

**MATH 24**  
**Homework 2**  
Assigned Wednesday, March 31.  
Due Friday, April 9.

**Problem 1** Show that  $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{2}] = \{a + b\sqrt{2} : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  is a field.

**Problem 2** Prove the following: A function  $f$  is invertible iff it is injective and surjective.

**Problem 3** Prove the following about sets  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ .

1. If  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq C$ , then  $A \subseteq C$ .
2. If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A \cup C \subseteq B \cup C$ .
3.  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$  (For this one, remember that to prove set equality you prove two set containments: see Proposition 1.8 of the notes).