

i) a) For all integers n , if n^2 is not divisible by 7, then n is not divisible by 7.

Proof:

Contraposition: For all integers n , if n is divisible by 7, n^2 is divisible by 7.

n is divisible by 7

$$\Rightarrow n = 7k$$

(k is an integer)

$$\Rightarrow n^2 = (7k)^2$$

(squaring on both sides)

$$\Rightarrow n^2 = 49k^2$$

(simplifying)

$$\Rightarrow n^2 = 7(7k^2)$$

(factoring 7)

$$\Rightarrow n^2 = 7j$$

(let $j = 7k^2$)

(j is an integer as mult. is closed
on integers)

$$\Rightarrow n^2 \text{ is divisible by 7}$$

Hence, the proposition is true.

1(b) If m and n are positive integers such that $mn = 100$,
then $m \leq 10$ or $n \leq 10$.

Proof:

Contraposition: If $m > 10$ and $n > 10$, then $mn \neq 100$

Suppose $m > 10$ and $n > 10$

$$\Rightarrow mn > 100$$

(Multiply the two
inequalities)

$$\Rightarrow mn \neq 100$$

Hence, the proposition is true.

(i) If x is a real number such that $0 < x < 1$, then $x > x^2$.

Proof:

Contraposition: If $x^2 \geq x$ for any real number x ,
 $x \leq 0$ or $x \geq 1$.

Suppose $x^2 \geq x$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x \geq 0$$

(Subtracting x from both sides)

$$\Rightarrow x(x-1) \geq 0$$

(Factoring x)

$$\Rightarrow x \geq 1 \text{ or } x \leq 0$$

(Solving the inequality)

Hence, the proposition is true.

2) 1) Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$ if and only if $xy \geq 0$.

Proof:

Part 1:

Statement: $|x+y| = |x| + |y| \Rightarrow xy \geq 0$

Suppose $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$

$$\Rightarrow |x+y|^2 = (|x| + |y|)^2 \quad (\text{Squaring})$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+y)^2 = \cancel{x^2} + y^2 + 2|x||y| \quad (\text{Expanding})$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = x^2 + y^2 + 2|x||y| \quad (\text{Expanding})$$

$$\Rightarrow 2xy = 2|x||y| \quad (\text{Subtracting } x^2 \text{ and } y^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow xy = |x||y| \quad (\text{Dividing by 2})$$

As $|x| \geq 0$ and $|y| \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow |x||y| \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow xy \geq 0 \quad (\text{LHS} = \text{RHS})$$

Part 2:

Statement: $xy \geq 0 \Rightarrow |x+y| = |x| + |y|$

If $xy \geq 0$, there are two cases:

$\Rightarrow x \neq -y \in \mathbb{R}$

$$1) x \geq 0, y \geq 0$$

$$2) x \leq 0, y \leq 0$$

Case 1: $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$

Suppose $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow |x| = x \text{ and } |y| = y$$

Substituting in $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$,

$$\Rightarrow |x+y| = x+y$$

$$\Rightarrow x+y = |x+y| \quad (x+y \geq 0 \Rightarrow |x+y| = x+y)$$

Case 2: $x < 0, y < 0$

Suppose $x < 0, y < 0$

$$\Rightarrow |x| = -x \text{ and } |y| = -y$$

Furthermore, $|x+y| = -(x+y)$ (As $x+y < 0$)

Substituting in $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$:

$$\Rightarrow -(x+y) = -x-y$$

$$\Rightarrow -x-y = -x-y \quad (\text{Distributing negative sign})$$

Thus, if $x+y \geq 0$, $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$

Hence, $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$ if and only if $x+y \geq 0$

2) For all positive integers m and n , $\cancel{m \mid n}$ and $n \mid m$ if and only if $m = n$.

Proof:

Part 1:

Statement: $\cancel{\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+}, m \mid n$ and $n \mid m \Rightarrow m = n$.

Suppose $m \mid n$

$$\Rightarrow m = an - \textcircled{1}$$

(for some $a \in \mathbb{Z}$)

Suppose $n \mid m$

$$\Rightarrow n = bm - \textcircled{2}$$

(for some $b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$)

Substituting $\textcircled{2}$ in $\textcircled{1}$:

$$\Rightarrow m = a(bm)$$

(do)

$$\Rightarrow 1 = ab$$

(dividing by m)

As $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $a=1$ and $b=1$

Substituting into $\textcircled{1}$:

$$m = (1)n$$

$$\Rightarrow m = n$$

Part 2

Statement: $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, m = n \Rightarrow m \mid n$ and $n \mid m$

Suppose $m = n$

$$\Rightarrow m = (1)(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow m = a n$$

$$\Rightarrow m \mid n$$

(For $a=1$)

Also,

$$n = (1)(m)$$

$$\Rightarrow n = b m$$

(For $b=1$)

$$\Rightarrow n \mid m$$

Hence, $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $m \mid n$ and $n \mid m$ if and only if $m = n$.

3)) Prove that the set

$$A = \left\{ \frac{n-1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \right\}$$

does not have a largest element

Proof:

Suppose for some a positive integer a,

$$\frac{a-1}{a} > \frac{n-1}{n}$$

for every integer n (Assume n is positive)

Let b = a + 1,

b is a positive integer since addition is closed on integers

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b-1}{b} \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a+1)-1}{a+1} \in A \quad (\text{Substituting } b=a+1)$$

Comparing $\frac{(a+1)-1}{a+1}$ and $\frac{a-1}{a}$,

$$\frac{(a+1)-1}{a+1} = \frac{a}{a+1} \quad (\text{Simplifying})$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{a+1}$$

Meanwhile, ~~and now think about it~~ (S08)

$$\frac{a-1}{a} = 1 - \frac{1}{a} \quad (\text{simplifying})$$

As $a+1 > a$, $\frac{1}{a+1} < \frac{1}{a}$ (Taking multiplicative inverse)

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{a+1} > 1 - \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b-1}{b} > \frac{a-1}{a}$$

So, $\frac{a-1}{a}$ is not the greatest element of set A

Contradiction! Hence, $A = \left\{ \frac{n-1}{n} ; n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \right\}$

does not have a greatest element.

3) (2) If the mean of four distinct numbers is $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then at least one of the integers is greater than $n+1$.

Proof:

$$\text{Average} = \frac{a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4}{4}$$

$$\text{Negation: } a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \leq n+1$$

$$\text{Suppose } a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \leq n+1.$$

As the four numbers are distinct integers, only one can be equal to $n+1$.

$$\Rightarrow a_1 \leq n+1; a_2, a_3, a_4 < n+1$$

Supposing the greatest set of integers satisfying these conditions: $a_1 = n+1, a_2 = n, a_3 = n-1, a_4 = n-2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{4} = \frac{(n+1) + (n) + (n-1) + (n-2)}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{4n-2}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4n = 4n-2$$

Contradiction! Hence, at least one of a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 is greater than $n+1$.

3) Prove that there is no rational number r such that $2^r = 3$

Proof:

Negation: Suppose there is a rational number r such that $2^r = 3$

r is rational

$\Rightarrow r$ can be expressed as a ratio of integers with a non-zero denominator

$\Rightarrow r = \frac{p}{q}$, where p and q are ~~integers~~ integers, $q \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{p}{q}} = 3 \quad (\text{substituting } r = \frac{p}{q})$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[q]{2^p} = 3 \quad (\text{simplifying})$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^p = 3^q \quad (\text{multiplying both sides to } q \text{ power})$$

Powers of 2 Integral powers of 2 are even while integral powers of 3 are odd as integral powers of even numbers are even and integral powers of odd numbers are odd.

$$\Rightarrow 2^p \neq 3^q$$

Contradiction: Hence, there is no rational number such that $2^r = 3$

(i) A conference is being attended by 367 people. Prove that there exists at least two people born with same date of birth. (5)

Proof:

Suppose each individual at the conference has a separate birthday.

Including leap year day, there are a maximum of 366 days in a year. Therefore, only 366 separate birthdays may exist.

Contradiction! Therefore, at least two people share the same date of birth as the 367th person must share their birthday with another individual.

This can also be thought of as a version of the pigeonhole problem, insofar as there are only 366 possible birthdays and 367 individuals.

As $367 > 366$, at least two people must share a birthday.

4)2) Let $\{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ be a set of integers such that $\sum b_k^2 < n$. Prove that at least one of the integers in the set is zero.

Proof:

Assume all integers in set $\{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\} \neq 0$.

Thus, the lowest possible value of the absolute value of an integer in the set $\{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ is 1.

Assuming $b_1 = \pm 1, b_2 = \pm 1, \dots, b_n = \pm 1$

$$\Rightarrow b_1^2 = 1, b_2^2 = 1, \dots, b_n^2 = 1 \quad (\text{Squaring})$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum b_k^2 = 1 + 1 + \dots + 1 \quad (\text{Summation of } b_1^2, b_2^2, \dots, b_n^2)$$

Contradiction! $\sum b_k^2$ cannot be greater than n and also equal to n .

Hence, at least one of the integers in the set has to be zero.