

First semestral examination 2008  
Commutative algebra  
M.Math.IIInd year  
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*Answer 6 questions completely. Be brief !*

**Q 1.**

(i) Let  $\theta : M \rightarrow N$  be an  $A$ -module homomorphism. If  $N$  is finitely generated and  $\theta_P : M_P \rightarrow N_P$  is onto, for a fixed prime ideal  $P$ , show that there exists  $a \notin P$  such that the induced map  $M_a \rightarrow N_a$  is onto.

(ii) Give an example to show that even if  $M, N$  are finitely generated, then  $S^{-1} \text{Hom}_A(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{S^{-1}A}(S^{-1}M, S^{-1}N)$  may not be onto.

**Q 2.**

If  $M$  is a finitely generated module over a Noetherian ring  $A$ , show  $\sqrt{\text{ann}(M)} = \bigcap_{P \in \text{Ass}(M)} P$ .

**Q 3.**

Consider the ring  $A = \mathbf{Z}[2X, X^2, X^3]$ . Prove that the ideal  $P$  generated by  $2X$  and  $X^2$  over  $A$  is prime but that  $P^2$  is not  $P$ -primary.

**Q 4.**

(i) Compute  $\text{Tor}_n^{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{Q}/\mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z})$  for a prime  $p$  for  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$ .

(ii) Over the ring  $A$  of continuous functions from  $\mathbf{R}$  to itself with period  $\pi$ , show that the module  $P$  of all continuous functions  $f$  satisfying  $f(x + \pi) = -f(x) \forall x$ , is projective but not free.

**Q 5.**

Let  $A$  be a subring of a field  $K$  and let  $\theta : A \rightarrow \Omega$  be a nontrivial ring homomorphism to an algebraically closed field. If  $t \in K^*$ , show that  $\theta$  extends to a ring homomorphism either from  $A[t]$  or from  $A[t^{-1}]$  to  $\Omega$ .

**Q 6.**

Let  $G$  be a finite group of automorphisms of a ring  $A$ .

(i) Prove that  $A$  is an integral extension of  $A^G := \{a \in A : g(a) = a\}$ .

(ii) Show that  $G$  acts transitively on the set of prime ideals of  $A$  lying over any prime of  $A^G$ .

**Q 7.**

Let  $A$  be a Noetherian, local, normal domain in which each non-zero prime ideal is maximal. Show that the maximal ideal of  $A$  must be principal.

Q 8.

Show that an Artinian ring has only finitely many maximal ideals.

Q 9.

Let  $I$  be a fractional ideal of a domain  $A$ . If  $I$  is projective as an  $A$ -module, prove that  $I$  is invertible.

Q 10.

Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a Noetherian, local ring. Using the dimension theorem or otherwise, prove that  $\dim A \leq \dim_{A/\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2$ .