

Abstract Algebra

Homework

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Chapter 1

1.1 homework 5a Part4

Question 1: Page 102, problem 17

p is a prime, $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, prove that there exist $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that $a^2 + b^2 = p$

Solution:

$p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, so there exist $x, x^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$, then $p \mid (x^2 + 1)$ in \mathbb{Z} , then $p \mid (x + i)(x - i)$ in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, but $p \nmid (x + i), p \nmid (x - i)$, so p is a prime element in Euclidean domain $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, so p is reducible in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

$\exists z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Z}[i], p = z_1 z_2$, so let's consider the norm of p , $N(p) = p^2 = N(z_1)N(z_2)$, since $z \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ is a unit (reversible) if and only if $N(z) = 1$, $N(z_1) = N(z_2) = p$.

We have $z_1 = a + bi$ with $a, b \neq 0$. And the statement that the norm of z_1 is p is exactly the statement that $a^2 + b^2 = p$.

So we have shown that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ means that p can be written as a sum of two squares (in a completely nonconstructive way). \diamond

Note:-

- the norm of an element in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ means $N(a + bi) = a^2 + b^2$
- Euler's Criterion: p is an odd prime, $a \in \mathbb{Z}, (a, p) = 1$

$$a^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 & \pmod{p}, \text{ if there exist an integer } x \text{ such that } x^2 \equiv a \pmod{p}, \\ -1 & \pmod{p}, \text{ if there is no such integer.} \end{cases}$$

So since $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, we have $-1^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$, so there exist $x, x^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.

- p is an odd prime. If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then p is reducible in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$. If $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then p is irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

Question 2: Page 102, problem 18

证明环 $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ 的不可约元, 在相伴意义下, 只有以下三种:

(1) $1 + i$; (2) $a + bi, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, a^2 + b^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ 为素数; (3) $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ 为素数.

Solution:

$\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ 不可约, 因此 α 是素元, $\alpha\mathbb{Z}[i]$ 是素理想, $\alpha\mathbb{Z}[i] \cap \mathbb{Z} = (p) = p\mathbb{Z}$ 是 \mathbb{Z} 的素理想, 因此 $\alpha \mid p$.故 α 不可约可以推出 α 是素数在 $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ 中的因子.

反之, 若 $\alpha \mid p$, 由于 p 是有理素数, 那么 $\bar{\alpha} \mid p$, 所以有 $p = \alpha\bar{\alpha}r, r \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$, let's consider the norm of $p, N(p) = p^2 = N(\alpha)N(\bar{\alpha})N(r)$, 若 α 非平凡, 那么 $N(\alpha) = p, p = \alpha\bar{\alpha}, N(\alpha) = p$, 由于 α 在 $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ 中不可约.

因此, $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ 不可约 if and only if α 是素数 p 的非平凡因子.

$p = 2 = (1+i)(1-i), i(1+i) = i-1 = -(1-i), N(i) = 1, 1+i$ 与 $1-i$ 在 $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ 中相伴, $\alpha = 1+i$.

$p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, so there exist integer a, b , such that $a^2 + b^2 = p = (a+bi)(a-bi)$, 故 $\alpha = a+bi$.

$p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, 若存在 $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, 使得 $p = a^2 + b^2$, 根据下面的小定理, 有 $p \mid a$ and $p \mid b$, 因此矛盾, 故 $\alpha = p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Theorem 1.1.1

Let p be a prime. If $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, $p \mid a^2 + b^2$, then $p \mid a$ and $p \mid b$.

证明: Using Fermats Little Theorem: $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}, b^p \equiv b \pmod{p}$.

Since $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, we have $a^{p+1} + b^{p+1} \equiv a^2 + b^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$. Because $4 \mid p+1$, we can write $p+1 = 4k$, so $a^{4k} + b^{4k} = a^{4k} + (b^2)^{2k} \equiv a^{4k} + (-a^2)^{2k} = 2a^{4k} \pmod{p}$.

由于 $p \nmid 2, p \mid a^{4k}$, so $p \mid a$, 同理 $p \mid b$.

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Question 3: 5a-1

F is a field, $R = \{f(x) \in F[x] \mid f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{i=2}^n a_i x^i\}$. Prove that R 是 $F[x]$ 的子环; x^2, x^3 是不可约元, 但不是素元(so R is not UFD).

Solution:

子环验证略.

To prove that x^2, x^3 are irreducibel in R , just consider the deg.

x^2, x^3 are not prime, $x^2 \mid x^3 \cdot x^3, x^2 \nmid x^3$ and $x^3 \mid x^2 \cdot x^4, x^3 \nmid x^4, x^3 \nmid x^2$

Question 4: 5a-2

R 为UFD, P 为 R 的非零素理想, 证明: P 中有素元.

