

R-ring (commutative, as usual)

There is a homomorphism $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\varphi} R$

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & \longmapsto & 1 \\ n & \longmapsto & n \end{matrix}$$

$\varphi(n) = n$ viewed as element of R

$$n = \underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_{\text{sum in } R} \quad n > 0$$

$$-n = \underbrace{-(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_{\text{sum in } R}$$

Possibilities for $\text{im}(\varphi)$ - subring.

(a) φ is injective. Then $\varphi(\mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$, $\ker \varphi = 0$.
 $\Rightarrow R$ contains \mathbb{Z} as subring. Examples: $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{n}], \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{Z}[x], \dots$

(b) φ is not injective. $\ker(\varphi) \neq 0$. Since \mathbb{Z} is a PID, any ideal is principal, $\ker(\varphi) = (n), n > 0$. $(n) = (-n)$

Then $\text{im}(\varphi) \cong \mathbb{Z}/\ker(\varphi) \cong \mathbb{Z}/(n)$. $n=0$ in case (a)

The image of \mathbb{Z} in R is a finite ring of residues modulo n
 $0, 1, \dots, n-1, n=0$ in R . Example: $R = \mathbb{Z}/(n), \mathbb{Z}/n[x], \dots$

Any ring R contains either \mathbb{Z} or \mathbb{Z}/n , for a unique n , as a subring

Assume R is a field, $R = F$

$\Rightarrow n=0$ or $n=p$ prime above

zero divisors
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 if $n=km$

$n=0 \Rightarrow F \supset \mathbb{Z}$, even $F \supset \mathbb{Q}$ as subfield $\mathbb{Q} \subset F$

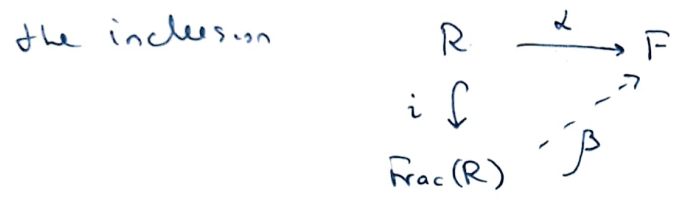
$n=p \quad \mathbb{F}_p = \{0, \dots, p-1\}$ field of residues mod p , $\mathbb{F}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p$
another notation

Example F field $F[x]$ - polynomials in F , $\text{Frac}(F[x])$ - field of rational functions in x , coefficients in F .

$F(x) = \text{Frac}(F[x])$ elements $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}, f(x), g(x) \in F[x], g(x) \neq 0$

equivalence relation, $\frac{f(x)r(x)}{g(x)r(x)} = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}, r(x) \neq 0$

Prop If integral domain R is a subring of field F , there is a homomorphism $\text{Frac}(R) \rightarrow F$ that extends



$\alpha = \beta \circ i$
such β is unique

How to define β ? Elements of $\text{Frac}(R)$ are pairs (a, b) , $b \neq 0$, modulo equivalence relator. (a/b) . $a, b \in R$

Define $\beta(ab^{-1}) = \alpha(a) \alpha(b)^{-1}$

Exercise: this is well-defined on cosets $(a, b) \sim (c, d)$ if $ad = bc$ in R

- Exercise: 1) β is a ring homomorphism.
 2) why is β unique? why is β injective?

Proposition says that any inclusion of an integral domain R into a field F extends to an inclusion of the ring of fractions $\text{Frac}(R) = \mathbb{Q}(R) \subset F$.

Example $\mathbb{Z} \subset F \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{Q} \subset F \quad \mathbb{Q} = \text{Frac}(\mathbb{Z})$

Corollary Each field F either contains subfield \mathbb{Q} or \mathbb{F}_p

\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{F}_p are called prime fields.

if $\mathbb{F}_p \subset F$, say that characteristic of F is p , $\text{char}(F) = p$

if $\mathbb{Q} \subset F$, say that characteristic of F is 0 , $\text{char}(F) = 0$

Exercise a) If integral domain R is a subring of a field F , $R \subset F$, then the smallest subfield of F that contains R is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Q}(R) = \text{Frac}(R)$

b) Take a collection of elements $\{a_i\}_{i \in I}$ in a field F . Show that there exists the smallest subfield of F that contains all a_i (think how to define it).

