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1. THINGS PAST

1.1. Some Number Theory.

$$\mathbb{N} = \{ n | n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \ge 0 \}$$

Definition 1. $p \in \mathbb{N}$, prime if $p \geq 2$, and \nexists factorization p = ab where $a < p, b < p, a, b \in \mathbb{N}$

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Axiom 1. Least Integer Axiom \exists smallest integer in every $C \subset \mathbb{N}$, $C \neq \emptyset$

Theorem 1 (1.2). (*Mathematical Induction*). Let S(n) family of statements, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $n \geq m$, where m some fixed integer. If

- (i) S(m) true
- (ii) S(n) true implies S(n+1) true

then S(n) true $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > m$

Proof. Let C be set of all integers $n \ge m$ for which S(n) false.

If $C = \emptyset$ done.

Otherwise, \exists smallest integer k in C.

By (i), k > m

But statement S(k-1) (EY !!!) S(k-1) true.

But by (ii), S(k) true.

Contradiction that $k \in C$

Theorem 2 (1.3). (Second Form of Induction). Let S(n) family of statements, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $n \ge m$, where m some fixed integer. If

- (i) S(m) true
- (ii) if S(k) true $\forall k$ with $m \leq k < n$, then S(n) itself true

then S(n) true $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq m$

Proof. Let C be set of all integers $n \ge m$ for which S(n) false.

If $C = \emptyset$ done.

Otherwise, \exists smallest integer j in C.

By (i), j > m

Then S(j-1) true, S(j-2) true, ... S(m+1) true, otherwise contradiction.

By (ii), S(j) true. Contradiction.

Theorem 3 (1.4). (*Division Algorithm*) $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, a \neq 0, \exists ! q, r \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t.}$

$$b = qa + r$$
 and $0 < r < |a|$

Proof. Consider $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $b - na \in \mathbb{Z}$

Let
$$C = \{b - na | n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cap \mathbb{N}$$
.

 $C \neq \emptyset$ (otherwise, consider b - na < 0, b < na, then contradiction)

By Least Integer Axiom, \exists smallest $r \in C$, r = b - na.

define q = n when r = b - na.

Suppose $qa+r=q'a+r' \ (q-q')a=r'-r$, $0\leq r'<|a|.$ Now $0\leq |r'-r|<|a|$

$$|(q-q')a| = |r'-r|$$

if
$$|q - q'| \neq 0$$
, $|(q - q')a| \geq |a|$

 $\implies q = q', r = r'$

Conclude both sides are 0

Definition 2. $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, a divisor of b if $\exists d \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. b = ad. a divides b or b multiple of a, denote

a|b

a|b iff b has remainder r=0 after dividing by a

Theorem 4 (1.14). (Euclidean Algorithm) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

 \exists algorithm finds gcd, d = (a, b) and finds $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ with d = sa + tb

Proof. b = qa + r where $0 \le r < a$ a = q'r + r' where $0 \le r' < r$ r = q''r' + r'' where $0 \le r'' < r'$

Lemma 1 (1.53). If \sim equivalence relation on set X, then $x \sim y$ iff [x] = [y]

Proof. If $x \sim y$, then if $z \in [x]$, $z \sim x$, and so $z \sim y$, so $[x] \subseteq [y]$. Likewise (by label symmetry), $[y] \subseteq [x] \Longrightarrow [y] = [x]$. If [x] = [y], then $x \in [x]$, by reflexivity, $x \sim x$. $x \in [x] = [y]$. So $x \sim y$

Proposition 1 (1.54). *If* \sim *equivalence relation on set* X, *then equivalence classes form a partition. If given partition* $\{A_i|i \in I\}$ *of* X, \exists *equivalence relation* \sim *on* X *s.t. equivalence classes are the* A_i .

Proof. Assume equivalence relation \sim on X.

 $\forall x \in X, x \in [x]$, since x reflexive $(x \sim x)$, so $[x] \subseteq X$, $[x] \neq \emptyset$ and $\bigcup_{x \in X} [x] = X$.

Suppose $a \in [x] \cap [y]$, so $a \sim x$. Then $x \sim y$. By Lemma 1.53, $(x \sim y \text{ iff } [x] = [y])$, then [x] = [y]. So $\{[x]\}$ partition X. $a \sim y$

If $\{A_i|i\in I\}$ partition of X.

If $x, y \in X$, define $x \sim y$ if $\exists i \in I$ s.t. $x \in A_i$. $x \sim y$ is clearly reflexive and symmetric. $y \in A_i$

Suppose $x \sim y, y \sim z$, so $\exists i, j \in I$, s.t. $x, y \in A_i$. Since $y \in A_i \cap A_j$, so i = j (since A_i, A_j pairwise disjoint by definition of partition). $y, z \in A_i$

So $x \sim z$ since $x, z \in A_i$

If $x \in X$, then $x \in A_i$, for some i.

If $y \in A_i$, then $y \sim x$, and $y \in [x]$, so $A_i \subseteq [x]$

Let $z \in [x]$, so $z \sim x$. Then $\exists j$ s.t. $x \in A_j$ and $z \in A_j$, then $x \in A_j \cap A_i \implies i = j$ by pairwise disjointness, so $z \in A_i$, so $[x] \subseteq A_i$. \square

Exercises. Exercise 1.1. First, knowing that the law of exponents works for real (complex) numbers (if you really want to, look into **Definition 5.** Let $i_1 ldots i_T$ distinct integers in $\{1 ldots n\}$ Apostol's Calculus Volume 1

$$\frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) = \frac{1}{6}n(2n^2+3n+1) = \frac{1}{3}n^3 + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{n}{6}$$

Now I think the point of this exercise and exercises 1.2, 1.3 is to apply what one learns about proving things by induction in the corresponding section.

$$n = 1. \ 1 = \frac{1}{6}1(2)(3)$$

Assume nth case.

$$\frac{1}{6}(n+1)(n+2)(2(n+1)+1) = \frac{1}{6}(n+1)(n+2)(2n+1+2) = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1+2) + \frac{1}{3}(n+1)(2n+1+2) = \frac{1}{6}(n+1)(n+2)(2n+1+2) + \frac{1}{3}(n+1)(2n+1+2) = \frac{1}{6}(n+1)(2n+1+2) + \frac{1}{3}(n+1)(2n+1+2) + \frac{1}{3}(n+1)(2n+1+2) + \frac{1}{3}(n+1)(2n+1+2) = \frac{1}{6}(n+1)(2n+1+2) + \frac{1}{3}(n+1)(2n+1+2) + \frac{1}{3}(n+1)(2n+1+$$

Exercise 1.11. Let p_1, p_2, \ldots be list of primes in ascending order: $p_1 = 2, p_2 = 3, p_3 = 5 \ldots$

cf.

Exercise 1.68. Let $f: X \to Y$ $V,W \subseteq Y$

(i)
$$f^{-1}(VW) = f^{-1}(V)f^{-1}(W)$$
. $f^{-1}(V \cup W) = f^{-1}(V) \cup f^{-1}(W)$

Suppose $x \in f^{-1}(VW)$

Then $f(x) \in VW$. Then $f(x) \in V$ and $f(x) \in W$. Then $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ and $x \in f^{-1}(W)$. $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ if $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ $f^{-1}(W)$ then $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ and $x \in f^{-1}(W)$. Then $f(x) \in V$ and $f(x) \in W$. So $f(x) \in VW$, with f(x) in it (VW).

Then $x \in f^{-1}(VW)$.

$$f^{-1}(VW) = f^{-1}(V)f^{-1}(W)$$

Suppose $x \in f^{-1}(V \cup W)$. Then $f(x) \in V \cup W$. Then $f(x) \in V$ or $f(x) \in W$. Then $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ or $x \in f^{-1}(W)$. Then $x \in f^{-1}(V) | | f^{-1}(W)$.

Suppose $x \in f^{-1}(V) \cup f^{-1}(W)$. Then $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ or $x \in f^{-1}(W)$. Then $f(x) \in V$ or $f(x) \in W$. $f(x) \in V \cup f(x)$. So $x \in f^{-1}(V \cup W).$

2. Groups I

2.1. Introduction.

2.2. Permutations.

Definition 3. permutation of set X is a bijection from X to X (itself)

Definition 4. $S_X =$ family of all permutations of set X, symmetric group on X When $X = \{1 \dots n\}, S_X \equiv S_n$ symmetric group of n letters

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & j & \dots & n \\ \alpha(1) & \alpha(2) & \dots & \alpha(j) & \dots & \alpha(n) \end{pmatrix}$$

If $\alpha \in S_n$

 $\alpha(i_1) = i_2 \dots \alpha(i_r) = i_1$

 α r-cycle

 $\alpha = (i_1 \quad i_2 \quad \dots \quad i_r)$

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sage: S_3 = SymmetricGroup(3)
sage: for perm in S_3.list():
(1, 2, 3)
(2, 1, 3)
(2, 3, 1)
(3, 1, 2)
(1, 3, 2)
(3, 2, 1)
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sage: S_9 = SymmetricGroup(9)
sage: S_{-9}([6,4,7,2,5,1,8,9,3])
(1,6)(2,4)(3,7,8,9)
sage: alpha = S_{-9}([6,4,7,2,5,1,8,9,3])
sage: alpha
(1,6)(2,4)(3,7,8,9)
sage: alpha.tuple()
(6, 4, 7, 2, 5, 1, 8, 9, 3)
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Notice that while Rotman [1] defines that "we multiply permutations from right to left, because multiplication here is composite of functions; that is, to evaluate $\alpha\beta(1)$, we compute $\alpha(\beta(1))$ ", in Sage Math, it's the other way. This makes sense because in math, we think in terms of operations acting from the left, while in Sage Math, based on Python, function call are chained together from left to right.

