleft A$ ,  $B = A/\mathfrak{a}$ , where  $A$  is a finitely generated  $k$ -algebra. Prove that  $\text{GKdim } B \leq \text{GKdim } A$ .

(b-3)  $\text{GKdim } A[x] = \text{GKdim } A + 1$ ; and so  $\text{GKdim } k[x_1, \dots, x_n] = n$

( $A[x]$  and  $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  are rings of polynomials.)

(c) Suppose  $A \subseteq B$  are finitely generated  $k$ -algebras and  $B$  is a finitely generated  $A$ -mod. Prove that  $\text{GKdim } A = \text{GKdim } B$ .