MATH 602 FINAL EXAM, DECEMBER 2010 INSTRUCTOR: DR. CHAI DECEMBER 8, 2010, 10:30 – 12:00 NOON

This examination consists of five questions (with parts) and one extra-credit question. Please show all your work and fully justify your answers.

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1 (20 pts)	
2 (25 PTS)	
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1. (20 pts) Let *n* be a positive integer. Let *R* be a commutative ring. Suppose that $\underline{a} = (a_1, \ldots, a_n)$ is an element of \mathbb{R}^n such that $\underline{a} \notin \mathfrak{m} \mathbb{R}^n$ for every maximal ideal $\mathfrak{m} \in \operatorname{Max}(\mathbb{R})$. Prove that the *R*-module $\mathbb{R} \cdot \underline{a}$ is a direct summand of the free *R*-module \mathbb{R}^n .

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2. Recall that for any commutative ring R, R[[x]] stands for the ring of formal power series in one variable x with coefficients in R, consisting of all formal expressions

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n x^n, \qquad a_n \in R \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N};$$

addition and multiplication in the ring R[[x]] are defined by the usual formulas.

(a) (10 pts) Show that the natural inclusion $\mathbb{Z}[[x]] \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Q}[[x]]$ induces an injective ring homomorphism $h: \mathbb{Z}[[x]] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}[[x].$

(b) (15 pts) Determine whether the ring extension $h: \mathbb{Z}[[x]] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Q}[[x]]$ is integral.

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4. For any module M over a commutative ring R, the support $\operatorname{supp}_R(M)$ is defined to be the subset of $\operatorname{Spec}(R)$ consisting of all prime ideals \mathfrak{p} in R such that the localization $M_{\mathfrak{p}} \neq 0$.

(a) (15 pts) Suppose that M is a finitely generated R-module. Prove that $\operatorname{supp}_R(M)$ is a closed subset of $\operatorname{Spec}(R)$.

(b) (10 extra pts) Is the statement (a) true without the assumption that M is finitely generated? Either give a proof or a counter-example.

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- 5. Let M and N be finitely generated modules over a commutative ring R.
 - (a) (15 pts) Prove that $\operatorname{supp}_R(M \otimes_R N) = \operatorname{supp}_R(M) \cap \operatorname{supp}_R(N)$.

(b) (10 extra points) Does the statement (a) hold if we assume only that M is finitely generated over R? Either give a proof or a counter-example.

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- 6. (extra credit) Let R be the ring $\mathbb{C}[x, y]/(y^2 x^3 + x)$.
 - (a) (10 extra points) Show that for every maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} of R, the maximal ideal of the local ring $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is principal.

(b) (10 extra points) Let $I = x\mathbb{C}[x, y] + y\mathbb{C}[x, y]/(y^2 - x^3 + x)$ be the ideal of R generated by the image in R of x and y. Determine whether I is a principal ideal of R.