

## Exam 2

Modern Algebra II, Dave Bayer, November 6, 2008

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| [1] (6 pts) | [2] (6 pts) | [3] (6 pts) | [4] (6 pts) | [5] (6 pts) | TOTAL |
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[1] Define a primitive polynomial, for polynomials in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ . Prove *Gauss's lemma*: The product of two primitive polynomials is primitive.

[2] Define an irreducible element of an integral domain. Show that in a principal ideal domain, every element which is neither zero nor a unit is a product of irreducible elements.

[3] Make a list of small irreducible elements for the ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$ .

[4] Let  $I = (30, 72, x^4 - 1)$  be an ideal in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ . Find a strictly ascending chain of ideals of  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$

$$I \subset I_2 \subset \dots \subset I_k$$

of maximal length.

[5] Find a strictly ascending chain of *prime* ideals of  $\mathbb{Z}[x, y]$

$$I_1 \subset I_2 \subset \dots \subset I_k$$

of maximal length.