

Math 525 Class 10 September 13

Friday Sept 15 : Holiday

Homework will be due Tuesd. 19th instead.

No quiz Monday 18th.

Quiz Wed 20th covering 8.3.

Quiz solutions

Name: Solutions

1. Complete the following definition: A Euclidean Domain is an integral domain R with a norm N which has the property that for any two elements $a, b \in R$, there are $q, r \in R$ such that

$$a = qb + r \quad \text{where } N(r) < N(b) \quad \text{with } b \neq 0.$$
$$\text{or } r = 0.$$

2. Give two examples of Euclidean domains and say what the relevant norms are.

$$\mathbb{Z}, |\cdot| \quad \text{and} \quad F[x], \deg.$$

3. Proposition 1 in Section 8.1 states that every ideal in a Euclidean domain is ...

principal

4. Give an example of an integral domain which is *not* a Euclidean Domain.

Many examples are possible.

$$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$$

$$\mathbb{Z}[x]$$

$$F[x, y]$$

Example of how to know a theorem

The spectral theorem (for self-adjoint operators on finite dimensional ^{inner product} ~~vector~~ spaces.)

Let $T: V \rightarrow V$ be a self-adjoint operator on ~~a~~ a F.D. inner product space V . Then V has a basis consisting of eigenvectors for T .

[~~4~~ ~~4~~ Simpler special case over $\mathbb{R}$:

"Symmetric Matrices are Diagonalizable"]

Step 1: There is an eigenvalue (of T)

Step 2: If T preserves $W \subset V$, then

T preserves $W^\perp$ (and $T|_{W^\perp}$ is self-adjoint).

Step 3: Induction on $\dim V$.

Details that did not make the quiz:

"universal side divisor".

Does $\mathbb{Z}$ have a universal side divisor?

Does $F[x]$ _____?

Universal Side Divisor means: every element of R can be written $r = qu + b$.

where b is 0 or a unit

$[b \in \overset{u}{R}$ in book's notation]

and u is the "universal side divisor".

If $R = \mathbb{Z}$ $\overset{u}{R} = \{-1, 0, 1\} = R^\times \cup \{0\}$.

Let $u = 2 \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then every $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ can be expressed as $n = q \cdot 2 + b$ where $b \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$.

So $2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ is a universal side divisor.

What about $F[x]$? (F a field)

$$\widetilde{F[x]} = F[x]^* \cup \{0\} = F.$$

Recall that a "universal side divisor" is required to be an element of $R - R^*$ (otherwise $u = 1$ works and the concept is stupid.)

So $x \in F[x]$ is a "universal side divisor".

Proposition 5: "This works" in any Euclidean Domain, that is:

In an integral domain R which is not a field, if R is a Euclidean Domain then there are universal side divisors in R .

Proof: Let u be an element $R - R^*$ of minimal norm. For any $x \in R$, use the def'n of norm to write

$$x = qu + b \quad \text{where} \quad N(b) < N(u) \\ \text{or } b = 0.$$

Now if $b = 0$, done.
otherwise $N(b) < N(u) \Rightarrow b \in R^u$.

~~Technical~~ Technical:

$R = \mathbb{Z} \left[\frac{1 + \sqrt{-19}}{2} \right]$ is NOT
a Euclidean domain.

Plan: show that there is no U.S.D.

Step 1: Show that the units are ~~0, 1~~ ± 1 .

So $R^u = \{-1, 0, 1\}$.

How to do this? Use Norm:

$$N(a + b\sqrt{-19}) = a^2 + 19b^2$$

The norm of a unit must be ± 1 .

Step 2: Try to divide some small number
by the hypothetical U.S.D. and show
that we can't have remainder $0, \pm 1$.