

- For this assignment, state which method of proof you are using for each problem.

1. (6 pts ea) Prove the following:
  - (a) The product of two rational numbers is a rational number.
  - (b) The average of two rational numbers is also rational.
2. (6 pts) Prove that if  $x$  is a real number and  $x \leq 3$ , then  $12 - 7x + x^2 \geq 0$ .
3. (6 pts) Prove that if  $m$  and  $n$  are integers such  $m + n$  is odd, then  $3m + 5n$  is odd.
4. (6 pts ea) Prove or disprove each of the following. For each statement, assume  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are integers.
  - (a) If  $a \mid (b + c)$ , then  $a \mid b$  and  $a \mid c$
  - (b) If  $a \mid b$  and  $b \mid c$ , then  $a \mid c$
  - (c) If  $a \mid b$  or  $a \mid c$ , then  $a \mid bc$
  - (d) If  $a \mid (bc)$ , then  $a \mid b$  or  $a \mid c$
  - (e) If  $ab \mid c$ , then  $a \mid c$  and  $b \mid c$ .
5. (6 pts) Prove that if  $n$  and  $m$  are integers such that  $n^2 + m^2$  is odd, then  $m$  is odd or  $n$  is odd.
6. (6 pts) Prove that the sum of an irrational number and a rational number is irrational using a proof by contradiction.
7. (6 pts) Prove or disprove: If  $x$  and  $y$  are irrational numbers, then  $xy$  is an irrational number.
8. (6 pts) Prove: If  $n$  is an integer such that  $n^2 + 7$  is even, then  $n$  must be odd.