

# Algebra

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Proof of (4.2) Generalised Principal Ideal Theorem

(Last time finished Krull's PIT, we do it for Q20 in Ex Sheet 2. Most of the work done for Krull's PIT)

$R$  Noetherian,  $I$  proper ideal gen. by  $n$  elements,  $P$  minimal prime over  $I$ . Then  $\text{ht}(P) \leq n$ .

Proof by induction on  $n$ .  
 $n=1$  ✓ Done by 4.1.

Assume  $n > 1$ , we may assume by passing to  $R_P$ , that  $R$  is local, with unique maximal ideal  $P$ .

Pick any prime ~~max~~  $Q$  maximal subject to  $Q \not\subseteq P$  and thus  $P$  is the only prime strictly containing  $Q$ .

Claim:  $\text{ht } Q \leq n-1$

(It's enough to do this for all such  $Q$  in order to prove  $\text{ht } P \leq n$ ).

Since  $P$  is minimal over  $I$ ,  $Q \not\subseteq I$ .

By assumption  $I = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  say and we may assume  $a_n \notin Q$ .

$P$  is the only prime containing  $Q + (a_n)$  and so  $\mathcal{N}(R/Q + (a_n)) = P/Q + (a_n)$  is nilpotent

( $R$  Noetherian) and so there is  $m$  such that  $a_n^m \in Q + (a_n)$  for all  $t \leq n-1$ .

$$= t_i + x_i a_n \quad \text{for some } t_i \in \mathbb{Q} \\ x_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Any prime of  $R$  containing  $t_1, \dots, t_{n-1}$  and  $a_n$  contains  $\mathfrak{q}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{q}_n$ .

Note:  $(t_1, \dots, t_{n-1}) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  since  $t_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Claim:  $\mathbb{Q}$  is minimal over  $(t_1, \dots, t_{n-1})$ .  
write  $\bar{A} = R/(t_1, \dots, t_{n-1})$

bars for images in  $\bar{R}$ .

The unique maximal ideal of  $\bar{A}$  is  $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ , is a minimal prime over  $(\bar{a}_n)$ .

Apply (4.1) to get  $\text{ht}(\bar{\mathfrak{p}}) \leq 1$ .

But  $\mathbb{Q} \not\subseteq \bar{\mathfrak{p}}$  and so  $\text{ht}(\bar{\mathfrak{p}}) = 0$ .  
and so  $\mathbb{Q}$  is minimal over  $(t_1, \dots, t_{n-1})$ .

So we may apply induction hypothesis to give  $\text{ht} \mathbb{Q} \leq n-1$ .

(Easily used PIT twice, not much extra effort)

End of chapter.

Should now cover Artinian rings  
(in non-commutative case).

2 lectures of non-commutativity, then back to commutativity

## §5: Artinian rings

In this chapter,  $R$  need not be commutative (but still have unity).

(5.1) Def:  $R$  is right Artinian if it satisfies the descending chain on right ideals (similarly for modules, left Artinian).

Examples (1)  $k$  field, any  $R$  that is finite dimensional as a  $k$ -vector space is right and left Artinian.

- right ideals, left ideals are vector subspaces.

e.g.  $M_n(k)$   $n \times n$  matrices over  $k$ .

Division rings ~~that are finite dimensional over  $k$~~ . <sup>actually don't need this.</sup>

e.g.  $\mathbb{H}$  quaternions

$$\mathbb{R} + \mathbb{R}i + \mathbb{R}j + \mathbb{R}k$$

division ring

$$\begin{cases} i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1 \\ ij = k, ji = -k \end{cases}$$

$M_n(D)$  for division ring  $D$ .

right ideal generated by matrix  $A$ .

$$AR = \{ B : \text{columns of } B \leq \text{right span of columns of } A \}$$

scalar multiplication on right.

