

$$S_0 \quad A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{GK dim} \leq d$$

$$k[x_1, \dots, x_{d+1}] \cong k[x_1, \dots, x_{d+1}] \leftarrow \text{GK dim} = d+1$$

But the following fact gives us ~~that~~ our contradiction.

Fact: If $R \subseteq S$, R, S f.g. } Why? Take V gen space for R . add a set of gens for S
Then $\text{GK dim } R \leq \text{GK dim } S$. } to obtain a gen space $W \supseteq V$ for S . Then
 $\dim V^n \leq \dim W^n \forall n$.

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Given a ring R & $P \in \text{Spec}(R)$, we define the height of P

$$\text{ht}(P) = \text{Kdim}(R_P)$$

$$= \sup \{n; \exists Q_0 \subsetneq Q_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq Q_n; Q_n \subseteq P, Q_i \in \text{Spec}(R)\}$$

Spec & M-Spec

Given a ring R ,

$$\text{Spec}(R) = \{P; P \text{ a prime ideal of } R\}$$

$$\text{M-Spec}(R) = \{M; M \text{ a maximal ideal of } R\}$$

We'll put a topology on $\text{Spec}(R)$. Then M-Spec will inherit the subspace topology.

Zariski topology

Given an ideal $I \trianglelefteq R$. We define

$$C_I = \{P \in \text{Spec}(R); P \supseteq I\}$$

These will be our closed sets. Let's see that this is a topology.

$$\emptyset = C_R, \quad \text{Spec}(R) = C_{(0)}$$

If $I_1, \dots, I_n \trianglelefteq R$,

$$C_{I_1} \cup \dots \cup C_{I_n} = C_{I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_n}$$

Let's check it!

$$P \in C_{I_1} \cup \dots \cup C_{I_n} \Leftrightarrow P \supseteq I_1 \text{ or } \dots \text{ or } P \supseteq I_n$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P \supseteq I_1 \cap \dots \cap I_n$$

↑ clearly \Rightarrow . \Leftarrow : if not, $\exists a_i \in I_i \setminus P$, so $a_1 \dots a_n \in \prod I_j = P = \emptyset$

Notice an arbitrary union of C_I 's need not be closed

Ex: $R = \mathbb{C}[x]$, $K \dim = 1$

$$\text{Spec}(R) \quad (x-\lambda), \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \quad \text{M-Spec}(R) \quad (x-\lambda), \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} (0) \\ (0) \neq I = (p(x)) \end{array} \quad C_I = \{(x-\lambda); (x-\lambda)^2(p(x))\} = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}; p(\lambda) = 0\}$$

finite set

So in this case,

$$C_I = \begin{cases} \text{Spec}(R) & \text{if } I = (0) \\ \text{finite set} & \text{if } I \neq (0) \end{cases}$$

$\hookrightarrow \{(x-\lambda); p(\lambda) = 0\}$ if $I = (p(x)), p(x) \neq 0$.

Notice that

$\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} C_{(x-n)}$
is not closed (countably infinite, Spec is infinite)

Finally, we must show

$$\bigcap_{\alpha} C_{I_{\alpha}} \text{ is } C_{\sum I_{\alpha}} \leftarrow \text{finite sum from } I_{\alpha}'s$$

Proof: $P \in \bigcap_{\alpha} C_{I_{\alpha}} \iff P \in C_{I_{\alpha}} \forall \alpha \iff P \supseteq I_{\alpha} \forall \alpha$
 $\iff P \supseteq \sum I_{\alpha} \quad \square$

Remark: We need only consider C_I with $I = \sqrt{I}' = \{x \in R; x^n \in I \text{ some } n \geq 1\}$.
 Why? $I \subseteq \sqrt{I}$. So $P \supseteq \sqrt{I} \implies P \supseteq I$. But $P \supseteq I \implies P \supseteq \bigcap_{Q \supseteq I \text{ prime}} Q = \sqrt{I}'$ as P prime.
 So $P \supseteq I \iff P \supseteq \sqrt{I}'$. So $C_I = C_{\sqrt{I}'}$.

Remark: If $I \supseteq J$ then $C_I \subseteq C_J$.

Ex. What is $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Q})$? $\{(0)\}$

What is $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z})$? $(2\mathbb{Z}) (3\mathbb{Z}) (5\mathbb{Z}) \dots$

\leftarrow closed pt

(0)

\leftarrow dense pt

Let $P \in \text{Spec}(R)$. What is $\overline{\{P\}}$? $C_P = \{Q \in \text{Spec}(R); Q \supseteq P\}$

When is $\overline{\{P\}} = \{P\}$? $\iff P$ maximal

When is $\{P\}$ dense? $\iff \overline{\{P\}} = \text{Spec}(R) \iff P = \sqrt{(0)}$

Closed sets in $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z})$: $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z})$, $\{p\mathbb{Z}, \dots, p^d\mathbb{Z}\} \quad d \geq 0$.

