

# Abstract Algebra

## Module 4

### Section 26 : Homomorphisms & Factor Rings

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# Ring

## Ring $\langle R, +, \cdot \rangle$

- ▶ Set  $R$
- ▶ Ring Addition,  $+$ 
  - ▶ Addition is associative.
  - ▶ Addition is commutative.
  - ▶ Existence of Additive Identity
  - ▶ Existence of Additive Inverses
- ▶ Ring Multiplication,  $\cdot$ 
  - ▶ Multiplication is associative
  - ▶ Multiplication is distributive over Addition

# Ring - Examples

## Integer Ring, $\langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \times \rangle$

Integers together with usual Addition and Multiplication

## Matrix Space, $\langle M_n(R), +, \times \rangle$

- ▶ Ring  $R$
- ▶  $M_n(R) = \{(a_{ij}) : 1 \leq i, j \leq n, a_{ij} \in R\}$
- ▶  $A + B = C, \quad c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$
- ▶  $AB = C, \quad c_{ij} = \sum_k a_{ik} b_{kj}$

## Function Space, $\langle F, +, \times \rangle$

- ▶  $R$  Ring
- ▶  $F = \{f : R \rightarrow R\}$
- ▶  $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$
- ▶  $fg(x) = f(x)g(x)$

# Ring Homomorphism

$$\phi : R \rightarrow R'$$

- ▶  $R, R'$  Rings
- ▶ Function,  $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$
- ▶  $\phi$  preserves all binary operations  
Addition,  $\phi(x + y) = \phi(x) + \phi(y)$   
Multiplication,  $\phi(xy) = \phi(x)\phi(y)$

# Ring Homomorphism - Examples

$$\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n, \phi(m) \simeq m \pmod{n}$$

- ▶  $\mathbb{Z}_n, \mathbb{Z}$  Rings
- ▶  $\phi(a + b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b)$
- ▶  $\phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b)$

## Evaluation Homomorphism

- ▶  $R$  Ring
- ▶  $F = \{f : R \rightarrow R\}$
- ▶  $\phi_\alpha : F \rightarrow R, \phi_\alpha(f) = f(\alpha), \text{ where } \alpha \in R$
- ▶  $\phi_\alpha(f + g) = (f + g)(\alpha) = f(\alpha) + g(\alpha) = \phi_\alpha(f) + \phi_\alpha(g)$
- ▶  $\phi_\alpha(fg) = (fg)(\alpha) = f(\alpha)g(\alpha) = \phi_\alpha(f)\phi_\alpha(g)$
- ▶  $\phi_\alpha$  evaluate each function in  $F$  at  $\alpha$ .

# Ring Homomorphism - Examples

Projection Homomorphism,  $\pi_i : R_1 \times R_2 \times \cdots \times R_n \rightarrow R_i$

- ▶  $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n$  Rings '
  - ▶  $R_1 \times R_2 \times \cdots \times R_n$  Ring
  - ▶  $A + B = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots, a_n + b_n)$
  - ▶  $AB = (a_1 b_1, a_2 b_2, \dots, a_n b_n)$
- ▶ Function  $\pi_i : R_1 \times R_2 \times \cdots \times R_n \rightarrow R_i$ ,  $\pi_i(A) = a_i$   
where  $A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  and  $a_j \in R, \forall j$
- ▶ Preserves Ring Addition  
 $\pi_i(A + B) = a_i + b_i = \pi_i(A) + \pi_i(B)$
- ▶ Preserves Ring Multiplication  
 $\pi_i(AB) = a_i b_i = \pi_i(A) \pi_i(B)$

# Properties of Ring Homomorphism

1. Preserves Additive Identity

$$\phi(0) = 0' \text{ of } R'$$

2. Preserves Additive Inverses

$$\phi(-a) = -\phi(a)$$

3. Preserves subRings

$$S \leq R \implies \phi(S) \leq R'$$

4. Preserves Multiplicative Identity (to its range)

$$\phi(1) = 1' \text{ of } \phi[R]$$

# Kernel of Ring Homomorphism, $\ker(\phi)$

## Definition

$$\ker(\phi) = \{a \in R : \phi(a) = 0'\}$$

## Theorem

$$\phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) = a + H = H + a \text{ where } \ker(\phi) = H$$

## Theorem

$$\phi : R \rightarrow R' \text{ is injective} \iff \ker(\phi) = \{0\}$$



Proof :  $\phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) = a + H$

$$\{x \in R : \phi(a) = \phi(x)\} = a + H$$

Sufficient Part

$$\begin{aligned}x \in \phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) &\implies \phi(x) = \phi(a) \\ \phi(-a) + \phi(x) &= \phi(-a) + \phi(a) \\ \phi(-a + x) &= 0' \\ \implies -a + x \in \ker(\phi) &\implies x \in a + H \\ &\implies \phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) \subset a + H\end{aligned}$$

