

$$10.4.3b \quad \begin{array}{c|ccccc} & \{1\} & \{-1\} & \{i, -i\} & \{j, -j\} & \{k, -k\} \\ \chi_1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \chi_1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ \chi_1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ \chi_1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ \chi_1 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

10.7.4 Let  $G$  be a group,  $\rho$  a representation,  $C$  a conjugacy class, and  $T = \sum_{g \in C} \rho_g$ . We want to show that  $T$  is  $G$ -invariant. Therefore for a group element  $h \in G$ , we have that  $\rho_h(T) = \rho_h(\sum_{g \in C} \rho_g) = \sum_{g \in C} \rho_{hg}$ . Note for each  $hg$ , there exists a unique  $g' \in C$  such that  $hg = g'h$ , since  $C$  is a conjugacy class. Therefore the sum is equivalent to  $\sum_{g' \in C} \rho_{g'h} = \sum_{g' \in C} \rho_{g'} \rho_h = T(\rho_h)$ . Therefore  $T$  is  $G$ -invariant

11.1.8b What are the units in  $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$ ? If  $n = 2k$ , then  $4 \cdot 2k \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$ , thus all even elements are zero divisors. If  $\gcd(n, 8) = 1$ , then by Bezout's lemma there exists  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $nx + 8y = 1$ , therefore  $nx \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ . Since  $8 = 2^3$ , then  $n$  must be odd. Thus the units of  $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$  is  $\{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ .

11.3.2 Let  $a \subset \mathbb{Z}[i]$  be a non-zero ideal. Then there exists  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  with both not equal to 0 such that  $x + iy \in a$ . Therefore  $(x - iy) \cdot (x + iy) = x^2 + y^2 \in a$ . Since at least (WLOG)  $x$  is non-zero,  $x^2$  is a non-zero integer. Thus  $a$  has a non-zero integer.

11.3.9 (a) Let  $x$  be nilpotent, therefore there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x^n = 0$ . We want to find  $a \in R$  such that  $a(1 + x) = 1$ . I claim that  $a = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + x^4 + \cdots + (-1)^{n-1}x^{n-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i x^i$ . Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} a(1 + x) &= (1 + x) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i x^i \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i x^i + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^i x^{i+1} \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^i x^i + \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+1} x^i \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^i x^i + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^{i+1} x^i \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

The final line works since  $x^n = 0$ . Thus  $1 + x$  is a unit.

(b) Let  $R$  be a ring with prime characteristic  $p$ , and let  $a \in R$  be a nilpotent element with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $a^n = 0$ . We want to show there exists  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(1 + a)^k = 1$ . Observe that if  $0 < l < p$  then  $\binom{p}{l} \mid p$  since both  $l, p - l < p$ , therefore  $l!, (p - l)!$  do not contain the prime factor  $p$ . Thus  $\frac{p!}{l!(p-l)!} \mid p$ . Therefore  $(1 + a)^p = \sum_{l=0}^p \binom{p}{l} a^l = 1 + a^p$ . Furthermore by induction we have that  $(1 + a)^{p^l} = 1 + a^{p^l}$ . Since there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n < p^m$ , if we take  $(1 + a)^{p^m} = 1 + a^{p^m}$ , then since  $a^{p^m} = 0$  we have that  $1 + a$  is unipotent.