

Th^m: Let a, b, c be any 3 elements of euclidean ring R and $(a, b) = 1$. i.e. g.c.d of a & b is 1.
If $a | bc$ then $a | c$.

Proof Since g.c.d of a & b is 1.

$$\Rightarrow \exists \lambda, \mu \in R \text{ such that } 1 = \lambda a + \mu b \text{ --- (1)}$$

Multiplying both sides with c .

$$\Rightarrow c = \lambda ac + \mu bc \text{ --- (2)}$$

Since $a | bc \Rightarrow \exists q \in R$ such that

$$bc = aq \text{ --- (3)}$$

Putting in (2) we get

$$c = \lambda ac + \mu qa$$

$$\Rightarrow c = (\lambda c + \mu q) a$$

$$\Rightarrow a | c \text{ proved}$$

Th^m If p is prime element in Euclidean ring R and $p | ab$ where $a, b \in R$ then p divides at least one of a & b .

Proof: If $p | a$ then we have nothing to prove so let $p \nmid a$. Since p is prime and $p \nmid a \Rightarrow \text{g.c.d of } p \text{ & } a = 1$. also $p | ab$ so by previous th^m $p | b$. Proved

Thm Let R be a Euclidean ring. Let $a, b \in R$ be²⁶ non-zero elements. Then

(i) if b is unit in R then $d(ab) = d(a)$

(ii) if b is not a unit in R then $d(ab) > d(a)$

Proof: (i) We know that in a Euclidean ring

$$d(ab) \geq d(a) \text{ ——— (1)}$$

Let b is unit in R

$\Rightarrow b$ is invertible i.e. $b^{-1} \in R$

So, We can write

$$a = (ab)b^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow d(a) = d[(ab)b^{-1}] \geq d(ab)$$

$$\Rightarrow d(a) \geq d(ab) \text{ ——— (2)}$$

From (1) & (2)

$$d(ab) = d(a)$$

(ii) If b is not a unit in R

Since a & b are non-zero elements of R

$\Rightarrow ab$ is non-zero element of R

So by division algorithm $\exists q, r \in R$ such that

$$a = (ab)q + r$$

where either $r = 0$ or $d(r) < d(ab)$ ——— (3)

Now, if $r = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a = (ab)q$$

$$\Rightarrow a - abq = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(1 - bq) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - bq = 0 \quad (\because a \neq 0 \text{ \& } R \text{ has no divisor of zero})$$

$$\Rightarrow bq = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow b \text{ is invertible}$$

$$\Rightarrow b \text{ is a unit in } R. \text{ which is a contradiction}$$

Hence r cannot be zero

$$\Rightarrow d(r) < d(ab) \quad [\text{from (3)}]$$

$$\text{i.e. } d(ab) > d(r) \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Also from (3)

$$r = a - abq$$

$$\Rightarrow d(r) = d[a(1 - bq)] \geq d(a)$$

$$\text{i.e. } d(r) \geq d(a) \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

From (4) & (5)

$$d(ab) > d(a)$$

Proved