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P1 1.b) <sup>3.2</sup> The proof did not show the step where we plug in the expression  $kw$  for  $x$  and  $jy$  for  $z$  in the expression  $xz$  to get  $xz = (kw)(jy)$ . And then we can say that since  $k$  and  $j$  are integers,  $kj$  is also an integer such that  $xz = kj \cdot wy$ . We cannot just make up an integer  $m$  not explaining it.

e) <sup>3.3</sup> The proof cannot use a same integer  $j$  for  $n$  and  $m$ . They should use a different like  $k$  and  $j$ .

2. m) <sup>4.4</sup> False. For example, if  $x=4$ ,  $y=1$ , and  $z=3$ , then  $x$  divides  $y+z=4$ , but 4 does not divide 1 or 3, so  $x$  does not divide  $y$  or  $z$ .

n) <sup>4.4</sup> Since  $x$  divides  $y+z$  and  $y$ ,  $y+z = kx$  and  $y = jx$  for some integer  $k$  and  $j$ . Since  $k, j$ , and  $x$  are all integers,  $kx$  and  $jx$  are both integers. If we add  $z$  on both side for  $y = jx$ , we get  $y+z = jx+z$ . Since  $y+z = kx = jx+z$ , we can say that  $z = kx - jx$ . Since  $k$  and  $j$  are both integers, we can say that  $k-j$  is an integer which means that  $x$  divides  $z$ .

3. b) <sup>5.3</sup> We assume that for a real number  $x$  and  $y$  that  $x$  is not irrational and  $y$  is not irrational and prove that  $x+y$  is rational.

$x$  and  $y$  are real numbers and every real number is either rational or irrational. Therefore since  $x$  and  $y$  are not irrational and  $x$  and  $y$  are real,  $x$  and  $y$  must be rational. By the definition of a rational number,  $x = \frac{a}{b}$  and  $y = \frac{c}{d}$ , where  $a, b, c, d$  are integers and  $b \neq 0$  and  $d \neq 0$ . Therefore  $x+y = \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ad+bc}{bd}$ . We can conclude that  $x+y = \frac{ad+bc}{bd}$  is rational because  $ad+bc$  is an integer and  $bd$  is a non-zero integer. Therefore  $x+y$  is rational.

b) <sup>5.4</sup> We assume for real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , it is not the case that  $x > 10$  or  $y > 10$  and prove that  $x+y \leq 20$ .

Since it is not true that  $x > 10$  and  $y > 10$ , by De Morgan's law, the inequalities  $x > 10$  and  $y > 10$  are false. therefore, it must be true that  $x \leq 10$  and  $y \leq 10$ . Since both  $x$  and  $y$  are lower or equal to 10, we can add  $y$  to both sides of the inequality  $x \leq 10$  to get that  $x+y \leq 10+y$ . We can also add both side of the inequality  $y \leq 10$  by 10 to get that  $y+10 \leq 20$ . Putting the inequalities together gives:  $x+y \leq y+10 \leq 20$ , and therefore  $x+y \leq 20$ .

P1 3d) Using proof by contrapositive, assume  $x \leq 0$ , where  $x$  is a real number. Since  $x \leq 0$ , then  $x^2 \leq 0$  and  $2x \leq 0$ . Since  $x^2$  and  $2x$  is all greater than 0, their sum is also greater than 0.  $x^2 + 2x \leq 0$ . Therefore the theorem is true.

e) Using proof by contrapositive, assume  $n$  and  $m$  are integers such that  $m$  and  $n$  are even, then  $n^2 + m^2$  is even. Since  $n$  is an even integer, then  $n = 2k$  for some integer  $k$ . Since  $m$  is an even integer, then  $m = 2j$  for some integer  $j$ . Plugging in  $2k$  for  $n$  and  $2j$  for  $m$  into the expression  $n^2 + m^2$  gives  $n^2 + m^2 = (2k)^2 + (2j)^2 = 4k^2 + 4j^2 = 2(2k^2 + 2j^2)$ . Since  $k$  and  $j$  are integers,  $(2k^2 + 2j^2)$  is also an integer. Since  $n^2 + m^2 = 2(2k^2 + 2j^2)$  is equal to the definition of even numbers, we can conclude that  $n^2 + m^2$  is even.

P2 1a) Proof by contrapositive. We shall assume that 3 does not divide  $n$ , then 3 does not divide  $n^2$ .  
 6.3 Since  $3 \nmid n$ ,  $n=3k+1$  for some integer  $k$  and  $n=3k+2$  for some integer  $k$ . Let  $n=3k+1$ . If we square both side, we get  $n^2=(3k+1)^2=9k^2+6k+1=3(3k^2+2k)+1$ , where we assume  $3k^2+2k$  is an integer. Therefore,  $3 \nmid n^2$ , because  $n^2$  can't be both  $3s$  for some integer  $s$  and  $3t+1$  for some integer  $t$ . Let  $n=3k+2$ . If we square both side, we get  $n^2=(3k+2)^2=9k^2+12k+4=3(3k^2+4k+1)+1$ , and assume  $3k^2+4k+1$  is an integer. Same as before,  $3 \nmid n^2$  because  $n^2$  can't be both  $3y$  for some integer  $y$  and  $3z+1$  for some integer  $z$ . We can conclude that if  $3 \nmid n$ , then  $3 \nmid n^2$ .

