

# Take home Midterm

a) [2] Identify what kind of algebraic object  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/\langle x^2+1 \rangle$  is.  
 $\langle x^2+1 \rangle = \{a(x^2+1) \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}_5\}$

Note  $\langle x^2+1 \rangle$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$ .

sense/reasons (1.5)

Since  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$  is abelian  $\langle x^2+1 \rangle$  is normal. Thus

$\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/\langle x^2+1 \rangle$  is a Group.

Factor group of an abelian group is abelian  $\Rightarrow$  Abelian Group

Is  $\langle x^2+1 \rangle$  an ideal? note  $x(x^2+1) \notin \langle x^2+1 \rangle$

$\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/\langle x^2+1 \rangle$  is not a Ring

b) [3] Identify what kind of algebraic object  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/(x^2+1)$  is

$(x^2+1) = \{ (x^2+1)f(x) \mid f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}_5[x] \}$  } generated as an ideal  
 polynomials with  $x^2+1$  as a factor

Note  $(x^2+1)$  is closed by addition  $\circ$   $(x^2+1)f(x) + (x^2+1)g(x) = (x^2+1)[f(x)+g(x)]$   
 identity:  $0 \cdot (x^2+1) = 0$   
 additive inverse:  $-(x^2+1)f(x)$   
 $\rightarrow$  subgroup

$\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$  is abelian  $\Rightarrow (x^2+1)$  is normal. Thus

$\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/(x^2+1)$  is a Group

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Note  $(x^2+1)$  is an ideal  $\Rightarrow$  multiplicative operator is defined

$\Rightarrow$  RING Factor ring of commutative ring  $\Rightarrow$  Commutative

Note  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}_5[x]$  and  $[g(x) + (x^2+1)] \cdot 1 = g(x) + (x^2+1)$

$\Rightarrow$  has Multiplicative identity/unity

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To decide if integral domain, consider if  $(x^2+1)$  is prime.  
 $(x+2)(x+3) = x^2 + 2x + 3x + 6 = x^2 + 5x + 6 \equiv x^2 + 1$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]$

BA  $x+2$  &  $(x^2+1)$  and  $x+3$  &  $(x^2+1)$

(15) So  $(x^2+1)$  is NOT prime  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_5[x]/(x^2+1)$  is not ID  
 $\Rightarrow$  not held

c) [7] Find a representative of  $(3x+4) \cdot (x+1)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/(x^2+1)$  that has degree less than 2, if possible.

$$(3x+4)(x+1) = 3x^2 + 3x + 4x + 4 = 3x^2 + 7x + 4 = 3x^2 + 2x + 4$$

in  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/(x^2+1)$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + (x^2 + 1) = -1 + (x^2 + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + (x^2 + 1) = 4 + (x^2 + 1)$$

in  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/(x^2+1)$  then  $(3x+4)(x+1) + (x^2+1) = 3x^2 + 2x + 4 + (x^2+1)$

$$= 3(4) + 2x + 4 + (x^2+1)$$

$$= 12 + 2x + 4 + (x^2+1)$$

$$= 16 + 2x + (x^2+1)$$

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

OR  
 remainder when  $(3x+4)(x+1) = 3x^2 + 2x + 4$  is divided by  $x^2+1$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 0x + 1 \quad | \quad 3x^2 + 2x + 4 \\ \underline{-(3x^2 + 0x + 3)} \\ 2x + 1 \end{array}$$

So remainder is  $2x+1$

$\Rightarrow$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_5[x]/(x^2+1)$

$$[(3x+4)(x+1)] = [2x+1]$$