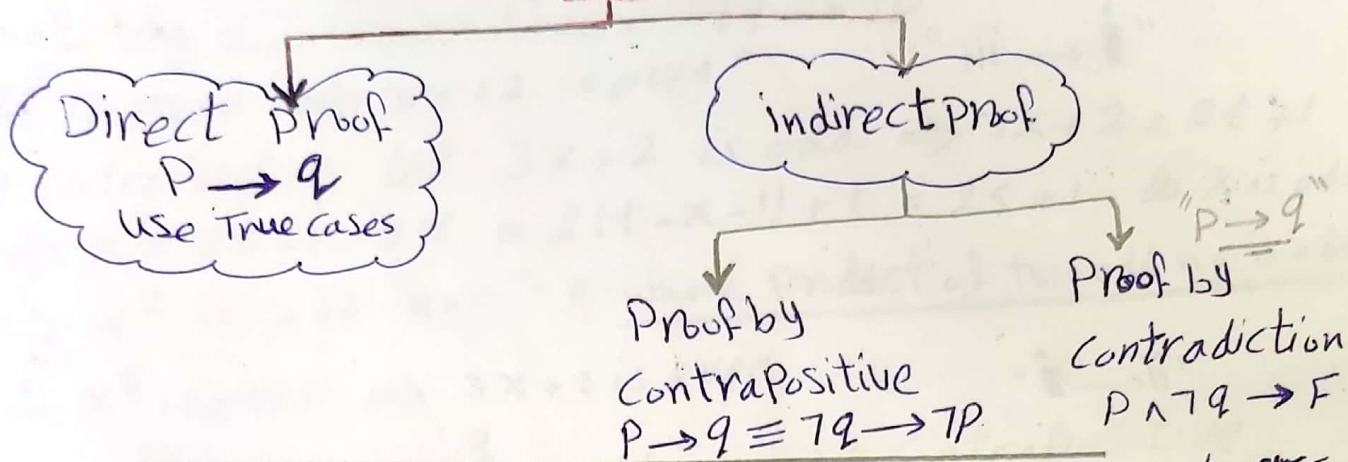


# Proving Theorems

## Proof



### 1. direct

Ex. prove that if  $m+n$  &  $n+p$  are even integers where  $m, n, p$  are integer then  $m+p$  is even. Proof by direct?

Sum  
 $m+n = 2K \quad K \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $n+p = 2R \quad R \in \mathbb{Z}$  &  $m, n, p \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$m+n+n+p = 2K+2R = 2(K+R)$$

$$\Rightarrow m+2n+p = 2(K+R) \Rightarrow m+p = 2(K+R) - 2n$$

$$= 2(K+R-n), K, R, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \therefore m+p \text{ is even}$$

Ex use direct Proof to show that every odd integer is the difference of two squares. where  $\Rightarrow R^2 - S^2 = 2K+1$ ??

odd integer is  $2k+1 = 2k+1 + k^2 - k^2$   
 $= k^2 + 2k + 1 - k^2 = (k+1)^2 - k^2 = \underline{R^2 - S^2}$

Ex Prove if  $n$  is positive integer then  $n$  is even iff  $\exists n+4$  is even  
 $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \text{ even} \iff \exists n+4 \text{ even}$

" $\Rightarrow$ " " $n = 2k$ " is even  $\Rightarrow \exists n+4 = \exists(2k)+4 = 2(7k)+4$   
 $= 2(7k+2) = 2 \times \square$   
 $\Rightarrow \therefore \exists n+4 \text{ is even}$

" $\Leftarrow$ "  $\exists n+4 = 2k \Rightarrow \exists n = 2k - 4$   
 $\Rightarrow n+6n = 2k - 4$   
 $\Rightarrow n = 2k - 6n - 4$   
 $= 2(k - 3n - 2) \Rightarrow \therefore \underline{n \text{ is even}}$

What. These statement about the integer  $x$  are equivalent  
 i)  $3x+2$  is even. ii)  $x+5$  is odd. iii)  $x^2$  is even.

