

MATH 505 SPRING 2015 PRACTICE FINAL

Each question is worth 6 points. The best 5 solutions will be taken.

- (1) Can you find a single residue a modulo 7 with $\mathbb{Z}/7(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5}) = \mathbb{Z}/7(\sqrt{a})$? Justify your answer.
- (2) Let J_1 be the ideal $(X^3 + X + 1)\mathbb{Z}/2[X]$ of the ring $\mathbb{Z}/2[X]$. Let J_2 be the ideal $(X^3 + X^2 + X + 1)\mathbb{Z}/2[X]$. Show that the quotient rings $(\mathbb{Z}/2[X])/J_1$ and $(\mathbb{Z}/2[X])/J_2$ are not isomorphic.
- (3) Determine all the irreducible cubic polynomials over $\mathbf{GF}(3)$.
- (4) Let A be an abelian group. For each index set I , exhibit $\prod_{i \in I} A$ as a subgroup of A^I .
- (5) Let p be a prime number. Suppose that L is the lattice of positive integers under the divisibility relation. Let \mathbf{Ring} be the category of unital ring homomorphisms. Consider the functor $F: L \rightarrow \mathbf{Ring}$ sending integer n to $\mathbf{GF}(p^n)$. Show that each polynomial in $\mathbf{GF}(p)[X]$ has a root in $\varinjlim F$.
- (6) Let V_4 be the Klein Vierergruppe. According to the Structure Theorem for Finitely Generated Abelian Groups, the abelian group

$$A = (\mathbb{Z}^2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/10) \otimes (\mathbb{Z} \oplus V_4)$$

is isomorphic to

$$\mathbb{Z}/J_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/J_l$$

for an ascending chain

$$(1) \quad J_1 \hookrightarrow \cdots \hookrightarrow J_l$$

of ideals of \mathbb{Z} . Determine the chain (1) of ideals.