So Rotman has

$$\sigma = (12)(13425)(2513)$$

while

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sage: S_5 = SymmetricGroup(5)
sage: S_{-5}((1,2))
(1,2)
sage: S_{-5}((2,5,1,3)) * S_{-5}((1,3,4,2,5)) * S_{-5}((1,2))
sage: sigma = S_{-5}((2,5,1,3)) * S_{-5}((1,3,4,2,5)) * S_{-5}((1,2))
sage: sigma.tuple()
(4, 2, 5, 1, 3)
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whereas, if we did this, we'd get something different than desired:

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sage: S_{-5}((1,2)) * S_{-5}((1,3,4,2,5)) * S_{-5}((2,5,1,3))
(3,4,5)
sage: (S_{-5}((1,2))*S_{-5}((1,3,4,2,5))*S_{-5}((2,5,1,3))). tuple()
(1, 2, 4, 5, 3)
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2.3. Groups.

Definition 6. group G is a set equipped with binary operation * s.t.

- (1) associative $\forall x, y, z \in G, x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$
- (2) $\exists e \in G$, called identity, with $e * x = x * e \ \forall x \in G$
- (3) $\forall x \in G, \exists \text{ inverse } x^{-1} \in G \text{ s.t. } x * x^{-1} = e = x^{-1} * x$

Definition 7. G abelian if commutativity $x * y = y * x \ \forall x, y \in G$

Definition 8. Let G group, let $a \in G$,

If $a^k = 1$, for some $k \ge 1$, then the smallest such exponent $k \ge 1$ is order of a. If $\nexists k$, a has infinite order

Proposition 2 (2.27). *If* G *finite group,* $\forall x \in G$ *has finite order*

Proof. cf. Example 2.26

If G finite group, $a \in G$,

Consider subset $\{1, a, a^2 \dots a^n \dots \}$

Since G finite, $\exists m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, m > n$ s.t. $a^m = a^n$ (i.e. there must be repetition)

$$1 = a^m a^{-n} = a^{m-n}$$

Thus, if G finite group, $a \in G$, $\exists k \ge 1$ s.t. $a^k = 1$

Exercises. Exercise 2.17. $a_2^{-1}a_1^{-1}a_1a_2=e$

Assume n-1 case.

$$a_n^{-1}a_{n-1}^{-1}\dots a_2^{-1}a_1^{-1}a_1a_2\dots a_{n-1}a_n = a_n^{-1}ea_n = e$$

Exercise 2.27.

cf. http://math.stanford.edu/~akshay/math109/hw2.pdf

Let S = elements of G of order greater than 2.

Note, only 1 has order 1, and $a \in G$ has order 2 only if $a = a^{-1}$, then

$$S = \{a | a \in G, a^2 \neq 1\}$$

if $s \in S$, $s^{-1} \neq s$

$$S = \bigcup_{s \in S} \{s, s^{-1}\}$$

Note that $\forall \{s, s^{-1}\}, s \neq s^{-1}$ (distinct)

Since s^{-1} unique $(s^{-1}s = bs = 1, s^{-1} = b)$, then for $\{x_1, x_1^{-1}\}, \{x_2, x_2^{-1}\} \subset S$,

 x_1, x_2 equal or distinct.

Thus |S| even (number of elements in S, or "order", is even).

 $1 \in G$, $S \subset G$. $\Longrightarrow \exists a \in G$, s.t. $a^2 = 1$. At least 1 a must exists.

There can be an odd number of a's.

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Precisely, let T = \{a | a \in G, a^2 = 1\}, |T| = k (number of elements in T) G = T \coprod S \coprod \{e\}, |G| = k + 2m + 1 = 2n. k = 2(n - m) - 1, so k odd.
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2.4. Lagrange's Thm. Example 2.29 $A_n \le S_n$, $|A_n| = n!/2$, and A_n consists of all even permutations (sign +1).

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sage: A.3 = AlternatingGroup(3)
sage: A.3.cardinality()
3
sage: for a in A.3.list(): print a.tuple()
(1, 2, 3)
(2, 3, 1)
(3, 1, 2)
sage: for a in A.3.list(): print a.sign()
1
1
1
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Easy to prove a subset is a subgroup with this:

Proposition 3 (2.30). $H \subseteq G$ subgroup iff $H \neq 0$ and $\forall x, y \in H$, then $xy^{-1} \in H$

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Proof. If H subgroup, xy^{-1} \in H since y^{-1} \in H (by def.) and 1 \in H, so H \neq 0.

If H \neq 0, and \forall x, y \in H, then xy^{-1} \in H, then yy^{-1} = 1 \in H, 1y^{-1} = y^{-1} \in H, \forall y \in H, If x, y \in H, y^{-1} \in H, so xy = x(y^{-1})^{-1} \in H
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cyclic subgroup, generator of G

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e.g.
sage: S_3.list()[1]
(1,2)
sage: S_3.subgroup( S_3.list()[1] ).list()
[(), (1,2)]
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Definition 9. H subgroup of G, coset $aH = \{ah | h \in H\}$. left cosets. $Ha = \{ha | h \in H\}$ right cosets.

Example 2.39

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(i)
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(ii)

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(iii) sage: H = S_3.subgroup( S_3.list()[1] )
    sage: H
    Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2)]
    sage: H.list()
    [(), (1,2)]
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[&]quot;Notice that now Sages results will be backwards compared with the text." [2]

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sage: H = S_3.subgroup(S_3.list()[1])
sage: S_3.cosets(H, side='right')
[[(), (1,2)], [(2,3), (1,3,2)], [(1,2,3), (1,3)]]
[[(), (1,2)], [(2,3), (1,2,3)], [(1,3,2), (1,3)]]
sage: S<sub>-3</sub>.cosets(H, side='left')[1][1].tuple()
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Lemma 2 (2.40). Let $H < G, \forall a, b \in G$

(i) aH = bH iff $b^{-1}a \in H$; in particular aH = H iff $a \in H$

- (ii) if $aH \cap bH \neq \emptyset$, aH = bH
- (iii) $|aH| = |H| \quad \forall a \in G$

(i) If $b^{-1}a \in H$, consider $x \in aH$. Consider bh' where $h' = b^{-1}ah \in H$, since H closed, $bh' \in bH$ and x = ah = bh'. So Proof. $x \in bH$.

Consider $x \in bH$. x = bh for some $h \in H$. $b^{-1}a \in H$, so $a^{-1}b = (b^{-1}a)^{-1} \in H$, since H is a subgroup with inverses. Consider $ah' \in aH$, where $h' = a^{-1}bh$. Then

$$x = bh = ah' \in aH \text{ so } bH \subseteq aH$$

If aH = bH, the $\forall x \in aH$, x = ah for some $h \in H$ and x = bh' for some $h' \in H$. $b^{-1}ah = h'$ or $b^{-1}a = h'h^{-1}$ since H Exercise 2.30. closed, $h'h^{-1} \in H$, so $b^{-1}a \in H$

(ii) $\forall a, b \in G$, suppose $a \sim b$, if $b^{-1}a \in H$. Then aH = bH from above.

$$a \sim a \text{ means } a^{-1}a = 1 \in H \text{ (since } H \leq G)$$

$$b \sim a \text{ means } a^{-1}b \in H \text{ since } (b^{-1}a)^{-1} = a^{-1}b \in H$$

If
$$b \sim c$$
 as well, so $c^{-1}b \in H$, $c^{-1}b(b^{-1}a) = c^{-1}a \in H$. So $a \sim c$.

Thus \sim is an equivalence relation. Then [a] form a partition of G. [a] happens to be aH (indeed, $1 \in H$, so $a \in aH$). By def. of partition, if $aH \cap bH \neq \emptyset$, then aH = bH.

(iii) Consider $H \to aH$, since $a^{-1} \in G$, then mapping is injective.

$$h \mapsto ah$$

 $\forall x \in aH, x = ah'$ for some $h' \in H$. Then $h' \mapsto ah' = x$. It's surjective.

Then \exists isomorphism (bijective mapping) between H and $aH \implies |H| = |aH|$

EY: 20150917: If H < G, cosets of H in G form a partition of G.

Theorem 5 (2.41). (Lagrange's Thm.) If $H \leq G$, then |H| is a divisor of |G|

Proof. Let $\{a_1H, a_2H \dots a_tH\}$ be distinct cosets of H that partition G.

$$\implies G = \coprod_{i=1}^{t} a_i H$$

$$\implies |G| = \sum_{i=1}^{t} |a_i H| = \sum_{i=1}^{t} |H| = t|H| \implies \frac{|G|}{|H|} = t$$

Exercise 2.29.

