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MAT 3143 – The final exam

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1. Let $R = M_2(\mathbb{C})$ be the ring of 2×2 -matrices with complex entries. Verify that

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x & iy \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$$

is a subring of R (apply the subring test).

(2)

Solution:

2. In each case decide whether I is an ideal of the ring R

(1) $R = \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$, $I = \{(n, n + \bar{3}) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_3\}$ (here \mathbb{Z}_3 denotes integers modulo 3). (1)

(2) $R = \mathbb{Q}(i)$, $I = \{r - ri \mid r \in \mathbb{Q}\}$. (1)

(3) $R = \mathbb{R}[x]$, $I = \{p(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x] \mid p(1) = 1\}$. (1)

Solution:

3. Let F be a field of order 5. Divide $x^2 + x + 3$ by $x + 2$ in $F[x]$. (2)

Solution:

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4. Determine whether $(1 + 7i)$ is irreducible in the ring $\mathbb{Z}(i)$ of Gaussian integers. (2)
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Solution:

5. Prove that there is no field F such that $(F^\times, \cdot) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}, +)$. (3)

Solution:

6. If $a^2 = b^2$ and $a^3 = b^3$ in a domain, show that $a = b$. (2)

Solution:

7. Determine the multiplicity of a as a root of $f(x) \in F[x]$, where $f(x) = x^4 + 2x^2 + 2x + 2$, $a = -1$ and $F = \mathbb{Z}_3$.

(2)

Solution:

8. Let F be a field. Find a monic polynomial h in $F[x]$ such that (2)

$$(h) = \{f \in F[x] \mid \text{the sum of the coefficients of } f \text{ is zero}\}.$$

Solution:

9. If $u \in \mathbb{C}$ and $u \notin \mathbb{R}$, show that $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}(u)$. (2)

Solution:

10. Find a basis of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt[3]{3})$ over \mathbb{Q} .

(3)

Solution:

11. Show that $x^2 - 3$ and $x^2 - 2x - 2$ have the same splitting fields. (2)

Solution: