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Homework #0

due 1/22/2020

\$4.1, #3

$$\int_{1}^{2} \frac{1}{x^{2}} dx = \int_{1}^{2} x^{-2} dx = -x^{-1} \Big|_{1}^{2} = -\frac{1}{2} + 1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

\$4.2, #17

Theorem 1. $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

Proof. Suppose, to the contrary, that $\sqrt{2}$ is rational. Then

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{a}{b}$$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0$ with a, b having no common factors. Squaring yields

$$2 = \frac{a^2}{b^2},$$

 \mathbf{SO}

$$2b^2 = a^2.$$

This shows 2 divides a^2 , and so since 2 is prime by a lemma proved in class, we see 2 divides a. Letting a = 2c for some $c \in \mathbb{Z}$, this implies

$$2b^2 = 4c^2,$$

 \mathbf{SO}

Now the same argument as above, but with b, a replaced by c, b, shows 2 divides b. Therefore 2 divides both a and b. But this contradicts that a, b had no common factors.

 $b^2 = 2c^2$.

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An example of aligned equations:

$$xy = (2a + 1)(2b + 1)$$

= (2a)(2b) + (2a)(1) + 1(2b) + 1(1)
= 4ab + 2a + 2b + 1
= 2k + 1,