Proof :  $\phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) = a + H$

Necessary Part

$$\begin{aligned}x \in a + H &\implies x = a + y, y \in \ker(\phi) \\ \phi(a + y) &= \phi(a) + \phi(y) = \phi(a) + 0' = \phi(a) \\ &\implies a + y \in \phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) \\ &\implies a + H \subset \phi^{-1}(\phi(a))\end{aligned}$$

Proof :  $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$  is injective  $\iff \ker(\phi) = \{0\}$

### Sufficient Part

$$\begin{aligned}\phi \text{ injective , } \phi(0) = 0' &\implies \phi^{-1}(\phi(0)) = \{0\} \\ &\implies \ker(\phi) = \{0\}\end{aligned}$$

### Necessary Part

$$\begin{aligned}\ker(\phi) = \{0\}, a \in R &\implies \phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) = a + \ker(\phi) \\ &\implies \phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) = \{a\} \\ &\implies \phi \text{ is injective}\end{aligned}$$

Note 1 : Always  $\phi(\phi^{-1}(b)) = b$ , but  $\phi^{-1}(\phi(b)) = b$  if  $\phi$  injective

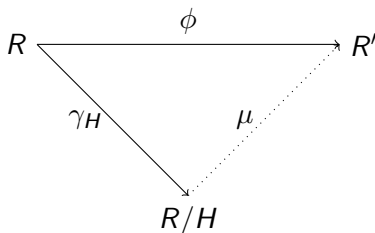
Note 2 :  $a + \ker \phi = a + \{0\} = \{a + 0\} = \{a\}$   $\dagger^1$

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$$^1 a + \{b, c\} = \{a + b, a + c\}$$

# Quotient Ring

- ▶  $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$ , then  $\ker(\phi) \leq R$
- ▶  $\langle R/H, +, \times \rangle$  is a ring where  $H = \ker(\phi)$ 
  - ▶  $R/H = \{a + H : a \in R\}$
  - ▶  $(a + H) + (b + H) = (a + b) + H$
  - ▶  $(a + H)(b + H) = (ab) + H$
- ▶ Canonical Homomorphism,  $\gamma_H : R \rightarrow R/H$ ,  $a \xrightarrow{\gamma_H} a + H$
- ▶ Isomorphism,  $\mu : R/H \rightarrow \phi[R]$ ,  $a + H \xrightarrow{\mu} \phi(a)$
- ▶ Unique Isomorphism,  $\mu$  such that  $\phi = \mu \circ \gamma_H$



# Left Coset Addition well-defined

- ▶ Let  $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$  be ring homomorphism and  $H = \ker(\phi)$
- ▶  $\langle H, +|_H \rangle \leq \langle R, + \rangle$  since  $R$  is abelian group
- ▶  $a + H = H + a, \forall a \in R$

$$(a + H) + (b + H) \subset (a + b) + H$$

Let  $a, b \in R$ , Then  $a + h_1 \in a + H$ , and  $b + h_2 \in b + H$

$$\begin{aligned}(a + h_1) + (b + h_2) &= a + (h_1 + b) + h_2 = a + (b + h_3) + h_2 = a + b + h_4 \\ \implies (a + H) + (b + H) &\subset (a + b) + H\end{aligned}$$

$$(a + b) + H \subset (a + H) + (b + H)$$

Let  $a, b \in R$ ,  $h \in H$ . Then  $a + b + h \in (a + b) + H$ .

$$a + b + h = (a + 0) + (b + h) \in (a + H) + (b + H).$$

$$\implies (a + b) + H \subset (a + H) + (b + H)$$

## Left Coset Multiplication is well-defined : $\ker(\phi)$

►  $\ker(\phi) = H \leq R$  since  $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$  is a ring homomorphism.

$$(a + H)(b + H) \subset (ab) + H$$

$$\text{Let } c = (a + h_1)(b + h_2) = (ab + ah_2 + h_1b + h_1h_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(c) &= \phi(ab) + \phi(ah_2) + \phi(h_1b) + \phi(h_1h_2) \\ &= \phi(a)\phi(b) + \phi(a)\phi(h_2) + \phi(h_1)\phi(b) = \phi(h_1)\phi(h_2) \\ &= \phi(a)\phi(b) + \phi(a)0' + 0'\phi(b) + 0' \\ &= \phi(a)\phi(b) = \phi(ab) \\ \implies (a + H)(b + H) &\subset (ab) + H\end{aligned}$$

$$(ab) + H \subset (a + H)(b + H)$$

$$\text{Let } c = ab + h_1.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(c) &= \phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b) = \phi(a+H)\phi(b+H) = \phi((a+H)(b+H)) \\ \implies (ab) + H &\subset (a + H)(b + H)\end{aligned}$$

