

# MATH 108—WRITING ASSIGNMENT 03

Due: Friday February 10—2:00PM

Get the template I made for this assignment. (I even started some proofs for you.) Here's how to do it:

- **Team Member 1:** Go to <https://www.sharelatex.com>, and make sure you are logged in.
- **Team Member 1:** In a new window, go here:

<https://www.sharelatex.com/project/58951a4d6aeda68d262e1736>

- **Team Member 1:** Click on the menu icon (upper-left corner - 3 horizontal lines); select “Copy Project”
- **Team Member 1:** When prompted for a name, choose something like “Math 108 - Assignment 02” and click “Copy”
- **Team Member 1:** When this completes you will be back in your own workspace (instead of mine).
- **Team Member 1:** Click on the share icon (upper-right - 5 headed beast). Enter your team member's email address, make sure they “can edit” it, and “Share.”
- **Team Member 1 and 2:** After solving the problems (possibly by yourself), work together to make a beautiful write up.
- **Team Member 1 or 2:** Email me one copy of your final draft.

**The problems are below.**

1. Prove that if  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are nonzero integers and  $ab$  divides  $c$ , then  $a$  divides  $c$ .
2. Prove that if  $n$  is a natural number, then  $n^2 + n + 4$  is even.
3. If  $x$  and  $y$  are nonnegative real numbers, then  $\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$ .

*This one is a bit more challenging than the rest. Here is a hint, but feel free to do it your own way.*

(a) First prove that  $0 \leq (x + y)^2 - 4xy$ .

(b) Now show why  $0 \leq (x + y)^2 - 4xy$  implies that  $\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$ .