## ONLINE HW SUGGESTIONS:

- \*\*For typing answers into CengageNOW/iLrn in the correct form, the best guides are the answers in the back of the book, the answers on the even answer overheads in the recitations, and the answers your lecturers recommend.
- \*\*All Online HW assignments are always due at 11:59PM local time, West Lafayette time. No exceptions.
- \*\*You will need to make sure your computer's date, time, and time zone are correct or you will almost certainly experience date/time inconsistencies with the iLrn/CengageNOW HW system. Our time zone is the Eastern Time Zone, New York time.
- 1) You can "retake" assignments and individual problems as many times as you want to. When you login, the taken assignment does not automatically appear, you must click on the "Assignments" tab to be able "retake" an assignment.
- 2) When you login to CengageNOW, on the 'Assignments' page in the 'Actions' column there is a 'View' link that will allow you to view problems and your answers for the assignments you have tried.

  NOTE: \*\*The View lists your answer twice and does not give you the correct answer, so read that page carefully.
- 3) If you are having problems, try using Firefox instead of Internet Explorer. You do need to have the recent version of JAVA.

A student has also said the system gets fixed if you simply install JAVA Runtime. This software is available on website www.java.com.

The computers in the iTap lab in the basement of the Math building seem to work great without any modification.

- 4)  $xy^2$  must sometimes be typed as  $x * y^2$ ,  $x \cdot y^2$ , or  $x \times y^2$ , however, explicit use of the multiplication symbol is not normally required on most problems like these.
- 5) You can email me at odavis@math.purdue.edu or contact tech support as per the second page of the "Online Homework Instructions" on this MA15900 webpage.
- 6) I typically will be readily available for student problems with the online HW system in my office, Math 812:
  Mon, Wed, Friday 9:30am to 1:00pm
  Tues and Thurs 9:30am to 11:30am
  Anytime you can find me is normally good also.