

A. Exercise 37 on page 220

1. Let be $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$. (Let's assume that $\deg(p) \geq \deg(q)$)

- $\overline{\sigma_m}(1) = 1$

- Proof that $\overline{\sigma_m}(p + q) = \overline{\sigma_m}(p) + \overline{\sigma_m}(q)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{\sigma_m}(p + q) &= \overline{\sigma_m}(a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_0 + b_m x^m + b_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \cdots + b_0) \\
 &= \overline{\sigma_m}(a_n x^n + \cdots + (a_m + b_m) x^m + (a_{m-1} + b_{m-1}) x^{m-1} + \cdots + a_0 + b_0) \\
 &= \sigma_m(a_n) x^n + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_m + b_m) x^m + \sigma_m(a_{m-1} + b_{m-1}) x^{m-1} \\
 &\quad + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_0 + b_0) \\
 &= \sigma_m(a_n) x^n + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_m) x^m + \sigma_m(b_m) x^m + \sigma_m(a_{m-1}) x^{m-1} \\
 &\quad + \sigma_m(b_{m-1}) x^{m-1} + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_0) + \sigma_m(b_0) \quad (\sigma_m \text{ is a ring homomorphism}) \\
 &= \sigma_m(a_n) x^n + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_m) x^m + \sigma_m(a_{m-1}) x^{m-1} + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_0) \sigma_m(b_m) x^m \\
 &\quad + \sigma_m(b_{m-1}) x^{m-1} + \cdots + \sigma_m(b_0) \\
 &= \overline{\sigma_m}(p) + \overline{\sigma_m}(q)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Proof that $\overline{\sigma_m}(p \cdot q) = \overline{\sigma_m}(p) \cdot \overline{\sigma_m}(q)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{\sigma_m}(p \cdot q) &= \overline{\sigma_m}((a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_0)(b_m x^m + b_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \cdots + b_0)) \\
 &= \overline{\sigma_m}(a_n b_m x^{n+m} + (a_{n-1} b_m + a_n b_{m-1}) x^{n+m-1} + \cdots + a_0 b_0) \\
 &= \sigma_m(a_n b_m) x^{n+m} + \sigma_m(a_{n-1} b_m + a_n b_{m-1}) x^{n+m-1} + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_0 b_0) \\
 &= \sigma_m(a_n) \sigma_m(b_m) x^{n+m} + \sigma_m(a_{n-1}) \sigma_m(b_m) x^{n+m-1} + \sigma_m(a_n) \sigma_m(b_{m-1}) x^{n+m-1} \\
 &\quad + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_0) \sigma_m(b_0) \quad (\sigma_m \text{ is a ring homomorphism}) \\
 &= (\sigma_m(a_n) x^n + \sigma_m(a_{n-1}) x^{n-1} + \cdots + \sigma_m(a_0)) (\sigma_m(b_m) x^m + \sigma_m(b_{m-1}) x^{m-1} \\
 &\quad + \cdots + \sigma_m(b_0)) \\
 &= \overline{\sigma_m}(p) \overline{\sigma_m}(q)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\overline{\sigma_m}$ is a ring homomorphism.

2. Let be $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{X}]$.

We know that $\deg(f) = \deg(\overline{\sigma_m}(f(x))) = n$ and $\overline{\sigma_m}(f(x))$ is irreducible in \mathbb{Z}_m .

Suppose that $f(x)$ is reducible in $\mathbb{Q}[X]$.

We would have $f(x) = g(x)h(x)$.

$$\overline{\sigma_m}(f(x)) = \overline{\sigma_m}(g(x)) \overline{\sigma_m}(h(x)).$$

As $\overline{\sigma_m}(f(x))$ is irreducible, one of the two polynomials is a constant. (Assume it's $\overline{\sigma_m}(g(x))$).

As $\deg(\overline{\sigma_m}(f(x))) = n$ then $\deg(\overline{\sigma_m}(h(x))) = n$.

And therefore $\deg(h(x)) \geq n$. And as we have $f(x) = g(x)h(x)$, $\deg(h(x)) = n$ and $g(x)$ is a constant. Therefore $f(x)$ is not reducible in $\mathbb{Q}[X]$.

3. Let's take $m=5$.

The polynomial is now $f(X) = x^3 + 2x + 1$. It has no root in \mathbb{Z}_5 . ($f(0)=1, f(1)=f(3)=4, f(2)=f(4)=3$) It is therefore irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}_5[X]$. It follows that it is also irreducible in $\mathbb{Q}[X]$ either.