

Ring = abelian gp +, bilinear unital associative •

$I \subset R$ is an ^{2-sided/left/right} ideal if $(I, +)$ is an ab gp and $IR = RI = I$

f ring homomorphism $R \rightarrow S$

$\text{Ker}(f) \subset R$ is a 2-sided ideal in R .

$\text{Im}(f) \subset S$ is a subring of S .

Ideals examples:

(i) $R = K$ a field. $I \subset K$ an ideal. Assume $I \neq \{0\}$.

$\exists \lambda \in K \setminus \{0\} = K^\times$ s.t. $\lambda \in I$. so $\lambda^{-1} \cdot \lambda = 1 \in I$. then $r = r \cdot 1 \in I \forall r \in K$

So ideals of a field are $\{0\}$ and K .

Lemma: R : commutative ring, $I \subset R$ an ideal s.t. $I \cap R^\times \neq \emptyset$. then $I = R$.

Pf. pick $\lambda \in I \cap R^\times$. then $\lambda^{-1} \cdot \lambda = 1 \in I \Rightarrow r \cdot 1 = r \in I \forall r \in R$.

Ex: $R \supset R$ subring e.g. $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{2}]$; \mathbb{Z} ; \mathbb{Q} ; $\mathbb{Z}[\pi]$

\cup
I ideal only $\{0\}$ or R

Ex: Set of ideals of integers = $\{n\mathbb{Z} : n=0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ Set of ideals of \mathbb{Z}

$n \longleftrightarrow I_n = n\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Z}$

$m|n \longleftrightarrow I_n \subset I_m$

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 l = \text{lcm}(m, n) & \longleftrightarrow \underbrace{I_n \cap I_m = I_l}_{\text{largest ideal contained in both.}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma: The smallest ideal containing ideals I & J is $I+J$.

Pf: This is an ideal containing I & J : $r(a+b) = ra + rb$.

If L is an ideal containing I & J then it contains $I+J$.

Quotient rings:

R : ring, $I \subseteq R$ 2-sided ideal.
 \longrightarrow if $I = R$, $R/I = \{0\}$ the 0-ring.

$(R/I, +)$ as an abelian subgroup of $(R, +)$

$$a + I = a \pmod{I}. \quad a \equiv b \pmod{I} \text{ if } a - b \in I$$

$$a \pmod{I} + b \pmod{I} = a + b \pmod{I}$$

$$a \pmod{I} \cdot b \pmod{I} := a \cdot b \pmod{I}$$

Check that this \cdot is well-defined:

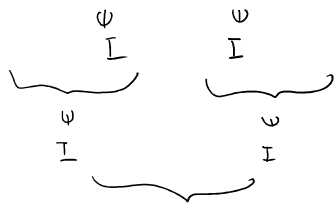
$$\begin{aligned}
 a &\equiv a' \pmod{I} \\
 b &\equiv b' \pmod{I} \\
 \Rightarrow a \cdot b &\equiv a' \cdot b' \pmod{I}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$ab - a'b' \in I \quad \text{to prove}$$

$$+ ab' - ab'$$

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$$a \underbrace{(b - b')} + \underbrace{(a - a')} b' \in I \quad \checkmark$$



since I is 2-sided ideal.

$$1_{R/I} := 1 \pmod{I} \neq 0_{R/I} := 0 \pmod{I}$$

R/I is called quotient ring

$$n\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \text{ is a quotient ring}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{2}] = \mathbb{Z}[x] / \underbrace{(x^2-2)}_{-1} \mathbb{Z}[x]$$

Analogue of 1st Iso thm:

$$f: R \longrightarrow S \text{ a ring homomorphism.}$$

$$\bar{f}: R/\ker(f) \cong \text{Im}(f)$$

$$a \pmod{\ker(f)} \longmapsto f(a)$$

(for any 2-sided proper ideal $I \subsetneq R$, we have a ring hom $R \longrightarrow R/I$)
 $a \longmapsto a \pmod{I}$

(inj) • (iso) • (surj)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R & \xrightarrow{f} & S \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \text{subring} \\ R/I & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \text{Im}(f) \end{array}$$

"Commutative" diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & & \\ R/\text{Ker}(f) & \xrightarrow[\bar{f}]{\cong} & \text{Im}(f) \end{array}$$

3 things to check:

(1) \bar{f} is well-defined : $a \equiv b \pmod{K} \Rightarrow a-b \in K \Rightarrow f(a-b) = 0 \Rightarrow f(a) = f(b)$.

(2) \bar{f} is a ring hom : $\bar{f}(a \pmod{K} \cdot b \pmod{K}) = \bar{f}(ab \pmod{K}) = f(ab) = f(a)f(b) = \bar{f}(a \pmod{K}) \cdot \bar{f}(b \pmod{K})$

(3) \bar{f} is bijective : Surj by defn of $\text{Im}(f)$. Inj since $a \in \text{Ker}(\bar{f}) \Leftrightarrow f(a) = 0 \Leftrightarrow a \in \text{Ker}(f) \Leftrightarrow a \equiv 0 \pmod{K}$.

Let R be a commutative ring and $I, J \subset R$ be two ideals.

$$I \cdot J := \{a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}, \begin{array}{l} a_1, \dots, a_n \in I \\ b_1, \dots, b_n \in J \end{array}\}$$

Lemma: $I \cdot J$ is an ideal

pf $r(ab) \in I \cdot J, \quad I \cdot J \leq R.$

$I \cdot J \subset I \cap J$ because each $ab \in I$ and J .

$I \cap J$ is an ideal obviously.

eg in \mathbb{Z} , $I_m \cdot I_n = I_{mn}$
 At if m and n are not coprime
 $I_m \cap I_n = I_{\text{lcm}(m,n)}$