

Homework 1

CMPSC 360

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Question 1:

Given statement: x is an integer

Assumption: x is an odd integer

Conclusion: $x^2 + 5x + 7$ is odd

Proof:

Suppose x is odd such that $x \in \mathbb{Z}$

By definition of odd, $x = 2a + 1$ where $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 5x + 7 &= (2a + 1)^2 + 5(2a + 1) + 7 && \text{plugging in } 2a + 1 \text{ for } x \\ &= 4a^2 + 4a + 1 + 10a + 5 + 7 && \text{algebra} \\ &= 4a^2 + 14a + 12 + 1 && \text{addition} \\ &= 2(a^2 + 7a + 6) + 1 && \text{factoring out 2} \\ &= 2c + 1 \text{ from some } c \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } c = a^2 + 7a + 6 \end{aligned}$$

so, by definition of odd, $x^2 + 5x + 7$ is odd

therefore, when x is an odd integer, $x^2 + 5x + 7$ is odd \square

Question 2:

- i) $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, x < 0 \ (x^3 < 0)$
- ii) $\exists! x \in \mathbb{R} \ \forall y \in \mathbb{R} \ (x \cdot y = y)$

Question 3:

H1: $A \rightarrow B$

H2: $\neg C \rightarrow \neg B$

H3: A

C: C

- 1. $A \rightarrow B$ [H1]
- 2. $\neg C \rightarrow \neg B$ [H2]
- 3. $\neg \neg B \rightarrow \neg \neg C$ [Contrapositive of 2]
- 4. $B \rightarrow C$ [Double negation on 3]
- 5. $A \rightarrow C$ [Hypothetical syllogism on 1 and 4]
- 6. A [H3]
- 7. C [Modus Ponens on 5 and 6]