

Rings of Fractions:-

R is a comm. ring. A subset $S \subset R$ is called multiplicative if $1 \in S$ and $\forall s, t \in S$ we have $st \in S$.
 S is said to be proper if $0 \notin S$ and zero divisors $\notin S$, i.e., if $s \in S, r \in R$ and $sr = 0$ then $r = 0$ or zero divisor.

Theorem:- Let R be a comm ring and $S \subset R$ be a multiplicative set and $I \subset R$ be an ideal. If $S \cap I = \emptyset$, then \exists a prime ideal p containing I and $S \cap p = \emptyset$.

Proof:- Using Zorn's lemma we get p is maximal for $R \setminus S$.

Let $ab \in p$ and $a, b \notin p$

$$(p + \langle a \rangle) \cap S \neq \emptyset, (p + \langle b \rangle) \cap S \neq \emptyset$$

$$\Rightarrow (p + \langle a \rangle)(p + \langle b \rangle) \cap S \neq \emptyset$$

$$\Rightarrow (p^2 + \underbrace{p\langle a \rangle + p\langle b \rangle + \langle a \rangle \langle b \rangle}_{\in p}) \cap S \neq \emptyset$$

$\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$

So we must have $a \in p$ or $b \in p \Rightarrow p$ is prime ideal

R is a comm. ring and S is multiplicative set $S \subset R$

For $(a, s), (b, t) \in R \times S$ we define

$$(a, s) \sim (b, t) \iff (\exists s' \in S) (s'(at - bs) = 0)$$

If S is proper then $(a, s) \sim (b, t) \iff at - bs = 0$

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$$(a, s) \sim (b, t) \text{ and } (b, t) \sim (c, d)$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists s', s'' \in S \text{ such that } s'(at - bs) = 0 \text{ and } s''(bd - ct) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s's'd(at - bs) = 0 \text{ and } s's''s(bd - ct) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s's''(adt - cst) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s's''t(ad - cs) = 0 \text{ and as } s's''t \in S \text{ we get, } (a, s) \sim (c, d)$$

$$\bullet \rightarrow \text{If } s, t \in S \text{ and } a \in R \text{ then } \frac{at}{st} = \frac{a}{s} \text{ as } 1 \cdot (ats - ast) = 0$$

$$\bullet \rightarrow \text{If } s, t \in S \text{ then both } \frac{s}{t} \text{ and } \frac{t}{s} \in S^{-1}R$$

$$\bullet \rightarrow \text{If } 0 \in S \text{ then } S^{-1}R \text{ has a single element}$$

$$(a, s) = (0, 1) \text{ as } \frac{0}{1} = \frac{0}{1} \text{ and } 0 \cdot (1 \cdot 0 - 0 \cdot 1) = 0$$

Proof:- $(1, 0) \in S^{-1}R$

$$\text{Let } (a, s) \in S^{-1}R$$

$$\text{We get, } (a, s) \sim (1, 0) \text{ as } \exists 0 \cdot (a \cdot 0 - s \cdot 1) = 0$$

$$\text{So } (a, s) = (1, 0) \text{ } \forall a, s \in R \times S \Rightarrow S^{-1}R \text{ is singleton}$$

Theorem:- Let R be a comm ring and $S \subset R$ be multiplicative set. Under addition and multiplication of fractions $S^{-1}R$ is a commutative ring, called the localization of R at S .

$$\frac{a}{s} + \frac{b}{t} = \frac{at + bs}{st}$$

$$\frac{a}{s} \cdot \frac{b}{t} = \frac{ab}{st}$$

$$\bullet \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^{-1}\mathbb{Z} \text{ is a field and is } \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\bullet \rightarrow R = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \text{ and } S = \{1, 2, 2^2, 2^3, \dots\} = \{1, 2, 4\}.$$

$$\frac{0}{1} = \frac{0}{2} = \frac{0}{4} = \frac{3}{1} = \frac{3}{2}$$

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$$\frac{1}{1} = \frac{2}{2} = \frac{4}{4}$$

$$1 \quad 2 \quad 4 \quad \dots \quad 1 \quad 2$$

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$$\frac{2}{1} = \frac{4}{2} = \frac{2}{1} \quad \text{and so on.}$$

The localization $S^{-1}R$ comes with a natural map

$$\varphi_S: R \rightarrow S^{-1}R$$

$$a \rightarrow \frac{a}{1}$$

For any $s \in S$, $\varphi(s) = \frac{s}{1}$ is a unit in $S^{-1}R$ as $\frac{1}{s} \in S^{-1}R$
 $\Rightarrow \varphi(S) \subset (S^{-1}R)^\times$

Lemma:- Let R be a commutative ring with multiplicative set S . The natural map φ_S is an embedding iff S is proper.

Proof:- Suppose φ_S is an embedding $\Rightarrow \varphi_S$ is injective

Let $a \in R, s \in S$ such that $sa = 0$. Then

$$\varphi(sa) = \varphi(s) \varphi(a). \text{ and } \varphi(s) \text{ is a unit. } \Rightarrow \varphi(a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 0 \Rightarrow S \text{ is proper.}$$

Suppose S is proper and let $\varphi_S(a) = \frac{a}{1} = \frac{0}{1} \Rightarrow a = 0$

$$\varphi_S(a) = \varphi_S(b) \Rightarrow \frac{a}{1} = \frac{b}{1} \Rightarrow s'(a-b) = 0 \Rightarrow a=b \text{ as } s' \text{ is not zero divisor}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi_S \text{ is embedding.}$$

Theorem (Universal Property of Localization):-

Let R be a comm ring and $S \subset R$ is a multiplicative set.

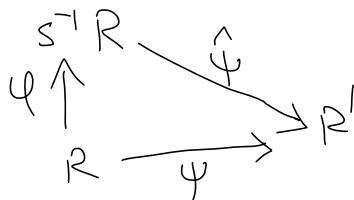
If $\psi: R \rightarrow R'$ is a ring homomorphism satisfying

$\psi(S) \subset (R')^\times$, then ψ lifts to a unique homomorphism

$$\hat{\psi}: S^{-1}R \rightarrow R'$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^{-1}R & \xrightarrow{\hat{\psi}} & R' \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ R & \xrightarrow{\psi} & R' \end{array}$$

$$\hat{\psi} : S^{-1}R \rightarrow R'$$



$$\ker \hat{\psi} = S^{-1} \ker \psi$$

If ψ is an embedding then so is $\hat{\psi}$.

Example 1 - $R = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$ and $S = \{1, 2, 4\}$
 Let $\pi : \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ be the natural surjection.

$\pi(2) = 2$ and $\pi(4) = 1$ are units of $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$

$$\hat{\pi} : S^{-1}R \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\ker \hat{\pi} = S^{-1} \ker \pi = \frac{0}{s}, \frac{3}{s} = \frac{0}{s} = \frac{0}{1} \quad ; \quad \frac{3}{s} = \frac{6}{2s} = \frac{0}{s}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ker \hat{\pi} = \left\{ \frac{0}{1} \right\}$$

$\hat{\pi}$ is an embedding

$\hat{\pi}$ is also surjective
 as π is surjective



$\hat{\pi}$ is an isomorphism.

$$\hat{\pi} : S^{-1}R \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow S^{-1}R \cong \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$$