

4.1 #7

$$2^n - 1$$

$$= 2^7 - 1$$

$$= 128 - 1$$

$$= 127$$

and 127 is a prime number

4.1 #9

There is a perfect square that can be written  
as a sum of two other perfect squares.

1)

$$25 = 5^2$$

$$16 = 4^2$$

$$9 = 3^2$$

$$25 = 16 + 9$$

2)

$$36 = 6^2$$

$$64 = 8^2$$

$$100 = 10^2$$

$$100 = 36 + 64$$

the statement is

true

#15

$$-a^n = (-a)^n$$

$$-a^n = (-1)^n a^n$$

if <sup>n is</sup> ~~an~~ an odd integer

$$-a^n = -a^n \text{ is true}$$

if n is an even integer

$$-a^n \neq a^n$$

the property is false

#31

If  $k$  is any odd integer and  $m$  is any

$k=2p+1, m=2q$  even integer, then,  $k^2+m^2$  is odd.

$$k^2+m^2=(2p+1)^2+(2q)^2=(4p^2+4p+1)+4q^2=2(2p^2+2p+2q^2)+1,$$

where  $2p^2+2p+2q^2$  is an integer. So,  $k^2+m^2$  is odd.

#4.2 , #5

The numbers 1-7 are all rational. Write each number as a ratio of two integers.

$$.56565656\dots$$

$$\text{Let } x = .56565656 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Then } 100x = 56.565656 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Subtract 1 from 2

$$99x = 56$$

$$x = \frac{56}{99} \rightarrow = .565656$$

4.2 #18 If  $r$  and  $s$  are any two rational numbers, then  $\frac{r+s}{2}$  is rational

1)  $\frac{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}{2} = \frac{ad + bc}{2bd}$   $\frac{r+s}{2}$  is a rational number

$$R < S$$

$$R < \frac{R+S}{2} < S \quad R = \frac{R+R}{2} < \frac{R+S}{2} < \frac{S+S}{2} = S$$

$$R = \frac{A}{B}, \quad B = \frac{C}{D}, \quad A, b \neq 0, \quad C, D \neq 0$$

$$\frac{R+S}{2} = \frac{\frac{A}{D} + \frac{C}{D}}{2} \quad AD + CD \quad 2BD \neq 0$$

$$\frac{R+S}{2} \text{ is rational number.}$$

4.2 # 36

proof: Let rational numbers produce a rational

number  $r = \frac{1}{4}$  and  $s = \frac{1}{2}$  be given.  $r + s = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} =$

$\frac{3}{4}$ , which is a rational. This is what was to be

Shown.

- The given "proof" only works for the given instances of  $r$  and  $s$ . A proof should be universal, that is, it should hold for all possible values of  $r$  and  $s$ .

4.3 # 18) Show that the following statement is false: For all integers  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $3 \mid (a+b)$  then  $3 \mid (a-b)$

For ~~arbitrary~~  
 $a=7$  and  $b=2$

$$a+b = 7+2$$

$$= 9$$

Clearly, 3 divides 9, but  $a-b=5$  is not divisible by 3. Thus, if  $3 \mid a+b$  then  $3 \mid a-b$  may not be true.

Therefore, the statement is false.



4.3 # 38

$$a) a^3 = p_1^{3e_1} p_2^{3e_2} p_3^{3e_3} \dots p_k^{3e_k}$$

b)  $2^4 \cdot 3^5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11^2 \cdot k$  will be perfect cube if

$$k = 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7^2 \cdot 11$$

Now perfect cube is

$$(2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11)^3$$

4.4 # #28 case 1

$$n = 3q \text{ for some integer } q$$

$$n(n+1)(n+2) = 3q(3q+1)(3q+2) = 3$$

$n(n+1)(n+2)$  is divisible by 3

Case 2

$$n = 3q+2 \text{ for some integer } q$$

$$n(n+1)(n+2) = (3q+2)(3q+3)(3q+4)$$

$$= (3q+2)(3q+4)(q+1)$$

Case 3

$$n = (3q+2)(3q+4)(3q+1)$$

Therefore, the product of any three consecutive integers is divisible by 2

4.4 #29

$$n^2 = (3q)^2$$

$$= 9q^2$$

$$= 3(3q^2)$$

$$= 3k \quad k = 3q^2$$

$$n^2 = (3q+1)^2$$

$$= (3q+1)(3q+1)$$

$$= 9q^2 + 3q + 3q + 1$$

$$= 9q^2 + 6q + 1$$

$$= 3[3q^2 + 2q] + 1$$

$$= 3k + 1 \quad k = 3q^2 + 2q$$

$$n^2 = (3q+2)^2$$

$$= (3q+2)(3q+2)$$

$$= 9q^2 + 6q + 6q + 4$$

$$= 9q^2 + 12q + 4$$

$$= 9q^2 + 12q + 4$$

$$= 9q^2 + 12q + 3 + 1$$

$$= 3[3q^2 + 4q + 1] + 1$$

$$= 3k + 1 \quad [k = 3q^2 + 4q + 1]$$