Notice if $I \triangleq \mathbb{Z}$ then either

$$I = (0) \Rightarrow C_I = \text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z})$$

$$o. \quad I = n\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow C_I = \{p\mathbb{Z}; p\mathbb{Z} \supseteq n\mathbb{Z}\} = \{p\mathbb{Z}; p|n\} \quad \text{finite set of primes}$$

$$I = \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow C_I = \emptyset$$

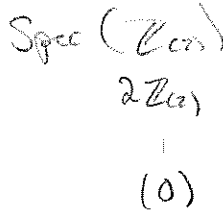
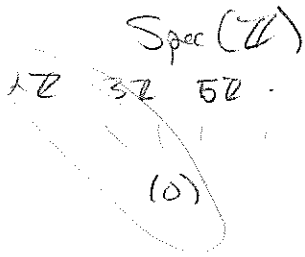
What is

$$\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) = \text{Spec}(\{a/b; a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \text{ odd}\})?$$

$$\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \xleftrightarrow{\text{bijection}} \{P \in \text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}); P \subseteq 2\mathbb{Z}\}$$

$(2\mathbb{Z}_{(2)})$ closed

(0) dense



Theorem: Let $P \in \text{Spec}(R)$, let

$$X = \{Q \in \text{Spec}(R); Q \subseteq P\}$$

with the subspace topology. We showed

$$X \xrightarrow{h^{-1}} \text{Spec}(R_P)$$

$$Q \xrightarrow{f} QR_P$$

$$J \cap R \xrightarrow{g} J$$

Then f & g are continuous bijections and so X is homeomorphic to $\text{Spec}(R_P)$.

Proof: Let C be a closed subset of $\text{Spec}(R_P)$. Then $C = C_I, I \triangleq R_P$.

$$C = \{Q \in \text{Spec}(R_P); Q \supseteq I\}$$

$$f^{-1}(C) = \{L \in \text{Spec}(R); L \subseteq P \text{ \& } f(L) = LR_P = I\}$$

$$\# \quad LR_P \supseteq I \Leftrightarrow L \supseteq I \cap R \quad \text{think about this} \quad (L = LR_P \cap R) \quad \{L \in \text{Spec}(R); L \supseteq I \cap R\} \cap X$$

Conversely, if $C \subseteq X$ closed

$$C = X \cap \{L \in \text{Spec}(R); L \supseteq I\} \quad \text{since we need ideal to be } I.$$

= closed in X

=

1) Which it does
 make sense of
 that depends on
 exact definition of sense.

So $g^{-1}(C) \subseteq \text{Spec}(R_P)$

$$\{LR_P; L \supseteq I, L \subseteq P\} = \{LR_P; L \supseteq I\} = \{LR_P; LR_P \supseteq IR_P\} = C_{IR_P}$$

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Remarks

1) C_I with the subspace topology on $\text{Spec}(R)$ is homeomorphic to $\text{Spec}(R/I)$ (correspondence)

Proof Define $f: C_I \rightarrow \text{Spec}(R/I)$

$f(P) = \bar{P}$ where \bar{P} is the image of P under the natural map $R \rightarrow R/I$.
 f is a bijection; $C_I = \{P; P \supseteq I\} \leftrightarrow \text{Spec}(R/I)$
 $P \xrightarrow{f} \bar{P}$

To see that f is a homeomorphism, notice that if \bar{J} is an ideal of R/I . Then \exists an ideal $L \supseteq I$ of R st $\bar{L} = \bar{J}$ (correspondence)

$$f^{-1}(C_{\bar{J}}) = f^{-1}(\{Q \in \text{Spec}(R/I); Q \supseteq \bar{J}\}) = \{P \in \text{Spec}(R); P \supseteq I \text{ \& } P \supseteq L\} = C_L = C_I \text{ closed}$$

so f is continuous.

Conversely, if C is a closed subset of $C_I \Rightarrow C = C_L$ for some $L \supseteq I$
 $\Rightarrow f(C) = \{Q \in \text{Spec}(R/I); Q \supseteq \bar{L}\} = C_{\bar{L}}$

So f^{-1} is continuous. Thus f is a homeomorphism. \square

This example fits more generally into the following framework:

A4: If R, S are rings & $\varphi^*: R \rightarrow S$ is a homeomorphism.

Then we get a map $\varphi: \text{Spec}(S) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(R)$

$$\varphi(P) \mapsto (\varphi^*)^{-1}(P) =: Q$$

In this setting, if $\varphi^*: R \rightarrow R/I$ is $r \mapsto r + I$. Gives a cts map $\varphi: \text{Spec}(R/I) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(R)$ image of $\varphi = C_I$. This $\varphi = f^{-1}$.

