

HOMOMORFISMOS DE ANILLOS

Let R, R' be rings. By a **ring-homomorphism** $f: R \rightarrow R'$, we shall mean a mapping having the following properties: For all $x, y \in R$,

$$f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y), \quad f(xy) = f(x)f(y), \quad f(e) = e'$$

(if e, e' are the unit elements of R and R' respectively).

By the **kernel** of a ring-homomorphism $f: R \rightarrow R'$, we shall mean its kernel viewed as a homomorphism of additive groups, i.e. it is the set of all elements $x \in R$ such that $f(x) = 0$. ~~Exercise. Prove that the kernel is~~

$f: R \rightarrow R'$ homomorfismo:

1) $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$

2) $f(xy) = f(x)f(y)$

3) $f(1) = 1$

Proposición $\text{Ker } f = \{x \in R / f(x) = 0\}$ es un ideal

Dem.

1) $x, y \in \text{Ker } f \Rightarrow \begin{cases} f(x) = 0 \\ f(y) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) = 0 \Rightarrow x+y \in \text{Ker } f$

2) $a \in R, x \in \text{Ker } f \Rightarrow f(ax) = f(a)f(x) = f(a) \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow ax \in \text{Ker } f$

3) $f(0) = f(0+0) = f(0) + f(0) \Rightarrow f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 \in \text{Ker } f$.

Observación: Como siempre, $f: R \rightarrow R'$ es

inyectiva $\Leftrightarrow \text{Ker } f = \{0\}$ (Al fin y al cabo un homomorfismo de anillos es, en particular, un homomorfismo de grupo).

UN EJEMPLO IMPORTANTE

$$ev_\alpha : \mathbb{Q}[x] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad (\alpha \in \mathbb{C})$$

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i \longmapsto p(\alpha) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i$$

Comprobación:

$$a) \text{ev}_\alpha(1) = 1$$

$$b) \text{ev}_\alpha(p(x) + q(x)) = \text{ev}_\alpha\left(\underbrace{\sum a_i x^i}_{p(x)} + \underbrace{\sum b_i x^i}_{q(x)}\right) = \\ = \text{ev}_\alpha\left(\sum (a_i + b_i) x^i\right) = \sum (a_i + b_i) \alpha^i = \sum a_i \alpha^i + \sum b_i \alpha^i \\ = \text{ev}_\alpha(p(x)) + \text{ev}_\alpha(q(x))$$

$$c) \text{ev}_\alpha(p(x) \cdot q(x)) = \text{ev}_\alpha\left(\left(\sum a_i x^i\right)\left(\sum b_j x^j\right)\right) = \\ = \text{ev}_\alpha\left(\sum_{i,j} a_i b_j x^{i+j}\right) = \sum a_i b_j \alpha^{i+j} = \left(\sum a_i \alpha^i\right)\left(\sum b_j \alpha^j\right) \\ = \text{ev}_\alpha(p(x)) \cdot \text{ev}_\alpha(q(x))$$

La misma demostración prueba el siguiente resultado más general:

- Sea A un subanillo de un anillo conmutativo L y sea $\alpha \in L$. Entonces existe un único homomorfismo de anillos $\text{ev}_\alpha: A[x] \rightarrow L$ caracterizado por $\begin{cases} a \mapsto a, & \text{si } a \in A \\ x \mapsto \alpha & \text{(Prop. Univ)} \end{cases}$ definido (necesariamente) por la fórmula

$$\text{ev}_\alpha\left(\sum a_i x^i\right) = \sum a_i \alpha^i$$

Pregunta: ¿Quién es el núcleo del

homomorfismo $ev_{\sqrt{5}}: \mathbb{Q}[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $X \mapsto \sqrt{5}$?

$P(X) \mapsto P(\sqrt{5})$

$x - \sqrt{5} \in \text{Ker } f$? pero $x - \sqrt{5} \notin \mathbb{Q}[X]$

Sabemos que $\text{Ker } f = (q(x))$ donde
 $q(x)$ es un polinomio no nulo
de grado mínimo en $\text{Ker } f$.

