

CMSC 250 Homework 5 ANSWERS Spring 2006

Due Wed March 1 at the beginning of your discussion section.

For each of the following, state either that the statement is true or that the statement is false. Then give a complete, convincing proof to justify your answer.

1. For all integers x , if x is an even integer then $x^2 + x$ is an even integer.

TRUE.

This is the same as $\forall x \in Z, x \in Z^{even} \rightarrow x^2 + x \in Z^{even}$.

Proof.

Let x be arbitrary in the domain of integers.

| Assume x is even.

| Then $x = 2y$ for some integer y by the definition of even.

| Then $x^2 + x = (2y)^2 + (2y)$ by substitution.

| $= 4y^2 + 2y$ by multiplication.

| $= 2(2y^2 + y)$ by distribution.

| Since $2y^2 + y \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in addition and multiplication,

| $2(2y^2 + y) \in Z^{even}$ by the definition of even

| and $x^2 + x \in Z^{even}$ by substitution of equalities.

$x \in Z^{even} \rightarrow x^2 + x \in Z^{even}$ by closing the conditional world without a contradiction.

Since x was arbitrary in the domain of integers, we can use generalizing from the generic particular to get:

$\forall x \in Z, x \in Z^{even} \rightarrow x^2 + x \in Z^{even}$

QED

2. The sum of any two rational numbers is rational.

TRUE.

This is the same as $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{Q}, x + y \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Proof.

Let x and y be arbitrary rational numbers.

Then $\exists a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $x = \frac{a}{b}$ and $y = \frac{c}{d}$

where $b \neq 0$ and $d \neq 0$.

Then $x + y = \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}$ by substitution

$= \frac{ad}{bd} + \frac{bc}{bd}$ by multiplication of fractions

$= \frac{ad+bc}{bd}$ by addition of fractions.

Since the integers are closed under addition and multiplication, $\exists j \in \mathbb{Z}, j = ad + bc$.

Since the integers are closed under multiplication, $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}, k = bd$.

Since neither b nor d are 0, $bd \neq 0$ by multiplication rules of algebra.

Since $x + y = \frac{j}{k}$ where j and k are both integers and $k \neq 0$,

$x + y \in \mathbb{Q}$ by definition of rational.

Since x and y were both arbitrary in $\mathbb{Q}$, we can generalize to:

$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{Q}, x + y \in \mathbb{Q}$.

QED

3. The product of any two irrational numbers is irrational.

FALSE.

Disproof by counter example.

Select $\sqrt{2}$.

$\sqrt{2}$ is irrational,

but $\sqrt{2} * \sqrt{2} = 2$, which is rational.

4. $\forall x, y, z \in Z, ((x|y) \wedge (x|z)) \rightarrow (x|y + z)$

TRUE.

Proof.

Let x, y and z be arbitrary integers.

| Assume $x|y$ and $x|z$

| $\exists a, b \in Z$ such that $ax = y$ and $bx = z$ by definition of divides.

| $y + z = ax + bx$ by substitution.

| $= (a + b)x$ by distribution.

| Since $a + b \in Z$ by closure of Z in addition,

| $x|y + z$, by definition of divides.

$(x|y \wedge x|z) \rightarrow x|(y + z)$ by closing the conditional world without a contradiction.

Since x, y and z were arbitrary integers, we can generalize from the generic particular and get:

$\forall x, y, z \in Z, (x|y \wedge x|z) \rightarrow x|(y + z)$.

5. The sum of any two consecutive integers is odd.

TRUE.

Proof.

Let n be an arbitrary integer.

Then its successor is $n + 1$.

The sum of these two consecutive integers is $n + (n + 1)$

This equals $2n + 1$ by algebra.

Since n was defined above as an integer, $2n + 1 \in Z^{odd}$ by the definition of odd.

Since n was arbitrary in the set we can generalize to:

For all pairs of two consecutive integers, their sum is odd.

6. For all integers x greater than 3, $4|x(6 * 2^x)$

TRUE.

Proof.

Let x be an arbitrary integer greater than 3.

Then $x = y + 2$ for some integer $y > 1$.

Therefore $x(6 * 2^x) = (y + 2)(6 * 2^{y+2})$ by substitution.

$= (y + 2)(6 * 2^2 * 2^y)$ by algebra.

$= 2^2(y + 2)(6 * 2^y)$ by associativity and commutativity.