# Factor Ring : $\langle R/H, +, \times \rangle$

- ▶ Set  $R/H = \{a + H : a \in R\}$
- ▶ Addition,  $(a + H) + (b + H) = (a + b) + H$  is well-defined
  - ▶ Addition is associative, since  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$
  - ▶ Addition is commutative, since  $a + b = b + a$
  - ▶ Existence of Additive Identity,  $0 + H$
  - ▶ Existence of Additive Inverse of  $a + H = (-a) + H$
- ▶ Multiplication,  $(a + H)(b + H) = (ab) + H$  is well-defined
  - ▶ Multiplication is associative, since  $(ab)c = a(bc)$
  - ▶ Multiplication is distributive, since  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$

Left Coset Multiplication is well-defined :  $H \underset{\text{ideal}}{\leq} R$

$$(a + H)(b + H) = ab + H \implies ah, bh \in H$$

$$\begin{aligned}(a + h_1)(b + h_2) \in ab + H &\implies (ab + ah_2 + bh_1 + h_1h_2) \in ab + H \\&\implies ab + (ah_2 + bh_1 + h_1h_2) \in ab + H \\&\implies ah_2 + bh_1 \in H, \forall h_1, h_2 \in H \\&\implies ah, bh \in H, \forall h \in H\end{aligned}$$

$$ah, bh \in H \implies (a + H)(b + H) = ab + H$$

$$\begin{aligned}(a + h_1)(b + h_2) &= (ab + ah_2 + bh_1 + h_1h_2) \\ah_2, bh_1, h_1h_2 \in H &\implies (a + H)(b + H) = ab + H\end{aligned}$$



# Ideal vs Normal

## Definition (Normal Subgroup)

Let  $N$  be a subgroup of group  $G$ .

$N$  is normal subgroup of  $G$ , if  $gN = Ng$ ,  $\forall g \in G$

## Definition (Ideal)

Let  $N$  be an additive subgroup  $\langle N, +|_N \rangle$  of ring  $\langle R, +, \times \rangle$ .

$N$  is an ideal of  $R$ , if  $aN \subset N$  and  $Nb \subset N \forall a, b \in R$

# Ideal - Example

$$n\mathbb{Z} \leq \mathbb{Z}$$

*ideal*

- ▶  $\langle n\mathbb{Z}, + \rangle \leq \langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$ .
  - ▶  $nm + ns \in n(m + s) \in n\mathbb{Z}$
  - ▶ Additive Identity,  $0 = n0$
  - ▶ Additive Inverses of  $nm = n(-m) = -nm$
- ▶  $aN \subset N$  and  $Nb \subset N$ 
  - ▶  $s(nm) = n(ms) \in n\mathbb{Z}$  and  $(nm)s = n(ms) \in n\mathbb{Z}$

# Factor Ring $\langle R/N, +, \times \rangle$

- ▶  $N \underset{\text{ideal}}{\leq} R$
- ▶ Addition,  $(a + N) + (b + N) = (a + b) + N$
- ▶ Multiplication,  $(a + N)(b + N) = ab + N$

## Theorem (Canonical Homomorphism)

Let  $N \underset{\text{ideal}}{\leq} R$ . Let  $\gamma : R \rightarrow R/N$  given by  $\gamma(x) = x + N$  is a ring homomorphism with kernel  $N$ .

## Theorem (Fundamental Homomorphism)

Let  $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$  be a ring homomorphism with kernel  $N$ . Then there exists a canonical homomorphism  $\gamma_N : R \rightarrow R/N$  given by  $\gamma_N(x) = x + N$  and a unique ring isomorphism  $\mu : R/N \rightarrow R'$  given by  $\mu(x + N) = \phi(x)$ . That is,  $\mu \circ \gamma_N = \phi$ .

# Frobenius Homomorphism

## Definition (Frobenius Homomorphism)

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with unity and characteristic  $p$ .

$\phi_p : R \rightarrow R$  given by  $\phi_p(a) = a^p$  is a ring homomorphism

$$\phi_7 : \mathbb{Z}_7 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_7, \quad a \rightarrow a^p \pmod{p}$$

$$\phi_7(5) = \phi_7(3) + \phi_7(2) = 3 + 2 = 5$$

$$\phi_7(6) = \phi_7(3)\phi_7(2) = 3 \times 2 = 6$$

Frobenius Homomorphism on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is the identity map by Fermat's Little Theorem.

# Nilradical Ideal

## Definition (Nilradical)

An element  $a \in R$  is nilradical if  $a^n = 0$  for some positive integer  $n$ .  
The set of all nilradical elements of commutative ring  $R$  with an ideal is the nilradical of  $R$ .

Thank You