MATH 340 Assignment 4, Fall 2007

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This assignment is due Wednesday October the 17th at the beginning of class. For problems involving Maple, please submit a printout of a Maple worksheet. Late penalty: -20% for up to one day late. Zero for more than one day late.

Section 2.2: Subrings and Subfields

Exercises 1, 3(iv), 6, 7, 8, 14, 16.

Section 2.3: Review of Vector Spaces

Exercises 2, 9. Also exercise 12 of section 1.7 and exercise 18 of section 2.1.

Section 2.4: Polynomials

Exercises 1, 3, 12, 13, 14, 16.

Do questions 12 and 13 by hand. Check your answers using Maple. For part (i) of questions 12 and 13, use the quo, rem and gcd commands. For parts (ii) and (iii) use the Quo(...) mod p, Rem(...) mod p and Gcd(...) mod p commands.

For question 14 (which will be marked) do not do it by hand. First use the gcdex(...) command in Maple to answer part (i) and then the Gcdex(...) mod p command to answer parts (ii) and (iii). Indicate what the $\lambda(x)$ and $\mu(x)$ polynomials are.

Now use Maple to answer question 14 as follows: Write a loop in Maple that implements the extended Euclidean algorithm to compute the polynomials q_i, r_i, x_i and y_i as illustrated in the table on page 90. Recall from section 1.3 that $r_i = r_{i-2} - q_i r_{i-1}, x_i = x_{i-2} - q_i x_{i-1}$ and $y_i = y_{i-2} - q_i y_{i-1}$ where q_i is the quotient of r_{i-2} divided by r_{i-1} . Print out the q_i, r_i, x_i and y_i polynomials using the printf command.

For part (i) use the Maple commands quo and expand to divide and to multiply polynomials in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ respectively. For parts (ii) and (iii) use the Maple commands Quo(...) mod p and Expand(...) mod p to divide and multiply polynomials in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$ respectively. So you need two versions of the code, one for $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ and one for $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$.