

Theorem. Let  $S$  be an ideal of a ring  $R$  then

$\frac{R}{S} = \{(S+a) \mid a \in R\}$  forms a ring with respect to  
"+" and " $\cdot$ " defined in  $\frac{R}{S}$  as

- (i)  $S+a + S+b = S+a+b$  { Addition is binary in  $\frac{R}{S}$ }  
 (ii)  $(S+a) \cdot (S+b) = S+ab$  { multiplication is binary in  $\frac{R}{S}$ }

"+" is associative Let  $S+a_1, S+a_2, S+a_3 \in \frac{R}{S}, a_1, a_2, a_3 \in R$

To show

$$\{(S+a_1) + (S+a_2)\} + (S+a_3) = (S+a_1) + \{(S+a_2) + (S+a_3)\}$$

$$LHS = \{(S+a_1) + (S+a_2)\} + (S+a_3)$$

$$= [S+(a_1+a_2)] + (S+a_3)$$

$$= S+(a_1+a_2+a_3)$$

$$= S+a_1 + (a_2+a_3) \quad [!! (a_1+a_2)+a_3 = a_1+(a_2+a_3) \text{ in } R]$$

$$= S+a_1 + S+(a_2+a_3)$$

$$= S+a_1 + \{(S+a_2) + (S+a_3)\}$$

$$LHS = RHS$$

Existence of additive identity in  $\frac{R}{S}$ .

Let  $(S+a) \in \frac{R}{S}$  then  $\exists (S+0) \in \frac{R}{S}$  called

zero identity in  $\frac{R}{S}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} S+a + S+0 &= S+a+0 \\ &= S+a \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow (S+0)$  is zero identity in  $\frac{R}{S}$ . [ Note.  $S+0=S$  ]

Existence of additive inverse

Let  $(S+0) \in \frac{R}{S}$  (zero identity). Let  $(S+a) \in \frac{R}{S}$

Then  $\{S+(-a)\} \in \frac{R}{S}$  called inverse of  $(S+a)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} (S+a) + S+(-a) &= S+a+(-a) \\ &= S+a-a \\ &= S+0. \end{aligned}$$

"+" is commutative. Let  $(s+a), (s+b) \in \frac{R}{S}$ ,  $a, b \in R$

then

To show  $(s+a) + (s+b) = (s+b) + (s+a)$

$$\text{LHS} = (s+a) + (s+b)$$

$$\text{LHS} = s + a + b \quad [ \because a + b = b + a, \text{ in } R ]$$

$$\text{LHS} = s + b + a$$

$$\text{LHS} = (s+b) + (s+a)$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

"." is binary. Let  $(s+a), (s+b) \in \frac{R}{S}$

then  $(s+a) \cdot (s+b) = (s+ab) \in \frac{R}{S}$  as  $(a, b) \in R$

"." is associative. Let  $(s+a), (s+b), (s+c) \in \frac{R}{S}$ ,  $a, b, c \in R$

Then To show  $\{(s+a)(s+b)\}(s+c) = (s+a)\{(s+b)(s+c)\}$

$$\text{LHS} = \{(s+a)(s+b)\}(s+c)$$

$$\text{LHS} = (s+ab)(s+c)$$

$$\text{LHS} = s + (ab)c$$

$$\text{LHS} = s + a(bc) \quad [ \because (ab)c = a(bc) \text{ in } R ]$$

$$\text{LHS} = (s+a)(s+bc)$$

$$\text{LHS} = (s+a)\{(s+b)(s+c)\}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

Distributive properties. Let  $(s+a), (s+b), (s+c) \in \frac{R}{S}$ ,  $a, b, c \in R$

To show

$$(i) (s+a) \cdot [(s+b) + (s+c)] = (s+a) \cdot [s+b] + (s+a) \cdot (s+c)$$

$$(ii) [(s+b) + (s+c)](s+a) = (s+b)(s+a) + (s+c)(s+a)$$

$$(i) \text{ LHS} = (s+a) \cdot [(s+b) + (s+c)]$$

$$\text{LHS} = (s+a) \cdot [s+b+c]$$

$$\text{LHS} = s+a(b+c)$$

$$\text{LHS} = s+a+b+c$$

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$$RHS = (s+a)(s+b) + (s+a)(s+c)$$

$$RHS = (s+ab) + (s+ac) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$RHS = s + ab + ac$$

$$(1) \text{ and } (2) \Rightarrow LHS = RHS.$$

Similarly we can prove (iii) part.

