

# Lecture 1

(Sep 2)

## Rings & Examples.

(have 1, associative).

1. Matrix rings.
2. Group rings.
3.  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(X)$ .
4. Quaternion algebra.  
 $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}j$ .
5. Tensor algebra
6.  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ .  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie alg.}$

Examples  
suggested  
by students

### 1. Matrix rings.

$$M_n(k) \quad k = \text{field.}$$

$$M_n(R) \quad R = \text{ring.}$$

$$\boxed{M_{\infty}(R)} \quad ?$$

$$(\dots a_i \dots) \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ b_i \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$\sum a_i b_i$  defined only when almost all  $a_i b_i$  are zero.

- column-finite  $\infty \times \infty$  matrices. (ring)  
 each col. is almost all zero.

$$1 = \begin{pmatrix} \ddots & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

- row-finite. (ring).

$$M_n(R^{\text{op}}) \cong \text{End}_R(R^n).$$

$$R^n = R e_1 \oplus \dots \oplus R e_n$$

$$\gamma: R^n \rightarrow R^n$$

$$e_i \mapsto \sum (a_{ij}) e_j$$

$R^{\text{op}}$  same  $(R, +)$ .

$$a \bullet b = b a$$

$\uparrow$   
 mult. in  $R^{\text{op}}$

$$n=1. \quad \underset{\triangle}{R} \supseteq \underset{=}{R} \subseteq R.$$

$$\text{End}_R(R) \cong R^{\text{op}}$$

$$(a \mapsto ar) \longleftarrow r$$

$I$  set.  $|I| = \infty$ .

$R^{\oplus I}$  free  $R$ -mod. basis  $\longleftrightarrow I$ ,  
 $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$

$$\text{End}_R(R^{\oplus I})$$

$\downarrow$

$$f : e_i \mapsto \sum_{j \in I} a_{ij} e_j$$

For fixed  $i$   
 only fin. many  $j$   
 s.t.  $a_{ij} \neq 0$ .

row/column-finite  $I \times I$  matrices.

Subrings of  $M_n(R)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * & \dots & * \\ & * & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & * & \vdots \\ 0 & & & * \end{pmatrix}$$

~~$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & * & \dots & * \\ & * & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & * & \vdots \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$~~

no  $1$

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & & * \\ & a & \\ 0 & \ddots & \\ & & a \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in R \right\}$$

Take subrings  $R_1, R_2 \subset R$ .

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in R_1, d \in R_2, b \in R \right\}$$

subring of  $M_2(R)$ .

$Y \subset R$ . subset

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in R_1, d \in R_2, b \in Y \right\}$$

When is this a ring?

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_1 \hookrightarrow Y \hookrightarrow R_2 \\ Y \text{ additive subgroup of } R. \end{array} \right.$$

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2. Gp rings.

$A = \text{comm ring}$

$G = \text{group}$ .

$A[G]$  free  $A$ -mod basis  $\longleftrightarrow g \in G$ .

$$\left( \sum a_g \cdot g \right) \left( \sum b_g \cdot g \right)$$

$$= \sum_{g \in G} \left( \sum_{h \in G} a_h \cdot b_{h^{-1}g} \right) g$$

$A[G]$  comm  $\iff$  finite sum  $G$  comm.

$$\sum_{\substack{(h_1, h_2) \in G \times G \\ h_1 h_2 = g}} a_{h_1} \cdot b_{h_2}$$

$A[G]$  is defined for any semigroup  
(no 1, no inverses).

$A \rightsquigarrow R$ .

$R[G]$ .

### 3. Tensor Algebra / Free Algebra.

comm.  $A[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$ .

$A = \text{comm.}$

3.1 Free asso alg:  $A\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle$ .

- free  $A$ -mod. with basis  
(monomial)

words in letters  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ .

$x_1 x_n x_1$ ,  $x_1^3 x_n^2 x_1$

$1 \leftrightarrow$  empty word.

- $A$  commutes with everything.  
 $A$  is central.

$I = \text{set.}$

$A\langle I \rangle$  free variables  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$ .  
words are finite.

# Universal property of $A\langle I \rangle$ .

$R$  : ring.

$$\left\{ A\langle I \rangle \xrightarrow[\text{ring}]{\varphi} R \right\}$$

$$\left\{ A \xrightarrow{\varphi_0} R; \{ r_i = \varphi(x_i) \}_{i \in I} \right\}$$

- $\{ \varphi_0, (r_i)_{i \in I} \}$  determines  $\varphi$ ?
- any conditions  $\{ \varphi_0, (r_i) \}$  should satisfy?

$\varphi_0(A)$  should comm with all  $r_i$ .

