ONLINE HW SUGGESTIONS:

- **For typing answers into ThomsonNOW 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.
- 1) 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.
- 2) The computers in the iTap lab in the basement of the Math building seem to work great without an modification.
- 3) 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.
- 4) 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.
- 5) You can email me at odavis@math.purdue.edu or contact tech support as per the back of your assignment sheet handout.
- 6) I typically will be readily available for student problems with the online HW system in my office, Math 442: Mon, Wed, Friday 9:30am to noon Tues and Thurs 11:30am to 1:30pm.
- 7) When you login to ThomsonNOW, 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.