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$$\frac{3x}{2} \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ so } 2|x \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{12x}{8} \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ so } 8|x \quad \times$$

let $x=4, 8 \nmid x$

when can we say $\frac{ax}{b} \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow b|x$?
Only true if a, b have no common factors other than 1.

Power Sets:

$\mathcal{P}(S)$ is the set of all subsets of S .

$$\mathcal{P}(\{1, 2\}) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\{1, 2, 3\}) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$$

$\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ = all subsets of positive integers.

$$\{1, 3\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\{1, 2, 3\}) \quad \times \quad \{\{1, 3\}\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\{1, 2, 3\}) \quad \checkmark$$

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$$\mathcal{P}(\{1, 3\}) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\{1, 2, 3\}) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$$

S of size n , $\mathcal{P}(S)$ has size 2^n .

(each element is either in the set or not in the set)

Cardinality $|A| = \#$ of elements in the set.

$$|\mathcal{P}(S)| = 2^{|S|}$$

Quantifiers

- Universal quantifier "for all" \forall
- Existential quantifier "there exists" \exists

$$\forall x, x=3 \xrightarrow{\text{Need a universe}} \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x=3 \quad F$$

$$\exists y, y < 1 \xrightarrow{\quad} \exists y \in \mathbb{R}, y < 1 \quad T$$

$$\exists y \in \mathbb{N}, y < 1 \quad F$$

$$\forall x \in \{3\}, x=3 \quad T$$

Example: Def'n of "divides": $a|b$ if there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $b = ak$.

Example: DIC "if $a|b$ and $a|c$, then for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a|(bx + cy)$ "

Proving things with quantifiers...

① To prove " $\exists x \in S, p(x)$ ", construct/find x in S that works.

Example: There exists $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$.

By quadratic formula, $x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$
 $x = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ is real.

This proof is not correct since we assumed the conclusion.

Proof: consider $x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$. Then

$$x^2 - x - 1 = \left(\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} - 1 = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} - \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} - 1 = 0$$

② To prove " $\forall x \in S, p(x)$ ", pick an arbitrary instance of x in S , show that $p(x)$ is true.

Example: For all odd integer n , $4 \mid (n^2 - 1)$.

proof: Let n be any odd integer. (arbitrary instance can rep all odd integers.)