

### Multivariate Polynomial Rings 2.6

Let  $R$  be a ring, and  $a \in R[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$  a multivariate polynomial.  
 Let  $a = \sum_{i=1}^t a_i x_1^{e_{1i}} x_2^{e_{2i}} \dots x_n^{e_{ni}}$  where  $a_i \in R$ .

Def. The vectors  $[e_{1i}, e_{2i}, \dots, e_{ni}]$  are called exponent vectors.

E.g.  $a = 7y^4 + 3x^2y^2 + 2xy^4 - 7xy^2 - 2x^3$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[x, y]$   
 $[0, 4]$   $[2, 2]$   $[1, 4]$   $[1, 2]$   $[3, 0]
 4 4 5 3 3$

Def. The total degree  $\deg(a) = \max_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ji}$ .  
 If  $R$  is an integral domain then  $\deg(ab) = \deg(a) + \deg(b)$

The terms of  $a \in R[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$  are usually ordered in some descending order on the exponent vectors.

Pure lexicographical order. If  $u$  and  $v$  are two exponent vectors then  $u > v$  if  $u_k > v_k$  and  $u_j = v_j$  for  $1 \leq j < k$ .

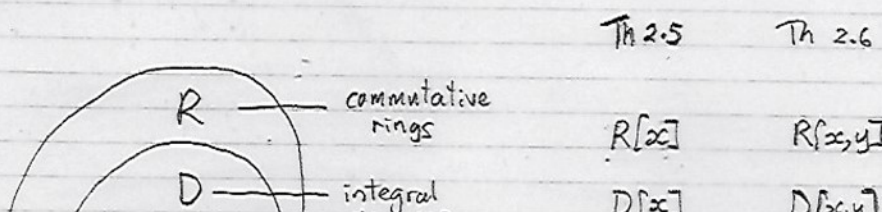
E.g.  $a = -2x^3 + 3x^2y^2 + 2xy^4 - 7xy^2 + 7y^4$   
 $[3, 0] > [2, 2] > [1, 4] > [1, 2] > [0, 4]$

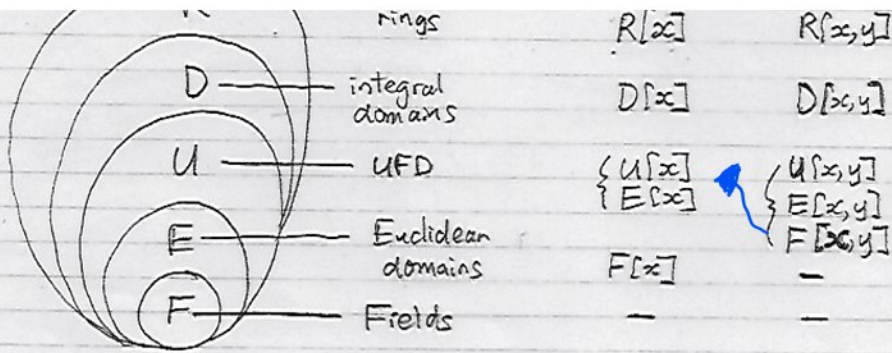
Graded lexicographical order (Maple 17, 18) Terms are ordered in decreasing total degree with ties broken using pure lex. order.

E.g.  $a = 2xy^4 + 3x^2y^2 + 7y^4 + 2x^3 - 7xy^2$   
 deg: 5 > 4 4 > 3 3

For both orderings  $lc, lm, lt$  generalize in the obvious way.  
 E.g. for  $\uparrow$   $lc(a) = 2, lm(a) = xy^4, lt(a) = 2xy^4$ . Moreover

- (i)  $lt(ab) = lt(a)lt(b)$
  - (ii)  $lc(ab) = lc(a)lc(b)$
  - (iii)  $lm(ab) = lm(a)lm(b)$
- provided  $R$  is an integral domain.





Why is  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$  not a Euclidean domain?

Division in  $D[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

Let  $D$  be an int. dom. and  $A, B \in D[x_1, \dots, x_n]$   $B \neq 0$ .

How do we test if  $B|A$ ? (with 0 remainder i.e.  $A = B \cdot Q$ ).

If  $B|A$  how do we compute the quotient  $Q$ .

Example Does  $xy+1 \mid 2y^3x^3 + (y^2+2y)x^2 + (2y+2)x$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[x,y]$

$$D[x_1, x_2, x_3] \cong D[x_2, x_3][x_1] \cong D[x_3][x_2][x_1].$$

E.g.  $A = 2xy^3 + x^2y^2 + 2yx^2 + 2xy + 2x \in \mathbb{Z}[x,y]$

In  $\mathbb{Z}[x][y]$   $A = (2x^3 + x^2)y^2 + (2x^2 + 2x)y + (2x) \cdot y^0$

In  $\mathbb{Z}[y][x]$   $A = (2y^3)x^3 + (y^2 + 2y)x^2 + (2y + 2)x$

$$\text{lc}(A) = 2y^3 \quad \text{lm}(A) = x^3 \quad \text{deg}(A) = 3.$$

If  $B|A$  then  $A = B \cdot Q$  for some  $Q \in \mathbb{Z}[y][x]$ .

In  $\mathbb{Z}[y][x]$   $\text{lc}(A) = \text{lc}(BQ) = \text{lc}(B) \cdot \text{lc}(Q)$

$\Rightarrow \text{lc}(B) \mid \text{lc}(A)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[y]$ .  $a \div$  in one less variable.

$\nearrow$  do this division recursively.

In  $\mathbb{Z}[y][x]$   $\text{lm}(A) = \text{lm}(BQ) = \text{lm}(B) \cdot \text{lm}(Q)$

In  $\mathbb{Z}[y][x]$   $l_m(A) = l_m(BQ) = l_m(B) \cdot l_m(Q)$   
 $\Rightarrow l_m(B) \mid l_m(A)$ .

$B = (y)x + 1$   
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $l_c(B) \quad l_m(B)$

$Q_1 \downarrow \quad \leftarrow Q_2 \quad Q$   
 $\frac{(2yx^2) + (yx)}{(2y^2)x^3 + (y^2 + 2y)x^2 + (2y + z)x} = A$   
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $l_c(A) \quad l_m(A)$   
 $R \leftarrow A$

$y \mid 2y^2$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[y]$   
 do it recursively.

$y \mid y^2$   
 do it recursively

$y \mid y + z$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[y]$   
 do it recursively -  
 doesn't divide.  
 Stop because  $y \nmid y + z$ .

$B \sqrt{0 + (y^2)x^2 + (2y + z)x} \leftarrow R$   
 $- (y^2x^2 + yx)$   
 $= B \sqrt{0 + (y + z) \cdot x} \leftarrow R$   
 $\uparrow$   
 remainder R.

We have  $A = B \cdot Q + (y + z)x$  and  $B \nmid (y + z)x$

Hence  $B \nmid A$ . Algorithm stops if  $l_c(B) \nmid l_c(R)$   
 or  $l_m(B) \nmid l_m(R)$ .

If  $B \mid A$  with quotient  $Q$  it won't matter  
 if we do the division in  $\mathbb{Z}[x][y]$  or  $\mathbb{Z}[y][x]$ .