

**Homework #6, to be completed by Thursday, October 20th**

**Reading:**

1. For this homework assignment: Sections 7.5,7.6, the beginning of 10.2 and class notes from Lecture 14.
2. For the next week's classes: Sections 10.1-10.4.

**Problems:**

1. Let  $p$  be an odd prime, let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  be coprime to  $p$ , and let  $k \geq 1$  be an integer. Use the lifting method to prove that  $a$  is a quadratic residue mod  $p^k \iff a$  is a quadratic residue mod  $p$ . Note that a completely different (group-theoretic) proof of this fact is given in the book (Theorem 7.13)

**Note:** Make sure to read 7.5 and 7.6 before solving problems 2 and 4 (this material was not discussed in class).

2. Let  $Q_n$  be the group of quadratic residues mod  $n$  (in this problem we think of quadratic residues as elements of  $U_n$ , not as integers, which is the convention that the book uses).

(a) Let  $n$  be an odd integer. Prove that  $|Q_n| = \frac{\phi(n)}{2^k}$  where  $k$  is the number of distinct prime divisors of  $n$ .

(b) Prove that  $Q_{105}$  is a cyclic group of order 6.

(c) Find a generator for  $Q_{105}$ .

3. Exercise 7.20 from the book.

4. Exercise 7.21 from the book.

5. Use the Euclidean algorithm to find  $\gcd(7 + 3i, 3 + i)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$

6. Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}[i\sqrt{2}]$  is a Euclidean domain.

7. Let  $\omega$  be a complex number such that  $\omega \notin \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\omega^2 = n_1\omega + n_2$  for some  $n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . For instance, if  $d$  is a positive integer which is not a perfect square, we can take  $\omega = \sqrt{d}$  or  $\omega = i\sqrt{d}$ . Define

$$\mathbb{Z}[\omega] = \{a + b\omega : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Q}[\omega] = \{a + b\omega : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}.$$

(a) Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$  is a commutative ring with 1 and that  $\mathbb{Q}[\omega]$  is a field.

For the remaining parts of this problem assume that  $\omega = \sqrt{d}$  or  $\omega = i\sqrt{d}$  for some  $d$  as above.

- (b) Define the conjugation map  $\iota : \mathbb{Q}[\omega] \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}[\omega]$  by  $\iota(a + b\omega) = a - b\omega$ . Prove that  $\iota$  is a ring isomorphism.
- (c) Prove that  $u \cdot \iota(u) \in \mathbb{R}$  for any  $u \in \mathbb{Q}[\omega]$ .
- (d) Define the norm map  $N : \mathbb{Q}[\omega] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  by  $N(u) = |u \cdot \iota(u)|$ . Prove that  $N(uv) = N(u)N(v)$ .
- (e) Prove that  $N(u) \in \mathbb{Z}$  for any  $u \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$  and  $N(u) = 0 \iff u = 0$ .
- (f) Let  $u \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ . Prove that  $N(u) = 1 \iff u$  is a unit of  $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ .