

### Homework 3

10.7.10

Suppose  $M \not\subseteq I \subseteq R$ . Then, by assumption,  $I$  contains a unit and thus  $I = R$ . (cf. 10.3.2). Therefore,  $M$  is maximal. Suppose now  $M'$  be a maximal ideal. Since  $M' \neq R$ ,  $M'$  consists of non-units. So  $R \setminus M' \supseteq \{ \text{all units in } R \} = R \setminus M$ , i.e.,  $M' \subseteq M$ . Being maximal,  $M' = M$ .

10.7.11

$\bar{R} = R/P$  is an integral domain  
 $\Leftrightarrow P \not\subseteq R$  and  $[ab + P = (a+P)(b+P) = P \Rightarrow a+P = P \text{ or } b+P = P]$   
 $\Leftrightarrow P \not\subseteq R$  and  $[ab \in P \Rightarrow a \in P \text{ or } b \in P]$ .

10.7.12

(a) (i)  $P' \not\subseteq R' \Rightarrow \varphi(1_R) = 1_{R'} \notin P' \Rightarrow \varphi^{-1}(P') \not\subseteq 1_R \Rightarrow \varphi^{-1}(P') \not\subseteq R$ .  
(ii)  $ab \in \varphi^{-1}(P') \Rightarrow \varphi(a)\varphi(b) = \varphi(ab) \in P' \Rightarrow \varphi(a) \in P' \text{ or } \varphi(b) \in P' \Rightarrow a \in \varphi^{-1}(P') \text{ or } b \in \varphi^{-1}(P')$ .  
(b). Let  $\varphi = \text{incl.} : \mathbb{Z} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ . Since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a field,  $(0) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  is the only (maximal) ideal of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . But  $\varphi^{-1}((0)) = (0) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$  is not maximal.

11.1.8

(a). Since  $f(0) = f(1) = 1 \neq 0$ ,  $f$  has no linear factor. Since every reducible cubic polynomial contains a linear factor,  $f$  is irreducible.  
(b). Note  $f(1) = f(2) = 0$ . So  $f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)$ .  
(c). Since  $f$  has no roots in  $\mathbb{F}_7$  and  $\deg(f) = 2$ , it is irreducible.

11.1.9

(a) Suppose  $\{f_1, \dots, f_k\}$  is the set of all monic irreducible polynomials in  $\mathbb{F}[x]$ . Consider  $f = f_1 \cdots f_k + 1$ . Since  $\deg(f) \geq k > 0$ ,  $f$  is not a constant. Since  $f_i \nmid f, \forall i$ ,  $f$  is a monic irreducible polynomial by

Theorem (1.5)(c) (p391). Since  $f \neq f_i, \forall i$ , we got a contradiction.

(b) By 10.2.6.(b),  $\{ \text{units in } F[[x]] \} = \{ f = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^i \mid a_0 \neq 0 \}$   
 and  $\{ \text{nonunits in } F[[x]] \} = \{ f = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^i \mid a_0 = 0 \} \supset \{ \text{irreducibles} \}$   
 $= (x)$ . Thus,  $x$  is the only irreducible polynomial in  $F[[x]]$ , and  
 since  $x+1$  is a unit, the above argument fails.

11.1.13

(a). By division algorithm, we have  $f/g = (qg+r)/g = q + r/g$   
 with  $\deg r < \deg g$ . Let  $g(x) = c(x-a_1)^{n_1} \cdots (x-a_k)^{n_k}$ . Then

$$\frac{r}{g} = \left( \frac{A_{11}}{x-a_1} + \frac{A_{12}}{(x-a_1)^2} + \cdots + \frac{A_{1n_1}}{(x-a_1)^{n_1}} \right) +$$

$$\cdots + \left( \frac{A_{k1}}{x-a_k} + \frac{A_{k2}}{(x-a_k)^2} + \cdots + \frac{A_{kn_k}}{(x-a_k)^{n_k}} \right)$$

for some  $A_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}$ .

(b).  $\{ x^i \mid i \geq 0 \} \cup \left\{ \frac{1}{(x-a)^n} \mid n \geq 1, a \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$

11.2.8

Note  $|11+7i|^2 = 160 < 325 = |18-i|^2$ . We have

$$18-i = (1-i)(11+7i) + 3i \quad \text{and} \quad |3i|^2 = 9,$$

$$11+7i = (2-4i)(3i) + (-1+i) \quad \text{and} \quad |-1+i|^2 = 2,$$

$$3i = (1-i)(-1+i) + i \quad \text{and} \quad i \text{ is a unit.}$$

Therefore,  $\gcd(11+7i, 18-i) = 1$  (up to a unit).

cf. pp397~8.

11.2.10

Define  $\sigma : F[[x]] \setminus \{0\} \longrightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  by

$$a_k \neq 0, \quad a_k x^k + a_{k+1} x^{k+1} + \dots \longmapsto k.$$

Verify that  $\sigma$  is a size function.

(a) Note  $(a) \cap (b) = (m)$  <sup>for some  $m \in R$</sup>  since  $R$  is a PID. Verify that  $m = [a, b]$ . If  $(m) = (m')$ , then  $m$  and  $m'$  are associates.

(b) Let  $g = (a, b)$  then  $a = a'g$  and  $b = b'g$  for some  $a', b'$  with  $(a', b') = 1$ . Let  $m = a''a = b''b$  for some  $a'', b''$ ,  $(a'', b'') = 1$ . Then  $a''a'g = b''b'g$ , so  $a''a' = b''b'$ . Since  $(a', b') = (a'', b'') = 1$ , we see  $a'' \sim b'$  and  $ab = a'b'gg \sim a'a''gg = mg$ .