

## Math 412 - Introduction to Abstract Algebra

### Homework 7

This homework assignment concerns sections 5.1-3 in the text. Please turn the following seven problems in on Wednesday, March 19.

1. (5.1.8) Prove or disprove. If  $p(x)$  is relatively prime to  $k(x)$  and  $f(x)k(x) \equiv g(x)k(x) \pmod{p(x)}$ , then  $f(x) \equiv g(x) \pmod{p(x)}$ .
2. (5.2.10) Let  $F$  be a field and  $p(x)$  a nonconstant polynomial in  $F[x]$ . Prove that  $F^* = \{[a] : a \in F\}$  is a subring of  $F[x]/p(x)$ .
3. (5.2.11) Show that the ring  $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2)$  is not a field.
4. (5.2.16) Show that  $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 - 2)$  is a field.
5. (5.3.2) Verify that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) = \{r + s\sqrt{2} : r, s \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  is a subfield of  $\mathbb{R}$  and is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 - 2)$ .
6. (5.3.8) If  $p(x)$  is an irreducible quadratic polynomial in  $F[x]$ , show that  $F[x]/p(x)$  contains all roots of  $p(x)$ .
7. (5.3.10) Show that  $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 - 2)$  and  $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2 - 3)$  are not isomorphic.

Please complete, but do not hand in exercises 5.1.1,4,13, 5.2.1,4,9,14, and 5.3.1,4,7,11.