

**Exercise 6.1**

(1) We know that degree 3 polynomials are irreducible iff they have a root. We can use the rational root test to verify which polynomials have roots.

A root of  $x^3 + nx + 2$  must be 1, -1, 2 or -2. We have that  $1 + n + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow n = -3$ ,  $-1 - n + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow n = -1$ ,  $2^3 + 2n + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow n = -5$  and  $-2^3 - 2n + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow n = -3$ . Thus  $x^3 + nx + 2$  is irreducible iff  $n \neq 1, -3, -5$

(2) Over  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x^8 - 1 = (x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 + 1)(x^4 + 1)$ . We know that  $x^2 + 1$  is irreducible since it has no roots,  $x^4 + 1$  is irreducible since  $(x - 1)^4 + 1 = x^4 - 4x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x + 6$  is irreducible by Eisenstein criteria.

Over  $\mathbb{Z}/2$ , we have  $x^8 - 1 = (x + 1)^8$

Over  $\mathbb{Z}/3$ ,  $x^8 - 1 = (x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + x + 2)(x^2 + 2x + 2)$  (a simple check of roots shows these deg 2 polynomials are irreducible)

**Exercise 6.2**

(1) If  $n = m$  it is clear that  $R^n \cong R^m$  since we can bijectively map the basis to each other. Since each element is a unique sum of the basis, our map will be bijective.

If  $n < m$ , we can show that a surjective map  $\varphi : R^n \rightarrow R^m$  is not possible.  $\varphi$  is fully defined from where  $\varphi$  sends the basis  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n$  to  $R^m$ . If  $R^m$  has the basis  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$ , we have  $\varphi(g_k) = \sum_i r_{i,k} b_i$  for  $r_{i,k} \in R$ , we can write this as an  $n$  by  $m$  matrix:

$$A_{i,k} = [r_{i,k}]$$

We can extend the domain of  $\varphi$  from  $R^n$  to  $R^m$  by setting  $\varphi(R^{m-n}) = 0$ . Thus we would have  $A$  extends to an  $m \times m$  matrix. However, since  $\varphi$  is surjective, there exists a righthand inverse:  $\rho : R^m \rightarrow R^n$  such that  $\varphi \circ \rho = 1$ . Thus our extension with  $\rho : R^m \rightarrow R^n$ ,  $\varphi : R^m \rightarrow R^m$  also satisfies  $\varphi \circ \rho = 1$ . If we consider the square matrices  $B, A$  for  $\rho$  and  $\varphi$  we have

$$\det(A)\det(B) = \det(\text{id}) = 1$$

However  $\det(A) = 0$  since it has a row of zeros and thus not a unit. Thus we have a contradiction.

(2) Let  $g_1, g_2$  be the generators of  $R^2$  and  $h$  the generator of  $R$ . We have that any  $T \in \text{End}_k(V)$  is of the form

$$T(k_1 b_1 + k_2 b_2 + \dots k_n b_n + \dots) = k_1 T(b_1) + k_2 T(b_2) + \dots k_n T(b_n) + \dots$$

Where the  $b_i$ s are the basis of  $V$  and  $k_i \in k$ .

We can define the following isomorphism:

$$\varphi(g_1) = T_1 h, \varphi(g_2) = T_2 h$$

Where  $T_1(b_n) = b_n \forall n \in 2\mathbb{Z}$  and  $T_1(b_n) = 0 \forall n \in 1 + 2\mathbb{Z}$ , similarly  $T_2(b_n) = b_n \forall n \in 1 + 2\mathbb{Z}$  and  $T_2(b_n) = 0 \forall n \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ .

We have surjectivity since for any  $Th \in R$  we have

$$T = TT_1 + TT_2$$

Thus  $\varphi(Tg_1 + Tg_2) = Th$ . We have injectivity since  $TT_1 + TT_2 = FT_1 + FT_2 \Rightarrow T(b_1) = F(b_1), T(b_2) = F(b_2) \dots T(b_i) = F(b_i) \dots \Rightarrow T = F$

### Exercise 6.3

(1) We can use the fact  $M'' \cong M/M'$ . If  $M$  is noetherian it is clear that  $M'$  is noetherian since it is isomorphic to a submodule of  $M$ . Submodules of noetherian modules are noetherian since any ascending chain of  $M'$  is an ascending chain of  $M$ . Then we have that  $M''$  is noetherian since any ascending chain in  $M/M'$  has a corresponding ascending chain obtained from the cononical mapping  $\pi : M/M' \rightarrow M$ . We know that for any two submodules  $N, N' \subset M/M'$  we have that  $N \subset N' \Leftrightarrow \pi(N) \subset \pi(N')$ , and thus a chain in  $M'' = M/M'$  terminates iff its image from  $\pi$  terminates.

Conversly, if  $M''$  and  $M'$  are noetherian then we have that any submodule of  $M/M'$  is finitely generated and any submodule of  $M'$  is finitely generated. We have that any submodule  $S$  of  $M$  is generated by the generators of  $S \cap M'$  and the elements obtained by mapping generators of  $S + M' \subset M/M'$  to one of their coset representatives.

This is a generating set of  $S$  since for any  $s \in S$  we can write  $s = m + m'$  for  $m \notin M', m' \in M'$  then we have that  $m$  can be written as a sum of generators obtained by coset representatives of generators of  $S + M$  with a difference of some elements in  $S \cap M'$ . Then we have the remaining elements are only in  $S \cap M'$  and thus can be written as a sum of generators in  $S \cap M'$ . Since this set of generators is finite (since  $S \cap M'$  and  $S + M$  are submodules of noetherian modules and thus finitely generated),  $M$  is noetherian.

