

HW IV: MTH 420, Spring 2018

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QUESTION 1. Let A be a commutative ring such that $\text{Char}(A) = n \neq 0$.

(i) Prove that $na = 0$ for every $a \in A$. \checkmark

(ii) (Freshman Dream :) Suppose that n is a prime number. Prove that $(a + b)^n = a^n + b^n$ for every $a, b \in A$ and for every positive integer $m \geq 1$. (Hint: Use math induction and (i))

QUESTION 2. Let P be a prime ideal of a commutative ring A , and let $L = \{f(x) \in A[x] \mid f(0) \in P\}$. Prove that L is a prime ideal of $A[x]$. If P is a maximal ideal of A , prove that $A[x]/L$ is a field. \checkmark

QUESTION 3. (i) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \in R^{3 \times 3}(Z_5)$. Find A^{-1} . (hint: recall from class that $2/3, 1/4, \dots$, have meanings in Z_5 . Also note that $-2/3$ has a meaning!. So, think of A as a matrix with entries from Q . Use MTH 220 (row operation) and find A^{-1} and then change the entries of A^{-1} to entries in Z_5)

(ii) Find all solutions of the following system over Z_7 (again..solve it over Q as in MTH 220...then over Z_7) (Hint: we must have finitely many solutions)

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 &= 4 \\ 6x_1 + 5x_3 &= 2 \\ 6x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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ANSWER 1: Given $\text{char}(A) = n \neq 0$.

(i) To Prove: $na = 0 \quad \forall a \in A$.

Proof: Since $\text{char}(A) = n$, $n \cdot 1 = 0$

$$\therefore na = n(1 \cdot a) = (n \cdot 1) \cdot a = 0 \cdot a = 0 \quad \blacksquare$$

(ii) Given: n is prime.

To Prove: $(a+b)^n = a^n + b^n \quad \forall m \geq 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

Proof: By Mathematical Induction:

→ Let $P(m): (a+b)^n = a^n + b^n$.

• $m=1$ $P(1): (a+b)^n \stackrel{?}{=} a^n + b^n$.

$$(a+b)^n = a^n + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{n!}{(n-j)! j!} a^{n-j} b^j + b^n$$

But: NONE of the Prime factors of $j!$ or $(n-j)!$ divide n ($\because n$ is prime). ($\because n$ is never cancelled in the sum)

$$\therefore \frac{n!}{(n-j)! j!} = n \cdot k_j, \quad \text{where } k_j = \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-j)! j!}$$

$$\therefore (a+b)^n = a^n + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} n \cdot k_j \cdot (a^{n-j} b^j) + b^n$$

$$= a^n + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} k_j \cdot (n \cdot c_j) + b^n \quad \text{where } c_j \in A.$$

$$= a^n + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} 0 + b^n = a^n + b^n \quad \left| \because n c_j = 0 \quad \forall j \right.$$

• Assume $P(m)$ is true

$$\therefore (a+b)^n = a^n + b^n$$

• $P(m+1)$: To show: $(a+b)^{n^{m+1}} = a^{n^{m+1}} + b^{n^{m+1}}$

$$(a+b)^{n^{m+1}} = (a+b)^{n^m \cdot n} = \left[(a+b)^{\binom{n^m}{n}} \right]^n = \left[a^{n^m} + b^{n^m} \right]^n$$

But: since $(x+y)^n = x^n + y^n$, let $x = a^{n^m}$ and $y = b^{n^m}$

$$\therefore \left(a^{n^m} + b^{n^m} \right)^n = \left(a^{\binom{n^m}{n}} \right)^n + \left(b^{\binom{n^m}{n}} \right)^n = a^{n^m \cdot n} + b^{n^m \cdot n} = a^{n^{m+1}} + b^{n^{m+1}}$$

ANSWER 2: given: P is a Prime Ideal of A .

$$L = \{ f(x) \in A[x] \mid f(0) \in P \}$$

(i) To Prove: L is a prime Ideal of $A[x]$

Proof: let $f(x) * g(x) \in L$.

$$\therefore f(0) * g(0) \in P \quad (\text{by definition})$$

But P is prime $\implies f(0) \in P$ or $g(0) \in P$.

$$\therefore f(x) \in L \quad \text{or} \quad g(x) \in L$$

$\therefore L$ is prime ■

(ii) To Prove: If P is a Maximal Ideal of A , then $A[x]/L$ is a field.

