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Example 1)

(a) $P_1 \rightarrow P_2$ is true.

Direct proof Suppose n is even, then
 $n = 2k$ for some integer k .

consequently, $n-1 = 2k-1$
 $= 2(k-1)+1$
 $= 2m+1$, where $m = k-1$.

$\therefore n-1$ is odd.

(b) $P_3 \rightarrow P_4$ is true.

Direct proof Suppose $n-1$ is odd,
 then $n-1 = 2k+1$ for some integer k .

consequently, $n = 2k+2$, $n^2 = (2k+2)^2$
 $= 4k^2 + 8k + 4$
 $= 2(2k^2 + 4k + 2)$
 $= 2m$, where $m = 2k^2 + 4k + 2$.

$\therefore n^2$ is even.

Example 2)

Proof by contraposition

\Rightarrow If $\frac{1}{x}$ is rational, then x is rational.

Suppose $\frac{1}{x}$ is rational, then $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{p}{q}$ for
 some integer p, q with $q \neq 0$.

consequently, since $\frac{1}{x} \neq 0$, we know that
 $p \neq 0$.

$$x = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)} = \frac{q}{p}$$

$\therefore x$ is rational.

Example 3)

proof by contraposition $x+y \geq 2 : P$
 $x \geq 1 \text{ or } y \geq 1 : Q$

$\hookrightarrow \neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$.

"If $x < 1$ and $y < 1$ then $x+y < 2$ ".



Suppose $(x < 1)$ and $(y < 1)$.

Consequently, $x+y < 1+1 = 2$.

$\therefore x+y < 2$.

Example 4)

Direct proof

Suppose r and s are rational numbers,

then $r = \frac{a}{b}$, $s = \frac{c}{d}$ for some integer
 a, b, c, d with $b \neq 0, d \neq 0$.

consequently, $r+s = \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}$

$$= \frac{ad+bc}{bd} = \frac{p}{q}$$

where $p = ad+bc$,

$q = bd$ and $q \neq 0$.

$\therefore r+s$ is rational.

Example 5)

Direct proof

Suppose $b = ar$ and $c = bs$ for some
 integers r, s .

consequently, $c = bs$
 $= ars$

$= ak$, where $k = rs$.

$\therefore a$ divides c .

Example 6)

Proof by contraposition

"If n is odd then (n^3+5) is even."

Suppose n is odd then $n = 2k+1$
 for some integer k .

consequently, $n^3+5 = (2k+1)^3+5$.

$$= 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 6$$

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

$$= 2m, \text{ where } m = (4k^3 + 6k^2 + 3k + 3)$$

$\therefore (n^3+5)$ is even.

Example 7)

proof by contraposition

"If a is odd, then $a^3 + a^2 + a$ is odd"

Suppose $a = \text{odd}$, then $a = (2k+1)$ for some integer k .

consequently,

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

$$= (8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 1) + (4k^2 + 4k + 1) + (2k+1)$$

$$= 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 12k + 3$$

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

$$= 2m+1, \text{ where } m = 4k^3 + 6k^2 + 6k + 1$$

$\therefore a^3 + a^2 + a$ is odd.

Example 8)

Proof by contradiction

Suppose not the sum of two number is always odd.

Suppose x and y are even number,

$x = 2a$, $y = 2b$ for some integer a and b .

consequently,

$$x+y = 2a+2b$$

$$= 2(atb)$$

$$= 2m, \text{ where } m = atb$$

$\therefore x+y$ is always even.
(contradiction)

Example 9)

proof by contradiction

Suppose not The sum of two positive numbers is always negative.

Suppose a and b are positive number such that $a < b$

consequently, $a < -b$.

Since a is smaller than $-b$, then a must be a negative number (contradiction)

Example 10)

proof by contradiction

Suppose not The difference of any rational number and any irrational number is rational.

Suppose

$$r = \frac{a}{b} \quad r - s = \frac{c}{d}$$

for some integer a, b, c, d and $b \neq 0, d \neq 0$.

consequently,

$$s = \frac{ad - bc}{bd}$$

Since $s = \frac{ad - bc}{bd}$ then s is rational.

(contradiction).

