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Formalization of Algebraic Theorems in PVS

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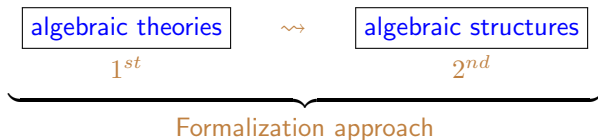
Motivation

- Ring theory has a wide range of applications in several fields of knowledge:
 - ▶ combinatorics, algebraic cryptography and coding theory apply finite (commutative) rings [1];
 - ▶ ring theory forms the basis for algebraic geometry, which has applications in engineering, statistics, biological modeling, and computer algebra [7].

A complete formalization of ring theory would make possible the formal verification of elaborated theories involving rings in their scope.

- Formalizing rings will enrich the mathematical libraries of PVS:

<https://github.com/nasa/pvslib/tree/master/algebra>



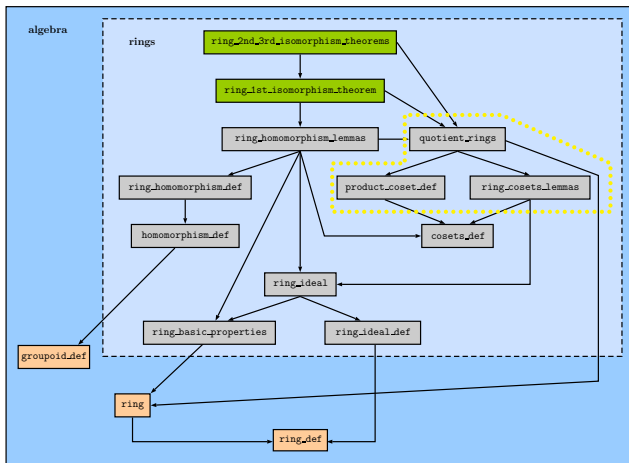


Figure: Hierarchy of the sub-theories for the three isomorphism theorems for rings (Taken from [2])

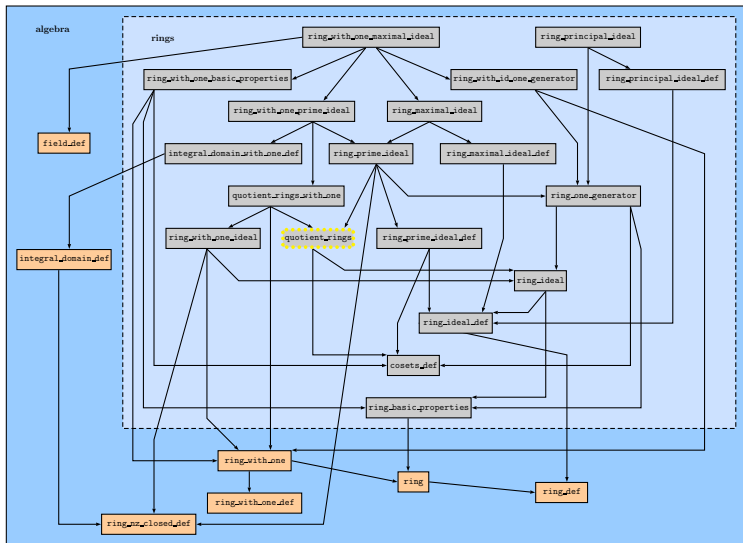
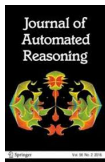


Figure: Hierarchy of the sub-theories related with principal, prime and maximal ideals (Taken from [2])



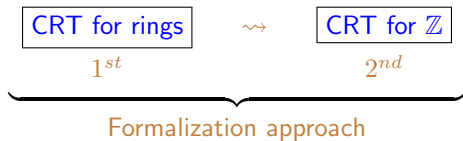
[2] de Lima, Galdino, Avelar, Ayala-Rincón

Formalization of Ring Theory in PVS: Isomorphism Theorems, Principal, Prime and Maximal Ideals, Chinese Remainder Theorem

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- Formalization of the general algebraic-theoretical version of the Chinese remainder theorem (CRT) for the theory of rings, proved as a consequence of the first isomorphism theorem.
- The number-theoretical version of CRT for the structure of integers is obtained as a consequence.



