

# Homework 2

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## Section 2.1

### 1. Exercise 11 (p97)

#### Part (a)

Let  $a, b$  be the two given odd integers. By definition of odd, we have

$$a = 2m + 1, b = 2n + 1 : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

By substitution,

$$\begin{aligned} ab &= (2m + 1)(2n + 1) \\ &= 4mn + 2m + 2n + 1 \\ &= 2(2mn + m + n) + 1 \\ &= 2k + 1, \text{ where } k = 2mn + m + n \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of odd, we have that  $ab$  is an odd number.

#### Part (b)

Let  $a$  be the given odd integer and  $b$  be the given even integer. By definition of odd and even, we have

$$a = 2m + 1, b = 2n : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

By substitution,

$$\begin{aligned} ab &= (2m + 1)2n \\ &= 4mn + 2n \\ &= 2(2mn + n) \\ &= 2k, \text{ where } k = 2mn + n \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of even, we have that  $ab$  is an even number.

#### Part (c)

Let  $a$  be the given even integer and  $b$  be the given integer that is divisible by 3.

By definition of even, we have

$$a = 2m : m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

By definition of being divisible by 3, we have

$$b = 3n : n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

By substitution,

$$\begin{aligned}ab &= 2m \cdot 3n \\&= 6mn \\&= 6k, \text{ where } k = mn\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 6, we have that  $ab$  is divisible by 6.

## 2. Exercise 12.d (p97)

This pair of statements are *not* contrapositives of one another.

- Counterexample of case (i): a person that likes computers but does not like computer science.
- Counterexample of case (ii): a person that does not like computers but likes computer science.

## 3. Exercise 13.a (p97)

Contrapositive: “if  $m = 0$  and  $n = 0$ , then  $m^2 + n^2 = 0$ .”

Proof of the contrapositive: Since  $m = 0$  and  $n = 0$ , by substitution, we have

$$m^2 + n^2 = 0^2 + 0^2 = 0$$

Since the contrapositive is true, the original statement “if  $m^2 + n^2 \neq 0$ , then  $m \neq 0$  or  $n \neq 0$ ” is true.

## 4. Exercise 14.c (p98)

Let  $n$  be a number preceding a perfect cube. Since any perfect cube is in the form of  $x^3$  where  $x$  is an integer, we have that  $n = x^3 - 1$ .

The expression  $x^3 - 1$  is equivalent to  $(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1) &= x(x^2 + x + 1) - 1(x^2 + x + 1) \\ &= (x \cdot x^2 + x \cdot x + x \cdot 1) - (1 \cdot x^2 + 1 \cdot x + 1 \cdot 1) \\ &= x^3 + x^2 + x - x^2 - x - 1 \\ &= x^3 - 1\end{aligned}$$

Now, since  $n = x^3 - 1$ ,  $n$  can always be factorized into  $(x - 1)$  and  $(x^2 + x + 1)$ .

- When  $x$  is zero or negative,  $n$  is negative, which can never be prime.
- When  $x$  is 1,  $n = 1^3 - 1 = 0$ , which is not prime.
- When  $x$  is 2,  $n = 2^3 - 1 = 7$ , which is prime.
- When  $x$  is 3 or higher, since  $n$  can always be factorized into  $(x - 1)$  and  $(x^2 + x + 1)$ , but  $(x - 1)$  is not 1 or  $n$ ,  $n$  is divisible by some other integer that is not 1 or  $n$ . Therefore,  $n$  is not prime.
- When  $x$  is not an integer,  $n$  is not an integer, which is not prime.

Since the above cases cover all possibilities of  $x$ , 7 is indeed the only prime preceding a perfect cube.

## Section 2.2

### 5. Exercise 7.e (p108)

Let  $m$  be the given  $10^{n-1} - 1$  that is divisible by 9. Since  $m$  is divisible by 9,  $m = 9k : k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Since  $10^n = 10 \cdot 10^{n-1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 10^n - 1 &= 10 \cdot 10^{n-1} - 1 \\ &= 10 \cdot (10^{n-1} - 1 + 1) - 1 \\ &= 10 \cdot (m + 1) - 1 && \text{Substituting } m = 10^{n-1} - 1 \\ &= 10 \cdot (9k + 1) - 1 && \text{Substituting } 9k = m \\ &= 90k + 10 - 1 && \text{Distributing 10} \\ &= 90k + 9 \\ &= 9 \cdot (10k + 1) && \text{Factoring out 9} \\ &= 9c && \text{Where } c = 10k + 1 \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 9,  $10^n - 1$  is divisible by 9.

