

# Notes

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## edge ideals

consider  $\mathbb{R}$  and polynomials in  $X$  with coefficients in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

### example

$$\begin{array}{c} x^2 + 1 \\ x - 2 \\ \pi \\ 3x^3 - 5x + 7 \end{array}$$

we denote the set of all of these as  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ .  
some polynomials “do fun things”

1. factor

$$\begin{array}{c} x^2 - 1 = (x + 1)(x - 1) \\ x^2 - 2x + 1 = (x - 1)^2 \\ x^3 - x^2 + 4x - 4 \\ etc \end{array}$$

we say all polynomials in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  with the property that  $x - 1$  divides it, this entire set is an ideal.

this is denoted  $\langle x - 1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{R}[x]$

if we want all polynomials divisible by several things, then  $\langle x - 1, x^2 + 1, x^4 - 2 \rangle$ . This is “or” or union.  
the “and” or intersection would be formed by just multiplying the divisors.

in general  $\langle f_1, \dots, f_r \rangle = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^r p_i f_i \mid p_i \in \mathbb{R}[x] \right\}$

we can do this in many variables like  $\mathbb{R}[x, y, z]$  or  $\mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  or even  $\mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots]$

all ideals have many invariants, eg, dimension, projective dimension, injective dimension, height, resolutions, betti numbers, etc.

let  $G$  be a graph and label the vertices  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . then create an ideal in  $\mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .  $I = \langle x_i x_j \mid x_j$

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