

# Polynomials

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Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. Let  $x$  be a symbol.  
 Let  $x, x^2, x^3, \dots$  be symbols.  
 The ring of polynomials with coefficients in  $R$  in the variable  $x$  is

$$R[x] = \left\{ a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots \mid \begin{array}{l} a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots \in R \text{ and} \\ \text{there exists } n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \\ \text{such that if } n < 0 \text{ then} \\ a_n = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

with functions

$$\begin{aligned} R[x] \times R[x] &\rightarrow R[x] & \text{and} & R[x] \times R[x] \rightarrow R[x] \\ (f(x), g(x)) &\mapsto f(x) + g(x) & & (f(x), g(x)) \mapsto f(x)g(x) \end{aligned}$$

given by

$$f(x) + g(x) = (f_0 + g_0) + (f_1 + g_1)x + (f_2 + g_2)x^2 + \dots$$

and  $f(x)g(x) = f_0 g_0 + f_1 g_1 x + f_2 g_2 x^2 + \dots$  with

$$c_k = f_k g_0 + f_{k-1} g_1 + f_{k-2} g_2 + \dots + f_1 g_{k-1} + f_0 g_k$$

if  $f(x) = f_0 + f_1 x + f_2 x^2 + \dots$

and  $g(x) = g_0 + g_1 x + g_2 x^2 + \dots$

Theorem Let  ~~$\neq 0$~~   $R$  be a commutative ring.  
 Then  $R[x]$  is a commutative ring.

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- (a) If  $R$  is an integral domain  
then  $R[x]$  is an integral domain.
- (b) If  $F$  is a field then  $F[x]$  with  
 $\deg: F[x] - \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$   
 $g_0 + g_1x + \dots + g_dx^d \mapsto d$  if  $g_d \neq 0$   
is a Euclidean domain.
- (c) If  $R$  satisfies ACC  
then  $R[x]$  satisfies ACC.
- (d) If  $R$  is a UFD  
then  $R[x]$  is a UFD.

HW: Show that  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a PID and  
 $\mathbb{Z}[x]$  is not a PID

HW: Show that  $R = \mathbb{C}[y]$  is a PID  
and  $R[x]$  is not a PID

(Note that  $R[x] = \mathbb{C}[y][x] = \mathbb{C}[x, y]$   
is polynomials in  $x$  and  $y$  with  
coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}$ .)

Theorem Let  $R$  be a ring.

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Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module and let  $N \subseteq M$  be an  $R$ -submodule of  $M$ . Let

$$\mathcal{S}_N^M = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} R\text{-modules } P \\ | N \leq P \leq M \text{ are } \\ R\text{-module inclusions} \end{array} \right\}$$

partially ordered by inclusion.

Then  $\varphi: \mathcal{S}_N^M \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_0^{M/N}$

$$P \mapsto P/N \quad \text{where } P_N = \{p+N \mid p \in P\}$$

is an isomorphism of posets

with inverse map given by

$$\psi: \mathcal{S}_0^{M/N} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_N^M$$

$$\Gamma \mapsto \Gamma N \quad \text{where } \Gamma^N = \{m \in M \mid m + N \in \Gamma\}$$

Proof

To show: (a)  $\varphi$  is a morphism of posets

(b)  $\psi$  is a morphism of posets

$$(c) \varphi \circ \psi = id$$

$$(d) \psi \circ \varphi = id$$

(a) To show: If  $P, Q \in \mathcal{S}_N^M$  and Algebra Lect. 15  
 $P \subseteq Q$  then  $\varphi(P) \subseteq \varphi(Q)$ . A. Ram

Assume  $P, Q \in \mathcal{S}_N^M$  and  $P \subseteq Q$ .

To show:  $\varphi(P) \subseteq \varphi(Q)$

To show: If  $x \in \varphi(P)$  then  $x \in \varphi(Q)$ .

Assume  $x \in \varphi(P)$

To show:  $x \in \varphi(Q)$ .

