

These notes summarize the material covered in the Spring 2013 graduate algebra course taught by S. Paul Smith. Written by Josh Swanson; any errors are likely mine.

Note: “A3” below refers to the April 3rd lecture, and similarly with May and June.

Theorem 1 (Hilbert’s Basis Theorem, A1) *If R is a commutative noetherian ring, so is the polynomial ring $R[x]$.* □

Definition 1 A **graded ring** is a ring R with a direct sum decomposition (as an abelian group)

$$R = R_0 \oplus R_1 \oplus \cdots,$$

where $R_i R_j \subset R_{i+j}$ for all i, j . The elements of $\cup R_i$ are called **homogeneous**.

Remark 1 (A1) If R is a graded ring, so is its center, $Z(R)$. □

Remark 2 (A1, A3) I is a **graded ideal** if it satisfies these equivalent conditions:

1. I is generated by homogeneous elements.
2. $I = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} (I \cap R_n)$.

Remark 3 (A1) If R is graded ideal, then R/I is a graded ring in such a way that $\pi: R \rightarrow R/I$ preserves degree. □

Definition 2 (A3) Let R be a graded ring. A **graded left R -module** is a left R -module M endowed with an abelian group decomposition

$$M = \bigoplus_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} M_n,$$

where $R_i \cdot M_n \subset M_{i+n}$. □

Definition 3 (A3) If M and N are graded left R -modules and $f: M \rightarrow N$ is an R -module homomorphism, we say f **preserves degree** if $f(M_i) \subseteq N_i$. □

Theorem 2 (Hilbert, A3) *If G is a finite group of degree-preserving automorphisms of $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, then the set of G -invariant polynomials, $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^G$, is finitely generated as a k -algebra.*

Remark 4 (A3) $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^G$ is a graded subalgebra of $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ because it is equal to $\bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]_k^G$, where subscript k denotes the degree k elements. □

Remark 5 (A3) Because G is finite and $\text{char } \mathbb{C} = 0$, the G -invariants have a complement as a G -module:

$$\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]_k = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]_k^G \oplus E,$$

where E is a G -module. Similarly,

$$\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n] = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^G \oplus D,$$

where D is a G -module. □

Proposition 1 (A3) *Let S be a commutative graded ring and R a graded subring such that $S = R \oplus K$ as R -modules for some graded R -submodule K of S . If S is a finitely generated k -algebra, then so is R .* □

Proposition 2 (A5) Let S be a graded quotient of the polynomial ring $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ with $S_0 = k$. Let R be a graded subalgebra of S (i.e. $R = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} (R \cap S_i)$). If there exists a graded R -submodule K of S such that $S = R \oplus K$ as R -modules, then R is a finitely generated k -algebra. \square

Corollary 1 (A5) If $G \subseteq GL(n, k)$, let G act on automorphisms of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ by extending its action on $kx_1 + kx_2 + \dots + kx_n$. If $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]^G$ has a graded complement in $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ that is a $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]^G$ -module then $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]^G$ is finitely generated as a k -algebra. \square

Proposition 3 (A5) Let $R \subseteq S$ be commutative rings and suppose $S = R \oplus K$ as R -modules for some R -submodule K of S . If S is noetherian, then so is R . \square

Proposition 4 (A5) Let R be an integral domain, $F = \text{frac}(R)$, and $S \subseteq R$ such that $1 \in S$ and $0 \notin S$. Define

$$R[S^{-1}] := \{q \in F \mid q = xs_1^{-1} \dots s_n^{-1} \text{ for some } x \in R, s_i \in S\}.$$

Then $R[S^{-1}]$ is a noetherian ring if R is noetherian. \square

Definition 4 (A5) Let $R \subseteq T$ be commutative domains. We say $x \in T$ is **integral over** R if it satisfies a monic polynomial over R with coefficients in R . \square

Remark 6 (A5) 1. Every element of R is integral over R .

2. \sqrt{p} is integral over \mathbb{Z} because it satisfies the monic polynomial $x^2 - p = 0$.
3. e, π are not integral over \mathbb{Q} .

Proposition 5 (A8) Let $R \subseteq T$ be commutative domains and $x \in T$. The following are equivalent:

1. x is integral over R .
2. $R[x]$ is a finitely generated R -module.
3. There exists a ring T' such that $R[x] \subseteq T' \subseteq T$ and T' is a finitely generated R -module.

Definition 5 (A8) Let $R \subseteq T$ be commutative rings. If T is a finitely generated R -module, call T a **finite R -algebra**.

Remark 7 (A8) If $R \subseteq S \subseteq T$, S is a finite R -algebra, and T is a finite S -algebra, then T is a finite R -algebra. \square

Corollary 2 (A8) Let $R \subseteq T$ be rings and $a_1, \dots, a_n \in T$ where each a_j is integral over R . Then the ring $R[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ is a finite R -algebra and every element in $R[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ is integral over R . \square

Definition 6 (A8) Let $R \subseteq T$ be commutative domains. Say T is **integral over** R if every element of T is integral over R .

Corollary 3 (A8) Let $R \subseteq T$ be commutative domains such that T is a finitely generated R -algebra. Then T is integral over R if and only if T is a finite R algebra. \square

Theorem 3 (Noether Normalization, A8, A10) Let k be a field and $R = k[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ a finitely generated commutative k -algebra. Then there exists $m \leq n$ and algebraically independent elements $y_1, \dots, y_m \in R$ such that R is integral over the polynomial ring $k[y_1, \dots, y_m] \subseteq R$. \square

Lemma 1 (A10) Let T be a commutative domain and $R \subseteq T$ such that T is integral over R . Then T is a field if and only if R is a field. \square

Corollary 4 (A10) If k is a field and $k[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ is a finitely generated k -algebra that is a field, then $\dim_k k[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ is finite. \square

Theorem 4 (Hilbert’s “Weak” Nullstellensatz, A10, A12) Let k be an algebraically closed field. The maximal ideals of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ are given precisely by

$$(p_1, \dots, p_n) \leftrightarrow (x_1 - p_1, \dots, x_n - p_n),$$

for $p_i \in k$ arbitrary. \square

Definition 7 (A12) We write \mathbb{A}_k^n or just \mathbb{A}^n for k^n and call it **affine n -space**.