(2) We can induct on the rank of the R-Modules. For rank = 1, we know that the only possible modules are ideals of  $R$ , which are noetherian.

For a rank  $n + 1$  R-Module  $M$ , we have that for a rank 1 sub module  $R$ ,  $M/R$  is a rank  $n$  R-Module. Thus from our inductive hypothesis, since  $R$  and  $M/R$  are noetherian, we know that  $M$  is noetherian.

### Exercise 6.4

(1) If  $rk(M) = n$ , then we have a linear independent set  $A = \{g_1, \dots, g_n\} \subset M$ . The submodule generated by  $A$  is a free module  $R^n$ . If we consider the quotient  $M/R^n$ , every element  $m$  not in  $R^n$  (and thus not zero in  $M/R^n$ ) cannot be written as a linear sum of elements in  $A$ . However we know that  $\{m\} \cup A$  cannot be linearly independent since it would contradict  $rk(M) = n$ , therefore we have  $r_m m = r_1 g_1 + \dots r_n g_n$ . Thus  $r_m m = 0$  in  $M/R^n$ . So  $M/R^n$  is torsion

Conversly if  $M/R^n$  is torsion then we know that  $R^n$  is a submodule of  $M$ . Therefore there exists a set of  $n$  independent elements in  $M$  which are the generators of  $R^n$ . We have that there cannot exist any set of  $n + 1$  linearly independent elts of  $M$  since they are all torsion in  $M/R^n$ , and thus when we multiply by appropriate  $r \in R$  for each element we get

$n + 1$  elts in  $R^n$ . Since we know that any  $n + 1$  elements in  $R^n$  are linearly dependent when  $R$  is a PID we know we can find a non-zero linear combination of these elements to equal zero.

(2) We have that sets of linearly independent elts  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \subset M, B = \{b_1, \dots, b_m\} \subset M'$  are linearly independent in  $M \oplus M'$  as  $A \times \{0\} \cup \{0\} \times B$ . Thus  $rk(M \oplus M') \geq rk(M) + rk(M')$ . We have that  $rk(M \oplus M') \leq rk(M) + rk(M')$  since if we have a set  $G = \{(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2) \dots (a_{m+n+1}, b_{m+n+1})\} \subset M \oplus M'$ , since rank of  $M < n + 1$  there exists  $r_i \in R$  such that

$$r_1 a_1 + \dots r_n a_n + r_{n+1} a_{m+n+1} = 0$$

Let us define  $g = r_1(a_1, b_1) + \dots r_n(a_n, b_n) + r_{n+1}(a_{m+n+1}, b_{m+n+1})$ . We have that  $g = (0, b)$  for some  $b \in M'$ . Now in  $M'$  we have that

$$r_{n+1} b_{n+1} + \dots r_{n+m} b_{n+m} + r_{m+n+1} b = 0$$

Thus we can define  $h = (r_{n+1}(a_{n+1}, b_{n+1}) + \dots r_{n+m}(a_{n+m}, b_{n+m}) + r_{m+n+1}g$  with  $h = (a, 0)$  for some  $a \in M$ . Thus we have that  $g \cdot h = 0$  which is a linear combination of  $(a_1, b_1) \dots (a_{n+m+1}, b_{n+m+1})$

(3) We have that any  $(m, m') \in M \oplus M'$  we have that for any  $r \in R$  we have that  $r(m, m') = 0$  iff  $rm = 0, rm' = 0$ . Thus  $(m, m') \in \text{Tor}_R(M \oplus M')$  iff  $m \in \text{Tor}_R(M), m' \in \text{Tor}_R(M')$ . So we have the cononical mapping  $\pi : \text{Tor}_R(M \oplus M') \cong \text{Tor}_R(M) \oplus \text{Tor}_R(M')$  where  $\pi(m, m') = (m, m')$  is an isomorphism.

### Exersise 6.5

(1) Let the generators of  $M$  be  $g_1, \dots, g_n$ . Since  $M$  is torsion there exists  $r_1, \dots, r_n \in R, r_i \neq 0$  where  $r_1 g_1 = r_2 g_2 = \dots r_n g_n = 0$ . Thus for any  $m \in M$  we have  $(r_1 r_2 r_3 \dots r_n) m = 0$  since  $m$  is linear sum of elts of  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  and since  $R$  is commutative we can rearrange so that  $r_i$  multiplies with  $g_i$  in each term. Thus  $(r_1 r_2 \dots r_n) \in \text{Ann}(M)$ , and  $(r_1 r_2 \dots r_n) \neq 0$  since  $R$  is an ID

(2) Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  and

$$S = \mathbb{Z}/2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/8 \oplus \dots \mathbb{Z}/2^n \oplus \dots$$

$M$  is defined as the set of finite tuples in  $S$ . Thus we have that every element in  $M$  is torsion since for any  $m \in M$ , there is an  $N$  such that for  $n > N$  the  $n$ th component of  $m$  is zero. Thus  $2^N m = 0$ . However  $\text{ann}(R) = 0$  since for any  $2^n \in R$  we have that the element  $m$  with  $n + 1$  component 1 multiplies with  $2^n$  to yield  $2^n \neq 0$  in the  $n + 1$  th component.

### Exersise 6.6

If we consider the free module  $R$ , we know that every submodule is an ideal and thus from our assumption every ideal  $I \subset R$  is free. Therefore for each  $I$  there is a generating set  $A$ .  $A$  can only have one element since the rank of  $R$  is 1 so every submodule has rank 1. Thus  $I = (a)R$  so  $R$  is a PID