

Recall: We are in the process of proving Cor 2.3.10 ((4) still missing!)

Cor 2.3.10 Let M be an R -module.

(1) $\text{u.dim}(M) = 1 \iff M$ is uniform.

$\text{u.dim}(M) = 0 \iff M = 0$.

(2) Let $\text{u.dim}(M) = n$ and $N \subseteq M$. Then $\text{u.dim}(N) = n \iff N \subseteq M$ is essential.

(3) $\text{u.dim}(M_1 \oplus M_2) = \text{u.dim}(M_1) + \text{u.dim}(M_2)$.

M uniform $\iff$ every $\neq 0$ submodule of M is essential.
 $\text{u.dim}(M) = \max_{\substack{2.3.5 \\ \{U_i\}_{i=1}^n \subseteq M, U_i \neq 0 \text{ all uniform}}} n$

Proven

(4) M has finite uniform dimension $\iff M$ satisfies the ACC for complement submodules. Indeed, $\text{u.dim}(M) = \text{max. length of a chain of complement submodules}$. $\hookrightarrow N \subseteq M \text{ s.t. } \exists N' : N \oplus N' = M$

Proof of (4):

If $N_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq N_t$ is a properly ascending chain of complement submodules, then by Prop 2.3.5 (2): $\exists A_i \neq 0$ in N_i s.t. $A_i \cap N_{i-1} = 0$ for all $i \in \{2, \dots, t\}$.

Then $N_1, N_1 \oplus A_2, \dots, N_1 \oplus A_2 \oplus \dots \oplus A_t$ are submodules of M .

Thus, if $\text{u.dim}(M) = n$, then there is no chain of complement modules of length $> n$.

Conversely, if $M \supseteq \bigoplus_{i=1}^t M_i$, where $t \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$, then the complements of the submodules $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i$, where $n \in \{1, \dots, t\}$, form a properly ascending chain of length t . $\square$

For the following two results, we need (R, R) -bimodules: Consider a module ${}_R M_R$. Then ${}_R M_R$ can be considered as a right $R \otimes R^{\text{op}}$ -module, and we can use all our former results on right modules. Then, to say that the bimodule ${}_R M_R$ has finite uniform dimension means that $M_{R \otimes R^{\text{op}}}$ has finite uniform dimension, and that means that M contains no infinite direct sum of nonzero sub-bimodules. We use this point of view for two-sided ideals and for the ring $R = {}_R R_R$.

Thm 2.3.11 Let R be semiprime and $I \subseteq R$ be an ideal. (2)

(1) $\ell\text{-ann}_R(I) = r\text{-ann}_R(I)$, and we set $\text{ann}_R(I) := \ell\text{-ann}_R(I)$.

$$\{\lambda \in R : \lambda \cdot x = 0 \ \forall x \in I\} \rightarrow \{\lambda \in R : x \cdot \lambda = 0 \ \forall x \in I\}$$

(2) $\text{ann}_R(I)$ is the unique complement of I in R .

(3) $\text{ann}_R(I) = \bigcap$ of all minimal prime ideals in R which do not contain I .

(4) I is uniform $\Leftrightarrow \text{ann}_R(I)$ is a minimal prime ideal.

(5) $I \subseteq_e R$ is essential (as a left and as a right ideal/module) $\Leftrightarrow \text{ann}_R(I) = 0$.