F-field, $F[x]$

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division wM a remainder. Given polynomials $f(x), g(x) \in F[x]$

there exist unique polynomials

$$g(x) \neq 0$$

$$f(x) = q(x)g(x) + r(x), \quad \deg r(x) < \deg g(x).$$

$$\deg f(x) = n$$

$$\deg g(x) = m$$

To construct $q(x), r(x)$ we divide $f(x)$ by $g(x)$ wM a remainder,

By induction on $\deg f(x)$.

If $\deg f(x) < \deg g(x)$ ($n < m$) done: $f(x) = 0 \cdot g(x) + f(x)$
 $r(x) = f(x)$

If $n \geq m$ $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$ $a_n \neq 0$

$$g(x) = b_m x^m + \dots + b_0 \quad b_m \neq 0$$

$$a_n b_m^{-1} g(x) = a_n b_m^{-1} (b_m x^m + b_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \dots + b_0) = a_n x^m + a_n b_m^{-1} b_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \dots$$

can invert in F , important that F is a field.

Order terms

$$f(x) - a_n b_m^{-1} g(x) \cdot x^{n-m} = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0 - (a_n x^m x^{n-m} + a_n b_m^{-1} b_{m-1} x^{n-1} + \dots)$$

$$= (a_{n-1} - a_n b_m^{-1} b_{m-1}) x^{n-1} + \dots$$

$$\leftarrow a_n x^n$$

$f(x) - (a_n b_m^{-1} x^{n-m})g(x)$ has degree $\leq n-1$. Proceed by induction.

This proves existence of $q(x), r(x)$ as above.

Uniqueness $f(x) = q_1(x)g(x) + r_1(x), f(x) = q_2(x)g(x) + r_2(x) \Rightarrow$

$$q_1(x)g(x) + r_1(x) = q_2(x)g(x) + r_2(x)$$

$$(q_1(x) - q_2(x))g(x) = r_2(x) - r_1(x)$$

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unless $q_1 = q_2$, deg of LHS

is $\geq \deg g(x) = m$

\nwarrow degree $< \deg g(x) = m$

Contradiction wM degrees.

Division of polynomials with a remainder

Example over $\mathbb{F}_3 = \{0, 1, 2\} \pmod 3$ $2+1=0, \dots \quad 2+2=1$

$$f(x) = x^5 + x^4 + 2x^2 + x \quad g(x) = x^2 + 2x - 1$$

$$2 = -1 \pmod 3$$

personal reference $(2x^2 - 1)$
↓
 $x^2 - x - 1$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + 2x^2 + 1 \\
 \hline
 x^5 + x^4 + 0x^3 + 2x^2 + x \\
 - x^5 - x^4 - x^3 \\
 \hline
 2x^4 + x^3 + 2x^2 + x \\
 - 2x^4 - 2x^3 - 2x^2 \\
 \hline
 0x^4 + 0x^3 + 4x^2 + x \\
 - \quad \quad \quad x^2 - x - 1 \\
 \hline
 2x + 1
 \end{array}$$

$$4 = 1 \pmod 3$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 x^5 + x^4 + 2x^2 + x & = & (x^3 + 2x^2 + 1) & (x^2 - x - 1) + 2x + 1 \\
 \parallel & & \parallel & \parallel \\
 f(x) & & g(x) & r(x)
 \end{array}$$

If g is monic (highest coefficient is 1), can divide by $g(x)$ even over $R[x]$, R a ring. If g is not monic, need top coefficient of g to be invertible in R

$\mathbb{Z}[x]$. Can we divide $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ by $g(x) = 2x + 1$?

