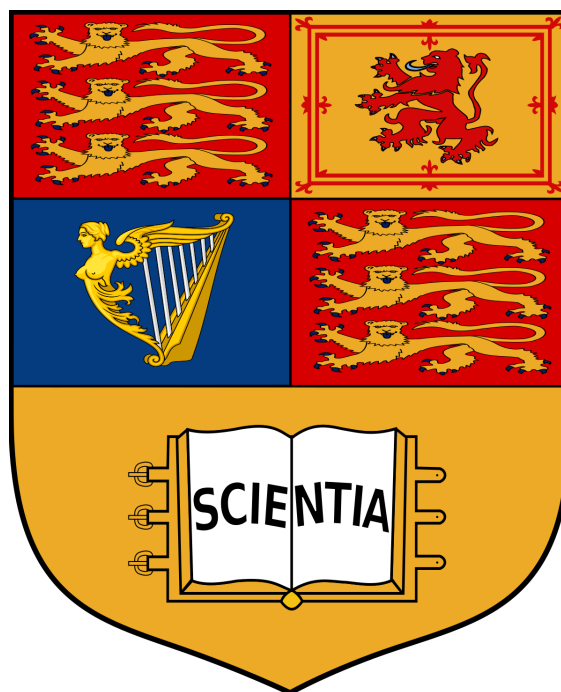


Algebra 3 - Rings & Modules

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1 Rings

1.1 Basic Definitions and Examples

Definition 1.1. A monoid (M, \cdot) a set M and binary op $\cdot : M \times M \rightarrow M$, with $1_M \in M$ s.t

- $m \cdot 1_M = m = 1_M \cdot m \forall m \in M$
- Operation \cdot is associative, $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z$

Definition 1.4. A ring a set $(R, + : R \times R \rightarrow R, \cdot : R \times R \rightarrow R)$ with elements $0_R, 1_R \in R$ s.t

- $(R, +)$ an abelian group with identity 0_R
- (R, \cdot) a monoid with identity 1_R
- Distributivity: $a(b + c) = ab + ac, (b + c)a = ba + ca$

Note: write additive inverse as $-r$

Definition 1.6. Say R a ring commutative if $a \cdot b = b \cdot a, \forall a, b \in R$

Definition 1.7. For $S \subseteq R$, R a ring. Say S a subring of R if

- $0_R, 1_R \in S$
- $+, \cdot$ make S into a ring with identities $0_R, 1_R$

We write $S \leq R$

Proposition 1.12. R a ring, $1_R = 0_R \iff R = \{0\}$ the trivial ring

Definition 1.13. $u \in R$ a unit, if $\exists v \in R$ s.t $u \cdot v = v \cdot u = 1_R$

$$R^\times \subseteq R, \text{ the set of units in } R$$

Definition 1.14. A division ring a non-trivial ring, s.t every $u \neq 0_R \in R$ a unit.

$$R^\times = R \setminus \{0\}$$

A **Field** a commutative division ring

Proposition 1.17. Subset $R^\times \subset R$ a group under multiplication.

1.2 Constructions of rings

Example 1.18. R, S rings $\implies R \times S$ the product ring a ring via

$$(r, s) + (r', s') = (r + r', s + s') \quad (r, s) \cdot (r', s') = (r \cdot r', s \cdot s')$$

Example 1.21. R a ring, the **polynomial ring** $R[X]$ a ring

$$R[X] = \{f = a_0 + a_1X + \dots a_nX^n \mid a_i \in R\}$$

So for $f = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X^i$, $g = \sum_{i=1}^k b_i X^i$, we have ring ops

$$f + g := \sum_{i=0}^{\max\{n, k\}} (a_i + b_i) X^i$$

$$f \cdot g := \sum_{i=0}^{n+k} \left(\sum_{j=0}^i a_j b_{i-j} \right) X^i$$

Note: call maximal n s.t $a_n \neq 0_R$ the $\deg(f)$

For f of degree $n \geq 0$, if $a_n = 1$ say f is monic.