(6) If I is not contained in any minimal prime ideal, then $I \subseteq_e R$ is essential.

pf: (1) If $X \in R$ and $I \cdot X = 0$, then $(XI)^2 = 0$, which implies $XI = 0$.
 Conversely, if $XI = 0 \Rightarrow IX = 0$. Thus $\ell\text{-ann}_R(I) = r\text{-ann}_R(I)$.
 (2) Show that $\text{ann}_R(I)$ is the unique left complement module of I in R , and $\text{ann}_R(I)$ is the ——— " ——— right ——— :
 If $J \subseteq R$ is a left ideal with $I \cap J = 0$, then $IJ \subseteq I \cap J = 0$, which implies that $J \subseteq \text{ann}_R(I)$. The same argument works for right ideals.
 On the other hand $(I \cap \text{ann}_R(I))^2 = 0$, and this implies that $I \cap \text{ann}_R(I) = 0$. Thus $\text{ann}_R(I)$ is the uniquely determined complement module. (← since it is max. w/ property $I \cap J = 0$)

(3) Let $J :=$ intersection of all min. prime ideals of R not containing I .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } R \text{ is semi-prime} &\Rightarrow 0 = \sqrt{0} = \bigcap_{\substack{P \subseteq R \\ P \text{ prime}}} P = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{I \not\subseteq P \\ P \text{ prime}}} P \right) \cap J = \\ &= \sqrt{I} \cap J \supseteq I \cap J \supseteq I \cdot J. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $J \subseteq \text{ann}_R(I)$ by (2).

For the other inclusion, note that $\text{ann}_R(I) \cdot I = 0$. If p is a minimal prime ideal and $I \not\subseteq p$, then $\text{ann}_R(I) \subseteq p$. Thus $\text{ann}_R(I) \subseteq J$.

(4) $\Rightarrow$: Suppose that I is uniform. By (2), $\text{ann}_R(I)$ is the unique

complement of I in R .

Claim: $\text{ann}_R(I') = \text{ann}_R(I) \quad \forall I' \neq 0 \subseteq I$.

(3) $I' \subseteq I \quad x \in \text{ann}_R(I) \Rightarrow x \cdot a = 0 \quad \forall a \in I \Rightarrow x \cdot a' = 0 \quad \forall a' \in I' \subseteq I$
 $\Rightarrow \text{ann}_R(I) \subseteq \text{ann}_R(I')$

$\therefore$ We have to show that $\text{ann}_R(I') \cap I = 0. (\Rightarrow \text{ann}_R(I') \subseteq \text{ann}_R(I))$

Assume on the contrary that $\text{ann}_R(I') \cap I \neq 0$, then, since I' is uniform too, $I' \cap (\text{ann}_R(I') \cap I) \neq 0$ but $I' \cap \text{ann}_R(I') = 0$. ∇ $\square$ Claim

Let now $B, C \subseteq R$ be ideals with $BC \subseteq \text{ann}_R(I)$. Then, either

(i) $IB = 0$ or (ii) $IB \neq 0$.

In case (i): $B \subseteq \text{ann}_R(I)$

In case (ii): $C \subseteq \text{ann}_R(IB) = \text{ann}_R(I)$.

Thus $\text{ann}_R(I)$ is a prime ideal, and minimality follows from (3).

$\Leftarrow$: Suppose that $\text{ann}_R(I)$ is a min. prime ideal. If $J \subset I$ is a nonzero ideal, then $\text{ann}_R(J) \supseteq \text{ann}_R(I)$. Since $\text{ann}_R(J)$ is the intersection of those minimal prime ideals not containing J , it follows that $\text{ann}_R(I) = \text{ann}_R(J)$.

If $J_1, J_2 \subseteq R$ are nonzero ideals with $J_1 \oplus J_2 \subset I$, then $\text{ann}_R(I) \subsetneq \text{ann}_R(J_1)$. ∇ to def Thus I does not contain a direct sum of nonzero ideals $\Rightarrow I$ is uniform.

(5) Follows from (2).

(6) $\sqrt{0} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(R)} \mathfrak{p}$, and since R is semiprime, we have $\sqrt{0} = 0$ (by

Cor 2.2.7). Thus, if I is not contained in any min. prime, (3) says that $\text{ann}_R(I) = \bigcap_{\text{min. primes}} \mathfrak{p} = 0$. Then (5) shows the claim. $\square$

Cor 2.3.12 Let R be a semiprime ring. TFAE:

(a) R has finite uniform dimension.

