

## Problem assignment 5.

### Algebraic Theory of $D$ -modules.

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In this assignment we fix an algebra  $A$  and let  $\mathcal{M}(A)$  denote the category of left  $A$ -modules.

**1.** Suppose that the algebra  $A$  is Noetherian. We denote by  $\mathcal{M}^f(A)$  the category of finitely generated  $A$ -modules.

Show that an  $A$ -module  $P \in \mathcal{M}^f(A)$  is projective in category  $\mathcal{M}(A)$  iff it is projective in the category  $\mathcal{M}^f(A)$ .

More generally, show that if cohomological dimension of  $P$  is bounded by  $d$  in small category  $\mathcal{M}^f(A)$ , then it is bounded by  $d$  in the large category  $\mathcal{M}(A)$ .

**[P] 2.** Let  $A$  be a Noetherian algebra and  $M$  a finitely generated  $A$ -module. Suppose we know that  $chdim(M) \leq d$ .

Consider the functor  $E : N \mapsto Ext^d(M, N)$ . Show that there exists a right  $A$ -module  $R$  such that this functor is isomorphic to the functor  $T_R$  defined by  $T_R(N) = R \otimes_A N$ . Show that the module  $R$  is defined uniquely up to canonical isomorphism.

**Definition.** Suppose we are given a vector space  $V$  over a field  $K$ .

Let us define a **finiteness structure**  $F$  on  $V$  to be a finite collection of commuting operators  $x_i : V \rightarrow V$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$  which define on  $V$  a structure of a **finitely generated** module over the algebra  $A = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

Two finiteness structures  $F = (x_i)$  and  $H = (y_j)$  we call **equivalent** if operators  $x_i$  and  $y_j$  commute.

**[P] 3.** (i) Show that a finiteness structure on  $V$  allows unambiguously define the functional dimension  $d(V)$ .

**[P] 4.** Let  $F$  be a finiteness structure on  $V$ ; it is given by a structure of an  $A$ -module on  $V$  where  $A = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

For a given integer  $l$  consider the vector space  $D^l(V) = D_F^l(V)$  defined by  $D^l(V) := Ext_A^{n-l}(V, \omega_A)$ , where  $\omega_A$  is the  $A$ -module  $\Omega^n(A)$  of highest degree differential forms on the affine space  $X$  corresponding to the algebra  $A$ . By construction this is a space with a finiteness structure.

(i) Show that for two equivalent finiteness structures  $F$  and  $H$  on  $V$  the spaces  $D^l(V)$  constructed using  $F$  and using  $H$  are **canonically isomorphic**.

(ii) Show that  $d(D^l(V)) \leq l$

(iii) Show that if  $d(V) = d$  then  $D^l(V) = 0$  for  $l > d$ .

(iv) Show that if  $d(V) = 0$ , i.e.  $V$  is a finite dimensional vector space over  $K$ , then the space  $D^0(V)$  is just the dual vector space  $V^*$ .

**(□)5.** Is this construction of the space  $D^l(V)$  compatible with the composition of equivalences ?

**[P] 6.** Consider a commutative algebra  $A$  and an  $A$ -module  $M$ .

Let  $B$  be a finitely generated subalgebra of  $A$  (or, more generally, a finitely generated commutative algebra together with a morphism  $\nu : B \rightarrow A$ ).

We say that the module  $M$  is  $B$ -finite if it is finitely generated as  $B$ -module.

We say that  $M$  is CM (Cohen-Macaulay) of dimension  $d$  if for some polynomial subalgebra  $B$  in  $d$  variables  $M$  is  $B$ -finite and projective.

Show that in this case for any polynomial algebra  $B$  in  $d$  variables if  $M$  is  $B$ -finite then it is automatically  $B$ -projective.

**7.** let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a finite-dimensional Lie algebra over the field  $K$ . Show that the category  $\mathcal{M}(\mathfrak{g})$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules is Noetherian and has finite cohomological dimension.