- The **Zariski topology** is defined by declaring the *closed* sets to be the zero loci of finite sets of polynomials. These are called **affine algebraic varieties**.
- If J is an ideal in $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, then

$$V(J) := \{p \in \mathbb{A}^n \mid f(p) = 0, \text{ for every } f \in J\},$$

and this is closed. Because J is finitely generated, if $J = (f_1, \dots, f_r)$ then $V(J) = V(f_1, \dots, f_r)$.

- If $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$, we define

$$I(X) := \{f \in S \mid f(p) = 0 \text{ for every } p \in X\}.$$

Proposition 6 (A12) Let I, J , and $\{I_\lambda\}$ be ideals in $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

1. $I \subseteq J \Rightarrow V(I) \supseteq V(J)$;
2. $V(0) = \mathbb{A}^n$;
3. $V(S) = \emptyset$;
4. $\bigcap_\lambda V(I_\lambda) = V(\sum_\lambda I_\lambda)$;
5. $V(I) \cup V(J) = V(IJ) = V(I \cap J)$.

Proposition 7 (A12) Let $X, Y \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$.

1. $X \subseteq Y \Rightarrow I(X) \supseteq I(Y)$;
2. $X \subseteq V(I(X))$, with equality if and only if X is a closed variety.
3. If J is an ideal of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, then $J \subseteq I(V(J))$.

Example 1 (A12) There are two ways for $J \subsetneq I(V(J))$.

1. If J is not “reduced”: \mathbb{A}^1 , $J = (x^2) \subsetneq k[x]$. Then $(x) = I(\{0\}) = I(V(J)) \neq (x^2)$.
2. If k is not algebraically closed: $\mathbb{R}[x]$, $V(x^2 + 1) = \emptyset$, $I(V(x^2 + 1)) = I(\emptyset) = \mathbb{R}[x]$

Lemma 2 (A15) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$. Then

1. $V(I(X)) = \overline{X}$

2. If X is closed, then $V(I(X)) = X$.

Definition 8 (A15) If J is an ideal of a commutative ring R , its *radical* is

$$\sqrt{J} := \{a \in R \mid a^n \in J \text{ for } n \gg 0\}.$$

Notice $J \subseteq \sqrt{J}$, J is an ideal, and $V(J) = V(\sqrt{J})$. □

Theorem 5 (Hilbert's Nullstellensatz, "Strong" Form, A15) Let k be an algebraically closed field. Let $A = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ be the polynomial ring and J an ideal in A . Then

1. If $J \neq A$, then $V(J) \neq \emptyset$.
2. $I(V(J)) = \sqrt{J}$.
3. There is a bijection

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{\text{radical ideals}\} & \leftrightarrow & \{\text{closed subsets of } \mathbb{A}^n\} \\ J = \sqrt{J} & \mapsto & V(J) \\ I(X) & \leftarrow & X = \overline{X} \end{array} .$$

Definition 9 (A15, A17) If $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$, define the **coordinate ring** or the **ring of regular polynomial functions on X** to be

$$\mathcal{O}(X) := \frac{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}{I(X)}.$$

Each element of $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is a well-defined function $f: X \rightarrow k$. If $k = \bar{k}$, there is a bijection

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{\text{closed subsets of } X\} & \leftrightarrow & \{\text{radical ideals in } \mathcal{O}(X)\} \\ Y & \mapsto & I(Y) \triangleleft \mathcal{O}(X) \end{array} .$$

Moreover, the points of X are in bijection with the maximal ideals in $\mathcal{O}(X)$. □

Lemma 3 (A17) If X and Z are disjoint closed subsets of \mathbb{A}^n over $k = \bar{k}$, then there exists a function $g \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ such that $g(x) = 0$ for all $x \in X$ and $g(z) = 1$ for all $z \in Z$. □

Definition 10 (A17) An ideal p in a commutative ring R is **prime** if it satisfies the following equivalent conditions:

1. R/p is a domain.
2. $xy \in p \Rightarrow$ either $x \in p$ or $y \in p$.
3. If I and J are ideals such that $IJ \subseteq p$, then either $I \subseteq p$ or $J \subseteq p$.

Remark 8 (A17) Let R be a domain and $x \in R$ be a non-zero non-unit. Then xR is prime \Leftrightarrow x is prime. Where a non-zero, non-unit element x is prime if whenever $x|yz$, then $x|y$ or $x|z$. □

Theorem 6 (A17) Every ideal in a noetherian ring contains a finite product of primes. □

Theorem 7 (A19) Let J be an ideal in a commutative noetherian ring R . Then there exists a finite number of minimal primes over J , p_1, \dots, p_n and moreover $\sqrt{J} = p_1 \cap \dots \cap p_n$. □

Lemma 4 (A19) If $p_1 \supseteq p_2 \supseteq \dots$ is a descending chain of prime ideals in a commutative ring, then $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i$ is prime. □

Lemma 5 (A19) If I is an ideal in a commutative ring, then there exist minimal primes over I . □

Remark 9 (A19) If p is prime, then $p = \sqrt{p}$. □

Definition 11 (A19) A topological space X is **noetherian** if every descending chain of *closed* subspaces is eventually constant.

Remark 10 (A19) Every affine algebraic variety is noetherian. □

Definition 12 (A19) A topological space X is **irreducible** if it is not the union of two proper closed subspaces.

Example 2 (A19) In a commutative noetherian ring, $\sqrt{J} = p_1 \cap \dots \cap p_n$, so $V(\sqrt{J}) = V(p_1) \cup \dots \cup V(p_n)$. □

Remark 11 (A19) If R is a UFD, $\sqrt{xR} = p_1 R \cap \dots \cap p_n R$ where p_1, \dots, p_n are the prime divisors of x . □

Example 3 (A19) In \mathbb{A}^2 , the union of the two axes is not irreducible in the Zariski topology because $V(xy) = V(x) \cup V(y)$. □

Proposition 8 (A19) Let X be a closed subvariety of \mathbb{A}^n . The following are equivalent

1. X is irreducible
2. $I(X)$ is prime
3. $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is a domain

Definition 13 (A22) A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a **morphism** (or **polynomial map** or **regular map**) if there are elements $f_1, \dots, f_m \in \mathcal{O}(X)$ such that $f(p) = (f_1(p), \dots, f_m(p))$ for all $p \in X$. □

Theorem 8 (A22) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$, $Y \subseteq \mathbb{A}^m$ be closed subvarieties.

