

Reminders Ideal: $0 \in I, I+I \subseteq I, -I \subseteq I, R \setminus I \subseteq R, I \subseteq R$
 $R/I, \text{Iso 1: Given } \varphi: R \rightarrow S, R/\ker \varphi \cong \text{im } \varphi$

2. $\frac{A+I}{I} \cong \frac{A/AI}{AI/AI}$ $A \subseteq R$ subring, $I \subseteq R$ proper ideal.

3. $I \subseteq J \subseteq R$ ideals $\Rightarrow \frac{R/I}{J/I} \cong R/J$

4. Given an ideal I of R , there's a bijection between ideals $I \subseteq J \subseteq R$ & ideals of R/I .

From this point, our goal is "modules over PID"

Better Rings. 1. The ultimate:

Field [commutative, F of a group]

("division ring", if not commutative)

Example: $\mathbb{H} = \{a+bi+cj+dk\} / i^2=j^2=k^2=-1, ij=k$
 useful for 3D rotations, etc...

[almost all of high-school & freshman algebra carries through]

2. (Integral) domains: commutative, has no 0-divisors.

How make? For ideals which, R/I is a field or a domain?

.... From now on, R is commutative.

Maximal Ideals. 1. Definition.

2. $I \subseteq R$ is maximal $\Leftrightarrow R/I$ is a field.

Fishy proof: Use the 4th isomorphism theorem.

Honest proof: $\Rightarrow: x \notin I \Rightarrow Rx+I = R \Rightarrow \exists y \in R, yx+I = 1+I$

$\Leftarrow: J \not\supseteq I, x \in J \setminus I \Rightarrow [x]_I \neq 0 \Rightarrow \exists y, xy-1 \in I \Rightarrow 1 \in J$

Examples. 1. $p\mathbb{Z}$ is a maximal ideal in \mathbb{Z} .

2. $S = \{ \text{bdd seq's in } \mathbb{R} \}$ $A_n = \{ (a_i) : a_n = 0 \}$

^{Fishy} Theorem. Every ideal is contained in a maximal ideal.

Proof using Zorn's Lemma.

Example. $S = \{ \text{bdd seq's in } \mathbb{R} \}$ $I = \{ (a_n) : a_n \rightarrow 0 \}$ $[a_n = 0 \text{ a.e.}]$
 J - a maximal ideal containing I . $[I \text{ is unabh}]$

Lim: $S \rightarrow S/J \cong \mathbb{R}$ $[R \rightarrow S/J \text{ is obvious; } u \neq 0 \text{ at } \dots \text{ direction is not}]$

Lim: $S \rightarrow S/J \cong \mathbb{R}$ [$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow S/J$ is obvious; the other direction is not]

Theorem Lim satisfies:

1. If (a_n) is convergent, $\lim a_n = \text{Lim } a_n$.
2. $\text{Lim}(a_n + b_n) = \text{Lim}(a_n) + \text{Lim}(b_n)$
3. $\text{Lim}(a_n b_n) = \text{Lim}(a_n) \cdot \text{Lim}(b_n)$ + more... □

Prime Ideals. 1. Definition $P \subset R$ is prime if $ab \in P \Rightarrow a \in P$ or $b \in P$.

2. Theorem. R/P is a domain iff P is prime.

Proof: $\Rightarrow ab \in P \Rightarrow [ab] = 0 \Rightarrow [a][b] = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} [a]=0 \Rightarrow a \in P \\ [b]=0 \Rightarrow b \in P \end{matrix}$

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Theorem. A maximal ideal is prime.

From this point on, R is a commutative integral domain.

Primes. 1. $a|b$ [$a \neq 0$] $\exists q$ s.t. $aq = b$ ($a|b \wedge b|a \Rightarrow a = ub$)

2. $\gcd(a, b) = q$; $\gcd = q$ & $\gcd = q' \Rightarrow q = uq'$.

3. Primes: $p \neq 0$ non-unit $p|ab \Rightarrow p|a$ or $p|b$

p is prime iff $\langle p \rangle$ is prime ideal.

4. Irreducible $x = ab \Rightarrow a \in R^* \vee b \in R^*$

Claim. prime \Rightarrow irreducible

$p = ab \Rightarrow p|a \Rightarrow a = pc \Rightarrow p = pcb \Rightarrow cb = 1 \Rightarrow b \in R^*$

Counterexample: in $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$, 2 is irred (for norm reasons) but not prime, as $2|(1-\sqrt{-5})(1+\sqrt{-5}) = 6$

UFDs. Def: Every non-zero element can be factored into primes.

Thm. Uniqueness up to units & a permutation.

Thm. In a UFD, Prime \Leftrightarrow irreducible.

PF If an irred. is decomposed, the decomposition must have length 1.

Thm. UFD \Leftrightarrow evry $x \neq 0$ has a unique decomposition
or next irred \Rightarrow prime. If x is irred & $x|ab$, then

into irreducibles. $\frac{x}{z} = \underbrace{a_1 \dots a_n b_1 \dots b_m}_{\text{irred}} \Rightarrow x \sim a_i \text{ or } x \sim b_j \Rightarrow x \mid a_i \text{ or } b_j$

Thm. In a UFD gcd's always exist.