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \frac{1}{2}x + \dots \\
 \hline
 2x + 1 \quad \overline{) x^2 - 1}
 \end{array}
 \quad \frac{1}{2} \text{ is not in } \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{cannot put } \frac{1}{2}x \text{ there.}$$

For this reason, restrict to a field F and polynomials in $F[x]$.

Thm $F[x]$ is a principal ideal domain (PID), for a field F .

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Proof Take an ideal $I \subset F[x]$. If $I = (0)$, it is principal

$I = \{0\}$ or
 $I = (0)$.

If $I \neq (0)$, choose a polynomial $m(x) \in I$ of the smallest degree.

$(m(x)) \subset I$. Assume the inclusion is proper, take $f(x) \in I \setminus (m(x))$.

↪ ideal generated by $m(x)$.

Divide $f(x)$ by $m(x)$ with a remainder.

$$f(x) = q(x)m(x) + r(x), \quad \deg r(x) < \deg m(x) \quad \text{or} \quad r(x) = 0.$$

$$\deg 0 = -\infty.$$

$$r(x) \in I \quad \text{since} \quad r(x) = \underbrace{f(x)}_I - q(x) \underbrace{m(x)}_I.$$

Contradiction with choice of $m(x)$. (least degree in I)

Corollary Any ideal in $F[x]$ has the form $(m(x))$ or (0) , where

$m(x) = x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$ is a monic polynomial.

Exercise: For different monic polynomials $m_1(x), m_2(x)$ ideals $(m_1(x)),$

$(m_2(x))$ are distinct.

... principal ideal ...
(1) ...

Divisibility $r, s \in R$ say r divides s , $r|s$ if $\exists r' \in R$ $rr' = s$

$r|s \iff \text{set}(r)$ - principal ideal generated by r .

$r \neq 0 \forall r \in R, 0|r \iff r=0, r \text{ unit} \iff r|1$

Def

F - field, $f(x), g(x) \in F[x]$. The gcd (greatest common divisor) of $f(x), g(x)$ is a polynomial $d(x)$ s.t.

- (1) $d|f, d|g$
- (2) if $c|f, c|g \implies c|d$ $d = (f, g)$
- (3) d is monic

Say that f, g are relatively prime if $(f, g) = 1$

gcd is unique: if d, d' are gcds

$d|d', d'|d, F[x]$ is a domain $\implies d, d'$ differ by a unit

$(F[x])^* = F^*$ (see homework)

Thm gcd exists:

Proof Consider ideal $I = (f(x), g(x)) = \{a \cdot f + b \cdot g \mid a(x), b(x) \in F[x]\}$

Ideal I is principal ($F[x]$ is a PID), $I = (d(x))$

we can choose monic $d(x)$, unless $I = (0) \implies f(x) = g(x) = 0$.

$\implies f(x) = d(x)h(x), d|f, d|g$

if $c|f, c|g \implies f = cc', g = cc'' \implies d = af + bg = acc' + bcc'' = c(ac' + bc'')$

$\implies c|d$

Lemma (Euclid) Let F be a field, $p(x) \in F[x]$ not a product of polynomials of smaller degree. If $p(x) \mid q_1(x) \dots q_n(x)$ then $p(x) \mid q_j(x)$ for some j .

$$p(x) \mid \underbrace{q_1(x)}_{g(x)} \cdot \underbrace{q_2(x) \dots q_n(x)}_{h(x)}$$