(i) If Ha = Hb,

Then
$$\exists h_1, h_2 \in H$$
 s.t. $h_1 a = h_2 b$ since H subgroup. $ab^{-1} = h_2 h_1^{-1} \in H$

For
$$h_1a \in Ha$$
, $h_1a = h_1hb \in Hb$

For
$$h_2b \in Hb$$
, $h_2b = h_2h^{-1}a \in Ha$. $Ha = Hb$

Thus, for right cosets Ha, Hb,

$$Ha = Hb \text{ iff } ab^{-1} \in H$$

(ii) $a \sim b$ if $ab^{-1} \in H$

$$a \sim a \text{ if } aa^{-1} = e \in H \text{ since } H \text{ subgroup.}$$

If
$$a \sim b$$
, $(ab^{-1})^{-1} = ba^{-1} \in H$ since H subgroup, so $b \sim a$.

 $ab^{-1}, bc^{-1} \in H$. H subgroup, so $ac^{-1} \in H$. So $a \sim c$. $a \sim b$ an equivalence relation.

For [a], if $a \sim b$, $ab^{-1} \in H$ so Ha = Hb, so [a] = Ha, since ea = a and ha = b.

(i) define special linear group by

$$SL(2,\mathbb{R}) = \{ A \in GL(2,\mathbb{R}) | \det(A) = 1 \}$$

 $GL(2,\mathbb{R})$ is a group. Clearly, $SL(2,\mathbb{R}) \subseteq GL(2,\mathbb{R})$.

Use Prop. 2.30, $H \subseteq G$ is a subgroup iff $H \neq 0$ and $\forall x, y \in H$, then $xy^{-1} \in H$.

$$1 \in SL(2,\mathbb{R})$$
. det $1 = 1$. So $SL(2,\mathbb{R}) \neq 0$ as well.

Let $x, y \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$. $xy^{-1} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R})$, since $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$ a group and $x, y^{-1} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R})$. $det(xy^{-1}) = detxdety^{-1} = 1$ since

Then $xy^{-1} \in SL(2,\mathbb{R}) \Longrightarrow SL(2,\mathbb{R}) < GL(2,\mathbb{R})$.

(ii) $1 \in GL(2, \mathbb{Q})$ since $1 \in \mathbb{Q}$. Also $GL(2, \mathbb{Q}) \neq 0$.

Let $x, y \in GL(2, \mathbb{Q})$.

Let
$$y = \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} y^{-1} = \frac{1}{eh - fg} \begin{bmatrix} h & -f \\ -g & e \end{bmatrix}$$
. $xy^{-1} \in GL(2, \mathbb{Q})$ as \forall entry is in \mathbb{Q} , since \mathbb{Q} closed under addition, multiplication,

and division, and $det(xy^{-1}) = detx dety^{-1} = \frac{detx}{detx} \neq 0$

Exercise 2.37. Consider $\varphi : aH \mapsto Ha^{-1}$.

EY:20150918 is it true that $\varphi: 2^G \to 2^G$?

Consider right coset Ha. $a^{-1} \in G$ since G group. $a^{-1}H$ is a left coset. φ surjective, $\varphi(a^{-1}H) = H(a^{-1})^{-1} = Ha$

Suppose $\varphi(aH) = \varphi(bH) \Longrightarrow Ha^{-1} = Hb^{-1}$. $a^{-1}(b^{-1})^{-1} = a^{-1}b \in H$, by Exercise 2.29 (right cosets Ha = Hb iff $ab^{-1} \in H$). $(a^{-1}b)^{-1} = b^{-1}a \in H$ then, since H < G.

Lemma 2, i.e. Lemma 2.40, says aH = bH iff $b^{-1}a \in H$, and so aH = bH. φ injective.

☐ Thus there is a bijection between left cosets and right cosets. Then the number of left cosets is equal to the number of right cosets.

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2.5. Homomorphisms.

Proposition 4 (2.56). *Let* $f: G \to H$ *homomorphism.*

- (i) kerf subgroup of G imf subgroup of H
- (ii) If $x \in kerf$, $\forall a \in G$

$$axa^{-1} \in kerf$$

(iii) f injection iff ker f = 1

Proof. (i) Let $x, y \in \ker f$ $f(xy) = f(x)f(y) = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$ $xy \in \ker f$ Let consider x^{-1} . $f(x^{-1})f(x) = f(x^{-1}x) = 1 = 0$ Consider 1. f(1) = 1 since $f(1) = f(1 \cdot 1) = f(1)f(1)$, so f(1) = 1 $f(x^{-1}x) = f(x^{-1})f(x) = 1$, so $(f(x))^{-1} = f(x^{-1})$ $f(x)f(y) = f(xy) \in \inf f$ $f(x^{-1})f(x) = f(x^{-1}x) = f(1) = 1$ 1 = f(1), since 1f(x) = f(1)f(x) = f(x) (ii)

 $f(axa^{-1}) = f(a)f(x)f(a^{-1}) = f(a)1(f(a))^{-1} = 1$ $axa^{-1} \in \ker f$

(iii) If f injective, if f(x) = 1, x = 1, so $\ker f = 1$ If $\ker f = 1$, consider f(a) = f(b) $f(a) f(b^{-1}) = f(ab^{-1}) = f(a) f(b^{-1}) = 1 \Longrightarrow ab^{-1} = 1$

Definition 10. subgroup K of G normal subgroup if $k \in K$, $q \in G$, $qkq^{-1} \in K$. $K \triangleleft G$.

Definition 11. If $a \in \text{group } G$, conjugate of $a = gag^{-1} \in G$

Proposition 5 (2.56). Let $f: G \to H$ be a homomorphism. ker f is a normal subgroup i.e. if $x \in \ker f$ and if $a \in G$, then $axa^{-1} \in \ker f$.

If G abelian, every subgroup is a normal subgroup.

$$h \in H$$
 $qhq^{-1} = qq^{-1}h = h \in H$

cyclic subgroup $H=\langle (1\,2)\rangle$ of $S_3,\ H=\{(1),(1,\,2)\}$ not normal subgroup.

(Trying stuff: 20130116)

$$\alpha = (1 \quad 2 \quad 3) \qquad \qquad \alpha(1 \quad 2)\alpha^{-1} = (1 \quad 2 \quad 3)(1 \quad 2)(3 \quad 2 \quad 1) = (2 \quad 3) \notin H$$

$$\alpha^{-1} = (3 \quad 2 \quad 1)$$

$$K = \langle (1 \quad 2 \quad 3)$$

Proposition 6 (2.58). (i) conjugation $\gamma_q: G \to G$ isomorphism

(ii) conjugate elements have same order

Proof. (i) γ_a homomorphism since

$$\gamma_g(ab) = gabg^{-1} = gag^{-1}gbg^{-1} = \gamma_g(a)\gamma_g(b)$$

Now

$$\gamma_q \gamma_h(a) = \gamma_q hah^{-1} = ghah^{-1}g^{-1} = \gamma_{qh}a$$

so

$$\gamma_q \gamma_{q^{-1}}(a) = \gamma_e a = a = \gamma_{q^{-1}} \gamma_q a$$

so γ_a bijective. γ_a isomorphism

(ii) conjugation is an isomorphism and preserves order of the each element, by Exercise 2.42.

Example 2.59.

Center of group G, Z(G)

$$Z(G) = \{ z \in G : zg = gz \quad \forall g \in G \}$$

- Z(G) subgroup $z^{-1}(zg)z^{-1} = z^{-1}gzz^{-1}$
- Z(G) normal subgroup $gz^{-1} = z^{-1}g$

$$gzg^{-1} = zgg^{-1} = z \in Z(G)$$

2.5.1. Exercises. Exercise 2.41. G abelian.

$$f(ab) = b^{-1}a^{-1} = f(b)f(a) = f(ba)$$

$$f(aa^{-1}) = aa^{-1} = e = f(a^{-1})f(a) = f(a^{-1}a) = f(e)$$

so f homomorphism.

If $f(a) = a^{-1}$, homomorphism,

$$f(ab) = b^{-1}a^{-1} = f(b)f(a) = f(ba)$$

so ab = ba

Exercise 2.42.

(i) Let $f: G \to H$ isomorphism.

if $a \in G$ has infinite order,

Suppose f(a) finite order, i.e. \exists smallest $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $f(a))^k = 1$ $f(a)^k = f(a^k) = 1$. f isomorphism so $a^k = 1$. Contradiction.

so if $a \in G$ has infinite order, f(a) has infinite order

If a has finite order n, $f(a^n) = (f(a))^n = f(1) = 1$. \implies if a has finite order n, f(a) has finite order n.

if G has element a of some order n, suppose f isomorphism. $f(a)^n = 1$, i.e. f(a) order of n. $f(a) \in H$

Contradiction.

if
$$a \in G$$
, $a^n = 1$, and $\nexists h \in H$ s.t. $h^n = 1$, then $G \ncong H$

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Exercise 2.46. Consider
$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) \right\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ac & ad + b \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{a} & \frac{-b}{a} \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{a} & \frac{-b}{a} \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1$$

Matrices are associative and $1=\begin{bmatrix}1&\\&1\end{bmatrix}$ is identity to any $GL(2,\mathbb{R})$ matrix.

