

Commutative algebra and algebraic geometry

Exercises 4

1. Let $0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$ be a short exact sequence of R -modules. Show that if L and N are finitely generated, then so too is M . (Note that we basically proved this when proving Hilbert's Basis Theorem.)
2. Let $N_1, N_2 \leq M$ be R -modules. Show that if M/N_i are Noetherian, then so too is $M/(N_1 \cap N_2)$.
Hint: consider the epimorphism $M/(N_1 \cap N_2) \rightarrow M/N_1$, compute its kernel, and use the Second Isomorphism Theorem.
3. Show that the ring $R := K[T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots]/(T_1^1, T_2^2, T_3^3, \dots)$ is not Noetherian, but has a unique prime ideal.
4. Let K be a field, and consider the ring

$$R := K[X, T_0, T_1, \dots]/(XT_1 - T_0, XT_2 - T_1, XT_3 - T_2, \dots).$$

- (a) Show that the ideal (X) is maximal, and that the ideal $I := (T_0, T_1, T_2, \dots)$ is prime. (Compute the quotient rings.)
 - (b) Show that $I \subset \bigcap_n (X^n)$. Prove that $I = \bigcap_n (X^n)$ (Use the Krull Intersection Theorem on the quotient R/I .)
 - (c) Consider the ring homomorphism $R \rightarrow K[X, X^{-1}, Y]$ sending $X \mapsto X$ and $T_i \mapsto X^{-i}Y$. Show that the image is the subring S consisting of all elements of the form $f(X) + g(X, Y)Y$ with $f(X) \in K[X]$ and $g(X, Y) \in K[X, X^{-1}, Y]$. Show that this is an isomorphism. (Construct a linear map $S \rightarrow R$ giving an isomorphism of vector spaces.)
5. (a) Let R be a ring, and I a proper ideal. Show that

$$\{a \in R : a(1 - x) = 0 \text{ for some } x \in I\} \subset \bigcap_n I^n$$

with equality when R is Noetherian.

- (b) Now consider the two properties for a ring R .
- (i) $\bigcap_n I^n = 0$ for all proper ideals I .
 - (ii) Every zero divisor lies in $\text{Jac}(R)$.

Show that (i) implies (ii) always, and that (ii) implies (i) when R is Noetherian.

Extra questions

6. Let $\Sigma \subset R$ be multiplicatively closed. Show that $\text{nil}(R_\Sigma) = \text{nil}(R)_\Sigma$.
7. (a) Let M, N be flat R -modules. Show that $M \otimes_R N$ is also a flat R -module.
(b) Let $R \rightarrow S$ be a ring homomorphism. Show that if M is a flat R -module, then $S \otimes_R M$ is a flat S -module.
8. Let (R, \mathfrak{m}, K) be a local ring, and M, N two finitely generated R -modules. Show that $M \otimes_R N = 0$ implies $M = 0$ or $N = 0$.
Hint: Tensor over K , using Lemma 8.2 and Exercise 2.5.