

Saturday 11/7/15 611 HW6 solutions.

1.  $0 \neq a \in R$  is irreducible if  $a$  is not a unit &

$\nexists a = bc$  w/  $b, c$  not units.

a. i. By the fundamental theorem of algebra,

the irreducible elements in  $(\mathbb{C}[x])$  are the polynomials  
of degree 1  $c \cdot (x - \alpha)$ ,  $0 \neq c \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

ii. The irreducible elements in  $(\mathbb{R}[x])$  are

- $c \cdot (x - \alpha)$   $c \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  (polynomials of degree 1)
- $c \cdot (x - \beta)(x - \bar{\beta})$   $0 \neq c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$   
(equivalently, polynomials  $ax^2 + bx + c$  of degree 2  
s.t.  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ ).

Proof: Let  $0 \neq f \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ , not a unit (i.e.,  $\deg(f) > 0$ )

FIA :  $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $f(\alpha) = 0$ .

If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(x - \alpha) \mid f(x)$  in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$

so  $f$  irred  $\Leftrightarrow f(x) = c \cdot (x - \alpha)$ ,  $0 \neq c \in \mathbb{R}$

If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(x - \alpha) \mid f(x)$  in  $(\mathbb{C}[x])$

&  $f(\bar{\alpha}) = \overline{f(\alpha)} = 0 \Rightarrow (x - \bar{\alpha}) \mid f(x)$  in  $(\mathbb{C}[x])$ .

$\alpha \neq \bar{\alpha} \Rightarrow \underbrace{(x - \alpha)(x - \bar{\alpha})}_{\in \mathbb{R}[x]} \mid f(x)$  in  $(\mathbb{C}[x])$

$\Rightarrow (x - \alpha)(x - \bar{\alpha}) \mid f(x)$  in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ ,

so  $f$  irred  $\Leftrightarrow f(x) = c \cdot (x - \alpha)(x - \bar{\alpha})$ ,  $0 \neq c \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $\square$

2. a.  $\mathbb{Z}$  is PID  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  Noetherian.

$F$  field  $\Rightarrow$  ideals are  $\{0\} = (0)$  &  $F = (1)$

$\Rightarrow F$  Noetherian.

b.  $R$  Noetherian  $\Rightarrow R[x]$  Noetherian. (Hilbert basis theorem)

$$R[x_1, \dots, x_n] = (R[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}])[x_n].$$

Now a + HBT + induction  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n], F[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  Noeth.

c.  $q: R \rightarrow R/I$  quotient hom.  $q(a) = a+I$ .

$K \subset R/I$  ideal  $\Rightarrow K = J/I = q(J)$ ,  $J \subset R$  ideal,  $I \subset J$ .

$R$  Noeth  $\Rightarrow J = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ,  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in R$

$$\Rightarrow K = q(J) = (q(a_1), \dots, q(a_n))$$

$\therefore R/I$  Noeth.

d.  $\varphi: R \rightarrow S$  ring hom.

$$\varphi(R) \underset{\text{F.I.T}}{\simeq} R/\ker \varphi. \quad \therefore R \text{ Noeth} \overset{c}{\Rightarrow} R/\ker \varphi \text{ Noeth}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(R) \text{ Noeth.}$$

e. We have surj. hom  $\varphi: A[x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow R$

$$\varphi(f(x_1, \dots, x_n)) = f(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$$

$\therefore$  By b+d,  $R = \varphi(A[x_1, \dots, x_n])$  is Noeth.

$$\begin{aligned} \exists a. (\sum_{i,j} a_{ij} x^i y^j) \cdot (\sum_{k,l} b_{kl} x^k y^l) &= \sum_{i,j} \left( \sum_{\substack{k+l=i \\ m+n=j}} a_{km} b_{ln} \right) x^i y^j \\ &= \sum_{i,j} c_{ij} x^i y^j \end{aligned}$$

In particular  $c_{0j} = \sum_{m+n=j} a_{0m} b_{0n}$ .

So  $R \subset S$  is closed under multiplication.

Also  $(R, +) \subset (S, +)$  is a subgroup &  $1 \in R$

So  $R$  is a subring.

b.  $I_n := (x, xy, xy^2, \dots, xy^n) \subset R$ .