Podemos tomar $q(x) = x^2 - 5 \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$

Claramente $q(x) \in \text{Ker } f$, pues $q(\sqrt{5}) = 0$.

Pero, ¿podría haber otro polinomio
 $p(x) \in \text{Ker } f$ de grado < 2 ?

NO: Si $p(x) = a + bx \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$,

$p(\sqrt{5}) = a + b\sqrt{5} \neq 0$, pues $\sqrt{5} \notin \mathbb{Q}$.

luego $\text{Ker } f = (x^2 - 5)$

$(a + b\sqrt{5} = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{5} = -\frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q})$

ojo:
 $\mathbb{R}[X] \xrightarrow{\varphi} \mathbb{R}$
 $P(X) \mapsto P(\sqrt{5})$
 $\text{Ker } \varphi = (x - \sqrt{5})$

También en este contexto tenemos un teorema de isomorfía, claro:

Teorema: Sea $f: A \rightarrow B$ hom. de anillos

Entonces la aplicación:

$$\bar{f}: A/\text{Ker}f \longrightarrow \text{Im}f \subset B$$
$$\bar{a} \longmapsto f(a)$$

es un isomorfismo de anillos (i.e. un homomorfismo biyectivo) de modo que f es también homomorf.

Demstración: Ya sabemos que

$$\bar{f}: A/\text{Ker}f \longrightarrow \text{Im}f = f(A)$$

es una aplicación bien definida y de hecho un homomorfismo de grupos.

Luego sólo falta ver que $\bar{f}(\bar{a} \cdot \bar{b}) = \bar{f}(\bar{a}) \bar{f}(\bar{b})$.

$$\text{Bien, } \bar{f}(\bar{a} \cdot \bar{b}) = \bar{f}(\overline{ab}) = f(ab) = f(a)f(b) = \bar{f}(\bar{a})\bar{f}(\bar{b}).$$

$$\bullet \bar{f}(\bar{1}) = f(1) = 1$$

c. q. d.

Pregunta: ¿Qué nos dice esto sobre el ejemplo anterior $f: \mathbb{Q}[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$?

$$\begin{aligned} X &\mapsto \sqrt{5} \\ p(X) &\mapsto p(\sqrt{5}) \end{aligned}$$

Nos dice que $\frac{\mathbb{Q}[X]}{(x^2-5)} \cong \text{Im } f \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

max. $\leftarrow \frac{\mathbb{Q}[X]}{(x^2-5)} \cong \text{Im } f \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

$$x + (x^2-5) \leftrightarrow \sqrt{5}$$

$$3/2 \leftrightarrow 3/2$$

donde $\text{Im } f = \left\{ a_0 + a_1\sqrt{5} + a_2(\sqrt{5})^2 + a_3(\sqrt{5})^3 + \dots + a_n(\sqrt{5})^n \mid a_i \in \mathbb{Q} \right\}$

¿es un cuerpo?
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$
 Si es un cuerpo porque existen a

$$= \{a + b\sqrt{5} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\} = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{5}] = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$$

maximal: $\frac{1}{a+b\sqrt{5}} = \frac{a-b\sqrt{5}}{a^2-5b^2} = \frac{a}{a^2-5b^2} + \frac{-b}{a^2-5b^2} \cdot \sqrt{5}$

• ¿Y qué dice el T. de isomorfía sobre el homomorfismo

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi: \mathbb{R}[X] &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ X &\longmapsto i \\ p(X) &\longmapsto p(i) \end{aligned} ?$$

Pues, razonando como antes, vemos que

$$\text{Ker } \varphi = (x^2 + 1) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\mathbb{R}[X]}{(x^2+1)} \cong \text{Im } \varphi = \mathbb{C}$$

$$a + bx + () \leftrightarrow a + bi$$

OTRO HOMOMORFISMO IMPORTANTE

• Cualquier homomorfismo de anillos $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ induce un homomorfismo $\bar{\varphi}: A[X] \rightarrow B[X]$ caracterizado por

$$\begin{cases} X \mapsto X \\ a \mapsto \varphi(a), \text{ si } a \in A \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Luego } \bar{\varphi}(\sum a_i x^i) = \sum \varphi(a_i) x^i$$