By identifying entries a, b to f(x) = ax + b and vice versa, $G = \{f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} | f(x) = ax + b, a \neq 0\}$ clearly isomorphic to $\{\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

So G also a group. Note,

$$fg(x) = a(cx+d) + b = acx + ad + b$$

2.6. Quotient Groups.

Lemma 3 (2.65). *normal subgroup* K *iff s.t.* $gK = Kg \quad \forall g \in G$

Proof. Suppose K normal subgroup (if $k \in K$, $\forall g, gkg^{-1} \in K$)

$$gK = g(g^{-1}kg) = kg \text{ so } gK \subset Kg$$

 $kg = (gkg^{-1})g = gk \text{ so } Kg \subset gK$
 $gK = Kg$

Suppose gK = Kg. $\forall g \in G$

$$gkg^{-1} = kgg^{-1} = k \in K$$

So K normal subgroup (i.e. $K \triangleleft G$)

Theorem 6 (2.67). Let $G/K = \{gK | g \in G, K \text{ subgroup } \}$, set of all left cosets of subgroup K. if K normal subgroup, G/K group under aKbK = (ab)K operation

Proof. If *K* normal subgroup,

$$(aK)(bK) = a(Kb)K = abKK = abK$$

so product of 2 cosets of K operation well-defined.

cosets of K are associative. K associative.

identity: K = 1K. (1K)(bK) = bK = (bK)(1K)

inverse: $a^{-1}K$. $(a^{-1}K)(aK) = 1K = (aK)(a^{-1}K) G/K$ group.

Corollary 1 (2.69). \forall normal subgroup $K \triangleleft G$, K = kerf, f some homomorphism.

Proof. Define **natural map** $\pi: G \to G/K$ $\pi(a) = aK$

$$aKbK = abK = \pi(a)\pi(b) = \pi(ab)$$
 so π surjective homomorphism

K identity element in G/K

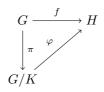
$$\ker \pi = \{a \in G | \pi(a) = K\} = \{a \in G | aK = K\} = K$$

By Lemma 2.40(i)

Theorem 7 (2.70). (First Isomorphism Thm.) If $f: G \to H$ homomorphism,

then $kerf \triangleleft G$ $G/kerf \cong imf$

i.e. if kerf = K, $\varphi : G/K \to imf \le H$, then φ isomorphism. $aK \mapsto f(a)$



 $\varphi \pi = f$

Proof. By Prop. 2.56(ii), $K = \ker f$ normal subgroup of G

if aK = bK, then a = bk for some $k \in K$, so

$$\varphi(ak) = f(a) = f(bk) = f(b)f(k) = f(b)1 = f(b) = \varphi(bK), \quad \text{since } k \in K = \ker f(f(k) = 1)$$

 $_{\square }\ \varphi \text{ well-defined}$

$$\varphi(aKbK)=\varphi(abK)=f(ab)=f(a)f(b)=\varphi(aK)\varphi(bK)$$

 φ homomorphism.

 $\operatorname{im}\varphi \leq \operatorname{im} f$ clearly.

Let $y \in \operatorname{im} f$. y = f(a), some $a \in G$ $y = f(a) = \varphi(aK)$ $\operatorname{im} f \leq \operatorname{im} \varphi$

 φ surjective onto im f

If $\varphi(aK) = \varphi(bK)$, f(a) = f(b)

$$1=f(b)^{-1}f(a)\stackrel{f\text{ homomorphism}}{=} f(b^{-1})f(a)=f(b^{-1}a)$$

$$b^{-1}a\in\ker f=K$$

$$b^{-1}aK=K\qquad aK=bK\text{ so }\varphi\text{ injective}$$

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So φ isomorphism, $G/\ker f \simeq \operatorname{im} f$

Example 2.7.1. Let $G = \langle a \rangle$ cyclic group of order m

Define
$$f: \mathbb{Z} \to G$$

$$f(n) = a^n \qquad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

f homomorphism.

f surjective (because a generator of G)

$$\ker f = \{ n \in \mathbb{Z} | a^n = 1 \} = \langle m \rangle \qquad \text{(Thm. 2.24)}$$

1st. isomorphism Thm. $\Longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/\langle m \rangle \simeq G$

every cyclic group of order m is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/\langle m \rangle$

Example 2.72. \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}

define
$$f: \mathbb{R} \to S^1$$

 $x \mapsto e^{2\pi i x}$

f homomorphism: $f(x + y) = e^{2\pi i(x+y)} = e^{2\pi ix}e^{2\pi iy} = f(x)f(y)$

f surjective.

 $\ker f = \mathbb{Z}$

 $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \cong S^1$

Theorem 8 (2.7.4). (second Isomorphism Thm.) If H, K subgroups of $G, H \triangleleft G$, then HK subgroup, $H \cap K \triangleleft K$

$$K/(H \cap K) \cong HK/H$$

Proof. Since $H \triangleleft G$, Prop. 2.66 shows HK subgroup.

2.7. Group Actions.

Theorem 9 (2.87). (Cayley) \forall group $G \simeq$ subgroup of symmetric group S_G If |G| = n, $G \simeq$ isomorphic to subgroup S_n

Proof.

Theorem 10 (2.88). (Representation on Cosets) Let G, H subgroup of G having finite index n. Then \exists homomorphism $\varphi: G \to S_n$ with $ker\varphi \leq H$

Definition 12. if set X, group G, then G acts on X if \exists function $G \times X \to X$, denoted $(g, x) \mapsto gx$ s.t.

(i)
$$(gh)x = g(hx), \forall g, h \in G, x \in X$$

(ii) $1x = x, \ \forall X$

Example 2.91 G acts on itself by conjugation: i.e. $\forall g \in G$, define $\alpha_g : G \to G$ to be conjugation

$$\alpha_g(x) = gxg^{-1}$$

X a G-set if G acts on X. If G acts on X, $x \in X$, then **orbit** of x, $\mathcal{O}(x) = \{gx | g \in G\} \subseteq X$. **stabilizer** of x, $G_x = \{g \in G | gx = x\} \leq G$

Example 2.92

(i) By Cayley's Thm., G acts on *itself* by translations: $\tau_g: a \mapsto ga$ If $a \in G$, then $\mathcal{O}(a) = G$, for if $b \in G$, $b = (ba^{-1})a = \tau_{ba^{-1}}(a)$. Stabilizer G_a of $a \in G$ is $\{1\}$ for if $a = \tau_g(a) = ga$, then g = 1 G acts transitively on X if \exists only 1 orbit

Example 2.93 G acts on itself by conjugation.

$$\mathcal{O}(x) = \{ y \in G | y = axa^{-1}, a \in G \} \equiv \text{ conjugacy class of } x \equiv x^G$$

e.g. Thm. 2.9 shows if $\alpha \in S_n$, conjugacy class of α consists of all permutations of S_n having same cycle structure as α . $z \in \text{center } Z(G)$ iff $z^G = \{z\}$, i.e. no other element in G conjugate to z

If $x \in G$, stabilizer G_x of x is $C_G(x) = \{g \in G | gxg^{-1} = x\}$ centralizer of x in G is subgroup of G of all $g \in G$ that commute with x.

Example 2.94 \forall group G acts on set X of all its subgroups, by conjugation: if $a \in G$, a acts on $H \mapsto aHa^{-1}$, where $H \leq G$.

conjugate of H is subgroup of G, $aHa^{-1}=\{aha^{-1}|h\in H, a\in G\}$ $H\to G$ $aha^{-1}=ah'a^{-1}$ so injection. conjugate subgroups of G are isomorphic.

orbit of subgroup H consists of all its conjugates $\{{}^{\mathcal{O}(H)=\{H\}}\}$ iff $H\lhd G$ i.e. $aHa^{-1}=H \quad \ \ \forall\, a\in G$

stabilizer of H is $N_G(H) = \{g \in G | gHg^{-1} = H\}$ normalizer of H in G

Example 2.95 $G = D_8$ Dihedral group

Exercises. Exercise 2.100. How many flags are there with n stripes each of which can be colored any one of q given colors?

Hint parity of n is relevant.

Parity of n matters, means if n = 2N, $N \in \mathbb{Z}$ or n = 2N + 1, matters, i.e. n even or n odd, respectively.

cf. http://www.cs.virginia.edu/~krw7c/Burnsides.pdf

3. COMMUTATIVE RINGS I

3.1. Introduction.

3.2. First Properties.

Definition 13. commutative ring R is a set with 2 binary operations, addition and multiplication, s.t.