## 6. Exercise 16 (p109)

Since  $n$  is not divisible by 3, by the division theorem,  $n = 3q + r : q, r \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 < r < 3$ . In other words, one of the following cases about  $r$  must be true:

**Case I**, when  $r = 1$ , meaning that  $n = 3q + 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 + 2 &= (3q + 1)^2 + 2 && \text{Substituting } 3q + 1 = n \\ &= 9q^2 + 6q + 1 + 2 \\ &= 9q^2 + 6q + 3 \\ &= 3 \cdot (3q^2 + 2q + 1) && \text{Factoring out 3} \\ &= 3k && \text{Where } k = 3q^2 + 2q + 1 \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 3,  $n^2 + 2$  is divisible by 3.

**Case II**, when  $r = 2$ , meaning that  $n = 3q + 2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 + 2 &= (3q + 2)^2 + 2 && \text{Substituting } 3q + 2 = n \\ &= 9q^2 + 12q + 4 + 2 \\ &= 9q^2 + 12q + 6 \\ &= 3 \cdot (3q^2 + 4q + 2) && \text{Factoring out 3} \\ &= 3k && \text{Where } k = 3q^2 + 4q + 2 \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 3,  $n^2 + 2$  is divisible by 3.

Therefore,  $n^2 + 2$  is divisible by 3 in every possible case.

## 7. Exercise 20 (p109)

Let  $n$  be any integer. Let  $s = (n - 1)^3 + n^3 + (n + 1)^3$ , which is the sum of three consecutive perfect cubes mentioned in the problem. After simplifying the expression of  $s$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} s &= (n - 1)^3 + n^3 + (n + 1)^3 \\ &= (n^3 - 3n^2 + 3n - 1) + n^3 + (n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1) \\ &= 3n^3 + 6n \\ &= 3n \cdot (n^2 + 2) \end{aligned} \quad \text{Factoring out } 3n$$

Now, one of the following cases about  $n$  must be true:

**Case I**, when  $n$  is divisible by 3:

Since  $n$  is divisible by 3, meaning that  $n = 3k : k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} s &= 3n \cdot (n^2 + 2) \\ &= 3 \cdot 3k \cdot (n^2 + 2) && \text{Substituting } 3k = n \\ &= 9k \cdot (n^2 + 2) \\ &= 9c && \text{Where } c = k \cdot (n^2 + 2) \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 9,  $s$  is divisible by 9.

**Case II**, when  $n$  is not divisible by 3:

Since  $n$  is not divisible by 3, according to what is proven by *Exercise 16*,  $(n^2 + 2)$  is divisible by 3. This means that  $n^2 + 2 = 3k : k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and we have

$$\begin{aligned} s &= 3n \cdot (n^2 + 2) \\ &= 3n \cdot 3k && \text{Substituting } 3k = n^2 + 2 \\ &= 9nk \\ &= 9c && \text{Where } c = nk \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 9,  $s$  is divisible by 9.

Therefore,  $s$  is divisible by 9 in every possible case.

**8. Show that the square of an integer not divisible by 5 leaves a remainder of 1 or 4 when divided by 5.**

Let  $n$  be the given integer that is not divisible by 5. By the division theorem, since  $n$  is not divisible by 5,  $n = 5q + r : q, r \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 < r < 5$ . In other words, one of the following cases about  $r$  must be true:

**Case I,** when  $r = 1$ , meaning that  $n = 5q + 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 &= (5q + 1)^2 && \text{Substituting } 5q + 1 = n \\ &= (25q^2 + 10q) + 1 \\ &= 5 \cdot (5q^2 + 2q) + 1 && \text{Factoring out 5} \\ &= 5k + 1 && \text{Where } k = 5q^2 + 2q \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By the division theorem,  $n^2$  leaves a remainder of 1 when divided by 5.