Open sets

Given $f \in R$, we define

$$U(f) = \text{Spec}(R) \setminus C_{(f)} = \{P; P \in \text{Spec}(R)\} \setminus \{P; P \supseteq (f)\} = \{P \in \text{Spec}(R); f \notin P\} = D_+(f)$$

The rest of the proof is all downhill in every sense of the word except literally.

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So $U(f)$ is open and it is called a principal open set. The sets $U(f)$ form a basis for the Zariski topology. Notice that if U is an open set $U = \text{Spec}(R) \setminus C_I$. If $f \in I: U(f) \subseteq U$. Why?

$$U(f) \subseteq U \iff \text{Spec}(R) \setminus C_{(f)} \subseteq \text{Spec}(R) \setminus C_I \iff C_I \subseteq C_{(f)} \iff \sqrt{I} \subseteq \sqrt{(f)} \iff f \in I$$

Exercise: Show

$$\text{Spec}(R) \setminus C_I = \bigcup_{f \in I} U(f).$$

Connectedness of $\text{Spec}(R)$.

Recall that X is disconnected if $X = C_1 \cup C_2$, C_1, C_2 closed, non-empty

Theorem: Let R be a ring. Then the following are equivalent:

- 1) $\text{Spec}(R)$ is disconnected;
- 2) R has an idempotent $e \neq 0, 1$ ($e^2 = e$);
- 3) $R \cong R_1 \times R_2$, R_1, R_2 non-trivial

Proof:

(1) \Rightarrow (2): Suppose that $\text{Spec}(R)$ is disconnected. Then $\text{Spec}(R) = C_I \cup C_J$. $C_I \cap C_J = \emptyset \iff C_{I+J} = \emptyset$ (as they are the same) $\iff I+J = R$
 $C_I \cup C_J = \text{Spec}(R) \iff C_{I \cap J} = \text{Spec}(R) \iff$ every prime $P \supseteq I \cap J$
 $\iff \sqrt{I \cap J} = \sqrt{R} = R$ (2)

Since $I+J=R$, $\exists x \in I$ & $y \in J$ s.t. $x+y=1$. & $xy \in I \cap J \subseteq \sqrt{0} \Rightarrow \exists n \geq 1$ s.t. $(xy)^n = 0$. Now

$$1 = (x+y)^{2n} = \underbrace{x^{2n} + \binom{2n}{1} x^{2n-1} y + \dots + \binom{2n}{n} x^n y^n}_{e} + \underbrace{\binom{2n}{n+1} x^{n+1} y^{n+1} + \dots + \binom{2n}{2n-1} x^{2n-1} y}_{1-e}$$

Note $e \in x^n R$, $1-e \in y^n R$, so $e(1-e) \in (x^n y^n) R = (0)$

i.e. $e^2 = e$. Notice $e \in x^n R \subseteq I \subset R$ so $e \neq 1$. Similarly $1-e \in J \subset R$ so $e \neq 0$

(2) \Rightarrow (3) Let $R_1 = Re \neq (0)$, $R_2 = (1-e)R \neq (0)$.

Fact: If f is an idempotent in R then Rf is a ring with unit f .

$$1f \in Rf \Rightarrow (1f)f = 1f^2 = 1f \text{ \& } f(1f) = f^2 = 1f$$

$$(1f)(1f) = 1f^2 = 1f, \quad 1f \cdot 1f = (1+0)f.$$

If we define

$$\varphi: R \rightarrow R_1 \times R_2$$

$$\varphi(r) = (re, r(1-e))$$

φ is a homeomorphism:

$$\varphi(r_1 + r_2) = \dots = \varphi(r_1) + \varphi(r_2)$$

$$\varphi(r_1 r_2) = \dots = \varphi(r_1) \varphi(r_2)$$

$$\varphi(1) = (0, 0) \Leftrightarrow re = 0 \text{ \& \ } r(1-e) = 0 \Rightarrow re + r(1-e) = 0 \Rightarrow r = 0$$

So injective. To see φ is onto, given $a \in R_1$ & $b(1-e) \in R_2$, we have $\varphi(ae + b(1-e)) = (ae, b(1-e))$. So $R \cong R_1 \times R_2$, as claimed.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Suppose that $R = R_1 \times R_2$, ~~as claimed~~ non-zero rings.

Notice $I = R_1 \times \{0\}$ is an ideal, $J = \{0\} \times R_2$ is an ideal.

& $IJ = (0, 0)$, $I + J = R \Rightarrow C_I \cup C_J = \text{Spec}(R)$.

proper

Def A topological space X is reducible if $X = C_1 \cup C_2$, C_1 & C_2 are proper closed sets. If X is not reducible, X is irreducible.

