5.5-5.7 Polynomial Functions and Polynomials Over $\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q}$ and \mathbf{Z}

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Quiz 1

例 1

设 $f(x), g(x) \in F[x], a, b, c, d \in F$ 且满足 $ad - bc \neq 0$, 证明:

$$(af(x) + bg(x), cf(x) + dg(x)) = (f(x), g(x)).$$

Hint: $\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$.

例 2

设 $f(x) \in \mathbf{Z}[x]$, 证明:

- (1) 若 f(x) 1 在 ${\bf Z}$ 上有至少四个互异整数根,则 f(x) + 1 在 ${\bf Z}$ 上无根;
- (2) 若存在一个偶数 m 和奇数 n 使得 f(m), f(n) 均为奇数,则 f(x) 在 ${\bf Z}$ 上 无根。

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例 3

设 $f(x) = x^3 + 3x + 1$, 求满足同余方程 $v(x)f'(x) \equiv 1 \pmod{f(x)}$ 且次数最小的多项式 v(x).

例 4

设 (f(x), g(x)) = 1, 证明: $f^2(x) + g^2(x)$ 的重根必是 $[f'(x)]^2 + [g'(x)]^2$ 的根.

例 5

设 f(x) 为 $\mathbf{R}[x]$ 上的任一实系数多项式. 证明:存在唯一实系数多项式 g(x) 使得

$$((x^2 + 3x - 5)g(x))'' = f(x).$$

例 6

Assume that an irreducible polynomial p(x) is a (k-1)-multiple factor of f'(x), then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) p(x) is a (k-1)-multiple factor of (f, f');
- (2) p(x) | f(x);
- (3) p(x) is a k-multiple factor of f(x).
- (3') $f(x) = p^k(x)h(x), (p(x), h(x)) = 1.$

Note: When we talk about repeated factors, p(x) should firstly be irreducible.



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Lecture 4

Polynomial Functions:

- Remainder Theorem → Roots
- Relationship Between Numbers of Distinct Roots and Degree

Further Discussion Mainly Over Number Fields:

- $\mathbf{C}[x]$: Factorization, Viéta Theorem
- ullet $\mathbf{R}[x]$: Factorization, Complex Roots Come in Pairs
- $\mathbf{Q}[x]$: Rational Root Theorem, Eisenstein's Criterion
- $\mathbf{Z}[x]$: Gauss's Lemma, Factorization

Multiple Roots

- If f(x) has a multiple root a over F, then it must have repeated factors. But the converse is wrong.
- If a is a k-multiple root of f(x), then it's a (k-1)-multiple root of f'(x). But the converse is wrong.
- If a is a (k-1)-multiple root of (f',f), then it's a k-multiple root of f(x).

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例 7

Assume $f(x) \in F[x]$ and $\deg f(x) = n$. If $f' \mid f$, prove that f has a n-multiple root over F.

Hint: f/(f, f') has the same irreducible factors as f.

例 8

Assume $f(x) \in F[x]$, then x-b is a k-multiple factor of f(x) if and only if $f(b)=f'(b)=\cdots=f^{(k-1)}(b)=0, \ f^{(k)}(b)\neq 0.$

Hint: p(x) is a k-multiple factor of $f(x) \Rightarrow p(x)$ is a (k-1)-multiple factor of f'(x).



Some Important Propositions

- (1) 设 $f(x) \in F[x]$, 若 $p(x) \in F[x]$ 在 F 上不可约,且 p(x), f(x) 在 \mathbb{C} 上有公共根,那么必定有 $p(x) \mid f(x)$;
- (2) 设 $f(x), g(x) \in F[x]$, 若 (f(x), g(x)) = 1, 那么 f(x), g(x) 在 \mathbb{C} 上必定没有公共根;
- (3) 若 $p(x) \in F[x]$ 在 F 上不可约,给定数域扩张 $F \subseteq K$,那么 p(x) 在 K 上有可能可约,设 p(x) 在 K[x] 中的标准分解式为

$$p(x) = q_1^{e_1}(x) \cdots q_s^{e_s}(x), \ e_i > 0.$$

其中 $q_1(x), \dots, q_s(x)$ 为 K 上两两互素的首一不可约多项式,那么我们 必定有 $e_1 = \dots = e_s = 1$.

