6.  $\mathbb{R}[x, y]$  is a finitely generated algebra. Take the subalgebra generated by  $\{xy^i : i \geq 1\}$ . Suppose it is finitely generated with set of generators  $\{a_k\}$ . take  $r = \max_k \deg_u(a_k), m = \max_k \deg_r(a_k)$ . Notice that for any monomial v of this subalgebra  $\deg_x(v) \leq \deg_u(v)$ . Take n an integer greater than mr and divisible by m. It is easy to see that  $x^m y^n$  is an element of this subalgebra. To achieve the degree of y in  $x^m y^n$  we would need to raise some generator to some power greater than m but then we would get some element with deg<sub>x</sub> > m so it can't be  $x^m y^n$ . This is a contradiction and hence this subalgebra is not finitely generated.