

Show $M_n(F)$ has no nontrivial two sided ideals.

Pf: Suppose $I \neq 0$ $M \in I$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} M \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_{ij} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in I$$

$i, i\text{-th entry}$ $j, j\text{-th entry}$ $(i, j)\text{-th entry}$

rescale: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ permute rows/columns $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

add these up to get $1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$R = \{a + 3bi : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Show R is a subring of \mathbb{C} , integral domain,

$\begin{matrix} \hookrightarrow 0 \in R \\ \hookrightarrow 1 \in R \\ \text{closed under} \\ +, -, \cdot \end{matrix}$

$\begin{matrix} \text{not UFD.} \\ \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ is an integral} \\ \text{domain so so is } R \end{matrix}$

$$(a + 3bi)(a - 3bi) = a^2 + 9b^2$$

$a = 4, b = 1$ is a good choice

$$(4 + 3i)(4 - 3i) = 25 = 5^2$$

unique factorization says if $p_1 \cdots p_k = q_1 \cdots q_l$ then differ by permutation and units

Look at $N: R \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ $N(a + 3bi) = a^2 + 9b^2 = |a + 3bi|^2$

multiplicative

$N(5) = 5^2$ so if 5 factored, then either

Any element of norm 25 is irreducible

Need to show that $4 + 3i$ and 5 don't differ by a unit.

if $a^2 + 9b^2 = 1$ then $a + 3bi = \pm 1$
 $\text{Norm } 1 \cdot \text{Norm } 25$
 $\text{Norm } 5 \cdot \text{Norm } 5$
 Impossible because $a^2 + 9b^2 \neq 5$

Only units are ± 1 because $uv = 1$, then $N(u)N(v) = 1$ so $u, v = \pm 1$

... show that $(m-1) \mid n \implies m \mid n$

any unit

so $u, v = \pm 1$

$m, n \geq 1$ show that $(x^m - 1, x^n - 1) \triangleleft \mathbb{Z}[x]$ is principal.

Suppose $m \geq n$. Then

$$x^m - 1 = x^{m-n}(x^n - 1) + x^{m-n} - 1$$
$$(x^m - 1, x^n - 1) = (x^{m-n} - 1, x^n - 1)$$

This is one step of the Euclidean algorithm applied to the exponents.

By repeating this, we arrive at

$$(x^m - 1, x^n - 1) = \dots = (x^{\gcd(m,n)} - 1, x^0 - 1)$$
$$= (x^{\gcd(m,n)} - 1)$$

commutative
principal.

If R is finite ring with unity and no zero-divisors and not the zero ring, then R is a field.

If $x \in R$ nonzero, then $y \mapsto xy$ is injective
so $y \mapsto xy$ surjective
so $1 = xy$ for some $y \in R$.

(if $xy = xz$, then $x(y-z) = 0$
so $y-z = 0$)

This problem is still true if R is not assumed to be commutative (Wedderburn's little thm)

$\begin{cases} I \text{ is prime} \iff R/I \text{ integral domain} \\ I \text{ is maximal} \iff R/I \text{ field} \end{cases}$

F field, X finite set, $R(X, F)$ pointwise operations.
What are the maximal ideals.

If we look at $ev_x = \text{proj}_x : R(X, F) \rightarrow F$, surjective,

so $R(X, F) / \ker ev_x \cong F$ so $\ker ev_x$ is maximal
 $\{f : f(x) = 0\}$.

e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n idempotents
 $e_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is the } i\text{th element} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

If $\varphi : R(X, F) \rightarrow \text{field}$
 $\varphi(e_i) = \begin{cases} \varphi(e_i) & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} = \varphi(e_i e_j) = \varphi(e_i) \varphi(e_j) \implies$

Only one $\varphi(e_i)$ can be nonzero
 $\varphi(e_i) = 1$

Then $\ker \varphi$ contains

$\ker \text{ev}_{x_i}$

If $f \in \ker \text{ev}_{x_i}$

$$f = f(e_1 + \dots + e_n) = fe_1 + \dots + fe_n$$

all but $fe_i \mapsto 0$

$fe_i \mapsto 0$ too because $f \in \ker \text{ev}_{x_i}$

If I is an ideal, look at $f \in I$,

f will be nonzero on some set $S \subseteq X$

For $x \in S$, $f \cdot e_x$ will just be supported at x

by rescaling, $e_x \in I$.