Demostración:

$$1) \bar{\varphi}(1) = \varphi(1) = 1$$

$$2) \bar{\varphi}(\underbrace{\sum a_i x^i + \sum b_i x^i}_{\sum (a_i + b_i) x^i}) = \bar{\varphi}(\sum (a_i + b_i) x^i) = \sum \varphi(a_i + b_i) x^i = \sum \varphi(a_i) x^i + \sum \varphi(b_i) x^i = \bar{\varphi}(\sum a_i x^i) + \bar{\varphi}(\sum b_i x^i)$$

$$3) \bar{\varphi}(\underbrace{(\sum a_i x^i)}_{\sum a_i x^i} \underbrace{(\sum b_j x^j)}_{\sum b_j x^j}) = \bar{\varphi}(\sum a_i b_j x^{i+j}) = \sum \varphi(a_i b_j) x^{i+j} = \sum \varphi(a_i) \varphi(b_j) x^{i+j} = (\sum \varphi(a_i) x^i) (\sum \varphi(b_j) x^j) = \bar{\varphi}(\sum a_i x^i) \cdot \bar{\varphi}(\sum b_j x^j)$$

Ejemplo: $\varphi: A \rightarrow A/I \Rightarrow \bar{\varphi}: A[X] \rightarrow (A/I)[X]$
 $a \mapsto \bar{a}$
 $\sum a_i x^i \mapsto \sum \bar{a}_i x^i$
(siempre suprayectivo)

Un caso particularmente interesante es el del homomorfismo $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\varphi} \mathbb{Z}/(n)$ y su asociado $\mathbb{Z}[X] \xrightarrow{\bar{\varphi}} \mathbb{Z}/(n)[X]$
 $a \mapsto \bar{a}$
 $\sum a_i x^i \mapsto \sum \bar{a}_i x^i$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi(1) = \bar{1} \\ \varphi(a+b) = \overline{a+b} = \bar{a} + \bar{b} = \varphi(a) + \varphi(b) \\ \varphi(a \cdot b) = \overline{a \cdot b} = \bar{a} \cdot \bar{b} = \varphi(a) \cdot \varphi(b) \end{array} \right.$$

Calculamos el núcleo de $\bar{\varphi}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ker } \bar{\varphi} &= \left\{ \sum a_i x^i \in \mathbb{Z}[X] / \sum \bar{a}_i x^i = 0 \right\} = \left\{ \sum a_i x^i / \bar{a}_i = 0, \forall i \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \sum a_i x^i \in \mathbb{Z}[X] / a_i \in (n) \right\} = (n) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}[X].\end{aligned}$$

En este caso el T. de isomofía dice que

$$\frac{\mathbb{Z}[X]}{(n)} \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{(n)}[X]$$

es un conjunto de polinomios:
 $(n) = \left\{ \left(\sum a_i x^i \right) n / a_i \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

es un conjunto de números:
 $(n) = \{ a n / a \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

HOMOMORFISMOS DE \mathbb{Z} EN OTRO ANILLO

¿Cuántos homomorfismos puede haber de \mathbb{Z} en otro anillo R ?

(Notación: Si $a \in R$ y $n \in \mathbb{N}$, ponemos $\begin{cases} na = a + \underbrace{\dots}_n + a \\ (-n)a = (-a) + \underbrace{\dots}_n + (-a) \end{cases}$)

Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$ be a ring homomorphism. By definition we must have $f(1) = e$. Hence necessarily for every positive integer n we must have

$$\stackrel{1_R}{=} f(n) = f(\underbrace{1 + \dots + 1}_n) = f(1) + \dots + f(1) = ne,$$

and for a negative integer $m = -k$,

$$f(-k) = -f(k) = -(ke).$$

Thus there is one and only one ring homomorphism of \mathbb{Z} into a ring at most

aunque debemos comprobar que éste lo es:

$$i) f(1) = e = \underbrace{1_R = 1}$$

$$ii) f(m+n) = (m+n)e = (\underbrace{e + \dots + e}_{m+n}) = (\underbrace{e + \dots + e}_m) + (\underbrace{e + \dots + e}_n) = f(m) + f(n)$$

$$iii) f(mn) = (\underbrace{e + \dots + e}_{mn}) = (\underbrace{e + \dots + e}_m) (\underbrace{e + \dots + e}_n) = f(m) f(n)$$

