

paper by Brown [1] but for completeness sake we give some details here, taking a more elementary approach than Brown's.

First let  $\alpha = k_0 + k_1a + k_2a^2 + k_3a^3 + k_4b + k_5ab + k_6a^2b + k_7a^3b$  be an arbitrary element of  $R$ , with  $k_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2$  for  $i = 0, \dots, 7$ . Then  $\alpha \in C$  precisely when  $\alpha$  commutes with both generators  $a$  and  $b$  of  $G$ . Comparing  $\alpha a, \alpha b$  with  $a\alpha, b\alpha$  respectively, gives that  $\alpha \in C$  precisely when  $k_1 = k_3, k_4 = k_6$  and  $k_5 = k_7$ . Thus  $\alpha \in C$  if and only if

$$(*) \quad \alpha = k_0 + k_1(a + a^3) + k_2a^2 + k_4(b + a^2b) + k_5(ab + a^3b).$$

It follows that  $C$  has 32 elements and the 16 non-units, that is those with even support, form the unique maximal ideal  $M$  of  $C$ . Moreover, using the expression (\*) above, an easy calculation shows that  $M^2 = 0$  and for any nonzero element  $x$  of  $M$  the principal ideal  $Cx$  is simply  $\{0, x\}$ . It follows that  $C$  is its own classical quotient ring (since every element of  $M$  is a zero-divisor) and given any two distinct nonzero elements  $x, y$  of  $M$  we may define a  $C$ -homomorphism  $f: Cx \rightarrow C$  by  $f(x) = y$ . Since  $Cx \cap Cy = 0$ ,  $f$  can not be extended to an endomorphism on  $C$ . Hence, by Baer's criterion for injectivity,  $C$  is not self-injective.

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