Claim:  $I_n \subsetneq I_{n+1} \quad \forall n \geq 0. \quad (\Rightarrow R \text{ not Noeth.})$

Proof: Required to prove  $xy^{n+1} \notin I_n$

i.e.  $\nexists r_0, \dots, r_n \in R$  s.t.  $xy^{n+1} = r_0x + r_1xy + \dots + r_nxy^n$

Writing  $r_k = \sum a_{ijk} x^i y^j$ ,

Coefficient of monomial  $xy^{n+1}$  in  $r_0x + \dots + r_nxy^n$

equals  $a_{0,n+1} + a_{0,n+1,1} + \dots + a_{0,1,n} = 0$ .  $\square$ .

4. a.  $R \supsetneq (z) \supsetneq (z^2) \supsetneq \dots$

b.  $R[x] \supsetneq (x) \supsetneq (x^2) \supsetneq \dots$

c. If  $R > I_1 \supsetneq I_2 \supsetneq \dots$

then  $|I_n| \leq |R| - (n-1) < 0 \text{ for } n \gg 0 \#$ .

d. If  $I \subset R$  is an ideal then  $I$  is a subspace of

The  $F$ -vector space  $R$

$((I, +) \subset (R, +))$  is a subgroup, &  $\lambda \cdot v \in I$  for  $\lambda \in F$  &  $v \in I$  (because more generally  $r \cdot v \in I$  for  $r \in R$  &  $v \in I$ ).

$\therefore$  If  $R > I_1 \supsetneq I_2 \supsetneq \dots$

then  $\dim_F I_n \leq \dim_F R - (n-1) < 0 \text{ for } n \gg 0 \#$ .

$$e \leq c$$

$f \leq d$  (because  $F[x]/(f)$  has basis  $1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{n-1}$ , where  $\alpha = x + (f)$ , and  $n = \deg(f)$ , in particular  $\dim_F(F[x]/(f)) = n < \infty$ )

S.a.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R[x] & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & F \\ \varphi(f(x)) & = & f(1/a) \end{array}$$

$$\varphi(R[x]) = S := \{ b/a^n \mid b \in R, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \} \subset F.$$

$$\underline{\text{Claim: } \ker \varphi = (ax-1)} \quad (\underset{\text{F.I.T}}{\Rightarrow} \quad R_a := R[x]/(ax-1) \xrightarrow[\varphi]{\cong} S)$$

Proof: Let  $f \in \ker \varphi$ , i.e.  $f(1/a) = 0$ .

We certainly have  $(x - 1/a) \mid f$  in  $F[x]$ .

Required to prove  $(ax-1) \mid f$  in  $R[x]$ .

Proof by induction on  $\deg(f)$

$$f = a_n x^n + \dots + a_1 x + a_0.$$

$$f(1/a) = 0 \quad a_n a^{-n} + \dots + a_1 a^{-1} + a_0 = 0.$$

$$\text{Clear denominator: } a_n + a_{n-1} a + \dots + a_0 a^n = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow a \mid a_n, \quad a_n = g \cdot a.$$

$$g := f - g x^{n-1}(ax-1), \quad \deg(g) < \deg(f), \quad g \in \ker \varphi.$$

Base case:  $n=0$ .  $f(1/a) = 0 \Rightarrow f=0 \quad \checkmark \quad \square$ .

b.  $\ker \varphi = R \cap (ax-1)$  by definition of  $\varphi$ .

$$( (ax-1) = \ker (R[x] \rightarrow R[x]/(ax-1)) \quad \& \quad R \subset R[x] )$$

To compute  $R \cap (ax-1)$  :-

$$R \ni b = (ax-1) \cdot (a_n x^n + \dots + a_1 x + a_0) \quad a_0, \dots, a_n \in R$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a \cdot a_n = 0$$

$$a \cdot a_{n-1} - a_n = 0$$

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$$a \cdot a_0 - a_1 = 0$$

$$-a_0 = b.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^{n+1} b = 0 \quad (\text{As } a_i = a^i \cdot (-b))$$

$$\therefore \ker q = \{ b \in R \mid a^n \cdot b = 0 \text{, same } n \in \mathbb{N} \}.$$

$$\text{c. } R = \mathbb{C}[s, t] /_{(st)} \quad a = s \in R.$$

$$R_a = \left( \mathbb{C}[s, t] /_{(st)} \right) [x] /_{(ax-1)}$$

$$= \mathbb{C}[s, t, x] /_{(st, sx-1)}$$

Note, by b,  $s \cdot t = 0 \in R \Rightarrow t = 0 \in R_a$ .

