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**Problem 1.**

- (i) We only need to check the submodule criterion. First of all note that  $Tor(M) \neq \emptyset$  since  $0_M \in Tor(M)$ . Now for any  $x, y \in Tor(M)$  and  $r \in R$  we have to show that  $x + ry \in Tor(M)$ . Now since  $x, y \in Tor(M)$ , there exists  $r_1, r_2 \in R$  such that  $r_1 x = 0$  and  $r_2 y = 0$ . Now consider the nonzero element  $r_1 r_2$ :

$$r_1 r_2 (x + ry) = r_1 r_2 x + r_1 r_2 r y = r_2 (r_1 x) + r_1 r (r_2 y) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

This shows that  $x + ry \in Tor(M)$ . Note that we used the fact that  $R$  is commutative since it is an integral domain.

- (ii) Consider  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  module. It is clear that  $Tor(M) = \{0, 2, 3, 4\}$ . But this is clearly not a submodule of  $M$  since it is not a subgroup of  $M$ .
- (iii) Since  $M \neq 0$ , then there exists  $m \neq 0 \in M$ . And since  $R$  has a zero-divisor, then we have nonzero  $r_1, r_2 \in R$  such that  $r_1 r_2 = 0$ . Now since  $M$  is a  $R$ -module, then  $r_2 m \in M$ . Now if  $r_2 m = 0$ , then  $m \in Tor(M)$  proving that  $Tor(M) \neq 0$ , otherwise, then  $r_2 m \in Tor(M)$ , since  $r_1 (r_2 m) = 0m = 0$ . Therefore in either case  $Tor(M) \neq 0$ .

**Problem 2.**

( $\Rightarrow$ ) If  $I \subset Ann_R(M)$ , then we have to show that  $M$  is a  $R/I$  module. Note that it has all properties of modules since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ . The only thing that we have to check is it being well-defined. For this purpose suppose that  $r + I = r' + I$ . Then we have to show that for any  $m \in M$ ,  $rm = r'm$ . But this is obvious since we can write  $r = r' + i$  for some  $i \in I$ . Now we have:

$$rm = (r' + i)m = r'm + im = r'm$$

The last part follows from the fact that  $I \subset Ann_R(M)$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Now suppose that  $M$  is a  $R/I$  module. Let  $i \in I$ . Then for any  $r \in R$ , we have that  $\bar{r} = \overline{r + i}$ . Then by definition for any  $m \in M$  we have:

$$rm = (r + i)m \implies im = 0$$

This shows that for any  $m \in M$ , we have  $im = 0$ , thus  $i \in Ann_R(M)$ . Since  $i$  was an arbitrary element of  $I$ , then we showed that  $I \subset Ann_R(M)$ .

**Problem 3.**

- (i)

(ii) Consider the following homomorphism:

$$\varphi : \frac{S_1 \oplus S_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus S_n}{T_1 \oplus T_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n} \rightarrow \frac{S_1}{T_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \frac{S_n}{T_n}$$

$$(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) + T_1 \oplus T_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n \mapsto (s_1 + T_1, s_2 + T_2, \dots, s_n + T_n)$$

To show that this is indeed a module homomorphism we have to show that for any  $x, y$  and  $r \in R$  we have  $\varphi(x + y) = \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)$  and  $\varphi(rx) = r\varphi(x)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi \left( ((s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) + T_1 \oplus T_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n) + ((r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n) + T_1 \oplus T_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n) \right) \\ = \varphi \left( (s_1 + r_1, s_2 + r_2, \dots, s_n + r_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n \right) \\ = (s_1 + r_1 + T_1, \dots, s_n + r_n + T_n) \\ = (s_1 + T_1, \dots, s_n + T_n) + (r_1 + T_1, \dots, r_n + T_n) \\ = \varphi \left( (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n \right) + \varphi \left( (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n \right) \end{aligned}$$