Solution:

P is nonzero, so $\exists a \in P, a \neq 0, a$ is irreversibel. Since R is UFD, $a = a_1 \dots a_n, a_i$ is irreducibel. Since P is prime, $a_k \in P, k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Since R is UFD, a_k is prime. \diamond

Note:-

- 诺特环的同态像是诺特环.
- (Hilbert基定理) R 为交换诺特环, 那么 $R[x]$ 为诺特环.
- 非UFD的诺特环: $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$
 \mathbb{Z} 为PID, 故为诺特环, 因此 $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ 是诺特环, 由于 $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}] \cong \mathbb{Z}/(x^2 + 5)$, 故 $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$ 是诺特环
- 非诺特环的UFD: $F[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots]$

Question 5: 5a-4

R is UFD, $ab = c^n$, $a, b, c \in R^*$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_+$, a, b are coprime, prove that there exist $u, v, f, g \in R$, u, v are invertible, such that $a = uf^n$, $b = vg^n$.

Solution:

(i) If a or b is invertible, WLOG, a is invertible, then $a = a \cdot 1^n$, $b = 1 \cdot c^n$.

(ii) If a and b are irreversibel, then c^n is irreversibel, since R is UFD, so $ab = (a_1 \dots a_n)(b_1 \dots b_m) = c^n = (c_1 \dots c_t)^n$, where a_i, b_j, c_s are irreducibel.

使用相同的相伴代表元, 由于 a, b 互素, 因此没有不可逆的公因子, 所以 $a = ud_1^{e_1} \dots d_n^{e_n}$, u 可逆, $b = vd_{n+1}^{e_{n+1}} \dots d_{n+s}^{e_{n+s}}$, v 可逆, 因此 $a = uf^n$, $b = vg^n$. \diamond

Question 6: 5a-5

求 $x^2 + 2 = y^3$ 所有整数解.

Solution:

$$(x + \sqrt{-2})(x - \sqrt{-2}) = y^3 \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}].$$

• $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$ is UFD.

• $x + \sqrt{-2}, x - \sqrt{-2}$ 无不可逆公因子

If $x + \sqrt{-2} = a_1 \dots a_n$, $y = b_1 \dots b_m$, then $x - \sqrt{-2} = \overline{a_1} \dots \overline{a_n}$, a_i, b_j are irreducibel, since the factorization is unique, $2n = 3m$, so $n = 3t$, $m = 2t$.

$x + \sqrt{-2}, x - \sqrt{-2}$ 互素, 因此, $x + \sqrt{-2} = (a + bi)^3 = a^3 - 6ab + (3ab - 2b^3)\sqrt{-2}$, then $b(3a - 2b^2) = 1$, so $b \in U(\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]) = \{1, -1\}$.

$b = 1$, then $a = 1, x = -5, y = 3$, or $a = -1, x = 5, y = 3$.

$b = -1$, no solution.

So, all solutions are: $a = 1, x = -5, y = 3$, or $a = -1, x = 5, y = 3$. \diamond

Claim 1.1.1

$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$ is UFD.

证明: 思路: 证明 $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$ 是 ED, 从而是 UFD.

$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$, $\alpha\beta^{-1} = u + v\sqrt{-2}$, $u, v \in \mathbb{Q}$, choose $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\alpha\beta^{-1} = u + v\sqrt{-2} = (a + b\sqrt{-2}) + [(u - a) + (v - b)\sqrt{-2}]$, $|a - u| \leq \frac{1}{2}$, $|v - b| \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

So $\alpha = \beta(a + b\sqrt{-2}) + \beta[(u - a) + (v - b)\sqrt{-2}]$, since $\alpha - \beta(a + b\sqrt{-2}) = \beta[(u - a) + (v - b)\sqrt{-2}] \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$, let $q = a + b\sqrt{-2}$, $r = \beta[(u - a) + (v - b)\sqrt{-2}] \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$, then $\alpha = \beta q + r$, $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$, $\delta(r) = N(r) = N(\beta)N((u - a) + (v - b)\sqrt{-2}) = N(\beta)[(u - a)^2 + 2(v - b)^2] \leq N(\beta)\frac{3}{4} < N(\beta)$, so $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$ is ED, thus UFD. \diamond

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Claim 1.1.2

$x + \sqrt{-2}, x - \sqrt{-2}$ 无不可逆公因子

证明: 若有 $a \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$ 不可约, $a \mid x + \sqrt{-2}, x \mid x - \sqrt{-2}$, 那么 $a \mid 2\sqrt{-2}$.

由于UFD中, 不可约元是素元, 所以 $a \mid \sqrt{-2}, a = \pm\sqrt{-2}$, 但 $\sqrt{-2} \nmid x + \sqrt{-2}$, 矛盾, 因此没有不可逆的公因子. \diamond ☺

Question 7: 5a-6

$R[x]$ 是PID $\iff R$ 是域.

Solution:

(\Rightarrow): $R[x]$ 是PID, x 在 $R[x]$ 中不可约 $\iff (x)$ 是极大理想 $\Rightarrow R[x]/(x) \cong R$ 为域.

(\Leftarrow): R 是域, 同高代方法.

Question 8: 5a-7

R 是 ED, prove that $\forall a \in R, a \neq 0$, a is invertibel $\iff \delta(a) = \min \delta(R^*)$

Solution:

(\Rightarrow): a is invertibel, $ab = 1, \forall r \in R^*, r = (rb)a, \delta(a) \leq \delta(r)$.

(\Leftarrow): $\delta(a) = \min \delta(R^*), 1 = aq + r, r = 0, a$ is invertibel.

1.2 homework 6a Part1