**Case II,** when  $r = 2$ , meaning that  $n = 5q + 2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 &= (5q + 2)^2 && \text{Substituting } 5q + 2 = n \\ &= (25q^2 + 20q) + 4 \\ &= 5 \cdot (5q^2 + 4q) + 4 && \text{Factoring out 5} \\ &= 5k + 4 && \text{Where } k = 5q^2 + 4q \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By the division theorem,  $n^2$  leaves a remainder of 4 when divided by 5.

**Case III,** when  $r = 3$ , meaning that  $n = 5q + 3$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 &= (5q + 3)^2 && \text{Substituting } 5q + 3 = n \\ &= 25q^2 + 30q + 9 \\ &= (25q^2 + 30q + 5) + 4 \\ &= 5 \cdot (5q^2 + 6q + 1) + 4 && \text{Factoring out 5} \\ &= 5k + 4 && \text{Where } k = 5q^2 + 6q + 1 \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By the division theorem,  $n^2$  leaves a remainder of 4 when divided by 5.

**Case IV,** when  $r = 4$ , meaning that  $n = 5q + 4$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 &= (5q + 4)^2 && \text{Substituting } 5q + 4 = n \\ &= 25q^2 + 40q + 16 \\ &= (25q^2 + 40q + 15) + 1 \\ &= 5 \cdot (5q^2 + 8q + 3) + 1 && \text{Factoring out 5} \\ &= 5k + 1 && \text{Where } k = 5q^2 + 8q + 3 \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By the division theorem,  $n^2$  leaves a remainder of 1 when divided by 5.

Therefore, the  $n^2$  leaves a remainder of 1 or 4 when divided by 5 in every possible case.

## 9. Exercise 26.c (p109)

First, let us prove that a perfect square  $k^2$  is divisible by 4 if and only if  $k$  is even.

Let  $n$  be a perfect square, and by definition,  $n = k^2 : k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Since  $k$  must be either even or odd, one of the following cases must be true:

**Case I**, when  $k$  is even:

Since  $k$  is even,  $k = 2c : c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By substitution, we have

$$n = k^2 = (2c)^2 = 4c^2 = 4m \text{ where } m = c^2$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 4,  $n$  is divisible by 4.

**Case II**, when  $k$  is odd:

Since  $k$  is odd,  $k = 2c + 1 : c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By substitution, we have

$$\begin{aligned} n = k^2 &= (2c + 1)^2 \\ &= 4c^2 + 4c + 1 \\ &= 4 \cdot (c^2 + c) + 1 \\ &= 4m + 1 \text{ where } m = c^2 + c \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By the division theorem,  $n$  leaves a remainder of 1 when divided by 4, implying that  $n$  is not divisible by 4.

Therefore, *every perfect square  $k^2$  is divisible by 4 if and only if  $k$  is even.*

Now, let us prove the contrapositive of the original problem statement: “for every three integers  $a, b$ , and  $c$  where  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ , if not both  $a$  and  $b$  are even, then  $c$  is not even.”

Since every integer is either even or odd, at least one of  $\{a, b\}$  must be odd for the above condition to be true. Therefore, we can let  $j$  be one of  $\{a, b\}$  that is odd and  $k$  be the other (which can be either even or odd). Since  $j$  is odd,  $j = 2p + 1 : p \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and this leads us into one of the following:

**Case I**, when  $k$  is even:

By definition of even,  $k = 2q : q \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By substitution, we have

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= j^2 + k^2 \\ &= (2p + 1)^2 + (2q)^2 && \text{Substituting } 2p + 1 = j \text{ and } 2q = k \\ &= 4p^2 + 4p + 1 + 4q^2 \\ &= 4 \cdot (p^2 + p + q^2) + 1 && \text{Factoring out 4} \\ &= 4m + 1 && \text{Where } m = p^2 + p + q^2 \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By the division theorem,  $c^2$  is not divisible by 4, which means that  $c$  is not even, according to what we have proved earlier.

