

1. Let p be a positive prime integer. Consider the integral domain $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-p}]$.
 - (a) Define $N(a + b\sqrt{-p}) = (a + b\sqrt{-p})(\overline{a + b\sqrt{-p}}) = a^2 + pb^2$. Show $N(xy) = N(x)N(y)$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-p}]$. Then use that to show $u \in U(\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-p}])$ iff $N(u) = 1$.
 - (b) Show $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-p}]$ has the ascending chain condition for principal ideals. *Hint:* Notice that if x divides y , then $N(x) \leq N(y)$.
 - (c) Even though $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-3}]$ has the ACC (by part (b)), it is not a UFD. Why?
2. (Trick Question) Let R be a PID and let $p \in R$ such that $p \neq 0$. Suppose that $R/(p)$ is an integral domain. What is the field of quotients of $R/(p)$?
3. Let R be a commutative ring with 1. Show that R is an integral domain iff $\{0\}$ is a prime ideal.
4. Let R be an integral domain. Show if $p \in R$ is prime, then (p) is a prime ideal. Is the converse true?
5. Are the rings $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 + 1)$ and $\mathbb{Q}[i]$ isomorphic? Either prove it or show why not.
6. Are the rings $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]/(x^2 + x + 1)$ and $\mathbb{Z}[x]/(x^2 + 1)$ isomorphic? Either prove it or show why not.
7. Construct a field with 25 elements. *Hint:* This should involve \mathbb{Z}_5 and quotients.
8. Let p be a prime integer.
 - (a) Let $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$. Show $c = a + b\sqrt{p} \in \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{p}]$ is a root of $f(x)$ iff $\bar{c} = a - b\sqrt{p}$ is a root of $f(x)$.
 - (b) Show that $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 - p)$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{p}]$.
9. Let $I = (x^2 + 3x + 2)$. Is $x^2 + 1 + I$ a unit in $\mathbb{Q}[x]/I$? Why or why not? If it is a unit find its inverse. Notice that $\mathbb{Q}[x]/I$ is not a field (Why?). Find a zero divisor. Is I a prime ideal? A maximal ideal?
10. Let I and J be ideals of a ring R . Prove that $I + J = \{i + j \mid i \in I \text{ and } j \in J\}$ is an ideal of R .
11. Let $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{25}$ be defined by $\phi(k) = k$. Notice that ϕ is injective and maps onto the set $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 5\}$. Therefore, S is a subring of \mathbb{Z}_{25} (the image of a ring under a homomorphism is a subring of the codomain). BUT WAIT! $2 \cdot 5 = 10$ in \mathbb{Z}_{25} , $2, 5 \in S$, and $10 \notin S$. What's wrong!?!?
12. Construct a field with four elements. This field has a subfield isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_2 (why?). Find *all* of the roots of $y^3 + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[y]$ in your field of four elements.
13. Let R be a Euclidean Domain with "size" function $\delta(x)$. For any fixed $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$, show that R is still a Euclidean domain if we use $\delta'(x) = k\delta(x) + \ell$. What goes wrong if $k = 0$?
14. Prove that the field of fractions of $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-p}]$ is $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{-p}]$ for any positive prime integer p .
15. Find a homomorphism with domain $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ whose kernel is $(x^5 + 6x^3 + 12x + 2)$.
16. Prove that $(x^2 + 1)$ is prime but not maximal in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$. Can we have a prime ideal which is not maximal in a PID?
17. Let R be a ring with 1 such that $a^2 = a$ for all $a \in R$. Let I be a prime ideal of R . Show that R/I has exactly two elements (i.e. it is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_2).
18. DO YOUR HOMEWORK!!!!!