Example 11)

proof by contradiction

suppose not $\sqrt{2}$ is rational.

suppose $\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$ for some integer m, n and $n \neq 0$.

then $2 = \frac{m^2}{n^2}$, $m^2 = 2n^2$. $\therefore m$ is even.

consequently, $m = 2k$ for some integer k .

$$\text{then } (2k)^2 = 2n^2$$

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

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

$\therefore n$ is even \rightarrow

Consequently,

m and n are even and they have
a common factor.
(contradiction)

Example (2).

Proof by contradiction

Suppose $1 + 3\sqrt{2}$ is rational.

Suppose 1 is rational number,
 $3\sqrt{2}$ is irrational number.

$1 + 3\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$ for some integer n, m ,
 $n \neq 0$.

Consequently,

$$1 + 3\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$$

$$3\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n} - 1$$

$$3\sqrt{2} = \frac{m-n}{n}$$

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{m-n}{3n} \rightarrow \text{rational number}$$

$\therefore \sqrt{2}$ must be rational
(contradiction)

Example (3)

Proof by Equivalence

P : n is odd. Q : $(n-1)$ is even

$(P \leftrightarrow Q) \rightarrow$ Case 1: $P \rightarrow Q$
 \rightarrow Case 2: $Q \rightarrow P$

Proof for case 1: $P \rightarrow Q$

Suppose
 $n = 2k-1$ for some integer k .

$$n-1 = 2k-1$$

$$= 2k-2$$

$$= 2(k-1)$$

$$= 2m, \text{ Where } m \text{ is } k-1.$$

$\therefore n-1$ is even

Proof for case 2: $Q \rightarrow P$

Suppose $n-1 = 2k$ for some integer k

$$n-1 = 2k$$

$$n = 2k+1$$

$\therefore n$ is odd.

consequently, for every integer,
 n is odd if and only if $n-1$ is even.

Example (4)

Proof by Equivalence

P : $(x+y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$ Q : $x=0$ or $y=0$

$(P \leftrightarrow Q) \rightarrow$ case 1: $P \rightarrow Q$

\rightarrow case 2: $Q \rightarrow P$

Proof for case 1: $P \rightarrow Q$

$$(x+y)^2 = x^2 + 2xy + y^2$$

$$= x^2 + y^2 + 0$$

$\therefore x$ or $y = 0$

proof for case 2: $Q \rightarrow P$

$$(x+y)^2 = x^2 + \underbrace{2xy}_{=0} + y^2$$

$$\stackrel{Q}{=} (x \text{ or } y = 0)$$

$$= x^2 + y^2$$

$$\therefore (x+y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

consequently, $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, $(x+y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$
if and only if $x=0$ or $y=0$.

Example 15)

Proof by Equivalence

Proof for case 1: Direct proof

Suppose a is even, $a=2k$ for some integer k .

consequently,

$$a^3 + a^2 + a = (2k)^3 + (2k)^2 + 2k$$

$$= 8k^3 + 4k^2 + 2k$$

$$= 2(4k^3 + 2k^2 + k)$$

$$= 2m, \text{ where } m \text{ is } 4k^3 + 2k^2 + k$$

Proof for case 2: Proof by contradiction

"If a is odd, $a^3 + a^2 + a$ is odd"

Suppose a is odd, $a=2k+1$ for some integer k .

consequently, $a^3 + a^2 + a = (2k+1)^3 + (2k+1)^2 + (2k+1)$

$$= 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 1 + 4k^2 + 4k + 1 +$$

$$2k + 1$$

$$= 8k^3 + 16k^2 + 12k + 3$$

$$= 2(4k^3 + 8k^2 + 6k + 1) + 1$$

$$= 2n+1, \text{ where } n = 4k^3 + 8k^2 + 6k + 1$$

$\therefore a^3 + a^2 + a$ is odd.

Example 16)

Proof by Existence

Suppose x is mid point between a and b .

consequently, $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$,

$$\therefore a < x < b.$$

Example 17)

Proof by Existence

Suppose $m=3, n=2$

consequently,

$$2m+3n = 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 2$$

$$= 6 + 6$$

$$= 12$$

$\therefore m=3, n=2$ exist for

$$2m+3n=12.$$

Example 18)

Proof by Existence

$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x - 4$$

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - 3(2^2) + (2 \cdot 2) - 4 = -4$$

$$f(3) = (3)^3 - 3(3^2) + (2 \cdot 3) - 4 = 2$$

