

Use the method of proof by contradiction.

1. [4 points] Prove that $\sqrt{6}$ is irrational.
2. [4 points] If $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $a^2 - 4b - 2 \neq 0$.
3. [4 points] Suppose $A \neq \emptyset$. Since $\emptyset \subseteq A \times A$, the set $R = \emptyset$ is a relation on A . Is R reflexive? Symmetric? Transitive? If a property does not hold, say why.
4. [4 points] Define a relation R on \mathbb{Z} as xRy if and only if $4 \mid (x + 3y)$

Prove R is an equivalence relation.

Describe its equivalence classes.