Assume $R \neq \{0\}$. Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$ be the ring homomorphism. Then the kernel of f is not all of \mathbb{Z} and hence is an ideal $n\mathbb{Z}$ for some integer (n)

$$\begin{cases} f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R \\ \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \simeq f(\mathbb{Z}) \subset R \end{cases}$$

Isomorphie

$n \geq 0$. It follows from Theorem 3.1 that $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is isomorphic to the image of f . In practice, we do not make any distinction between $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ and its image in R , and we agree to say that R contains $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ as a subring.

Suppose that $n \neq 0$. Then we have relation

$$na = 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in R.$$

$$(na = (e + \dots + e)a = f(n)a = 0 \cdot a = 0)$$

Indeed, $na = (ne)a = 0a = 0$. Sometimes one says that R has characteristic n . Thus if n is the characteristic of R , then $na = 0$ for all $a \in R$.

Definition: $ch(R) = n$ si $\text{Ker}(f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R) = (n) \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/(n) \subset R$

Theorem 3.2. Suppose that R is an integral ring, so has no divisors of 0. Then the integer n such that $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is contained in R must be 0 or a prime number.

$$(i.e. R \text{ integral} \Rightarrow ch(R) = \begin{cases} 0 \\ p, \text{ primo} \end{cases})$$

Proof. Suppose n is not 0 and is not prime. Then $n = mk$ with integers $m, k \geq 2$, and neither m, k are in the kernel of the homomorphism $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$. Hence $me \neq 0$ and $ke \neq 0$. But $(me)(ke) = mke = 0$, contradicting the hypothesis that R has no divisors of 0. Hence n is prime.

$$f(m) \cdot f(k) = f(mk) = f(n) = 0$$

Supponiamo $n = 6 \Leftrightarrow \text{Ker } f = (6)$; $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$
 $6 = 2 \cdot 3$; $2, 3 \notin (6) = \text{Ker } f \Rightarrow f(2) \neq 0, f(3) \neq 0$

$0 = f(6) = f(2) \cdot f(3) \Rightarrow R$ tiene div. de zero, Contrad.

Let K be a field and let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow K$ be the homomorphism of the integers into K . If the kernel of f is $\{0\}$, then K contains \mathbb{Z} as a subring, and we say that K has characteristic 0. If the kernel of f is generated by a prime number p , then we say that K has characteristic p . The field $\mathbb{F}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ is sometimes denoted by F_p , and is called the prime field, of characteristic p . This prime field F_p is contained in every field of characteristic p .

- $ch(K) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \subset K$
- $ch(K) = p \Leftrightarrow F_p \subset K$

La característica de un anillo A puede interpretarse de la siguiente forma:

- $\text{ch}(A) = n \geq 2$ si n es el número natural más pequeño tal que $1 + \underbrace{-1}_{n \text{ veces}} + 1 = 0$ en A .
- $\text{ch}(A) = 0$, si lo anterior no ocurre nunca.

Ejemplos: $\text{ch}(\mathbb{Z}) = \text{ch}(\mathbb{Q}) = \text{ch}(\mathbb{R}) = \text{ch}(\mathbb{C}) = 0$,

• $\text{ch}(\mathbb{Z}[X]) = \text{ch}(\mathbb{Q}[X]) = \text{ch}(\mathbb{R}[X]) = \text{ch}(\mathbb{C}[X]) = 0$

• $\text{ch}(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})) = 0$

• $\text{ch}\left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{(n)}\right) = \text{ch}\left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{(n)}[X]\right) = n$

• $\text{ch}(A) = \text{ch}(A[X])$

(pues el 1 de $A[X]$ es el 1 de A)