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HW 1: §A.2-A.4

Complete the following problems to the best of your ability. **SHOW ALL OF YOUR WORK.** Unshown work will not be graded. You may use a calculator.

1. Write the following sets in interval notation and graph them on a number line.

(a)  $\{x : x \leq 3\}$

(b)  $\{x : -2 \leq x < 4\}$

(c) All real numbers between but not including 2 and 10.

2. Find the intersection of the intervals that are solutions for problems 1a and 1b.

3. Evaluate the following expressions involving absolute value.

(a)  $|6 - 3|$

(b)  $|-4 + 1|$

(c)  $|4 - (-3)|$

4. Evaluate or simplify the following expressions.

(a)  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2$

(b)  $2^3 \cdot 2^3$

(c)  $(x^2y^4)^2$

(d)  $\left(\frac{16}{25}\right)^{1/2}$

(e)  $\left(\frac{x^{-2}y^4}{2z^2}\right)^2$

**Optional Problems:**

A.2: All

A.3: All

A.4: All