

HW #5, Section 4.5 Solutions M325K SPRING 2024

Sec. 4.5, #4.

To Prove: For all integers m ,
 $7m+4$ is not divisible by 7.

Proof: Suppose, by way of contradiction, that there exists an integer m such that $7m+4$ is divisible by 7.

\therefore By definition of "is divisible by",

$$7m+4 = 7k, \text{ for some integer } k.$$

$$\therefore 4 = 7k - 7m$$

$$\therefore 4 = 7(k-m), \text{ and } (k-m) \text{ is an integer}$$

since the difference of integers is an integer.

$\therefore 7|4$ by definition of "divides".

\therefore By Theorem 4.3.1, $7 \leq 4$, which contradicts the fact that $4 < 7$.

\therefore For all integers m , $(7m+4)$ is not divisible by 7, by proof-by-contradiction.

QED

A SOLUTION FOR Sec 4.5, #13, that uses Theorem (NIB)3,
But NOT DIVISION INTO CASES.

To Prove: For any integer n , $n^2 - 2$ is not divisible by 4.

Proof: Suppose, by way of contradiction, that there exists an integer n such that $n^2 - 2$ is divisible by 4.

$$\therefore n^2 - 2 = 4k, \text{ for some integer } k. \quad [\text{EQUATION } (*)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore n^2 &= 2 + 4k \\ &= 2 + 2(2k) \\ &= 2(1 + 2k). \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore n^2 = 2l, \text{ where } l = 1 + 2k, \text{ which is an integer.}$$

$$\therefore 2 \mid n^2, \text{ by definition of divides}$$

Since 2 is a prime number and $2 \mid n^2$, $2 \mid n$ by Theorem (NIB)3.

$$\therefore n = 2t, \text{ for some integer } t.$$

$$\therefore (2t)^2 - 2 = 4k, \text{ by substituting } 2t \text{ for } n \text{ in EQUATION } (*) \text{ Above.}$$

$$\therefore \text{By rules of algebra, } 4t^2 = 4k + 2,$$

$$\text{So, } 4t^2 - 4k = 2.$$

$$\text{Thus, } 4(t^2 - k) = 2, \text{ and } t^2 - k \text{ is an integer.}$$

$$\therefore 4 \mid 2, \text{ and so, by Theorem 4.3.1, } 4 \leq 2, \text{ which contradicts the fact that } 4 > 2.$$

\therefore For any integer n , $n^2 - 2$ is not divisible by 4, by proof-by-contradiction. QED.

A solution for Sec 4.5, #13, that uses
DIVISION INTO CASES, But not Theorem (NIB) 3.

To Prove: For any integer n , $n^2 - 2$ is not divisible by 4.

Proof: Let n be any integer.

By the Parity Corollary, n is even or n is odd.

CASE 1 (n is even):

Suppose n is even.

Then, there exists an integer k such that $n = 2k$.

Suppose, by way of contradiction, that $n^2 - 2$ is divisible
by 4.

Then $n^2 - 2 = 4t$, for some integer t .

$\therefore (2k)^2 - 2 = 4t$, by substitution.

$\therefore 4k^2 - 2 = 4t$, and so, $4k^2 - 4t = 2$.

$\therefore 2 = 4(k^2 - t)$, and $k^2 - t$ is an integer.

$\therefore 4 \mid 2$

By Theorem 4.3.1, $4 \leq 2$, which contradicts the fact
that $4 > 2$.

$\therefore n^2 - 2$ is not divisible by 4, in the case that
 n is even, by proof-by-contradiction.

[END of CASE 1]

[The proof continues with CASE 2 on the next page]

[solution for Sec 4.5, #13 (continued)]

CASE 2 (n is odd):

Suppose n is odd.

Then, there exists an integer k such that
 $n = 2k + 1$.

Suppose, by way of contradiction, that $n^2 - 2$ is divisible by 4.

Then $n^2 - 2 = 4t$ for some integer t .

$\therefore (2k+1)^2 - 2 = 4t$, by substitution.

\therefore By rules of algebra, $(4k^2 + 4k + 1) - 2 = 4t$,

$\therefore 4k^2 + 4k - 1 = 4t$, and so, $4k^2 + 4k - 4t = 1$.

$\therefore 4(k^2 + k - t) = 1$, and $(k^2 + k - t)$ is an integer.

$\therefore 4 \mid 1$.

\therefore By Theorem 4.3.1, $4 \leq 1$, which contradicts the fact that $4 > 1$.

$\therefore n^2 - 2$ is not divisible by 4, in the case that n is odd, by proof-by-contradiction. [END of CASE 2].

$\therefore n^2 - 2$ is not divisible by 4, in General!

\therefore For any integer n , $n^2 - 2$ is not divisible by 4, by Direct Proof.

Q.E.D.

Sec. 4.5, #20

To Prove: If the sum of two real numbers is less than 50, then at least one of the numbers is less than 25.

[To Prove: $\forall r, s \in \mathbb{R}$, if $r + s < 50$, then $r < 25$ or $s < 25$.]

Proof (by Contraposition)

Let r and s be real numbers.

Suppose $r \geq 25$ and $s \geq 25$.

$$\therefore r + s \geq 25 + s \quad [\text{Adding } s \text{ to both sides of } "r \geq 25"]$$

$$\therefore 25 + s \geq 25 + 25 = 50 \quad [\text{Add } 25 \text{ to both sides } s \geq 25]$$

$$\therefore r + s \geq 50 \text{ by Transitivity of } "\geq"$$

\therefore If $r + s < 50$, then $r < 25$ or $s < 25$
by contraposition.

\therefore QED, by Direct Proof.