$= 4(y + 2)(6 * 2^y)$ by squaring the 2.

Since $(y + 2)(6 * 2^y) \in Z$ by closure of Z in addition and multiplication,

we know that $4|4(y + 2)(6 * 2^y)$ by definition of divides

and $4|x(6 * 2^x)$ by substitution.

QED

7. $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^{even} \rightarrow n + n^2 + n^3 \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$

TRUE.

Proof:

Let n be arbitrary in $\mathbb{Z}$.

| Assume $n \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$.

| $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}, n = 2k$ by definition of even.

| $n + n^2 + n^3 = (2k) + (2k)^2 + (2k)^3$ by substitution.

| $= 2k + 4k^2 + 8k^3$ by algebra

| $= 2(k + 2k^2 + 4k^3)$ by distribution

| Since $k + 2k^2 + 4k^3 \in \mathbb{Z}$ by closure of $\mathbb{Z}$ in multiplication and addition,

| $2(k + 2k^2 + 4k^3) \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$ by the definition of even.

| and $n + n^2 + n^3 \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$ by substitution.

Therefore $n \in \mathbb{Z}^{even} \rightarrow n + n^2 + n^3 \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$ by closing the conditional world w/out contradiction.

Since n was arbitrary in the integers, we can generalize to:

$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^{even} \rightarrow n + n^2 + n^3 \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$

QED

8. $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^{odd}, x - y \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$

TRUE.

Proof.

Assume x and y are arbitrary in $\mathbb{Z}^{odd}$.

Then $x = 2a + 1$, where $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ by the definition of odd,

and $y = 2b + 1$, where $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ by the definition of odd.

Then $x - y = (2a + 1) - (2b + 1)$ by substitution

$= 2a - 2b$ by algebra

$= 2(a - b)$ by distribution.

Since $a - b \in \mathbb{Z}$ by closure of $\mathbb{Z}$ in subtraction,

$2(a - b) \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$ by the definition of even

and $x - y \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$ by substitution.

QED

9. $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n^2 - n > 0 \rightarrow n \neq 1$

TRUE.

We construct the contrapositive. We must show that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, \sim n \neq 1 \rightarrow \sim (n^2 - n > 0)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n = 1 \rightarrow n^2 - n \leq 0$$

Proof.

Let n be arbitrary in $\mathbb{Z}$.

| Assume $n = 1$. | $n^2 - n = 1^2 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$ by algebra.
| $0 \leq 0$ by definition of less than or equal to.
| $n^2 - n \leq 0$ by substitution.

$n = 1 \rightarrow n^2 - n \leq 0$ by closing the conditional world without contradiction.

Since n was arbitrary in $\mathbb{Z}$, we can generalize to:

$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n = 1 \rightarrow n^2 - n \leq 0$.

QED

10. If n is the sum of any four consecutive integers, $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}, n = 4k + 2$.

TRUE.

Proof.

Let m be arbitrary in the domain of integers.

Four consecutive integers can be written as $m, m + 1, m + 2$, and $m + 3$.

Then their sum is $m + (m + 1) + (m + 2) + (m + 3)$

$= 4m + 6 = 4m + 4 + 2 = 4(m + 1) + 2$ by algebra.

Select $k = m + 1$. $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ by closure of $\mathbb{Z}$ in addition.

$m + (m + 1) + (m + 2) + (m + 3) = 4k + 2$ by substitution.

Since m was arbitrary in $\mathbb{Z}$, this can be generalized to:

$\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists k \in \mathbb{Z}, m + (m + 1) + (m + 2) + (m + 3) = 4k + 2$.

QED

11. For all integers n , n is an even number if and only if $5n^2 + 12$ is even.

TRUE.

We must show that if n is even then $5n^2 + 12$ is even, and if $5n^2 + 12$ is even then n is even.

For the second statement, we construct the contrapositive and show that if n is odd then $5n^2 + 12$ is odd. So we need to prove the following two statements:

$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^{even} \rightarrow 5n^2 + 12 \in \mathbb{Z}^{even}$

$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^{odd} \rightarrow 5n^2 + 12 \in \mathbb{Z}^{odd}$

Proof.

