

**Math 2326 - Introduction to Abstract Mathematics**  
**Assignment 16 - Due Monday, February 25**

**Problem 59:** Show that if  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $x^3$  can be written as  $9k$ ,  $9k + 1$ , or  $9k + 8$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Problem 60:** Suppose  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a$  divides both  $b$  and  $c$ . Show that  $a$  divides  $bx + cy$  for every  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**(Recall:** For  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  we say that  $x$  divides  $y$  if there exists  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $xk = y$ .)