

Q) A ring  $R$  has infinitely many nilpotent elements if  $a, b \in R$   
if  $ba \neq 1$  and  $ab = 1$ .

Ans:-  $ab^{-1} = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in \text{Nil radical of } R$   
 $R(ab^{-1}) \in \text{Nil radical of } R$  as it is an ideal  
 $\Rightarrow R$  has infinitely many nilpotent elements

Definition :- When  $I$  is an ideal of ring  $R$  then  $R/I$  with <sup>binary</sup> operations  
 as  $(r+I) + (s+I) = (r+s)+I$   
 and  $(r+I) \times (s+I) = rs+I \quad \forall r, s \in R$   
 is called the quotient ring of  $R$  by  $I$

First Isomorphism Theorem of Rings :-

If  $\phi: R \rightarrow S$  is a homomorphism of rings then the kernel of  $\phi$   
 is an ideal of  $R$ . The image of  $\phi$  is a subring of  $S$  and  
 $R/\ker(\phi)$  is isomorphic as a ring to  $\phi(R)$

Proof :-  $\ker(\phi) = \{ r : \phi(r) = 0 \} = I$  (let)

$r+I$  are the cosets for  $r \in R$

$$\phi(r) \phi(r_2) = \phi(r_1 r_2)$$

$$\phi(r_1) = (r_1 + I) \quad \phi(r_2) = (r_2 + I) \quad \phi(r_1 r_2) = r_1 r_2 + I$$

$$\therefore \phi(r_1 r_2) = (r_1 r_2 + I)$$

$$\phi(r_1) = (r_1 + I) \quad \forall r_1 \in R$$

$$(r_1 + I)(r_2 + I) = (r_1 r_2 + I)$$

$I$  is a subring of  $R$

$$r_1 r_2 + r_1 I + r_2 I + I = r_1 r_2 + I$$

$$(r_1 + r_2)I + I = I$$

$$r_3 I + I = I$$

$$\hookrightarrow r_3 I \subseteq I$$

$\hookrightarrow r_3$  is arbitrary

So  $I$  is an ideal

$R/I$  is a ring,  $f: R \rightarrow R/I$  is a group homomorphism with kernel  $I$   
 $r \rightarrow r+I$

$$f(rs) = rs + I = (r+I)(s+I) = f(r)f(s)$$

So  $f$  is a ring homomorphism.

$$g: R/I \rightarrow \phi(R)$$

$$r+I \rightarrow \phi(r)$$

$g(f)$  will be  $\phi$

$\hookrightarrow I$  is a bijection  
 $\Rightarrow$  homomorphic.

So  $R/I$  is isomorphic as ring to  $\phi(R)$

Q) Suppose  $R$  and  $S$  are rings and  $\phi: R \rightarrow S$  is a ring homomorphism.  $e$  is an idempotent in ring  $R$ . Prove that  $\phi(e)$  is idempotent in ring  $S$ .

Ans:-  $e^2 = e$

$$\phi(e)^2 = \phi(e)\phi(e) = \phi(ee) = \phi(e^2) = \phi(e)$$

Q) Define an example of an injective ring homomorphism from  $\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/20\mathbb{Z}$ .

Q) Define an example of ...  
 $\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}/20\mathbb{Z}$ .

Ans:-  $\mathbb{Z}/20\mathbb{Z}$  has a unique subgroup of order 5 which is generated by  $4+20\mathbb{Z}$ .

$$16+20\mathbb{Z} \subset 4+20\mathbb{Z}$$

$$(16+20\mathbb{Z})^2 = 256+20\mathbb{Z} = 16+20\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \text{So it is idempotent}$$

$$\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/20\mathbb{Z}$$

$$n \rightarrow n(16+20\mathbb{Z}) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\ker(\phi) = 5\mathbb{Z}$$