**Case II**, when  $k$  is odd:

By definition of odd,  $k = 2q + 1 : q \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By substitution, we have

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= j^2 + k^2 \\ &= (2p + 1)^2 + (2q + 1)^2 && \text{Substituting } 2p + 1 = j \text{ and } 2q + 1 = k \\ &= 4p^2 + 4p + 1 + 4q^2 + 4q + 1 \\ &= 4p^2 + 4p + 4q^2 + 4q + 2 \\ &= 4 \cdot (p^2 + p + q^2 + q) + 2 && \text{Factoring out 4} \\ &= 4m + 2 && \text{Where } m = p^2 + p + q^2 + q \end{aligned}$$



By closure under addition and multiplication,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By the division theorem,  $c^2$  is not divisible by 4, which means that  $c$  is not even, according to what we have proved earlier.

Therefore,  $c$  is not even in every possible case. Also, since the contrapositive is true, the original statement is true.

## Section 2.3

### 10. Exercise 2 (p121)

#### Part (a)

- $R(1)$ :  $a_1 = 2^{1-1} + 3 = 4$
- $R(2)$ :  $a_2 = 2^{2-1} + 3 = 5 = 2a_1 - 3$
- $R(3)$ :  $a_3 = 2^{3-1} + 3 = 7 = 2a_2 - 3$
- $R(4)$ :  $a_4 = 2^{4-1} + 3 = 11 = 2a_3 - 3$

According to the above,  $R(1)$ ,  $R(2)$ ,  $R(3)$ , and  $R(4)$  are all true.

#### Part (b)

- $R(8)$ :  $a_8 = 2^{8-1} + 3 = 131$
- $R(9)$ :  $a_9 = 2^{9-1} + 3 = 259$

#### Part (c)

Since  $R(8)$  is verified to be true, meaning that  $a_n = a_k$  for  $n = k = 8$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}a_{n+1} &= 2^{(n-1)+1} + 3 \\&= 2 \cdot 2^{n-1} + 3 \\&= 2 \cdot (2^{n-1} + 3 - 3) + 3 \\&= 2 \cdot (2^{n-1} + 3) - 6 + 3 \\&= 2a_n - 3 \\&= 2a_k - 3 \\&= a_{k+1}\end{aligned}$$

Since  $a_{n+1} = a_{k+1}$  and  $n + 1 = k + 1 = 9$ ,  $R(9)$  is now verified to be true.

### 11. Exercise 3.f (p121)

**Statement:** show that  $a_n = a_k$ , where  $a_n = 2^{n-1} + 3$  and  $a_k = 2a_{k-1} - 3$ .

**Base case:** when  $n = k = 1$ ,  $a_n = 2^{1-1} + 3 = 4 = a_k$ .

**Induction hypothesis:** assume that  $a_n = a_k$  when  $n = k = m$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z} : m \geq 1$ .

**Induction step:** when  $n = k = m + 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= 2^{(m+1)-1} + 3 \\ &= 2 \cdot 2^{m-1} + 3 \\ &= 2 \cdot (2^{m-1} + 3 - 3) + 3 \\ &= 2 \cdot (2^{m-1} + 3) - 6 + 3 \\ &= 2a_m - 3 \\ &= a_{m+1} \\ &= a_k \end{aligned}$$

Verifying the first four terms:

- $a_1 = 2^{1-1} + 3 = 4$
- $a_2 = 2^{2-1} + 3 = 5 = 2a_1 - 3$
- $a_3 = 2^{3-1} + 3 = 7 = 2a_2 - 3$
- $a_4 = 2^{4-1} + 3 = 11 = 2a_3 - 3$

### 12. Exercise 4.e (p122)

**Statement:** show that  $b_n = b_k$ , where  $b_n = 3 \cdot 2^n - n - 2$  and  $b_k = 2b_{k-1} + k$ .

**Base case:** when  $n = k = 1$ ,  $b_n = 3 \cdot 2^1 - 1 - 2 = 3 = b_k$ .

**Induction hypothesis:** assume that  $a_n = a_k$  when  $n = k = m - 1$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z} : m > 1$ .

