Exercises for Algebra 1	Instituto Nacional de Matemática Pura e Aplicada
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## Exercise 1.

Consider the submodule N of the Z-module  $M = \mathbb{Z}^2$  that is generated by (1,1) and (1,-1). Determine the free rank and the elementary divisors of M/N. Determine further the ideals of Z that occur as the annihilator  $\operatorname{Ann}_{\mathbb{Z}}(m)$  of an element m of M/N.

**Exercise 2.** Consider the  $\mathbb{C}[T]$ -module  $M = \mathbb{C}^3$  where T acts as one of the matrices

(1)	T =	$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$	(2) $T = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$	$(3)  T = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$
(4)	T =	$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \nu \end{pmatrix}$	(5) $T = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$	$(6)  T = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$

and where  $\lambda$ ,  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are pairwise distinct complex numbers. Determine in each case the characteristic polynomial and the minimal polynomial of T, as well as the elementary divisors and the invariant factors of M.

## Exercise 3.

Let A be a ring and  $Mat_{n \times n}(A)$  the set of  $n \times n$ -matrices with coefficients in A.

- 1. Show that  $Mat_{n \times n}(A)$  is a noncommutative ring with respect to matrix addition and matrix multiplication. What are 0 and 1?
- 2. Show that the inclusion  $f : A \to \operatorname{Mat}_{n \times n}(A)$  as diagonal matrices is a homomorphism of (noncommutative) rings, i.e. f(a+b) = f(a) + f(b),  $f(a \cdot b) = f(a) \cdot f(b)$  and f(1) = 1.
- 3. The determinant is the map det :  $\operatorname{Mat}_{n \times n}(A) \to A$  that sends a matrix  $T = (a_{i,j})_{i,j=1,\dots,n}$  to the element

$$\det(T) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sign}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i,\sigma(i)}$$

of A. Show that det is multiplicative, i.e.  $det(T \cdot T') = det(T) \cdot det(T')$  and det(1) = 1.

4. Show that a matrix T is a unit in  $Mat_{n \times n}(A)$ , i.e. TT' = 1 for some matrix T', if and only if det(T) is a unit in A.

## Exercise 4.

An A-module M is flat if  $-\otimes_A M$  is exact.

- 1. Show that every free A-module is flat. Conclude that every projective A-module is flat. (*Hint:* Use property 2 from Exercise 4 on List 10.)
- 2. Let I be an ideal of A. Show that  $I \otimes_A M \simeq IM$  if M is flat.
- 3. Show that every ideal of a principal ideal domain A is flat as an A-module, and conclude that  $IJ \simeq I \otimes_A J$  for all ideals I and J of A.

## Exercise 5 (Bonus).

An A-module is called *Noetherian* if every of its submodules is finitely generated over A. A ring A is called *Noetherian* if it is Noetherian as a module over itself, i.e. if all of its ideals are finitely generated.

- 1. Let A be any ring. Show that if  $M \to Q$  is an epimorphism of A-modules and M is Noetherian, then Q is Noetherian.
- 2. Let  $M_1, \ldots, M_n$  be Noetherian A-modules. Show (by induction on n) that  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i$  is Noetherian.
- 3. Let A be Noetherian ring. Conclude that every finitely generated A-module is Noetherian.
- 4. Use this to give an alternative proof of Corollary 2 of section 4.8 of the lecture.