Therefore,  $\left\{ \frac{R}{S}, +, \circ \right\}$  is a ring.

Theorem. If  $f$  is a homomorphism of a ring  $R$  into a ring  $R'$  with kernel  $S$ , then prove that  $S$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

Proof. Let  $R$  and  $R'$  be any two rings.

Let  $f: R \rightarrow R'$  be homomorphism

Let  $S$  be the kernel of  $f$  then

$S = \{ x \in R \mid f(x) = 0' \}$ ,  $0'$  is identity element in  $R'$

To show  $S$  is an ideal

$$\text{Let } \alpha \in S \Rightarrow f(\alpha) = 0'$$

$$\beta \in S \Rightarrow f(\beta) = 0'$$

To show  $(\alpha - \beta) \in S$

$$f(\alpha - \beta) = f[\alpha + (-\beta)]$$

$$f(\alpha - \beta) = f(\alpha) + f(-\beta)$$

$$f(\alpha - \beta) = f(\alpha) - f(\beta)$$

$$f(\alpha - \beta) = 0' - 0'$$

$$f(\alpha - \beta) = 0'$$

$\Rightarrow (\alpha - \beta) \in S \Rightarrow (S, +)$  is a subgroup.

Let  $x \in R$ ,  $a \in S$  s.t.  $f(a) = 0'$

To show  $xa \in S$  and  $a \in S$

$$f(xa) = f(x)f(a) = f(x) \cdot 0' = 0'$$

$$\Rightarrow xa \in S$$

$$\text{Again } f(xa) = f(x)f(a) = 0' \cdot f(a) = 0'$$

$$\Rightarrow a \in S$$

ii  $(S, +, \cdot)$  is an ideal of  $(R, +, \cdot)$ .

Theorem. State and prove fundamental theorem of homomorphism on rings.

Statement. Every homomorphic image of a ring  $R$  is isomorphic to some quotient ring.

Proof. Let  $R$  and  $R'$  be any two rings.

Let  $f: R \rightarrow R'$  be homomorphism

then  $R' = \{f(a) | a \in R\}$  be homomorphic image of  $R$ .

let  $S$  be a kernel of  $f$  then

$S = \{x \in R | f(x) = 0'\}$ ,  $0'$  is zero identity in  $R'$

then clearly  $S$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

~~and~~  $\Rightarrow \frac{R}{S} = \{(S+a) | a \in R\}$  is a ring, called

quotient ring

To show  $\frac{R}{S} \cong R'$ ,

Define a new mapping

such that

$$\phi: \frac{R}{S} \rightarrow R' \quad \text{such that} \\ \phi(S+a) = f(a), \quad \forall a \in R$$

Clearly  $\phi$  is well defined

To show  $\phi$  is one-one. Let  $(s+a), (s+b) \in \frac{R}{S}$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(s+a) = \phi(s+b) &\Rightarrow f(a) = f(b) \\ &\Rightarrow f(a) - f(b) = f(b) - f(b) \\ &\Rightarrow f(a) + f(-b) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow f(a-b) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (a-b) \in S \\ &\Rightarrow s+a = s+b\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \phi$  is one-one

To show  $\phi$  is onto. Let  $f(a) \in R^1$  then  $\exists (s+a) \in \frac{R}{S}$

such that  $\phi(s+a) = f(a)$ ,  $\forall a \in R$ .

$\Rightarrow \phi$  is onto.

To show  $\phi[(s+a)+(s+b)] = \phi(s+a) + \phi(s+b)$

$$(i) \quad \phi[(s+a)+(s+b)] = \phi(s+a+b)$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Let } s+a, s+b \in \frac{R}{S}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi[s+a+s+b] &= \phi[s+a+b] \\ &\stackrel{\text{if}}{=} f(a+b) \quad [\phi(s+a) = f(a)] \\ &\stackrel{\text{if}}{=} f(a)+f(b) \quad [! f \text{ is homomorphism}]\end{aligned}$$

$$\phi[(s+a)+(s+b)] = \phi(s+a) + \phi(s+b)$$

$$(ii) \quad \phi[(s+a)(s+b)] = \phi[s+ab]$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi[(s+a)(s+b)] &= f(ab) \quad [! \phi(s+a) = f(a)] \\ \phi[(s+a)(s+b)] &= f(a)f(b) \quad [! f \text{ is homomorphism}] \\ \phi[(s+a)(s+b)] &= \phi(s+a) \cdot \phi(s+b) \quad [! f(a) = \phi(s+a) \text{ etc.}]\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\phi$  is an isomorphism.

