Homework #1 Math 412, Winter 2014

1.1.9) Prove that if $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, then a^3 has exactly one of the forms 9k, 9k + 1 or 9k + 8 for some integer k.

1.1.10) Suppose that n is a positive integer. Prove that two integers a and c have the same remainder when divided by n if and only if a - c = nk for some integer k.

1.2.4b) Prove that if $a \mid b, a \mid c$ and $r, t \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $a \mid (br + ct)$.

1.2.20) Prove that if a and b are integers which are not both zero, then (a, b) = (a, b + at) for all $t \in \mathbb{Z}$.

1.2.24) Suppose that $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ and that a and b are not both zero. Prove that the equation ax + by = c has integer solutions if and only if $(a, b) \mid c$.

1.3.10) Suppose that p is an integer other than 0, 1 or -1. Prove that p is prime if and only if for every $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, either (a, p) = 1 or $p \mid a$.

1.3.16) Suppose that a and b are integers which are not both zero. Prove that (a, b) = 1 if and only if there is no prime integer p which divides both a and b.