MA 310 Homework #2 Due Friday, January 18

Solve these problems yourselves! It should be obvious that you should NOT search the web for answers—this is of no permanent benefit to anyone.

- 1. Short answer only; do not provide justification (though, of course, you should be able to if asked).
 - (a) If two people are playing a game like the Game of 100, but this time the goal number is 1,000,000 and you are allowed to add numbers from 1 through 9, who will win and what is the first "key" number?
 - (b) If two people are playing a game like the Game of 100, but this time the goal number is 1,000,000 and you are allowed to add numbers from 1 through 10, who will win and what is the first "key" number?
- 2. Solve the following, found in the file "Problems" on the course website.
 - (a) Game of 100, part (3). Hint: To warm up, you might first look at shorter games in which the goal number is 10 or 20.
 - (b) The Average Traveler, parts (1) and (2).
 - (c) Chickens and Eggs.
 - (d) Handshaking, part (1).
- 3. Extra Credit: Explain how to solve the "Counterfeit Coins" problem, part (3), in three weighings.