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Reap:

1. Proposition
2. Logical Connector  $[ \vee, \wedge, \neg ]$
3. Proof
4. Direct proof method.

Disproof by counterexample

✓ original claim: If  $x$  and  $y$  are rational, then  $xy$  is rational.

claim: If  $xy$  is rational, then  $x$  and  $y$  is rational.

$$x = \sqrt{2} \quad y = \sqrt{2} \quad xy = \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2} = 2$$

Now  $xy$  is rational but,  $x$  and  $y$  is not rational.

Therefore, this claim does not hold.

Proof by cases

Def

Let  $n, m$  be integers, then  $n$  is divisible by  $m$ , if there exist an integer  $k$ , such that  $n = mk$

ex:

is 10 divisible by 2?

$$10 = 2 \cdot 5 \leftarrow k \text{ (which is an integer)}$$

10 is divisible by 2.

is 11 divisible by 3?

$$11 = 3 \cdot \left(\frac{11}{3}\right) \leftarrow \text{not an integer}$$

is 0 divisible by 3?

$$0 = 3 \cdot 0 \leftarrow \text{integer}$$

0 is divisible by 3.

Def we say, if  $n$  is divisible by  $m$ ,  
we also say  $m$  divides  $n$ .  
 $m \mid n$  "m divides n"

$2 \mid 10$   
✓  
2 divides 10

$3 \nmid 10$   
↑  
3 does not divide 10

claim: Let  $n$  be an integer, then  $n \cdot (n+1)^2$  is even.

step 01: understand the claim.

what is even? if  $n$  is divisible by 2, then  $n$  is even.

If  $n$  is even, then  $n$  can be written as

$$2 \cdot k$$

$$n = 2 \cdot k$$

Step 02: Let's do some examples

$n$	$n \cdot (n+1)^2$
0	$0 \cdot 1^2 = 0$
1	$1 \cdot 2^2 = 4$
2	$2 \cdot 3^2 = 18$
-2	$-2 \cdot (-1)^2 = -2$
3	$3 \cdot 4^2 = 48$

is  $n(n+1)^2$  even?

✓

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observe that  $n$  can be any integer.

Any integer has to be either an odd integer or an even integer.

Therefore, if we show that when  $n$  is odd  $n \cdot (n+1)^2$  is even and when  $n$  is even  $n \cdot (n+1)^2$  is even, then we can claim that our proposition is true.

Case 01:  $n$  is even.

## statements

$$n = 2 \cdot c$$

$$n(n+1)^2 = 2 \cdot c \cdot (n+1)^2$$

$$c \cdot (n+1)^2 \text{ is an integer}$$

$$n(n+1)^2 = 2 \cdot K_0, \quad K_0 = (n+1)^2$$

$n(n+1)^2$  is even

Case 02:  $n$  is odd

## statements

statement is  
 $n+1$  is even  $- - - - -$  because  $n$  is odd.

$$n+1 = 2 \cdot c \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad - \text{by def. of } c$$

$$n(n+1)^2 = n \cdot (2c)^2 = 4c^2n \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{by even substitution}$$

$$n(n+1)^2 = 2 \cdot (2c^2n)$$

$2c^2n$  is an integer

$n(n+1)^2$  is ~~even~~ even

reasoning

by def of even.

by substitution.  
product of integers  
is an integer.

by rearranging.

by def. of  
even

reasoning

because  $n$  is odd.

by def. of  
even

by <sup>even</sup> substitution

by rearranging

because product  
of integers is  
an integer

by the def. of even

Since  $n$  is either odd or even and in either case  $n(n+1)^2$  is even, therefore our claim is true.  $\square$ .