

**Problem (22.3).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_6[x]$  (note  $+_6, \times_6$  are implied):

$$\begin{aligned} f(x)g(x) &= (2+3)x^2 + (3+2)x + (4+3) \\ &= 5x^2 + 5x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x)g(x) &= (2 \times 3)x^4 + (2 \times 2 + 3 \times 3)x^3 + (2 \times 3 + 3 \times 2 + 4 \times 3)x^2 + (3 \times 3 + 4 \times 2)x + 4 \times 3 \\ &= x^3 + 5x \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (22.4).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$  :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) + g(x) &= 3x^4 + 2x^3 + 4x^2 + (3+2)x + (2+4) \\ &= 3x^4 + 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x)g(x) &= (2 \times 3)x^7 + (4 \times 3)x^6 + (3 \times 3)x^5 + (2 \times 3 + 2 \times 2)x^4 + (2 \times 4 + 4 \times 2)x^3 \\ &\quad + (4 \times 4 + 3 \times 2)x^2 + (3 \times 4 + 2 \times 2)x + (2 \times 4) \\ &= x^7 + 2x^6 + 4x^5 + x^3 + 2x^2 + x + 3 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (22.8).** In  $\mathbb{C}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_i(2x^3 - x^2 + 3x + 2) &= 2i^3 - i^2 + 3i + 2 \\ &= -2i + 1 + 3i + 2 \\ &= 3 + i \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (22.9).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_7[x]$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_3[(x^4 + 2x)(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3)] &= \phi_3(x^4 + 2x) \times \phi_3(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3) \\ &= (3^4 \bmod 7 + 2 \times 3)(3^3 \bmod 7 - 3^3 \bmod 7 + 3) \\ &= (4 + 6)3 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (22.12).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]$ , trying exhaustively:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_0(x^2 + 1) &= 0^2 + 1 = 1 \\ \phi_1(x^2 + 1) &= 1^2 + 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus 1 is the zero of  $x^2 + 1$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]$ .

**Problem (22.13).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_7[x]$ , trying exhaustively:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_0 &= 0^3 + 2 \times 0 + 2 = 2 \\ \phi_1 &= 1^3 + 2 \times 1 + 2 = 5 \\ \phi_2 &= 2^3 + 2 \times 2 + 2 = 0 \\ \phi_3 &= 3^3 + 2 \times 3 + 2 = 0 \\ \phi_4 &= 4^3 + 2 \times 4 + 2 = 4 \\ \phi_5 &= 5^3 + 2 \times 5 + 2 = 4 \\ \phi_6 &= 6^3 + 2 \times 6 + 2 = 6\end{aligned}$$

Thus 2, 3 are the zeros of  $x^3 + 2x + 2 \in \mathbb{Z}_7[x]$ .

**Problem (22.16).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$ , since  $\gcd(3, 5) = 1$ , by Fermat  $3^4 = 1 \pmod{5}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_3(x^{231} + 3x^{117} - 2x^{117} - 2x^{53} + 1) &= 3^{231} + 3^{118} - 2 \times 3^{53} + 1 \\ &= (3^4)^{57} \times 3^3 + (3^4)^{29} \times 3^2 - 2 \times (3^4)^{13} \times 3 \\ &= 3^3 + 3^2 - 2 \times 3 \\ &= 2 + 4 - 1 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

**Problem (22.18).** A polynomial with coefficients in a ring  $R$  is an infinite formal sum

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^i = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n + \dots$$

where  $a_i \in R$  and only finitely many  $a_i \neq 0$ .

**Problem (22.20).**

$$\begin{aligned}f(x, y) &= 3x^3y^3 + 2xy^3 + x^2y^2 - 6xy^2 + y^2 + x^4y - 2xy + x^4 - 3x^2 + 2 \\ &= (1 + y)x^4 + (3y^3)x^3 + (y^2 - 3)x^2 + (2y^3 - 6y^2 - 2y)x + (y^2 + 2)\end{aligned}$$

**Problem (22.22).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$ , consider  $2x + 1$ :

$$(2x + 1)(1 - 2x) = 1^2 - (2x)^2 = 1 - 0x^2 = 1.$$

Since  $2x + 1 \neq 0$ , it is a unit in  $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$ .

**Problem (22.23).** a) True.

b) True.

c) True. By theorem.

d) True.

e) False. It cannot exceed 7.