(b) R has finitely many min. prime ideals.

(c) R has finitely many annihilator ideals.

(d) R satisfies the ACC on annihilator ideals.

Pf: (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) Let $U_1, \dots, U_n$ be uniform ideals s.t. $U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_n \subseteq R$. (4)
 For $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ we set $\mathfrak{g}_i = \text{ann}_R(U_i)$. By Thm 2.3.11. (4), $\mathfrak{g}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{g}_n$ are minimal prime ideals. By 2.3.11. (5) $\Rightarrow$ $I \subseteq R \Leftrightarrow \text{ann}_R(I) = 0$
 $0 = \text{ann}_R(U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_n) = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{g}_i$.

If $\mathfrak{g}_0$ is a min. prime, then $\mathfrak{g}_1 \cap \dots \cap \mathfrak{g}_n \subseteq \mathfrak{g}_0 \Rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_0 \in \{\mathfrak{g}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{g}_n\}$.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c) Thm 2.3.11. (3)

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (d): Clear (every finite chain becomes stationary!) in R

(d) $\Rightarrow$ (e): By Thm 2.3.11. (2): $\text{ann}_R(I) = \text{unique complement of } I$.

Thus by Cor 2.3.10 (4), R has finite uniform dimension. $\square$

[HC-R, p 56]

Cor 2.3.3 If R is a semiprime ring with $\text{udim}_R R_R = n$, then R has n min. primes, 2^n annihilator ideals, any max. chain of annihilator ideals has length n and no min. prime is essential in R_R .

Pf: (switch) The $\mathfrak{g}_i$ from the proof above are all the min. primes.

Further, since $\mathfrak{g}_1 \cap \dots \cap \mathfrak{g}_n = \text{ann}_R(U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_n)$

$\Rightarrow$ each intersection of min. primes is an annihilator.
 2.3.11 (3)+(4) $\Rightarrow$ complete proof. $\square$

Example (commutative) Let $R = k[x, y]/(xy)$. Then R is semiprime since $\overline{0} = \overline{0} = (\bar{x}) \cap (\bar{y})$, and these are the min. primes $[(\bar{x}) \text{ prime since } R/(\bar{x}) \cong k[y] \text{ is an int. domain, same argument for } (\bar{y})]$

$\text{ann}_R(\bar{x}) = (\bar{y})$ and $\text{ann}_R(\bar{y}) = (\bar{x})$ and $U_1 = (\bar{x})$, $U_2 = (\bar{y})$.
 $U_1 \oplus U_2 \subseteq R$ and $\text{udim}(R) = 2$

The possible complement submodules of R : $(\bar{x}), (\bar{y}), R, (0)$
 $\text{ann}(\bar{0}) = R$ $\checkmark$ compl. of $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n U_i$

Chains: $(0) \subseteq (\bar{x}) \subseteq R$ $\text{udim}(R) = 2$. $\square$
 $(0) \subseteq (\bar{y}) \subseteq R$.

QUOTIENT RINGS AND GOLDIE'S THEOREM

Goal is now to localize noncomm. rings

✓ goldie: R is Goldie ring $\Leftrightarrow R$ has s.o. quot. ring

Recall construction of localization in commutative case:

Let R be a comm. ring. $S \subseteq R$ is multiplicatively closed if:

- $1_R \in S$
- $\forall s, s' \in S: s \cdot s' \in S$.

