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# 1 Chapter 1

#### 1.1 Within Chapter

**Proposition 1.1:** Fix an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq R$ . There is a correspondence

$$\left\{\mathfrak{b}\ \middle|\ \mathfrak{a}\subseteq\mathfrak{b}\trianglelefteq R\right\}\iff \left\{\tilde{\mathfrak{b}}\trianglelefteq R/\mathfrak{a}\right\}.$$

Proof: Adapted from proof for groups here: https://math.stackexchange.com/a/955413/147053.

Let  $f: R \to T$  be any ring homomorphism and let S(R), S(T) denote the lattices of subrings of R, T respectively. Then f induces two maps:

$$F: S(R) \to S(T)$$
  
 $H \mapsto f(H)$ 

$$F^{-1}: S(T) \to S(R)$$
$$K \mapsto f^{-1}(K).$$

It follows that

- $H \leq R \implies F(H) \leq \text{im } f$ , by the subring test
  - Subring test: contains 1, closed under multiplication/subtraction.
  - Properties of ring homomorphisms: f(sa + b) = sf(a) + f(b) and f(1) = 1.
  - Thus if f is not surjective, F is not surjective either.

- $K \le T \implies \ker f \subseteq F^{-1}(K)$ .
  - Follows because subrings contain 0, and  $H \in \ker F \implies f(H) = 0_T \in K$ .
  - Thus if there is any subring H that doesn't contain ker f,  $F^{-1}$  is not surjective.

The claim is that if you restrict to

- $S'(R) := \{ H \le R \mid \ker f \subseteq H \}$  and
- $S'(T) := \{K \le T \mid K \subseteq \text{im } f\},$

this is a bijection.

This follows from the fact that

- $(F \circ F^{-1})(K) = K \bigcap \text{im } f \leq T$ 
  - No clear motivation for why it's this specific thing, but the inclusions are easy to check.
- $(F^{-1} \circ F)(H) = \langle H, \ker f \rangle \leq S$ .
  - Inclusions easy to check, need to take subring generated since F(H) is a pushforward/direct image, which don't preserve sub-structures in general.

So we take the projection  $f = \pi : R \to R/\mathfrak{a}$ , then

- $K \subseteq \text{im } \pi \implies K \bigcap \text{im } \pi = K \implies (F \circ F^{-1})(K) = K$ ,
- $\ker \pi \subseteq H \implies \langle H, \ker \pi \rangle = H \implies (F^{-1} \circ F)(H) = H,$

so both directions are surjections. Restricting to just those subrings that are ideals preserves this bijection. Moreover,  $\ker \pi = \mathfrak{a}$  so S'(R) is the set of ideals containing  $\mathfrak{a}$ , and  $\operatorname{im} \pi = R/\mathfrak{a}$ , so S'(T) is the set of ideals of the quotient.

#### Proposition 1.2: TFAE

- 1. R is a field
- 2. R is simple, i.e. the only ideals of R are 0, R.
- 3. Every nonzero homomorphism  $\phi: R \to S$  for S an arbitrary ring is injective.

*Proof:* 

**Lemma:**  $I \subseteq R$  and  $1 \in I \implies I = R$ . This is because  $RI \subseteq I$ , and  $r \in R \implies r \cdot 1 \in I \implies r \in I \implies R \subseteq I$ .

 $1 \implies 2$ :

Let  $0 \neq I \leq R$  for R a field, then pick any  $x \in I$ , since  $x^{-1} \in R$ , we have  $x^{-1}x = 1 \in I \implies I = R$ .  $A \implies 2$ :

If R is not a field, pick a non-unit element r; then  $(r) \subseteq R$  is a proper ideal.

 $2 \implies 3$ :

 $\ker \phi \leq R$  is an ideal, so  $\ker \phi = 0$ .

 $3 \implies 2$ :

Take  $\mathfrak{a} \preceq R$  a proper ideal and let  $S = R/\mathfrak{a}$  with  $\phi : R \to S$  the projection.  $\phi$  is a bijection, since it's always a surjection and assumed injective. So  $R \cong S = R/\mathfrak{a}$ , forcing  $\mathfrak{a} = (0)$ .

**Proposition:** If  $\mathfrak{m} \leq R$  is maximal iff  $R/\mathfrak{m}$  is a field.

Proof:

Ideals of  $R/\mathfrak{m}$  correspond to ideals  $\mathfrak{a} \leq R$  such that  $\mathfrak{m} \subseteq \mathfrak{a}$ . By maximality, the only such ideal is R itself, corresponding to the ideal  $R/\mathfrak{m} \leq R/\mathfrak{m}$ . Moreover, (0) is an ideal of any ring.

**Proposition:**  $\mathfrak{p} \subseteq R$  is prime iff  $R/\mathfrak{p}$  is a domain.

Proof: ?

Proposition: Maximal ideals are prime.

