

Due: Monday, November 6

1. Let  $T = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , be a polynomial ring over a field  $K$ , and let  $f$  denote the sum of the square-free products of the variables taken  $n - 1$  at a time. Let  $R = T[1/f]$ . Explicitly express  $R$  as a module-finite extension of a polynomial ring over  $K$ . In particular, give the algebraically independent generators of the polynomial ring explicitly.

2. Let  $K$  be a Noetherian ring and let  $R = K[u_1, \dots, u_n]$  be a finitely generated extension ring. Let  $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_d\}$  be a finite group with  $|G| = d$  consisting of  $K$ -algebra automorphisms of  $R$  (every element of  $G$  fixes every element of  $K$ ) and let  $R^G = \{r \in R : \text{for all } g \in G, g(r) = r\}$ , the *ring of invariants* of  $G$  acting on  $R$ . Prove that  $R^G$  is a finitely generated  $K$ -algebra. For each  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , let  $e_{i1}, \dots, e_{id}$  be the elementary symmetric functions of the elements  $g_1(u_i), \dots, g_d(u_i)$  (note that  $u_i = 1_G(u_i)$ ). Show that every  $u_i$  is integral over  $B = K[e_{ij} : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq d]$ , and use that  $B \subseteq R^G \subseteq R$ .)

3. Let  $R$  be a ring such that for every maximal ideal  $m$  of  $R$ , the ring  $R_m$  is Noetherian. Suppose also that every element of  $R - \{0\}$  is contained in only finitely many maximal ideals of  $R$ . Prove that  $R$  is Noetherian.

4. Show that if the set of ideals of  $R$  that are not finitely generated is non-empty, it has a maximal element  $J$ , and that  $J$  must be prime. [Hence, if every prime ideal of  $R$  is finitely generated, then  $R$  is Noetherian.] (Suggestion: if  $fg \in J$  with  $f \notin J$  and  $g \notin J$ , then  $J :_R g = \{r \in R : rg \in J\}$  is finitely generated, and so is  $J + Rg$ .)

5. Let  $S = R[x]$ , the polynomial ring in one variable over  $R$ . Show that the a chain of prime ideals of  $S$  lying over a given prime ideal  $P$  of  $R$  has length at most one. Show that if  $R$  has finite Krull dimension  $d$ , then the Krull dimension  $n$  of  $S$  is such that  $d + 1 \leq n \leq 2d + 1$ . (In the Noetherian case,  $n = d + 1$ . In the general case, the statement made here is sharp.)

5. Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field.

(a) Let  $f : K^2 \rightarrow K^2$  be the morphism such that  $f(x, y) = (x, 1 + xy)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . Find the image of  $f$ , and show that it is neither open nor closed in  $K^2$ .

(b) Let  $g : K^2 \rightarrow K^2$  be such that  $g(x, y) = (x + y(1 + xy), 1 + xy)$  for all  $x, y \in K$ . Find the image  $U$  of  $g$ , and show that it is open in  $K^2$ . Describe the sets  $A_i \subseteq U$  of points  $P$  such that  $g^{-1}(P)$  has  $i$  elements for  $i = 1, 2$ .

**Extra Credit 5.** Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field. Let  $P_1, \dots, P_n$  be any  $n$  distinct points of  $K^2$ .

(a) Let  $Q_1, \dots, Q_n$  be any set of  $n$  distinct points of  $K^2$ . Prove that there is an isomorphism  $f : K^2 \rightarrow K^2$  such that  $f(P_i) = Q_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

(b) Show that there is a morphism  $g : K^2 \rightarrow K^2$  whose image is precisely  $K^2 - \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$ .

**Extra Credit 6.** Let  $R$  be a ring in which every prime ideal is an intersection of maximal ideals. Prove that every finitely generated  $R$ -algebra has the same property.