Worksheet 7 Review 2

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Question 1

a. In this case assume that $n \leq 1$.

We want to show $n \leq 1$.

Since the assumption tells us $n \leq 1$, we can conclude this is true.

b. Proof. Let a=d and b=k. Assume there exists $d\in\mathbb{N}$ where $(\exists k\in\mathbb{Z}, n=dk)\wedge d\neq 1\wedge d\neq n$. Assume n>1

We need to prove that $n \nmid a, n \nmid b$ and $n \mid ab$.

We will do so in parts.

Part 1 (Proving $n \nmid a$):

We need to prove $n \nmid a$.

First, we need to show $n \geq d$.

The fact 2 tells us

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}, y \ge 1 \land x \mid y \Rightarrow 1 \le x \le y \tag{1}$$

and we know from headers that $d \mid n, n > 1$, and $n, d \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then, by using these facts, we can write

$$1 \le d \le n \tag{2}$$

Second, we need to show n = d.

The definition of divisibility tells us for n to divide d, there must be some $k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that d is equal to $k_1 \cdot n$.

Then, since we know $n \geq d$, by using these facts, we can conclude the definition of divisibility is satisfied only when $k_1 = 1$, or when n = d.

Finally, since we know from the header that $n \neq d$, we can conclude $n \nmid d$.

Then, since we know d = a from the header, we can conclude $n \nmid a$.

Part 2 (Proving $n \nmid b$):

We need to prove $n \nmid b$.

First, we need to show $k \mid n$.

The assumption tells us n = kd.

Then, it follows from the definition of divisibility that $k \mid d$.

Second, we need to show $k \geq 1$.

The header tells us n > 1 $d \ge 0$, and we know from assumption that n = dk.

Since the facts tell us $k \leq 0$ results in $n \leq 0$ and this cannot happen, we can conclude $k \geq 1$.

Third, we need to show $n \ge k$ using the fact $k \ge 1$ and $k \mid n$.

The fact 2 tells us

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}, y \ge 1 \land x \mid y \Rightarrow 1 \le x \le y \tag{3}$$

Since we know $k \mid n, n > 1$ and $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$, we can conclude $k \leq n$.

Fourth, we need to show n = k.

The definition of divisibility tells us for n to divide k, there must be some $k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that k is equal to $k_1 \cdot n$.

Then, using the fact $n \ge k$, we can conclude the definition of divisibility is satisfied only when $k_1 = 1$, or n = k.

Finally, since we know from the header that $n \neq k$, we can conclude $n \nmid k$.

Then, it follows from the fact k = b, we can conclude $n \nmid b$.

Part 3 (Proving $n \mid ab$):

We need to prove $n \mid ab$.

The fact 1 tells us

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, x \mid x \tag{4}$$

Since we know $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we can conclude $n \mid n$.

Then, since we know n = dk, d = a and k = b, we can conclude $n \mid ab$.

Pseudoproof:

Let a=d and b=k. Assume there exists $d\in\mathbb{N}$ where $(\exists k\in\mathbb{Z}, n=dk)\land d\neq 1\land d\neq n$. Assume n>1

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and we know from headers that $d \mid n, n > 1$, and $n, d \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then, by using these facts, we can write

$$1 \le d \le n \tag{6}$$

2. Show that for n to divide d, n = d.

Now, the definition of divisibility tells us for n to divide d, there must be some $k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that d is equal to $k_1 \cdot n$.

Then, since we know $n \geq d$, by using these facts, we can conclude the definition of divisibility is satisfied when $k_1 = 1$, or when n = d.

3. Conclude $n \nmid a$.

Then, since we know from header that $n \neq d$, we can conclude $n \nmid d$.

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Finally, since we know from the header that $n \neq d$, we can conclude $n \nmid d$.

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2. Show $n \nmid b$

• Show $k \mid n$

First, we need to show $k \mid n$.

- State n = kd.

The assumption tells us n = kd.

- Show $k \mid n$ by using the definition of divisibility

Then, it follows from the definition of divisibility that $k \mid d$.

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Then, using the fact $n \geq k$, we can conclude the definition of divisibility is satisfied only when $k_1 = 1$, or n = k.

• Conclude $n \nmid a$.

Finally, since we know from the header that $n \neq k$, we can conclude $n \nmid k$.

It follows from the fact k=b, we can conclude $n \nmid b$.

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3. Show $n \mid ab$

We need to show $n \mid ab$.

• State fact 1

The fact 1 tells us

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, x \mid x \tag{11}$$

• Show $n \mid n$

Since we know $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we can conclude $n \mid n$.

• Show $n \mid ab$ using the fact n = dk where a = d and b = k.

Then, since we know n = dk, d = a and k = b, we can conclude $n \mid ab$.

Part 3 (Proving $n \mid ab$):

We need to show $n \mid ab$.

The fact 1 tells us

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, x \mid x \tag{12}$$

Since we know $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we can conclude $n \mid n$.

Then, since we know n = dk, d = a and k = b, we can conclude $n \mid ab$.

Notes:

- Made some serious errors (i.e. show n = a or n = b) :(.
- How can a proof be organized so it's structurally clear so moe 3 months from now can say I understand this proof? I used first, second and third to show steps involved but I still feel something is missing...
- Can I write a predicate logic for proving $n \nmid b$ or $n \nmid a$? (i.e. ... $\Rightarrow n \nmid b$)?

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Question 3