Proof Induction on $n \geq 2$

Step 1: if $(f(x), g(x)) = 1$ and $f \mid gh$ then $f \mid h$

$$1 = a(x)f(x) + b(x)g(x) \text{ some } a, b.$$

$$h(x) = a(x)f(x)h(x) + b(x)g(x)h(x)$$

$$h = afh + bgh, \quad f \mid gh, \quad gh = fk \Rightarrow$$

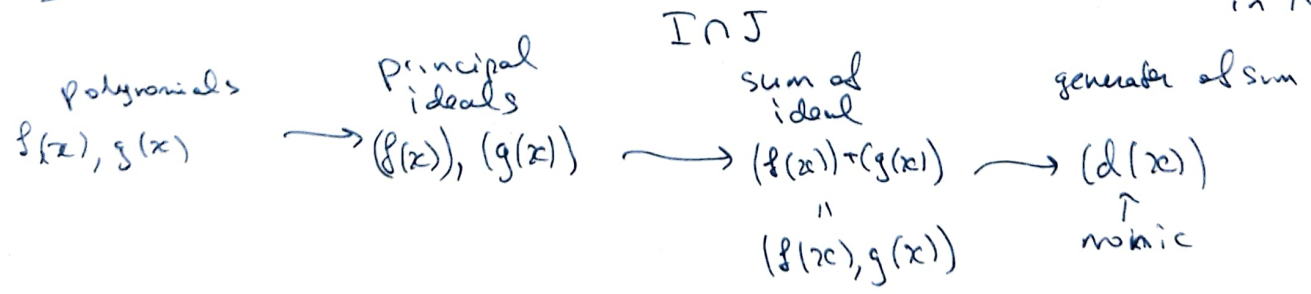
$$h = afh + bfk = (ah + bk)f \Rightarrow f \mid h$$

$\gcd(p(x), q_1(x)) =$ either 1 or $p(x)$ \leftarrow up to element of F^* , to rescale to monic
 if $p(x)$, $p(x) \mid q_1(x)$ done.

To get \gcd , $(f(x), g(x))$ ideal $\rightarrow d(x)$ monic generator of ideal

$$(f(x), g(x)) = (f(x)) + (g(x)) \text{ sum of ideals}$$

Exercise I, J ideals in $R \Rightarrow I + J = \{i+j \mid i \in I, j \in J\}$ are ideals in R



$$a_n x^n + \dots + a_0 = a_n (x^n + a_{n-1} a_n^{-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0 a_n^{-1})$$

$a_n \in F^*$ \uparrow monic
 rescaling monic polynomials by elements of F^* gets all monic polynomials

To compute $\gcd(f, g)$, repeatedly divide f by g a remainder
 Let $\deg f \geq \deg g$.

$$f = q_1 g + r_1 \quad \text{remainder} \quad \deg(r_1) < \deg(g)$$

$$g = q_2 r_1 + r_2 \quad \text{remainder} \quad \deg(r_2) < \deg(r_1)$$

$$r_1 = q_3 r_2 + r_3 \quad \deg(r_3) < \deg(r_2)$$

⋮

$$r_{n-2} = q_n r_{n-1} + r_n$$

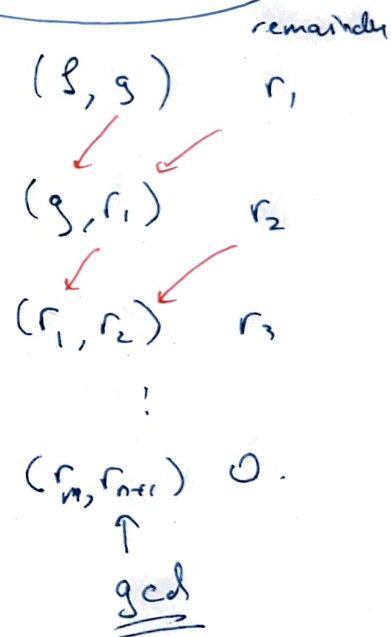
$$r_{n-1} = q_{n+1} r_n + r_{n+1}$$

$$r_n = q_{n+2} r_{n+1} \quad \uparrow \quad \text{no remainder, } \underline{\underline{\text{done}}}$$

before (f, g)

now (g, r_1)
 bigger deg
 smaller deg

Exercise: (f, g) and (g, r_1) have the same gcd



Example 1) $F = \mathbb{Z}/3 = \mathbb{F}_3$

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$f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 1$, $g(x) = x^2 - x + 1$. Find $\gcd(f(x), g(x))$