Proof: Since P is Maximal in A , $\frac{A}{P}$ is a field — (1)

Consider the ring homomorphism:

$$\phi: A[x] \longrightarrow \frac{A}{P} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \phi(f(x)) = f(0) + P$$

This is a homomorphism.

$$\phi(f(x) + g(x)) = f(x) + g(x) + P = (f(x) + P) + (g(x) + P) = \phi(f(x)) + \phi(g(x))$$

$$\text{and } \phi(f(x) * g(x)) = f(x) * g(x) + P = (f(x) + P) * (g(x) + P) = \phi(f(x)) * \phi(g(x))$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Image}(f) = A/P$$

$$\because \forall a + P \in A/P, \exists g(x) = x \cdot h(x) + a \text{ s.t. } \phi(g(x)) = a + P$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Ker}(f) = L \quad | \because L = \{ f(x) \in A[x] \mid f(x) \in P \}$$

$$\therefore \phi(f(x)) = f(x) + P = P$$

$\therefore \frac{A[x]}{L} \cong A/P$ by first Isomorphism Theorem.

$\therefore \frac{A[x]}{L}$ is a field ■

ANSWER 3 (i) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$, To find: A^{-1}

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1 \rightarrow R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{2R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ 3R_1 - R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -5 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -7 & -3 & 3 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\substack{-\frac{1}{4}R \rightarrow R_2 \\ \frac{4}{3}R \rightarrow R_3}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} & \frac{3}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -7 & -3 & 3 & -1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_1 \\ 6R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} & \frac{3}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\substack{\frac{4}{2}R \rightarrow R_3 \\ \frac{4}{3}R \rightarrow R_3}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} & \frac{3}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\substack{-\frac{5}{4}R + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ \frac{1}{4}R + R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\therefore \text{In } \mathbb{Q}, A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ -3 & -1/2 & 5/2 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \text{In } R^{3 \times 3} (\mathbb{Z}_5) \quad A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Verify:

$$A * A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 10 & 15 \\ 20 & 11 & 15 \\ 30 & 15 & 21 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } R^{3 \times 3} (\mathbb{Z}_5)$$

$$= I_{3 \times 3} \text{ in } R^{3 \times 3} (\mathbb{Z}_5)$$

(ii) Matrix Representation in \mathbb{Q} :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 5 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 5 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{6R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ 6R_1 - R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & | & 6 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 & | & 6 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3 \\ 2 \cdot 3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 & | & 6 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & | & 6 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\substack{-R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ -5R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & | & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & | & 6 & 5 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{R_3}{7} \rightarrow R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & | & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 6/7 & 5/7 & -6/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\frac{-2R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -5/7 & -3/7 & 5/7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 6/7 & 5/7 & -6/7 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5/7 & -3/7 & 5/7 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 6/7 & 5/7 & -6/7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } R^{3 \times 3} (\mathbb{Z}_7)$$

Question 3.

$$(ii) \quad x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 = 4$$

$$6x_1 + 5x_3 = 2$$

$$6x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 = 1$$

$$2^{-1} = 4$$

$$-2 = 5$$

$$3^{-1} = 5$$

$$-3 = 4$$

$$6^{-1} = 6$$

$$-6 = 1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 0 & 5 & 2 \\ 6 & 1 & 5 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 5 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x_3 = x_3$$

$$x_2 = 6$$

$$x_1 = 5 - 2x_3$$

for $x_3 \in \mathbb{Z}_7$

we get

$$(5, 6, 0)$$

$$(3, 6, 1)$$

$$(1, 6, 2)$$

$$(6, 6, 3)$$

$$(4, 6, 4)$$

$$(2, 6, 5)$$

$$(0, 6, 6)$$

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