Since  $x \in \varphi(P)$  then there exists  $p \in P$   
such that  $x = p + N$ .

Since  $P \subseteq Q$  then  $p \in Q$ .

So  $p + N \in \varphi(Q)$  and  $x \in \varphi(Q)$

So  $\varphi(P) \subseteq \varphi(Q)$ .

(b) To show: If  $\Gamma, \Delta \in \mathcal{S}_0^{M/N}$  and  $\Gamma \subseteq \Delta$   
then  $\Psi(\Gamma) \subseteq \Psi(\Delta)$ .

Assume  $\Gamma, \Delta \in \mathcal{S}_0^{M/N}$  and  $\Gamma \subseteq \Delta$ .

To show:  $\Psi(\Gamma) \subseteq \Psi(\Delta)$ .

To show: If  $m \in \Psi(\Gamma)$  then  $m \in \Psi(\Delta)$ .

Assume  $m \in \Psi(\Gamma)$

Then  $m + N \in \Gamma$ .

Since  $\Gamma \subseteq \Delta$  then  $m + N \in \Delta$ .

So  $m \in \Psi(\Delta)$ .

$\hookrightarrow \psi(\Gamma) \subseteq \psi(\Delta)$

(c) To show:  $\varphi \circ \psi = \text{id}$ .

To show: If  $r \in S_0^{HN}$  then  $\varphi(\psi(r)) = \text{id}(r)$

Assume  $r \in S_0^{HN}$

To show:  $\varphi(\psi(r)) = r$ .

To show: (ca)  $\varphi(\psi(r)) \subseteq r$

(cb)  $r \subseteq \varphi(\psi(r))$ .

(ca) To show: If  $x \in \varphi(\psi(r))$  then  $x \in r$ .

Assume  $x \in \varphi(\psi(r))$

Then there exists  $s \in \psi(r)$  such that  $x = s + N$

Since  $s \in \psi(r)$  then  $s \in r$ .

So  $x \in r$ .

So  $\varphi(\psi(r)) \subseteq r$ .

(cb) To show: If  $y \in r$  then  $y \in \varphi(\psi(r))$

Assume  $y \in r$ .

To show:  $y \in \varphi(\psi(r))$

To show: There exists  $p \in \psi(r)$  such that

$y = p + N$ .

Since  $y \in r$  there exists  $m \in M$  such that  $y = m + N$ .

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Let  $p = m$ .To show:  $p \in \psi(P)$  and  $y = p + N$ .

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Since  $p = m$  and  $y = m + N$  then  $y = p + N$ .To show:  $p \in \psi(P)$ Since  $y = m + N \in P$  then  $m \in \psi(P)$ So  $p = m \in \psi(P)$ .(a) To show:  $\psi \circ \varphi = \text{id}$ .To show: If  $P \in S_N^M$  then  $\psi(\varphi(P)) = P$ .Assume  $P \in S_N^M$ To show: (a)  $\psi(\varphi(P)) \subseteq P$ (b)  $\varphi(\psi(P)) \supseteq P$ (a) To show: If  $x \in \psi(\varphi(P))$  then  $x \in P$ .Assume  $x \in \psi(\varphi(P))$ Then  $x + N \in \varphi(P)$ So there exists  $p \in P$  such that

$$x + N = p + N$$

So  $x \in p + N$  and there exists  $n \in N$   
such that

$$x = p + n$$

Since  $N \subseteq P$  then  $n \in P$  and  $x = p + n \in P$

$$\text{So } \psi(\varphi(P)) \subseteq P.$$

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(d) Assume  $y \in P$

To show:  $y \in \psi(\varphi(P))$

To show:  $y + N \in \varphi(P)$

Since  $y \in P$  then  $y + N \in \varphi(P)$ .

So  $y \in \psi(\varphi(P))$

So  $P \subseteq \psi(\varphi(P))$ .

So  $P = \psi(\varphi(P))$ .

So  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism of posets.