

A special compound prop.:  $\neg q = \neg \neg p$

The contrapositive of  $p \Rightarrow q$ .

$p$	$q$	$p \Rightarrow q$	$\neg q$	$\neg p$	<u><math>\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p</math></u>	$q \Rightarrow p$
T	T	T	F	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T

$$p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$$

Note that the converse of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is not logically equiv to  $p \Rightarrow q$ .

$$p \Rightarrow q \neq q \Rightarrow p$$

Recall proofs by contradiction.

Claim 4.18 (part of it)

If  $n^2$  is even, then  $n$  is even.

$p$   $q$

Why did we do a proof by contradiction?  
Let's try a direct proof.

Let  $n^2$  be even. WTS  $n$  is even.

$n^2 = 2c$  for  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$  def. of even

$n = \sqrt{2c}$   
 $n = \frac{2c}{n}$  } we don't have any facts about these

$n$  is even

Claim If  $n^2$  is even, then  $n$  is even.

- ① For contradiction, suppose  $\neg(p \Rightarrow q)$
- ②  $\neg(p \Rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$
- ③ direct proof that  $\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$
- ④ established that  $\neg p \wedge p$
- ⑤ noted that  $\neg p \wedge p$  is a contradiction
- ⑥  $\neg(p \Rightarrow q)$  is false, so  $p \Rightarrow q$  is true

Proof For contradiction, suppose the claim is false. That is, suppose that  $n^2$  is even but  $n$  is odd.  $\rightarrow \neg q$

$$n = 2k + 1 \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$n^2 = (2k + 1)^2$$

$$n^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$n^2 = 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1$$

$$n^2 = 2c + 1 \text{ for } c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$n^2 \text{ is odd } \neg p$$

direct proof that  $\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$

This contradicts that  $n^2$  is even. So our initial assumption that  $n$  is odd is false. So the initial claim is true.  $\square$

Note that ③ was a direct proof of the contrapositive.

For this claim, we can give a shorter proof.

$p, q, r$ .

$(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow r$  is claim.

Is  $\neg r \Rightarrow \neg (p \wedge q)$  the contrapositive?

Let me rewrite  $p \wedge q$  as  $z$ .

$$z \Rightarrow r$$

$$\neg r \Rightarrow \neg z$$

$$\neg r \Rightarrow \neg (p \wedge q)$$

Claim If  $n^2$  is even, then  $n$  is even.

Proof We will prove the contrapositive.  
That is, if  $n$  is odd, then  $n^2$  is odd.

$$n = 2k + 1 \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{def. odd}$$

$$n^2 = (2k + 1)^2$$

$$n^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$n^2 = 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1$$

$$n = 2c + 1 \text{ for } c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$c = 2k^2 + 2k$   
prod., sum of ints  
is int

$n^2$  is odd

□

Note you can only use contrapositive proofs on if-then statements.  
( $p \Rightarrow q$ )

Sometimes a direct proof is easier/simpler.  
Sometimes not.

Proposition Suppose  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $7x + 9$  is even, then  $x$  is odd.  
 $\underbrace{7x + 9}_p$   $\underbrace{x}_q$

Proof (direct) Suppose  $7x + 9$  is even.  
WTS  $x$  is odd.

$$7x + 9 = 2c \text{ for } c \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{def. of even}$$

$$x = 2c - 6x - 9$$

algebra

$$x = 2c - 6x - 2 \cdot 5 + 1$$

rewriting - 9

$$x = 2(c - 3x - 5) + 1$$

factoring

$$x = 2k + 1 \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

sums, prods of  
ints are int

$x$  odd

def. of odd

□

Proof (by contrapositive)

$\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$

We prove the Contrapositive. That is, if  $x$  is even, then  $7x+9$  is odd.

Suppose  $x$  is even. WTS that  $7x+9$  is odd.

$7x$  is even

prod. of any  
even int, int is even

$7x+9$  is odd

sum of even, odd  
is odd

(4.17)

Claim Suppose  $y \neq 0$  if  $\boxed{x/y \text{ is irrational}}$ ,  
then  $\boxed{x \text{ is irrational}}$  or  $\boxed{y \text{ is irrational}}$ .

$p \Rightarrow (q \vee r)$

Contrapositive  $\neg(q \vee r) \Rightarrow \neg p \equiv (\neg q \wedge \neg r) \Rightarrow \neg p$



If  $x, y$  rational, then  $x/y$  is rational.

Done, by HW 1 problem 1.