

The Artin Wedderburn theorem

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If a prime ring R contains pairwise orthogonal idempotents e_1, \dots, e_n such that $\sum_{i=1}^n e_i = 1$ and $e_i R e_i$ is a division ring for each i then $R \cong M_n(e_i R e_i)$.

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Lemma 3

If e and $f \neq 0$ are orthogonal idempotents of a ring R then $R(1 - e - f) \subset R(1 - e)$.

Why alternative proof?

- Easier to work in parallel,
- more incremental,
- formalization of corner rings and matrix units.

Further work

- Generalization to semisimple rings,
- uniqueness of division rings up to isomorphism.

References



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