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4. Read each question carefully, and answer each question completely.
5. Write your solutions clearly in the exam sheet.
6. If you are using a result proved in lectures, you have to clearly write down the statement of this result.
7. Show all of your work; no credit will be given for unsupported answers.

1. (a) (4 points) Find all the primes p such that $x - 2$ is a factor of

$$x^5 - x^4 + 2x^3 - x^2 + x - 1$$

in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$.

- (b) (4 points) True or false. A polynomial of degree 2 over \mathbb{Z}_6 has at most 2 zeros. (Justify your answer)

- (c) (4 points) Write down a version of Gauss's lemma. (Define all the technical terms that you are using.)

2. In each part, prove that the given polynomial does not have a zero in the given field.

(a) (4 points) $x^7 - x + 2$ in \mathbb{Z}_7 .

(b) (4 points) $x^7 - 7x^5 + 14x^3 - 8x + 2$ in \mathbb{Q} .

3. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ be a zero of $f_0(x) = x^5 - 12x^4 + 24x^3 - 18x^2 + 6x - 6$ and

$$\mathbb{Q}[\alpha] = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i \mid a_i \in \mathbb{Q}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \right\}.$$

(a) (4 points) Prove that $f_0(x)$ is irreducible in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$.

(b) (3 points) Suppose that $m_\alpha(x)$ is the minimal polynomial of α over \mathbb{Q} .
Prove that $m_\alpha(x) = f_0(x)$.

(c) (3 points) Prove that $\mathbb{Q}[x]/f_0(x)\mathbb{Q}[x] \simeq \mathbb{Q}[\alpha]$.

Good Luck!