- (i) R abelian group under addition
- (ii) (commutativity) $ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in R$ (this isn't there for noncommutativity)
- (iii) (associativity) $a(bc) = (ab)c \quad \forall a, b, c \in R$
- (iv) $\exists 1 \in R \text{ s.t. } 1a = a \quad \forall a \in R$ (many names used: one, unit, identity)
- (v) (distributivity) a(b+c) = ab + ac $a, b, c \in R$ (this splits up into 2 distributivity laws for noncommutativity)

Example 3.1

(i) \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{Q} , \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{C} In Sage Math:

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sage: ZZ
Integer Ring
sage: ZZ.is_commutative()
True
sage: QQ
Rational Field
sage: QQ.is_commutative()
True
sage: RR
Real Field with 53 bits of precision
sage: RR.is_commutative()
True
sage: CC
Complex Field with 53 bits of precision
sage: CC.tis_commutative()
True
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(ii) $\mathbb{I}_m \equiv \mathbb{Z}_m \equiv \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ (many different notations used)

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sage: Integers (5)
Ring of integers modulo 5
sage: Integers (5).is_commutative()
True
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Integers (5) is $\mathbb{Z}_5 \equiv \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$.

(iii)

Proposition 7 (3.2). (i) $0 \cdot a = 0 \quad \forall a \in R$

- (ii) if 1 = 0, $R = \{0\}$. R zero ring.
- (iii)
- (iv) (v)
- (vi) binomial theorem holds: if $a, b \in R$, then

$$(a+b)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} a^r b^{n-r}$$

Proof. (i) 0 is addition identity. 0 + 0 = 0

$$0 \cdot a + 0 \cdot a = (0+0)a = 0a$$
$$0 \cdot a + 0 \cdot a - 0 \cdot a = 0 \cdot a - 0 \cdot a = 0 = 0 \cdot a$$

(ii)
$$a = 1 \cdot a = 0 \cdot a = 0$$

Definition 14. $S \subset R$ subring of R if

- (i) $1 \in S$
- (ii) $\forall a, b \in S$, then $a b \in S$
- (iii) $\forall a, b \in S$, then $ab \in S$

Definition 15. domain (often called integral domain) is a commutative ring R s.t.

 $1 \neq 0$

 $\forall a, b, c \in R$, if ca = cb, $c \neq 0$, then a = b

(EY: domain has $1 \neq 0$ and cancellation)

Proposition 8 (3.5). *nonzero commutative ring R domain iff* $\forall a, b \in R$, $a, b \neq 0$, $ab \neq 0$

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sage: QQ.is_integral_domain()
True
sage: ZZ.is_integral_domain()
True
sage: QQ.is_integral_domain()
True
sage: RR.is_integral_domain()
True
sage: CC.is_integral_domain()
True
sage: Integers(5).is_integral_domain()
True
sage: Integers(4).is_integral_domain()
```

Proof. if R domain, consider $a, b \neq 0$. Suppose ab = 0. ab = 0 = a0 so b = 0. Contradiction.

If $\forall a, b \in R$, $a, b \neq 0$, $ab \neq 0$,

Consider a(b-c) = ab - ac = 0 or ab = ac. Then a = 0 or b-c = 0

If b = c done.

Suppose 1 = 0. 1a = a, $\forall a \in R$. 0a = a = 0. But then R zero ring. Zero ring is not a domain.

Then $1 \neq 0$

Example 3.7.

(i) $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ - set of all functions $R \to R$ equipped with pointwise addition and pointwise multiplication.

$$\forall f,g \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}), \text{ define } \begin{cases} f+g: a \mapsto f(a) + g(a) \\ fg: a \mapsto f(a)g(a) \end{cases}$$

 $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ commutative ring.

So

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) := \{ f | f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}, \, \forall \, f, g \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}), \, \begin{array}{l} f + g = (f + g)(a) = f(a) + g(a) \\ f \cdot g = (f \cdot g)(a) = f(a)g(a) \end{array} \, \forall \, a \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

is a commutative ring, with

zero element, $0 \equiv a \mapsto 0 \,\forall \, a \in \mathbb{R}$ i.e. 0(a) = 0

unit,
$$1 \equiv a \mapsto 1 \,\forall \, a \in \mathbb{R}$$
 i.e. $1(a) = 1$

 $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ is not a domain.

(ii) $C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ is a subring of $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ (that's what the notation \subseteq means, that it's a proper subring)

Definition 16. Let $a, b \in R$, commutative ring a, b = a divides a in R (or a division of b or b multiple of a) if $\exists a$ of

 $a|b \equiv a$ divides b in R (or a divisor of b or b multiple of a) if $\exists c \in R$ s.t. b = ca

Definition 17. $u \in \text{commutative ring } R \text{ unit if } u|1 \text{ in } R \text{, i.e. } \exists v \in R \text{ with } uv = 1 \text{ (EY: } u|1 \text{ is } 1/u \text{ and } u \text{ unit if it has a multiplicative inverse)}$

Definition 18. field F commutative ring, $1 \neq 0$, $\forall a \neq 0$, a unit, i.e. $a^{-1} \in F$, $a^{-1}a = 1$

sage: ZZ.is_field()
False
sage: QQ.is_field()
True
sage: RR.is_field()
True
sage: CC.is_field()
True
sage: Integers(5).is_field()
True
sage: Integers(4).is_field()

Exercises. Exercise 3.1. Suppose $\exists 1'$

1'a = a = 1a so

$$1 = 1'1 = 11' = 1'$$

since we could commute in a commutative ring.

Exercise 3.2.

(i) Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$. \mathbb{Z} commutative ring as it's an abelian group under addition, with the existence of an additive inverse, subtraction. Treat subtraction as a binary group operation.

$$(xy)z = (x - y)z = (x - y) - z = x - y - z$$

 $x(yz) = x - (yz) = x - (y - z) = x - y + z$

(ii) $\mathbb{Z}/2$ Suppose x-y-z=x-y+z (from above, part (i)) Suppose z=0. Done. Otherwise, -z=z. So z=1 and $-1\sim 1$ for $\mathbb{Z}/2$ Done.

Exercise 3.3.

(i) R domain.

Recall, domain has $1 \neq 0$ and cancellation. $a^2 = a = a \cdot 1$. So a = 1 Otherwise a = 0

(ii) $f^2 = f$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \ge b \\ 0 & \text{if } a \le x \le b \\ -1 & \text{if } x \le a \end{cases}$$

 $f^2 = f \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, pointwise, but $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ arbitrary.

3.3. Polynomials.

Definition 19. sequence $\sigma = (s_0 \dots s_i \dots)$ polynomial if $\exists m \geq 0, \ s_i = 0, \ \forall i > m$

Notation. If R commutative ring, then set of all polynomials with coefficients in R denoted by R[x]

Proposition 9 (3.14). *If* R *commutative ring,*

then R[x] commutative ring that contains R as subring.

Proof. define addition:

$$\sigma + \tau = (s_0 + t_0, s_1 + t_1 \dots s_i + t_i, \dots s_m + t_m, t_{m+1} \dots t_n)$$

without loss of generality, assume σ of degree $m \leq n, \tau$ degree n

define $\sigma \tau = (c_0, c_1 \dots)$

$$c_k = \sum_{i+j=k} s_i t_j = \sum_{i=0}^k s_i t_{k-i}$$

 $\sigma + \tau \in R[x]$ since $s_i + t_i \in R$, $t_i \in R$

$$\sigma + \tau = \tau + \sigma$$

(by each entry, $s_i, t_i \in R$ and R, commutative ring, is abelian in addition)

also since $\forall s_i \in R, \exists -s_i \in R, 0 \in R$, then

$$\sigma + (-\sigma) = 0$$

$$\sigma + 0 = \sigma \text{ with } 0 = (0, 0, \dots)$$

$$r\sigma = (rs_0 \dots rs_m, 0 \dots) \in R[x]$$

since

$$(\sigma + \tau) + \omega = (\dots(s_i + t_i) + w_i \dots) = (\dots s_i + (t_i + w_i) \dots) = \sigma + (\tau + \omega)$$

So R[x] abelian group in addition.

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k} s_i t_{k-i} = \sum_{j=0}^{k} s_{k-j} t_j = \sum_{j=0}^{k} t_j s_{k-j}$$

since $s_{k-i}, t_i \in R$, commutative ring.

So

$$\sigma \tau = \tau \sigma$$

Now

$$(\sigma(\tau\omega))_{l} = \sum_{i+j=l} s_{i}(tw)_{j} = \sum_{i+j=l} \sum_{a+b=j} s_{i}(t_{a}w_{b}) = \sum_{i+a+b=l} s_{i}t_{a}w_{b} = \sum_{j+b=l} \sum_{i+a=j} (s_{i}t_{a})w_{b} = \sum_{j+b=l} (st)_{j}w_{b} = ((\sigma\tau)w)_{l}$$

 $R \subset R[x]$ since polynomials of degree 0 are R.

Exercises. Exercise 3.21.

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(i)
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(ii) sage: Integers (4)[x]
   Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Ring of integers modulo 4
   sage: x
   x
   sage: (2*x+1)**2-1 in Integers (4)[x]
   True
```

3.4. Greatest Common Divisors.

Theorem 11 (3.21). (*Division Algorithms*) Assume
$$k$$
 field, $f(x), g(x) \in k[x]$, $f(x) \neq 0$
Then $\exists ! \ q(x), r(x) \in k[x]$ s.t. $g(x) = q(x)f(x) + r(x)$ and either $r(x) = 0$ or $deg(r) < deg(f)$

Proof. If f|g, then g = qf for some q and r = 0. Done.

