

① [Expansion of Midterm Problem 1.]

Let R be a semisimple ring. Then

$$R = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k I_i,$$

where I_i are minimal left R -mod. After

relabeling I_i , we can and will assume that

$$R = \bigoplus_{i=1}^l \left(\bigoplus_{j=1}^{n_i} I_{i,j} \right),$$

such that $I_{i,j} \cong I_{i,j'}$ for any $1 \leq j \leq j' \leq n_i$

and $I_{i,j} \not\cong I_{i',j'}$ for any $i \neq i'$.

(By the way, this implies that $R \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^l (I_{i,1})^{n_i}$.)

② Let $\phi \in \text{Hom}_R(I_{i,1}, R)$. Prove that

$$\text{Im}(\phi) \subseteq M_i := \bigoplus_{j=1}^{n_i} I_{i,j}.$$

③ Prove that if $\phi \in \text{End}_R(R)$, then, for any i ,

$$\phi(M_i) \subseteq M_i,$$

where $M_i = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{n_i} I_{i,j}$. (Hint: Use part ②.)

④ Prove $\text{End}_R(R) \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^l \text{End}_R(M_i)$ as two rings.

d) Prove that $\text{End}_R(M_i) \cong M_{n_i}(D_i)$ where

$D_i = \text{End}_R(I_{i,1})$ is a division ring.

e) Prove that $R \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^f M_{n_i}(D_i^{\text{op}})$.

(Hint: $\text{End}_R(R) \cong R^{\text{op}}$.)

(For a given ring $(A, +, \cdot)$, its opposite ring $(A^{\text{op}}, +, \bullet)$ is a ring with the same underlying additive group and its multiplication is defined as follows

$$x \bullet y := y \cdot x$$

Exp 1. A commutative $\Rightarrow A = A^{\text{op}}$.

Exp 2. $A = M_n(F) \Rightarrow A \cong A^{\text{op}}$
 $x \mapsto x^T$ where

x^T is the transpose
of x .

Exp 3. $\tau: A \rightarrow A$ is called an involution if

① $\tau^2 = \text{id}_A$.

② $\tau(x+y) = \tau(x) + \tau(y)$.

③ $\tau(xy) = \tau(y) \cdot \tau(x)$.

If A has an involution, then $A \cong A^{\text{op}}$.

Exp 4. If D is a division ring, then D^{op} is also a division ring.

Exp 5. $M_n(D)^{op} \simeq M_n(D^{op})$ [Similar to Exp 2.]

[As a result of this exercise, you see that any (left) semisimple ring is isomorphic to

$$M_{n_1}(D_1) \oplus M_{n_2}(D_2) \oplus \cdots \oplus M_{n_k}(D_k)$$

where D_i are division rings. One can prove that n_i and D_i are unique (up to isomorphism.) This is called Artin-Wedderburn theorem.]

② [Expansion of Midterm Problem 3.]

@ Let R be a commutative ring and

$$GL_n(R) = \{A \in M_n(R) \mid \exists B \in M_n(R) : AB = BA = I_n\}.$$

Prove that $A \in GL_n(R)$ if and only if $\det(A)$ is a unit in R .

(You can find the following useful:

① For any commutative ring R , one can define

$$\det : M_n(R) \longrightarrow R$$

② $\det(I_n) = 1$ and $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$.

③ The (i,j) minor A_{ij} of A is the determinant of the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix that results from deleting the i^{th} row and the j^{th} column. The adjoint $\text{adj}(A)$ of A is an $n \times n$ matrix whose (i,j) entry is

$$(-1)^{i+j} A_{ji}.$$

Then $A \cdot \text{adj}(A) = \text{adj}(A) \cdot A = \det(A) I_n$.

④ Let R be a commutative ring and $A, B \in M_n(R)$.

Prove that $\text{Im}(A) \subseteq \text{Im}(B) \iff \exists X \in M_n(R): A = BX$.

$$(\text{Im}(C) = \{C\vec{v} \mid \vec{v} \in R^n\} = \sum_{i=1}^n R\vec{c}_i \text{ where } C = [\vec{c}_1 \vec{c}_2 \dots \vec{c}_n])$$

⑤ Let K be a field and $R \subseteq K$ be a subring.

