

Prop

Assume  $R$  is commutative.  $P$  is a prime ideal iff  $R/P$  is an integral domain.

Pf: "translate definition of prime ideal into language of quotients"

$R$ -commutative

Prop: Every maximal ideal is a prime ideal

Pf: Maximal  $\Rightarrow R/M$  is a field & integral

$R$ -commutative

Integral domain is a ring with no ~~non~~ zero divisors (except 0).

Euclidean domain is an I.D. with a division algorithm ~~set~~ that is

$\forall a, b \in R$  s.t.  $b \neq 0$  there is a norm on  $N: R \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  with  $a = qb + r$  and  $r = 0$  or  $N(r) < N(b)$

$q$  is called quotient  $r$  is called remainder

Examples: Fields are E.D.  $N(a) = 0$

$\mathbb{Z}$  is a E.D. with  $N(a) = |a|$

$F[X]$  where  $F$  is a Field is E.D.

$N(p(x)) = \text{degree of } p(x)$

$\mathbb{Z}[X]$  is not a E.D.

Need to do examples:

$\mathbb{Z}_2[x]/(1+x+x^2)$  on Sage

$$\mathbb{R}[x]/(1+x^2) \cong \mathbb{C}$$

Euclidean algorithm -

Example  $\gcd(18, 30)$

$$30 = 1 \cdot 18 + 12$$

$$18 = 1 \cdot 12 + 6$$

$$12 = 2 \cdot 6 \quad \text{so } 6 \text{ is the } \gcd(18, 30)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 6 = 18 - 1 \cdot 12 \\ 12 = 30 - 18 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow 6 = -1 \cdot 30 + 2 \cdot 18$$

So  $6 \in (18, 30) = (6)$

Now generalize this to Euclidean Domain

this shows that every E.D. is a P.I.D.

Examples:  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  is a E.D.

$x^3+1$  and  $x^2+2x+1$  show  $(x^3+1, x^2+2x+1) =$

$$x^3+1 = x(x^2+2x+1) - 2x^2 - x + 1$$

$$x^2+2x+1 = -\frac{1}{2}(-2x^2-x+1) + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$-2x^2 - x + 1$$

There are integral domains that are not EoD. eg.  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$

Gave example to compute  $\gcd(2, x)$

$P \subseteq R$  is a prime ideal if  $1 \notin P$  (ie.  $P \neq R$ ) and if  $ab \in P$  then either  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$

Thm  $R$  commutative with 1

(1)  $I \subseteq R$  is max  $\Rightarrow I$  is PRIME

(2)  $I$  is max  $\Leftrightarrow R/I$  is a field

(3)  $I$  is prime  $\Leftrightarrow R/I$  is an I.D.

Pf: (2) we showed last time

(1)  $I$  is MAX  $\Rightarrow R/I$  is a field  
 $\Rightarrow R/I$  is I.D.  $\Rightarrow I$  is PRIME

if we show (3) but as I mentioned this follows by translating notion of prime ideal into lang of quotients.

$$rs \in I \Leftrightarrow (r+I)(s+I) = I$$

$$\Rightarrow r \in I \text{ OR } s \in I \Rightarrow r+I = I \text{ OR } s+I = I$$

Fact If  $R$  is P.I.D. then

$$I \text{ PRIME} \iff I \text{ MAX}$$

Just need to show ~~" $\implies$ "~~ " $\implies$ "

Assume  $I = (p) \subseteq (m)$  maximal  $\neq R$

then  $p = m \implies m \in (p)$  or  $r \in (p)$

if  $m \in (p)$  then  $(m) = (p)$

if  $r \in (p)$  then  $r = ps$  and  $p = psm$  and  $sm = 1$   
so  $m$  is a unit and then  $(m) = R$  (not poss)

Fact  $R$  is a field  $\iff R[x]$  is a P.I.D.

we discussed " $\implies$ " as an example since

$R$  field  $\implies R[x]$  is E.D.  $\implies R[x]$  is P.I.D.

" $\impliedby$ " because  $(x)$  is prime  $\implies$   
 $(x)$  is max  $\implies$   
 $R[x]/(x) \cong R$  is field

An element  $r \in R$  is irreducible if  $r = ab \implies a$  or  $b$  is a unit

$p \in R$  is prime if  $(p)$  is PRIME

irreducible and prime are not same

EXAMPLE  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i\sqrt{5}]$

$\gamma = 2 + i\sqrt{5}$  is an irreducible element

$\gamma(2 - i\sqrt{5}) = 9$  so  $9 \in (\gamma)$  but  $9 = 3 \cdot 3$

~~(3) \in (\gamma)~~ and  $3 \notin (\gamma)$

In an I.D.  $\mathfrak{p}$  PRIME  $\Rightarrow$   $\mathfrak{p}$  irred.

$p = ab \Rightarrow a \in (\mathfrak{p}), a = rp \Rightarrow p = prb \Rightarrow b$  unit  
(since either  $a \in (\mathfrak{p})$  or  $b \in (\mathfrak{p})$ )

In a P.I.D.  $\mathfrak{p}$  PRIME  $\Leftrightarrow$   $\mathfrak{p}$  irred.

" $\Leftarrow$ " if  $r$  is irred (want to show  $(r)$  is  $\mathfrak{p}$ )

$(r)$  is contained in some maximal ideal  $(m)$

$\Rightarrow r = ma$  with  $m$  not a unit (otherwise therefore a unit and  $(r) = (m)$ )

$(r)$  is maximal & we know maxims are PRIME.