

## Question 2

Proof by cases

Case 1:  $7n^2 + 5n - 1$  is odd. Let  $n = (2k + 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 7(2k + 1)^2 + 5(2k + 1) - 1 \\ &= 7(4k^2 + 4k + 1) + 10k + 5 - 1 \\ &= 28k^2 + 28k + 7 + 10k + 5 - 1 \\ &= 28k^2 + 38k + 11 \\ &= 2(14k^2 + 19k) + 11 \end{aligned}$$

So, this is odd in case 1

Case 2:  $7n^2 + 5n - 1$  is even. Let  $n = 2k$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 7(2k)^2 + 5(2k) - 1 \\ &= 7(4k^2) + 10k - 1 \\ &= 28k^2 + 10k - 1 \end{aligned}$$

This is still odd because two even number and one odd number in this equation sum up to an odd number, so the statement  $7n^2 + 5n - 1$  is odd for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is true.

## Question 4

Proof by equivalence

$p$ :  $n$  is even

$q$ :  $2n^2 + 7n + 8$  is even

$p \rightarrow q$  Direct Proof: Assume  $n$  is even. Then there is a number  $m$  with  $n = 2m$

$$\text{so } = 2(2m)^2 + 7(2m) + 8$$

$$= 2(4m^2) + 14m + 8$$

$$= 8m^2 + 14m + 8$$

$$= 2(4m^2 + 7m + 8)$$

Therefore,  $q$  is true.

$\neg p$ :  $n$  is odd

$\neg q$ :  $2n^2 + 7n + 8$  is odd

$q \rightarrow p$  Indirect proof: Assume  $n$  is odd. Then there is a number  $m$  with

$$n = 2m + 1.$$

$$= 2(2m + 1)^2 + 7(2m + 1) + 8$$

$$= 2(4m^2 + 4m + 1) + 7(2m + 1) + 8$$

$$= 8m^2 + 8m + 2 + 14m + 7 + 8$$

$$= 8m^2 + 22m + 17$$

So, this final equation is odd as a sum of two even numbers and one odd number. Therefore  $\neg q$  is true.

## Question 5

p: n is odd

q:  $8n^2 - n - 3$  is even

we have to prove  $p \rightarrow q$

so, for n is odd, there is  $n = 2m + 1$

$$= 8n^2 - n - 3$$

$$= 8(2m + 1)^2 - (2m + 1) - 3$$

$$= 8(4m^2 + 4m + 1) - 2m - 1 - 3$$

$$= 32m^2 + 32m + 8 - 2m - 4$$

$$= 32m^2 + 30m + 4$$

$$= 2(16m^2 + 15m + 4)$$

So, q is true and the statement is true.