1. A morphism $f: X \rightarrow Y$ induces a k -algebra homomorphism

$$f^\#: \mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X) \quad \text{by} \quad f^\#(g) := g \circ f.$$

2. Every k -algebra homomorphism $\mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ is of the form $f^\#$ for some morphism $f: X \rightarrow Y$.
3. If $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{h} Z$ are morphisms, then $(h \circ f)^\# = f^\# \circ h^\#$.
4. The category of affine algebraic varieties over k is anti-equivalent to the category of finitely generated reduced commutative k -algebras. (Any ring R is **reduced** if $\sqrt{0} = 0$.)

Corollary 5 (A22) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$ and $Y \subseteq \mathbb{A}^m$ be affine varieties. Then $X \cong Y \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{O}(X) \cong \mathcal{O}(Y)$. □

Example 4 (A24) Let $C \subseteq \mathbb{A}^2$ be the curve $y = f(x)$, for some polynomial f . Then $C \cong \mathbb{A}^1$. That is, $\mathcal{O}(C)$ is isomorphic to the polynomial ring in one variable. □

Example 5 (A24) The closed sets on \mathbb{A}^1 are the finite sets and \mathbb{A}^1 . So every bijective function $f: \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ is a homeomorphism in the Zariski topology, but not all are morphisms. Only those of the form $x \mapsto \alpha x + \beta$, $\beta \in k$ are morphisms. □

Lemma 6 (A24) If k is a field of characteristic $p > 0$ and R is a commutative k -algebra, the function $r \mapsto r^p$ is a k -algebra homomorphism. In particular, if $\text{char}(k) = p > 0$ and X is a closed subvariety of \mathbb{A}^n the function $F: X \rightarrow X$ defined by $F(a_1, \dots, a_n) = (a_1^p, \dots, a_n^p)$ is a morphism because $F^\#: \mathcal{O}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ is $r \mapsto r^p$. F is the **Frobenius morphism**. □

Example 6 Let $C = V(y^2 - x^3)$. Define $f: \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow C$ by $f(\alpha) = (\alpha^2, \alpha^3)$. Although f is a morphism, its inverse $(\alpha, \beta) \mapsto \beta\alpha^{-1}$ if $\alpha \neq 0$ and $(\alpha, \beta) \mapsto 0$ if $\alpha = 0$ is not a morphism.

This is captured by $f^\#: \mathcal{O}(C) = k[x, y]/(y^2 - x^3) \rightarrow k[t]$ by $f^\#(x) = t^2$, $f^\#(y) = t^3$, so $f^\#$ is not surjective. \square

Proposition 9 (A24) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism between Zariski-closed subspaces of \mathbb{A}^n and \mathbb{A}^m and $f_\#: \mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ the corresponding k -algebra homomorphism.

1. If $Z \subseteq Y$ is closed, then $f^{-1}(Z) = V(f_\#(I(Z)))$.
2. f is continuous.
3. If $W \subseteq X$ is closed, then
 - (a) $I(f(W)) = I(\overline{f(W)}) = f_\#^{-1}(I(W))$
 - (b) $\overline{f(W)} = V(f_\#^{-1}I(W))$
4. $\ker(f_\#) = I(f(X))$ and $\overline{f(X)} = V(\ker(f_\#))$.
5. f is injective $\Leftrightarrow f(X)$ is dense in Y .
6. The fibers $f^{-1}(y)$ for $y \in Y$ are closed.
7. $\mathfrak{m}_{f(X)} = \phi^{-1}(\mathfrak{m}_X)$ is the maximal ideal in $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ vanishing at $f(X)$.

Example 7 (A24) A morphism that sends a closed set to a non-closed set: Let $C = V(xy - 1) \subset \mathbb{A}^2$ and take $f: C \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$. Then $f^\#: \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{A}^1) = k[t] \rightarrow k[x, y]/(xy - 1) = \mathcal{O}(C)$ by $t \mapsto x$. The image of f is $\mathbb{A}^1 - \{0\}$, so $f(C)$ is not closed. \square

Proposition 10 (A26) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism of affine varieties and $f^\#: \mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$. Suppose $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is a finitely generated $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ -module.

1. The fibers of f are finite.
2. If $f^\#$ is injective, then f is surjective.
3. If $Z \subseteq X$ is closed, then $f(Z)$ is closed in Y .

Lemma 7 (A26) Let R be a commutative ring.

1. R artinian \Rightarrow every prime ideal in R is maximal.
2. R noetherian and every prime ideal in R maximal $\Rightarrow R$ is artinian.
3. If R is a finite dimensional k -algebra then R has only a finite number of prime ideals and they are all maximal.

Proposition 11 (A26) If $A \subseteq B$ are commutative rings and B is a finitely generated A -module and \mathfrak{p} a prime ideal in A , then there exists a prime ideal \mathfrak{q} in B such that $\mathfrak{q} \cap A = \mathfrak{p}$. \square

Definition 14 (A29) Let S be a multiplicatively closed subset of a commutative ring R containing 1 but not containing 0. Say $(m, s) \sim (m', s')$ if there is some $t \in S$ such that $t(ms' - m's) = 0$. Define $M[S^{-1}]$ to be the R -module whose elements are equivalence classes “ m/s ” = $[(m, s)]$ with addition and the r -action defined as usual for fractions.