Notation: Write $R[X, Y]$ for $(R[X])[Y]$ polynomial ring in 2 variables, and in general $R[X_1, \dots, X_n] = (\dots((R[X_1])[X_2] \dots)[X_n])$

Example 1.23. *Laurent polynomials on R the set $R[X, X^{-1}]$*

$$R[X, X^{-1}] = \left\{ f = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} a_i X^i \mid \text{only finitely many } a_i \neq 0 \right\}$$

Operations defined similarly to $R[X]$

We have here the set of monomials $\{X^i : i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ form a group under multiplication.

Example 1.24. *G a group, R a ring. Define the Group Ring $R[G]$:*

$$R[G] := \left\{ \sum_{g \in G} a_g g \mid a_g \in R, |\{g \in G : a_g \neq 0\}| < \infty \right\}$$

With addition and multiplication as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{g \in G} a_g g \right) + \left(\sum_{g \in G} b_g g \right) &= \sum_{g \in G} (a_g +_R b_g) g \\ \left(\sum_{g \in G} a_g g \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{g \in G} b_g g \right) &= \sum_{g \in G} \left(\sum_{h \in G} a_h \cdot_R b_{h^{-1}g} \right) g \end{aligned}$$

We have that $R[X, X^{-1}] \cong R[C_\infty]$, $C_\infty = (\mathbb{Z}, +)$

If R commutative ring, then $R[G]$ commutative $\iff G$ abelian.

Example 1.25.

$$M_n(R) = \text{set of } n \times n \text{ matrices, } R \text{ a ring}$$

A ring over the usual addition and multiplication

Example 1.26. *Abelian group A*

$$\text{End}(A) = \{f : A \rightarrow A \mid f \text{ a group homomorphism}\}$$

A ring with ops

$$(f +_{\text{End}(A)} g)(x) := f(x) +_A g(x) \quad (f \cdot_{\text{End}(A)} g)(x) := (f \circ g)(x)$$

Group of units of $\text{End}(A)$ is the automorphism group of A denoted $\text{Aut}(A)$

1.3 Homomorphisms, ideals and quotients

Definition 1.27. *R, S rings. $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$ a ring homomorphism if*

1. $\varphi(r_1 + r_2) = \varphi(r_1) + \varphi(r_2)$
2. $\varphi(0_R) = 0_S$
3. $\varphi(r_1 \cdot r_2) = \varphi(r_1) \cdot \varphi(r_2)$
4. $\varphi(1_R) = 1_S$

Definition 1.28. *An isomorphism, A bijective homomorphism φ*

Definition 1.29. *Kernel of homomorphism $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$*

$$\ker(\varphi) = \{r \in R : \varphi(r) = 0_S\}$$

Definition 1.30. *Image of homomorphism $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$*

$$\text{im}(\varphi) = \{s \in S : s = \varphi(r), \text{ for some } r \in R\}$$

Lemma 1.31. Homomorphism $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$ injective $\iff \ker \varphi = \{0_R\}$

Definition 1.32. A ideal $I \subset R$ an abelian subgroup s.t

$$\forall i \in I, r \in R \begin{cases} ri \in I, & \text{left ideal} \\ ir \in I, & \text{right ideal} \end{cases}$$

This the strong closure property.

A two-sided or bi-ideal both a left and right ideal.

Lemma 1.33. $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$ a homomorphism, then $\ker(\varphi) \subset R$ a two-sided ideal

Definition 1.35. Proper ideal, an ideal $I \neq R$

For every proper ideal I , we have $1 \notin I \implies$ not a subring.