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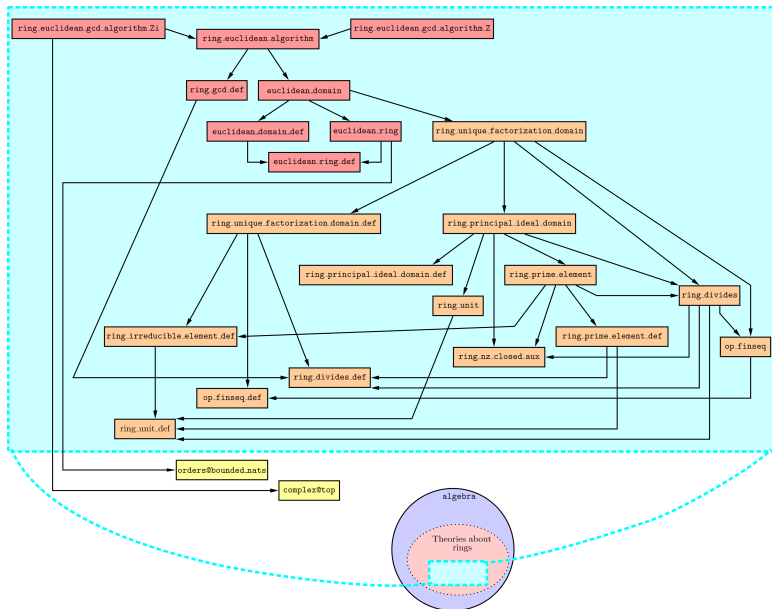


Figure: Euclidean Domains and Algorithms (Taken from [3])

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A Euclidean ring is a commutative ring R equipped with a norm φ over $R \setminus \{zero\}$, where an abstract version of the well-known Euclid's division lemma holds. Euclidean rings and domains are specified in the subtheories `euclidean_ring_def` [↗](#) and `euclidean_domain_def` [↗](#).

```
euclidean_ring?(R): bool = commutative_ring?(R) AND
EXISTS (phi: [(R - {zero}) -> nat]):
  FORALL(a,b: (R)):
    ((a*b /= zero IMPLIES phi(a) <= phi(a*b)) AND
     (b /= zero IMPLIES
      EXISTS(q,r:(R)):
        (a = q*b+r AND (r = zero OR (r /= zero AND phi(r) < phi(b))))))

euclidean_domain?(R): bool = euclidean_ring?(R) AND
                             integral_domain_w_one?(R)
```

The theory `Euclidean_ring_def`  includes two additional definitions to allow abstraction of acceptable Euclidean norms, ϕ , and associated functions, f_ϕ , fulfilling the properties of Euclidean rings.


```

Euclidean_pair?(R : (Euclidean_ring?), phi: [(R - {zero}) -> nat]) : bool =
  FORALL(a,b: (R)): ((a*b /= zero IMPLIES phi(a) <= phi(a*b)) AND
    (b /= zero IMPLIES
      EXISTS(q,r:(R)): (a = q*b+r AND
        (r = zero OR (r /= zero AND phi(r) < phi(b)))))

Euclidean_f_phi?(R : (Euclidean_ring?),
  phi : [(R - {zero}) -> nat] | Euclidean_pair?(R,phi))
(f_phi : [(R) , (R - {zero}) -> [(R),(R)]]) : bool =
  FORALL (a : (R), b :(R - {zero})):
    IF a = zero THEN f_phi(a,b) = (zero, zero)
    ELSE LET div = f_phi(a,b)^1, rem = f_phi(a,b)^2 IN
      a = div * b + rem AND
      (rem = zero OR (rem /= zero AND phi(rem) < phi(b)))
  ENDIF

```

The relation $\text{Euclidean_pair?}(R, \phi)$  holds whenever ϕ is a Euclidean norm over R .