Proof by Contrapositive.  $\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$  "iii  $\rightarrow$  i"  
 " $x^2$  is even  $\Rightarrow 3x+2$  is even"

by Contrapositive let  $3x+2$  is odd  $\Rightarrow 3x+2 = 2t+1$   
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{2t+1-2}{3} = \frac{2t-1}{3}$   
 $\Rightarrow x$  is odd  
 $\Rightarrow x^2$  is odd no. "where product of two odd no. is odd"

$\therefore x^2$  is even  $\Rightarrow 3x+2$  is even. "i  $\rightarrow$  ii"

" $3x+2$  is even  $\Rightarrow x+5$  is odd" by Contrapositive

let  $x+5$  is even  $\Rightarrow x+5 = 2k$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 2k-5 = 2(k-3)+1 \Rightarrow x$  is odd  
 $\Rightarrow 3x+2 = 3(2k-5)+2 = 6k-15+2 = 6k-13 = 6k-14+1 = 2(3k-7)+1$   
 $\Rightarrow 3x+2$  is odd  $\Rightarrow x+5$  is odd.

Prove that. if  $x$  is irrational, then  $\frac{1}{x}$  is irrational? " $P \rightarrow Q$ "

let  $\frac{1}{x}$  is rational  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = \frac{r}{q}$ ;  $r, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $q \neq 0$

$x = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}} = \frac{q}{r} \Rightarrow x$  is rational  $\Rightarrow \therefore x$  irrational  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$  is irrational

Show that, if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  &  $n^3+5$  is odd then  $n$  is even.

Proof by a) Contrapositive

b) Contradiction.

a)  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n^3+5$  is odd  $\Rightarrow n$  is even

b)  $n^3+5$  is odd  $\Rightarrow n$  is even

assume  $n$  is odd

$$\rightarrow n = 2k+1$$

$$\begin{aligned} n^3+5 &= (2k+1)^3+5 \\ &= 4k^2+4k+1+8k^3+8k^2+2k+5 \\ &= 2(k^2+2k+4k^3+4k^2+k+3) \\ &= 2 \cdot \text{odd} \Rightarrow n^3+5 \text{ is even.} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow n = 2k+1$  odd  $\wedge n^3+5$  is odd  
 $n^2$  is odd no  
 $\Rightarrow n^3$  is odd no

$\Rightarrow n^3+5$  is odd  $\Rightarrow$  False  
 "where  $n^3+5$  is even if  $n$  is odd"  
 $\therefore n^3+5$  is odd  $\Rightarrow n$  is even.

$\therefore n^3+5$  is odd  $\Rightarrow n$  is even.

Find the counter example to statement that every  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  can be written as the sum of the squares of three integers.

Soln  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$   $n = k^2 + r^2 + t^2$ ;  $k, r, t \in \mathbb{Z}$

Counter example  $n = 15$ .  $\therefore$  This statement is false.

# ⇒ Mathematical induction:-

• The statement  $P(n)$  for all  $n \geq c$

• Basis step: show that  $P(c)$  is true.

• Inductive step: 1. assume that  $P(k)$  is true.

2. state the statement  $P(k+1)$  which we need to be prove.

Prove that.  $1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n+1)^2 = \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)(2n+3)}{3}$   
for all  $n \geq 0$ .

Proof. let  $P(n) = 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n+1)^2 = \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)(2n+3)}{3}; n \geq 0$

• Basis step:  $P(0) = 1^2 = \frac{(0+1)(2 \cdot 0+1)(2 \cdot 0+3)}{3}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  L.H.S = R.H.S = 1  $\Rightarrow$   $P(0)$  is true.

• inductive step: assume  $P(k)$  is true.

$$P(k) = 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k+1)^2 = \frac{(k+1)(2k+1)(2k+3)}{3} \quad (*)$$

We need prove  $P(k+1)$  is true

$$P(k+1) = 1^2 + 3^2 + \dots + (2(k+1)+1)^2 = \frac{(k+2)(2k+3)(2k+5)}{3}$$

From L.H.S of  $P(k+1)$

$$1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k+3)^2 = \frac{1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k+1)^2}{1} + (2k+3)^2$$

By use (\*).

$$1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k+3)^2 = \frac{(k+1)(2k+1)(2k+3)}{3} + (2k+3)^2$$
$$= \frac{(2k+3)}{3} [(k+1)(2k+1) + 3(2k+3)]$$

$$= \frac{(2k+3)}{3} [2k^2 + 3k + 1 + 6k + 9] = \frac{(2k+3)}{3} (2k^2 + 9k + 10)$$

$$= \frac{(2k+3)}{3} (2k+5)(k+2) = \frac{(k+2)(2k+3)(2k+5)}{3} = \text{R.H.S of } P(n)$$

$\therefore P(k+1)$  is true  $\Rightarrow P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 0$ .

a) Find formula for  $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$   
 b) For non negative integers "n" the formula is valid?