Even more generally, proper ideals do not contain any unit.

$$\text{if } I \neq R \implies I \subset R \setminus R^\times$$

Definition 1.38. For element $a \in R$, write the ideal generated by a as,

$$(a) = Ra = \{r \cdot a \mid r \in R\} \subset R$$

The ideal generated by a_1, \dots, a_n

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \{r_1 a_1 + \dots r_k a_k \mid r_i \in R\}$$

Definition 1.39. $A \subset R$ define ideal generated by A as

$$(A) = R \cdot A = \{\text{sum}_{a \in A} r_a \cdot a \mid r_a \in R, \text{ only finitely many non-zero}\}$$

Definition 1.40. Say ideal I principal if $I = (a)$ for some $a \in R$

Definition 1.42. Let $I \subset R$ a two-sided ideal

Quotient ring $R/I = \{r + I \mid r \in R\}$ a ring with $0_R + I, 1_R + I$

$$(r_1 + I) + (r_2 + I) = (r_1 + r_2) + I, \quad (r_1 + I) \cdot (r_2 + I) = r_1 r_2 + I$$

Proposition 1.43. Quotient ring a ring, and function

$$\varphi : R \rightarrow R/I, r \mapsto r + I$$

a ring homomorphism.

Proposition 1.47. (Euclidean algorithm for polynomials)

Let F a field, and $f, g \in F[X] \implies \exists r, q \in F[X]$ s.t

$$f = gq + r$$

with $\deg r < \deg g$

Theorem 1.49. (First isomorphism theorem)

Let $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$ a ring homomorphism, $\ker(\varphi) \subseteq R$ a 2-sided ideal and

$$\frac{R}{\ker(\varphi)} \cong \text{im}(\varphi) \leq S$$

Theorem 1.50. (Second isomorphism theorem)

$R \leq S$ be subrings, $J \subseteq S$ a 2-sided ideal. Then

(i) $R + J = \{r + j : r \in R, j \in J\} \leq S$ a subring

(ii) $J \subseteq R + J$ and $J \cap R \subseteq R$ are both 2-sided ideal

(iii) $\frac{R+J}{J} = \{r + J : r \in R\} \leq \frac{S}{J} \leq \frac{S}{J}$ a subring, and $\frac{R}{R \cap J} \cong \frac{R+J}{J}$

Theorem 1.51. (Third isomorphism theorem)

Let R a ring, $I, J \subseteq R$ 2-sided ideals s.t $I \subseteq J$ Then $J/I \subseteq R/I$ a 2-sided ideal and

$$\left(\frac{R}{I}\right) / \left(\frac{J}{I}\right) \cong \frac{R}{J}$$

2 Integral Domains

2.1 Integral domains, maximal and prime ideals

Definition 2.1. R a commutative ring. Element $x \in R$ a zero divisor if $x \neq 0, \exists y \neq 0$ s.t $x \cdot y = 0 \in R$

Definition 2.2. Integral domain (ID) a non-trivial commutative ring without zero divisors

$$a \text{ ring where if } ab = 0 \implies a = 0 \text{ or } b = 0$$

Lemma 2.6. R a finite ring, and integral domain $\implies R$ a field.

Lemma 2.7. R an integral domain. Then $R[X]$ an integral domain

Lemma 2.9. A non-trivial commutative ring R a field \iff its only ideals are $\{0\}$ and R

Definition 2.10. An ideal I of ring R **maximal** if $I \neq R$ and for any ideal J s.t $I \leq J \leq R$ either $J = I$ or $J = R$

Lemma 2.11. R a commutative ring. $I \subseteq R$ maximal $\iff R/I$ is a field

Definition 2.13. Ideal $I \subseteq R$ is prime if $I \neq R$ and if $a, b \in R$ s.t $a \cdot b \in I \implies a \in I$ or $b \in I$

Lemma 2.16. R a commutative ring. $I \subseteq R$ ideal, prime $\iff R/I$ is an integral domain

Corollary 2.17. R commutative ring. Then every maximal ideal is a prime ideal.

Definition 2.18. R a ring. $\iota : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$ the unique such map. The characteristic of R the unique non-negative n s.t $\ker(\iota) = n\mathbb{Z}$

Lemma 2.20. R an integral domain. $\text{char}(R) = 0$ or p a prime number.