Hence  $R^1 \cong \frac{R}{S}$  , proved.

Q. Define maximal ideal

Ans An ideal  $S \subsetneq R$  in a ring  $R$  is called maximal ideal of  $R$  if there exists another ideal  $T$  of  $R$  such that

$$S \subseteq T \subseteq R$$

then either  $T = S$  or  $T = R$ .

Example ① Let  $(I, +, \cdot)$  be a ring

then  $(5I, +, \cdot)$  is a maximal ideal of  $(I, +, \cdot)$

as there exists no ideal  $T$  such that

$$5I \subseteq T \subseteq I. \quad [5I \text{ is } \text{सबसे बड़ा उद्योग of } I \text{ में से एक उद्योग नहीं है।}]$$

Note. Because  $\exists$  no  $T$  containing  $5I$ . कोई]

②  $(I, +, \cdot)$  is a ring

$(6I, +, \cdot)$  is an ideal but not maximal

$$\text{as } 6I \subseteq 3I \subseteq I$$

Here  $3I$  contains property  $6I$  property.



Ex. ① में  $5I$  का  $I$  के बीच  $5I$

को contain करने वाला कोई ideal exist नहीं करता

परन्तु Ex. ② में  $6I$  को contain करने वाला  $3I$  ideal

exist करता है।

Theorem. An ideal  $S$  of the ring of integers  $I$  is maximal

iff  $S$  is generated by some prime integer

Proof. Let  $(I, +, \cdot)$  be a ring of integers

Let  $S$  is an ideal generated by  $p$ ,  $p$  is a prime

"if part" suppose  $p$  is prime

To show  $S = (p)$  is maximal

let  $T$  be an ideal such that  $S \subseteq T \subseteq I$

To prove either  $T = S$  or  $T = I$

Let  $T = (qr)$ ,  $qr$  is some integer

Now  $S \subseteq T \Rightarrow (p) \subseteq T$

Let  $p \in S \Rightarrow p \in T$  [!!  $S \subseteq T$ ]

$$\Rightarrow p = rq \quad [!! T = (qr)]$$

$= \{ nq \text{ for some integer } n \}$

as  $S$  is prime

$$S = 1 \times 5$$

OR

$$S = 5 \times 1$$

if

since  $p$  is prime it means

two cases arise

$$(1) qr = 1$$

$$(2) qr = p$$

$$(1) \text{ if } qr = 1 \\ \Rightarrow p = r \text{ lie } T = I$$

$$(2) \text{ if } qr = p \text{ then } T = S$$

$$\text{if } S \subseteq T \subseteq I \Rightarrow T = S \text{ or } T = I$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is maximal ideal.

Only if part suppose  $S = (p)$  is maximal

To prove  $p$  is prime

Suppose if possible  $p$  is not prime  
then  $\exists m, n \in I$  such that

$$p = mn \text{ where neither } m \neq 1 \text{ nor } n \neq 1$$

Now, it is ~~obvious~~ obvious

$$(p) \subseteq (m) \subseteq I$$

$\Rightarrow$  Either  $(m) = I$  or  $(m) = (p)$ .

(i) if  $(m) = I \Rightarrow m = 1$  which is a contradiction

(ii) if  $(m) = (p) \Rightarrow m$  is a multiple of  $p$

$$\Rightarrow m = lp \text{ for some } l \in I$$

$$\therefore p = mn$$

$$\Rightarrow p = lpn$$

$$\Rightarrow p(1 - ln) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow 1 - ln = 0$  as  $p \neq 0$  &  $I$  is without zero divisors

$\Rightarrow ln = 1$  which is a contradiction as  $\exists$  no integers

$\therefore p$  must be prime.

namely  $l = 1$  &  $n = 1$  whose product is 1.

Theorem. Let  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  be two ideals of a ring  $R$

$$\text{let } s_1 + s_2 = \{s_1 + s_2 \mid s_1 \in s_1, s_2 \in s_2\}$$

Then  $(s_1 + s_2)$  is an ideal generated by  $(s_1 \cup s_2)$ .

