Math 113

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1 Details and definitions to remember

- Endomorphism: A <u>homomorphism</u> from a group to itself.
- Automorphism: An <u>isomorphism</u> from a group to itself.
- An ideal is characterized by the absorbing property: $a \in I, r \in R \implies ra \in I$
- Normal subgroup: $gH = Hg$ for all $g \in G$
- Think of ideals, normal subgroups as kernels of homomorphisms.
  - We can use these to take quotient groups
  - The first isomorphism theorem says: $G/\ker\Phi \cong \textbf{image}(\Phi : G \to H)$
- An integral domain occurs iff $ab = 0 \implies a = 0$ (no zero factors) or $b = 0$ which occurss iff $ca = cb \implies a = b$ (cancellation) (these are equivalent conditions)

2 Some results

- Every ideal of a Euclidean domain is principal:
  - A Euclidean domain is an integral domain ring with an associated "order" function N. such that $N(0) = 0$. where every element can be divided with a unique quotient and remainder. Formally, for integral domain I, for all $a \in I$ and $b \in I \backslash 0$, there exists $q, r \in I$ such that $a = bq + r$ and $N(r) < N(b)$. We define N as a function that represents the size.
  - A principal ideal is one generated by a single element
  - If the ideal is just the zero element, then it is trivially principal
  - Proof: Let $b \in I$ be nonzero with $N(b)$ minimal. Now, observe that we can express $a \in I$ as $a = bq + r$, such that $N(r) < N(b)$. The only way to not contradict the fact that $N(b)$ is minimal is to have $N(r) = 0$, but then this implies that $a = bq$ which is what it means to be a principal domain.