2.2 Factorisation in Integral domains

Definition 2.21. R a ring. Say for $a, b \in R$ a divides b , $a \mid b$ if $\exists c \in R$ s.t $b = ac$. Equivalently $(b) \subseteq (a)$

Definition 2.22. R a ring, say $a, b \in R$ associates if $a = bc$ for some $c \in R^\times$ a unit. Equivalently $(a) = (b)$ or $a \mid b$ and $b \mid a$

Definition 2.23. R a ring. $a \in R$ irreducible if $a \neq 0$, and $a \notin R^\times$ and if $a = xy \implies x \in R^\times$ or $y \in R^\times$

Definition 2.24. R a ring. $a \in R$ prime if $a \neq 0$ and $a \notin R^\times$ and if $a \mid xy \implies a \mid x$ or $a \mid y$

Lemma 2.26. A principal ideal (r) prime ideal in $R \iff r = 0$ or r prime

Lemma 2.27. If $r \in R$ prime, the r irreducible

Definition 2.29. (Euclidean domain)

An integral domain R a Euclidean Domain (ED) if \exists Euclidean function $\phi : R \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ s.t

$$1. \phi(a \cdot b) \geq \phi(b), \forall a, b \neq 0$$

$$2. \text{ If } a, b \in R, b \neq 0 \implies \exists q, r \in R \text{ s.t}$$

$$a = b \cdot q + r$$

With either $r = 0$ or $\phi(r) < \phi(b)$

Definition 2.34. (Principal ideal domain)

A ring R , an integral domain, is a principal ideal domain (PID) if every ideal is a principal ideal.

$$\forall I \subseteq R \text{ an ideal} \implies \exists a \text{ s.t } I = (a)$$

Proposition 2.36. Let R a Euclidean domain. Then R a principal ideal domain

Definition 2.41. (Unique factorisation domain)

An integral domain a unique factorisation domain (UFD) if

(Existence) Every non-unit written as product of irreducibles

(Uniqueness) If $p_1 \dots p_n = q_1 \dots q_m$ with p_i, q_j irreducibles, then $n = m$ and they can be reordered s.t p_i is an associate of q_i

Theorem 2.42. (PID \implies UFD)

If R a principal ideal domain, then R a unique factorisation domain.

Lemma 2.43. R a PID, then a principal ideal (r) maximal $\iff r$ irreducible or, if R a field, $r = 0$

Proposition 2.44. R a PID, if $r \in R$ irreducible then r prime.

Corollary 2.45. R a PID, Then every non-zero prime ideal is maximal

Definition 2.46. (ACC - Ascending Chain Condition)

A commutative ring satisfies the ACC, if

$$I_1 \subseteq I_2 \subseteq I_3 \subseteq \dots, \text{ a chain of ideals}$$

Then $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t $I_n = I_N$ for some $n \geq N$

Definition 2.47. (Noetherian Ring)

A commutative ring satisfying the ACC is Noetherian.

Proposition 2.48. R a PID $\implies R$ Noetherian

Definition 2.50. (Greatest Common Divisor, gcd)

R a ring, d a (gcd) of a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n if $d|a_i, \forall i$ and if any other d' satisfies $d'|a_i, \forall i$ then $d'|d$

Lemma 2.51. R a UFD \implies (gcd) exists and is unique up to associates.

i.e if d, d' are gcds of a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n then d, d' are associates.

The above lemmas and theorems yield the following chain of implications

$$\underbrace{(\mathbb{Z})}_{\text{isomorphic to } \mathbb{Z}} \implies \text{ED} \implies \text{PID} \implies \text{UFD} \implies \text{ID} \implies \text{Commutative Ring} \implies \text{Ring}$$

$$\underbrace{(\mathbb{Z})}_{\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}[i]} \not\equiv \text{ED} \quad \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}}_{\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1+\sqrt{-19}}{2}]} \not\equiv \text{PID} \quad \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}[X]}_{\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]} \not\equiv \text{UFD} \quad \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]}_{\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}} \not\equiv \text{ID} \quad \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}}_{M_2(\mathbb{Z})} \not\equiv \text{Commutative Ring} \quad \underbrace{M_2(\mathbb{Z})}_{\text{Ring}} \not\equiv \text{Ring}$$