By using First Isomorphism Theorem:-

$$f: \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/20\mathbb{Z} \quad \text{is a homomorphism}$$

$$f(n+5\mathbb{Z}) = \phi(n) = n(16+20\mathbb{Z}) = 16n+20\mathbb{Z}$$

### Second Isomorphism Theorem:-

Let  $R$  be a ring,  $S$  be a subring of  $R$  and  $I$  an ideal of  $R$ . Then

(1) The sum  $S+I = \{s+i : s \in S, i \in I\}$  is a subring of  $R$

(2)  $S \cap I$  is an ideal of  $S$

(3)  $(S+I)/I \cong S/(S \cap I)$

Proof:- (1)  $S \subseteq R$  and  $I$  is ideal, so we get  $I \in S+I$

Let  $s_1+a_1$  and  $s_2+a_2$  be elements of  $S+I$

$$\Rightarrow (s_1+a_1) - (s_2+a_2) = (s_1-s_2) + (a_1-a_2) \in S+I$$

$$(s_1+a_1)(s_2+a_2) = s_1s_2 + s_1a_2 + s_2a_1 + a_1a_2$$

$$\in S+I$$

So  $S+I$  is a subring

(2)  $S \cap I \ni 0$  so non-empty. Let  $s_1, s_2 \in S \cap I$  and let  $a \in I$  and  $s \in S$ .  
 Then  $s_1 + s_2 \in S \cap I$ ,  $s_1 - s_2 \in I$ . Also  $ss_1$  and  $s_1s \in S \cap I$   
 $s_2s, ss_2 \in S \cap I$ .  
 So for any  $s \in S$  addition and multiplication of ideal is satisfied by  $S \cap I$ . So  $S \cap I$  is ideal of  $S$ .

(3)  $\phi : S \rightarrow S+I/I$  This is a ring homomorphism  
 $s \rightarrow s+I$

Let  $s \in S$  and  $a \in I$ . Then  $s+a+I = s+I \Rightarrow s+a+I \in \text{img}(\phi)$

So  $\phi$  is surjection.

Let  $h \in \ker(\phi)$ , then,  $h+I = I$  iff  $h \in I$

and  $h \in S$  as well  $\Rightarrow h \in S \cap I$ .

so by FIT we get,  $S+I/I \cong S/(S \cap I)$

### Third Isomorphism Theorem:-

Let  $R$  be a ring and let  $A, B$  be ideals of  $R$  with  
 $B \subseteq A \subseteq R$ . Then,

(1) The set  $A/B$  is an ideal of the quotient ring  $R/B$

(2)  $(R/B)/(A/B) \cong R/A$

Proof:-  $A/B = \{a+B : a \in A\}$

(1) Let  $a_1+B, a_2+B \in A/B$

$$(a_1+B) - (a_2+B) = \underbrace{(a_1 - a_2)}_{\in A} + B \in A/B$$

Let,  $(r+B) \in R/B$  then,  $(r+B)(a_1+B) = \underbrace{ra_1}_{\in A} + B \in A/B$

$\Rightarrow$  So  $A/B$  is an ideal of  $R/B$

$$(2) \text{ Let, } \phi: R/B \rightarrow R/A \\ r+B \rightarrow r+A$$

$$r_1+B = r_2+B$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 - r_2 \in B \quad \text{as } B \subseteq A$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 - r_2 \in A$$

$$\phi(r_1 - r_2 + B) = r_1 - r_2 + A = A$$

$$\ker(\phi) = \{ r+B \mid \phi(r+B) = 0 \}$$

$$= \{ r+B \mid r+A = 0 \}$$

$$= \{ r+B \mid r \in A \}$$

$$= A/B$$

By FIT we get,  $(R/B)/(A/B) \cong R/A$

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### → Correspondence Theorem:-

Let  $R$  be a ring and  $I \trianglelefteq R$  be an ideal of  $R$ . The map  $S \rightarrow S/I$  defines a correspondence between the set of subrings of  $R$  containing  $I$  and the set of subrings of  $R/I$ . Similarly the map  $J \rightarrow J/I$  gives a correspondence between the set of ideals of  $R$  containing  $I$  and the set of ideals of  $R/I$ .