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RING THEORY

Level Three

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LECTURE NO. 11



Problems

Q1/ If $(I_1, +, \cdot)$ and $(I_2, +, \cdot)$ are ideals of the ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ such that $I_1 \cap I_2 = \{0\}$ prove $a \cdot b = 0$ for every $a \in I_1$ and $b \in I_2$.

Proof: let $a \in I_1$ and $b \in I_2$

Since I_1 is an ideal, therefore $a \cdot b \in I_1$

and since I_2 is an ideal therefore $a \cdot b \in I_2$

$$\therefore a \cdot b \in I_1 \cap I_2 = \{0\}$$

$\therefore a \cdot b = 0$ for every $a \in I_1$ and $b \in I_2$.

Q2/Verify that the ring of real numbers $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ is a simple ring.

Proof: let $(I, +, \cdot)$ be a proper ideal of the ring $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ and let $0 \neq a \in I$

Since $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ has a multiplicative inverse therefore $\exists a^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}$

Definition: a ring which contains no ideals except the trivial ideals is said to be a simple.

$$\rightarrow a \cdot a^{-1} = 1 \in I.$$

$\therefore \mathbb{R} \subseteq I$ and since $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

Therefore $I = \mathbb{R}$ C!

$\therefore (\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ is a simple ring.

Q3/ Let $(I, +, \cdot)$ be an ideal of the ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ and define $\text{ann} = \{r \in R: r \cdot a = 0 \text{ for all } a \in I\}$.
 prove that the triple $(\text{ann}(I), +, \cdot)$ constitutes an ideal of $(R, +, \cdot)$ called the annihilator ideal of I .

Proof: since $0 \cdot a = 0$ for all $a \in I$

$\therefore \text{ann}(I) \neq \emptyset$ because $0 \in \text{ann}(I)$.

1) Let r_1 and $r_2 \in \text{ann}(I)$. that is $r_1 \cdot a = 0$ & $r_2 \cdot a = 0 \quad \forall a \in I$

$$(r_1 - r_2) \cdot a = r_1 a - r_2 a = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$\therefore r_1 - r_2 \in \text{ann}(I)$

2) Let $x \in \text{ann}(I)$ and $r \in R$

$$(xr)a = x(ra) = 0$$

$\therefore xr \in \text{ann}(I)$

Definition: Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ be a ring and $\emptyset \neq I \subseteq R$ then $(I, +, \cdot)$ is an ideal of $(R, +, \cdot)$ iff:

1. $a - b \in I \quad \forall a, b \in I$
2. $ar \in I$ and $ra \in I$
 $\forall r \in R, a \in I$

Similarly

$$(rx)a=r(xa)=r.0=0$$

$$\therefore rx \in \text{ann}(I)$$

$\therefore (\text{ann}(I), +, \cdot)$ is an ideal of $(R, +, \cdot)$.

Example: let $(Z_{10}, +, \cdot)$ is a ring, (2) & (5) are proper ideal of Z_{10} . find $\text{ann}(2)$ and $\text{ann}(5)$

Sol.:

$$0 \cdot 0 = 0, 0 \cdot 2 = 0, \dots$$

$$1 \cdot 0 = 0, 1 \cdot 2 = 2 \neq 0$$

$$2 \cdot 0 = 0, 2 \cdot 2 = 4 \neq 0$$

\vdots

$$5 \cdot 0 = 0, 5 \cdot 2 = 0, 5 \cdot 4 = 0, 5 \cdot 6 = 0, 5 \cdot 8 = 0$$

\vdots

$$9 \cdot 0 = 0, 9 \cdot 2 = 18 = 8 \neq 0$$

$$\text{ann}(2) = \{0, 5\},$$

$\text{ann}(5)=?$ H.W