**Induction step:** when  $n = k = m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= 3 \cdot 2^m - m - 2 \\ &= 3 \cdot (2 \cdot 2^{m-1}) - m + m - m - 2 \\ &= 2 \cdot (3 \cdot 2^{m-1}) - 2m - 2 + m \\ &= 2 \cdot (3 \cdot 2^{m-1} - m - 1) + m \\ &= 2 \cdot (3 \cdot 2^{m-1} - m + 1 - 1 - 1) + m \\ &= 2 \cdot (3 \cdot 2^{m-1} - (m - 1) - 2) + m \\ &= 2a_{m-1} + m \\ &= 2a_{k-1} + k \\ &= a_k \end{aligned}$$

### 13. Exercise 8.f (p122)

**Statement:** show that  $a_n = b_n$ , where  $a_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)}$  and  $b_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$ .

**Base case:**

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^1 \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{1}{1(1+1)} = \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+1} = b_1 \end{aligned}$$

**Induction hypothesis:** assume that  $a_{k-1} = b_{k-1}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z} : k > 1$ .

**Induction step:**

$$\begin{aligned} a_k &= \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{i(i+1)} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{1}{i(i+1)} \right) + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \\ &= a_{k-1} + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \\ &= b_{k-1} + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \\ &= \frac{k-1}{(k-1)+1} + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \\ &= \frac{(k-1)(k+1)}{k(k+1)} + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \\ &= \frac{k^2 - 1 + 1}{k(k+1)} \\ &= \frac{k}{k+1} \\ &= b_k \end{aligned}$$

Verifying the first four terms:

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^1 \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{1+1} = b_1; \\ a_2 &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{2+1} = b_2; \\ a_3 &= \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{12} = \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{3+1} = b_3; \\ a_4 &= \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{20} = \frac{4}{5} = \frac{4}{4+1} = b_4; \end{aligned}$$

#### 14. Exercise 13 (p122)

**Statement:** show that  $a_n = b_n$ , where

$$\begin{aligned}a_n &= \sum_{i=0}^n x^i, \\b_n &= \frac{x^{n+1} - 1}{x - 1}, \\x &\in \mathbb{R} : x \neq 1\end{aligned}$$

**Base case:**

$$\begin{aligned}a_0 &= \sum_{i=0}^0 x^i = x^0 = 1 \\&= \frac{x - 1}{x - 1} = \frac{x^{0+1} - 1}{x - 1} = b_0\end{aligned}$$

**Induction hypothesis:** assume that  $a_{k-1} = b_{k-1}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z} : k > 0$ .

**Induction step:**

$$\begin{aligned}a_k &= \sum_{i=0}^k x^i \\&= \left( \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} x^i \right) + x^k \\&= a_{k-1} + x^k \\&= b_{k-1} + x^k \\&= \frac{x^{(k-1)+1} - 1}{x - 1} + x^k \\&= \frac{x^k - 1}{x - 1} + \frac{x^k(x - 1)}{x - 1} \\&= \frac{x^k - 1 + x^k \cdot x - x^k}{x - 1} \\&= \frac{x^{k+1} - 1}{x - 1} \\&= b_k\end{aligned}$$

## Section 2.4

### 15. Exercise 1.d (p130)

$$d_n = d_{n-1} + \frac{1}{(2n-1)(2n+1)}, d_1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

### 16. Exercise 2.d (p130)

**Statement:** show that  $a_n = d_n$ , where  $a_n = a_{n-1} + \frac{1}{(2n-1)(2n+1)}$ ,  $a_1 = \frac{1}{3}$ , and  $d_n = \frac{n}{2n+1}$ .

**Base case:**

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 1} = d_1$$

**Induction hypothesis:** assume that  $a_{k-1} = d_{k-1}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z} : k > 1$ .

**Induction step:**

$$\begin{aligned} a_k &= a_{k-1} + \frac{1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= d_{k-1} + \frac{1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{k-1}{2(k-1)+1} + \frac{1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{k-1}{2k-1} + \frac{1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{(k-1)(2k+1)+1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{2k^2+k-2k-1+1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{2k^2-k}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{k(2k-1)}{(2k-1)(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{k}{2k+1} \\ &= d_k \end{aligned}$$

## 17. Exercise 4.b (p130)

**Statement:** let  $D(n)$  be the statement “ $n^3 - n$  is divisible by 3.” Show that  $D(n)$  is true for each integer  $n$ , where  $n \geq 1$ .

