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Abstract

This thesis is a study of unit groups of rings and group rings. We concentrate on generators and presentations of General linear groups. For every $n > 1$, we find a set of generators of $GL(2, \mathbb{Z}_n)$ in terms of Lie regular units, which is a generalization of the work done by Sharma et al.. Further, we obtain presentations for $GL(2, \mathbb{Z}_{2^k})$ and $GL(2, \mathbb{Z}_{p^k}) \forall k \geq 1$.

For any finite field \mathbb{F}_q , we obtain generators of $GL(2, \mathbb{F}_q)$, and presentations for $GL(2, \mathbb{F}_{2^n})$, $GL(2, \mathbb{F}_{p^n}) \forall n \geq 1$, in terms of Lie regular units.

We show that Lie regular elements also exist in $\mathcal{M}(4, R)$, where $\mathcal{M}(4, R)$ is the ring of 4×4 matrices over a commutative ring R with unity. We also show that these elements generate $GL(4, \mathbb{Z}_n) \forall n > 1$. We extend the result of existence of Lie regular elements to $\mathcal{M}(2n, R)$ for $n > 2$.

In this thesis, we also study about units in some group algebras. For this discussion, we compute the Wedderburn decomposition of $\frac{\mathbb{F}_q G}{J(\mathbb{F}_q G)}$ for a group G , and a finite field \mathbb{F}_q . More precisely, we discuss units of the group algebra $\mathbb{F}_q SL(2, \mathbb{Z}_3)$, where \mathbb{F}_q denotes a finite field of characteristic p , having q elements. We also discuss units of group algebra $\mathbb{F}_q G$ for all non-abelian groups of order 24 over a finite field \mathbb{F}_q of characteristic 2 with $q = 2^k$ elements.

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यह शोध प्रबंध रिंग और ग्रुप रिंग के यूनिट ग्रुप पर है। हमने जनरल लीनियर ग्रुप के जनरेटरों और प्रेजेंटेशनों पर ध्यान केन्द्रित किया है। प्रत्येक $n > 1$ के लिए हमने $GL(2, \mathbb{Z}_n)$ के ली रेगुलर जनरेटरों का एक सेट निकाला है। यह शर्मा आदि द्वारा किये गए कार्य का सामान्यकरण है। तदुपरांत, प्रत्येक $k \geq 1$ के लिए हमने $GL(2, \mathbb{Z}_{2^k})$ और $GL(2, \mathbb{Z}_{p^k})$ की प्रेजेंटेशन दी हैं।

प्रत्येक फाइनाइट फील्ड \mathbb{F}_q , के लिए हमने $GL(2, \mathbb{F}_q)$ के ली रेगुलर यूनिट्स के रूप में जनरेटर्स और प्रत्येक $n \geq 1$ के लिए $GL(2, \mathbb{F}_{2^n})$, $GL(2, \mathbb{F}_{p^n})$ की ली रेगुलर यूनिट्स के रूप में प्रेजेंटेशन निकाली हैं।

हमने दर्शाया है, कि ली रेगुलर एलिमेंट्स $M(4, R)$ में भी उपस्थित हैं। यहाँ $M(4, R)$, 4×4 आव्यूहों का रिंग है और R यूनिटी रखने वाला एक कम्युटेटिव रिंग है। हमने यह भी दर्शाया है कि, प्रत्येक $n > 1$ के लिए ये एलिमेंट्स $GL(4, \mathbb{Z}_n)$ को जनरेट करते हैं। अपने निष्कर्ष को आगे बढ़ाते हुए हमने दिखाया है कि, प्रत्येक $n > 2$ के लिए ली रेगुलर एलिमेंट्स $M(2n, R)$ में भी उपस्थित हैं।

इस शोध प्रबंध में हमने कुछ ग्रुप अल्जेब्राओं के यूनिट एलिमेंट्स का भी अध्ययन किया है। इस विचार-विमर्श के लिए हमने $\mathbb{F}_q G / J(\mathbb{F}_q G)$ कि वेडरबर्न डिकम्पोजिशन निकाली है, जहाँ G एक ग्रुप और \mathbb{F}_q एक फाइनाइट फील्ड है। विशेष रूप से, हमने ग्रुप अल्जेब्रा $\mathbb{F}_q SL(2, \mathbb{Z}_3)$ के यूनिट एलिमेंट्स का अध्ययन किया है, जहाँ \mathbb{F}_q कैरेक्टरिस्टिक p का एक फाइनाइट फील्ड है जिसमें q एलिमेंट्स हैं। हमने कार्डीनेलिटी 24 के प्रत्येक नॉन-अबेलियन ग्रुप के लिए ग्रुप अल्जेब्रा $\mathbb{F}_q G$ के यूनिट एलिमेंट्स का भी अध्ययन किया है, जहाँ \mathbb{F}_q कैरेक्टरिस्टिक 2 का $q = 2^k$ एलिमेंट्स वाला एक फाइनाइट फील्ड है।

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List of Symbols

In the following notations, X is a set, G is a group, R is a ring and \mathbb{F} is a field. Also p, q, s, l, n denote positive integers.

Symbol	Meaning
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\forall	for all
\in	belongs to
\subseteq	subset or equal
\subsetneq	proper subset
\cup, \cap	union, intersection
\mathbb{N}	the set of natural numbers
\mathbb{Q}	the set of rational numbers
\mathbb{R}	the set of real numbers
\mathbb{Z}	the set of integers
\mathbb{Z}_n	the ring of integers modulo n

Symbol	Meaning
ϕ	Euler's totient function
$\mathcal{M}(n, R)$	the ring of all $n \times n$ matrices over R
$GL(n, R)$	General linear group of degree n over R
$SL(n, R)$	Special linear group of degree n over R
I_n	$n \times n$ identity matrix
$\text{char } \mathbb{F}$	characteristic of the field \mathbb{F}
\mathbb{F}_q	finite field of characteristic p with q elements
\mathbb{F}_q^*	$\mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\}$
\square	end of a proof
$p \nmid n$	p does not divide n
$ X $	cardinality of the set X
$o(G)$	order of the group G
$H \leq G$	H is a subgroup of G
$G \times H$	direct product of G and H
\cong	is isomorphic to
\equiv	is congruent to
$R \oplus S$	direct sum of rings R and S
$\ker f$	kernel of the homomorphism f
\times	direct product
\prod	product of integers and also product of matrices
G/H	quotient of G by H
$[x]$	conjugacy class of $x \in G$
$\mathcal{U}(R)$	unit group of R
$\mathcal{Z}(R)$	center of R

Symbol Meaning

$J(R)$	Jacobson radical of R
(q, s)	the greatest common divisor of q and s
$ord_s(q)$	multiplicative order of q modulo s , $(q, s) = 1$
$G \rtimes H$	semidirect product of G and H
C_n	cyclic group of order n
Q_8	quaternion group of order 8
S_n	symmetric group on n symbols
A_n	alternating group on n symbols
D_{2n}	dihedral group of order $2n$
Dic_n	dicyclic group of order $4n$