

Homework 8

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1. Let a belong to a ring R . Let $S = \{x \in R \mid ax = 0\}$. Show that S is a subring of R .
2. Let m and n be positive integers and let k be the least common multiple of m and n . Show that $m\mathbb{Z} \cap n\mathbb{Z} = k\mathbb{Z}$.
3. Give an example of a finite noncommutative ring. Give an example of an infinite noncommutative ring that does not have a unity.
4. Describe all the subrings of the ring of integers.
5. Let $R = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ and $S = \{(a,b,c) \in R \mid a+b=c\}$. Prove or disprove that S is a subring of R .
6. Find a zero-divisor in $\mathbb{Z}_5[i] = \{a+bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_5\}$.
7. Find all solutions of the equation $x^3 - 2x^2 - 3x = 0$ in \mathbb{Z}_{12} .
8. Find all solutions of $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ in \mathbb{Z}_7 .
9. Let x and y belong to a commutative ring R with prime characteristic p . Show that $(x+y)^p = x^p + y^p$.
10. Show that $\mathbb{Z}_7[\sqrt{3}] = \{a+b\sqrt{3} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_7\}$ is a field.
11. Let F be a field of order 2^n . Prove that $\text{char } F = 2$.

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#1. i) $a \cdot 0 = 0$

$\therefore 0 \in S \Rightarrow S$ is nonempty set.

ii) Let $x, y \in S$

Then $ax = 0, ay = 0$

$$a(x-y) = ax - ay = 0 - 0 \quad \therefore x-y \in S$$

$$\text{iii) } a(xy) = (ax)y = 0 \cdot y = 0 \Rightarrow xy \in S$$

$\therefore S$ is a subring of R .

#2. Since every multiple of k is obviously multiple of both m and n , $k\mathbb{Z} \subseteq m\mathbb{Z} \cap n\mathbb{Z}$ is trivial

Let $x = am = bn$, i.e. $x \in m\mathbb{Z} \cap n\mathbb{Z}$

Let $x = qk + r$, $r < k$

Since x, k are both multiples of m, n then

$$\text{so is } r = x - qk$$

k is the least natural number, therefore \leftarrow

$\therefore x$ is multiple of k

$$\Rightarrow m\mathbb{Z} \cap n\mathbb{Z} \subset k\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\therefore m\mathbb{Z} \cap n\mathbb{Z} = k\mathbb{Z}$$

#3. Example for finite noncommutative ring.

$$M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_p \right\}, p \text{ is prime.}$$

$M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ is commutative group under addition.

matrix multiplication is not commutative.

Also, it satisfies that for all $x, y \in M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$,

$$(xy)z = x(yz), \quad (x+y)z = xz + yz$$

$\therefore M_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ is noncommutative ring.

Example for infinite noncommutative ring

without unity

$$M_2(2\mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in 2\mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

#4 $n\mathbb{Z}$ only.

All the subgroups of \mathbb{Z} have the form $n\mathbb{Z}$,
when $0 \leq n \in \mathbb{Z}$

need to show $n\mathbb{Z}$ is a subring

If $x, y \in n\mathbb{Z}$, then

$$x = np, \quad y = nq \quad \text{when } p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$xy = npnq = n^2pq = n(npq) \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$\therefore n\mathbb{Z}$ is closed under multiplication

$\therefore n\mathbb{Z}$ is a subring of the ring of integers.

#5 Consider $x = (1, 0, 1)$ and $y = (0, 1, 1)$

Both x, y belong to S .

However $xy = (0, 0, 1)$, $xy \notin S$.