Proof:  $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$

$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} = \frac{9}{12} = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$   
 $n \geq 1$

b) Let  $P(n) : \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$  ;  $n \geq 1$

Basis:  $P(1) = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \therefore P(1)$  is true

inductive:  $P(k) = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{k}{k+1}$  "\*" "

We need prove that  $P(k+1)$  is true.

$P(k+1) = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{k+1}{k+2}$

From \*

$= \frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{k(k+2) + 1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$

$= \frac{k^2 + 2k + 1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{k+1}{k+2} \Rightarrow \therefore L.H.S = R.H.S.$

$\therefore P(k+1)$  is true.

$\Rightarrow \therefore P(n)$  is true for any +ve integer n.

Prove that  $2^n > n^2$ ,  $n > 4$

Let  $P(n) : 2^n > n^2$ ;  $n > 4$

$\Rightarrow P(5) : 2^5 > 5^2$   
 assume that  $P(k)$  is true

$2^k > k^2$  \*

we need proof  $P(n)$  is true  
 must proof  $P(k+1)$

$2^{k+1} > (k+1)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow 2^{k+1} > 2 \cdot k^2 = k^2 + k^2$   
 $= k^2 + (k+k+k+\dots+k) > k^2 + 2k+1$   
 $> (k+1)^2$

$\therefore P(k+1)$  True

$\Rightarrow P(n)$  is true.

Prove That.  $\sum_{j=0}^n (-1/2)^j = \frac{2^{n+1} + (-1)^n}{3 \cdot 2^n}$  whenever  $n$  is a +ve integer.

Proof let  $P(n) \equiv \sum_{j=0}^n (-1/2)^j = \frac{2^{n+1} + (-1)^n}{3 \cdot 2^n}$  ;  $n \geq 0$

①  $P(0) = (-1/2)^0 = \frac{2^{0+1} + (-1)^0}{3 \cdot 2^0} = \frac{2+1}{3} = 1$ .  
 $\therefore P(0)$  is true.

② assume that  $P(k)$  is true

$$P(k) : \sum_{j=0}^k (-1/2)^j = \frac{2^{k+1} + (-1)^k}{3 \cdot 2^k}$$

$$\textcircled{3} P(k+1) : \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} (-1/2)^j = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1/2)^j + (-1/2)^{k+1} = \frac{2^{k+1} + (-1)^k}{3 \cdot 2^k} + (-1/2)^{k+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} (-1/2)^j &= \frac{2^{k+1} + (-1)^k}{3 \cdot 2^k} + (-1/2)^{k+1} \\ &= \frac{2^{k+1} + (-1)^k}{3 \cdot 2^k} + \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}} \\ &= \frac{2^{k+1} (2^{k+1} + (-1)^k) + 3 \cdot 2^k (-1)^{k+1}}{3 \cdot 2^k \cdot 2^{k+1}} = \frac{2(2^{k+1} + (-1)^k) + 3(-1)^{k+1}}{3 \cdot 2^{k+1}} \\ &= \frac{2^{k+2} + 2(-1)^k - 3(-1)^k}{3 \cdot 2^{k+1}} = \frac{2^{k+2} - (-1)^k}{3 \cdot 2^{k+1}} \\ &= \frac{2^{k+2} + (-1)^{k+1}}{3 \cdot 2^{k+1}} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore P(k+1)$  is true.

Prove That. 6 divides  $n^3 - n$  when ever  $n$  is a non negative integer.

Proof Let  $P(n)$ : 6 divides  $n^3 - n$  ;  $n \geq 0$

$$P(0) : 6 \text{ divides } 0^3 - 0 \Rightarrow 0/6 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{P(0) \text{ True}}$$

assume  $P(k)$  is True

$$\Rightarrow P(k) : 6 \text{ divides } k^3 - k$$

$$\Rightarrow P(k+1) : 6 \text{ divides } (k+1)^3 - (k+1)$$

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

— we know that 6 divides  $k^3 - k$ .

& also  $k^2 + k = k(k+1)$  is even

$$\Rightarrow 3(k^2 + k) \text{ is even}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \text{ divides } 3(k^2 + k)$$

$$\therefore 6 \text{ divides } (k+1)^3 - (k+1)$$