*Proof:* Let  $\mathfrak{m} \leq A$  be maximal, then  $R/\mathfrak{m}$  is simple and thus a field, so  $\mathfrak{m}$  is prime.

Theorem 1.3: Every ring R has a nontrivial maximal ideal  $I \neq 0$ , and every ideal is contained in a maximal ideal.

Proof: ?

Corollary 1.5: Every non-unit of R is contained in a maximal ideal.

Proof: ?

Proposition 1.6: If  $A \setminus \mathfrak{m} \subset R^{\times}$ , then A is a local ring with  $\mathfrak{m}$  its maximal ideal. If  $\mathfrak{m}$  is maximal and  $1 + m \in R^{\times}$  for all  $m \in \mathfrak{m}$ , then A is a local ring.

Proof: ?

Proposition: If  $f \in k[x_1, \dots x_n]$  is irreducible over k, then (f) is prime.

Proposition:  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a PID, and (p) is prime iff p is zero or a prime number, and every such ideal is maximal.

Proposition:  $k[\{x_i\}]$  has maximal ideals that are not principal iff n > 1.

Exercise: Characterize the maximal and prime ideals of  $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ? Is this a field, domain, PID, UFD, a local ring, ...?

Proposition: Every nonzero prime ideal in a PID is maximal.

Proof: ?

Definition: The set  $\operatorname{nil}(A)$  of all nilpotent elements in a ring A is the nilradical of A. The set  $J(A) = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{m} \in \operatorname{Spec}_{\max}(A)} \mathfrak{m}$  is the Jacobson radical.,

Proposition 1.7:  $\operatorname{nil}(A) \leq R$  is an ideal and  $A/\mathfrak{R}$  has no nonzero nilpotent elements.

Proof: ?

Proposition 1.8:  $\operatorname{nil}(A) = \bigcap \mathfrak{p} \in \operatorname{Spec}(A)\mathfrak{p}$  is the intersection of all prime ideals of A.

Proof: ?

Proposition 1.9:  $x \in J(A)$  iff  $1 - xa \in A^{\times}$  for all  $a \in A$ .

Proposition: If  $(m), (n) \leq \mathbb{Z}$  then  $(m) \cap (n) = (\gcd(m, n))$  and (m)(n) = (mn).

Exercise: If  $\mathfrak{a} \leq k[x_1, \cdots, x_m]$ , characterize  $\mathfrak{a}^n$ .

Exercise: Show that  $\mathfrak{a},\mathfrak{b} \leq A$  are coprime iff there exist  $a \in \mathfrak{a}, b \in \mathfrak{b}$  such that a+b=1.

Proposition 1.10: Let  $\{mfa_i\} \leq A$  be a family of ideals and define  $\phi: A \to \prod A/\mathfrak{a}_i$ .

- 1. If  $\{\mathfrak{a}_i\}$  are pairwise coprime, then  $\prod \mathfrak{a}_i = \bigcap \mathfrak{a}_i$
- 2.  $\phi$  is surjective iff  $\{\mathfrak{a}_i\}$  are pairwise coprime.
- 3.  $\phi$  is injective iff  $\bigcap \mathfrak{a}_i = (0)$ .

Exercise: Show that the union of ideals is not necessarily an ideal.

### Proposition 1.11:

- a. Let  $\{\mathfrak{p}_i\}$  be a set of prime ideals and let  $\mathfrak{a} \in \bigcup \mathfrak{p}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathfrak{p}_i$  for some i.
- b. Let  $\{\mathfrak{a}_i\}$  be ideals and  $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq \bigcap \mathfrak{a}_i$  be prime.  $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq \mathfrak{a}_i$  for some i, and if  $\mathfrak{p} = \bigcap \mathfrak{a}_i$ , then  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{a}_i$  for

Exercise: Let  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ , and characterize the ideal quotient (m:n).

Exercise 1.12:

- 1.  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq (\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b})$
- 2.  $(\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b})\mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathfrak{a}$
- 3.  $((\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b}) : \mathfrak{c}) = (\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{bc}) = ((\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{c}) : \mathfrak{b})$
- 4.  $(\bigcap \mathfrak{a}_i : \mathfrak{b}) = \bigcap (\mathfrak{a}_i : \mathfrak{b})$
- 5.  $(\mathfrak{a}: \sum \mathfrak{b}_i) = \bigcap (\mathfrak{a}: \mathfrak{b}_i)$

Proposition: For  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq A$ ,  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$  is an ideal.

Exercise 1.13:

- 1.  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \supseteq \mathfrak{a}$
- 2.  $\sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$
- 3.  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{ab}} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a} \cap \mathfrak{b}} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \cap \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$
- $4. \ \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} = (1) \iff \mathfrak{a} = (1)$
- 5.  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{b}} = \sqrt{\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} + \sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}}$ . 6. For  $\mathfrak{p}$  prime,  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{p}^n} = \mathfrak{p}$  for all  $n \ge 1$ .