**Base Case:** when  $n = 1$ ,  $D(n)$  states that  $1^3 - 1 = 0$  is divisible by 3, which is true.

**Induction hypothesis:** assume that  $D(n)$  is true for  $n = k - 1$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z} : k > 1$ .

**Induction step:** since  $D(k - 1)$  is true, meaning that  $(k - 1)^3 - (k - 1)$  is divisible by 3, we have  $(k - 1)^3 - (k - 1) = 3q : q \in \mathbb{Z}$ , by definition of being divisible by 3.

Now, to show that  $D(k)$  is true, we have

$$\begin{aligned} k^3 - k &= (k^3 - 3k^2 + 2k) + 3k^2 - 3k \\ &= (k^3 - 3k^2 - 3k - 1) - (k - 1) + 3k^2 - 3k \\ &= (k - 1)^3 - (k - 1) + 3k^2 - 3k \\ &= 3q + 3k^2 - 3k && \text{Substituting } 3q = (k - 1)^3 - (k - 1) \\ &= 3(q + k^2 - k) \\ &= 3c && \text{Where } c = q + k^2 - k \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 3,  $k^3 - k$  is divisible by 3, meaning that  $D(k)$  is true.

## 18. Exercise 6 (p131)

**Statement:** let  $D(n)$  be the statement “ $2^{3n} - 1$  is divisible by 7.” Show that  $D(n)$  is true for each integer  $n$ , where  $n \geq 2$ .

**Base Case:** when  $n = 2$ ,  $D(n)$  states that  $2^{3 \cdot 2} - 1 = 63 = 7 \cdot 9$  is divisible by 7, which is true.

**Induction hypothesis:** assume that  $D(n)$  is true for  $n = k - 1$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z} : k > 1$ .

**Induction step:** since  $D(k - 1)$  is true, meaning that  $2^{3(k-1)} - 1$  is divisible by 7, we have  $2^{3(k-1)} - 1 = 7q : q \in \mathbb{Z}$ , by definition of being divisible by 7.

Now, to show that  $D(k)$  is true, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{3k} - 1 &= 2^3 \cdot 2^{3(k-1)} - 1 \\ &= 8 \cdot 2^{3(k-1)} - 8 + 7 \\ &= 8 \cdot (2^{3(k-1)} - 1) + 7 \\ &= 8 \cdot 7q + 7 && \text{Substituting } 7q = 2^{3(k-1)} - 1 \\ &= 7 \cdot (8q + 1) \\ &= 7c && \text{Where } c = 8q + 1 \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 7,  $2^{3k} - 1$  is divisible by 7, meaning that  $D(k)$  is true. Now, since  $2^{3n} - 1 > 7$  when  $n \geq 2$ , but  $2^{3n} - 1$  is divisible by 7,  $2^{3n} - 1$  is not prime for all  $n \geq 2$ .

## Section 2.5

### 19. Exercise 12 (p147)

Let us assume that  $a + b$  is rational. By definition of rational,  $a + b = \frac{m}{n} : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0$ .

Since  $a \in \mathbb{Q}$ , by definition of rational,  $a = \frac{p}{q} : p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0$ .

By substitution,

$$\begin{aligned} b &= (a + b) - a \\ &= \frac{m}{n} - \frac{p}{q} \\ &= \frac{mq - np}{nq} \\ &= \frac{j}{k} \text{ where } j = mq - np \text{ and } k = nq \end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition and multiplication,  $j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Also, since  $n \neq 0$  and  $q \neq 0$ ,  $k = nq \neq 0$ .

Since we showed that  $b = \frac{j}{k}$ , meaning that  $b$  must be rational, but the problem states that  $b$  is irrational, we have arrived at a contradiction. This indicates that our assumption in the beginning must be incorrect, meaning that  $a + b$  cannot be rational. Therefore,  $a + b$  is irrational.

### 20. Exercise 20 (p148)

Contrapositive: “for all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x = 0$  and  $y = 0$ , then  $x^2 + y^2 = 0$ .”