In fact, $M[S^{-1}]$ can be given an $R[S^{-1}]$ -module structure. $M[S^{-1}]$ is a *localization* of M . One may localize rings by viewing them as modules over themselves. \square

Proposition 12 (A29) If $0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence of R -modules, then $0 \rightarrow L[S^{-1}] \rightarrow M[S^{-1}] \rightarrow N[S^{-1}] \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence of $R[S^{-1}]$ -modules. That is, localization is an exact functor. \square

Definition 15 (A29) If R is commutative and \mathfrak{p} is prime, then

$$R_{\mathfrak{p}} := R[\mathfrak{p}^{-1}]$$

is the **local ring at \mathfrak{p}** . \square

Definition 16 (A29) A commutative ring R is **local** if it has a unique maximal ideal. \square

Lemma 8 (A29) If I is an ideal in $R[S^{-1}]$ then I is generated by $I \cap R$, i.e. $I = (I \cap R)R[S^{-1}]$. \square

Lemma 9 (A29) $\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is the unique maximal ideal in $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$. \square

Lemma 10 (A29) Let R be a commutative ring and M a non-zero finitely generated R -module. Then there exists a submodule $N \subseteq M$ such that M/N is a simple module. \square

Lemma 11 (Nakayama, A29) Let R be a local ring with maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} . Let M be a finitely generated R -module. If $\mathfrak{m}M = M$, then $M = 0$. \square

Definition 17 (A29) Let R be a commutative ring. Its **spectrum** is

$$\text{spec}(R) := \{\text{all prime ideals}\}.$$

Proposition 13 (A29) The **Zariski topology on $\text{spec}(R)$** is defined by declaring that the closed subsets to be those of the form

$$V(I) := \{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{spec}(R) \mid I \subseteq \mathfrak{p}\},$$

as I ranges over all ideals in R . Indeed, we allow arbitrary subsets B of R in place of I ; note that $V(B) = V(\langle B \rangle)$. \square

Proposition 14 (M1) Let $\phi: R \rightarrow S$ be a ring homomorphism and define $f: \text{spec}(S) \rightarrow \text{spec}(R)$ by $f(\mathfrak{p}) = \phi^{-1}(\mathfrak{p}) = \{x \in R \mid \phi(x) \in \mathfrak{p}\}$. Then f is continuous with respect to the Zariski topology. \square

Lemma 12 (M1) The closed points in $\text{spec}(R)$ are exactly the maximal ideals. Denote these by $\text{max}(R)$. \square

Proposition 15 (M1) Let $k = \bar{k}$ and $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$ be a subvariety. The map $\Phi: X \rightarrow \text{spec}(\mathcal{O}(X))$ where $\Phi(X) = \mathfrak{m}_X = \{f \in \mathcal{O}(X) \mid f(x) = 0\}$ is a homeomorphism onto its image, i.e. $X \cong \text{max } \mathcal{O}(X)$. \square

Lemma 13 (M1) Let $R \subseteq S$ be an integral extension. If $V \subseteq R$ is multiplicatively closed, $0 \notin V$, and $1 \in V$, then $R[V^{-1}] \subseteq S[V^{-1}]$ is an integral extension. \square

Theorem 9 (Lying Over and Going Up, M3) Given $R \subseteq S$ an integral extension of domains, $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{spec}(R)$, $\mathfrak{q}' \in \text{spec}(S)$ such that $\mathfrak{q}' \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$, there exists $\mathfrak{q} \in \text{spec}(S)$ such that $\mathfrak{q}' \subseteq \mathfrak{q}$ and $\mathfrak{q} \cap R = \mathfrak{p}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R & \hookrightarrow & S \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q} \cap R & \hookrightarrow & \exists \mathfrak{q} \\
 & \swarrow & \downarrow \\
 & & \mathfrak{q}'
 \end{array}$$

Corollary 6 (M3) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism between irreducible affine varieties such that $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is a finitely generated $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ -module via $f^\#: \mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$. Suppose also that $f^\#$ is injective. Then

1. If X is closed, then $f(X)$ is closed.
2. Given closed subsets $Z \subseteq Y$ and $W' \subseteq X$ such that $f(W') \supseteq Z$, there exists a closed irreducible set $W \subseteq W'$ such that $f(W) = Z$. In particular, f is surjective.

Theorem 10 (Noether Normalization, M3) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$ be a closed irreducible subvariety. Noether normalization \Rightarrow there exists a polynomial ring $k[y_1, \dots, y_n] \subseteq \mathcal{O}(X)$ such that $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is integral over $k[y_1, \dots, y_m]$. This inclusion corresponds to a morphism $X \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{A}^m$ such that

1. The fibers of f are finite.
2. f is surjective.
3. If X is closed, then $f(X)$ is closed.

Definition 18 (M3) Let X be an affine variety. We call a morphism $\sigma: X \rightarrow X$ an **automorphism of X** if the corresponding homomorphism $\sigma^\#: \mathcal{O}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ is a k -algebra automorphism. \square

Theorem 11 (Hilbert-Noether, M6) Suppose R is a finitely generated commutative k -algebra and a domain. Suppose G is a finite group of k -algebra automorphisms of R . Take

$$R^G = \{f: f^g = f \text{ for every } g \in G\}.$$

Then

1. R^G is a finitely generated k -algebra.
2. R is a finitely generated R^G -module.

Definition 19 (M6) Let $G \subseteq \text{Aut}(X)$ be a finite group of automorphisms. Write X/G for the set of orbits. Define it as an algebraic variety to have coordinate ring

$$\mathcal{O}(X)^G = \{f \in \mathcal{O}(X) \mid \sigma^\#(f) = f, \forall \sigma \in G\}.$$

Also define $\pi: X \rightarrow X/G$ to be the morphism corresponding to the inclusion $\mathcal{O}(X)^G \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$.