Proof. Let  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  be any two ideals of a ring  $R$ .

To prove  $(s_1 + s_2)$  is an ideal generated by  $(s_1 \cup s_2)$

We know

$$s_1 + s_2 = \{(s_1 + s_2) \mid s_1 \in s_1, s_2 \in s_2\}$$

$$\text{let } \alpha \in s_1 + s_2 \Rightarrow \alpha = a_1 + a_2, a_1 \in s_1, a_2 \in s_2$$

$$\beta \in s_1 + s_2 \Rightarrow \beta = b_1 + b_2, b_1 \in s_1, b_2 \in s_2$$

$$\text{Now, } \alpha - \beta = (a_1 - b_1) + (a_2 - b_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - \beta) \in (s_1 + s_2) \text{ as } (a_1 - b_1) \in s_1, (a_2 - b_2) \in s_2$$

$$\text{Now, let } \lambda \in R, \alpha \in (s_1 + s_2) \Rightarrow \alpha = a_1 + b_1, \begin{matrix} a_1 \in s_1 \\ b_1 \in s_2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\lambda \alpha = \lambda(a_1 + b_1)$$

$$\lambda \alpha = \lambda a_1 + \lambda b_1 \Rightarrow \lambda \alpha \in (s_1 + s_2)$$

$$\text{Similarly } \lambda \alpha \in (s_1 + s_2) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{as } \lambda a_1 \in s_1 \\ \lambda b_1 \in s_2 \end{matrix}$$

i.e.  $(s_1 + s_2)$  is an ideal of a ring  $R$ .

Since  $0 \in s_1, 0 \in s_2$

$$\Rightarrow s_1 \subseteq s_1 + s_2$$

$$\text{and } s_2 \subseteq s_1 + s_2$$

$$\Rightarrow s_1 \cup s_2 \subseteq (s_1 + s_2)$$

$$\left[ \begin{matrix} \text{if } A \subseteq C \\ \text{and } B \subseteq C \end{matrix} \mid \Rightarrow (A \cup B) \subseteq C \right]$$

$\Rightarrow (s_1 + s_2)$  is the smallest ideal containing  $s_1 \cup s_2$

as if  $S$  is an ideal containing  $(s_1 \cup s_2)$ ,

then  $S$  must contain  $s_1 + s_2$  ( $\because (s_1 \cup s_2) \subseteq (s_1 + s_2)$ )

i.e.  $s_1 + s_2 = (s_1 \cup s_2)$ , proved,

Theorem, An ideal  $S$  of a commutative ring  $R$  with unity is maximal iff the quotient ring  $\frac{R}{S}$  is a field.

Proof, let  $S$  be an ideal of a commutative ring  $R$  with unity.

"if part" suppose  $S$  is maximal  
To prove  $\frac{R}{S}$  is a field

We ~~know~~ know

$\frac{R}{S} = \left\{ s+a \mid a \in R \right\}$  is a commutative ring  
with unit element as  $s+1$ . and zero element

as  $S$ .

In order to prove  $\frac{R}{S}$  is a field we shall prove  
every non zero element of  $\frac{R}{S}$  has its multiplicative

inverse.

Let  $(s+b)$  be any non-zero element of  $\frac{R}{S}$

$\Rightarrow s+b \neq s$   $\left[ \because s \text{ is zero element of } \frac{R}{S} \right]$

$\Rightarrow b \notin S$

Let  $T = (b)$  is principal ideal of  $R$  generated by  $b$ ,  $b \in T$ .

$\Rightarrow S \subseteq (s+T)$  and  $(s+T) \subseteq R$

But  $S$  is maximal

$\Rightarrow s+T = R$

$s+T = \left\{ s+b\alpha \mid \alpha \in R \right\}$

Let  $s+b\alpha \in (s+T) \Rightarrow s+b\alpha \in R \quad [ \because s+T = R ]$

Since  $1 \in R$

$\Rightarrow a+b\alpha = 1$  where  $a \in S$

$\Rightarrow a = 1 - b\alpha$

$\Rightarrow (1-b\alpha) \in S \quad [ \because a \in S ]$

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$$\Rightarrow S+I = S+bI \quad [Ha = Hb \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in I]$$

$$\Rightarrow S+I = (S+b)(S+b^{-1})$$

$\Rightarrow (S+b^{-1})$  is the multiplicative inverse of  $(S+b)$

$\Rightarrow (\frac{R}{S}, +, \cdot)$  is a field

"Only if part" suppose  $(\frac{R}{S}, +, \cdot)$  is a field

To prove  $S$  is maximal

Let  $S'$  be an ideal of  $R$  such that

$$S \subseteq S' \subseteq R \quad \& \quad S \neq S'$$

$\Rightarrow S$  will be maximal if  $S' = R$

clearly  $S' \subseteq R$  — (1)