2.3 Localisation

Definition 2.54. R an ID, $S \subseteq (R, \cdot)$ a multiplicative submonoid. $0 \notin S$. **Localisation** is set of equivalence classes

$$S^{-1}R = \{(r, s) \mid r \in R, s \in S, (r, s) \sim (r', s') \text{ if } rs' = r's\}$$

Pair (r, s) denoted $\frac{r}{s}$ - this is a ring with ops.

$$(r, s) \cdot (r', s') := (rr', ss'), \quad (r, s) + (r', s') = (rs' + r's, ss')$$

Definition 2.55. $R = \mathbb{Z}, S = R \setminus \{0\}$, Then the rational numbers \mathbb{Q} defined as $S^{-1}R$

Proposition 2.57. R an ID, S a multiplicative submonoid s.t $0 \notin S$ Then the map $\iota : R \rightarrow S^{-1}R$ is injective

Definition 2.59. R a commutative ring, $S \subseteq R$ a submonoid.

Localisation

$$S^{-1}R = \{(r, s) \mid r \in R, s \in S, (r, s) \sim (r', s') \text{ if } \exists t \in S, t(rs' - r's) = 0\}$$

Note we have t in this definition when we move away from R being an integral domain.

Definition 2.64. If R an integral domain $S = R \setminus \{0\}$, we have $S^{-1}R$ field. Define the field of fractions of R , $\text{Frac}(R) := S^{-1}R$

Proposition 2.67. (Universal property of localisation)

If A a commutative ring, and $\varphi : R \rightarrow A$ a ring homomorphism, s.t $\varphi(S) \subset A^\times$ then, φ factors through the homomorphism $\iota : R \rightarrow S^{-1}R$ i.e $\exists! \tilde{\varphi} : S^{-1}R \rightarrow A$ s.t $\varphi = \iota \circ \tilde{\varphi}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & A \\
 \downarrow \iota & \nearrow \tilde{\varphi} & \\
 S^{-1}R & &
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 r & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \varphi(r) \\
 \downarrow & \nearrow & \updownarrow \\
 (r, 1) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \tilde{\varphi}((r, 1))
 \end{array}$$

Definition 2.68. R a commutative ring, $S \subseteq R$ a multiplicative submonoid.

Localisation, $S^{-1}R$ the unique ring R' s.t $\exists \iota : R \rightarrow R'$ s.t

1. $\iota(S) \subseteq (R')^\times$
2. For all commutative rings A and maps $\varphi : R \rightarrow A$ with $\varphi(S) \subseteq A^\times$, $\exists! \tilde{\varphi} : R' \rightarrow A$ s.t $\varphi = \tilde{\varphi} \circ \iota$

Corollary 2.70. R an ID, F a field, $\varphi : R \rightarrow F$ an injective ring homomorphism. Then φ factors through the map from R to $\text{Frac}(R)$: $\varphi = \iota \circ \tilde{\varphi}$ for $\iota : R \rightarrow \text{Frac}(R)$ with $\tilde{\varphi}$ injective

Corollary 2.71. F a field, $\text{char}(F) = 0$. F has subfield isomorphic to \mathbb{Q}
If $\text{char}(F) = p$ contains subfield isomorphic to \mathbb{F}_p

Lemma 2.72. F a field, $F \leq R$ a subring $\implies R$ a vector space over F

Corollary 2.73. Every field a vector space over \mathbb{F}_p or \mathbb{Q}

Example 2.74. R a commutative ring. $I \subset R$ a prime ideal, $S = R \setminus I$ also a multiplicative submonoid.
Denote $S^{-1}R$ as R_I

Proposition 2.77. R a commutative ring, $I \subseteq R$ a prime ideal. Then R_I has a unique maximal ideal given by $\bar{I} = \{(r, s) : r \in I, s \in R \setminus I\}$

Definition 2.78. A local ring a ring which has a unique maximal ideal

Definition 2.80. Set $S^{-1}I := \{\frac{i}{s} \mid s \in S, i \in I\}$ an ideal in $S^{-1}R$ call this the image of I under the localisation

Proposition 2.81. Every ideal $I \subseteq S^{-1}R$ of form $S^{-1}J$ for some $J \subseteq R$ an ideal.