1. $\pi: X \rightarrow X/G$ is surjective.
2. The fibers of π are exactly the G orbits, i.e. π sets up a bijection between points of X/G and the G -orbits.
3. The degree of π is $|G|$.
4. If $\rho: X \rightarrow Y$ is a morphism that is constant on G -orbits, then there is a unique morphism $\delta: X/G \rightarrow Y$ such that $\rho = \delta \circ \pi$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\rho} & Y \\ \downarrow \pi & \nearrow \delta & \\ X/G & & \end{array}$$

Definition 20 (M6) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism such that $f^\#: \mathcal{O}(Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$ is such that $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is a finitely generated $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ -module. We define $k(X) := \text{frac } \mathcal{O}(X)$. Suppose also $f^\#$ is injective, making the following diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{O}(Y) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(X) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ k(Y) & \xrightarrow{\exists!} & k(X) \end{array}$$

Since $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is a finitely generated $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ -module, $k(X)$ is a finite dimensional $k(Y)$ -vector space. Define $\text{deg}(f) := [k(X) : k(Y)]$. \square

Theorem 12 (M6) *There exists a proper closed subvariety $Z \subseteq X$ such that $[f^{-1}(y)] = \text{deg}(f)$ for all $y \in Y - Z$.* \square

Definition 21 (M8) $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N)$: Let R be a ring. Suppose $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow N' \rightarrow N'' \rightarrow 0$ and $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow M' \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow 0$ are exact sequences of R -modules. Then there are exact sequences

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N') \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N'') \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(M, N') \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(M, N'') \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^2(M, N) \rightarrow \dots, \\ 0 &\rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M'', N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M', N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(M'', N) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(M', N) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^1(M, N) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}_R^2(M'', N) \rightarrow \dots. \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, $\text{Ext}_R^0(M, N) = \text{Hom}_R(M, N)$. If R is commutative, then $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N)$ is an R -module. \square

Definition 22 (M8) A **projective resolution** of an R -module M is an exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} P_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} P_0 \xrightarrow{\epsilon} M \rightarrow 0,$$

where each P_i is a projective left R -module.

Example 8 (M8) Let $R = k[x]/(x^2)$, $M = R/(x)$.

$$\dots \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{x} R \xrightarrow{x} R \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0.$$

Definition 23 (M8) Apply the functor $\text{Hom}_R(-, N)$ to the projective resolution above to get a cochain complex

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, N) \xrightarrow{\epsilon'} \text{Hom}_R(P_0, N) \xrightarrow{\alpha'_1} \text{Hom}_R(P_1, N) \xrightarrow{\alpha'_2} \dots,$$

where $\alpha'_n = (-) \circ \alpha_n$. Take homology:

$$\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N) := \frac{\ker \alpha'_{n+1}}{\text{im } \alpha'_n}.$$

(We can analogously use an injective resolution.)

Theorem 13 (M8) $\text{Ext}_R^n(M, N)$ is independent of the choice of resolution. \square

Definition 24 (M8) A **chain complex** (C, d) is a sequence of abelian groups and homomorphisms

$$\cdots \rightarrow C_{n+1} \xrightarrow{d_{n+1}} C_n \xrightarrow{d_n} C_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots$$

such that $d^2 = 0$.

- The **n -cycles** are $Z_n(C) := \ker d_n$,
- the **n -boundaries** are $B_n(C) := \operatorname{im} d_{n+1}$,
- and the **n th homology groups** are $H_n(C) := \frac{Z_n(C)}{B_n(C)}$.

Definition 25 (M8) A **chain map** $f: (D, d') \rightarrow (C, d)$ is a collection of maps and homomorphisms $f_n: D_n \rightarrow C_n$ such that the following commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D_n & \xrightarrow{d'_n} & D_{n-1} \\ \downarrow C_n & & \downarrow f_{n-1} \\ C_n & \xrightarrow{d_n} & C_{n-1}. \end{array}$$

(This gives an abelian category of chain complexes.) □

Lemma 14 (M8) If $f: D \rightarrow C$ is a chain map, it induces maps $H_n(f_n): H_n(D) \rightarrow H_n(C)$ for all n . □

Definition 26 (M8) Let $f, g: D \rightarrow C$ be chain maps. We say f is **null-homotopic** if for all n there exists $s_n: D_n \rightarrow C_{n+1}$ such that $f_n = d_{n+1}s_n + s_{n-1}d_n$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \longrightarrow & D_n & \xrightarrow{d'_n} & D_{n-1} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \\ & \swarrow s_n & \downarrow f_n & \swarrow s_{n-1} & \downarrow f_{n-1} & & \downarrow \\ C_{n+1} & \xrightarrow{d_{n+1}} & C_n & \xrightarrow{d_n} & C_{n-1} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \end{array}$$

We say f is **homotopic to g** if $f - g$ is null-homotopic.

Lemma 15 (M8) Homotopic maps induce the same map on homology, i.e. $f \sim g \Rightarrow H_n(f_n) = H_n(g_n)$. □

Proposition 16 (M10) Let $\beta: M' \rightarrow M$ be a module homomorphism. Let $\cdots \rightarrow P'_0 \rightarrow M'$ and $\cdots \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M$ be projective resolutions. Then there exists $\widehat{\beta}: P' \rightarrow P$ that “lifts” β , and $\widehat{\beta}$ is unique up to homotopy. That is,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \longrightarrow & P'_1 & \xrightarrow{d'_1} & P'_0 & \xrightarrow{\epsilon'} & M' \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \exists \widehat{\beta}_1 & & \downarrow \exists \widehat{\beta}_2 & & \downarrow \beta \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & P_1 & \xrightarrow{d_1} & P_0 & \xrightarrow{\epsilon} & M \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Theorem 14 (M13) Let $0 \rightarrow C'' \xrightarrow{i} C' \xrightarrow{p} C \rightarrow 0$ be an exact sequence of complexes. For each n , there exists a natural homomorphism

$$\delta_n: H_n(C) \rightarrow H_{n-1}(C'')$$

defined by $\delta_n(z + B_n(C)) = i_{n-1}^{-1}d'_n p_n^{-1}(z) + B_{n-1}(C'')$. □

Definition 27 (M13) Isomorphism of functors Let $F, G: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be functors. A **natural transformation** $\tau: F \rightarrow G$ is a collection of morphisms τ_X for $X \in \operatorname{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$, $\tau_X: FX \rightarrow GX$, such that if $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a morphism, then the diagram below commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
FX & \xrightarrow{\tau_X} & GX \\
F(f) \downarrow & & \downarrow G(f) \\
FY & \xrightarrow{\tau_Y} & GY
\end{array}$$

If τ_X is an isomorphism for all $X \in \mathcal{C}$, we say that τ is a **natural isomorphism** and that F and G are **isomorphic functors**, $F \cong G$. We say \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} are **equivalent** if there are functors $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ and $G: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ such that $F \circ G \cong \text{id}_{\mathcal{D}}$ and $G \circ F \cong \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}$. \square

Theorem 15 (M15) Let $E^n: \text{Mod}(R) \rightarrow \text{Ab}$ be a sequence of contravariant functor for $n \geq 0$ such that

1. for every short exact sequence $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow M' \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow 0$ in $\text{Mod}(R)$, there is a long exact sequence with natural connected homomorphisms

$$\dots \rightarrow E^n(M'') \rightarrow E^n(M') \rightarrow E^n(M) \xrightarrow{\delta_n} E^{n+1}(M'') \rightarrow \dots;$$

2. there exists a right R -module N such that $E^0(-) \cong \text{Hom}_R(-, N)$;
3. $E^n(P) = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$ and all projectives P .