The curried relation $\text{Euclidean_f_phi?}(R, \phi)(f_\phi)$  holds, whenever $\text{Euclidean_pair?}(R, \phi)$ holds, and

$$f_\phi : R \times R \setminus \{zero\} \rightarrow R \times R$$

is such that for all pair in its domain, $f_\phi(a, b)$ gives a pair of elements, say (div, rem) satisfying the constraints of Euclidean rings regarding the norm ϕ :


$$\text{if } a \neq zero, a = div * b + rem \text{ and, if } rem \neq zero, \phi(rem) < \phi(b)$$

These definitions are correct since the existence of such a ϕ and f_ϕ is guaranteed by the fact that R is a Euclidean ring.

Also, notice that the decrement of the norm ($\phi(rem) < \phi(b)$) is the key to building an abstract Euclidean terminating procedure.

Using the previous two relations, a general abstract recursive Euclidean gcd algorithm is specified in the sub-theory `ring_euclidean_algorithm` [↗](#) as the curried definition `Euclidean_gcd_algorithm` [↗](#).

```
Euclidean_gcd_algorithm(
  R : (Euclidean_domain?[T,+,*,zero,one]),
  (phi: [(R - {zero}) -> nat] | Euclidean_pair?(R,phi)),
  (f_phi: [(R),(R - {zero}) -> [(R),(R)]] |
    Euclidean_f_phi?(R,phi)(f_phi)))
  (a: (R), b: (R - {zero})) : RECURSIVE (R - {zero}) =
  IF a = zero THEN b
  ELSIF phi(a) >= phi(b) THEN
    LET rem = (f_phi(a,b))^2 IN
    IF rem = zero THEN b
    ELSE Euclidean_gcd_algorithm(R,phi,f_phi)(b,rem)
    ENDIF
  ELSE Euclidean_gcd_algorithm(R,phi,f_phi)(b,a)
  ENDIF
  MEASURE lex2(phi(b), IF a = zero THEN 0 ELSE phi(a) ENDIF)
```



The termination of the algorithm is guaranteed manually proving that two proof obligations  (termination Type Correctness Conditions - TCC) generated by PVS hold. For instance:

```

euclidean_gcd_algorithm_TCC9: OBLIGATION
FORALL (R: (euclidean_domain?[T, +, *, zero, one]),
        (phi: [(difference(R, singleton(zero))) -> nat]
              | euclidean_pair?[T, +, *, zero](R, phi)),
        (f_phi: [[(R), (remove(zero, R))] -> [(R), (R)]]
              | euclidean_f_phi?[T, +, *, zero](R, phi)(f_phi)),
        a: (R), b: (remove[T](zero, R))):
NOT a = zero AND phi(a) >= phi(b) IMPLIES
  FORALL (rem: (R)):
    rem = (f_phi(a, b))^2 AND NOT rem = zero IMPLIES
      lex2(phi(rem), IF b = zero THEN 0 ELSE phi(b) ENDIF) <
        lex2(phi(b), IF a = zero THEN 0 ELSE phi(a) ENDIF)

```


It uses the lexicographical MEASURE provided in the specification. The measure decreases after each possible recursive call.

The `Euclid_theorem`  establishes the correctness of each recursive step regarding the abstract definition of `gcd` . It states that given adequate ϕ and f_ϕ , the `gcd` of a pair (a, b) is equal to the `gcd` of the pair (rem, b) , where rem is computed by f_ϕ . Notice that since Euclidean rings allow a variety of Euclidean norms and associated functions (e.g., [6], [4]), `gcd` is specified as a relation.

```
Euclid_theorem : LEMMA
```

```
  FORALL (R: (Euclidean_domain? [T, +, *, zero, one]),
    (phi: [(R - {zero}) -> nat] | Euclidean_pair?(R, phi)),
    (f_phi: [(R), (R - {zero}) -> [(R), (R)]] |
      Euclidean_f_phi?(R, phi)(f_phi)),
    a: (R), b: (R - {zero}), g : (R - {zero})) :
    gcd?(R)({x : (R) | x = a OR x = b}, g) IFF
    gcd?(R)({x : (R) | x = (f_phi(a,b))^2 OR x = b}, g)
```

```
gcd?(R) (X: {X | NOT empty?(X) AND subset?(X, R)}, d: (R - {zero})): bool =
  (FORALL a: member(a, X) IMPLIES divides?(R)(d, a)) AND
  (FORALL (c: (R - {zero})):
    (FORALL a: member(a, X) IMPLIES divides?(R)(c, a)) IMPLIES
    divides?(R)(c, d))
```