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{ring}}(A\langle I \rangle, R) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\varphi_0: A \rightarrow R; \\ \{ r_i \}_{i \in I}, r_i \in R) \\ \text{s.t. } \varphi_0(A) \text{ comm} \\ \text{with all } r_i \end{array} \right\}$$

Work with central A-algebras.

i.e.  $(R, \varphi_0 : A \xrightarrow{\text{ring}} R)$   
 $\varphi_0(A)$  central

$R$ : central A-als.

$$\boxed{\text{Hom}_{A\text{-alg}}(A\langle I \rangle, R) = R^I} \quad \leftarrow \text{direct product.}$$

$\varphi \mapsto \{r_i = \varphi(x_i)\}_{i \in I}$

$\text{Aut}(I) \hookrightarrow A\langle I \rangle$       Take  $R = A\langle I \rangle$

$$\text{End}_A(A\langle I \rangle) = (A\langle I \rangle)^I$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} A\langle I \rangle \rightarrow A\langle I \rangle \\ f(\underline{x}) \mapsto f(F_1(\underline{x}), F_2(\underline{x}), \dots) \end{array} \right) \longleftarrow \left( F_i(\underline{x}) \right)_{i \in I}$$

Linear substitutions ( $F_i$  are linear in  $\underline{x}$ ).

$$\text{End}_A(A^{\oplus I}) \hookrightarrow A\langle I \rangle$$

linear sub.



### 3.2 Tensor algebra.

$$A = \text{comm.} \supseteq M$$

want a central  $A$ -alg  $R$ .

$$\text{with } M \subset R.$$

$$A \subset R$$

$$M \subset R.$$

$$\underline{\underline{M \otimes_A M}} = \left\{ \sum \underline{\underline{m_1 m_2}} \mid m_i \in M \right\} \subset R$$
$$\underline{\underline{\{ m_1 m_2 \dots m_n \mid m_i \in M \}}} \subset R.$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \parallel \\ M \otimes_A \dots \otimes_A M \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_n \end{array}$$

$$M^{\otimes 2}$$

$$T_A(M) = A \oplus M \oplus (M \otimes_A M)$$

$$\oplus \dots \oplus \left( \underbrace{M \otimes_A \dots \otimes_A M}_n \right) \oplus \dots$$

$$= M^{\otimes n}$$

mult.

$$\underline{\underline{M^{\otimes i}}} \times \underline{\underline{M^{\otimes j}}} \longrightarrow \underline{\underline{M^{\otimes i+j}}}$$

Concatenation.

Univ. property of  $T_A(M)$ ?

$R = \text{central } A\text{-alg.}$

$$\text{Hom}_{A\text{-alg}}(T_A(M), R) = \text{Hom}_{A\text{-mod}}(M, R)$$
$$\varphi \longmapsto \left( \varphi|_M : M \rightarrow R \right)_{A\text{-linear.}}$$

$$\varphi(m_1 \otimes \dots \otimes m_n) \longleftarrow (\varphi_1 : M \rightarrow R)$$
$$\parallel$$
$$\varphi_1(m_1) \varphi_1(m_2) \dots \varphi_1(m_n)$$

Take  $M = A^{\oplus I}$ , basis  $e_i$

$$T_A(M) \cong A\langle I \rangle.$$

dep. choice of basis  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$  of  $M$ .

$$e_i \longmapsto x_i$$

$$\text{End}_A(M) \hookrightarrow T_A(M) \cong A\langle I \rangle.$$

acting by linear sub.

$$\boxed{k\langle x, y \rangle}$$

#### 4. Quotients of tensor algebra.

$$R / \textcircled{I} \text{ two-sided ideal}$$

$$R = \boxed{k\langle x, y \rangle / (xy)}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{dividing by } I = \left\{ \sum_i f_i(x, y) xy g_i(x, y) \right\} \\ xy, (\dots)xy(\dots, \dots) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$xy, (\dots)xy(\dots, \dots)$$

$$k \cdot 1 \oplus k \cdot x^n \oplus k \cdot y^n \oplus k \cdot \underline{y \cdot x^a}$$

$n \geq 1 \qquad n \geq 1$

$$xy = 0 \text{ in } R.$$

$$yx \neq 0 \text{ in } R.$$

#### 4.1 Symmetric alg.

$$A \subseteq M.$$

$$S_A(M) = T_A(M) /$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} m_1 \otimes m_2 \\ - m_2 \otimes m_1 \\ \forall m_1, m_2 \in M \end{array} \right)$$

$$M = A^{\oplus I} \rightsquigarrow S_A(M) = \text{polynomial ring } A[x_i; i \in I]$$

4.2 Exterior alg. (alternating).

$$A \subseteq M. \quad \Lambda_A(M) = T_A(M) / \left( \begin{array}{c} m \otimes m \\ m \in M. \end{array} \right)$$

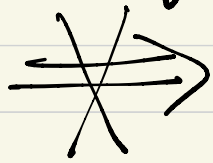
$$m \otimes m = 0 \in \Lambda(M).$$

$$(m_1 + m_2) \otimes (m_1 + m_2) = 0$$

$$\Downarrow \\ m_1 \otimes m_2 + m_2 \otimes m_1 = 0$$

i.e.,  $m_1, m_2$  anti-commute.

Only imposing  $m_1 \otimes m_2 + m_2 \otimes m_1 = 0$



$m \otimes m = 0.$   
(in char 2).

Triangular rings

$R, S$  rings

$$R \subseteq M \subseteq S. \quad \left( \begin{array}{c|c} R & M \\ \hline 0 & S \end{array} \right) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in R, d \in S, b \in M \right\}$$

is a ring.