

1 Statements

A **Statement** or **Proposition** is a sentence that is true or false but not both. Here's some examples:

Example 1.0.1

- *The sky is blue.*
- $5=2$
- *All prime numbers are divisible by two.*

A **Conditional Statement** is one of the form "If p , then q ." We denote this correlation with a \Rightarrow symbol. If we have a statement $p \Rightarrow q \equiv r$, then r is always true unless p is false and q is true. In a conditional statement, we consider p to be the hypothesis, and q to be the conclusion.

Note that the hypothesis of a conditional statement can be false, as long as the conclusion is as well. This means that $0 = 1 \rightarrow 1 = 2$ is true.

Statements can take other forms, such as using and (\wedge), or (\vee), not (\neg), as well as some other forms seen especially when writing proofs.

Two mathematical forms often seen are: "There exists / For some" (\exists), and "For all / For every" (\forall).

The **negation** of a Statement is the opposite of the statement. For all true values of P , $\neg P$ will be false. and vice versa.

Definition 1.0.2

Negations of some basic statements:

$$\neg(P \wedge Q) \equiv \neg P \vee \neg Q$$

$$\neg(P \vee Q) \equiv \neg P \wedge \neg Q$$

$$\neg(\exists x, P(x)) \equiv \forall x, \neg P(x)$$

$$\neg(\forall x, Q(x)) \equiv \exists x, \neg Q(x)$$

$$\neg(P \rightarrow Q) \equiv P \wedge \neg Q$$

Definition 1.0.3

- *The converse of $P \rightarrow Q$ is $Q \rightarrow P$.*
- *The contrapositive of $P \rightarrow Q$ is $\neg P \rightarrow \neg Q$.*

Note that the contrapositive of a statement is logically equivalent, but the converse may not be.

2 Integers

Integers possess the following properties:

Remember that theorems can be used in assignment proofs, but lemmas must be used more carefully with explanation.

Theorem 2.0.1

$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$, n is either even or odd but not both.

Theorem 2.0.2

$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a|b \implies b \geq a$

Theorem 2.0.3

Products and sums of integers are integers.

Lemma 2.0.4

Suppose m, n are integers. If m and n are both odd, mn is odd.

Proof 2.0.5

Assume $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Suppose m and n are odd.
Then, $m = 2k + 1, n = 2l + 1$ for some $l, k \in \mathbb{Z}$.
 $mn = (2k + 1)(2l + 1)$
 $mn = 2(4kl + k + l) + 1$
So, mn can be expressed in the form $2q + 1$, where $q = 4kl + k + l$, and q is an integer.

Definition 2.0.6

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
 n is prime $\iff \exists r, s$ so that $rs = n$, and $r = 1, s = n$ or $r = n, s = 1$.
 n is composite $\iff \exists r, s$ so that $rs = n$ and neither r or s is equal to 1.

Definition 2.0.7

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. a divides b ($a|b$) if $a \neq 0$ and $ak = b$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

3 Rationals

Definition 3.0.1

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$. x is rational ($x \in \mathbb{Q}$) $\iff x = \frac{a}{b}$ for some $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0$

Lemma 3.0.2

If $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, $x \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Proof: Any $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ can be written as $x = \frac{x}{1}$. Since both 1 and x are integers, x is rational. ■

Lemma 3.0.3

Like with integers, the sum and product of any rationals is also rational.