If
$$f \nmid g$$
, then consider all $g - qf \in k[x] \ \forall \, q \in k[x]$
By least integer axiom, $\exists \, r = g - qf \in k[x]$ s.t. $\deg(r) \leq \deg(g - qf)$

Let
$$f(x) = s_n x^n + \dots + s_1 x + s_0$$

$$r(x) = t_m x^m + \dots + t_1 x + t_0$$

$$s_n \neq 0$$
, so s_n unit $(k \text{ field})$, so $\exists s_n^{-1} \in k$
If $\deg(r) > \deg(f)$, define

$$h(x) = r(x) - t_m s_n^{-1} x^{m-n} f(x)$$

Define

leading term LT,

$$LT: k[x] \to k[x]$$

 $LT(f) = s_n x^n$

$$\implies h = r - \frac{LT(r)}{LT(f)}f$$

h = 0 or $\deg(h) < \deg(r)$

If
$$h=0$$
, then $r=\frac{\mathrm{LT}(r)}{\mathrm{LT}(f)}f$ and $g=qf+r=\left(q+\frac{\mathrm{LT}(r)}{\mathrm{LT}(f)}\right)f$, contradicting $f\nmid g$

If $h \neq 0$, then $\deg(h) < \deg(r)$, and

$$g - qf = r = h + \frac{\text{LT}(r)}{\text{LT}(f)} f$$
$$g - \left[q + \frac{\text{LT}(r)}{\text{LT}(f)} \right] f = h$$

Contradicting r being polynomial of least degree since deg(h) < deg(r)

$$\implies \deg(r) < \deg(f)$$

Lemma 4 (3.23). Let $f(x) \in k[x]$, where k field. Let $u \in k$ Then $\exists q(x) \in k[x]$ s.t.

$$f(x) = q(x)(x - u) + f(u)$$

Proof. By division algorithm, f(x) = q(x)(x - u) + r $\deg(r) < (x - u)$, so r constant.

$$f(u) = 0 + r \text{ so } r = f(u)$$

Proposition 10 (3.24). *If* $f(x) \in k[x]$, k *field, then a root of* f(x) *in* k *iff* x - a|f(x) *in* k[x]

Proof. If a root of f(x), then f(a) = 0. By Lemma 3.23,

$$f(x) = q(x)(x-a) + f(a) = q(x)(x-a) \Longrightarrow \frac{f(x)}{x-a} = q(x)$$

if
$$f(x) = g(x)(x - a)$$
, $f(a) = g(a)(a - 0) = 0$

Theorem 12 (3.25). Let k field, let $f(x) \in k[x]$

If deg(f(x)) = n, then f(x) has at most n roots in k

Proof. If n = 0, then $f(x) = a_0 \neq 0$, and so number of roots in k is 0 Let n > 0. If f(x) has no roots in k, then $0 \leq n$. Done.

Assume $\exists a \in k$, a root of f(x).

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By Prop. 3.24 or 10,
$$f(x) = q(x)(x-a)$$
, $q(x) \in k[x]$, $\deg q(x) = n-1$.
 If $\exists \text{ root } b \in k$, $b \neq a$, then $0 = f(b) = q(b)(b-a)$
 $b-a \neq 0$, so $q(b) = 0$ (k field, so k domain, so cancellation law applies). So k root of k 0 deg k 1 nost k 2 nost k 3 has at most k 4 nost k 5 nost k 6 nost k 6 nost k 6 nost k 8 nost k 8 nost k 9 nos

Definition 20. If $f(x), g(x) \in k[x], k$ field, then

common divisor is
$$c(x) \in k[x]$$
 s.t. $c(x)|f(x)$
 $c(x)|g(x)$

If
$$f(x), g(x) \in k[x], f \neq 0$$
,

 $g \neq 0$

define **greatest common division** gcd to be monic common divisor having largest degree denote notation (f, q)

Recall that monic is $f(x) \in k[x]$ if its leading coefficient is 1 **leading coefficient** of $f(x) \in k[x]$, is coefficient of highest power of x occurring in f(x).

3.5. Homomorphisms. Just as homomorphisms are used to compare groups, so are homomorphisms used to compare commutative rings

Definition 21. if A,R (commutative) rings, (ring) homomorphism is $f:A\to R$ s.t.

- (i) f(1) = 1
- (ii) f(a + a') = f(a) + f(a')
- (iii) f(aa') = f(a)f(a')

A homomorphism that is also a bijection is called an isomorphism. commutative rings A and R are called isomorphic, denoted $A \cong R$, if \exists isomorphism $f: A \to R$

Example 3.40

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii)
- (iv) R commutative ring, $a \in R$. Define

evaluation homomorphism

$$e_a:R[x]\to R$$

 $e_a(f(x))=f(a)$ i.e. if $f(x)=r_ix^i$, then $f(a)=r_ia^i$
 e_a ring homomorphism

$$e_a(1(x)) = 1(a) = a$$

$$e_a((f+g)(x)) = e_a(f(x) + g(x)) = f(a) + g(a) = (f+g)(a) = e_a(f(x)) + e_a(g(x))$$

$$e_a((fg)(x)) = (fg)(a) = f(a)g(a) = e_af(x)e_ag(x)$$

Definition 22. ideal $I \subset R$ s.t.

- (i) $0 \in I$
- (ii) $\forall a, b \in I, a + b \in I$
- (iii) if $a \in I$, $r \in R$, then $ra \in I$

proper ideal I-ideal $I \neq R$

Example 3.49.

If $b_1, b_2, \dots b_n \in R$, then set of all linear combinations

$$I = \{r_1b_1 + r_2b_2 + \dots + r_nb_n | r_i \in R \quad \forall i\}$$

is an ideal in R.

write $I = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ and call I ideal generated by b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n

in particular, if n = 1,

$$I = (b) = \{rb | r \in R\}$$

is an ideal in R, consists of all multiples of b, and is called principal ideal generated by b

R, $\{0\}$ are always principal ideals R = (1), $\{0\} = (0)$ in \mathbb{Z} , even integers form principal ideal (2)

Proposition 11 (3.50). *if* $f: A \rightarrow R$ *ring homomorphism,*

then kerf ideal in A imf subring of R

if $A, R \neq$ zero rings, then kerf proper ideal.

Proof. f(0) = 0 so $0 \in \ker f$

If
$$f(a) = f(b) = 0$$
,
 $f(a+b) = f(a) + f(b) = 0$. $a+b \in \ker f$
i.e. $\ker f$ additive subgroup of A .

$$f(ra) = f(r)f(a) = f(r)0 = 0$$
 $ra \in \ker f$

ker f ideal.

If R not zero ring, $1 \neq 0$, $f(1) = 1 \neq 0$ and so for $1 \in A$ $1 \notin \ker f$, so $\ker f$ proper ideal

 $1 \in A$, so $f(1) = 1 \in \text{im } f$

if c = f(a) i.e. $c, d \in \text{im} f$, c + d = f(a + b) d = f(b) $a + b \in A$ so $c + d \in \text{im} f$

cd = f(a)f(b) = f(ab)

 $ab \in A \text{ so } cd \in \operatorname{im} f$

im f a subring

Definition 23. domain R principal ideal domain (PID) if every ideal in R is a principal ideal

Example 3.55

- (i) the ring of integers is a PID
- (ii) every field is a PID, by Example 3.51 (ii)

Exercises. Exercise 3.39.

(i) Let $\varphi:A\to R$ isomorphism, $\psi:R\to A$ its inverse. $a=\psi(\varphi(a))$ so $\forall\, a\in \mathrm{im}\psi,\, \psi$ surjective. Suppose $\psi(r)=\psi(s)$

$$r,s\in R,$$
 so $\varphi(a)=r$ —as φ isomorphism.
$$\varphi(b)=s$$

$$\psi\varphi(a) = a = \psi(\varphi(b)) = b$$

a=b so r=s by φ . ψ injective. ψ bijective. ψ isomorphism.

- (ii)
- (iii)

Exercise 3.41.

Suppose $I \cap J = 0$

Consider
$$i \in I$$

 $j \in J$

Clearly $i - j \neq 0$ and $i - j \in R$ Let $r \neq 0, r \in R$

$$r(i-j) \neq 0$$
 by Prop. 3.5.

Let
$$r = i$$
 as $I \subset R$

$$i(i-j) = i^2 - ij$$

But, as a commutative ring and I an ideal, $i(i-j) \in I$. so that $i^2 - ij \in I$. So $-ij \in I$. But as $-i \in I \subset R$, $-ij \in J$, $ij \neq 0$. Contradiction.

- 4. Fields
- 5. GROUPS II

- 5.1.
- 5.2.
- 5.3.
- 5.4.

5.5. **Presentations.** "How can we describe a group?" (Rotman)

Motivation: describe groups as being generated subject to certain relations. EY: useful for "large groups" instead of enumerating all possible elements.