Notice: X disconnected $\Rightarrow X$ reducible

Can we find a ring R such that $\text{Spec}(R)$ is connected but reducible?

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ex $R = \mathbb{C}[x, y] / (xy)$. Let \bar{x}, \bar{y} denote the images of x, y in R . $\text{Spec}(R)$ is reducible:

$$C_{(\bar{x})} \cup C_{(\bar{y})} = \text{Spec}(R)$$

$\bar{x}\bar{y} = 0$ so if $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(R)$, $\bar{x} \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $\bar{y} \in \mathfrak{p}$.

Why is it connected?

$$R = \{c + \bar{x}p(\bar{x}) + \bar{y}q(\bar{y}), c \in \mathbb{C}, p(t), q(t) \in \mathbb{C}[t]\}$$

We showed that $\text{Spec}(R)$ is disconnected $\Leftrightarrow \exists e^2 = e \neq 0, 1$.

If $e = c + \bar{x}p(\bar{x}) + \bar{y}q(\bar{y})$ is an idempotent then

$$e^2 = e \Rightarrow \deg(\bar{x}p(\bar{x})) = \deg(\bar{y}q(\bar{y})) = 0 \text{ so } e = c \in \mathbb{C} \rightarrow e \in \{0, 1\}$$

What is $M\text{-Spec}(R)$? $\{(x-\alpha, y-\beta); (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{C}^2\} = M\text{-Spec}(\mathbb{C}[x, y])$

$$\text{so } M\text{-Spec}(R) = \{(x-\alpha, y-\beta) \not\supseteq (xy)\}$$

$$= \{(x, y-\beta); \beta \in \mathbb{C}\} \cup \{(x-\alpha, y); \alpha \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

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Theorem: $\text{Spec}(R)$ is irreducible $\Leftrightarrow N = \sqrt{(0)}$ is a prime ideal
 $\Leftrightarrow R/N$ is an integral domain.

why?

Proof: $\text{Spec}(R) \cong \text{Spec}(R/N)$, so we may assume WLOG that R is reduced, i.e. $\sqrt{(0)} = (0)$.

Now if R is not an integral domain, $\exists a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}$ s.t. $ab=0$.

Then $\text{Spec}(R) = \underbrace{C_{(a)} \cup C_{(b)}}_{\text{proper}} = C_{(a) \cap (b)} = C_{(ab)} = C_{(0)} = \text{Spec}(R)$

So R not an integral domain $\Rightarrow \text{Spec}(R)$ is reducible. If

$\text{Spec}(R)$ is reducible $\Rightarrow \text{Spec}(R) = C_I \cup C_J = C_{IJ}$. So

$IJ = (0)$, & $I, J \neq (0)$. Pick $a \in I \setminus \{0\}$, $b \in J \setminus \{0\} \Rightarrow ab=0 \Rightarrow$ not int. dom. \square

Corollary: $C_I \subseteq \text{Spec}(R)$ is irreducible $\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{I}$ is a prime ideal.

Proof: $C_I \cong \text{Spec}(R/I)$

$C_{\sqrt{I}} \cong \text{Spec}(R/\sqrt{I})$, $S = R/\sqrt{I}$ is reduced

So C_I is irreducible $\Leftrightarrow S$ is an integral domain $\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{I}$ is a prime ideal. \square

Theorem: Let R be a ring. Then $\text{Spec}(R)$ is quasi-compact, i.e. if

$$\text{Spec}(R) = \bigcup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha},$$

U_{α} open $\Rightarrow \exists$ a finite subset $\{U_{\alpha_1}, \dots, U_{\alpha_n}\}$ s.t.

$$\text{Spec}(R) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{\alpha_i}.$$

Proof: Suppose $U_{\alpha} = \text{Spec}(R) \setminus C_{I_{\alpha}}$ for some $I_{\alpha} \triangleleft R$. Then

$$\bigcup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} = \text{Spec}(R) \Leftrightarrow \bigcap_{\alpha} C_{I_{\alpha}} = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow C_{\sum_{\alpha} I_{\alpha}} = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\alpha} I_{\alpha} = R.$$

So \exists an expression $i_{\alpha_1} + \dots + i_{\alpha_s} = 1$, $i_{\alpha_i} \in I_{\alpha_i}$. So $\sum_{i=1}^s I_{\alpha_i} = R$.

Going reverse in (*) shows $U_{i_{\alpha_1}} \cup \dots \cup U_{i_{\alpha_s}} = \text{Spec}(R)$. \square

Let R be (a) Noetherian (ring). When is $\text{Spec}(R)$ Hausdorff?