Localization: $S^{-1}R$ (or $R[S^{-1}]$): $S^{-1}R = \{(a, s) \in R \times S\} / \sim$
 where $(a, s) \sim (a', s') \Leftrightarrow \exists t \in S: t(as' - a's) = 0$

$S^{-1}R$ is a comm. ring with $(a, s) + (a', s') := (as' + as, ss')$ $\frac{a}{s} + \frac{a'}{s'} = \dots$
 $(a, s) \cdot (a', s') := (aa', ss')$ $\frac{a}{s} \cdot \frac{a'}{s'} = \dots$

Ex: (1) $R = \mathbb{Z}$, $S = \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \Rightarrow S^{-1}R = \mathbb{Q}$ ← field: simple
 (2) R comm., $\mathfrak{p} \subseteq R$ prime id, set $S := R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$, then $R_{\mathfrak{p}} := \{\frac{a}{s} : s \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}\} / \sim$ ← local ring with max. id. $\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ $\frac{a}{s} \in R$

(3) R comm. $f \neq 0 \in R$, take $S = \{f, f^2, f^3, \dots\}$ $R_f = \{\frac{a}{f^n} : a \in R, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

$$R = \mathbb{K}[x], f = x \Rightarrow R_x = \mathbb{K}[x, x^{-1}]$$

$$R = \mathbb{K}[x], \mathfrak{p} = (x) \Rightarrow R_{(x)} = \left\{ \frac{p}{q}, q(0) \neq 0 \right\}$$

$S \subseteq R$ mult. closed. $\varphi: R \rightarrow S^{-1}R$
 $\Rightarrow \varphi(R) \subseteq S^{-1}R$ is inject.

UP: $R \cong B$ any ring hom. $\varphi: R \rightarrow B$ any ring hom. $\varphi(s) \in B^* \forall s \in S$
 $\Rightarrow \exists! h: S^{-1}R \rightarrow B$ ring hom. $\varphi = h \circ \varphi$

Can describe localization via universal property.

In particular: $Q(R) = \{\frac{a}{s} : s \neq 0 \in R\}$ total ring of quotients
 $\hookrightarrow$ If R is an integral domain, then $Q(R)$ is a field, the smallest field in which R can be embedded (any element of $Q(R)$ is of the form $a \cdot b^{-1}$, $b \neq 0$, or any elt $\neq 0$ is invertible)

$\leadsto$ Can we do this constructions for noncommutative rings?

Let now R be any ring (always with 1), then define $X \subseteq R$ to be mult. closed if X is a subsemigroup of $(R, \cdot)$

(same def as in comm case: $1_R \in X$ and X closed under $\cdot$)
 Rmk: $R^* = \{\text{reg. elts of } R\} = \{x \in R: x \text{ not a left or right zero div}\}$

§ 3.1. Quotient rings

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Let $R \subset Q$ be a ring extension and let $a \in Q^*$. Then a is regular in R ($\because$ if $ax=0$ for some $x \in R \Rightarrow x = 1_Q \cdot x = (a^{-1} \cdot a)x = a^{-1}(ax) = 0$, similarly for $xa=0$).

Thus we can assume w.l.o.g. that the set X in the next def. consists of regular elements:

Def 3.1.1. Let $X \subseteq R$ be a mult. closed subset of regular elements. An overring $Q \supset R$ is called a right quotient ring for R with respect to X if the following hold:

- (a) Every element of X is invertible in Q .
- (b) Every element of Q can be expressed as ax^{-1} for some $a \in R, x \in X$.

Ex: R int. domain, $X = R \setminus \{0\} \rightsquigarrow Q = X^{-1}R$
 $k[x, x^{-1}] = \{ \sum x^i a_i \mid a_i \in k[x] \}$ is right quot. ring, but not a field

Remk 3.1.2 Now we expect computations in rings of fractions to behave like fractions in the commutative case:

1. Addition of fractions: define $ax^{-1} + by^{-1}$?

Clearly, if $ax^{-1} = a'z^{-1}$ and $by^{-1} = b'z^{-1}$, then define
 $ax^{-1} + by^{-1} := (a' + b')z^{-1}$.

Note that $ax^{-1} = (ay)(xy)^{-1}$ but in general $by^{-1} \neq bx(xy)^{-1}$. But all we need is an element $z \in X$, s.t. $z = xc = yd$ for some $c, d \in R$, since $ax^{-1} = (ac)z^{-1}$ and $by^{-1} = (bd)z^{-1}$.