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Some Important Propositions

- (3') 换言之,若 $p(x) \in F[x]$ 在 F 上不可约,那么 p(x) 在 $\mathbb C$ 上无重根。进一步地,在给定任意一个数域扩张 $F \subseteq K$ 下,都有 p(x) 在 K 上无重因式;
- (4) 作为对比,我们给出命题:若 $p(x) \in F[x]$,给定数域扩张 $F \subseteq K$,且 p(x) 在 K 上不可约,那么 p(x) 在 F 上必定不可约。

Slogan: p(x) 在 F 上不可约且在 C 上与 f(x) 有公共根 $\Rightarrow p \mid f$.

例 9

(1)
$$f(x) \in \mathbf{R}[x]$$
, $f(a+bi) = 0$ $(a, b \in \mathbf{R}) \leadsto f(a-bi) = 0$;

(2)
$$f(x) \in \mathbf{Q}[x], \ f(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}) = 0 \leadsto f(\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}) = f(-\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}) = f(-\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}) = 0.$$

Hint: What is the standard factorization of $x^4 - 10x + 1$ in $\mathbf{R}[x]$?

例 10

 $f(x)\in F[x]$ 在 F 上不可约,若非零常数 a,a^{-1},b 为 f(x) 在 ${\bf C}$ 上的根,证明: $f(b^{-1})=0.$

Hint: Consider
$$f(x)=\sum_{k=0}a_kx^k, g(x)=\sum_{k=0}a_{n-k}x^k, \ a_i\in F, \ a_0a_n\neq 0.$$

Slogan: p(x) 在 F 上不可约且在 C 上与 f(x) 有公共根 $\Rightarrow p \mid f$.

例 11

 $f(x) \in F[x]$ 在 F 上不可约,对 $g(x) \in F[x]$,有 $\alpha \in \mathbf{C}$ 满足 $f(c) = 0, g(c) \neq 0$.

- (1) 存在 $h(x) \in F[x]$ 满足 h(c)g(c) = 1;
- (2) 求一个多项式 $h(x) \in \mathbf{Q}[x]$ 满足

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$$h(\sqrt[3]{2}) = \frac{1}{3 + 2\sqrt[3]{2} + \sqrt[3]{4}}.$$

Hint: $p \mid f \Leftrightarrow \mathsf{All}$ the roots of p(x) are roots of f(x) and their multiplicities do not exceed those in f(x).

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New View of Divisibility

Slogan: $p \mid f \Leftrightarrow \text{All the roots of } p(x)$ are roots of f(x) and their multiplicities do not exceed those in f(x).

Revisit some examples:

(1)
$$x^2 + x + 1$$
 $\sum_{i \in I} x^{a_i} \Leftrightarrow a_i$ 除 3 余数为 0, 1, 2 的个数相等;

(2)
$$a \in F$$
, $x^d - a^d \mid x^n - a^n \Leftrightarrow d \mid n$.

例 12

设多项式 f(x), g(x), h(x), k(x) 之间有关系式

$$\begin{cases} (x+1)f(x) + (x+2)g(x) + (x^2+1)h(x) = 0, \\ (x-1)f(x) + (x-2)g(x) + (x^2+1)k(x) = 0. \end{cases}$$

证明: $(x^2+1) \mid (f,g)$.

Synthetic Division

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x^k = (x-b) \left\{ \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} b_s x^s \right\} + f(b) \rightsquigarrow a_k = -b \cdot b_k + b_{k-1}, 1 \le k \le n-1.$$

Try

$$f(x) = x^5 - 2020x^4 - 2019x^3 - 4041x^2 - 2020x - 100, \text{ figure out } f(2021).$$

- $f(x) = (x 2021)(x^4 + b_3x^3 + \dots + b_0) + f(2021);$
- $-2020 = -2021b_3 + b_4 = -2021b_3 + 1 \rightsquigarrow b_3 = 1$;
- $-2019 = -2021b_3 + b_2 \rightsquigarrow b_2 = 2021 2019 = 2;$
- $-4041 = -2021b_2 + b_1 \rightsquigarrow b_1 = 1$;
- $-2020 = -2021b_1 + b_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0 = 1$;
- $-100 = -2021b_0 + f(2021) \rightsquigarrow f(2021) = 1921.$



Polynomial Functions

Lemma 13

Let f(x) be a polynomial over a field F with degree n>0. Then, f(x) has at most n distinct roots in F.