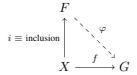
Definition 24. group of generalized quaternions \mathbb{Q}_n , $n \geq 3$, $|\mathbf{Q}_n| = 2^n$ (group of order 2^n), generated by 2 elements a, b s.t.

$$a^{2^{n-1}} = 1$$
, $bab^{-1} = a^{-1}$ and $b^2 = a^{2^{n-2}}$

Definition 25. If X subset of group F, then F free group with basis X if

 \forall group $G, \forall f: X \to G, \exists !$ homomorphism $\varphi: F \to G$

$$\varphi(x) = f(x) \, \forall \, x \in X$$



Note: modeled on Thm. 3.9.2 Rotman or

Theorem 13. Let $X = v_1 \dots v_n$ basis of vector space V. If W vector space and $u_1 \dots u_n$ list in W, then $\exists !$ linear transformation $T : V \to W$, s.t. $T(v_i) = u_i \quad \forall i$



Definition 26. if X subset of group F, then F free group with basis X if

 $\forall \text{ group } G, \forall f: X \to G, \exists ! \text{ homomorphism } \varphi: F \to G$

$$\varphi(x) = f(x) \quad \forall x \in X$$

Definition 27. Let A, B be words on X, possibly A, B empty, i.e. A = 1 or B = 1. Let w = AB.

An **elementary** operation is either an **insertion** or **deletion**.

insertion, change $w = AB \mapsto Aaa^{-1}B$ for some $a \in X \bigcup X^{-1}$

deletion of a subword of w of form aa^{-1} , changing $w = Aaa^{-1}B \mapsto AB$

Definition 28. $w \to w'$ denote w' arising from w by elementary operation.

words u, v on X are equivalent, denoted by $u \sim v$, if \exists words $u = w_1, w_2 \dots w_n = v$ and elementary operations

$$u = w_1 \rightarrow w_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow w_n = v$$

denote equivalence class of word w by [w]

Note
$$xx^{-1} \sim 1$$
, $[xx^{-1}] = [1] = [x^{-1}x]$
 $x^{-1}x \sim 1$.

Definition 29. semigroup is set having associative operation.

monoid is semigroup S having identity q.

homomorphism (semigroups) $f: S \to S'$ s.t. f(xy) = f(x)f(y) homomorphism (monoids) $f: S \to S'$ s.t. f(xy) = f(x)f(y) and f(1) = 1

cf. Rotman, Advanced Modern Algebra Thm. 5.72

Theorem 14. If X set, then set F of all equivalence classes of words on X with operation [u][v] = [uv] is free group with basis $\{[x]|x \in X\}$. Moreover, $\forall [v] \in F$ has normal form: $\forall [u] \in F$, $\exists !$ reduced word w s.t. [u] = [w]

cf. Rotman, Advanced Modern Algebra Prop. 5.73

Proposition 12. (1) Let X_1 basis of free group F_1 . If \exists bijection $f: X_1 \to X_2$, then \exists isomorphism $\varphi: F_1 \to F_2$. X_2 basis of free group F_2

(2) If F free group with basis X, then F generated by X.

Proposition 13. \forall group G, is a quotient of a free group.

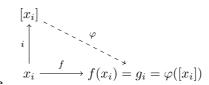
Proof. Let X set s.t. \exists bijection $f: X \to G$ (e.g. take X underlying set of G, and $f = 1_G$). Let F free group with basis X.

 \exists homomorphism $\varphi: F \to G$. Thus, from definition of a free group



 φ surjective because f i.e.

Thus $G \cong F/\ker \varphi$.



 $\forall g \in G, g = f(x) \text{ and } \varphi([x_i]) = \varphi(i(x_i)) = f(x_i) = g, \text{ i.e.}$

Definition 30. presentation of group $G \equiv G \equiv (X|R)$, set X, set of words on $X \equiv R$, G = F/N; F free group with basis X, N normal subgroup generated by R, i.e. subgroup generated by all conjugates of elements of R.

set X called **generators**, set R **relations**.

Definition 31. group G finitely generated if it has presentation (X|R) with X finite group G finitely presented if it has presentation (X|R) with both X,R finite

6. COMMUTATIVE RINGS II

7. MODULES AND CATEGORIES

7.1. Modules.

Definition 32. R-module is (additive) abelian group M,

equipped with scalar multiplication $R \times M \to M$

$$(r,m)\mapsto rm$$

s.t. $\forall m, m' \in M, \forall r, r', 1 \in R$

- (i) r(m+m') = rm + rm'
- (ii) (r + r')m = rm + r'm
- (iii) (rr')m = r(r'm)
- (iv) 1m = m

Example 7.1

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii)
- (iv)
- (v) Let linear $T: V \to V$, V finite-dim. vector space over field k.

Recall $k[x] \equiv \text{set of polynomials with coefficients in } k$.

Define
$$k[x] \times V \to V$$

$$f(x)v = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i x^i\right)v = \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i T^i(v)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{denote } k[x]\text{-module } V^T.$$

Special case: Let $A \in \operatorname{Mat}_k(n,n)$, let linear $T: k^n \to k^n$.

$$T(w) = Aw$$

vector space k^n is k[x]-module if we define scalar multiplication

$$f(x)w = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i x^i\right) w = \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i A^i w$$
 $\forall f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i A^i w$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i x^i \in k[x]$$

$$\text{In } (k^n)^T, xw = T(w)$$

$$\text{In } (k^n)^A, xw = Ax$$

T(w) = Ax and so $(k^n)^T = (k^n)^A$ (EY: 20151015 because of induction?)

Definition 33. if ring R, R-modules M, N, then function $f: M \to N$ is R-homomorphism (or R-map) if $\forall m, m' \in M$, $\forall r \in R$,

- (i) f(m+m') = f(m) + f(m')
- (ii) f(rm) = rf(m)

EY: 20151015 isn't this just a homomorphism that is linear in R?

Example 7.2.

(i)

(ii)

(iii)

(iv)

(v) Let linear $T: V \to V$, let $v_1 \dots v_n$ be basis of V, let A be matrix of T relative to this basis. Let $e_1 \dots e_n$ be standard basis of k^n .

Define
$$\varphi: V \to k^n$$

$$\varphi(v_i) = e_i$$

$$\varphi(xv_i) = \varphi(T(v_i)) = \varphi(v_j a_{ji}) = a_{ji} \varphi(v_j) = a_{ji} e_j$$

$$x \varphi(v_i) = A \varphi(v_i) = A e_i$$

$$\Longrightarrow \varphi(xv) = x \varphi(v) \quad \forall v \in V$$
 By induction on $\deg(f)$, $\varphi(f(x)v) = f(x)\varphi(v) \quad \forall f(x) \in k[x] \quad \forall v \in V$
$$\Longrightarrow \varphi \text{ is } k[x]\text{-map}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \varphi \text{ is } k[x]\text{-isomorphism of } V^T \text{ and } (k^n)^A.$$

Proposition 14 (7.3). Let vector space over field k, V, let linear $T, S : V \to V$ Then k[x]-modules V^T, V^S are k[x]-isomorphic iff \exists vector space isomorphism $\varphi : V \to V$ s.t. $S = \varphi T \varphi^{-1}$.

Proof. If $\varphi: V^T \to V^S$ is a k[x]-isomorphism,

$$\varphi(f(x)v) = f(x)\varphi(v) \quad \forall \, v \in V, \, \forall \, f(x) \in k[x]$$
 if $f(x) = x$, then $\varphi(xv) = x\varphi(v)$
$$xv = T(v)$$

$$x\varphi(v) = S(\varphi(v))$$

$$\Longrightarrow \varphi \circ T(v) = S \circ \varphi(v) \Longrightarrow \varphi \circ T = S \circ \varphi$$

 φ isomorphism, so $S = \varphi \circ T \circ \varphi^{-1}$

Conversely, if given isomorphism $\varphi:V\to V$ s.t. $S=\varphi T\varphi^{-1}$, then $S\varphi=\varphi T$.

$$S\varphi(v) = \varphi T(v) = \varphi(xv) = x\varphi(v)$$

Then by induction, $\varphi(x^n v) = x^n \varphi(v)$ (for $S^n \varphi(v) = x^n \varphi(v) = (\varphi T \varphi^{-1})^n \varphi(v) = \varphi T^n v = \varphi(x^n v)$). By induction on $\deg(f)$, $\varphi(f(x)v) = f(x)\varphi(v)$.

Definition 34. if R-module M, the submodule N of M, denoted $N \subseteq M$, is additive subgroup N of M, closed under scalar multiplication $rn \in N$ whenever $n \in N$, $r \in R$

Example 7.7

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii) (iv) submodule of W of V^T , k[x]-module V^T , where linear T, is subspace W of V, s.t. $T(W) \subseteq W$.

Proof. if given submodule $W, \forall w \in W, xw = T(w) \in W \Longrightarrow T(W) \subseteq W$ ig given subspace W of V, W additive subgroup W of V^T .

$$\forall w \in W, \quad f(x)w = \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i x^i w = \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i T^i w \in W$$

since $T(W) \subseteq W$ and $c_i T^i(w) \in W$

 \Longrightarrow invariant subspace W, is submodule W of V^T s.t. $T(W) \subseteq W$

Theorem 15 (First Isomorphism Theorem). If $f: M \to N$ R-map of modules (i.e. homomorphism linear in R),

then $\exists R$ -isomorphism $\varphi: M/kerf \to imf$

$$\varphi: m + kerf \mapsto f(m)$$

Proof. Let $[m] \in M/\text{ker} f$ $\varphi([m]) = f(m)$

Now

$$\varphi^{-1}: \operatorname{im} f \to M/\operatorname{ker} f$$

$$\varphi^{-1}: y = f(m) \mapsto [m]$$

and φ^{-1} is well-defined on domain im f, since $\forall y \in \text{im } f, \exists m \in M$, s.t. f(m) = y.