Right ideal are of form  

$$I_v = \{ B : \text{columns of } B \leq \text{right subspace } V \text{ of } D^n \}$$
↑  
column vectors

Similarly for left ideals  

$$R A = \{ B : \text{rows of } B \leq \text{left span of rows of } A \}$$

Left ideals are of form  

$$J_v = \{ B : \text{rows of } B \leq \text{left subspace } V \text{ of } D^n \}$$
↑  
row vectors

Note that only 2-sided ideals are 0 and the whole of  $M_n(D)$

(5.2) (Def<sup>n</sup>)  $R$  is a simple ring if the only 2-sided ideals are 0 or  $R$ .

Thus,  $M_n(D)$  is a simple ring.  $\odot$

Example:  $R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} g & r \\ 0 & s \end{pmatrix} : g \in K, r, s \in R \right\}$

is not left Artinian but is right Artinian.  
 (c.o. can come up examples, where left, not right Art, but doesn't care up very often).

$K\mathcal{G}$ ,  $K$  field & finite group basis labelled by  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ :

$$\left( \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} \lambda_g g \right) \left( \sum_{h \in \mathcal{G}} \mu_h h \right) = \left( \sum_{k \in \mathcal{G}} \nu_k k \right) \quad \text{where}$$

$$V_k = \sum_{\substack{g, h \\ \text{s.t. } gh = k}} \lambda_g \mu_h$$

(5.3) Def<sup>n</sup>: The Jacobson radical Jac R is the intersection of the maximal right ideals.  
 (will show get same thing for left)

Remark: This is actually a 2-sided ideal.

$I$  is a maximal right ideal  $\iff R/I$  is a simple right  $R$ -module.

(5.4) Def<sup>n</sup>: A simple module  $M$  is one where the only submodules are  $0$  and  $M$ .  
 Let  $M$  be a simple right  $R$ -module and  $m \neq 0, m \in M$ . Then  $\text{Ann}_R(m) = \{r : mr = 0\}$  is a maximal right ideal of  $R$ .  
 (Note annihilators of elements are right ideals)

However  $\text{Ann}_R M = \bigcap_{m \in M} \text{Ann}(m)$  is a 2-sided ideal,  
 since if  $r \in \text{Ann} M, x \in R$ .

$m(xr) = (mx)r = 0$  and so  $xr \in \text{Ann}(m)$   
 for all  $m$ .

We can see that  $\text{Jac} R = \bigcap_{\substack{M \text{ simple} \\ \text{right } M\text{-module}}} \text{Ann}(M)$  and so  
 a 2-sided ideal.

(3.5) Nakayama's Lemma. — very useful!!  
the following are equivalent for a right ideal  $I$ .

(1)  $I \subseteq \text{Jac } R$

(2) If  $M$  f.g.  $R$ -module with submodule  $N$  satisfying  $N + MI = M$  then  $N = M$ .

(3)  $\{1 + xi : x \in I\} = G$  is a subgroup of unit group of  $R$ .

Proof: Ex Sheet.

(which is why original proof we did was not AM proof)

From this, we can see that  $\text{Jac } R$  is characterized as the largest 2-sided ideal such that  $\{1 + xi : x \in \text{Jac } R\}$  forms a subgroup of the unit group.

This characterization does not include right/left.

If we developed the definition of  $\text{Jac } R$  using left ideals, we'd get the same ideal.

(3.6) Def<sup>n</sup>:  $R$  is semisimple if  $\text{Jac } R = \{0\}$

Examples: ①  $M_n(D)$  for  $D$  division ring.  
is semisimple

②  $G =$  cyclic order  $p$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_p$  field of  $p$  elements  
 $\mathbb{F}_p(G) \cong \mathbb{F}_p[x]/(x^p - 1)$  not semisimple  
since  $x^p - 1 = (x - 1)^p$ .

③  $k \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$  finite,  $\text{char } k = 0$  is semisimple  
(needs proof, not trivial).

Our main goal is to prove Artin-Wedderburn theorem which says a right Artinian semisimple ring is a direct sum of matrix algebras over division rings.

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(will take about 30 min to prove).

[will do some homological algebra afterwards]