Let n be arbitrary in the domain of integers.

| Assume n is even.

| Then $n = 2m$ for some integer m .

| Then $5n^2 + 12 = 5(2m)^2 + 12$ by substitution

| $= 5 * 2^2 m^2 + 12 = 20m^2 + 12 = 2(10m^2 + 6)$ by algebra

| $10m^2 + 6 \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in addition and multiplication.

So $2(10m^2 + 6) \in Z^{even}$ by the definition of even

and $5n^2 + 12 \in Z^{even}$ by substitution of equalities.

$n \in Z^{even} \rightarrow 5n^2 + 12 \in Z^{even}$ by closing the conditional world without a contradiction.

Since n was arbitrary in the domain of integers, we can use generalizing

from the generic particular to get:

$\forall n \in Z, n \in Z^{even} \rightarrow 5n^2 + 12 \in Z^{even}$

Let n be arbitrary in the domain of integers.

| Assume n is odd.

| Then $n = 2m + 1$ for some integer m .

| Then $5n^2 + 12 = 5(2m + 1)^2 + 12$ by substitution

| $= 5 * (4m^2 + 4m + 1) + 12 = 20m^2 + 20m + 16 + 1 = 2(10m^2 + 10m + 8) + 1$ by algebra

| $10m^2 + 10m + 8 \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in addition and multiplication.

So $2(10m^2 + 10m + 8) + 1 \in Z^{odd}$ by the definition of odd

and $5n^2 + 12 \in Z^{odd}$ by substitution of equalities.

$n \in Z^{odd} \rightarrow 5n^2 + 12 \in Z^{odd}$ by closing the conditional world without a contradiction.

Since n was arbitrary in the domain of integers, we can use generalizing

from the generic particular to get:

$\forall n \in Z, n \in Z^{odd} \rightarrow 5n^2 + 12 \in Z^{odd}$

QED

12. $\forall m \in Z, \exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4$.

TRUE.

Proof.

Let m be arbitrary in the domain of integers.

$$m = 5a \vee m = 5a + 1 \vee m = 5a + 2 \vee m = 5a + 3 \vee m = 5a + 4$$

Case $m = 5a$:

$$m^2 = (5a)^2 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$= 25a^2 = 5(5a^2) \text{ by algebra}$$

$$\text{Let } k = 5a^2$$

$k \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in multiplication.

$$m^2 = 5k \text{ by substitution}$$

$$m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by disjunctive addition.}$$

$$\exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by existential generalization.}$$

Case $m = 5a + 1$:

$$m^2 = (5a + 1)^2 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$= 25a^2 + 10a + 1 = 5(5a^2 + 2a) + 1 \text{ by algebra}$$

$$\text{Let } k = 5a^2 + 2a$$

$k \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in addition and multiplication.

$$m^2 = 5k + 1 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by disjunctive addition.}$$

$$\exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by existential generalization.}$$

Case $m = 5a + 2$:

$$m^2 = (5a + 2)^2 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$= 25a^2 + 20a + 4 = 5(5a^2 + 4a) + 4 \text{ by algebra}$$

$$\text{Let } k = 5a^2 + 4a$$

$k \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in addition and multiplication.

$$m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by disjunctive addition.}$$

$$\exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by existential generalization.}$$

Case $m = 5a + 3$:

$$m^2 = (5a + 3)^2 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$= 25a^2 + 30a + 9 = 5(5a^2 + 6a + 1) + 4 \text{ by algebra}$$

$$\text{Let } k = 5a^2 + 6a + 1$$

$k \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in addition and multiplication.

$$m^2 = 5k + 1 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by disjunctive addition.}$$

$$\exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by existential generalization.}$$

Case $m = 5a + 4$:

$$m^2 = (5a + 4)^2 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$= 25a^2 + 40a + 16 = 5(5a^2 + 8a + 3) + 1 \text{ by algebra}$$

$$\text{Let } k = 5a^2 + 8a + 3$$

$k \in Z$ by the closure of the integers in addition and multiplication.

$$m^2 = 5k + 1 \text{ by substitution}$$

$$m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by disjunctive addition.}$$

$$\exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4 \text{ by existential generalization.}$$

Therefore, $\exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4$ by proof by division into cases.

Since m was arbitrary in the domain of integers, we can use generalizing from the generic particular to get:

$$\forall m \in Z, \exists k \in Z, m^2 = 5k \vee m^2 = 5k + 1 \vee m^2 = 5k + 4.$$