$\text{Spec}(R)$ Hausdorff $\Rightarrow \{P\}$ is closed $\forall P \in \text{Spec}(R)$

$\Rightarrow P$ is maximal

$\Rightarrow R$ has Krull dimension 0.

In fact, we have:

Theorem: Let R be Noetherian. Then the following are equivalent:

- 1) $\text{Kdim}(R) = 0$;
- 2) $\text{Spec}(R)$ is Hausdorff;
- 3) $\text{Spec}(R)$ is finite & discrete;
- 4) $R/N \cong F_1 \times \cdots \times F_s$, $N = \sqrt{(0)}$, $s \geq 1$, F_i fields.

Proof: Earlier we showed (1) \Leftrightarrow (4) and we showed (2) \Rightarrow (1). Clearly (3) \Rightarrow (1). So it suffices to show (4) \Rightarrow (3). But if (4),

$\text{Spec}(R) \cong \text{Spec}(R/N) \cong \text{Spec}(F_1 \times \cdots \times F_s)$
 $F_1 \times \cdots \times F_s$ is Noetherian & $\text{Kdim} 0$, so it has finitely many prime ideals, all of which are maximal. So $\text{Spec}(R) < \infty$ & pts are closed \Rightarrow discrete. \square

Noetherian Topological subspaces

Let X be a topological space. We say that X is Noetherian if whenever $C_1 \supseteq C_2 \supseteq \cdots$ is a descending chain of closed subsets of X , $\exists n$ st $C_n = C_{n+1} = C_{n+2} = \cdots$.

If X is a topological space, we can define the Krull dimension of X to be

$$\text{Kdim}(X) = \sup_n \{ \exists \text{ a chain } C_0 \supsetneq \cdots \supsetneq C_n; C_i \text{ irreducible closed sets} \}.$$

Ex: If R is a ring then $\text{Kdim}(R) = \text{Kdim}(\text{Spec}(R))$.

Artinian Rings

A ring R is Artinian if every descending chain of ideals terminates; i.e. if $I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq \cdots$ then $\exists n$ st $I_n = I_{n+1} = \cdots$.

An R -module M is Artinian if it satisfies the descending chain condition on submodules.

In particular, R is Artinian $\Leftrightarrow R$ is Artinian as an R -module

Just as with the Noetherian case, the same proof shows that R is Artinian if and only if every non-empty subset of ideals has a minimal element with respect to \supseteq .

Theorem: Let R be a ring. Then R is Artinian $\Leftrightarrow R$ is Noetherian and has $Kdim 0 \Leftrightarrow R$ is Noetherian, $R/N \cong F_1 \times \dots \times F_s$, $N = \sqrt{(0)}$.

Lemma: If R is a ring & $0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\pi} M_2 \rightarrow 0$ is a short exact sequence of R -modules then M is Artinian $\Leftrightarrow M_1, M_2$ are Artinian.

Proof (\Rightarrow) $M_1 \subseteq M \Rightarrow M_1$ is Artinian & M_2 is Artinian because $M_2 \cong M/M_1$.

(\Leftarrow): Suppose that M_1 & M_2 are Artinian & let

$N_1 \supseteq N_2 \supseteq \dots$ be a descending chain of submodules in M .

Then $(1) N_1 \cap M_1 \supseteq N_2 \cap M_1 \supseteq \dots$ is a " in M_1

so $\exists i$ st $N_i \cap M_1 = N_{i+1} \cap M_1 = \dots$

(2) $\pi(N_1) \supseteq \pi(N_2) \supseteq \dots$ " in M_2

so $\exists j$ st $\pi(N_j) = \pi(N_{j+1}) = \dots$

Let $n \geq \max(i, j)$. Claim $N_n = N_{n+1}$.

Well $\pi(N_n) = \pi(N_{n+1})$. Suppose $x \in N_n$. Then $\pi(x) \in \pi(N_n) = \pi(N_{n+1})$

so $\exists y \in N_{n+1}$ st $\pi(x) = \pi(y) \Rightarrow x - y \in M_1$. So

$$x - y \in N_n \cap M_1 = N_{n+1} \cap M_1$$

so $x - y \in N_{n+1} \Rightarrow x \in y + N_{n+1} \subseteq N_{n+1}$. So $N_n = N_{n+1}$. \square

Proposition: If R is a ring in which $(0) = M_1 \dots M_s$, M_1, \dots, M_s maximal ideals of R . Then R is Artinian if and only if R is Noetherian.

Proof Let $A_1 = M_1, A_2 = M_1 M_2, \dots, A_s = M_1 \dots M_s = (0)$. Also $A_0 = R$

Suppose R is Noetherian but not Artinian. Then A_0 is not Artinian as an R -module. But $A_s = (0)$ is Artinian as an R -module.