Proposition 1.14:  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathfrak{p} \in \operatorname{Spec}(A)} \mathfrak{p}$ 

Proposition 1.15: Let D be the set of zero-divisors in A. Then  $D = \bigcup_{x \neq 0} \sqrt{\operatorname{Ann}(x)}$ .

Exercise: Let  $(m) \leq \mathbb{Z}$  where  $m = \prod p_i^{k_i}$ , and show that  $\sqrt{(m)} = (p_1 p_2 \cdots) = \bigcap (p_i)$ .

Proposition 1.16: If  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$ ,  $\sqrt{\mathfrak{b}}$  are coprime then  $\mathfrak{a}$ ,  $\mathfrak{b}$  are coprime.

Exercise: Show that if  $f: A \to B$  and  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq A$ , it is not necessarily the case that  $f(\mathfrak{a}) \subseteq B$ .

Exercise: Show that if  $\mathfrak{b}$  is prime then  $A \cdot f^{-1}(\mathfrak{b})$  is prime, but if  $\mathfrak{a}$  is prime then  $B \cdot f(\mathfrak{a})$  need not be prime.

Exercise: Write  $\mathfrak{a}^e := \langle f(\mathfrak{a}) \rangle$  and  $\mathfrak{b}^c = \langle f^{-1}(\mathfrak{b}) \rangle$ . Let  $f : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}[i]$  be the inclusion, and show that

- $(2)^e = \langle (1+i)^2 \rangle$ , which is not prime in  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$
- (Nontrivial) If  $p = 1 \mod 4$ , then  $\mathfrak{p}^e$  is the product of two distinct prime ideals
- If  $p = 3 \mod 4$  then  $\mathfrak{p}^e$  is prime.

Proposition: Let  $C = \{ \mathfrak{b}^c \mid \mathfrak{b} \leq B \}$  and  $E = \{ \mathfrak{a}^e \mid \mathfrak{a} \leq A \}$ . Then

- $\begin{array}{l} 1. \ \mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathfrak{a}^{ec} \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathfrak{b} \supset \mathfrak{b}^{ce}, \\ 2. \ \mathfrak{b}^{c} = \mathfrak{b}^{cec} \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathfrak{a}^{e} = \mathfrak{a}^{ece} \\ 3. \ C = \Big\{ \mathfrak{a} \trianglelefteq A \ \Big| \ \mathfrak{a}^{ec} = \mathfrak{a} \Big\} \ \mathrm{and} \ E = \Big\{ \mathfrak{b} \trianglelefteq B \ \Big| \ \mathfrak{b}^{ce} = \mathfrak{b} \Big\}.$
- 4. The map  $\phi: C \to E$  given by  $\phi(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{a}^{ec}$  is a bijection with inverse  $\mathfrak{b} \mapsto \mathfrak{b}^c$ .
- 5. If  $\mathfrak{a} \in C$  then  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{b}^c = \mathfrak{b}^{cec} = \mathfrak{a}^{ec}$ , and if  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}^{ec}$  then  $\mathfrak{a}$  is the contraction of  $\mathfrak{a}^e$ .

Exercise 1.18:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\mathfrak{a}_{1}+\mathfrak{a}_{2})^{\mathfrak{e}}=\mathfrak{a}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}+\mathfrak{a}_{2}^{\mathfrak{e}}, & (\mathfrak{b}_{1}+\mathfrak{b}_{2})^{c}\geq \mathfrak{b}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}+\mathfrak{b}_{2}^{\mathfrak{e}}\\ (\mathfrak{a}_{1}\cap\mathfrak{a}_{2})^{e}\subseteq \mathfrak{a}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}\cap \mathfrak{a}_{2}^{e}, & (\mathfrak{b}_{1}\cap\mathfrak{b}_{2})^{\mathfrak{e}}=\mathfrak{b}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}\cap \mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{z}}^{\mathfrak{e}}\\ (\mathfrak{a}_{1}\mathfrak{a}_{2})^{\mathfrak{e}}=\mathfrak{a}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}\mathfrak{a}_{2}^{\mathfrak{e}}, & (\mathfrak{b}_{1}\mathfrak{b}_{2})^{\mathfrak{e}}\supseteq \mathfrak{b}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}\mathfrak{b}_{2}^{\mathfrak{e}}\\ (\mathfrak{a}_{1}:\mathfrak{a}_{2})^{\mathfrak{e}}\subseteq (\mathfrak{a}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}:\mathfrak{a}_{2}^{\mathfrak{e}}), & (\mathfrak{b}_{1}:\mathfrak{b}_{2})^{\mathfrak{e}}\subseteq (\mathfrak{b}_{1}^{\mathfrak{e}}:\mathfrak{b}_{2}^{\mathfrak{e}})\\ r(\mathfrak{a})^{e}\subseteq r\left(\mathfrak{a}^{e}\right), & r(\mathfrak{b})^{c}=r\left(\mathfrak{b}^{c}\right) \end{array}.$$

#### 1.2 End of Chapter Exercises