Finally, the theorem `Euclidean_gcd_alg_correctness`  formalizes the correctness of the abstract Euclidean algorithm. The proof is by induction. For an input pair (a, b) , in the inductive step of the proof, when $\phi(b) > \phi(a)$ and the recursive call swaps the arguments the lexicographic measure decreases.

Otherwise, when the recursive call is

`Euclidean_gcd_algorithm(R, ϕ, f_ϕ)(b, rem)` the measure decreases and by application of `Euclid_theorem`, one concludes.

```
Euclidean_gcd_alg_correctness : THEOREM
  FORALL (R: (Euclidean_domain? [T, +, *, zero, one]),
    (phi: [(R - {zero}) -> nat] | Euclidean_pair? (R, phi)),
    (f_phi: [(R), (R - {zero}) -> [(R), (R)]] |
      Euclidean_f_phi? (R, phi) (f_phi)),
    a: (R), b: (R - {zero}) ) :
  gcd? (R) ({x : (R) | x = a OR x = b},
    Euclidean_gcd_algorithm (R, phi, f_phi) (a, b))
```

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Corollary `Euclidean_gcd_alg_correctness_in_Z`  gives the Euclidean algorithm correctness for the **Euclidean ring of integers**, \mathbb{Z} . It states that the parameterized abstract algorithm, `Euclidean_gcd_algorithm[int,+,*,0,1]` satisfies the relation `gcd?[int,+,*,0]`, for any $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}, j \neq 0$.

It follows from the correctness of the abstract Euclidean algorithm and requires proving that $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}}$ and $f_{\phi_{\mathbb{Z}}}$ fulfill the definition of Euclidean rings. The latter is formalized as lemma `phi_Z_and_f_phi_Z_ok` .

```
phi_Z(i : int | i /= 0) : posnat = abs(i)

f_phi_Z(i : int, (j : int | j /= 0)) : [int, below[abs(j)]] =
  ((IF j > 0 THEN ndiv(i,j) ELSE -ndiv(i,-j) ENDIF), rem(abs(j))(i))

phi_Z_and_f_phi_Z_ok : LEMMA Euclidean_f_phi?[int,+,*,0](Z,phi_Z)(f_phi_Z)

Euclidean_gcd_alg_correctness_in_Z : COROLLARY
  FORALL(i: int, (j: int | j /= 0) ) :
    gcd?[int,+,*,0](Z)({x : (Z) | x = i OR x = j},
      Euclidean_gcd_algorithm[int,+,*,0,1](Z, phi_Z,f_phi_Z)(i,j))
```

Correctness of the Euclidean algorithm for the **Euclidean ring $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ of Gaussian integers**.

The Euclidean norm of a Gaussian integer $x = (\operatorname{Re}(x) + i \operatorname{Im}(x)) \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$, $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(x)$, is selected as the natural given by the multiplication of x by its conjugate ($\bar{x} = \operatorname{conjugate}(x) = \operatorname{Re}(x) - i \operatorname{Im}(x)$): $\operatorname{Re}(x)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(x)^2$.


```
Zi: set[complex] = {z : complex | EXISTS (a,b:int): a = Re(z) AND b = Im(z)}

Zi_is_ring: LEMMA ring?[complex,+,*,0](Zi)


Zi_is_integral_domain_w_one: LEMMA integral_domain_w_one?[complex,+,*,0,1](Zi)

phi_Zi(x:(Zi) | x /= 0): nat = x * conjugate(x)

phi_Zi_is_multiplicative: LEMMA
  FORALL((x: (Zi) | x /= 0), (y: (Zi) | y /= 0)):
    phi_Zi(x * y) = phi_Zi(x) * phi_Zi(y)
```


The auxiliary function `div_rem_appx`  is used to specify the associated function $f_{\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}}$ for the **Euclidean ring** $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

For a pair of integers (a, b) , $b \neq 0$, `div_rem_appx` computes the pair of integers (q, r) such that $a = qb + r$, and $|r| \leq |b|/2$; thus, qb is the integer closest to a .

