

1. Let k = first integer, $k + 1$ = second integer, $k + 2$ = third integer

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

Therefore $3(k + 1)$ is always divisible by 3

2. Let k = all integer

$$\text{Even} = 2k$$

$$\text{Odd} = 2k + 1$$

$$P = 2k + 1 \quad (1)$$

$$p^2 = (2k + 1)(2k + 1) = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} p^3 &= (4k^2 + 4k + 1)(2k + 1) = 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 1 \\ &= 2(4k^3 + 6k^2 + 3k) + 1 \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$P = 2k \quad (1)$$

$$p^2 = 4k^2 \quad (2)$$

$$p^3 = 8k^3 = 2(4k^3) \quad (3)$$

Therefore p^3 will be odd if and only if p is odd. And p^3 is even if and only if p is even.

3. Let x, y, z be rational and let a, b, c, d, e and f be integers.

$$X = \frac{a}{b}, \quad y = \frac{c}{d}, \quad z = \frac{e}{f}$$

For $b, d, f \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} x + yz &= \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} \left(\frac{e}{f} \right) = \frac{a}{b} + \frac{ce}{df} \\ &= \frac{adf + bce}{bdf} \end{aligned}$$

Since a, b, c, e, d, f is integer and $d \neq 0, f \neq 0, b \neq 0$

So $x + yz$ is rational.

4. Let xyz = rational and x, y is rational

$$z = \frac{xyz}{xy} \quad \text{Let } x = \frac{a}{b}, \quad y = \frac{c}{d}, \quad xyz = \frac{e}{f}$$

$$z = xyz \times \frac{1}{xy}$$

$$z = \frac{e}{f} \times \frac{bd}{ac}$$

$$z = \frac{ebd}{fac}$$

Since a, b, c, d, e, f is integer, and

Therefore, if xyz is rational, then z is rational. So z is irrational when xyz is irrational.

You cannot use direct proof because there is no way of showing irrational number.

5. If $3n + 11$ is even, then n is odd

Let n be even.

$$n = 2k$$

$$3n + 11 = 3(2k) + 11$$

$$= 6k + 11$$

$$= 2(3k + 5) + 1$$

Therefore, if $3n + 11$ is even, then n is odd.

6. Proof by contradiction: she has to schedule at most 6 on same day.

So each day gets 6 lessons, and there are 7 days in a week. So $6 \times 7 = 42$

So the statement is proven because she only have 40 lessons over the week.

7. Proof by contradiction: Assuming square root of 7 is rational.

$$\sqrt{7} = \frac{a}{b}$$

For a, b is integer, and in reduced form with no common factors. $B \neq 0$

$$7 = \frac{a^2}{b^2}$$

$$7b^2 = a^2$$

Since left side is divisible by 7, so right side will also be divisible by 7. So, we can let $a = 7k$ for $k \neq 0$.

$$7b^2 = (7k)^2$$

$$7b^2 = 49k^2$$

$$b^2 = 7k^2$$

B^2 is multiple of 7, which means b is also multiple of 7

But a and b should not have common factor. Therefore, it contradicts with the assumption and square root of 7 is irrational

8. X is irrational and y is non-zero rational but x^y is rational

Let $x = \sqrt{2}$ because we know that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational and $y = 2$

$$x^y = \sqrt{2}^2$$

$$x^y = (2^{\frac{1}{2}})^2$$

$$x^y = 2$$

Therefore, it is proven that when x is irrational and y is non-zero, x^y is rational.