

MATH 102: IDEAS OF MATH

WORKSHEET 13

Proof by contradiction

Problem 1. Show that if A and B are sets, then

$$A \cap (B \setminus A) = \emptyset.$$

Problem 2. Read 7.5 and discuss.

We conclude the logic part by the following proofs, which will employ proof by contradiction.

Theorem 1. *There are infinitely many primes.*

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Theorem 2. $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

Theorem 3. Let a and m be natural numbers. There exist unique natural numbers q and r such that $0 \leq r < m$ and

$$a = mq + r.$$