Proof of the contrapositive: Since  $x = 0$  and  $y = 0$ , by substitution, we have

$$x^2 + y^2 = 0^2 + 0^2 = 0$$

Since the contrapositive is true, the original statement “for all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x^2 + y^2 \neq 0$ , then  $x \neq 0$  or  $y \neq 0$ ” is true.



## 21. Exercise 32.b (p149)

Let five integers be given. Place these numbers into boxes labeled 0, 1, 2, and 3 according to the rule: a number  $x$  goes into the box labeled  $i$  if  $i$  or  $(7 - i)$  is the remainder when  $x$  is divided by 7. By the basic pigeonhole principle, some box (call its label  $r$ ) contains at least two numbers. Call these numbers  $a$  and  $b$ . Since  $a$  and  $b$  are in the box labeled  $r$ , by the division theorem, one of the following cases must be true:

**Case I**, when  $a = 7p + r$  and  $b = 7q + r$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a - b &= (7p + r) - (7q + r) \\&= 7p - 7q \\&= 7 \cdot (p - q) \\&= 7k \text{ where } k = p - q\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 7,  $a - b$  is divisible by 7.

**Case II**, when  $a = 7p + (7 - r)$  and  $b = 7q + r$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a + b &= (7p + 7 - r) + (7q + r) \\&= 7p + 7q + 7 \\&= 7 \cdot (p + q + 1) \\&= 7k \text{ where } k = p + q + 1\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 7,  $a + b$  is divisible by 7.

**Case III**, when  $a = 7p + r$  and  $b = 7q + (7 - r)$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a + b &= (7p + r) + (7q + 7 - r) \\&= 7p + 7q + 7 \\&= 7 \cdot (p + q + 1) \\&= 7k \text{ where } k = p + q + 1\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 7,  $a + b$  is divisible by 7.

**Case IV**, when  $a = 7p + (7 - r)$  and  $b = 7q + (7 - r)$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a - b &= (7p + 7 - r) - (7q + 7 - r) \\&= 7p - 7q \\&= 7 \cdot (p - q) \\&= 7k \text{ where } k = p - q\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 7,  $a - b$  is divisible by 7.

Therefore,  $a + b$  or  $a - b$  is divisible by 7 in every possible case.

## 22. Exercise 34.b (p149)

Let fifty-two integers be given. Place these numbers into boxes labeled using integers  $[0..50]$  according to the rule: a number  $x$  goes into the box labeled  $i$  if  $i$  or  $(100 - i)$  is the remainder when  $x$  is divided by 100. By the basic pigeonhole principle, some box (call its label  $r$ ) contains at least two numbers. Call these numbers  $a$  and  $b$ . Since  $a$  and  $b$  are in the box labeled  $r$ , by the division theorem, one of the following cases must be true:

**Case I**, when  $a = 100p + r$  and  $b = 100q + r$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a - b &= (100p + r) - (100q + r) \\&= 100p - 100q \\&= 100 \cdot (p - q) \\&= 100k \text{ where } k = p - q\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 100,  $a - b$  is divisible by 100.

**Case II**, when  $a = 100p + (100 - r)$  and  $b = 100q + r$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a + b &= (100p + 100 - r) + (100q + r) \\&= 100p + 100q + 100 \\&= 100 \cdot (p + q + 1) \\&= 100k \text{ where } k = p + q + 1\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 100,  $a + b$  is divisible by 100.

**Case III**, when  $a = 100p + r$  and  $b = 100q + (100 - r)$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a + b &= (100p + r) + (100q + 100 - r) \\&= 100p + 100q + 100 \\&= 100 \cdot (p + q + 1) \\&= 100k \text{ where } k = p + q + 1\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 100,  $a + b$  is divisible by 100.

**Case IV**, when  $a = 100p + (100 - r)$  and  $b = 100q + (100 - r)$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}a - b &= (100p + 100 - r) - (100q + 100 - r) \\&= 100p - 100q \\&= 100 \cdot (p - q) \\&= 100k \text{ where } k = p - q\end{aligned}$$

By closure under addition,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By definition of being divisible by 100,  $a - b$  is divisible by 100.

Therefore,  $a + b$  or  $a - b$  is divisible by 100 in every possible case.