

UH - Math 3330-01 - Dr. Heier - Spring 2017  
HW 12 (final HW set for the course)  
Due Friday, 04/28, at the beginning of class.

**Your solution may be handwritten. Use regular sized sheets of paper, stapled together.**

**Do not forget to write your name on page 1.**

1. (2 points) Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a field if and only if  $n$  is a prime number.
  
2. (2 points) Let  $R$  be a ring with unity. Assume that for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$  we have  $(xy)^2 = x^2y^2$ . Prove that  $R$  is commutative.
  
3. (2 points) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with unity. Let  $a \in R$ . Prove that  $aR = R$  holds if and only if  $a$  is a unit.
  
4. Let  $S = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} : q = \frac{a}{b}, a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b \text{ odd}\}$ .
  - (a) (1 point) Prove that  $S$  is a subring of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
  - (b) (1 point) Prove that  $S$  has a unique maximal ideal.
  
5. Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with unity  $1 \neq 0$ .
  - (a) (1 point) Prove that  $R$  is an integral domain if and only if  $\{0\}$  is a prime ideal in  $R$ .
  - (b) (1 point) Prove that  $R$  is a field if and only if  $\{0\}$  is a maximal ideal in  $R$ .