Note: Any polynomial of finite degree has only a finite number of roots. If a polynomial has infinitely many roots, it must be the zero polynomial.

Thm 14

Set $f(x)=a_nx^n+a_{n-1}x^{n-1}+\cdots+a_1x+a_0,\ g(x)=b_mx^m+b_{m-1}x^{m-1}+\cdots+b_1x+b_0,\ a_i,b_j\in F.$ Then, the following two statements are equivalent:

- (A) For all $c \in F$, we have f(c) = g(c);
- (A') For n+1 distinct numbers $c_1, \dots, c_{n+1} \in F$, we have f(c) = g(c);
- (B) $n = m, a_i = b_i \ (1 \le i \le n).$



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Distinct Roots > Degree → Zero!

Slogan: If a polynomial has infinitely many roots \Rightarrow zero polynomial.

例 15

Figure out each $f(x) \in F[x]$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $f(x) = f(x+c), \ 0 \neq c \in F;$
- (2) f(a+b) = f(a) + f(b), for all $a, b \in F$.

例 16

 $\deg f(x) = n > 0, f(k) = k/(k+1), \ k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n.$ Find f(n+1).

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Further Discussion: C[x]

• $0 \neq f(x) \in \mathbf{C}[x], \deg f(x) = n > 1$, 则 f(x) 在 \mathbf{C} 中恰有 n 个复根(计重数),且

$$f(x) = c(x - a_1)^{e_1}(x - a_2)^{e_2} \cdots (x - a_m)^{e_m}, e_i \in \mathbf{N}^*, \sum_{i=1}^m e_i = n.$$

其中 $a_i \in \mathbb{C}$ 两两互异, $c \in \mathbb{C}$ 为 f(x) 的首项系数;

• (Viéta) 记 $f(x)=(x-c_1)(x-c_2)\cdots(x-c_n)\in \mathbf{C}[x]$,其中未必 c_i 两两不同,则

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i = -a_{n-1}, \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} c_i c_j = a_{n-2}, \cdots, \prod_{i=1}^{n} c_i = (-1)^n a_0.$$

• $x^n - \rho e^{i\theta} = \prod_{k=1}^n \left(x - \rho^{\frac{1}{n}} e^{i\frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n}} \right)$, 其中 $\rho > 0$.



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例 17

(Quiz 1) 已知 $f(x) = x^3 + px^2 + qx + r \in \mathbf{R}[x]$ 的三个根是 $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbf{R}$.

- (1) 证明: $p^2 \ge 3q$;
- (2) 求首一的三次实系数多项式 g(x), 使得 x_1^2, x_2^2, x_3^2 为其所有根。(要求 g(x) 的系数用 p, q, r 表示)

例 18

若 $x^2 + x + 1 \mid ((x+1)^n - x^n - 1)$, 求 $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ 的所有可能取值。



Further Discussion: $\mathbf{R}[x]$

- $0 \neq f(x) \in \mathbf{R}[x], \deg f(x) = n > 1$,则 f(x) 在 \mathbf{R} 上的标准分解式为 $f(x) = d(x a_1)^{l_1} \cdots (x a_m)^{l_m} (x + b_1 x + c_1)^{h_1} \cdots (x + b_r x + c_r)^{h_r},$ 其中 $d, a_i, b_j, c_j \in \mathbf{R}, l_i, h_j \in \mathbf{N}^*, b_j^2 4c_j < 0, \sum_{i=1}^m l_i + 2\sum_{j=1}^r h_j = \deg f(x)$, a_i 两两互异, $x^2 + b_j x + c_j$ 两两互素。
- 设 $f(x) \in \mathbf{R}[x]$, 若 $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ 且 $f(a+b\mathrm{i}) = 0 \leadsto f(a-b\mathrm{i}) = 0$.