Lemma `div_rev_appx_correctness`  proves the equality $a = qb + r$.

```
div_rem_appx(a: int, (b: int | b /= 0)) : [int, int] =
  LET r = rem(abs(b))(a),
      q = IF b > 0 THEN ndiv(a,b) ELSE -ndiv(a,-b) ENDIF IN
  IF r <= abs(b)/2 THEN (q,r)
  ELSE IF b > 0 THEN (q+1, r - abs(b))
        ELSE (q-1, r - abs(b))
        ENDIF
  ENDIF

div_rev_appx_correctness : LEMMA
  FORALL (a: int, (b: int | b /= 0)) :
    abs(div_rem_appx(a,b)^2) <= abs(b)/2 AND
    a = b * div_rem_appx(a,b)^1 + div_rem_appx(a,b)^2
```


Construction of $f_{\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}}$ : For y , a Gaussian integer and x , a positive integer, let $\text{Re}(y) = q_1x + r_1$ and $\text{Im}(y) = q_2x + r_2$, where (q_1, r_1) and (q_2, r_2) are computed by $\text{div_rem_appx}(\text{Re}(y), x)$ and $\text{div_rem_appx}(\text{Im}(y), x)$, respectively.

Let $q = q_1 + iq_2$ and $r = r_1 + ir_2$, then $y = qx + r$. Also, notice that if $r \neq 0$ then $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(r) \leq \phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(x)$ since $r_1^2 + r_2^2 \leq x^2$.


For the case in which x is a non zero Gaussian integer, $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(x) > 0$ holds.


Then, $\text{div_rem_appx}(y\bar{x}, x\bar{x})$ computes $q, r' \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ such that $y\bar{x} = q(x\bar{x}) + r'$, and $r' = 0$ or $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(r') < \phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(x\bar{x})$.

Finally, selecting $r = y - qx$ ($y = qx + r$) and $r' = r\bar{x}$:

If $r \neq 0$, since $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(r\bar{x}) < \phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(x\bar{x})$, by lemma `phi_Zi_is_multiplicative` , we conclude that $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(r) < \phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}(x)$.

```
f_phi_Zi(y: (Zi), (x: (Zi) | x /= 0)): [(Zi), (Zi)] =
  LET q = div_rem_appx(Re(y * conjugate(x)), x * conjugate(x))`1 +
        div_rem_appx(Im(y * conjugate(x)), x * conjugate(x))`1 * i,
    r = y - q * x IN (q, r)
```

Corollary `Euclidean_gcd_alg_in_Zi`  gives the correctness of the Euclidean algorithm for the Euclidean ring $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

This is consequence of the correctness of the abstract Euclidean algorithm and lemma `phi_Zi_and_f_phi_Zi_ok`  that states that $\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}$ and $f_{\phi_{\mathbb{Z}[i]}}$ are adequate for $\mathbb{Z}[i]$: `Euclidean_f_phi?[complex,+,*,0](Z[i],phi_Zi)(f_phi_Zi)`.

