14.6 Prove Theorem 14.1: Let F be a field and let m(x) be a polynomial in F[x] of positive degree n. Every polynomial a(x) in F[x] is congruent modulo m(x) to exactly one polynomial of degree less than n

Given a(x), we know by theorem 9.5 that there exists unique q(x), r(x) such that a(x) = m(x)q(x) + r(x) for r(x) degree less than n

Then 
$$a(x) - r(x) = m(x)q(x)$$

Then 
$$m(x)$$
 divides  $a(x) - r(x)$ 

Then a(x), r(x) are congruent modulo m(x)

14.10 Give a description of all the polynomials in each of the following congruence classes.

1. The congruence class of  $x^5 + 3$  in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  modulo x

$$x^5 + 3 = x * x^4 + 3$$

So when divided by x, it has remainder 3.

So the congruence class of  $x^5+3$  in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  modulo x includes polynomials in the form xp(x)+3

2. The congruence class of  $x^3 + x^2 + 1$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2[x]$  modulo x + 1

In 
$$\mathbb{F}_2[x]$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + 1 = (x+1)(x^2) + 1$$

So remainder 1

So the congruence class includes polynomials in the form xp(x) + 1

- 14.13 Let F be a field and let m(x) be a polynomial of positive degree in F[x]. Consider two polynmoials a(x), b(x) in F[x]
  - 1. Suppose e(x) is a polynomial in the congruence class  $[a(x)]_{m(x)}$  and f(x) is a polynomial in the congruence class  $[b(x)]_{m(x)}$ . Show that

$$[e(x) + f(x)]_{m(x)} = [a(x) + b(x)]_{m(x)}$$

and 
$$[e(x)f(x)]_{m(x)} = [a(x)b(x)]_{m(x)}$$

Know that e(x) equiva(x),  $f(x) \equiv b(x) \mod m(x)$ 

Then when divided by m(x), e(x), a(x) have the same remainder, call it r(x). And f(x), b(x) have the same remainder, call it s(x)

Then let 
$$e(x) = m(x)q_1(x) + r(x)$$

And let 
$$a(x) = m(x)q_2(x) + r(x)$$

$$f(x) = m(x)q_3(x) + s(x)$$

$$f(x) = m(x)q_4(x) + s(x)$$

For addition,

Then 
$$f(x) + e(x) = m(x)(q_1(x) + q_3(x)) + s(x) + r(x)$$

And 
$$a(x) + b(x) = m(x)(q_2(x) + q_4(x)) + s(x) + r(x)$$

Then 
$$[f(x) + e(x)]_{m(x)} = [s(x) + r(x)]_{m(x)}$$

And 
$$[a(x) + b(x)]_{m(x)} = [s(x) + r(x)]_{m(x)}$$

So 
$$[a(x) + b(x)]_{m(x)} = [e(x) + f(x)]_{m(x)}$$

For multiplication,

Then 
$$f(x)e(x) = m(x)q_1(x)m(x)q_3(x) + m(x)q_1(x)s(x) + m(x)q_3(x)r(x) + r(x)s(x)$$

Then 
$$[e(x)f(x)]_{m(x)} = [r(x)s(x)]_{m(x)}$$

And 
$$a(x)b(x) = m(x)q_2(x)m(x)q_4(x) + m(x)q_2(x)s(x) + m(x)q_4(x)r(x) + r(x)s(x)$$

Then 
$$[a(x)b(x)]_{m(x)} = [r(x)s(x)]_{m(x)}$$

So 
$$[a(x)b(x)]_{m(x)} = [e(x)f(x)]_{m(x)}$$

2. Define addition and multiplication for the set of congruence classes of F[x] modulo m(x) by setting the sum of congruence classes  $[a(x)]_{m(x)} + [b(x)]_{m(x)}$  equal to the congruence class

$$[a(x) + b(x)]_{m(x)}$$

and product 
$$[a(x)]_{m(x)}[b(x)]_{m(x)} = [a(x)b(x)]_{m(x)}$$

3. Show that with respect to these rules of addition and multiplication,  $[0]_{m(x)}$  is an additive identity and  $[1]_{m(x)}$  is a multiplicative identity. Show further than the collection of congruence classes modulo m(x) forms a ring.

0 is the additive identity if 
$$[0 + a(x)]_{m(x)} = [a(x)]_{m(x)}$$

$$[0]_{m(x)} = 0$$

$$0 + [a(x)]_{m(x)} = [a(x)]_{m(x)}$$

This is true.

1 is the multiplicative identity if  $[1*a(x)]_{m(x)} = [a(x)]_{m(x)}$ 

 $[1]_{m(x)} = 1$ , since m(x) polynomial of positive degree

Then 
$$[1 * a(x)] = 1 * [a(x)]_{m(x)}$$

This is also true.

Show that it is ring:

Show that it is closed under addition:

Given a(x), b(x),

$$[a(x)] + [b(x)] = [a(x) + b(x)],$$
 which is another element in  $F[x]_{m(x)}$ 

Show that it is closed under multiplication

$$[a(x)] * [b(x)] = [a(x)b(x)]$$
, which is another element in  $F[x]_{m(x)}$ 

So it is a ring

We can write  $F[x]_{m(x)}$  for the new ring we constructed, the ring of congruence classes of polynomials in F[x] modulo m(x)

- 14.15 Assume that m(x) is a polynomial of positive degree in F[x].
  - 1. Show that in  $F[x]_{m(x)}$ , the collection of congruence classes of degree-zero polynomials (constants) is closed under addition and multiplication. Thus, this collection forms a ring inside  $F[x]_{m(x)}$

The collection of congruence classes of degree zero polynomials all have the quality that for a degree 0 polynomial j, j divided by m(x) is itself.

