

Transition to Advanced Math - Assignment 7 -

Chapter 7

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1. Suppose $x \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then x is even if and only if $3x + 5$ is odd.

Solution:

First, we prove that if x is even, then $3x+5$ is odd.

Assume that x is even, then $x = 2k$ with k is some integers.

Then $3x+5 = 3 \cdot 2k+5 = 6k+5$.

Hence, if x is even, $3x + 5$ is odd.

Conversely, suppose $3x+5$ odd, then $3x+5 = 2k+1$.

We then have $3x + 4 = 2k \iff 3x = 2k - 4$. Since $2k - 4$ is an even number, then $3x$ is also an even number. We then observe that 2 and 3 are two prime numbers that have the greatest common factor is 1. Therefore, x must be an even number in order to have $3x$ is even.

With two sides are proved above, we then have x is even if and only if $3x+5$ is odd.

7. Suppose $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $(x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$ if and only if $x = 0$ or $y = 0$.

Solution:

First, we prove that if $(x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$, then $x = 0$ or $y = 0$.

$(x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 \iff 2xy = 0$.

The equation above is true if and only if $x = 0$, or $y = 0$, or $x = y = 0$.

Conversely, suppose $x = 0$ or $y = 0$, then $2xy = 0$. We then add both side of equation above with $x^2 + y^2 (> 0)$ to have: $x^2 + 2xy + y^2 = x^2 + y^2$.

This new equation equals to $(x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$

With two sides are proved above, we then have $(x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$ if and only if $x = 0$ or $y = 0$.

8. Suppose $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that $a \equiv b \pmod{10}$ if and only if $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ and $a \equiv b \pmod{5}$.

Solution:

First we prove that if $a \equiv b \pmod{10}$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ and $a \equiv b \pmod{5}$.

Suppose $a \equiv b \pmod{10}$. This means $10 \mid (a - b)$, so there is an integer k for which $a - b = 10k$.

From this we get $a - b = 2(5k)$, which implies $2 \mid (a - b)$, so $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$. But we also get $a - b = 5(2k)$, which implies $5 \mid (a - b)$, so $a \equiv b \pmod{5}$.

Conversely, suppose $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ and $a \equiv b \pmod{5}$. Since $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ we get $2 \mid (a - b)$, so there is an integer k for which $a - b = 2k$. Therefore, $a - b$ is even. Also, from $a \equiv b \pmod{5}$ we get $5 \mid (a - b)$, so there is an integer l for which: $a - b = 5l$.

But since we know $a - b$ is even, it follows that l must be even also, for if it were

odd then $a - b = 5l$ would be odd (because $a - b$ would be the product of two odd integers). Hence $l = 2m$ for some integer m . Thus $a - b = 5l = 5 \cdot 2m = 10m$. This means $10 \mid (a - b)$, so $a \equiv b \pmod{10}$.

17. There is a prime number between 90 and 100.

Solution:

In the range from 90 to 100, there are only two possible prime numbers which are 91 and 97. However, $91 = 13 \cdot 7$. We then prove that 97 is a prime number.

We then test factor of 97 by divide 97 to all prime number which is smaller than $\sqrt{97}$. We then have 97 is not divisible by 2, 3, 5, 7. Therefore, 97 is a prime number

20. There exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ for which $11 \mid (2n-1)$

Solution:

11 is a prime number which has only two factors are 1 and 11. Therefore, we have two cases:

Case 1: $2n-1 = 1$ if and only if $n = 1$

Case 2: $2n-1 = 11$ if and only if $n = 6$.

Therefore, there true exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ for which $11 \mid (2n-1)$. For example, $n = 1$.

28. Prove the division algorithm: If $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, there exist unique integers q, r for which $a = bq + r$, and $0 \leq r < b$. (A proof of existence is given in Section 1.9, but uniqueness needs to be established too.)

Solution:

Existence Take from section 1.9

Given integers a, b with $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, form the set $A = \{a - xb : x \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 \leq a - xb\} \subseteq \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

In general, let r be the smallest element of the set A . Then $r = a - qb$ for some $x = q \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $a = qb + r$. Moreover, $0 \leq r < b$, as follows. The fact that $r \in A \subseteq \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ implies $0 \leq r$.

In addition, it cannot happen that $r \geq b$: If this were the case, then the non-negative number $r - b = (a - qb) - b = a - (q+1)b$ having form $a - xb$ would be a smaller element of A than r , which is contradict with the fact that r was chosen as the smallest element of A . Since $r \not\geq b$, it must be that $r < b$. Therefore $0 \leq r < b$.

We've now produced a q and an r for which $a = qb + r$ and $0 \leq r < b$

Uniqueness: Suppose that we have to sets of integers q, r and q', r' satisfying

$a = bq + r$ with $0 \leq r < b$

and $a = bq' + r'$ with $0 \leq r' < b$

We want to show that $q' = q$ and $r' = r$. We then have $b(q' - q) + r' - r = 0$.

Since $0 \leq r < b$ and $0 \leq r' < b$, we have $b < r - r' < b$. From this we obtain $-1 < q' - q = (r - r')/b < 1$

Since $q' - q \in \mathbb{Z}$, this implies that $q' - q = 0$. This in turn implies that $r' - r = 0$.