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phi_Zi_and_f_phi_Zi_ok: LEMMA
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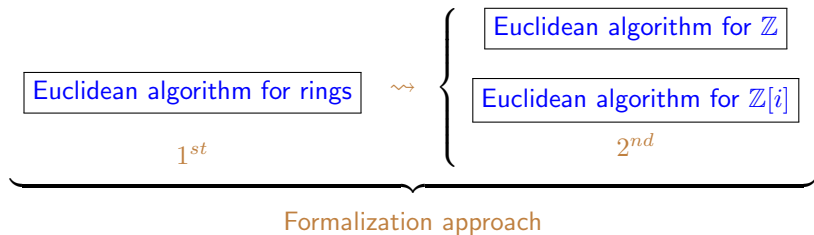
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Euclidean_gcd_alg_in_Zi: COROLLARY
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```
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```
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For about ten years, Sir William Rowan Hamilton tried to model three-dimensional space with a structure like “complex numbers”, equipped with and closed under addition and multiplication.

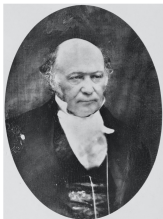
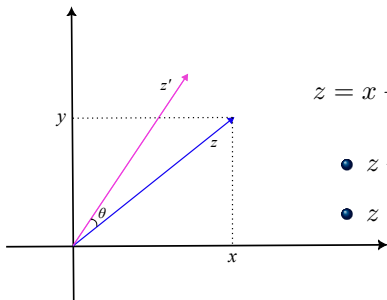


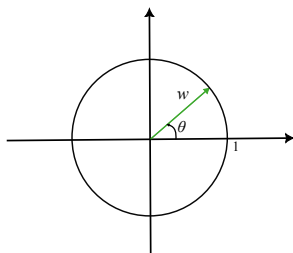
Figure: Sir William Rowan Hamilton, picture taken from [8]

Complex numbers and bi-dimensional real space



$$z = x + yi \quad w = c + di$$

- $z + w = (x + c) + (y + d)i$
- $z \cdot w = (xc - yd) + (xd + yc)i$



$$z' = x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta) + (x \sin(\theta) + y \cos(\theta))i$$

$$z' = z \cdot w$$

On October 16, 1843, Hamilton realized he needed a structure containing four dimensions to model the three-dimensional real space.

It provided some peculiar/special results...

- The advent of an algebraic structure at the intersection of many mathematical topics such as non-commutative ring theory, number theory, geometric topology, etc.

“The most famous act of mathematical vandalism”



Figure: Sand sculpture by Daniel Doyle, picture taken from [8]

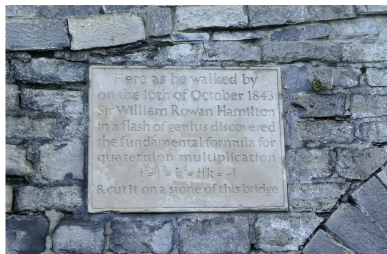


Figure: Broom bridge plaque in Dublin, picture taken from [11]

Hamilton's Quaternions

The structure $\langle \mathbb{H}, +, \cdot, \text{one}_q, i, j, k \rangle$, where:

- $\mathbb{H} = \{q_0 \text{one}_q + q_1 i + q_2 j + q_3 k \mid q_\ell \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ for } 0 \leq \ell \leq 3\}$;
- $i^2 = j^2 = i \cdot j \cdot k = -1 + 0i + 0j + 0k = -\text{one}_q$;

For p and $q \in \mathbb{H}$:

- $p + q = (p_0 + q_0) + (p_1 + q_1)i + (p_2 + q_2)j + (p_3 + q_3)k$
 $(p_0 q_0 - p_1 q_1 - p_2 q_2 - p_3 q_3)$
- $p \cdot q = (p_0 q_1 + p_1 q_0 + p_2 q_3 - p_3 q_2)i$
 $+(p_0 q_2 - p_1 q_3 + p_2 q_0 + p_3 q_1)j$
 $+(p_0 q_3 + p_1 q_2 - p_2 q_1 + p_3 q_0)k$

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Hamilton's Quaternions can be seen as a four dimensional vector space over the field of real numbers.

Identifying

- $one_q \leftrightarrow (1, 0, 0, 0)$
- $i \leftrightarrow (0, 1, 0, 0)$
- $j \leftrightarrow (0, 0, 1, 0)$
- $k \leftrightarrow (0, 0, 0, 1)$

$$\mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{R}^4$$

Considering...