2. Products of fractions: here we get into trouble:

in general we cannot expect that $(ax^{-1})(by^{-1}) = (ab)(yx)^{-1}$, unless a and b commute.

However, since any elt. of Q is of the form cz^{-1} (by assumption) with $c \in R, z \in X$, $x^{-1}b = cz^{-1} \Rightarrow bz = xc \in bX \cap xR$.

Then: $(ax^{-1})(by^{-1}) = a(cz^{-1})y^{-1} = (cac)(yz)^{-1}$.
 This will be used in the One condition: about $\exists$ of rings of functions 7

Def 3.1.3 Let $X \subseteq R$ be a mult. closed set.

- (1) X satisfies the right Ore condition (or X is a right Ore set) if $\forall x \in X$ and $\forall b \in R: bX \cap xR \neq \emptyset$ ($\Leftrightarrow \exists z \in X$ and $\exists c \in R$ s.t. $bz = xz$).
- (2) X satisfies the left Ore condition if $\forall x \in X$ and $\forall b \in R: Xb \cap Rx \neq \emptyset$ ($\Leftrightarrow \exists z \in X, c \in R: zc = cx$).
- (3) An Ore set is a mult. closed set which is both a left and right Ore set.

[H.C.R. p. 34., 1.7]

Example Let $R = k\langle y_1, y_2 \rangle$ the free assoc. algebra in two vars over a field k . Let $X = R \setminus \{0\}$. The right Ore condition fails, e.g. choose $b = y_1, x = y_2 \leadsto y_1 \cdot P = y_2 \cdot Q \nexists$ for $P, Q \neq 0$
 $\leadsto$ We will see that then quot. ring Q_X does not exist! not comm! no relat.

Lemma 3.1.4 Let $X \subseteq R$ be a mult. closed subset of regular elements and Q a right quotient ring (of R w.r.t. X).

- (1) X is a right Ore set.
- (2) Let $n \geq 1$ and $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$. Then $\exists r_1, \dots, r_n$ with $x_1 r_1 = \dots = x_n r_n \in X$ (i.e. $x_1 R \cap \dots \cap x_n R \cap X \neq \emptyset$).
- (3) Let $n \geq 1$ and $s_1, \dots, s_n \in Q$. Then $\exists a_1, \dots, a_n \in R$ and $x \in X$ s.t. $s_i = a_i x^{-1} \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.
- (4) Let $a, b \in R$ and $x, y \in X$. Then $ax^{-1} = by^{-1} \Leftrightarrow \exists c, d \in R$ s.t. $ac = bd$ and $xc = yd \in X$.

- (5) For every R -module M , $t_x(M)$ is called torsion submodule w.r.t. x
 $t_x(M) := t(M) = \{m \in M : mx = 0 \text{ for some } x \in X\} \subset M$
 is a submodule. In part., $t_x(R_R) \subset R$ is a two-sided ideal.

Pf (1) See Rmk 3.1.2.

- (2) By induction, it is sufficient to prove the case $n=2$.

By the right Ore condition, $\exists y \in X$ and $s \in R$ s.t. $x_1 y = x_2 s$.
 Since X is mult. closed, it follows that $x_1 y \in X$.

- (3) We set $s_i = b_i x_i^{-1}$ with $b_i \in R, x_i \in X \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. By (2),
 $\exists x \in X$ and $c_1, \dots, c_n \in R$ with $x = x_i c_i \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Since $x, x_i \in X \subset Q^*$, it follows that $c_i = x_i^{-1} x \in Q^* \Rightarrow$
 $x^{-1} = c_i^{-1} x_i^{-1}$ and

$$s_i = b_i x_i^{-1} = \underbrace{b_i c_i}_{=: a_i} x^{-1} \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

- (4) $\Leftarrow$ $\exists c, d \in R$ with $ac = bd$ and $xc = yd \in X$, then
 $ax^{-1} = ac(xc)^{-1} = bd(yd)^{-1} = by^{-1}$.