$(x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 1, x^2 - x + 1)$ remainder $x + 1$

$(x^2 - x + 1, x + 1)$ 0

$$x^2 - x + 1 \begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 1 \\ - x^3 - x^2 + x \\ \hline 3x^2 + x + 1 \quad 3=0 \end{array}$$

$\gcd(f(x), g(x)) = x + 1$

monic \checkmark

$$x + 1 \begin{array}{r} x + 1 \\ \hline x^2 - x + 1 \\ - x^2 + x \\ \hline -2x + 1 \\ \quad \uparrow \\ \quad x + 1 \\ \quad - x + 1 \\ \quad \hline \quad 0 \end{array}$$

2) $F = \mathbb{F}_2 = \{0, 1\}$

$f(x) = x^4 + x^2$, $g(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1$

$(x^4 + x^2, x^3 + x^2 + 1)$ remainder $x^2 + 1$

$(x^3 + x^2 + 1, x^2 + 1)$ x

$(x^2 + 1, x)$ 1
↑

$\gcd(f(x), g(x)) = 1$

f, g are relatively prime.

$$x^3 + x^2 + 1 \begin{array}{r} x + 1 \\ \hline x^4 + x^2 \\ - x^4 + x^3 + x^2 \\ \hline -x^3 \\ \quad - x^3 + x^2 + 1 \\ \quad \hline \quad x^2 + 1 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 + 1 \begin{array}{r} x + 1 \\ \hline x^3 + x^2 + 1 \\ - x^3 + x \\ \hline x^2 + x + 1 \\ \quad - x^2 + 1 \\ \quad \hline \quad x \end{array}$$

Prop (Long division w/m remainder) Let $f \in F[x]$, $f \neq 0$,
 $g \in F[x]$. Then there exist unique polynomials $q, r \in F[x]$,
 w/m either $r=0$ or $\deg r < \deg f$ such that $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{or declare} \\ \deg 0 = -\infty \end{array} \right)$

$$g = qf + r$$

Corollary Let $f \in F[x]$, $f \neq 0$. Then every coset $g + (f)$
 has a unique representative $r=0$ or $\deg r < \deg f$

Proof write $g = f \cdot q + r$ ^{remainder} $r=0$ or $\deg r < \deg f$
 $r - g = -fq \in (f)$
 $r \in g + (f)$ coset, since $r - g \in (f)$
Unique: if $r_1 + (f) = r_2 + (f) \Rightarrow r_1 - r_2 \in (f)$, but $\deg r_1 < \deg f$
 $\deg r_2 < \deg f$

$$\Downarrow \\ \deg(r_1 - r_2) < \deg f \Rightarrow \\ r_1 = r_2.$$

$\deg f = n$
 Cosets of (f) : represented by 0 and all polynomials of degree $< n$

Example $\deg f = 2$ quadratic polyn.

$$f(x) = b_2 x^2 + b_1 x + b_0 \quad b_2 \neq 0$$

cosets $F[x]/(f)$ have the form $a_0 + a_1 x + (f)$
 for all pairs (a_0, a_1) , $a_i \in F$
 $i=0,1$.

take $\{1, x\}$ and form all 'linear combinations' $a_0 \cdot 1 + a_1 x$

$\deg f = 3$ cubic polyn

$$f = b_3 x^3 + \dots + b_0 \quad b_3 \neq 0$$

cosets $F[x]/(f)$ $a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + (f)$

'basis' $1, x, x^2$ cosets are parametrized by (a_0, a_1, a_2) $a_i \in F$.

this is $\{a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1}\}$ deg $f = n$
 as 'residues' modulo f . These are exactly elements of
 $F[x]/(f(x))$
 all possible

Example. 1) $F = \mathbb{Q}$, $f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$.