To prove  $R \subseteq S'$

Let  $\alpha \in R$  such that  $\alpha \notin S$

$$\Rightarrow S+\alpha \neq S$$

$\Rightarrow S+\alpha$  is non zero element of  $\frac{R}{S}$

Since  $S \subseteq S' \Rightarrow \exists \beta \in S'$  such that  $\beta \notin S$

$\Rightarrow S+\beta \in \frac{R}{S}$  is also a non zero element

We know  $(\frac{R}{S}, +)$  is a group

i.  $\exists (str) \in \frac{R}{S}$  such that

$$(str)(s+\beta) = s+\alpha, r \in R$$

$$\Rightarrow str + r\beta = s+\alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha - r\beta) \in S \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - r\beta \in S' \quad [\because S \subseteq S']$$

Also  $r \in R, \beta \in S' \Rightarrow r\beta \in S' \quad \text{--- (2)} \quad \text{--- (1)}$

$$\text{From (1) & (2) } \alpha - r\beta + r\beta \in S'$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \in S' \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

From (2) & (3)  $\Rightarrow S' = R$ ;  $S$  is maximal ideal of  $R$ .

Theorem. Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $S$  be any ideal of  $R$  then  $\frac{R}{S}$  is an integral domain iff  $S$  is prime ideal.

Proof. Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $S$  be an ideal of  $R$  then

$\frac{R}{S} = \{ s+a \mid a \in R \}$  is a ring, called quotient ring

Also  $\frac{R}{S}$  is commutative as

$$(s+a)(s+b) = (s+b)(s+a) \quad [!! ab = ba]$$

if part " Suppose  $S$  is prime ideal

to prove  $\frac{R}{S}$  is an integral domain

To prove  $\frac{R}{S}$  is without zero divisors

We know zero element of  $\frac{R}{S}$  is  $S$

so let  $s+a$  and  $s+b$  be any two ~~non-zero~~ elements of  $\frac{R}{S}$  where  $a, b \in R$  but  $a \notin S, b \notin S$

Now ~~(s+a) ≠ s~~ To show

$$(s+a)(s+b) = s \Rightarrow s+ab = s$$

$\Rightarrow$  Either  $s+a = s$  or  $s+b = s$

- (i) if  $s+a = s \Rightarrow a \in S$  which is a contradiction
- (ii) if  $s+b = s \Rightarrow b \in S$  which is again a contradiction

~~iii)  $(s+a)(s+b) = s$ .~~

$$s+ab = s \Rightarrow ab \in S$$

$\Rightarrow$  Either  $a \in S$  or  $b \in S$  [!!  $S$  is prime ideal]

(i)  $a \in S \Rightarrow s+a = s$

(ii)  $b \in S \Rightarrow s+b = s$

ii)  $(s+a)(s+b) = s \Rightarrow$  Either  $s+a = s$  or  $s+b = s$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{R}{S}$  is without zero divisors.

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"Only if part" Suppose  $(\frac{R}{S}, +, \cdot)$  is an integral domain  
to prove  $S$  is prime ideal.

Let  $a, b \in R$  such that  $(ab) \in S$

To prove either  $a \in S$  or  $b \in S$

It is given  $\frac{R}{S}$  is without zero divisors

let  $s+a, s+b$  be any two ~~non-zero~~ elements

$$(s+a)(s+b) = s \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } s \text{ is zero element of } \frac{R}{S} \\ \text{or } s+a = s \quad (i) \quad \text{or } s+b = s \quad (ii) \end{array} \right.$$

$$(i) \quad s+a = s$$

$\Rightarrow a \in S$

$\Rightarrow a \in S$

$$(ii) \quad s+b = s \quad \Rightarrow b \in S$$

$\Rightarrow b \in S$

$$ii \quad (ab) \in S$$

$\Rightarrow$  Either  $a \in S$  or  $b \in S$   
 $\Rightarrow S$  is prime ideal.

proved