

# Homework 11

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**Problem (20.2).** Since 11 is prime,  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$  is a field, and  $\phi(11) = 10$ . Therefore, we are trying to find a generator from 1 to 10 that generates the group  $U(\mathbb{Z}_{11})$  under  $\times_{11}$ . 7 happens to work:

$$\times_{11} \mid 7 \mid 5 \mid 2 \mid 3 \mid 10 \mid 4 \mid 6 \mid 9 \mid 8 \mid 1$$

Thus,  $\langle 7 \rangle = U(\mathbb{Z}_{11})$ .

**Problem (20.4).** By FLT, since 23 is prime,  $3^{23-1} = 3^{22} \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 3^{47} &= 3^{44} \cdot 3^3 \\ &\equiv 1 \cdot 27 \pmod{23} \\ &\equiv 4 \pmod{23} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (20.5).** Since 7 is a prime, by FLT  $37^6 = 1 \pmod{7}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 37^{49} &= 37^{6 \times 8} \cdot 37 \\ &\equiv 1 \cdot 37 \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv 2 \pmod{7} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (20.8).** Notice that since  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$  only has factor  $p$  which is prime, only multiples of  $p$  are not coprime with  $p^2$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$ . There are  $(p-1)$  such multiples in  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$ . These multiples are the only zero divisors of  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$ . Thus by theorem, the number of units are the group order of nonzero elements  $(p^2-1)$  subtracting the number of zero divisors  $p-1$ :

$$\phi(p^2) = (p^2 - 1) - (p - 1) = (p + 1)(p - 1) - (p - 1) = p(p - 1).$$

**Problem (20.10).** Since  $\gcd(7, 24) = 1$ , we can apply Euler and obtain  $7^{23} = 1 \pmod{24}$ . Also notice  $7^2 \pmod{24} = 1$ , so 7 to the odd power mod 24 is 7. Therefore,

$$7^{1000} = 7^{43 \times 23} \cdot 7^{11} \equiv 7 \pmod{24}.$$

**Problem (20.13).**  $d = \gcd(36, 24) = 12$ . Clearly  $d$  doesn't divide 15, so there is no solution by theorem.

**Problem (20.14).**  $d = \gcd(45, 24) = 3$ . And  $3/15$ . Now let's divide everything by 3:  $a' = \frac{45}{3} = 15, m' = \frac{24}{3}, b' = \frac{15}{3} = 5$ . Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} a'x &\equiv b' \pmod{m'} \\ 15x &\equiv 5 \pmod{8} \\ 8x + 7x &\equiv 5 \pmod{8} \\ 7x &\equiv 5 \pmod{8} \end{aligned}$$

The units in  $\mathbb{Z}_8$  are 1,3,5,7. Notice  $7 \times_8 7 \equiv 49 \pmod{8} \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ . So 7 is its own inverse in  $\mathbb{Z}_8$ . Multiplying 7 on both sides:

$$\begin{aligned} 7 \times_8 7x &\equiv 7 \times_8 5 \\ x &\equiv 3 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (20.23).**

- a) False. If  $a = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ .
- b) True.
- c) True. Since  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  has order  $n$ , the number of units must be less or equal to  $n$ .
- d) False. If  $n = 1$ , then  $\phi(n)$  is defined as  $1 \neq 1 - 1 = 0$ .
- e) True. By theorem.
- f) True. Given units  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ , then  $b^{-1}, a^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ , and the inverse of  $ab$  is  $b^{-1}a^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .
- g) False. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  are nonunits, then  $\gcd(a, n) \neq 1$  and  $\gcd(b, n) \neq 1$ . It follows that  $\gcd(ab, n) \neq 1$ , which makes it not a unit.
- h) False. By the same gcd argument as above.
- i) False. Let  $a = 0, b = 1$ ,  $0x \equiv b \pmod{p}$  has no solution.
- j) True. By theorem.

| $\times_{12}$ | 1  | 5  | 7  | 11 |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|
| 1             | 1  | 5  | 7  | 11 |
| 5             | 5  | 1  | 11 | 7  |
| 7             | 7  | 11 | 1  | 5  |
| 11            | 11 | 7  | 5  | 1  |

**Problem** (20.24). This is  $V_4$  because all elements are their own inverses.

**Problem** (21.1). We guess that  $F = \{p+qi : p, q \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  is the field of fraction of  $D$ . Recall that we have shown in HW9 18.12 that structures similar to this is a field. Moreover, given  $d = a+bi \in D$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ , so  $d \in F \Rightarrow D \subseteq F$ . It remains to show that  $F$  is "not too big". That is, every element in  $F$  can be expressed as a fraction of two elements in  $D$ .

Given  $\frac{r}{s} + \frac{t}{u}i \in F$ ,  $r, s, t, u \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $s, u \neq 0$ , we have

$$\frac{r}{s} + \frac{t}{u}i = \frac{ru + sti}{su} = \frac{ru + sti}{su + 0i}.$$

Since  $ru + sti, su + 0i \in D$ ,  $s, u \neq 0 \Rightarrow su + 0i \neq 0$  since  $D$  has no zero divisors, this is indeed a well-defined fraction representation, as required.

**Problem** (21.2). We guess that  $F = \{p + q\sqrt{2} : p, q \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  is the field of fraction of  $D$ . Recall that we have shown in HW9 18.12 that this is a field. Moreover, given  $d = a + b\sqrt{2} \in D$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ , so  $d \in F \Rightarrow D \subseteq F$ . It remains to show that  $F$  is "not too big". That is, every element in  $F$  can be expressed as a fraction of two elements in  $D$ .

Given  $\frac{r}{s} + \frac{t}{u}\sqrt{2} \in F$ ,  $r, s, t, u \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $s, u \neq 0$ , we have

$$\frac{r}{s} + \frac{t}{u}\sqrt{2} = \frac{ru + st\sqrt{2}}{su} = \frac{ru + st\sqrt{2}}{su + 0\sqrt{2}}.$$

Since  $ru + st\sqrt{2}, su + 0\sqrt{2} \in D$ ,  $s, u \neq 0 \Rightarrow su + 0\sqrt{2} \neq 0$  since  $D$  has no zero divisors, this is indeed a well-defined fraction representation, as required.

**Problem** (21.4).

a) True.

- b) False.  $\mathbb{Q}$  is and field of fraction is unique up to isomorphism.
- c) True. By theorem.
- d) False.  $\mathbb{R}$  is and it's unique up to isomorphism.
- e) True. By theorem and uniqueness up to isomorphism.
- f) True. The first time was for cancellation law to prove transitivity. The second time was for proving the 2nd element is non zero in addition and multiplication operations.
- g) False.  $0 \in D$  but 0 cannot be a unit.
- h) True. By definition of a field and  $D$  is contained in  $F$ .
- i) Since  $D' \subseteq D \subseteq F$ , so  $F$  is a field containing  $D'$ . Since  $F'$  is the smallest field containing  $D'$ , it follows that  $F' \leq F$ .
- j) True. Since it's unique up to isomorphism.

**Problem** (21.5). Since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a field, it is also a domain by theorem. Let  $D' = \mathbb{Z}$ , and we know  $\mathbb{Z} \leq \mathbb{Q}$  is a subdomain. Moreover, we know  $F' = \mathbb{Q}$ , which is also the field of fractions of  $\mathbb{Q}$  itself as required.