

HOMEWORK 4: §2.2-2.5**DUE FEBRUARY 9**

Name: _____

- Please refer to the syllabus regarding allowed collaboration on this homework assignment.
- All answers should be fully justified.
- Your homework should be neatly written on additional paper; you may attach this cover page if you would like to keep the questions attached to the answers.

When n is a multiple of d , we write $d \mid n$ (pronounced “ d divides n ”).

(Note that \mid is different from $/$; “ $d \mid n$ ” is a proposition, whereas “ d/n ” and “ n/d ” are numbers.)

- (1) Find (with proof) all integers n such that $0 \mid n$.
- (2) Find (with proof) all integers n such that $n \mid 0$.

Prove the following statements.

- (3) For all integers a, b, c : if $a \mid b$ and $b \mid c$, then $a \mid c$.
- (4) For all integers a, b, c : if $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$, then $a \mid (b + c)$.
- (5) For all integers a, b : if ab is odd, then a and b are both odd. (*Use the WLOG technique.*)
- (6) The square of any integer has the form $4k$ or $4k + 1$ for some integer k .
- (7) The sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational.
- (8) Every composite number n has a factor d with $1 < d \leq \sqrt{n}$.

Challenge: is it possible to make exactly \$3 using exactly 50 coins that are all pennies, dimes, and quarters? (Some of the homework problems may help, but are not necessary. Too hard? Try a warmup: is it possible to make \$3.14 using any combination of nickels, dimes, and quarters?)

“A mathematician is a device for turning coffee into theorems.”

–Alfréd Rényi