3 Polynomial Rings

3.1 Factorisation in polynomial rings and Gauss' Lemma

Definition 3.1. R a UFD, $f = a_0 + a_1X + \dots + a_nX^n \in R[X]$. The content is

$$c(f) = \gcd(a_0, \dots, a_n) \in R$$

Equivalentl define content as the ideal $(\gcd(a_0, \dots, a_n))$

Definition 3.2. A polynomial is primitive if $c(f) \in R^\times$, the a_i are coprime
Or as an ideal we have $c(f) = R[X]$

Lemma 3.3. *R a UFD, if $f \in R[X]$ then $f = c(f) \cdot f_1$ for some $f_1 \in R[X]$ primitive*

Lemma 3.4. *Let R a UFD. If $f, g \in R[X]$ primitive then fg primitive.*

Corollary 3.5. *Let R a UFD. $f, g \in R[X]$ we have $c(fg)$ is an associate of $c(f)c(g)$*

Lemma 3.6. *(Gauss' Lemma)*

Let R a UFD and $f \in R[X]$ a primitive polynomial. Then f irreducible in $R[X] \iff f$ irreducible in $F[X]$ where $F = \text{Frac}(R)$

Theorem 3.8. *(Polynomial rings over UFDs)*

If R a UFD, then $R[X]$ a UFD.

Further if R a UFD then $R[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ a UFD

Proposition 3.10. *(Eisenstein's Criterion)*

R a UFD, We let

$$f = a_0 + a_1X + \dots + a_nX^n \in R[X]$$

be primitive with $a_n \neq 0$. Let $p \in R$ irreducible s.t

1. $p \nmid a_n$
2. $p \mid a_i \forall 0 \leq i \leq n$
3. $p^2 \nmid a_0$

Then f irreducible in $R[X]$ and hence in $\text{Frac}(R)[X]$

3.2 Algebraic Integers

Definition 3.13. $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ an algebraic integer if

$$\exists \text{ monic } f \in \mathbb{Z}[X] \text{ s.t } f(\alpha) = 0$$

Definition 3.14. α algebraic integer, write $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha] \leq \mathbb{C}$ for smallest subring containing α

Construct $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$ by taking it as image of $\phi : \mathbb{Z}[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ given by $g \mapsto g(\alpha)$ with ϕ inducing an isomorphism

$$\mathbb{Z}[X]/I \cong \mathbb{Z}[\alpha], \quad I = \ker \phi$$

Proposition 3.15. $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ an algebraic integer and let $\phi : \mathbb{Z}[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ the ring homomorphism given by $f \mapsto f(\alpha)$ Then ideal

$$I = \ker(\phi)$$

is principal with $I = (f_\alpha)$ for some irreducible monic f_α

Definition 3.16. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ an algebraic integer. Then minimal polynomial a polynomial f_α is the irreducible monic s.t $I = \ker(\phi) = (f_\alpha)$

Lemma 3.18. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$ be an algebraic integer. Then $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$

3.3 Noetherian rings and Hilbert's basis theorem

Definition 3.20. A commutative ring Noetherian if it satisfies the ACC (see Def. 2.46)

Definition 3.24. Ideal I finitely generated if can be written as $I = (r_1, \dots, r_n)$ for some $r_1, \dots, r_n \in R$

Proposition 3.25. A commutative ring is Noetherian \iff every ideal is finitely generated.

Note: PID trivially satisfy this.

Proposition 3.26. R Noetherian, and $I \subseteq R$ an ideal $\implies R/I$ Noetherian.