Assume $A, B \in M_n(R)$ and $\det(A) \neq 0$. Prove that

$$\text{Im}(A) = \text{Im}(B) \iff \exists P \in GL_n(R): A = BP.$$

⑥ Let R be a commutative ring and $P \in M_n(R)$. Prove that

$P \in GL_n(R)$ if and only if the columns of P form an R -basis of R^n .

e) Let R be a commutative ring and $A \in M_n(R)$.

Prove that $\det(A) R^n \subseteq \text{Im}(A)$.

f) Let K be a field and $R \subseteq K$ be a PID.

Assume that $A \in M_n(R)$ and $\det(A) \neq 0$. Prove that

$\exists \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in R^n$ and $q_1 | q_2 | \dots | q_n$ s.t.

$$\textcircled{i} \quad R^n = R\vec{v}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus R\vec{v}_n .$$

$$\textcircled{ii} \quad \text{Im}(A) = Rq_1 v_1 \oplus \dots \oplus Rq_n \vec{v}_n .$$

Conclude that $\exists P_1 \in GL_n(R)$ s.t.

$$\text{Im}(A) = \text{Im}\left(P_1 \begin{bmatrix} q_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & q_n \end{bmatrix}\right) .$$

Now using c), show that $\exists P_1, P_2 \in GL_n(R)$ s.t.

$$A = P_1 \begin{bmatrix} q_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & q_n \end{bmatrix} P_2$$

g) Let F be a field. If $A \in M_n(F[x])$ and $\det(A) \neq 0$, then

$$\dim_F \left(\frac{F[x]^n}{\text{Im}(A)} \right) = \deg(\det A) .$$

③ Prove that the following are equivalent:

- (a) R is a (left) semisimple ring.
- (b) Any left R -module is semisimple.
- (c) Any left R -module is projective.
- (d) Any left R -module is injective.

(You do not have to show that (a) and (b) are equivalent.)

④ a) Let R be a ring and M be an R -module. Prove that

$$\textcircled{i} \Rightarrow \textcircled{ii} \Rightarrow \textcircled{iii} \Rightarrow \textcircled{iv}$$

i) M is free.

ii) M is projective.

iii) M is flat.

iv) M is torsion-free, i.e. $ax = 0$ if $0 \neq x \in M$ and $a \in R$
is NOT a zero-divisor.

b) Prove that if R is a PID and M is a f.g. R -mod,
then i), ii), iii) and iv) are equivalent.

⑤ An abelian group G is called divisible if for any $a \in G$ and any $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ $nx = a$ has a solution in G .

a) Prove that a \mathbb{Z} -mod G is injective if and only if G is divisible.

b) Let G and H be \mathbb{Z} -modules and $\phi \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(G, H)$.

If G is divisible, then $\phi(G)$ is also divisible.

c) If G_i are divisible, then $\bigoplus_{i \in I} G_i$ and $\prod_{i \in I} G_i$ are also divisible.

d) Prove that any abelian group can be embedded into a divisible abelian group.

$$(\text{Hint: } \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}/K \hookrightarrow \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{Q}/K)$$

e) Let J be a divisible abelian group. Prove that $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(R, J)$ is an injective R -module.

f) Prove that any R -module can be embedded into an injective module.

$$(\text{Hint: } \forall M: R\text{-mod } \exists J: \mathbb{Z}\text{-mod \& divisible s.t.})$$

$M \hookrightarrow J$ as \mathbb{Z} -modules \Rightarrow

$$M \cong \underset{R}{\text{Hom}}(R, M) \hookrightarrow \underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\text{Hom}}(R, M) \hookrightarrow \underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\text{Hom}}(R, J) .$$

⑥ Let P_1 and P_2 be projective R -modules. Prove that if

$$0 \rightarrow Q_1 \rightarrow P_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_1} M \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$0 \rightarrow Q_2 \rightarrow P_2 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} M \rightarrow 0$$

are short exact sequences, then

$$P_1 \oplus Q_2 \cong P_2 \oplus Q_1.$$

(Hint. Consider $N = \{(x_1, x_2) \in P_1 \oplus P_2 \mid \pi_1(x_1) = \pi_2(x_2)\}$.)