

## MATH 112: HOMEWORK 2

DUE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- (1) Rudin, Chapter 1, Problems 6, 7.
- (2) A real number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be *algebraic* if there exists integers  $a_0, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , not all zero, such that

$$a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}x + a_n = 0.$$

Said differently,  $x$  is a root of a polynomial with integer coefficients. Prove that there are only countably many algebraic numbers.

- (3) Prove that the real numbers are uncountable. Conclude, in particular, that there are uncountably many numbers which are *not* algebraic.