

Q1. ~~When the ideal $\langle x-1 \rangle$ is prime in $R[x]$, $R[x]/\langle x-1 \rangle$ is an integral domain.~~

~~As $\langle x-1 \rangle \neq \{0\}$, this is equivalent to $x-1$ is a prime element in $R[x]$.~~

~~Express every polynomial $f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k (x-1)^k$, so this is equivalent to $a_0 b_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 0$ or $b_0 = 0$.~~

~~Hence, $R[x]/\langle x-1 \rangle$ is an integral domain iff R is an integral domain.~~

~~When the ideal $\langle x-1 \rangle$ is maximal in $R[x]$, $R[x]/\langle x-1 \rangle$ is a field.~~

~~Actually this is equivalent to R is a field, because:~~

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~~$\langle x-1 \rangle$ is maximal in $R[x] \Leftrightarrow (\forall \text{ ideal } J \text{ of } R[x], J \supsetneq \langle x-1 \rangle \Rightarrow J = R[x])$~~

~~$\Leftrightarrow \forall \text{ nonzero } r \in R, \langle r, x-1 \rangle = R[x]$~~

~~$\Leftrightarrow \forall \text{ nonzero } r \in R, r \text{ is a unit} \Leftrightarrow R \text{ is a field.}$~~

~~If R is a field, then $R[x]$ is Euclidean, thus PID and UFD.~~

~~If $R[x]$~~

Define $\pi: R[x] \rightarrow R, f(x) \mapsto f(1)$.

As $\pi(1) = 1, \pi(f(x) + g(x)) = \pi(\sum_{i=0}^{\max(m,n)} (a_i + b_i)x^i) = \sum_{i=0}^{\max(m,n)} (a_i + b_i) = f(1) + g(1)$

$\pi(f(x)g(x)) = \pi(\sum_{i,j=0}^{m,n} a_i b_j x^{i+j}) = \sum_{i,j=0}^{m,n} a_i b_j = f(1)g(1)$

π is a ring homomorphism.

π fixes $R \subseteq R[x]$, so $\text{Im}(\pi) = R$.

$\text{Ker}(\pi) = \{f(x) \in R[x] : f(1) = 0\} = \langle x-1 \rangle$.

Hence, $R[x]/\langle x-1 \rangle \cong R$, so $R[x]/\langle x-1 \rangle$ is integral/PID

/UFD/field iff R is.



if we have another

Q2 (a) Let R be an integral domain.

$s_1 s_2 \dots s_m,$

If every nonzero, nonunit element r of R then $n=m,$

is a unique product ~~$r_1 r_2 \dots r_n$~~ of irreducible elements

unique
in what
sense

r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n of R up to association relation ($r_1 \sim r_2$ if $\exists u \in R^*, r_1 = ur_2$),
then R is a UFD.

and for some $\sigma \in S_n,$
 ~~$r_i = s_{\sigma(i)}$~~
 $r_1 = s_{\sigma(1)}$
 $r_2 = s_{\sigma(2)}$
 \vdots
 $r_n = s_{\sigma(n)}$

(b) Proof: Assume that $R[x]$ is a UFD.

For all nonzero, nonunit element r of R ,
identify it with a constant polynomial in $R[x]$

By assumption, $r = r_1(x) r_2(x) \dots r_n(x)$ is a unique

product of irreducible polynomials in $R[x]$ up to associates.

Now $0 = \text{Deg } r = \text{Deg } r_1(x) + \text{Deg } r_2(x) + \dots + \text{Deg } r_n(x)$; UFD \subseteq Integral Domain

which implies $r_1(x), r_2(x), \dots, r_n(x)$ are irreducibles in R , and we're done.

Q3: Let R be a UFD. If a polynomial $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$ is nonzero,

and the greatest common divisor of $(a_i)_{i=0}^n$ is ± 1 (up to associates),

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then $f(x)$ is primitive. Gauss Lemma says, a product $f(x)g(x)$ of ~~primitive~~ primitive polynomials $f(x), g(x) \in R[x]$ is primitive.

Proof: Assume to the contrary that $f(x)g(x)$ is not primitive.

As R is a UFD, irreducibles = primes, for some prime element $p \in R$,
 p divides all coefficients of $f(x)g(x)$. Consider the following ring
homomorphism: $\pi_p: R[x] \rightarrow R[x]/\langle p \rangle, \pi_p(f(x)) = \bar{f}_p(x).$

$h(x) = f(x)g(x) \Rightarrow 0 = \pi_p(h(x)) = \pi_p(f(x)g(x)) = \pi_p(f(x))\pi_p(g(x))$
 $\Rightarrow \pi_p(f(x)) = 0$ or $\pi_p(g(x)) = 0$, contradicting to primitivity!



Q4. (4) Proof: As $f(x) = x^3 + 2x + 1$ is a cubic polynomial over field $\mathbb{F}_5 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$, it suffices to show that it has no root. (content is always a unit).

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| x | $f(x)$ |
|-----|----------------------------------|
| 0 | $0^3 + 2 \cdot 0 + 1 = 1 \neq 0$ |
| 1 | $1^3 + 2 \cdot 1 + 1 = 4 \neq 0$ |
| 2 | $2^3 + 2 \cdot 2 + 1 = 3 \neq 0$ |
| 3 | $3^3 + 2 \cdot 3 + 1 = 4 \neq 0$ |
| 4 | $4^3 + 2 \cdot 4 + 1 = 3 \neq 0$ |

In this case, $\mathbb{F}_5[x]/\langle f(x) \rangle$ is a 3-dimensional \mathbb{F}_5 -vector space,
 $|\mathbb{F}_5[x]/\langle f(x) \rangle| = |\mathbb{F}_5|^3 = 125$

Q5. (a) Let R be a PID, and $A = (a_{ij})$ be a n by m R -valued matrix.

There exists a unique chain $d_1 \leq d_2 \leq \dots \leq d_k \leq 0 \leq 0 \leq \dots$

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up to associates

$a \leq b$
 $\iff a \mid b$

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such that for some $P \in GL_n(R)$, $Q \in GL_m(R)$:

R unique?

$$PAQ = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_k & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} -7 & 0 & -6 \\ 6 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} \text{Column (1)} + \text{Column (3)} \cdot (-1) \\ \text{Column (1)} + \text{Column (2)} \cdot (-2) \end{matrix}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$\xrightarrow{\text{Column (3)} + \text{Column (1)} \cdot (-6)} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$d_1 \leq d_2 \leq d_3$

if you like, $d_1 \mid d_2 \mid d_3$.



≡ (c) Solution: As column transformation preserves column space.

$$N = \text{Col} \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 0 & -6 \\ 6 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \text{Col} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{Z} \times (3\mathbb{Z}) \times (6\mathbb{Z}).$$

$$\mathbb{Z}^3 / N = (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}) / [\mathbb{Z} \times (3\mathbb{Z}) \times (6\mathbb{Z})]$$

$$\cong (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}) \times (\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z})$$