$\Rightarrow$: Conversely, suppose that $ax^{-1} = by^{-1}$. By (2) $\exists c, d \in R$
 with $xc = yd \in X$. Thus we obtain

$$ac(xc)^{-1} = ax^{-1} = by^{-1} = bd(yd)^{-1} = bd(xc)^{-1}.$$

$$\Rightarrow ac = bd.$$

- (5) Let $m_1, m_2 \in t(M)$. Then $\exists x_1, x_2 \in X$ s.t. $m_1 x_1 = m_2 x_2 = 0$.

By (2): $\exists y \in x_1 R \cap x_2 R \cap X$ with $(m_1 \pm m_2)y = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 \pm m_2 \in t(M)$.

If $r \in R$, then by the right Ore condition, $\exists z \in X$ and $s \in R$
 with $rz = x_1 s$. Thus $m_1 rz = m_1 x_1 s = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 r \in t(M)$.

$\Rightarrow t(M)$ is a right R -module. $\square$

Thm 3.1.5 (Ore, von Neumann): Let $X \subseteq R$ be mult. closed subset

of regular elements.

(1) $\exists$ right quotient ring of R w.r.t. $X \Leftrightarrow X$ is a right Ore set.

(2) Suppose that X is a right Ore set and $Q \supset R$ is a right quotient ring. Let $\varphi: R \rightarrow T$ be a ring homom., s.t. $\varphi(x)$ is invertible $\forall x \in X$. Then φ extends uniquely to a ring hom. $\psi: Q \rightarrow T$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & T \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ Q & \xrightarrow{\psi} & T \end{array}$$

(3) Let X be a right Ore set and Q, Q' be right quotient rings for R w.r.t. X . Then the identity $\text{id}_R: R \rightarrow R$ extends uniquely to an isom. of Q onto Q' .

Pf: (1) $\Rightarrow$: This is Lemma 3.1.4. (1).

$\Leftarrow$: Let X be a right Ore set. We sketch an elementary construction by Ore and Jensen. (Note: another, slicker way, would be to consider the injective hull $E(R_R)$ of R , define a suitable submodule $A \subset E(R_R)$, and show that $\text{End}_R(A)$ satisfies the properties of the quotient ring. See [Goodearl-Warfield, Thm 6.2 p. 108].)

tedious (as in comm. case $\Rightarrow$ only sketch)

It proceeds in 5 steps:

(i) Define a relation $\sim$ on $R \times X$ as follows:

$$(a, x) \sim (b, y) \Leftrightarrow \exists c, d \in R \text{ s.t. } ac = bd \text{ and } xc = yd \in X.$$

This is an equivalence relation (!) and for any pair $(a, x) \in R \times X$, let $[a, x]$ denote its equiv. class. Define $Q := \{[a, x] : a \in R, x \in X\}$.

(ii) Let $[a, x], [b, y] \in Q$. Choose $c, d \in R$ s.t. $xc = yd \in X$ and set $[a, x] + [b, y] := [ac + bd, xc]$. This is a well-def. operation on Q (!)

(iii) Let $[a, x], [b, y] \in Q$. Choose $c \in R, z \in X$ s.t. $bz = xc$, and set $[a, x] \cdot [b, y] = [ac, yz]$. $ax^{-1}by^{-1} = ax^{-1}(xcz^{-1})y^{-1} = ac(yz)^{-1}$

This is a well-defined operation on Q . (!)

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(iv) $(Q, +, \cdot)$ is a ring (!).

(v) The map $i: R \rightarrow Q: r \mapsto [r, 1]$ is a ring monomorphism.
When R is identified with $i(R)$, then Q becomes the quotient ring of R w.r.t. X .