

1. Let  $A(m, n)$  be the statement

$$"(\exists m \in \mathbb{N})(\exists n \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5n = 12)"$$

We want to determine whether  $A(m, n)$  is True or False

$$\forall m, n \geq 2, \quad 3m + 5n \geq 3(2) + 5(2) = 16$$

$$\text{when } m = n = 1, \quad 3m + 5n = 3(1) + 5(1) = 8$$

$$\text{when } m = 1, n = 2, \quad 3m + 5n = 3(1) + 5(2) = 13$$

$$\text{when } m = 2, n = 1, \quad 3m + 5n = 3(2) + 5(1) = 11$$

Thus,  $A(m, n)$  is False  $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}$

2. We want to determine whether the following statement is True or False:

"The sum of any five consecutive integers is divisible by 5 (without remainder)"

Let us represent that statement by  $S_n$

$$\therefore S_n = n + (n+1) + (n+2) + (n+3) + (n+4) \quad (\text{for an arbitrary } n \in \mathbb{Z})$$

So  $S_n = 5n + 10 = 5(n+2)$ , which is an integer multiple of 5 (i.e. divisible by 5 without remainder)

Thus,  $S_n$  is True  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

3. Let  $B_n = n^2 + n + 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

We want to determine if  $B_n$  is odd or not  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$B_n = n^2 + n + 1 = n(n+1) + 1, \text{ which is always odd}$$

because  $n(n+1)$  is always even (because either  $n$  is even or  $n+1$  is even)

$\therefore$  The original statement is True

4. We want to prove that every odd natural number is one of the forms  $4n+1$  or  $4n+3$   $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Proof: using divisibility theorem, any integer can be expressed as one of the four forms

$$4n, 4n+1, 4n+2, 4n+3 \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$\therefore$  any odd integer (by extension any odd natural number) is one of the 2 forms  $4n+1$  or  $4n+3$   $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

5. We want to prove that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , at least one of the integers  $n, n+2, n+4$  is divisible by 3

Proof: By Mathematical Induction

Case  $n=1$ : at least one of 1, 3, 5 is divisible by 3 ✓

assume true for  $n=k$ : at least one of  $k, k+2, k+4$  is divisible by 3

Now, for  $n=k+1$ :  $n=k+1, n+2=k+3, n+4=k+5$

if  $k$  is divisible by 3, so is  $k+3$

if  $k+2$  is divisible by 3, so is  $k+5$  (i.e.  $(k+2)+3$ )

if  $k+4$  is divisible by 3, so is  $k+1$  (i.e.  $(k+4)-3$ )

$\therefore$  at least one of  $k+1, k+3, k+5$  is divisible by 3 (using induction hypothesis)

Thus the statement is true for  $n=1$ , and it is true for  $n=k+1$  (given that it is true for  $n=k$ ). So it is true  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$  by the principle of mathematical induction. ✓

6. Using the results from question #5,  
i.e.  $\forall n$  at least one of the integers  $n, n+2, n+4$   
is divisible by 3.

From this result,  $\forall n > 3$ ,  $n, n+2, n+4$  is not a  
prime triple because at least one of the 3 numbers  
is divisible by 3.

$\forall n < 3$ , the same argument holds as  $\forall n > 3$

For  $n=3$ ,  $3, 5, 7$  is a prime triple (and the only one)

7. To prove  $\sum_{k=1}^n 2^k = 2^{n+1} - 2 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Proof: by the principle of mathematical induction

Case  $n=1$ ,  $2^1 = 2^{1+1} - 2 \Rightarrow 2 = 2 \checkmark$

assume true for  $n=p$  i.e.  $\sum_{k=1}^p 2^k = 2^{p+1} - 2$

Now for  $n=p+1$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{p+1} 2^k = \sum_{k=1}^p 2^k + 2^{p+1}$   
 $= (2^{p+1} - 2) + 2^{p+1}$  (by induction hypothesis)  
 $= 2(2^{p+1}) - 2$   
 $= 2^{p+2} - 2 \checkmark$

$\therefore$  Thus the identity is true for  $n=1$ , and it is true for  
 $n=p+1$  (given that it is true for  $n=p$ ). So it is true  
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  by the principle of mathematical induction.  $\checkmark$

$$8. \{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow L \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\forall \epsilon > 0) (\exists n_0) (\forall n \geq n_0) [ |a_n - L| < \epsilon ]$$

$$\text{Now } |a_n - L| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |Ma_n - ML| < M\epsilon \quad (M > 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow |Ma_n - ML| < \epsilon' \quad (\text{where } \epsilon' = M\epsilon)$$

$$\therefore (\forall \epsilon' > 0) (\exists n_0) (\forall n \geq n_0) [ |Ma_n - ML| < \epsilon' ]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\{Ma_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow ML \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty}$$

$$9. \text{ Example: } A_n = (0, \frac{1}{n}) \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$A_1 = (0, 1), A_2 = (0, \frac{1}{2}), A_3 = (0, \frac{1}{3}), \dots$$

$$\text{So, } A_2 \subset A_1, A_3 \subset A_2, \dots \quad A_{n+1} \subset A_n \checkmark$$

$$\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0, \text{ and } (0, \frac{1}{n}) \rightarrow \emptyset$$

$$\text{So } \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \emptyset \quad \checkmark$$

$$10 \text{ Example: } A_n = [0, \frac{1}{n}] \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$A_1 = [0, 1], A_2 = [0, \frac{1}{2}], A_3 = [0, \frac{1}{3}], \dots$$

$$\text{So } A_2 \subset A_1, A_3 \subset A_2, \dots \quad A_{n+1} \subset A_n \checkmark$$

$$\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0, \text{ and } [0, \frac{1}{n}] \rightarrow \{0\}$$

$$\text{So } \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \{0\} \quad \checkmark$$