

## Number systems

Let  $F$  be a field and let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ .

Polynomials with  
 coefficients in  $F$

$F[x]$

$n \times n$  matrices with  
 entries in  $F$

$M_n(F)$ .

Define multiplication in  $F[x]$  by

$$a(x)b(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{k+l}x^{k+l}$$

where  $c_j = a_0b_j + a_1b_{j-1} + \dots + a_jb_0$  ~~where~~ if

$$a(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_kx^k \quad \text{and}$$

$$b(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_lx^l.$$

Theorem  $F[x]$  is a commutative ring.

Theorem  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a commutative ring.

Since  $m\mathbb{Z} = (-m)\mathbb{Z}$  multiples in  $\mathbb{Z}$  are  
 indexed by  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ .

Proposition  $m(x) \mid F[x]$ .

Multiples in  $F[x]$  are indexed by  
 monic polynomials  $m(x)$ .

Theorem  $M_n(F)$  is a noncommutative ring.

Theorem Euclidean Algorithm for  $\mathbb{F}[x]$ .

Let  $a(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  and let  $m(x)$  be a monic polynomial. Let  $d = \deg(m(x))$ .

Then there exist unique  $q(x)$  and  $r(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  such that

$$a(x) = q(x)m(x) + r(x) \text{ and } \deg(r(x)) \in \{0, 1, \dots, d-1\}.$$

Let  $a(x), b(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$ . The gcd of  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  is the monic polynomial  $l(x)$  such that

$$l(x)\mathbb{F}[x] = a(x)\mathbb{F}[x] + b(x)\mathbb{F}[x].$$

The lcm of  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  is the monic polynomial  $m(x)$  such that

$$m(x)\mathbb{F}[x] = a(x)\mathbb{F}[x] \cap b(x)\mathbb{F}[x].$$

The polynomials  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  are relatively prime if

$$\gcd(a(x), b(x)) = 1.$$

Example Let  $a(x) = (x-5)^3$  and  $b(x) = (x-3)^7$  in  $\mathbb{C}[x]$ . Then

$$\gcd(a(x), b(x)) = 1$$

and so there exist polynomials  $v(x)$  and  $w(x)$  such that

$$1 = a(x)r(x) + b(x)s(x).$$

By inspection,

$$r(x) = \frac{-14}{256}x^4 + \frac{231}{256}x^5 - \frac{1605}{256}x^4 + \frac{5990}{256}x^3 - \frac{12648}{256}x^2$$

$$+ \frac{14307}{256}x - \frac{6773}{256}$$

and

$$s(x) = \frac{14}{256}x^2 - \frac{147}{256}x + \frac{387}{256}.$$

Let  $A$  and  $M$  be rings (so they each have addition and multiplication).

A ring homomorphism from  $A$  to  $M$  is a function

$$f: A \rightarrow M \text{ such that}$$

(a) If  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  then  $f(a_1 + a_2) = f(a_1) + f(a_2)$

(b) If  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  then  $f(a_1 a_2) = f(a_1) f(a_2)$

(c)  ~~$f(1) = 1$~~   $f(1) = 1$ .

Example Let  $A \in \mathbb{Z}_{70}$  and  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{F})$ .

$$\text{ev}_A: \mathbb{F}[x] \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{F})$$

$$a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_kx^k \mapsto a_0 + a_1A + \dots + a_kA^k$$

Proposition  $\text{ev}_A$  is a ring homomorphism  
from  $\mathbb{F}[x] \rightarrow M_n(\mathbb{F})$ .

## Proposition

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Let  $m_A(x)$  be the minimal polynomial of  $A$ . Let

$$\ker(\text{ev}_A) = \{p(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x] \mid \text{ev}_A(p(x)) = 0\}$$

Then

$$\ker(\text{ev}_A) = m_A(x) \mathbb{F}[x].$$

Theorem (Cayley-Hamilton) Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  and let  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{F})$ . Then

$$\det(x-A) \in \ker(\text{ev}_A).$$

Theorem Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  and  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{F})$ .

Let  $m_A(x)$  be the minimal polynomial of  $A$ .

Assume  $m_A(x) = p(x)q(x)$  with  $\gcd(p(x), q(x)) = 1$ .

Write

$$1 = p(x)r(x) + q(x)s(x) \text{ and let}$$

$$P_U = \text{ev}_A(p(x)r(x)) \text{ and } P_W = \text{ev}_A(q(x)s(x)).$$

Define  $V = \mathbb{F}^n$ ,  $U = P_U \cdot \mathbb{F}^n$ ,  $W = P_W \cdot \mathbb{F}^n$

Then

$$V = U \oplus W.$$

The same thing said a different way.