And for  $\varphi(rx) = r\varphi(x)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi \left( r((s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n) \right) &= \varphi \left( (rs_1, rs_2, \dots, rs_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n \right) \\ &= (rs_1 + T_1, \dots, rs_n + T_n) \\ &= r(s_1 + T_1, \dots, s_n + T_n) \\ &= r\varphi \left( (s_1, \dots, s_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now we have to show that  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism. For this we show that it is injective and surjective. The surjectivity is clear since for any  $s_1 \in S_1, \dots, s_n \in S_n$ , and element  $b$ :

$$b = (s_1 + T_1, s_2 + T_2, \dots, s_n + T_n) \in \frac{S_1}{T_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \frac{S_n}{T_n}$$

There exist the  $a$  element:

$$a = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n \in \frac{S_1 \oplus S_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus S_n}{T_1 \oplus T_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n}$$

such that  $\varphi(a) = b$ . This proves that  $\varphi$  is surjective. To show that it is injective suppose that  $\varphi(a) = \varphi(b)$ , where  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n$  and  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_n) + T_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus T_n$ . From the equality  $\varphi(a) = \varphi(b)$  we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1 + T_1, \dots, a_n + T_n) &= (b_1 + T_1, \dots, b_n + T_n) \\ \implies \forall_{1 \leq i \leq n} : a_i - b_i &\in T_i \end{aligned}$$

Which proves that  $a = b$ . Thus  $\varphi$  is also injective, making it an isomorphism and we are done.

**Problem 4.**

- (i) Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}_6$  and  $M = \mathbb{Z}_6$ . Then number 3 is not linearly independent since there exists a nonzero solution to the equation:

$$r3 = 0$$

Which is  $r = 2$ . This shows that the statement is not true for modules.

- (ii) Again we can use the example from the previous part for  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  as module. The set  $\{2, 3\}$  is not linearly independent since:

$$0 \times 2 + 4 \times 3 = 0$$

But there is no element  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_6$  such that  $2x = 3$ .

- (iii) Take  $\mathbb{Z}$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}$  module. Notice that  $\{2\}$  is a linearly independent set, since there is no nonzero element  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $2x = 0$ . To show that this set is also maximal, suppose that the set  $\{2, a\}$  is linearly independent for some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then it can be seen that:

$$a \times 2 + (-2) \times a = 0$$

reaching to a contradiction. Now that  $\{2\}$  is a maximal independent set, it can be seen that it doesn't generate the whole  $\mathbb{Z}$  since it only generates even numbers.

- (iv) A basis must be linearly independent, but in the previous part, we showed an example of a maximal linearly independent set that did not generate  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Since it was maximal, then it can't be extended to another linearly independent set that generates the space.
- (v) Consider  $A = R[x_1, x_2, \dots]$  as a  $A$ -module where  $R$  has 1. Then it is finitely generated by  $1_R$ . But consider the submodule  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots \rangle$ . This is not finitely generated.

**Problem 5.****Problem 6.**

- (i) Any  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module homomorphism from  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is uniquely identified with  $\varphi(1)$  since for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ :

$$\varphi(k) = \varphi(k \times 1) = k\varphi(1)$$

Now note that  $\varphi(1) \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ , hence  $\text{Ord}(\varphi(1)) \mid n$ . On the other hand since  $1_m$  is of order  $m$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_m$ , then we have  $\text{Ord}(\varphi(1)) \mid m$ . This means that:

$$\text{Ord}(\varphi(1)) \mid (m, n)$$

Now we know that the number elements in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  such that their order divides  $(n, m)$  is exactly  $(m, n)$ . So we only need to show that the group is cyclic. To show this we introduce an element with order  $(m, n)$ . This proves the statement. For this consider an element  $s$  of order  $(m, n)$ . Let  $\sigma : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$  such that  $\sigma(1) = s$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(1) &= s \\ \sigma^2(1) &= \sigma(s) = s\sigma(1) = s^2 \\ &\vdots \\ \sigma^i(1) &= s^i\end{aligned}$$

This shows that order of  $\sigma$  is the same as order of  $s$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  which is  $(m, n)$ . Therefore we found an element of order  $(m, n)$  in  $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}_m, \mathbb{Z}_n)$ , thus we are done:

$$\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}_m, \mathbb{Z}_n) = \mathbb{Z}_{(m, n)}$$

**(ii)**