If $F^n: \text{Mod}(R) \rightarrow \text{Ab}$ is another sequence of contravariant functors satisfying these conditions and $F^0(-) \cong \text{Hom}_R(-, N)$ for the same N , then $F^n \cong E^n$ for all n . \square

Lemma 16 (M15) Let P be an R -module. The following are equivalent.

1. P is projective.
2. $\text{Ext}_R^1(P, -) = 0$.
3. $\text{Ext}_R^n(P, -) = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Definition 28 (M15) The **projective dimension** of a module M is the smallest n such that $\text{Ext}_R^{n+i}(M, -) = 0$ for all $i \geq 0$.

Example 9 (M15) The projective dimension of M is 0 if and only if M is projective. \square

Definition 29 (M15) The **global homological dimension** of R is the smallest n such that $\text{Ext}_R^{n+i}(-, -) = 0$ for all $i \geq 0$.

Remark 12 (M15) • The global dimension of R is 0 if and only if R is semisimple.

- If R is a PID, then the global dimension of R is 1.
- If M is a finitely generated R -module, M is torsion if and only if the projective dimension of M is 1.
- The global dimension of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is n .
- The projective dimension of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]/\mathfrak{m}$ is n for all maximal ideals \mathfrak{m} .
- The projective dimension of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]/\mathfrak{p}$ is the transcendence degree of its field of fractions, which is $n - \dim V(\mathfrak{p})$, when \mathfrak{p} is prime.
- If X is an irreducible affine variety, then the global dimension of $\mathcal{O}(X)$ is finite if and only if X is “smooth”.

Definition 30 (M17) Tensor products of vector spaces: given bases v_i of V and w_j of W , $v_i \otimes w_j$ is a bases for $V \otimes_k W$, where V, W are k -vector spaces. There is a linear map $V \otimes W^* \xrightarrow{\Phi} \text{Hom}_k(W, V)$ given by $\Phi(v \otimes \lambda)(w) = \lambda(w)v$. This is injective, and moreover if $\dim V, \dim W < \infty$, then Φ is a linear isomorphism. Moreover, $V \otimes V^* \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}_k(V, V)$.

If v_i is a basis for V and λ_i is the dual basis for V^* , then $\Phi(\sum v_i \otimes \lambda_i) = \text{id}_V$. If $\dim V, \dim W < \infty$, then $V \otimes W \xrightarrow{\Phi} \text{Hom}_k(W^*, V)$ is an isomorphism. \square

Definition 31 (M17) The double dual functor $(-)^{**}$ from finite dimensional vector spaces to itself is isomorphic to the identity functor. (There is also a single dual functor.) \square

Definition 32 (M17) If $T: U \rightarrow U'$ is a linear transformation, then $\text{rank}(T)$ is the smallest n such that T factors as $U \rightarrow k^n \rightarrow U'$.

Example 10 (M17) The rank one 2×2 matrices are those of the form

$$k^2 \xrightarrow{(cd)} k \xrightarrow{(a;b)} k^2$$

.

Proposition 17 (M17) Let V and W be finite dimensional vector spaces and $f \in V \otimes W$. Then $\text{rank}(f)$ is the smallest n such that $f = v_1 \otimes w_1 + \dots + v_n \otimes w_n$ for some $v_i \in V$ and $w_i \in W$. \square

Definition 33 (M17) Let R be any ring. Let M be a right R -module and N a left R -module. Define the **tensor product** $M \otimes_R N$ as follows. First let F be the free abelian group with basis $(m, n) \in M \times N$. Let K be the subgroup generated by elements

$$\begin{aligned} (m, n + n') - (m, n) - (m, n') \\ (m + m', n) - (m, n) - (m', n) \\ (mr, n) - (m, rn) \end{aligned}$$

for all $m, m' \in M$, $n, n' \in N$, $r \in R$. Define $M \otimes_R N$ as an abelian group to be F/K . Write $m \otimes n$ for the coset $(m, n) + K$. The relations ensure \otimes is “bilinear”, and $mr \otimes n = m \otimes rn$.

Example 11 (M17) • $\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{3\mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{2\mathbb{Z}} = 0$

- More generally, if I and J are ideals in a commutative ring such that $I + J = R$, then

$$\frac{R}{I} \otimes_R \frac{R}{J} = 0.$$

- Even more generally,

$$\frac{R}{I} \otimes_R N \cong \frac{N}{IN}.$$

Proposition 18 (M17) Let $\alpha: M \times N \rightarrow M \otimes_R N$ be the homomorphism of abelian groups $\alpha(m, n) = m \otimes n$. If $f: M \times N \rightarrow G$ is a homomorphism to an abelian group G such that

$$\begin{aligned} f(m, n + n') &= f(m, n) + f(m, n') \\ f(m + m', n) &= f(m, n) + f(m', n) \\ f(mr, n) &= f(m, rn) \end{aligned}$$

for all $m, m' \in M$, $n, n' \in N$, $r \in R$, then there exists a unique group homomorphism $\phi: M \otimes_R N \rightarrow G$ such that $f = \phi \circ \alpha$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
M \times N & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & M \otimes_R N \\
& \searrow \alpha & \downarrow \phi \\
& & G
\end{array}$$

Lemma 17 (M20) *Let R, S be rings.*

1. *For modules $(M_R, {}_R N_S, X_S)$, there is an isomorphism of abelian groups*

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi: \text{Hom}_S(M \otimes_R N, X) &\xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}_S(N, X)) \\
\Phi(f)(m)(n) &:= f(m \otimes n).
\end{aligned}$$

2. *For modules $({}_S M_R, {}_R N, {}_S Y)$, there is an isomorphism of abelian groups*

$$\Phi: \text{Hom}_S(M \otimes_R N, Y) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}_R(N, \text{Hom}_S(M, Y))$$

given by

$$\Phi(f)(n)(m) := f(m \otimes n).$$

Remark 13 (M20) *If $M_R, {}_R N_S$, then*

- $M \otimes_R N$ is a right S -module via $(m \otimes n)s = m \otimes (ns)$.
- $\text{Hom}_S(N, X)$ is a right R -module via $\alpha \cdot r(n) = \alpha(rn)$.

