Math 2100 / 2105 / 2350 – Homework 7

due Thursday, October 25, at the beginning of class

This homework assignment was written in LaTEX. You can find the source code on the course website.

Instructions: This assignment is due at the *beginning* of class. **Staple your work** together (do not just fold over the corner). Please write the questions in the correct order. If I cannot read your handwriting, you won't receive credit. Explain all reasoning.

- 1. Prove that for any integer *n*, if n^2 is odd, then *n* is odd.
- 2. Suppose *X*, *Y*, and *Z* are integers. Prove that if *X* divides *Y* and *Y* divides *Z*, then *X* divides *Z*.
- 3. Decide if the following statement is true. If it is, prove it. If it's not, provide a counterexample.

For all integers *m*, 3 divides $m^3 - m$.

- 4. Prove that all integers are rational numbers.
- 5. Decide if the following statement is true. If it is, prove it. If it's not, provide a counterexample.

If *n* is a positive even integers, then $3^n + 1$ is divisible by 5.

6. Decide if the following statement is true. If it is, prove it. If it's not, provide a counterexample.

If *n* is a positive even integer and $n \ge 4$ then $2^n - 1$ is not prime.