

Properties of "divides" . Below  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a > 0$ .

① If  $a|b$  and  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $a|pb$ .

Proof:  $a|b \Rightarrow b = aq$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$

Then  $pb = p(aq) = a(\underbrace{pq}_{\in \mathbb{Z}})$  is a multiple of  $a$

$$\Rightarrow a|pb \quad \square$$

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② If  $a|b$  and  $a|c$ , then  $a|(b+c)$ .

Proof:  $a|b \Rightarrow b = ak$  some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$a|c \Rightarrow c = al$  some  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\Rightarrow b+c = ak + al = a(\underbrace{k+l}_{\text{this is in } \mathbb{Z}})$$

$$\Rightarrow a|(b+c) \quad \square$$

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③ Corollary of ① & ②

If  $a|b$  and  $a|c$  and  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  
then  $a|(pb+qc)$ .

Proof:  $a|b \Rightarrow a|pb$  by ①

$a|c \Rightarrow a|qc$  by ①

$$a|pb \text{ and } a|qc \Rightarrow a|(pb+qc) \text{ by ②} \quad \square$$