Claim: $I = \langle e_x \text{ for } x \text{ s.t. } f(x) \neq 0 \text{ for some } f \in I \rangle$

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If $f \in I$, then I contains e_x for $f(x) \neq 0$

so $f \in \langle e_x \rangle$ because $f = f(x_1)e_{x_1} + f(x_2)e_{x_2}$

Thus, ideals of $R(X, F) \xleftrightarrow{\text{bij}}$ subsets of X

$I \xleftrightarrow{\text{bij}}$ subset of X consisting of the points on which some $f \in I$ is nonzero.

$\langle e_x : x \in S \rangle$

$\{f : f(x) = 0 \text{ for } x \notin S\} \longleftrightarrow S$

In particular, maximal ideals correspond to $X \setminus \{x_0\}$

$$I = \{f : f(x_0) = 0\} = \langle e_x : x \neq x_0 \rangle.$$

Vieta's formulas (symmetric polynomials)

$$(x - r_1) \dots (x - r_n) = x^n - a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + a_{n-2}x^{n-2} - \dots \pm a_0$$

where a_i is an elementary symmetric polynomial

$$e_1 = a_{n-1} = r_1 + \dots + r_n$$

$$e_2 = a_{n-2} = r_1 r_2 + r_1 r_3 + \dots + r_{n-1} r_n$$

\vdots

$$e_n = a_0 = r_1 \dots r_n$$

Any symmetric poly is a poly in these e_1, \dots, e_n

$$R[x_1, \dots, x_n]^{S_n} \cong R[e_1, \dots, e_n]$$

$$e_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leftarrow e_i$$

$$x^3 + 2x^2 + 7x + 1 = (x - \alpha_1) \dots (x - \alpha_n)$$

Compute $\alpha_1^3 + \alpha_2^3 + \alpha_3^3 = e_1^3 - 3e_1e_2e_3 = (-2)^3 - 3 \cdot (-2) \cdot 7 \cdot (-1) = -31$

$$(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)^3 - 3(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)(\alpha_1\alpha_2 + \alpha_1\alpha_3 + \alpha_2\alpha_3) - 3\alpha_1\alpha_2\alpha_3$$

$$e_1 = -2$$

$$e_2 = 7$$

$$e_3 = -1$$

Irreducibility techniques.

→ Eisenstein's criterion

$$x^4 + 1$$

→ Show irreducible mod p

→ Translate $x \mapsto x+c$

→ Deg 2, 3 check if there is a root

→ Deg 4, check if roots and try to write as a product of two quadratic

$$f \in \mathbb{Z}[x], \quad f = a_n x^n + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

$$p \mid a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$$

$$p^2 \mid a_0 \quad p \nmid a_n$$

then f irred

also works for arbitrary prime ideals

$I \triangleleft \mathbb{Z}[x]$ generated by $5, x^3+x+1$

Is I prime?

Look at $\frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]}{(5, x^3+x+1)} \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]/(5)}{(5, x^3+x+1)/(5)} \cong \frac{(\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z})[x]}{(x^3+x+1)}$

We just need to show x^3+x+1 irreducible mod 5
(so that the quotients are integral domains)

Check $x \equiv 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 \pmod{5}$

$$f_n(x) = x^{n-1} + x^{n-2} + \dots + x + 1 = (1+x+\dots+x^{n-1}) \dots$$

irreducible $\iff n$ prime

(\Leftarrow) First shift $\frac{x^n-1}{x-1} = \frac{(y+1)^n-1}{y}$ (for $y=x-1$)

$$= y^{n-1} + \binom{n}{1} y^{n-2} + \binom{n}{2} y^{n-3} + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1}$$

Eisenstein

$= p$ so not div by p^2