

More Proofs

CSC165 Week 4 - Part 2

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Last time, we proved:

- $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}, x \neq y+1$
 - $\forall d \in \underline{\mathbb{N}}, \forall x \in \underline{\mathbb{N}}, x \mid (x+d) \Rightarrow x \mid d$ (Fact 1)
- $\forall x, \in \underline{\mathbb{N}}, \forall p \in \underline{\mathbb{N}}, \text{Prime}(p) \wedge x \mid (x+p) \Rightarrow x=1 \vee x=p$

Notice that the “ \mathbb{Z} ”s were replaced by “ $\underline{\mathbb{N}}$ ” to make the last statement true and provable.

All Dogs are Animals

$\wedge \vee \neg \Rightarrow \Leftrightarrow \exists \forall$

$\forall x \in U, D(x) \Rightarrow A(x)$

Let $U = \{ \text{living things} \}$

Let $D(x) = "x \text{ is a dog}"$

Let $A(x) = "x \text{ is an animal}"$

~~$\forall x \in U, \underline{D(x) \wedge A(x)}$~~

$D(x) \Rightarrow A(x) \checkmark$

not always true

$A(x) \Rightarrow D(x) \times$

$$\text{Example: } \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, \underline{2 \nmid a} \wedge \underline{2 \nmid b} \implies \underline{\underline{2 \nmid ab}}$$

Rough Work:

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

$\overset{\prime\prime}{a} \quad \overset{\prime\prime}{b}$

Generalization? $\forall d \in \mathbb{N}, \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, d \nmid a \wedge d \nmid b \implies d \nmid ab$

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Rough Work

$$d = 6, a = 4, b = 3$$

$$ab = 12$$

$$d \nmid ab$$

Proof: WTS $\exists d \in \mathbb{Z}, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, (d \nmid a \wedge d \nmid b) \wedge d \nmid ab$

Let $d = 6, a = 4$, and $b = 3$.

$6 \nmid 4$ and $6 \nmid 3$ (because 6 is bigger)

$ab = 3 \times 4 = 12 = 2(6)$.
 $\implies \exists k \in \mathbb{Z}, ab = kd$ where $ab = 12$ and $k = 2$ and $d = 6$.

Q.E.D.

Example: $\forall d \in \mathbb{N} (\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, d \nmid a \wedge d \nmid b \Rightarrow d \nmid ab)$

$\Rightarrow \underline{\text{Prime}(d)} \vee \underline{d \leq 1}$

A \Rightarrow B

A direct proof would start with "Assume A is true"

Instead we can do an indirect proof, by directly proving the contrapositive:

$\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A$

$B \Rightarrow A$

IS the converse

Example: $\forall d \in \mathbb{N} (\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, d \nmid a \wedge d \nmid b \implies d \nmid ab)$

$$\implies (\text{Prime}(d) \vee d \leq 1)$$

Rough Work

Recall: $\text{Prime}(p) = \underline{\underline{p > 1}} \wedge \forall d \in \mathbb{N}, d \mid p \implies d=1 \vee d=p$

When we start the proof, we will assume $\neg(\text{Prime}(d) \vee d \leq 1)$

This is equivalent to $\neg\text{Prime}(d)$ AND ALSO $d > 1$.

$\neg\text{Prime}(d) \wedge d > 1$ $\forall d \in \mathbb{Z}$

We can assume that d is not prime and also > 1 .

Want to show: $\forall d \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, (d \nmid a \wedge d \nmid b) \wedge d \mid ab$

$\text{Prime}(p)$



$p > 1 \wedge (\forall q \in \mathbb{N}, q \nmid p)$

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$\Rightarrow q=1 \vee q=p$

$\neg \text{Prime}(d) \wedge d > 1$

$\Rightarrow \exists q \in \mathbb{N}, \underline{q \mid d} \wedge \underline{(q \neq 1 \wedge q \neq d)}$

We can take q and use it the same way we used 2×3 in our counterexample.

$(q \nmid a \wedge q \nmid b) \wedge (q \nmid ab) \dots$

$$\forall d \in \mathbb{N} \left(\text{Prime}(d) \vee d \leq 1 \right) \Rightarrow (\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$d \nmid a \wedge d \nmid b \Rightarrow d \nmid ab)$$

A direct proof of this would have cases because you start by assuming a disjunction (OR statement).

Case 1: d is prime.

Case 2: $d \leq 1$

$\rightarrow d = 0$
 $\rightarrow d = 1$

Note: We are now trying to prove the Converse.

To prove the converse, you can use:

If $d \nmid a$ then you can say $\exists r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$, $rd + sa = 1$

How to prove a biconditional (iff) statement:

$\text{gcd}(d, a)$

Step 1: Show this

Step 2: Show the converse

If $(A \Rightarrow B) \wedge (B \Rightarrow A)$ then

Step 3: Conclude the biconditional: $A \Leftrightarrow B$