Just like in the previous problem, this collection is just all of the constants that are in F, which is a field.

And since F is a field, it is closed under addition and multiplication.

- 2. Identify this ring with F
- 3. Explain how this exercise generalizes part 3 of the previous exercise.

This generalizes part 3 of the previous exercise because m(x) is arbitrary positive degree, and shows that if we can relate it back to F itself, we can show that there is a ring inside  $F[x]_{m(x)}$ 

## 14.18 Prove Theorem 14.7 by imitating the proof of theorem 14.6

Theorem 14.7: Let F be a field, let a(x), b(x) be polynomials in F[x] with greatest common divisor d(x), and let e(x) be a polynomial in F[x]. Then the equation a(x)U + b(x)V = e(x) has a polynomial solution if and only if d(x) divides e(x). In particular, the equation a(x)U + b(x)V = 1 has a polynomial solution if and only if a(x), b(x) are relatively prime

$$a(x), b(x) \in F[x]_{m(x)}$$
, with gcd  $d(x)$ 

Let 
$$e(x) \in F[x]_{m(x)}$$

Prove forwards: If a(x)U + b(x)V = e(x) has a solution, then d(x) divides e(x)

Since d(x) is gcd of a(x), b(x), rewrite as

$$a(x) = j(x)d(x), b(x) = k(x)d(x)$$
 for some  $j(x), k(x) \in F[x]_{m(x)}$ 

Then 
$$e(x) = d(x)[Uj(x) + Vk(x)]$$

Then d(x) divides e(x)

Prove backwards: If d(x) divides e(x), then a(x)U + b(x)V = e(x)

Prove backwards: If a(x)U + b(x)V = e(x) has no solution, then d(x) does not divide e(x)

$$d(x)|e(x)$$
, so  $e(x) = k(x)d(x)$  for some  $k(x) \in F[x]_{m(x)}$ 

We know by Bezouts theorem that a(x)U + b(x)V = d(x) has solutions

Then a(x)Uk(x) + b(x)Vk(x) = k(x)d(x) = e(x) has solutions.

14.21 Prove theorem 14.8 (Hint: interpret 14.7 as terms of congruences)

Theorem 14.8: Let F be a field. Let a(x), m(x) be polynomials of F[x] with m(x) of postiive degree. The congruence  $a(x)U \equiv 1(modm(x))$  is solvable if and only if gcd(a(x), m(x)) = 1

Prove forwards: if  $a(x)U \equiv 1 \mod m(x)$  is solvable, then gcd(a(x), m(x)) = 1

 $a(x)U \equiv 1 \mod m(x)$  is equivalent to saying that a(x)U - 1 = m(x)k(x) for some k(x)

Rearranging, this is a(x)U + m(x)k(x) = 1

And since this has a solution, we know by theorem 14.7 that the gcd of a(x), m(x) must divide 1.

Then gcd(a(x), m(x)) must be 1.

Prove backwards: if gcd(a(x), m(x)) = 1 then  $a(x)U \equiv 1 \mod m(x)$ 

$$gcd(a(x), m(x)) = 1$$

then by bezouts theorem, we know that there exists U, V such that

$$a(x)U + m(x)V = 1$$

Rearranging, this is a(x)U - 1 = m(x)V

This means that  $a(x) \equiv 1 \mod m(x)$ 

Prove Corollary 14.9

Let F be a field. Suppose m(x) is an irreducibel polynomial in F[x] and a(x) is a nonzero polynomial in F[x] of degree less than the degree of m(x). Then there exists a polynomial r(x) in F[x] such that  $a(x)r(x) \equiv 1 \mod m(x)$ 

m(x) irreducible, no lower degree factors

and a(x) lower degree

Then a(x), m(x) must have  $\gcd(a(x), m(x)) = 1$ 

Then by bezouts theorem, there exists U, V such that

$$a(x)U + m(x)V = 1$$

Rearranging, this is a(x)U - 1 = m(x)V

Then  $a(x)U \equiv 1 \mod m(x)$ 

14.24 Let F be a field and suppose m(x) is an irreducible polynomial in F[x]. Show that  $F[x]_{m(x)}$  is a field.

m(x) irreducible, so for congruence classes in  $F[x]_{m(x)}$ ,

They are relatively prime to m(x)

Then by theorem 14.10, each congruence class  $[a(x)]_{m(x)}$  in  $F[x]_{m(x)}$  is a unit

Then  $F[x]_{m(x)}$  must be a field.

## 15.2 Prove Theorem 15.2 using theorem 15.1

Theorem 15.2: Let R be the ring of integers or the ring of polynomials over a field. Suppose r is an element of R that is not zero or a unit.

- 1. If r = ab is a nontrivial factorization of r, then N(a) < N(r) and N(b) < N(r).
- 2. Either r is irreducible or r is a product of irreducible elements

15.5 We have observed that a ring satisfying the conclusions of theorem 15.1 should satisfy the conclusion of theorem 15.2. Verify this for the rings  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-m}]$  by proving theorem 15.5 using theorem 15.3.

Theorem 15.5: Let m be a square free integer, let R be the ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-m}]$ , and suppose r is an element of R that is not zero or a unit.

- 1. If r = ab is a nontrivial factorization of r, then N(a) < N(r) and N(b) < N(r).
- 2. Either r is irreducible or r is a product of irreducible elements

15.8 Use the division theorem for  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  to prove theorem 15.10 below.

Theorem 15.10:  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  is a Euclidean ring.