

## Commutative Algebra

Winter Semester 2016 - Problem Set 7

Due December 16, 2016, 1 p.m.

**Problem 1:** Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module. We define the *socle* of  $M$  by

$$\text{soc}(M) := \sum \{N \mid N \leq M \text{ simple}\}.$$

We say that a submodule  $N \leq M$  is an *essential* submodule of  $M$ , and write  $N \subseteq_e M$ , if for every submodule  $N' \leq M$ ,

$$N' \cap N = 0 \text{ implies } N' = 0.$$

Show:

- (a)  $\text{soc}(M) = \bigcap \{N \mid N \subseteq_e M\}$ .
- (b) If  $M$  is artinian, then  $\text{soc}(M) \subseteq_e M$ .
- (c) If  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  is local, then  $\text{soc}(M) = \{m \in M \mid \mathfrak{m} \cdot m = 0\}$ .

**Problem 2:** Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m}) \rightarrow (S, \mathfrak{n})$  be a local ring homomorphism, and  $N$  an  $R$ -flat  $S$ -module such that  $N/\mathfrak{m}N$  has finite length over  $S$  (i.e.  $\ell_S(N/\mathfrak{m}N) < \infty$ ). Show that for every finite length  $R$ -module  $M$

$$\ell_S(M \otimes_R N) = \ell_R(M) \cdot \ell_S(N/\mathfrak{m}N).$$

*Hint: Use induction on  $\ell_R(M)$ .*

**Problem 3:**

- (a) Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring and  $\mathfrak{m}$  minimal over  $I \trianglelefteq R$ . Show that  $\sqrt{I} = \mathfrak{m}$ .
- (b) Let  $R$  be a ring and  $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{MinSpec}(R)$ . Show: If  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is reduced, then

$$R_{\mathfrak{p}} \cong Q(R/\mathfrak{p})$$

is a field.

- (c) Let  $R$  be a reduced ring with  $|\text{MinSpec}(R)| < \infty$  and  $U \subseteq R$  multiplicatively closed. Show that  $U^{-1}Q(R) \cong Q(U^{-1}R)$ .

**Problem 4:**

Let  $U \subseteq R$  be multiplicatively closed,  $M$  an  $R$ -module,  $N \leq_R M$ ,  $P \leq_{U^{-1}R} U^{-1}M$ . We use exactness of localization to identify  $U^{-1}N$  with a submodule of  $U^{-1}M$ . Show:

- (a)  $U^{-1}N = U^{-1}R \cdot \iota_M(N)$  and  $\iota_M^{-1}(P) = \{m \in M \mid \frac{m}{1} \in P\}$ .
- (b)  $\iota_M^{-1}(U^{-1}N) = \{m \in M \mid \exists u \in U: um \in N\}$  and  $U^{-1}\iota_M^{-1}(P) = P$ .