

## Homework due March 2

1. You need to know: Propositions R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 (all with proof), Axiom R7, Propositions R8, R10, R11, R12 (all with proof).

2. Prove that there are no rational numbers  $r$  and  $s$  such that

$$\sqrt{3} = r + s\sqrt{2}$$

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3. (a) Prove that  $\sqrt{5}$  is irrational.  
(b) Prove that  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}$  is irrational.
4. For each of the following statements, either prove it is true or give a counterexample to show it is false.
  - (a) The product of two rational numbers is always rational.
  - (b) The product of two irrational numbers is always irrational.
  - (c) The product of two irrational numbers is always rational.
  - (d) The product of a non-zero rational and an irrational is always irrational.
5. Express the decimal 1.813183... as a fraction  $\frac{m}{n}$  (where  $m$  and  $n$  are integers).
6. Consider the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , where  $x$  is assumed to be a complex number and  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are fixed integers.
  - (a) Prove or disprove that a solution to  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  is always a rational number.
  - (b) Prove or disprove that if one solution to  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  is an integer, then all solutions of the equation are integers.
  - (c) Prove or disprove that if one solution to  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  is a rational number, then all solutions of the equation are rational numbers.