

# Sheet 1

□ Counter example

$$4 \mid (1+3) \text{ but } 4 \nmid 1 \wedge 4 \nmid 3$$

□ if  $3 \mid a$ , proof is done

$$\text{if } 3 \nmid a \rightarrow a = 3q + r \text{ with } r \in \{1, 2\}$$

Case I:  $\boxed{r=1}$

$$a = 3q + 1$$

$$a + 2 = 3q + 3$$

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

$$3 \mid (a+2)$$

Case II:  $\boxed{r=2}$

$$a = 3q + 2$$

$$a + 4 = 3q + 6$$

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

$$3 \mid (a+4).$$

□

[3] let  $a = 2k+1$  &  $b = 2q+1$

from Binomial theorem

$$1 \quad 4 \quad 6 \quad 4 \quad 1$$

$$a^4 = (2k+1)^4 = (2k)^4 + 4(2k)^3 + 6(2k)^2 + 4(2k) + 1$$

$$a^4 = 16k^4 + 32k^3 + 24k^2 + 8k + 1$$

$$b^4 = 16q^4 + 32q^3 + 24q^2 + 8q + 1$$

$$\therefore a^4 + b^4 - 2 = 16(k^4 + q^4 + 2k^3 + 2q^3) + 8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1))$$

$$16 \mid 16(k^4 + q^4 + 2k^3 + 2q^3) \quad (1)$$

for  $8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1))$

if  $k$  &  $q$  are odd,

then  $(3k+1)$  &  $(3q+1)$  are even

$$3k+1 = 2m \quad \& \quad 3q+1 = 2n$$

$$\therefore 8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1)) = 16(km + qn)$$

$$\therefore 16 \mid 16(km + qn), \text{ hence } 16 \mid 8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1)) \quad (i)$$

[2]

if  $k$  &  $q$  are even,  
then  $k=2m$  &  $q=2n$

$$8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1)) = 16(m(6m+1) + n(6n+1))$$

$$\therefore 16 \mid 16(m(6m+1) + n(6n+1))$$

$$\therefore 16 \mid 8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1)) \quad (ii)$$

W.L.O.G, if  $k$  is even &  $q$  is odd

$$k=2m \text{ \& \; } 3q+1=2n$$

$$8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1)) = 16(m(6m+1) + (2n-1)n)$$

$$\therefore 16 \nmid 16(m(6m+1) + n(2n-1))$$

$$\therefore 16 \mid 8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1)) \quad (iii)$$

from (i), (ii) & (iii)

$$16 \mid 8(k(3k+1) + q(3q+1)) \quad (2)$$

from ① & ②

$$16 \mid (a^4 + b^4 - 2)$$

(4) Counter example.

$$9 \mid (3 \times 15) \quad \text{but } 9 \nmid 3 \text{ \& } 9 \nmid 15.$$

(5) Case 1:  $n$  is odd

$$n = 2k + 1$$

$$n^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$\text{since } 4k^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

$$4k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

$$1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$\text{then, } n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

Case 2:  $n$  is even

$$n = 2k$$

$$n^2 = 4k^2$$

$$\text{since } 4k^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

$$\text{then } n^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

from Case 1 & 2

$$n^2 \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{4}.$$

QED



(6) Let  $n = 2k + 1$  where  $k \geq 0$

$$n^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$n^2 = 4(k(k+1)) + 1$$

Case 1:  $k$  is odd

$\therefore k+1$  is even

$$k+1 = 2m$$

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

$$8((2m-1)m) \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$$

$$1 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

$$\therefore n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

Case 2:  $k$  is even

$$\therefore k = 2m$$

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

$$\text{since } 8(m(2m+1)) \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$$

$$1 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

$$n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

from Case 1 & 2  $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$

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$$(7) \quad n|m \rightarrow m = cn \text{ where } c \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow m | (a-b)$$

$$a - b = km$$

$$a - b = kcn$$

$$\therefore n | (a-b)$$

$$\text{hence, } a \equiv b \pmod{n}.$$

