

**Math 128a, problem set 11**  
**Outline due: Wed Dec 01**  
**Due: Mon Dec 06**  
**Last revision due: TBA**

**Problems to be done, but not turned in:** (Ch. 13) 3, 9, 13, 25, 35, 41, 45, 47, 57;  
(Ch. 14) 5, 9, 15, 25, 29, 37, 41, 51, 55, 63.

**Fun:** (Ch. 13) 60.

*Extra definition:* For any set  $X$ , define  $\mathbf{F}(X)$  to be the ring of all real-valued functions  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , with addition and multiplication defined pointwise (i.e.,  $(f+g)(x) = f(x)+g(x)$  and  $(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$ ). It can be shown that  $\mathbf{F}(X)$  is a ring; you may take this as given.

**Problems to be turned in:**

1. Consider the ring  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$  defined above (taking  $X = \mathbf{R}$ ). You may want to consult a calculus textbook for this problem.
  - (a) Define  $C(\mathbf{R})$  to be the set of all continuous functions  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . State the two theorems from calculus that must be proven to show that  $C(\mathbf{R})$  is a subring of  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$ .
  - (b) Define  $D(\mathbf{R})$  to be the set of all differentiable functions  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  (i.e., functions where  $f'(x)$  exists for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ ). State the two theorems from calculus that must be proven to show that  $D(\mathbf{R})$  is a subring of  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$ .
2. Find all units and zero-divisors in the ring  $\mathbf{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_6$ .
3. Let  $D$  be an integral domain with unity 1, and let  $S$  be the set of all elements of  $D$  that are their own inverses under multiplication. List all elements of  $S$ , and prove your answer.
4. Consider  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$ , as defined above, and its subrings  $C(\mathbf{R})$  and  $D(\mathbf{R})$  from problem 1.
  - (a) Prove that  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$  is not an integral domain.
  - (b) Is  $C(\mathbf{R})$  an integral domain? If so, state the theorem from calculus that proves that it is; if not, draw or describe one zero-divisor in  $C(\mathbf{R})$ .
  - (c) (Extra credit) Is  $D(\mathbf{R})$  an integral domain? Prove or disprove.
5. (Ch. 13) 40.
6. Find a subring of  $\mathbf{Z} \oplus \mathbf{R}$  that is not an ideal of  $\mathbf{Z} \oplus \mathbf{R}$ . (Prove your answer.)
7. (Ch. 14) 12.