So there exists some largest i s such that A_i is not Artinian.

$$0 \rightarrow A_{i+1} \rightarrow A_i \rightarrow A_i/A_{i+1} \rightarrow 0$$

\uparrow Artinian \uparrow Artinian
 Artinian Gort: Artinian

- (*) So it suffices to show that $A_i/A_{i+1} \cong M_i \cdot M_i/M_i \cdot A_{i+1}$ is Artinian. Notice M_{i+1} annihilates A_i/A_{i+1} so A_i/A_{i+1} inherits the structure of an $R/M_{i+1} = F$ -module (ie v.s.)
- (**) R is Noetherian $\Rightarrow A_i$ is Noetherian $\Rightarrow A_i/A_{i+1}$ is Noetherian as an R -module $\Rightarrow M_i/M_{i+1}$ is Noetherian as an F -module
- (***) Fact: If F is a field & V is an F -v.s. $\Rightarrow V$ is Noetherian F -module $\Leftrightarrow \dim_F V < \infty$.
So $\dim_F A_i/A_{i+1} < \infty$.
- (****) Fact: If F is a field & V is an F -v.s. $\Rightarrow V$ is an Artinian F -module $\Leftrightarrow \dim_F V < \infty$.
- (*****) So A_i/A_{i+1} is an Artinian F -module $\Rightarrow A_i/A_{i+1}$ is Artinian as an R -module $\because M_{i+1}$ annihilates it.
Conversely, swap (**) and (****) and ~~replace~~ swap Artinian and Noetherian in (*) and (****).

Theorem: R is Artinian $\Leftrightarrow R$ is Noetherian & $\text{Kdim}(R) = 0$.

Proof: (\Leftarrow) If R is Noetherian & $\text{Kdim} = 0$. By Noether's result, \exists prime ideals P_1, \dots, P_s st $P_1 \cdots P_s = (0)$. $\text{Kdim} R = 0 \Rightarrow$ each P_i is maximal, so (0) is a product of maximal ideals & R is Noetherian $\Rightarrow R$ is Artinian.

(\Rightarrow): To do the other direction, we'll prove a few claims.

Claim: Let R be Artinian and let $P \in \text{Spec}(R)$. Then P is maximal. In particular, $\text{Kdim} R = 0$.

Verification: Let $S = R/P$. By correspondence, S is Artinian & S is an integral domain. We'll show that S is a field. Let $x \in S \setminus \{0\}$. Consider the chain $xS \supseteq x^2S \supseteq x^3S \supseteq \dots$

As S is Artinian, $\exists n$ st $x^nS = x^{n+1}S$. So $x^n \in x^{n+1}S$, so $\exists y \in S$ st $x^n = x^{n+1}y \Rightarrow 1 = xy$. \square

Claim: Let R be Artinian. Then $\text{Spec}(R)$ is finite.

Verification: Suppose we have distinct prime ideals P_1, \dots . By earlier claim, they are all maximal. Consider the chain

$$P_1 \supseteq P_1 \cap P_2 \supseteq P_1 \cap P_2 \cap P_3 \supseteq \dots$$

This terminates so $\exists n$ st $P_1 \cap \dots \cap P_n = P_1 \cap \dots \cap P_{n+1}$

$$P_1 \cdots P_n \subseteq P_1 \cap \cdots \cap P_n$$

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Claim 3: If R is Artinian then $J(R)$ is nilpotent.

Assuming the claims:

Claim 1 gives $\text{Kdim}(R) = 0$. Claim 2 says $\text{Spec}(R) = \{P_1, \dots, P_k\}$, $k \geq 1$.

Moreover, by Claim 1, $P_i \rightarrow R$ are maximal so

$$J(R) = \bigcap_{i=1}^k P_i \supseteq P_1 \cdots P_k$$

Claim 3 says $\exists m \geq 1$ s.t. $J(R)^m = (0)$

$$\Rightarrow (0) = J(R)^m \supseteq (P_1 \cdots P_k)^m \leftarrow \text{finite product of maximal ideals}$$

So (0) is a product of maximal ideals, and so because R is Artinian, key lemma gives R is Noetherian.

Verification of claim 2 (cont.): so $P_1 \cap \cdots \cap P_n \subseteq P_{n+1}$

Because P_i, P_{n+1} are distinct and maximal (claim 1) $\exists a_i \in P_i \setminus P_{n+1}$.

So $a_1 \cdots a_n \in P_1 \cdots P_n \subseteq P_{n+1}$. \square

Verification of claim 3: Let $J = J(R)$. Consider the chain

$$J \supseteq J^2 \supseteq J^3 \supseteq \dots$$

Since R is ~~Noetherian~~ Artinian, $\exists n$ s.t. $J^n = J^{n+1} = \dots$. So $J^n = J^{2n}$.

