

5.28. Let I, J be ideals of a ring R . Suppose that the function

$$f: R \rightarrow R/I \times R/J$$

$$f(r) = (r+I, r+J)$$

is surjective. Prove that

$$I + J = (1).$$

Sol. Since f is surj, there is $r \in R$ such that

$$f(r) = (1+I, 0+J)$$

By definition of f , this means

$$(r+I, r+J) = (1+I, 0+J)$$

Equivalently $1-r \in I, r \in J$

Thus $1 = (1-r) + r \in I + J$.

Since $I + J$ is an ideal, therefore $(1) \subseteq I + J$.

Since $(1) = R$, $I + J \subseteq (1)$ is

trivial. Hence $(1) = I + J$.

5.6 Let R, S be rings and I an ideal of R , J an ideal of S . Prove $I \times J$ is an ideal of $R \times S$.

Sol. $I \times J$ is nonempty; Since I and J are ideals we know $0_R \in I$ and $0_S \in J$. Therefore $(0_R, 0_S) \in I \times J$, so $I \times J$ is nonempty.

$I \times J$ closed under +: Let

$x, y \in I \times J$. Then

$$x = (a, b) \quad y = (c, d)$$

for some $a, c \in I$, $b, d \in J$.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= (a, b) + (c, d) \\ &= (a + c, b + d) \end{aligned}$$

Since I is an ideal, $a + c \in I$,

Since J is an ideal, $b + d \in J$,

So $x + y \in I \times J$. \longrightarrow

$I \times J$ has absorption property!

Let $x \in R \times S$, $y \in I \times J$

wts $xy \in I \times J$ and $yx \in I \times J$.

We have $x = (r, s)$ and $y = (a, b)$
for some $r \in R$, $s \in S$, $a \in I$, $b \in J$.

So

$$xy = (r, s)(a, b) = (ra, sb)$$

Since I is an ideal of R ,
 $ra \in I$. Since J is an
ideal of S , $sb \in J$. Thus

$$xy \in I \times J.$$

Similarly $yx = (a, b)(r, s) = (ar, bs)$
and $ar \in I$, $bs \in J$ since
 I, J ideals of R, S respectively.

This proves $I \times J$ is an ideal
of $R \times S$.

7.21 Prove if $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ is irreducible then q is irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$.

Sol If $q = f(x)g(x)$ for

some non-units $f(x), g(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$, then taking degree on both sides, (using \mathbb{Z} is integral domain)

$$0 = \deg f(x) + \deg g(x)$$

But $\deg f(x) \geq 0$, $\deg g(x) \geq 0$ ($\mathbb{Z}[x]$ integral domain and $q \neq 0$).

So both $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are constants, a_0 and b_0 , say.

$$q = a_0 b_0$$

Since a_0, b_0 are non-units in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$, they are non-units in \mathbb{Z} . This contradicts that q is irreducible in \mathbb{Z} .

$$7.29 \quad f(x) = 7x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x + 6 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$$

Prove $f(x)$ is irreducible in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ in 3 ways.

Sol 1 Eisenstein's Crit. with $p=2$

$$2 \nmid 7, \quad 2 \mid 6, 4, 6, \quad 2^2 \nmid 6$$

So $f(x)$ is irred. in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$.

Sol 2 Suppose $f(x)$ is reducible in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$. Since $\deg f(x) \leq 3$, $f(x)$ has a rational root $c = p/q$ where $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\gcd(p, q) = 1$, $p > 0$.

By Rational Root Test (since $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$)

$p \mid 6$ and $q \mid 7$. Check

$$p/q \in \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{7}, \frac{2}{7}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{6}{7} \right\}$$

None are roots of $f(x)$ (I'm skipping details here) contradiction

Sol 3 Reduce mod $p=5$:

$$\underline{f(x)} = 2x^3 + x^2 + 4x + 1 \in \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{5\mathbb{Z}}[x]$$

Check $\underline{f(x)}$ no roots in $\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{5\mathbb{Z}}$. \longrightarrow

therefore, since $\deg f(x) \leq 3$,
 $f(x)$ is irred. in $\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{5\mathbb{Z}}[x]$.

By Reduction Modulo $p=5$, $f(x)$
is irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ hence by
Gauss's Lemma $f(x)$ irr in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$.

7.30 $g(x) = x^5 + x^4 + x - 1$

Prove $g(x)$ irred. in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$
using Eisenstein's Crit.

Sol. No p applies. Try shift

$$\begin{aligned} g(x+1) &= (x+1)^5 + (x+1)^4 + x - 1 \\ &= x^5 + 5x^4 + 10x^3 + 10x^2 + 5x + 1 \\ &\quad + x^4 + 4x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x + 1 + x \\ &= x^5 + 6x^4 + 14x^3 + 16x^2 + 10x + 2 \end{aligned}$$

$p=2$ works:

$2 \nmid 1$, $2 \mid 6, 14, 16, 10, 2$, $2^2 \nmid 2$
So $g(x)$ is irreducible by Eisenstein