Theorem 3.27. (Hilbert's basis theorem)

R a Noetherian ring, $\implies R[X]$ also Noetherian.

4 Modules

4.1 Basic definitions and examples

Definition 4.1. R a ring. A left R -module $(\underbrace{M}_{\text{set}}, \underbrace{+ : M \times M \rightarrow M}_{\text{addition}}, \underbrace{\cdot : R \times M \rightarrow M}_{\text{mult}})$ with $0_M \in M$ s.t

- $(M, +)$ an abelian group with identity 0_M

And we have \cdot satisfying the following

- (i) $(r_1 + r_2) \cdot m = (r_1 \cdot m) + (r_2 \cdot m)$
- (ii) $r \cdot (m_1 + m_2) = (r \cdot m_1) + (r \cdot m_2)$
- (iii) $r_1 \cdot (r_2 \cdot m) = (r_1 \cdot r_2) \cdot m$
- (iv) $1_R \cdot m = m$

Right-module is the same but we have now $(\cdot : M \times R \rightarrow M)$ with (iii) now as $(m \cdot r_1) \cdot r_2 = m \cdot (r_1 \cdot r_2)$

Definition 4.4. R a ring.

R -module an abelian group M , equipped with ring homomorphism

$$\varphi : R \longrightarrow \underbrace{\text{End}(M)}_{\{f: M \rightarrow M \mid f \text{ a group hom.}\}}$$

Such that

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot : R \times M &\longrightarrow M \\ (r, m) &\longmapsto \varphi(r)(m) \end{aligned}$$

4.2 Constructions of modules

Definition 4.11. Let M_1, M_2, \dots, M_k be R -modules. Direct sum is also an R -module

$$M_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus \dots \oplus M_k$$

Which is the set $M_1 \times \dots \times M_k$ with addition given by

$$(m_1, \dots, m_k) + (m'_1, \dots, m'_k) = (m_1 + m'_1, \dots, m_k + m'_k)$$

And R -action given by

$$r \cdot (m_1, \dots, m_k) = (rm_1, \dots, rm_k)$$

Definition 4.12. Let M an R -module. A subset $N \subseteq M$ an R -submodule if it is a subgroup of $(M, +, 0_M)$ and if $n \in N, r \in R \implies rn \in N$. Write $N \leq M$

Definition 4.15. Let $N \leq M$ be an R -submodule. The quotient module M/N the set of N -cosets in $(M, +, 0_M)$ with R -action given by

$$r \cdot (m + N) = (r \cdot m) + N$$

Definition 4.17. Function $f : M \rightarrow N$ between R -modules an R -module homomorphism if it is a homomorphism of abelian groups and satisfies

$$f(r \cdot m) = r \cdot f(m), \quad \forall r \in R, m \in M$$

An isomorphism, is a bijective homomorphism.

Say 2 R -modules are isomorphic if there exists isomorphism between them.

Definition 4.19. If R_1, R_2 rings, M_1 an R_1 -module and M_2 an R_2 -module, then $(M_1 \times M_2)$ is a $(R_1 \times R_2)$ -module with action

$$(r_1, r_2) \cdot (m_1, m_2) := (r_1 m_1, r_2 m_2)$$

Definition 4.20. R a commutative ring, $S \subseteq R$ a multiplicative submonoid, M an R -module.
Localisation of M by S ,

$$S^{-1}M = \{(m, s) \mid m \in M, s \in S, (m, s) \sim (m', s') \text{ if } \exists t \in S \text{ s.t. } t(ms' - m's) = 0\}$$

This an $S^{-1}R$ -module, with natural structure of abelian group, and $S^{-1}R$ action given by

$$(r, t) \cdot (m, s) := (rm, ts) \quad (r, t) \in S^{-1}R, (m, s) \in S^{-1}M$$

Given ideal $I \subseteq R$ localisation $S^{-1}I \subset S^{-1}R$ as an ideal is isomorphism as an $S^{-1}R$ -module to the localisation of I as a module.