

Last time: • Def. & Properties of Jacobson radicals.

↙ intersection of all maximal left ideals

Thm. (Thm 4.23.) Let A be a k -alg. of finite length. Let J be its Jacobson radical.

(a). J equals to union of finitely many max. left ideals.

(b). We have $J = \bigcap_{S \text{ simple}} \text{Ann}_A(S)$.

(c). J is a two-sided ideal.

(d). J is nilpotent, and $J^n = 0$ where n is the length of A .

(d') J contains every nilpotent left ideal of A .
→ J is the largest nilp. left ideal.

Pf of (d) and (d'): (we'll restate and prove (e) - (h) later.)

(d). "J is nilpotent". (Strategy: hit the comp. factors of A with J.)

Take a composition series $0 = V_0 \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \cdots \subset V_n = A$ of A as an A-module.

Then V_i/V_{i-1} is simple for all $1 \leq i \leq n$, so by (b) $J \cdot (V_i/V_{i-1}) = 0$, i.e. $J \cdot V_i \subseteq V_{i-1}$.

It follows that $J \cdot A = \underbrace{J^n}_{1} \cdot V_n = V_0 = 0$, so $J^n = 0$. (j · (a + V_{i-1}) = j a + V_{i-1})

(d'). Lemma: $\forall x \in A$, we have $x \in J \Leftrightarrow 1 - rx$ has a left inverse for every $r \in A$. b s.t. b(1-rx) = 1.

Pf: " \Rightarrow ": Let $\begin{matrix} x \in J \\ r \in A \end{matrix}$. We prove that $A(1-rx) = A \ni 1$. If not, then $A(1-rx)$ is a

proper ideal of A, hence by Zorn's Lemma $1-rx$ is contained in a maximal ideal M.

Thus, $x \in J \subset M$, so $rx \in M$, so $1 = (1-rx) + rx \in M$. But then $A \subseteq M$, a

contradiction.

" \Leftarrow " We prove the contrapositive: If $x \notin J$, then \exists max. ideal M s.t. $x \notin M$, so $M + Ax = A$. In particular, $1 = y + rx$ for some $y \in M$ and $r \in A$. But then $1 - rx = y$ has no left inverse: if it did, then $\exists z$ s.t. $zy = 1 \in M$, which again would imply $A \subseteq M$, a contradiction.

E.x. Use the lemma and the formula

$$1 - (rx)^m = (1 + rx + (rx)^2 + \dots + (rx)^{m-1})(1 - rx)$$

to prove (d').

the theorem, continued:

(e). A/J is s.s.

(f) If $I \subseteq A$ is a two-sided ideal s.t. A/I is s.s.,

then $J \subseteq I$.

} J is smallest two-sided ideal K s.t. A/K is s.s.

(g) A is s.s. $\Leftrightarrow J = 0$

— J measures s.s. of A .

(h) An A -module V is s.s. $\Leftrightarrow J \cdot V = 0$. — J measures s.s. of A -module.

Pf: (e). We will show that A/J is a s.s. A -module. Since

J annihilates A/J , it would follow from Thm 4.17 that A/J is also a s.s. A/J -module. Thus, by def, A/J is s.s. (Lec 25. use $A=A$, $I=J$, $B=A/J$, $V=A/J$)

To show that A/J is a s.s. A -module, we show that there is an iso

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi: A/J &\rightarrow A/M_1 \oplus A/M_2 \oplus \dots \oplus A/M_r \text{ of } A\text{-modules where } M_1, \dots, M_r \text{ are} \\ a+J &\longmapsto (a+M_1, a+M_2, \dots, a+M_r) \end{aligned}$$

Since A/M_i is simple $\forall 1 \leq i \leq r$, it follows that A/J is s.s. as
 an A -module (as an A -module)

max. left ideals of A st.

$$J = \bigcap_{i=1}^r M_i$$

and $\bigcap_{j \neq i} M_j \not\subseteq M_i$.

Pf that Φ gives us an iso. as claimed.

(i). Φ is well-defined: $a+J = b+J \Rightarrow a-b \in J \subseteq M_i \Rightarrow a+M_i = b+M_i \forall a, b \in A, 1 \leq i \leq r. \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \Phi(a+J) \\ \parallel \\ \Phi(b+J) \end{matrix}$

(ii). Φ is indeed an A -module hom: "the action is just mult. on the coset reps on both sides". EX. $\Phi(r \cdot (a+J)) = r \cdot \Phi(a+J)$

(iii). Φ is inj: $a+J \in \ker \Phi \Rightarrow a+M_i = 0 \in A/M_i \forall i \Rightarrow a \in M_i \forall i \Rightarrow a \in \bigcap_{i=1}^r M_i = J$

(iv). Φ is surj: It suffices to show that $(0, 0, \dots, 0+M_i, 0, \dots, 0)_{a+J} = 0$.

is $0+J \forall i$. Postponed.

(f). Suppose A/I is s.s., then we have $A/I = S_1 \oplus \dots \oplus S_r$

as A/I -modules where S_1, \dots, S_r are simple A/I -modules

By the proof of Corollary 4.12, each S_i is also a simple A -module,

so $J \cdot S_i = 0 \ \forall i$. But then $J \cdot (A/I) = J \cdot (S_1 \oplus \dots \oplus S_r) = 0$. i.e.,

$$J = JA \subset I. \quad \square$$

(g). If A is s.s., then $A = A/0$ is s.s., so $J \leq 0$ by (f), so $J = 0$.

If $J = 0$, then $A = A/J$ is s.s. by (e).

(f). " \Rightarrow " V is a s.s. A -module $\Rightarrow V = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r S_i$, S_i a simple A -module $\forall i$.

$$\Rightarrow J \cdot S_i = 0 \forall i, \text{ so } J \cdot V = J \cdot \left(\bigoplus S_i \right) = 0$$

" \Leftarrow ": $J \cdot V = 0 \xRightarrow{\text{Lemma 2.37.}}$ V is an A/J -module

$\Rightarrow V$ is a s.s. A/J -module since A/J is s.s.

$\xRightarrow{\text{Thm 4.17.}}$ V is a s.s. A -module.

- pf that Ξ from (e) is surj.
- Examples / Applications of Jacobson radicals

— next time!