~~Trick~~. If $J^n = (0)$ we're done, so suppose $J^n \neq (0)$.

Trick: Let $\mathcal{S} = \{I \triangleleft R; I \subseteq J^n, I \not\subseteq (0)\}$. Note $\mathcal{S} \neq \emptyset$ as $J^n \in \mathcal{S}$.

As R is Artinian, \exists a maximal element $L \in \mathcal{S}$. So

$L \not\subseteq J^n \neq (0)$ but if $L \subseteq L$ then $L \subseteq J^n = (0)$. So $\exists x \in L$ s.t.

$xJ^n \neq (0)$. We claim that $L = Rx$. $Rx \subseteq L$ as $x \in L$. $J^n Rx \neq (0)$ as

$xJ^n \neq (0)$. By minimality, $L = Rx$.

Now $J^n L \neq (0)$ & $J^n J^n L = J^n L \neq (0)$ so $J^n L = L$ by

minimality. $J^n L \subseteq J L = L$. by Nakayama's lemma $L = (0)$. \square

Corollary: If R is Artinian & $J(R) = (0)$ then $R \cong F_1 \times \cdots \times F_s$, $s \geq 1$, F fields.

Proof: $(0) = J(R) = P_1 \cap \cdots \cap P_k$, P_i maximal, so P_i are p.w. comaximal.

By Chinese Remainder theorem,

$$R \cong R / \bigcap_{i=1}^k P_i \cong \prod_{i=1}^k R / P_i. \quad \square$$

If R is a non-commutative ring, then we say R is Artinian if every descending chain of left ideals $L_1 \supseteq L_2 \supseteq \dots$ terminates. We can define

$$J(R) = \bigcap_{M \text{ max/left ideal}} M$$

Artin-Wedderburn theorem: If R is an Artinian ring with $J(R) = (0)$ then

$$R = \prod_{i=1}^k M_{n_i}(D_i), \quad D_i \text{ division ring.}$$

Primary Decomposition

Motivation: P_1, \dots, P_s maximal $\Rightarrow \sqrt{I} = R \cap \dots \cap P_s$.

In particular, if $I \triangleleft R$ then $I = \sqrt{I}$ then I is a finite intersection of prime ideals.

Def Let $I \triangleleft R$. We say that I is primary if whenever $xy \in I$ we have either $x \in I$ or $\exists n \geq 1$ st $y^n \in I$.

ex let $R = \mathbb{Z}$.

is $6\mathbb{Z}$ primary? no, $2 \cdot 3 \in 6\mathbb{Z}$, $2 \notin 6\mathbb{Z}$, $3^n \notin 6\mathbb{Z} \forall n$
 is $8\mathbb{Z}$ primary? yes, if $xy \in 8\mathbb{Z}$, either $8|x$ or $(2|y \Rightarrow 8|y^3)$
 is $3\mathbb{Z}$ primary? yes, $xy \in 3\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x \in 3\mathbb{Z}$ or $y^n \in 3\mathbb{Z}$

Alternatively, I is primary if whenever $xy \in I$, at least one of the following outcomes holds:

- 1) $x \in I$
- 2) $y \in I$
- 3) $\exists n$ st $x^n y^n \in I$

Remark: Let $n \geq 1$. Then $n\mathbb{Z}$ is primary $\Leftrightarrow n = p^k$ for some prime p , $k \geq 1$.

Proof If $n \neq p^k$, then $n = ab$, $a > 1, b > 1$, $\gcd(a,b) = 1$. So $n \nmid a^k, n \nmid b^k \forall k$.

Conversely, if $n = p^k$, $xy \in p^k \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow p^k | x$ or $p^k | y$ or $(p^k | x \text{ or } p^k | y)$

Proposition: Let \mathcal{Q} be primary. Then $\sqrt{\mathcal{Q}}$ is a prime ideal.

Proof: Suppose that $\sqrt{\mathcal{Q}}$ is not prime. Then $\exists x, y$ with $xy \in \sqrt{\mathcal{Q}}$ but $xy \notin \mathcal{Q}$. So $\exists n, z$ with $x^n y^n = (xy)^n \in \mathcal{Q}$. Now no power of x can be in \mathcal{Q} . Similarly for y . \square

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Note: In general, \sqrt{P} prime $\nrightarrow P$ primary

Example: Let $R = \mathbb{C}[x, y, z] / \langle xy - z^2 \rangle$ and let $P = \langle \bar{x}, \bar{z} \rangle \in R$. Notice

$$R/P = (\mathbb{C}[x, y, z] / \langle xy - z^2 \rangle) / \langle \bar{x}, \bar{z} \rangle \cong (\mathbb{C}[x, y, z] / \langle x, z \rangle) / \langle xy - z^2 \rangle \cong \mathbb{C}[y].$$

So R/P is an integral domain and hence P is prime. Let $\mathcal{Q} = P^2$. Then $\sqrt{\mathcal{Q}} = P$ is prime, but we claim that \mathcal{Q} is not primary.