1b) Proof by contradiction. Suppose that  $\sqrt{3}$  is rational. Therefore  $\sqrt{3}$  can be expressed as the ratio of two  
 6.3 integers  $\frac{n}{d}$ , where  $d \neq 0$ . Squaring both side of the equation  $\sqrt{3}=\frac{n}{d}$  gives  $3=\frac{n^2}{d^2}$ . Then multiplying both sides of the equations by  $d^2$  gives  $3d^2=n^2$ . 3 dividing  $d^2$  means 3 divides  $n$ , where we get  $n=3s$  for some integer  $s$ .  $n^2=9s^2$ , and we can assume that  $d^2=3r^2$ . Therefore,  $d^2$  is multiple of 3 and also  $d$  is multiple of 3. This means  $n$  and  $d$  have a common factor of 3, however this contradicts the idea that  $\sqrt{3}$  is a rational number.

2.c)  $(x+y+z)/3 \geq x$  or  $y$  or  $z$   
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Proof by contradiction. Assume that there exists three real number  $x, y$ , and  $z$  such that at least one of  $x, y$  and  $z$  is greater or equal to the average of three real number  $\frac{x+y+z}{3}$ . Let  $a=\frac{x+y+z}{3}$  be their average value. Suppose  $x, y$  and  $z$  are greater than  $a$ . If  $a+a+a < x+y+z = a < \frac{x+y+z}{3} = a$ . We get the contradiction. Therefore the assumption is false.

h) For all integers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $x^2-4y \neq 2$ .  
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Proof by contradiction. Assume that  $x^2-4y=2$ . By simple algebra,  $x^2=4y+2=2(2y+1)$ . Let  $2y+1$  be an integer which makes  $2(2y+1)$  an even number. Since  $2(2y+1)$  is even,  $x$  must be even because odd times itself is always odd. If we let  $x=2z$ , where  $2z$  is an integer,  $(2z)^2=2(2y+1)=4z^2=2(2y+1)$ . Dividing 2 will make the equation  $2z^2=2y+1$ , which is also  $x^2=2y+1$ . This equation shows that  $x^2$  is an odd number. However we said that  $x$  is even, which contradicts the fact that  $x^2$  is odd. Therefore  $x^2-4y=2$  is false.

$$P3 \quad b_1 = a \cdot q_1 + r_1, \quad b_2 = a \cdot q_2 + r_2 \\ 0 \leq r_1 \leq a \quad \& \quad 0 \leq r_2 \leq a$$

Proof by cases:

Case 1:  $r_1 - r_2 \geq 0$ . If we subtract  $b_1$  and  $b_2$ ,  $b_1 - b_2 = a(q_1 - q_2) + r_1 - r_2$ . In this equation, we can say that  $b_1 - b_2$  is the dividend,  $a$  is the divisor,  $q_1 - q_2$  is the quotient, and  $r_1 - r_2$  is the remainder. Therefore  $b_1 - b_2$  has a remainder  $r_1 - r_2$  when divided by  $a$ .

Case 2:  $r_1 - r_2 < 0$ . According to the division algorithm, the remainder can't be less than 0. So if we subtract 1 from the quotient and add  $a$  to the remainder, we get the equation  $b_1 - b_2 = a(q_1 - q_2 - 1) + r_1 - r_2 + a$ , which is equal to  $b_1 - b_2 = a(q_1 - q_2) + r_1 - r_2$ . In this case  $r_1 - r_2 + a$  is the remainder and it is not less than 0, so it is proved that  $b_1 - b_2$  has a remainder  $r_1 - r_2 + a$  when divided by  $a$ .

The above two cases prove that  $b_1 - b_2$  has a remainder  $r_1 - r_2$  or  $r_1 - r_2 + a$  when divided by  $a$ .

P4. Proof that  $T = U$  i.e.  $T \subseteq U$  &  $U \subseteq T$

$$T = \{d: d|x \text{ and } d|y\}$$

$$U = \{d: d|y \text{ and } d|(x \% y)\}$$

Suppose  $d \in T$  and  $d \in U$ . Applying the divisional algorithm, such that  $x = qy + r$ ,  $r = x \% y$ . By the definition of divisors, if  $d|x$  and  $d|qy$ ,  $d|(x - qy)$ , which is equivalent to  $d|r$ . So,  $d|y$  and  $d|x \% y$ , which is  $d \in U$  and  $T \subseteq U$ . Using the same method, since  $x \% y = r$ , by divisional algorithm and definition of divisors  $y|x - r$ . For arbitrary element  $q$ ,  $qy = x - r$ , which is equivalent to  $x = qy + r$ . Because of the definition of divisors,  $d|y$  then  $d|qy$ . But  $d|x \% y$  since  $x \% y = r$ . So  $d|qy + r$ , therefore  $d|x$  and  $d|y$   $d \in T$  thus  $U \subseteq T$ . In conclusion  $T = U$ .

P5. Let  $a$  and  $b \neq 0$  be two integers. Then, there exist two integers  $c$  and  $d \neq 0$  such that  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$  and  $\gcd(c, d) = 1$

Let  $g = \gcd(a, b)$ . This shows that  $g|a$  and  $g|b$ . Using the division algorithm, we can write the equation  $a = g \cdot c$  and  $b = g \cdot d$ . Since  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{g \cdot c}{g \cdot d} = \frac{c}{d}$ , we proved that  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$ .

Using proof of contradiction, suppose  $\gcd(c, d) \neq 1$ ?