Definition 34 (M20) *Let \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D} be categories and let $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ and $G: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ be functors. We say F is **left adjoint to G** and G is **right adjoint to F** if there are bifunctorial isomorphisms*

$$\tau_{\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}}: \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(FC, D) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(C, GD)$$

for all $C \in \mathcal{C}$ and $D \in \mathcal{D}$. That is, if $\alpha: C \rightarrow C'$ in \mathcal{C} , then the following commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(FC, D) & \xrightarrow{\tau_{\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}}} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(C, GD) \\
(-) \circ F \alpha \uparrow & & \uparrow (-) \circ \alpha \\
\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(FC', D) & \xrightarrow{\tau_{\mathcal{C}', \mathcal{D}}} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(C', GD),
\end{array}$$

and similarly if $\beta: D \rightarrow D'$. □

Theorem 16 (M20) *Let R and S be rings, ${}_R N_S$ a bimodule. Then $- \otimes_R N: \text{Mod}^r(R) \rightarrow \text{Mod}^r(S)$ is left adjoint to $\text{Hom}_S(N, -): \text{Mod}^r(S) \rightarrow \text{Mod}^r(R)$ (where r indicates right-modules). The isomorphisms*

$$\tau_{M, X}: \text{Hom}_S(FM, X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}_R(M, GX)$$

are the Φ 's in the previous lemma. □

Proposition 19 (M20) *If $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ and $G: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ are an adjoint pair of functors with F left adjoint to G in abelian categories, then F is right exact and G is left exact.*

Example 12 (M22) *If ${}_R N_S$, then $- \otimes_R N: \text{Mod}^r R \rightarrow \text{Mod}^r S$ is left adjoint to $\text{Hom}_S(N, -): \text{Mod}^r S \rightarrow \text{Mod}^r R$. Thus $- \otimes_R N$ is right exact, and $\text{Hom}_S(N, -)$ is left exact.* □

Lemma 18 (M22) *The following are equivalent.*

1. $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\alpha} B \xrightarrow{\beta} C$ is an exact sequence of left R -modules
2. $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(X, A) \xrightarrow{\alpha^*} \text{Hom}_R(X, B) \xrightarrow{\beta^*} \text{Hom}_R(X, C)$ is exact for all X .

The following are also equivalent.

1. $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ is exact.
2. $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(C, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(B, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(A, Y)$ is exact for all Y .

Lemma 19 (M22) If M is a left R -module, the map $M \xrightarrow{f} R \otimes_R M$ given by $f(m) = 1 \otimes m$ is an isomorphism of left R -modules. \square

Lemma 20 (Change of Rings, M22) Suppose $f: R \rightarrow S$ is a ring homomorphism. We have functors

$$\begin{aligned} f^* &= S \otimes_R -: \text{Mod}^\ell R \rightarrow \text{Mod}^\ell S \\ f_* &= \text{Hom}_S(S, -): \text{Mod}^\ell S \rightarrow \text{Mod}^\ell R \\ f' &= \text{Hom}_R(S, -): \text{Mod}^\ell R \rightarrow \text{Mod}^\ell S, \end{aligned}$$

where f^* is left adjoint to f_* , f_* is left adjoint to f' , so f^* is right exact, f_* is exact, and f' is left exact. \square

Lemma 21 (M24) The map $\frac{R}{I} \otimes_R M \xrightarrow{f} \frac{M}{IM}$ given by $f([r+I] \otimes m) = [rm+IM]$ is an isomorphism. Similarly $\frac{R}{I} \otimes_R \frac{R}{J} = \frac{R}{I+J}$. \square

Definition 35 (M24) A left R -module M is **flat** if $0 \rightarrow X \otimes_R M \rightarrow Y \otimes_R M \rightarrow Z \otimes_R M \rightarrow 0$ is exact for all short exact sequences of right R -modules $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$, that is, if $- \otimes_R M$ is an exact functor.

Example 13 (M24) R is flat as a module over itself, since $X \cong X \otimes_R R$. \square

Proposition 20 (M24) \otimes distributes over (arbitrary) \oplus .

1. A module $N_1 \oplus N_2$ is a flat R -module if and only if N_1, N_2 are flat R -modules.
2. In particular, projective R -modules are flat.
3. If R is noetherian, every finitely generated flat R -module is projective.
4. More generally, finitely presented flat modules over arbitrary rings are projective.

Example 14 (M24) \mathbb{Q} is a flat \mathbb{Z} -module but is not projective. \square

Lemma 22 (M24) There is a natural isomorphism

$$M \otimes_R R[S^{-1}] \rightarrow M[S^{-1}]$$

given by

$$m \otimes xs^{-1} \mapsto mxs^{-1}.$$

Lemma 23 (M29) The map $g: M \rightarrow M[S^{-1}]$ given by $g(m) = m \otimes 1$ is an R -module homomorphism, and $\ker g = \{m \in M \mid ms = 0 \text{ for some } s \in S\}$. \square

Definition 36 (M29) If R is any ring, M is a right R -module, and N is a left R -module, we define the **Tor** groups $\text{Tor}_i^R(M, N)$ for $i \geq 0$ as follows. Take a projective resolution of M (by projective right R -modules), and define the Tor groups $\text{Tor}_i^R(M, N)$ as the homology groups associated to the complex obtained from the projective resolution by applying the $- \otimes_R N$ functor. \square

Theorem 17 (M29) 1. $\text{Tor}_0^R(M, N) = M \otimes_R N$;

2. $\text{Tor}_i^R(M, N)$ does not depend on the choice of projective resolution;

3. If $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence of left R -modules, then there is a long exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots \rightarrow \text{Tor}_n^R(M, X) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_n^R(M, Y) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_n^R(M, Z) \rightarrow \\ \text{Tor}_{n-1}^R(M, X) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1(M, Z) \\ M \otimes_R X \rightarrow M \otimes_R Y \rightarrow M \otimes_R Z \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

4. If $Q \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$ is a projective resolution of N , then $\text{Tor}_i^R(M, N)$ is isomorphic to the homology group of the complex $M \otimes_R Q$.