$$(\text{Explicitly } t = -t \cdot (sx-1) + x \cdot (st) = 0 \in R_a)$$

$$\text{i.e. } t \in (sx-1, st)$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{C}[s, t, x] /_{(st, sx-1)} = \mathbb{C}[s, t, x] /_{(t)} /_{(st, sx-1)} /_{(t)}$$

$$= \mathbb{C}[s, x] /_{(sx-1)} = \mathbb{C}[x]_x \stackrel{a}{=} \left\{ \frac{a(x)}{x^n} \mid a(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x], n > 0 \right\}$$

field of rational  
functions in  $x$

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{C}(x) = \mathbb{H}(\mathbb{C}[x])$$

$$6. \quad R = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}] = \{a+b\sqrt{-2} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subset \mathbb{C}.$$

Define  $\sigma: R \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

$$\sigma(\alpha) = |\alpha|^2$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sigma(a+b\sqrt{-2}) = a^2+2b^2$$

Claim:  $R$  is an ED w/ size function  $\sigma$  ( $\Rightarrow R$  VFD)

Proof: Given  $\alpha, \beta \in R$ ,  $\beta \neq 0$ ,

required to prove  $\exists q, r \in R$  s.t.

$$\alpha = q\beta + r \quad \& \quad \sigma(r) < \sigma(\beta).$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta} \in \mathbb{C}. \quad \exists q \in R \text{ s.t. } \left| \frac{\alpha}{\beta} - q \right|^2 \leq \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \sqrt{2}^2$$

$$(\text{because WMA } \frac{\alpha}{\beta} - q = x + y\sqrt{-2}, |x|, |y| \leq \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{4} < 1$$

$$\text{Then } \alpha = q\beta + r,$$

$$|r|^2 = |q|^2 \cdot \left| \frac{\alpha}{\beta} - q \right|^2 < |q|^2. \quad \square$$

$$7. \quad R \text{ is a subring} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{(1+\sqrt{d})}{2} \right)^2 \in R$$

$$\frac{1+d}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{d}}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1+d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}.$$

8. Arguing as in 6&6, given  $\alpha, \beta \in R$ ,  $\beta \neq 0$

$$\exists q \in R \text{ s.t. } \frac{\alpha}{\beta} - q = x + y \cdot (\omega), \quad |x|, |y| \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{\alpha}{\beta} - q \right|^2 = (x - \frac{1}{2}y)^2 + \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y \right)^2 = x^2 - xy + y^2 \leq 3 \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 < 1$$

Then  $\alpha = q, \beta + r, \quad |r|^2 < |q|^2$ .

So  $R$  ED,  $\Rightarrow$  UFD.  $\square$

$$1. \quad f(x) = x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1x + a_0.$$

$$\alpha \in F, \quad \alpha = a/b, \quad f(\alpha) = 0. \quad \text{Here } a, b \in R, \text{ and}$$

$$\text{WMA } \gcd(a, b) = 1.$$

$$\text{Clearing denominator} \quad a^n + a_{n-1}a^{n-1}b + \dots + a_1ab^{n-1} + a_0b^n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b \mid a^n.$$

BUT  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , so have  $b$  is a unit,  $\alpha \in R$ .

$$10. \quad z = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \in F = \mathbb{H}R \subset \mathbb{R}, \quad z \notin R.$$

$$z^2 = z + 1 \quad \text{i.e. } z \text{ satisfies monic polynomial}$$

$$f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}[x] \subset R[x].$$

Now by Q9 see  $R \Rightarrow$  NOT UFD.

