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Homework 3

Let a be even and b be odd. Prove ab is even

Statement	Reason
$2 \mid a \ \& \ 2 \nmid b$	Given
$a = 2k$	Defn of even
We have $ab = 2l$	Defn of even
<u>$2k \cdot b = 2l$</u> \rightarrow This shows that ab is only even if a is even	By substitution
$2 \mid 2k \ \& \ 2 \mid 2l$ but $2 \nmid b$	By defn of even