5. If $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence of right R -modules, there is a long exact sequence

$$\cdots \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1(C, N) \rightarrow A \otimes_R N \rightarrow B \otimes_R N \rightarrow C \otimes_R N \rightarrow 0;$$

6. $\text{Tor}_n^R(M, -) = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$ if and only if M is a flat right R -module;

7. $\text{Tor}_n^R(-, N) = 0$ for all $n \geq 0$ if and only if N is a flat left R -module.

Remark 14 (M29) If R is commutative, M, N are projective, then $M \otimes_R N$ is projective. □

Example 15 (M29) If $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, $k = R/(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, then $\text{Tor}_i^R(k, k) \cong k^{\binom{n}{i}}$ □

Definition 37 (M31) A **Dedekind domain** is a ring with the following properties:

- Commutative noetherian domain that is not a field;
- Integrally closed in its field of fractions;
- Every non-zero prime ideal is maximal.

Example 16 (M31) 1. Rings of integers in number fields: a **number field** is a finite field extension of \mathbb{Q} . The **ring of integers** in K , sometimes written \mathcal{O}_K , is the integral closure of \mathbb{Z} in K , i.e. the set of elements of K which satisfy a monic polynomial with coefficients in \mathbb{Z} .

2. If C is a “smooth” irreducible affine curve, then $\mathcal{O}(C)$ is a Dedekind domain. For instance, $y^2 = x^3$ gives $k[t^2, t^3]$. This is not a smooth curve, and the ideal (t^2, t^3) is not “generated by one and a half elements”; see below for a definition.

3. If R is a domain and \mathfrak{p} is a minimal nonzero prime ideal, then $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a Dedekind domain if and only if $\frac{\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}}}{(\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}})^2}$ is a 1-dimensional vector space over the field $\frac{R_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}}}$.

If X is a smooth affine algebraic variety of dimension n and $Y \subset X$ is an irreducible subvariety of dimension $n - 1$ and \mathfrak{p} is the ideal $I(Y)$, then $\mathcal{O}(X)_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a Dedekind domain.

Definition 38 (M31) Let R be a commutative noetherian domain and K its field of fractions. A non-zero R -submodule of K is a **fractional ideal** if $xM \subset R$ for some $0 \neq x \in R$.

Remark 15 (M31) • Fractional ideals are noetherian R -modules.

- If M is a nonzero finitely generated R -submodule of K , then M is a fractional ideal.
- Every nonzero ideal in R is a fractional ideal.

- A product of fractional ideals is a fractional ideal.
- If M and N are fractional ideals, then $M \cap N \neq 0$.
- The set of fractional ideals forms an abelian monoid (a group except without inverses).

Definition 39 (M31) If M is a fractional ideal, we define

$$M^{-1} := \{x \in K \mid xM \subseteq R\}.$$

Note that M^{-1} is also a fractional ideal, and $MM^{-1} \subseteq R$.

Example 17 (M31) $\text{Hom}_R(M, R) \cong M^{-1}$ as R -modules. □

Proposition 21 (J3) Let \mathfrak{m} be a maximal ideal in a Dedekind domain, then $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{m}^{-1} = R$. □

Theorem 18 (J3) Every nonzero ideal in a Dedekind domain is a product of maximal (\Leftrightarrow prime) ideals in a unique way.

Corollary 7 (J3) The set of fractional ideals for a Dedekind domain is a group under multiplication with identity R . □

Definition 40 (J3) The **principal ideals** (a slight abuse of notation) in the group of fractional ideals are those generated by a single element as an R -module. In a Dedekind domain, they form a subgroup, and the quotient of the group of fractional ideals by this subgroup is the **ideal class group** or the **Picard group** of R . The **class number** of R is the order of the ideal class group. □

Proposition 22 (J3) If \mathfrak{m} is a maximal ideal in a Dedekind domain R , then $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a valuation ring. The valuation of $x \in K - \{0\}$ is the largest n such that $x \in \mathfrak{m}^n$. □

Proposition 23 (J5) Let R be a Dedekind domain, \mathfrak{m} a maximal ideal, and $k = R/\mathfrak{m}$. Then

1. $\dim_k \mathfrak{m}^n/\mathfrak{m}^{n+1} = 1$ for all $n \geq 0$ ($\mathfrak{m}^0 = R$);
2. If $t \in \mathfrak{m} - \mathfrak{m}^2$, then $\mathfrak{m}^d = \mathfrak{m}^n + Rt^d$ for all integers $1 \leq d \leq n$.
3. The only ideals containing \mathfrak{m}^d are \mathfrak{m}^n for $n \leq d$.

Lemma 24 (J5) If R_1, \dots, R_n are rings in which every ideal is principal, so is $R = R_1 \oplus \dots \oplus R_n$. □

Proposition 24 (J5) Every ideal in a Dedekind domain can be generated by “one and a half elements”. This means that given an ideal I and an arbitrary element $0 \neq x \in I$, there is some element $y \in I$ such that $I = (x, y)$.

Lemma 25 (J5) If I is a non-zero ideal in a Dedekind domain R , then R/I has finite length. □

Proposition 25 (J5) Let \mathfrak{m} be a maximal ideal in a Dedekind domain R .

1. $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a PID.
2. If $t \in \mathfrak{m}R_{\mathfrak{m}} - \mathfrak{m}^2R_{\mathfrak{m}}$, then (t^n) for $n \geq 0$ are all the nonzero ideals of $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$.
3. $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a valuation ring.