Therefore S is not a subring of $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$

#6 Since $(3+i)(2+i) = 5+5i = 0+0i$

$3+i$ is a zero divisor in $\mathbb{Z}_5[i]$

#7 Let $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 3x$ in \mathbb{Z}_{12}

then $f(0) = 0$

$$f(1) = 1 - 2 - 3 = -4 = 8$$

$$f(2) = 8 - 2 \cdot 4 - 3 \cdot 2 = -6 = 6$$

$$f(3) = 27 - 2 \cdot 9 - 3 \cdot 3 = 0$$

$$f(4) = 64 - 2 \cdot 16 - 3 \cdot 4 = 20 = 8$$

$$f(5) = 125 - 2 \cdot 25 - 3 \cdot 5 = 60 = 0$$

$$f(6) = 216 - 2 \cdot 36 - 3 \cdot 6 = 126 = 6$$

$$f(7) = 343 - 2 \cdot 49 - 3 \cdot 7 = 224 = 8$$

$$f(8) = 512 - 2 \cdot 64 - 3 \cdot 8 = 360 = 0$$

$$f(9) = 729 - 2 \cdot 81 - 3 \cdot 9 = 540 = 0$$

$$f(10) = 1000 - 2 \cdot 100 - 3 \cdot 10 = 770 = 2$$

$$f(11) = 1331 - 2 \cdot 121 - 3 \cdot 11 = 1056 = 0$$

$\therefore \{0, 3, 5, 8, 9, 11\}$

#8. All these rings we can factorize the polynomial $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ to $(x-2)(x-3)$. Since \mathbb{Z}_7 is a field, we must have either $x-2=0$ or $x-3=0$. $\therefore x=2, 3$

#9. Binomial theorem, $(x+y)^p = \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k} x^{p-k} y^k$

For $1 \leq k \leq p-1$, we have that $\frac{p!}{(p-k)!k!} = \binom{p}{k} \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $\Rightarrow (p-k)!k! \mid p!$

Since $1 \leq k \leq p-1$ and p is prime, it follows that $(p-k)!k!$ is coprime to $p \Rightarrow (p-k)!k! \mid (p-1)!$

$\therefore (p-k)!k! \cdot n_k = (p-1)! \text{ for some } n_k \in \mathbb{Z}$

Thus, $(x+y)^p = \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k} x^k y^{p-k} = x^p + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \binom{p}{k} x^k y^{p-k} \right) + y^p$
 $= x^p + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} n_k x^k y^{p-k} \right) + y^p$
 $= x^p + y^p$, since R has characteristic p .

#10. For $a+b\sqrt{3}$, define its norm as function

$N : \mathbb{Z}_7[\sqrt{3}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ with $N(a+b\sqrt{3}) = a^2 - 3b^2$

$N(x,y) = N(x) \cdot N(y)$ is obvious.

Assume that $xy=0$, for some $x, y \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_7[\sqrt{3}]$

Then $N(xy) = N(x) \cdot N(y) = N(0) = 0$.

$\Rightarrow N(x) = 0$ or $N(y) = 0$, since $N(x), N(y) \in \mathbb{Z}$

Assume $N(x) = 0$, $x = a + b\sqrt{3}$

Then $a^2 - 3b^2 = 0$ for some $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_1$

Consider this equation in modulo 1.

$$k^2 \equiv 0, 1, 2, 4 \pmod{1}$$

$$3l^2 \equiv 0, 3, 5, 6 \pmod{1} \text{ for } k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$$

no combination exists for equation $a^2 - 3b^2 = 0$
except $(0, 0)$

$\therefore a^2 - 3b^2 = 0$ implies $a = b = 0$

\Rightarrow There are no zero divisors in $\mathbb{Z}_1[\sqrt{3}]$

$\therefore \mathbb{Z}_1[\sqrt{3}]$ is a field.

#11. F: field of 2^n

we know that $\text{char } F = 111$

Since the order of the field is 2^n , the order
of 1 divides 2^n . But F is a field and all fields
are integral domains.

By Thm 13.4, we know that the characteristic
of an integral domain is either 0 or prime.

\therefore The characteristic of F is a prime and
divides 2^n

$$\therefore \text{char } F = 2$$