Note $\bar{x}\bar{y} = \bar{z}^2 \in P^2$. If \mathcal{Q} is primary, either $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{Q}$ or $\bar{y}^n \in \mathcal{Q}$ for some n .

If $\bar{y}^n \in \mathcal{Q}$ then $\bar{y}^n \in P$. But $R/P \cong \mathbb{C}[t]$, $\bar{y}^n \mapsto t^n \neq 0$.

Also $\bar{x} \notin P$ since things in P have degree at least two.

Remark: There is a partial converse.

Proposition: Let \mathcal{Q} be an ideal of R and suppose $P := \sqrt{\mathcal{Q}}$ is maximal. Then \mathcal{Q} is primary.

Proof: Let $S = R/\mathcal{Q}$. Then S is a local ring with unique maximal ideal $M = P/\mathcal{Q}$.

Since S is local, if $x \in S \setminus M$ then x is a unit in S .

Our goal is to show \mathcal{Q} is primary. So suppose $xy \in \mathcal{Q}$. Then $\bar{x}\bar{y} = 0$ in S .

If $\bar{x} \notin M$, then \bar{x} is a unit, so $\bar{y} = 0$ in S , so $y \in \mathcal{Q}$.

If $\bar{y} \in M$, $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{Q}$ similarly.

If $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in M$, then since $P = \sqrt{\mathcal{Q}}$, $\exists n$ st $\bar{x}^n = \bar{y}^n = 0 \Rightarrow x^n, y^n \in \mathcal{Q}$. \square

Def: Let $I \neq R$ be an ideal. We say

• I is reducible if $I = J \cap K$ for some ideals J, K with $J \neq I, K \neq I$;

• I is irreducible if whenever $I = J \cap K, J, K \neq I \Rightarrow J = I$ or $K = I$.

Proposition: Let R be Noetherian. Then every proper ideal is a finite intersection of irreducible ideals.

A simple example

Proof: Suppose not. Then $S = \{I \neq R; I \text{ is not a finite intersection of irreducible ideals}\}$ is non-empty.

Since R is Noetherian, there exists a maximal element $J \in S$. Note J is reducible.

So there are $L, K \neq J$ such that $J = L \cap K$. Now $L, K \in S$ by maximality of $J \in S$, so

$$L = L_1 \cap \dots \cap L_s, \quad K = N_1 \cap \dots \cap N_t$$

with L_i, N_j irreducible.

But now

$$J = L_1 \cap \dots \cap L_s \cap N_1 \cap \dots \cap N_t.$$

Contradicting $J \in S$. □

Theorem: Let R be a Noetherian ring. Then every $I \neq R$ has a decomposition $I = Q_1 \cap \dots \cap Q_s$, where the Q_i are primary.

This theorem follows immediately from the following lemma:

Lemma: Let R be a Noetherian ring. Then every irreducible ideal is primary.

Proof: Let $I \neq R$ be irreducible. Let $S = R/I$ and suppose $xy \in I$. In S we have $\bar{x}\bar{y} = 0$. We know (0) is irreducible in S . Why? Correspondence. Suppose $\bar{x} \neq 0$. Let $J_m = \{a \in S; a\bar{y}^m = 0\} \trianglelefteq S$. We have a chain

$$J_1 \subseteq J_2 \subseteq \dots$$

which terminates since R is Noetherian. So for some n , $a\bar{y}^{n+1} = 0 \stackrel{0}{\Rightarrow} a\bar{y} = 0$.

We claim $(0) = (\bar{x}) \cap (\bar{y}^n)$. Suppose $a \in (\bar{x}) \cap (\bar{y}^n)$. Then $a = b\bar{x}$ and $a = c\bar{y}^n$. So $a\bar{y} = b\bar{x}\bar{y} = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = a\bar{y} = c\bar{y}^n\bar{y} = c\bar{y}^{n+1} \Rightarrow c\bar{y}^n = 0$. Thus $a = 0$, and the claim holds.

But (0) is irreducible, so $(\bar{y}^n) = (0)$. Thus $\bar{y}^n = 0$. So (0) is primary in $S \Rightarrow I$ is primary in R . □

Remark: This is quite nice for R a Noetherian integral domain of $\text{Kdim } 1$. Here (0) is primary iff and only if $(0) = (0)$ or $\sqrt{(0)}$ is maximal. Then every proper ideal is an intersection $Q_1 \cap \dots \cap Q_s$ where $\sqrt{Q_i}$ are maximal.