

Algebra 2

Exercise Sheet 8

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Exercise 1. Let K be a field. Show that a finite subgroup G of the multiplicative group K^* is cyclic.

Hint: Consider the abelian group G as a \mathbb{Z} -module and use Corollary 6.76 from the lecture.

Exercise 2. Let R be a PID and M a finitely generated R -module. Recall that by Corollary 6.76 we have

$$M \simeq M' \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^m R/(a_i)$$

where M' is free of finite rank and $a_i \in R$ are non-zero and non-units with the divisibility relation $a_1 \mid a_2 \mid \dots \mid a_m$. Show that the ideals (a_i) , $i = 1, \dots, m$, are uniquely determined by M .

Exercise 3. Consider the following \mathbb{Z} -module

$$M = \prod_{p \in \text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z})} \mathbb{Z}/(p).$$

(1) Describe the submodule $\text{Tors}(M)$ of M .

(2) Show that $\text{Tors}(M)$ is not a direct summand of M (that is M does not decompose as $\text{Tors}(M) \oplus M'$ for some submodule M' of M).

Remark: Note that the \mathbb{Z} -module M is not finitely generated and is not isomorphic to a direct sum of simple modules (compare to Corollary 6.76).

Exercise 4. Let R be a commutative ring and f an element in the intersection of all prime ideals of R . From the lecture we know that f is nilpotent (see Proposition 4.5).

Give another proof of this statement using localization.

Hint: Consider R_f .

Exercise 5. Let R be a Noetherian ring and S any multiplicatively closed subset of R . Show that $S^{-1}R$ is Noetherian.

Remark: The converse in general is not true.

Exercise 1

By Corollary 6.76

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z}/(a_1) \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/(a_m) \quad \text{for some integers}$$

as multiplicative group

 $a_1 | a_2 | \dots | a_m$
 Without loss of generality
 Assume $a_i > 1$. (positive)
Clearly $x^{a_m} = 1$ for every $x \in G$.

$$|G| = a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_m \quad \text{and} \quad G \subseteq K^*$$

So the polynomial $X^{a_m} - 1 \in K[X]$ hasat least $|G| = a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_m \geq a_m = \deg(X^{a_m} - 1)$ roots in K

From It follows from Algebra 1 Lecture,

that $|G| = a_m \Rightarrow m = 1 \Rightarrow G$ is cyclic

Exercise 2

Using Chinese Remainder Theorem we can assume that a_i are powers of primes.

By taking $\otimes \mathbb{Z}/(p^N)$ with big enough N

we can reduce the problem to the case:

all a_i are the powers of the same prime p .

We have to prove

$$\overbrace{R/(p^{e_1}) \oplus R/(p^{e_2}) \oplus \dots \oplus R/(p^{e_m})}^N \cong \overbrace{R/(p^{k_1}) \oplus \dots \oplus R/(p^{k_r})}^m$$

$$0 < e_1 \leq \dots \leq e_m$$

$$0 < k_1 \leq \dots \leq k_r$$



$$m = k \quad \& \quad e_i = k_i$$

By Taking $\otimes R/p$ we get $m = r$

$$\text{(Indeed, } R/(p^{e_i}) \otimes R/p \cong R/p \text{)}$$

Now induction on m .

Assume $k_1 \geq e_1$

If $N \cong M$ as R -modules, then $p^{e_1} N \cong p^{e_1} M$

$$\text{We get } R/(p^{e_2-e_1}) \oplus \dots \oplus R/(p^{e_m-e_1}) \cong R/(p^{k_1-e_1}) \oplus \dots \oplus R/(p^{k_r-e_1})$$

It follows $k_1 = e_1$ & by Induction hypothesis

$e_i = k_i$ for $i = 2, \dots, m$

Exercise 3

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(1)

Denote by $\{p_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ the sequence of positive prime numbers

$$M = \prod_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{Z}/(p_i)$$

$$\text{Claim: } \text{Tors } M = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{Z}/(p_i) \subseteq M$$

" \subseteq "

Let $m = (m_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in \text{Tors } M$, $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}/(p_i)$

Then for some $a \neq 0$, $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ $am = (am_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} = 0$

$\exists k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

Starting from some k , ~~all~~ p_i for $i \geq k$ we have $p_i > a$.

Then $\gcd(a, p_i) = 1$

And $am_i = 0$ in $\mathbb{Z}/(p_i) \Rightarrow m_i = 0$.

Hence in $m = (m_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ all coordinates $m_i = 0$ for $i \geq k$

$$\Rightarrow m \in \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{Z}/(p_i)$$

" \supseteq "

Let $m \in \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{Z}/(p_i)$

Then ~~for some~~ ^{there exists} $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that all $m_i = 0$ if $i \geq k$.

Take $a = \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} p_j \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $am = 0$

(2)

(2) Assume $\text{Tors } M$ is a direct summand of M

(4)

Then $0 \rightarrow \text{Tors } M \rightarrow M \rightarrow M/\text{Tors } M \rightarrow 0$

is split $\Rightarrow M \cong \text{Tors } M \oplus M/\text{Tors } M$

Note that any element $\bar{x} \in M/\text{Tors } M$ is divisible by all $p_i, i \in \mathbb{N}$.

Indeed, $\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots)$

\parallel in $M/\text{Tors } M$

$(0, 0, \dots, 0, \underset{p \cdot y_{i+1}}{x_{i+1}}, \underset{p \cdot y_{i+2}}{x_{i+2}}, \dots) = p_i \bar{y}$

& p_i is invertible in $\mathbb{Z}/(p_k) \quad \forall k > i$

$\Rightarrow \bar{x} = p_i \bar{y}$ for some $\bar{y} \in M/\text{Tors } M$.

But no element $\neq 0$ in M has such a property:

Let $m \in M$, if $m = p_i y$ for some $y \in M$

then $\{m_i\} = 0$.

Hence, if m is divisible by all primes, \Rightarrow then $m = 0$

Exercise 4 Let $f \in \bigcap_{\rho \in \text{Spec } R} \rho$, consider the ring R_f .

By Corollary 7.10,

$$\text{Spec } R_f = \{ S^{-1}\rho \mid \rho \in \text{Spec } R \text{ with } \rho \cap S = \emptyset \},$$

where $S = \{f^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

Since $f \in \rho$ for every prime ideal $\rho \in \text{Spec } R$, then the condition $\rho \cap S = \emptyset$ does not hold for any ρ .

Hence, $\text{Spec } R_f = \emptyset \implies R_f = 0 \implies 0 \in \{f^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$
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$\implies f$ is nilpotent

Exercise 5 Assume R is Noetherian (every ideal in R is finitely generated)

Let $J \subset S^{-1}R$ be an ideal

By Corollary 7.10 J is $J = S^{-1}I$ for some $I \subseteq R$ ideal in R .

R Noetherian $\implies I$ is generated by i_1, \dots, i_n

Let $\frac{i}{s} \in S^{-1}I$ with $i \in I \implies i = a_1 i_1 + \dots + a_n i_n$

$$\frac{i}{s} = \frac{a_1}{s} \cdot \frac{i_1}{1} + \dots + \frac{a_n}{s} \cdot \frac{i_n}{1} \implies S^{-1}I \text{ is generated by } \left\{ \frac{i_1}{1}, \dots, \frac{i_n}{1} \right\}$$