Now

$$\varphi^{-1}\varphi([m]) = [m]$$

This is well defined, since

$$\varphi^{-1}\varphi(m+v_0)=\varphi^{-1}(f(m))=[m]$$

Also

$$\varphi \varphi^{-1}(y) = \varphi[m] = f(m) = y$$

Definition 35. exact sequence if $\operatorname{im} f_{n+1} = \ker f_n \ \forall n$, for sequence of R-maps (i.e. homomorphisms linear in R) and R-modules

$$\cdots \to M_{n+1} \xrightarrow{f_{n+1}} M_n \xrightarrow{f_n} M_{n-1} \to \cdots$$

Proposition 15 (7.20). (i) $0 \to A \xrightarrow{f} B$ exact iff f injective

- (ii) $B \xrightarrow{g} C \to 0$ exact iff g surjective
- (iii) $0 \to A \xrightarrow{h} B \to 0$ exact iff h isomorphism

Proof. (i) $im(0 \to A) = 0$ if assume $0 \to A \xrightarrow{f} B$ exact, kerf = 0, and so f injective

Conversely, if f injective, $\ker f = 0$ and $\operatorname{im}(0 \to A) = 0 = \ker f$. So sequence is exact.

(ii) $ker(C \rightarrow 0) = C$

if $B \xrightarrow{g} C \to 0$ exact, imq = C and so q surjective.

Conversely, given $q: B \to C$,

 \exists exact sequence $B \xrightarrow{g} C \to C/\text{im}g$ (cf. Exercise 7.13) since

$$\ker(C \to C/\mathrm{im}g) = \mathrm{im}g$$

if g surjective, img = C, and so $B \xrightarrow{g} C \to 0$ exact.

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(iii) from (i), $0 \to A \xrightarrow{h} B$ exact iff h injective from (ii), $A \xrightarrow{h} B \to 0$ exact iff h surjective. $\Longrightarrow h$ isomorphism iff $0 \to A \xrightarrow{h} B \to 0$

Definition 36. short exact sequence $0 \to A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \to 0$ is exact sequence.

Proposition 16 (7.21). (i) If
$$0 \to A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \to 0$$
 short exact sequence, then $A \cong imf$ and $B/imf \cong C$

(ii)

Proof. (i)
$$f$$
 injective, so $A \to \operatorname{im} f$ isomorphism. By first isomorphism thm., $B/\ker g \cong \operatorname{im} g$. im $g = C$ since g surjective im $f = \ker g$ by exactness. $\Longrightarrow B/\operatorname{im} f \cong C$

Definition 37. short exact sequence $0 \to A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} C \to 0$ split if \exists map $j : C \to B$, s.t. $pj = 1_C$

Proposition 17 (7.22). *if exact sequence* $0 \to A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} C \to 0$ *split, then* $B \cong A \oplus C$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textit{Proof.} \ \ \text{if} \ b \in B \text{, then} \ p(b) \in C \\ b - j(p(b)) \in \text{ker}p. \ \ \text{Since} \ p(b - j(p(b))) = p(b) - pj(p(b)) = p(b) - 1_C(p(b)) = 0 \ \text{since} \ pj = 1_C. \\ \text{By exactness, ker}p = \text{im}i, \ \exists \ a \in A \ \text{s.t.} \ i(a) = b - j(p(b)) \end{array}$$

Then
$$\forall b \in B, b = i(a) + j(p(b))$$
Note that p surjective by exactness, and so $C = imp$

Note that p surjective by exactness, and so $C = \operatorname{im} p$ Thus $B = \operatorname{im} i + \operatorname{im} i$

If
$$ia=x=jc$$
, then $p(x)=pia=0$, since $pi=0$ for $\mathrm{im}i=\mathrm{ker}p$ $px=pjc=c$ since $pj=1_C$. Thus $x=jc=j(0)=0$. So $B\cong A\oplus C$

Exercises.

Definition 38. If $f: M \to N$, define **cokernel**, denoted coker f,

$$coker f := N/imf$$

Exercise 7.13.

(i) if
$$f:M\to N$$
 surjective, $\operatorname{im} f=N$. $\forall\,n\in N,\,n=f(m)$ for some $m\in M$. For $[n]\in N/\operatorname{im} f$, then $n+f(m)\in [n]$. Then $n-f(m)=f(m)-f(m)=0\in [n]$
$$\operatorname{coker} f=N/\operatorname{im} f=0$$
 if $\operatorname{coker} f=0$, $\operatorname{coker} f=N/\operatorname{im} f=0$, then $N=\operatorname{im} f$ and so f surjective. Thus, $f:M\to N$ surjective iff $\operatorname{coker} f=0$

(ii) If
$$f: M \to N$$
, $\ker(\ker f \to M) = 0 = \operatorname{im}(0 \to \ker f)$ since $\ker f \to M$ is inclusion $\operatorname{im}(\ker f \to M) = \ker f$ (by inclusion) $\ker(N \to \operatorname{coker} f) = \ker(N \to N/\operatorname{im} f) = \operatorname{im} f$ $\operatorname{im}(N \to \operatorname{coker} f) = \operatorname{coker} f$ $\ker(\operatorname{coker} f \to 0) = \operatorname{coker} f \Longrightarrow \operatorname{im}(N \to \operatorname{coker} f) = \ker(\operatorname{coker} f \to 0)$

Exercise 7.17.

If given a short exact sequence $0 \to A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} C \to 0$ that splits, then $B \cong A \oplus C$, i.e. $B = \operatorname{im} i \oplus \operatorname{im} j$ where $j : C \to B$ s.t. $pj = 1_C$ (by definition of a short exact sequence that splits).

Thus
$$\forall b \in B, b = i(a) + j(c)$$
.

Define q to be the projection onto A:

$$q: B \to A$$

 $q(b) = a \text{ s.t. } qj = 0$

Notice this analogy, with this case where the short exact sequence splits:

$$imi = kerp$$

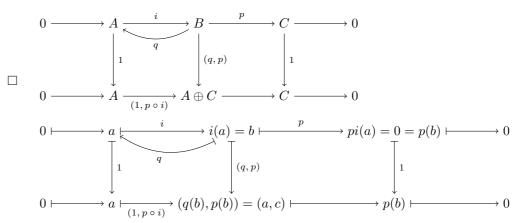
 $imj = kerq$

Now
$$qi(a) = a \Longrightarrow qi = 1_A$$
.

Conversely, if $\exists q: B \to A$ with $qi = 1_A$,

Thus,

if short exact sequence $0 \to A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{p} C \to 0$ splits iff $\exists q : B \to A$ with $qi = 1_A$.



8. Algebras

8.1.

8.2. Chain Conditions.

Definition 39. if k commutative ring, then

ring R is k-algebra

if R is a k-module and if

 $\forall a \in k, \forall r, s \in R$

$$a(rs) = (ar)s = r(as)$$

scalars $a \in k$ commute with everything in $R \ni r, s$,

if R,S k-algebras, ring homomorphism $f:R\to S$ is

k-algebra map if

$$f(ar) = af(r) \quad \forall a \in k, \forall r \in R$$

8.3. Semisimple Rings.

Definition 40. k-representation of group G is homomorphism

$$\sigma: G \to GL(V)$$

where V is vector space over field k

9. ADVANCED LINEAR ALGEBRA

9.1.

9.2.

9.3.

9.4.

9.5.

9.6. Graded Algebras.

Definition 41. R-algebra A is graded R-algebra if $\exists R$ -submmodules $A^p \ \forall p \ge 0$, s.t.

(i)
$$A = \sum_{p \ge 0} A^p$$

(ii)
$$\forall p,q \geq 0$$
, if $x \in A^p$, then $xy \in A^{p+q}$, i.e. $A^pA^q \subseteq A^{p+q}$
 $y \in A^q$

 $x \in A^p$ is called **homogeneous** of **degree** p

Example 9.94

(i) polynomial ring A = R[x], graded R-algebra if we define

$$A^p = \{rx^p | r \in R\}$$

(ii) polynomial ring $A = R[x_1, x_2, \dots x_n]$ is graded R-algebra if we define

$$A^p = \{rx_1^{e_1}x_2^{e_2}\dots x_n^{e_n}|r \in R \text{ and } \sum e_i = p\}$$

i.e. A^p consists of all monomials of total degree p

(iii) in algebraic topology, assign sequence of (abelian) cohomology groups $H^p(X, R)$ to space X, R commutative ring, $p \ge 0$, define multiplication on $\sum_{p>0} H^p(X, R)$ cup product, making it a graded R-algebra

10. Homology

11. COMMUTATIVE RINGS III

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