Math 615, Winter 2011 Due: Monday, Febraury 14 Problem Set #2

**1.** Let R be any ring, let J be a finitely generated ideal of R, and let E be any injective R-module. Let  $M^{\vee}$  denote  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(M, E)$ . Prove that  $(\operatorname{Ann}_M J)^{\vee} \cong M^{\vee}/JM^{\vee}$ .

**2.** Let (R, m, K) be a local ring, and let I be an m-primary ideal such that the socle in R/I is a one-dimensional K-vector space. Suppose that  $I \subseteq J$ . Prove or disprove that I : (I : J) = J, where  $I : J = \{r \in R : rJ \subseteq I\}$ .

**3.** Let  $I \subseteq J$  be ideals of the Noetherian ring R. Show that there is a natural map  $H^i_J(M) \to H^i_I(M)$  for every integer i using the definition of local cohomology as a direct limit of Ext modules. Show that the map you define is an isomorphism if I and J have the same radical.

**4.** Let *M* be a finitely generated module over a Noetherian ring *R*, let *I* be an ideal of *R* with  $IM \neq M$ , and let  $x_1, \ldots, x_d \in I$  be a maximal regular sequence on *M*.

(a) Part of the long exact sequence for local cohomology coming from the short exact sequence  $0 \to M \xrightarrow{x_1} M \to M/x_1 M \to 0$  gives

$$0 \to H^{d-1}_I(M/x_1M) \xrightarrow{\partial} H^d_I(M) \xrightarrow{x_1} H^d_I(M)$$

Show that  $\partial$  is an essential extension, and, hence, that Ass  $(H_I^d(M)) = \text{Ass}(H_I^{d-1}(M/x_1M))$ . (b) Conclude that Ass  $(H_I^d(M)) = \text{Ass}(H_I^0(M/(x_1, \ldots, x_d)M))$ . Hence, Ass  $(H_I^d(M))$  is finite.

**5.** Let  $T = K[x_1, \ldots, x_n]$  be a polynomial ring over a field K, and let  $d_1, \ldots, d_n > 0$  be integers. Let I be the ideal of T generated by the products  $x_i x_j$  for  $i \neq j$  and the elements  $x_i^{d_i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Let R = T/I. Let m be the maximal ideal  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n)R$ . Determine the length of  $E = E_R(R/m)$ , and determine the least number of generators of E.

**6.** Let R be a Noetherian ring, let I be an ideal and let M be a module of finite length. Let  $f \in R$  be any element and let J = I + fR. Show that there is an exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0_J(M) \to H^0_I(M) \to H^0_I(M_f) \to 0$$

**EXTRA CREDIT 2.** Let (R, m, K) be a local ring and suppose that we have a map  $K \hookrightarrow R$  such that the composite  $K \to R \twoheadrightarrow K$  is an isomorphism. (We then say that K is a *coefficient field* for R. (This holds, for example, whenever R is complete and contains any field.) Let E denote the set of K-linear maps  $R \to K$  that kill  $m^n$  for some integer n > 0. Prove that E is an injective hull for K over R.

**EXTRA CREDIT 3.** Let K[u, v, x, y] be a polynomial ring over a field, and let R be the subring K[xu, xv, yu, yv]. Let m = (xu, xv, yu, yv)R. Let I = (xu, xv). Show that every element of  $H_I^2(R)$  is killed by a power of m. Does  $H_I^2(R)$  have DCC?