$R = \mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 + x + 1)$ elements are polynomials of deg at most 1
 $a_0 + a_1x$ $a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$

To multiply in R , multiply as polynomials, then take a remainder for division by $x^2 + x + 1$
 divide by $x^2 + x + 1$

$$(2+x)(1-3x) = 2 - 5x - 3x^2 = 2 - 5x - 3(-x-1) = 2 - 5x + 3x + 3 = 2x + 5$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2+x+(f(x)) \\ 1-3x+(f(x)) \end{array}$$

ok \uparrow
 need to reduce

$x^2 = -x - 1$ in the quotient ring

$$(2+x)(1-3x) = 2x + 5 \text{ in } \mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 + x + 1).$$

$$x \cdot x = x^2 = -x - 1 \text{ in } R/\mathbb{I}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \\ \hline -3x^2 - 5x + 2 \\ + 3x^2 + 3x + 3 \\ \hline 0 \quad -2x + 5 \end{array}$$

2) $F = \mathbb{F}_2 \quad \{0, 1\}$

$$f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$$

$$R = \mathbb{F}_2[x]/(x^2 + x + 1)$$

$0, 1, x, x+1$ 4 elements.

$$x(x+1) = x^2 + x = -1 = 1 \pmod{2}$$

$$x+1 = x^{-1} \text{ in } R.$$

$$(x+1)^{-1} = x$$

Each nonzero element is invertible!

This is a field with 4 elements

$$\mathbb{F}_4 = \mathbb{F}_2[x]/(x^2 + x + 1)$$

Divide by linear polynomial $x-a$.

$$f(x) \in F[x] \quad f = (x-a)g + c \quad \leftarrow \text{remainder, a 'constant'}$$

evaluate $ev_a: F[x] \rightarrow F$ $f(x) \mapsto f(a)$

$$x \mapsto a \quad (x-a)g(x) + c \mapsto (a-a)g(a) + c = 0 \cdot g(a) + c = c$$

$\Rightarrow f(a) = c$

$$f(x) = (x-a)g(x) + f(a)$$

when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-a)$, the remainder is $f(a)$

$F[x]/(x-a)$ cosets are $b \in F$. constant polynomials

$$F[x]/(x-a) \cong F \text{ as rings}$$

$$h(x) + (x-a) \mapsto h(a) \quad \text{bijection, respect ring structure}$$

$$b + (x-a) \mapsto b$$

$$\mathbb{R}[x]/(x-3) \cong \mathbb{R} \quad \text{isomorphism}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &\mapsto 2 \\ 10 &\mapsto 10 \\ x &\mapsto 3 \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

Comparison

\mathbb{Z}

$F[x]$

F a field

\mathbb{Z} or \mathbb{R} are PIDs

$$\mathbb{Z}^\times = \{1, -1\}$$

Invertible (unit) elements

$$(F[x])^\times = F^\times$$

$$n \leftrightarrow -n$$

Same principal ideal

$$f(x) \leftrightarrow a f(x) \quad a \in F^\times \text{ nonzero 'constant'}$$

$$(n) = (-n)$$

monic polynomial

positive number

$$f = gh \quad f(x) = g(x)h(x)$$

$$n = mk$$

Factorization

Prime p

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13...

monic irreducible polynomial

$$f(x) = a^n + \dots$$

$\{\pm 1\}$ are not primes (invertible elements)

$a \in F^\times$ are not irreducible polynomials (invertible elements)

$$n = p_1 \dots p_k$$

Prime factorization.

p_i - primes

$$f(x) = p_1(x) \dots p_k(x)$$

monic irreducible polynomials

$$-n = (-1) p_1 \dots p_k$$

↑ ↑
unit primes

$$f(x) = a_n \cdot p_1(x) \dots p_k(x)$$

↑ ↑
monic irreducible

$$\gcd(n, m)$$

$$\gcd(f, g)$$

$$\text{lcm}(n, m)$$

$$\text{lcm}(f, g)$$

Coprime n, m

$$1 = an + bm \text{ some } a, b$$

Coprime $f(x), g(x)$

$$1 = a(x)f(x) + b(x)g(x) \text{ some } a(x), b(x)$$