$$11. \quad a. \quad \text{Just check } \theta((a+b\sqrt{-2})(c+d\sqrt{-2})) \stackrel{?}{=} \theta(a+b\sqrt{-2})\theta(c+d\sqrt{-2}) \\ \theta((ac+2bd) + (ad+bc)\sqrt{-2}) = (a-b\sqrt{-2}) \cdot (c-d\sqrt{-2}) \\ \therefore \sigma(\alpha\beta) = |\alpha\beta| \theta(\alpha\beta) = |\alpha\beta|\theta(\alpha)\theta(\beta) \\ = |\alpha \cdot \theta(\alpha)| \cdot |\beta \cdot \theta(\beta)| = \sigma(\alpha)\sigma(\beta). \quad \checkmark$$

$$b. \quad \sigma(\alpha) = 0 \Leftrightarrow a^2 = 2b^2, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a=b=0 \quad (\text{because } \sqrt{2} \text{ is irrational})$$

$$c. \quad \alpha \text{ unit} \Leftrightarrow \exists \beta. \quad \alpha\beta = 1 \Rightarrow \sigma(\alpha)\sigma(\beta) = \sigma(1) = 1 \\ \Rightarrow \sigma(\alpha) = \sigma(\beta) = 1.$$

$$\text{(conversely, if } \sigma(\alpha) = 1, \quad \alpha^{-1} = \frac{a-b\sqrt{-2}}{a^2-2b^2} = \frac{a-b\sqrt{-2}}{\pm 1} \in R.$$

$\mathbb{R}$

$$d. \quad a^2 - 2b^2 = \pm 1$$

has a solution  $a = b = 1$

$\therefore \alpha = 1 + \sqrt{2}$  is a unit in  $R$  ( $\sigma(\alpha) = 1$ )

Now  $R^\times \supset \langle \alpha^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \rangle$

$\Rightarrow R^\times$  infinite (note  $\alpha > 1$ )

e. Show  $R$  is an ED for size function  $\sigma$  ( $\Rightarrow$  UFD)

Again, given  $\alpha, \beta \in R$ ,  $\beta \neq 0$ ,

have  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = u + v\sqrt{2}$ ,  $u, v \in \mathbb{Q}$

The  $\exists q \in R$  s.t.  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} - q = x + y\sqrt{2}$ ,  $|x|, |y| \leq \frac{1}{2}$   
 $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma(x + y\sqrt{2}) := |x^2 - 2y^2| \leq 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} < 1.$$

$$\text{Now } \alpha = q\beta + r$$

$$4 \quad \sigma(r) = \underbrace{\sigma(q) \cdot \sigma(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} - q)}_{\uparrow} < \sigma(q)$$

NB  $\sigma$  is multiplicative on  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) = fR$ , as in (a).

□.

$$12. \quad R = \mathbb{C}[x, y] / \begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ (y^2 - x^3) \end{matrix} \quad \xrightarrow{\quad \sim \quad} S \subset \mathbb{C}[t]$$

$$\left\langle \sum a_i t^i \mid a_1 = 0 \right\rangle$$

$$x \longmapsto t^2$$

$$y \longmapsto t^3.$$

Have equality  $y^2 = x^3$ ,  $y \cdot y = x \cdot x \cdot x$  in  $R$ .

Suffices to show  $x$  &  $y$  are irreducible in  $R$ . (then  $R$  NOT UFD)

Equivalently,  $t^2$  &  $t^3$  are irr. in  $S$ .

But a factorization in  $S$  will be in particular a factorization in  $(\mathbb{C}[t])$   
 $a = bc$

Only possibilities for  $t^2$  &  $t^3$  are

$$t^2 = t \cdot t \quad \& \quad t^3 = t \cdot t^2 \quad (\text{assuming factors are not units})$$

But  $t \notin S$ .

i.e. not constant

So  $t^2$  &  $t^3$  are irred. in  $S$ .

Alternatively,  $t \in F := \{f + g : f, g \in S\} = \{f\}$ ,

$$\because \text{because } t = t^3/t^2, \quad t^2, t^3 \in S.$$

But  $t \notin S$ , &  $t$  satisfies monic polynomial

$$f(x) = x^2 - t^2 \in S[x]$$

$\Rightarrow S$  NOT VFD.

Q9.