- $\mathbb{H}^0 = \{q \mid q_0 = 0\} \subset \mathbb{H};$

$$\mathbb{H}^0 \cong \mathbb{R}^3$$

Conjugate and norm

Define:

- The conjugate of a quaternion q as

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{q} &= q_0 - q_1i - q_2j - q_3k \\ &= q_0 - \mathbf{q}\end{aligned}$$

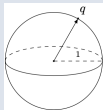
where \mathbf{q} denotes $q_1i + q_2j + q_3k$

- The norm of q as

$$|q| = \sqrt{q_0^2 + q_1^2 + q_2^2 + q_3^2}$$

Denote

- $\mathbb{H}^1 = \{q \in \mathbb{H} ; |q| = 1\}$



A special function

Let q be a quaternion. Consider the function

$$\begin{aligned} T_q : \mathbb{H}^0 &\rightarrow \mathbb{H} \\ v &\mapsto q \cdot v \cdot \bar{q} \end{aligned}$$

One can prove that:

$$\begin{aligned} T_q : \mathbb{H}^0 &\rightarrow \mathbb{H}^0, \text{ or equivalently} \\ T_q : \mathbb{R}^3 &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \end{aligned}$$

Some properties of T_q

- T_q is linear:

$$T_q(av + bu) = aT_q(v) + bT_q(u), \text{ for all } a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } v, u \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

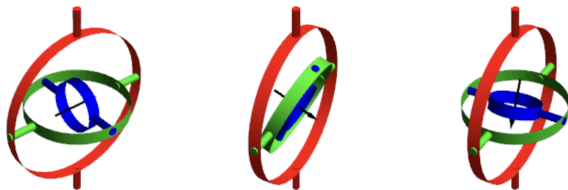
- If $q \in \mathbb{H}^1$ then T_q preserves the norm of v :

$$|T_q(v)| = |q \cdot v \cdot \bar{q}| = |q| \cdot |v| \cdot |\bar{q}| = |v|$$

- If $q \in \mathbb{H}^1$ then $T_q(kq) = kq$, where $k \in \mathbb{R}$;

In fact, one can prove that T_q is a rotation of an angle $\theta = 2 \arccos(q_0)$, whose axis has the same direction as q .

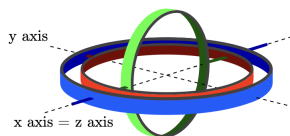
Benefits of rotating using Quaternions



Taken from [10]

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ 0 & \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta) & 0 & \sin(\beta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(\beta) & 0 & \cos(\beta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\gamma) & -\sin(\gamma) & 0 \\ \sin(\gamma) & \cos(\gamma) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Benefits of rotating using Quaternions - Avoiding Gimbal Lock



$$\text{For } \beta = \frac{\pi}{2}, R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \sin(\alpha + \gamma) & \cos(\alpha + \gamma) & 0 \\ -\cos(\alpha + \gamma) & \sin(\alpha + \gamma) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure: **Gimbal Lock**: taken from [9]

Formalization of Quaternions



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Quaternions.

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<https://isa-afp.org/entries/Quaternions.html>

Both of them are **restricted** to Hamilton's Quaternions.

1 Ring theory - An Overview

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3 Quaternions

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- Formalization of the Theory of Quaternions

4 Conclusion and work in Progress

The theory of quaternions is built from any field (specified in PVS as a commutative division ring) over four-dimensional vector spaces ($[x, y, z, t]$).

The theory `quaternions_def` $[T:\text{Type}, +, *: [T, T \rightarrow T], \text{zero}, \text{one}, a, b: T]$  uses an abstract type T , and assumes `group` $[T, +, \text{zero}]$, and axioms:

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sqr_i      :AXIOM i * i = a_q
sqr_j      :AXIOM j * j = b_q
ij_is_k    :AXIOM i * j = k
ji_prod    :AXIOM j * i = inv(k)
sc_quat_assoc :AXIOM c*(u*v) = (c*u)*v
sc_comm    :AXIOM (c*u)*v = u*(c*v)
sc_assoc   :AXIOM c*(d*u) = (c*d)*u
q_distr    :AXIOM distributive?[quat](*, +)
q_distr1   :AXIOM (u + v) * w = u * w + v * w
q_assoc    :AXIOM associative?[quat](*)
one_q_times :AXIOM one_q * u = u
times_one_q :AXIOM u * one_q = u

