

**Problem 1.** Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a 0-dimensional Noetherian (i.e. Artinian) local ring of prime characteristic  $p$  and  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Show that there exists  $e_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $F^e(M) \cong F^{e_0}(M)$  for all  $e \geq e_0$ . (Actually, this is true as long as  $R$  is 0-dimensional Noetherian, the proof of which reduces to local case.)

**Problem 2.** Let  $R$  be a Noetherian ring of prime characteristic  $p$ . It is known that  $I^* \subseteq \sqrt{I}$  for every ideal  $I \subseteq R$  (by comparing tight closure with integral closure). Here we show this from definition of tight closure.

- (1) If  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  is local (with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$ ), show  $\mathfrak{m}^* = \mathfrak{m}$ .
- (2) Show  $P^* = P$  for any prime ideal of  $R$ , which is not assumed to be local.
- (3) Show  $I^* \subseteq \sqrt{I}$  for every ideal  $I$  of  $R$ .
- (4) Compute  $0_R^*$ . Here  $0$  refers to the zero ideal of  $R$ .

**Problem 3.** Let  $k$  be a field of characteristic 2,  $S = k[X, Y]$  be a polynomial ring over  $k$  with indeterminates  $X, Y$ , and  $R = S/(X^3)S$ . Let  $I = (X^2)R \subset (X)R = J$  be ideals of  $R$ . (Then  $I \subset J$  are also modules over  $S$  under the natural ring homomorphism  $S \rightarrow R$ .)

- (1) Let  $F_R^e(-)$  be the Frobenius functor over  $R$ . Up to isomorphism, how many distinct  $R$ -modules are there among  $0, I, J, R, F_R(I), F_R(J), I_R^{[2]}, J_R^{[2]}, I_J^{[2]}$ ? (Everything is considered as an  $R$ -module, including  $I$  as in the notation  $F_R(I)$ , for example.) Group isomorphic  $R$ -modules together.
- (2) Determine  $I_R^*$  and  $I_J^*$  over  $R$ . (Everything is considered as an  $R$ -module.)
- (3) Determine  $I_R^*$  and  $I_J^*$  over  $S$ . (Everything is considered as an  $S$ -module, including  $R$  as in  $I_R^*$ .)

**Problem 4.** Let  $R$  be a Noetherian ring of prime characteristic  $p$ . Suppose

$$G_\bullet: \quad 0 \longrightarrow G_n \xrightarrow{\phi_n} G_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\phi_{n-1}} \cdots \xrightarrow{\phi_2} G_1 \xrightarrow{\phi_1} G_0$$

is a complex with  $G_i$  free of finite rank for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ . Apply Frobenius functor  $F^e$  to get  $F^e(G_\bullet)$  for every  $e \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- (1) If  $G_\bullet$  is exact, show  $F^e(G_\bullet)$  remains exact for every  $e \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (2) If  $\ell_R(H_i(G_\bullet)) < \infty$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , show  $\ell_R(H_i(F^e(G_\bullet))) < \infty$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and for every  $e \in \mathbb{N}$ . (Here  $\ell_R(-)$  represents the length of an  $R$ -module.)

Do (1) and (2) still hold if, instead, we assume  $G_i$  are finitely generated projective  $R$ -modules for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ ?

**Problem 5.** Let  $R$  be a Noetherian ring of prime characteristic  $p$  and  $N \subseteq M$  be  $R$ -modules. Define  $N_M^F = \{x \in M \mid x^q \in N_M^{[q]} \subseteq F^e(M) \text{ for some } q = p^e\}$ . ( $N_M^F$  is called the *Frobenius closure* of  $N$  in  $M$ .)

- (1) Show that  $N_M^F \subseteq N_M^*$ .
- (2) Show that Frobenius closure commutes with localization, i.e.  $(W^{-1}N)_{W^{-1}M}^F = W^{-1}(N_M^F)$  for any multiplicatively closed set  $W \subset R$ .

(Assume  $R$  is Noetherian and  $M$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Note that, for every ideal  $I$  of  $R$ ,  $\sqrt{I}$  is defined to be  $\{r \in R \mid r^n \in I \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . We may use the fact that  $\text{depth}_I(M) = \text{depth}_{\sqrt{I}}(M)$  without proof. We may also use the fact without proof that  $F_{W^{-1}R}^e(W^{-1}M) \cong W^{-1}F_R^e(M)$  for any multiplicatively closed set  $W \subset R$  although the proof of it is, actually, very short/easy. Finally, a polynomial ring over a field is regular.)