- f) False.  $f(x) = 2x^3, g(x) = 2x^4 \in \mathbb{Z}_4[x]$ ,  $f(x)g(x) = 0$  doesn't have degree 7.
- g) True. By theorem.
- h) True. By theorem.
- i) True. Given  $f(x) \neq 0 \in R[x]$ , then  $xf(x)$  keeps all coefficients the same and add 1 degree to each term. Thus  $xf(x) \neq 0$ .
- j) False. In  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}[x]$ ,  $3x \times 4x = 0$  so they are zero divisors but they are not in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$ .

**Problem (23.1).**

Figure 1

**Problem (23.2).**

Figure 2

**Problem (23.6).** By theorem since 7 is prime,  $U(\mathbb{Z}_7) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}_6, +_6)$ . We know the generators of  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  are 1,5 since they are coprime to 6, and notice  $5 = -1$  which is the inverse of 1. Since isomorphism preserves structure, we know that  $U(\mathbb{Z}_7)$  must have only 2 generators that are a pair of inverses. It suffices to find one generator in  $U(\mathbb{Z}_7)$  and the other is the inverse. Notice:

$$\begin{aligned}
 3^1 &= 3 \\
 3^2 &= 2 \\
 3^3 &= 6 \\
 3^4 &= 4 \\
 3^5 &= 5 \\
 3^6 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus 3 is a generator of  $U(\mathbb{Z}_7)$ . The other generator is thus its inverse 5.

**Problem (23.9).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^4 + 4 &= x^4 - 1 \\
 &= (x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1) \\
 &= (x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 - 4) \\
 &= (x - 1)(x + 1)(x - 2)(x + 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (23.12).** In  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$ :

$$\phi_4(x^3 + 2x + 3) = (-1)^3 + (-2) + 3 = 0.$$

Thus 4 is a zero. Since  $f(x)$  has degree 3 and  $\mathbb{Z}_5$  is a field, by Theorem 23.10  $f(x)$  is not irreducible. Thus by inspection,

$$x^3 + 2x + 3 = (x - 1)(x^2 - x + 3) = (x - 1)(x + 1)(x - 3)$$

since  $\phi_{-1}(x^2 - x + 3) = 0$ .

**Problem (23.14).** Using the quadratic formula:

$$r_{\pm} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 + 8}}{2} = -4 \pm 3\sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}.$$

So the roots of  $f(x)$  are not in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and since  $f(x)$  has degree 2 and no zeros in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , it is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$  by Theorem 23.10.

And since  $-4 \pm 3\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{R} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ ,  $f(x)$  has zeros in  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$ , so it is not irreducible over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Problem (23.15).** Using the quadratic formula:

$$r_{\pm} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 48}}{2} = -3 \pm i\sqrt{3} \notin \mathbb{Q} \text{ or } \mathbb{R}.$$

Since  $f(x)$  has degree 2, by Theorem 23.10 it is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $-3 \pm i\sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{C}$ , it is not irreducible over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Problem (23.16).** Let  $p = 3$  which is a prime. Notice  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ ,  $1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ,  $8 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3^2}$ ,  $3 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , by Eisenstein Criterion  $f(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Problem (23.18).** Let  $p = 5$  which is a prime. Notice  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ ,  $1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ ,  $-12 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{5^2}$ ,  $0 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ , by Eisenstein Criterion  $f(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Problem (23.19).** Let  $p = 3$  which is a prime. Notice  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ ,  $8 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ,  $6 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ,  $9 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ,  $24 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3^2}$ , by Eisenstein Criterion  $f(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Problem (23.25).**

- a) True. Since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a field, all degree 1 polynomials in  $\mathbb{Q}[x]$  are irreducible.
- b) True. By the same reasoning.
- c) True. Since the roots  $\pm\sqrt{3} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .
- d) False. In  $\mathbb{Z}_7$ ,  $x^2 + 3 = x^2 - 4 = (x + 2)(x - 2)$ .
- e) True. By theorem.
- f) True (repeat).
- g) True. By Corollary 23.5.
- h) True. By factor theorem.
- i) True. Because its coefficient has inverse since  $F$  is a field.
- j) True. Because we only have finitely many nonzero terms, and we can only at most have as many zeros as the leading degree of the polynomial.