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The PVS theory `quaternions` [↗](#) assumes `field[T,+,*,zero,one]` and formalizes the characterization of quaternion multiplication (`q_prod_charac` [↗](#));

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q_prod_charac: LEMMA FORALL (u,v:quat):
  u * v = (u`x * v`x + u`y * v`y * a + u`z * v`z * b + u`t * v`t * inv(a) * b,
    u`x * v`y + u`y * v`x + (inv(b)) * u`z * v`t + b * u`t * v`z,
    u`x * v`z + u`z * v`x + a * u`y * v`t + inv(a) * u`t * v`y,
    u`x * v`t + u`y * v`z + inv(u`z * v`y) + u`t * v`x )
```

the fact that quaternions are a ring with unity (`quat_is_ring_w_one` [↗](#)) and the characterization of quaternions as division rings (`quat_div_ring_char` [↗](#))

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quat_is_ring_w_one: LEMMA ring_with_one?[quat,+,*,zero_q,one_q](quat)

quat_div_ring_char: LEMMA
charac(fullset[T]) /= 2 IMPLIES
((FORALL (x,y:T): a*(x*x) + b*(y*y) /= one) IFF
division_ring?[quat,+,*,zero_q,one_q](quat))
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Typical results on the theory of quaternions also include equalities as the ones below, where p, q are quaternions.

$$\overline{pq} = \bar{q}\bar{p} \quad \img alt="external link icon" data-bbox="145 375 170 405"/>$$

$$q\bar{q} = \bar{q}q \quad \img alt="external link icon" data-bbox="145 430 170 460"/>$$

$$|\bar{q}| = |q| \quad \img alt="external link icon" data-bbox="145 485 170 515"/>$$

$$|pq| = |p||q| \quad \img alt="external link icon" data-bbox="185 545 210 575"/>$$

$$q^{-1} = \bar{q}/|q|^2 \quad \img alt="external link icon" data-bbox="195 600 220 630"/> , whenever the quaternion algebra is a division ring.$$

A quaternion algebra is a division ring whenever all non-zero element q satisfies $\bar{q}q \neq \text{zero}_q$.

Characterizing quaternions as division rings requires that the parameter ring have characteristics different from two. Under this constraint, it is possible to prove that:

$$\forall x, y \in T : ax^2 + by^2 \neq \text{one} \implies \forall t \in T : t^2 + a^{-1} \neq \text{zero} \quad \square$$

From this, under the same constraint, it is possible to prove that:

$$\forall x, y \in T : ax^2 + by^2 \neq \text{one} \implies \forall t \in T : at^2 + b \neq \text{zero} \quad \square$$

Finally, under this constraint, we obtain the characterization of quaternions as division rings:

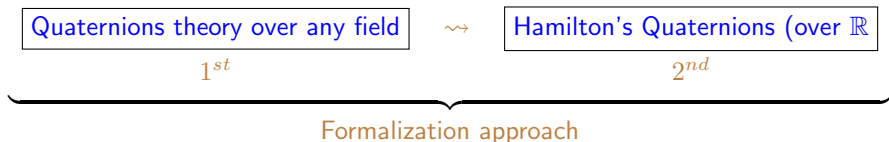
$$\forall x, y \in T : ax^2 + by^2 \neq \text{one} \iff \text{division_ring?}[\text{quat}, +, *, \text{zero}_q, \text{one}_q](\text{quat}) \quad \square$$

Formalization of Quaternion Algebras









Hamilton's quaternions are obtained importing the theory of quaternions using the field of reals as a parameter, and the real -1 for the parameters a and b :

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IMPORTING quaternions[real,+,*,0,1,-1,-1]
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The formalization approach follows the same principle:



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