

## Math 4330 Homework Set 9

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**NOTE:** Late homework not accepted.

**Read:** “The Matrix of a Linear Transformation” “Dual Spaces” and the three handouts on Rings and Modules.

Problems marked by box or ★ are more challenging and may be turned in anytime during the semester. There will be several such problems assigned during the term. Please turn in *separately* from routine assignments – if incorrect or incomplete, they will be returned to you to complete correctly. Final deadline is Monday, Nov. 30, no exceptions.

Do the following problems from the handouts:

DualSpace 7

DualSpace 8

DualSpace 16

DualSpace 25

DualSpace 33

DualSpace 34

DualSpace 36

**Ex09 1.** Let  $F$  be an arbitrary field.

- a. Show that the intersection of an arbitrary number of ideals in  $F[x]$  is an ideal in  $F[x]$ .
- b. Let  $f_1, \dots, f_k \in F[x]$ . The ideal generated by these is

$$(f_1, \dots, f_k) = \{ g_1 f_1 + \dots + g_k f_k \mid g_i \in F[x] \} ,$$

the set of all  $F[x]$ -linear combinations of  $f_1, \dots, f_k$ . Show that this ideal is precisely the intersection of the ideals which contain all  $f_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

**Ex09 2** (Exact Sequence of a Pair in a PID). Let  $R$  be a principal ideal domain (PID). Let  $a, b \in R$ , not both of which are 0. Define  $f: R \times R \rightarrow R$  by  $f(s, t) = sa + tb$ . Note that  $R \times R$  is also a commutative ring with 1 when addition and multiplication are defined coordinate-wise:

$$(1) \quad (a_1, b_1) + (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2)$$

$$(2) \quad (a_1, b_1) \cdot (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 a_2, b_1 b_2)$$

Further note that  $R \times R$  is an  $R$ -module with scalar multiplication defined by

$$(3) \quad r \cdot (a, b) = (ra, rb)$$

a. Show that  $f$  satisfies

$$(i) \quad f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in R \times R.$$

$$(ii) \quad f(rx) = rf(x) \text{ for } r \in R, x \in R \times R.$$

Hence  $f$  is an  $R$ -module homomorphism.

b. Show that  $\text{im } f \subseteq R$  is non-empty and is closed under addition and scalar multiplication; that is,  $\text{im } f$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $R$ .

c. Compute  $\text{im } f$ .

d. Show that  $\ker f \subseteq R \times R$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $R \times R$ .

e. Determine  $\ker f$  explicitly: Show that there exists a function  $g: R \rightarrow R \times R$  of the form  $g(r) = (r\alpha, r\beta)$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \in R$  such that  $\text{im } g = \ker f$ . Note that  $g$  satisfies the analogue of (i) and (ii) above (i.e., is an  $R$ -module homomorphism).

f. Show that there exists an exact sequence of  $R$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{i} R \times R \xrightarrow{f} R \xrightarrow{p} Y \rightarrow 0.$$

What are  $X$ ,  $i$ ,  $Y$ ,  $p$ ?

g. Determine precisely all solutions  $(s, t)$ ,  $s, t \in R$  of the equation  $sa + tb = \gcd(a, b)$  where  $\gcd(a, b)$  denotes the greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Ex09 3.** Let  $R$  be a PID and let  $a, b \in R$  be two non-zero elements. Show that there exist elements  $r, s, u, v \in R$  such that

$$a. \quad (a, b) = au + bv,$$

$$b. \quad a = (a, b)r, \quad b = (a, b)s, \quad [a, b] = (a, b)rs,$$

c. the matrices  $A, B \in R^{2 \times 2}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} u & v \\ -s & r \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -vs \\ 1 & ur \end{bmatrix}$$

are invertible and  $\det A = \det B = 1$ ,

d. and further the following holds:

$$A \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} (a, b) & 0 \\ 0 & [a, b] \end{bmatrix}.$$

