Answer the problems on separate paper. You do <u>not</u> need to rewrite the problem statements on your answer sheets. Do your own work. Show all relevant steps which lead to your solutions. <u>Retain</u> this question sheet for your records.

- 1. a. (2 pts) Let G, H be groups and let  $\theta : G \to H$  be a homomorphism. Complete the following statement: the kernel of  $\theta$  is . . . .
  - b. (2 pts) Complete the following statement: an integral domain *D* is said to be an *ordered integral domain* if . . . .
- 2. (6 pts) Let  $\mathbb{R}^2$  denote the set of ordered pairs of real numbers, where  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is considered as a group with the usual component-wise addition. Let  $a = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $\lambda : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be given by  $\lambda x = xa$ . Prove that  $\lambda$  is a group homomorphism. Find  $\ker \lambda$ .
- 3. (6 pts) Let  $P_{\mathbb{Z}}[x]$  denote the set of polynomials with integer coefficients, where  $P_{\mathbb{Z}}[x]$  is considered as a group with the usual polynomial addition. Let  $\lambda: P_{\mathbb{Z}}[x] \to P_{\mathbb{Z}}[x]$  be given by  $\lambda(f) = f'$ . Prove that  $\lambda$  is a group homomorphism. Find  $\ker \lambda$ .
- 4. (6 pts) Construct the Cayley table for the quotient group  $\mathbb{Z}_{16}/<[4]>$ .
- 5. (6 pts) In the ring  $M(2,\mathbb{Z}_{12})$  compute  $\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 2 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \oplus \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3 \\ 4 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- 6. (6 pts) Prove that if R is a ring and if  $a, b, c \in R$ , then a + b = a + c implies b = c.
- 7. (6 pts) Prove that if R is a integral domain and if  $a,b,c \in R$  and  $a \ne 0$ , then ab = ac implies b = c.
- 8. (6 pts) Identify all of the zero divisors of the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_8$ .

- 9. Let R be the ring  $P_{\mathbb{Z}}[x]$  and consider the subset  $S = P_{\mathbb{Z}}[x]$  of R consisting of polynomials with even coefficients and the subset  $T = P_{\mathbb{Z}}[x]$  consisting of polynomials with odd coefficients.
  - a. (6 pts) Prove that S is a subring of R.
  - b. (3 pts) Prove that T is not a subring of R.
- 10. (6 pts) Prove that if R is a ring and if  $a, b \in R$ , then -(ab) = (-a)b.
- 11. (6 pts) Prove that if R and S are isomorphic rings and if R has no zero-divisors, then S has no zero divisors.
- 12. (4 pts) For each part provide an example of a ring which satisfies the condition or state that one does not exist. Note in part d. the subscript *p* denotes a prime. (No explanation is required for stating the example or the non-existence of such an example.)
  - a. A non-commutative integral domain
  - b. A commutative ring without a unity
  - c. A integral domain which is not a field other than  $\mathbb{Z}$
  - d. A finite field other than  $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$
- 13. (5 pts) List 5 ring properties which every ring isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}$  (ring isomorphism) must possess, which are not necessarily valid for every ring.
- 14. Write in the form a + bi,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

a. (4 pts) 
$$\frac{2-i}{3+2i}$$

b. (4 pts) 
$$(-2+2i)^8$$

- 15. Let  $U_{\rm 6}$  denote the set of all complex 6<sup>th</sup> roots of unity.
  - a. (4 pts) Determine  $\boldsymbol{U}_{6}$  , i.e., identify all of the elements of  $\boldsymbol{U}_{6}$  .
  - b. (4 pts) Represent the elements of  $\,U_{\,6}$  graphically, i.e., plot them in  $\,\mathbb{C}$  .
  - c. (4 pts) For each element of  $U_{\rm 6}$  identify its multiplicative inverse.
  - d. (4 pts) Let  $V_6$  denote the (unique) subgroup of  $U_6$  of order 3. Determine  $V_6$ .