

MATH 7752 - HOMEWORK 5
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- (1) Let $F = \mathbb{Z}^3$ be the free \mathbb{Z} -module of rank 3. Let N be the submodule of F generated by $v_1 = (1, 2, 3)$, $(5, 4, 6)$, and $(7, 8, 9)$.
- (a) Find compatible bases for F and N , that is, bases satisfying the submodule theorem 1.
 - (b) Describe the quotient F/N in the IF form.
 - (c) Describe in IF form the abelian group given by the presentation

$$\langle a, b, c \mid a + 2b + 3c = 0, 5a + 4b + 6c = 0, 7a + 8b + 9c = 0 \rangle.$$

- (2) Let R be a PID. For an R -module M define $\text{rk}(M)$ to be the minimal size of a generating set of M .
- (a) Let M be a finitely generated R -module and $R/a_1R \oplus \cdots \oplus R/a_mR \oplus R^s$ be its invariant factor decomposition. That is, $s \geq 0$ and the elements a_1, \dots, a_m are non-zero, non-units such that $a_1 \mid a_2 \mid \cdots \mid a_m$. Prove that $\text{rk}(M) = m + s$.
Warning: It is not true in general that $\text{rk}(P \oplus Q) = \text{rk}(P) \oplus \text{rk}(Q)$.
 - (b) Let F be a free R -module of rank n with basis e_1, \dots, e_n . Let N be the submodule of F generated by some elements $v_1, \dots, v_n \in F$. Let $A \in \text{Mat}_n(F)$ be the matrix such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ \vdots \\ e_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find a simple condition on the entries of A which holds if and only if $\text{rk}(F/N) = n$.

- (3) In this problem R will be a commutative domain. An R -module P is called *projective* if it is a direct summand of a free R -module. That is, if there exist a free R -module F and a submodule Q of F such that $F = P \oplus Q$.
- (a) Let P, M, N be R -modules and suppose $f : M \rightarrow N$ is a surjective R -module homomorphism. The map f induces a homomorphism of R -modules,

$$f_* : \quad \text{Hom}_R(P, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(P, N) \\
[\phi : P \rightarrow M] \mapsto [f \circ \phi : P \rightarrow N].$$

Prove that if P is finitely generated and projective, then f_* is surjective.

Hint: The universal property of free R -modules will be useful.

- (b) Show that if R is a PID and P is finitely generated, then P is projective if and only if P is free.

- (4) Determine the number of possible RCF's of 8×8 matrices A over \mathbb{Q} with $\chi_A(x) = x^8 - x^4$. Explain your argument in detail.

- (5) (**Optional: extra practice for the midterm**) Solve Problem 9 from p. 489 of Dummit-Foote.