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## Introduction to Abstract Mathematics Spring 2017

## Assignment 3.2 Due February 3

**Exercise 1.** Prove that if m and n are consecutive integers, then exactly one of them is even and the other is odd.

**Exercise 2.** (Arithmetic Mean-Geometric Mean Inequality) Prove that if a and b are distinct nonnegative real numbers, then

$$\sqrt{ab} < \frac{a+b}{2},$$

i.e. that the geometric (multiplicative) mean is always less than the arithmetic (additive) mean.

**Exercise 3.** Suppose that x and y are real numbers. Prove that if  $x^2y = 2x + y$ , then  $y \neq 0$  implies  $x \neq 0$ .

**Exercise 4.** Suppose that x and y are real numbers, that x + y = 2y - x, and that x and y aren't both zero. Prove that  $y \neq 0$ .