

Announcements: HW#1: Either drop off at Math 113 by 3pm  
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by 2pm

- Solutions posted today

HW #2: Will be up today

Office Hours: LSK 300 2-3PM.

Definition: Let  $a$  and  $b$  are integers. We say

" $a$  divides  $b$ " if there is an integer  
 $a|b$        $c$  s.t.  $ac = b$ .  
such  
that

Ex:  $n$  is even  $\equiv 2 \text{ divides } n$   
 $2|n$

" $n$  is a multiple of 3"  $\equiv 3|n$   
;

$n$  is odd  $\equiv 2$  does not divide  $n$   
 $2 \nmid n$

Proposition: Let  $n$  be an integer. Then  $n^2 - 5n + 2$  is even.

Proof: Any integer  $n$  is either even or odd. Let's do each case separately.

Case 1:  $n$  is odd.

Case 1

Therefore  $n^2 - 5n + 2$  is even.

Case 2:  $n$  is even. Then there is some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $n = 2a$

Case 2.

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 - 5n + 2 &= (2a)^2 - 5(2a) + 2 \\ &= 4a^2 - 10a + 2 \\ &= 2(2a^2 - 5a + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $n^2 - 5n + 2$  is even

Therefore, for any integer  $n$ ,  $n^2 - 5n + 2$  is even.  $\blacksquare$

Flow:

$n$  any integer

$n$  is odd  $\rightarrow n^2 - 5n + 2$   
even

$n$  is even  $\rightarrow n^2 - 5n + 2$   
even

## Scratchwork:

If  $7n+4$  is even, there's some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $7n+4=2a$

$$7n+4=2a$$

$$7n=2a-4$$

$$n = \frac{2a-4}{7}$$

$$3n-11 = \frac{3}{7}(2a-4) - 11$$

fraction!

how to show odd?

n	7n+4	3n-11	
1	11 O	-8 E	$\begin{array}{l} 7n+4 \\ \text{even} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 3n-11 \\ \text{odd} \end{array}$
2	18 E	-5 O	"
3	25 O	-2 E	$\neg \begin{array}{l} 7n+4 \\ \text{even} \end{array} \vee \begin{array}{l} 3n-11 \\ \text{odd} \end{array}$
4	32 E	1 O	"
5	39 O	4 E	"
6	46 E	7 O	$\begin{array}{l} 7n+4 \\ \text{odd} \end{array} \vee \begin{array}{l} 3n-11 \\ \text{odd} \end{array}$

If n is odd then  $7n+4$  is odd

$$\begin{array}{l} 7n+4 \\ \text{even} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} n \text{ is} \\ \text{even} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 3n-11 \\ \text{odd} \end{array}$$

If n is even then  $3n-11$  is odd.

(Exercise)

Proposition: Let  $n$  be an integer. If  $7n+4$  is even then  $3n-11$  is odd.

Proof: ~~This statement~~ Let  $P(n)$ :  $7n+4$  is even

$Q(n)$ :  $3n-11$  is odd.

The statement  $P(n) \Rightarrow Q(n)$  is equivalent to

$$\neg P(n) \vee Q(n)$$

so we prove this instead. I.e., we prove

$7n+4$  is odd or  $3n-11$  is odd

$n$  is either even or odd: we consider each case separately.

Case 1:  $n$  is even. Let  $n=2a$ . Then

$$3n-11 = 6a-11 = 2(3a-6)+1 \text{ is odd.}$$

So ( $7n+4$  is odd or  $3n-11$  is odd).

Case 2:  $n$  is odd. Let  $n=2a+1$ . Then

$$7n+4 = 7(2a+1)+4 = 14a+11 = 2(7a+5)+1 \text{ is odd}$$

So ( $7n+4$  is odd or  $3n-11$  is odd).

In either case, ( $7n+4$  is odd or  $3n-11$  is odd).  $\blacksquare$

(Exercise)

Proposition: Let  $n$  be an integer. If  $n$  is odd, then  $8 \mid n^2 - 1$ .

Proof: Since  $n$  is odd, there is some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $n = 2a + 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } n^2 - 1 &= (2a+1)^2 - 1 \\ &= 4a^2 + 4a \\ &= 4(a^2 + a) \end{aligned}$$

Either  $a$  is even or  $a$  is odd.

Case 1:  $a$  is even. There is some  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $a = 2b$

$$\begin{aligned} 4(a^2 + a) &= 4((2b)^2 + 2b) \\ &= 4(4b^2 + 2b) \\ &= 8(2b^2 + b) \quad \text{which is a multiple of 8.} \end{aligned}$$

Case 2:  $a$  is odd. There is some  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $a = 2b + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 4(a^2 + a) &= 4((2b+1)^2 + (2b+1)) \\ &= 4(4b^2 + 6b + 2) \\ &= 8(2b^2 + 3b + 1) \quad \text{which is a multiple of 8.} \end{aligned}$$

In either case,  $4(a^2 + a)$  is a multiple of 8, so  $n^2 - 1$  is too. ■