

Lecture 5

Proposition: Transitivity of Divisibility (TD)

$$a \mid b \wedge b \mid c \Rightarrow a \mid c$$

Proof: There exists a $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ak = b$. There exists an $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $b\ell = c$. This implies that $(ak)\ell = c$ and hence $a(k\ell) = c$. Since $k\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have that $a \mid c$. ■

Proposition: Divisibility of Integer Combinations (DIC). Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$. Then for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have $a \mid (bx + cy)$.

Proof: Since $a \mid b$, $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ak = b$. Since $a \mid c$, $\exists \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a\ell = c$. Then for all integers x and y ,

$$bx + cy = akx + a\ell y = a(kx + \ell y)$$

Since $kx + \ell y \in \mathbb{Z}$, by definition we see that $a \mid (bx + cy)$. ■

Question: Prove that if $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $14 \mid m$ then $7 \mid (135m + 693)$.

Proof: Suppose $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $14 \mid m$. Since $7 \mid 14$ (since $7 \cdot 2 = 14$), by transitivity we have that $7 \mid m$. As $7 \mid 693$ (since $7 \cdot 99 = 693$), we have by Divisibility of Integer Combinations (DIC) that

$$7 \mid m(135) + 693(1)$$

and thus $7 \mid (135m + 693)$. ■

Note: In DIC we set $b = m$, $x = 135$, $c = 693$ and $y = 1$.

Instructor's Comments: This should be the 10-13 minute mark

Definition: Let A, B be statements. The *converse* of $A \Rightarrow B$ is $B \Rightarrow A$.

Example: If S is the statement:

If p , $p + 1$ are prime, then $p = 2$.

Then the converse of S is

If $p = 2$, then p , $p + 1$ are prime.

Note in this case that the statement and its converse are both true.

Recall: Bounds by Divisibility (BBD)

$$a \mid b \wedge b \neq 0 \Rightarrow |a| \leq |b|$$

Example: The converse of Bounds by Divisibility (BBD) is

$$|a| \leq |b| \Rightarrow a \mid b \wedge b \neq 0$$

Note here, the converse is a false statement (for example $6 \leq 7$).

Instructor's Comments: This should be the 20 minute mark

Definition: If and only if $A \Leftrightarrow B$, A iff B , A if and only if B .

A	B	$A \Leftrightarrow B$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

Note: Definitions in mathematics should (almost) always be if and only if definitions. Mathematicians generally are sloppy and don't do this. We will try to be careful in this course but you have been warned for other courses.

Exercise: Show that $A \Leftrightarrow B \equiv (A \Rightarrow B) \wedge (B \Rightarrow A)$

Example: In $\triangle ABC$, show that $b = c \cos A$ if and only if $\angle C = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Proof: Suppose that $b = c \cos A$. By the Cosine Law,

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A \\ a^2 &= b^2 + c^2 - 2bb \\ a^2 &= c^2 - b^2 \\ a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \end{aligned}$$

Is the converse of the Pythagorean Theorem true? Let's find out! Using the cosine law again,

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C \\ c^2 &= c^2 - 2ab \cos C \\ 0 &= -2ab \cos C \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\cos C = 0$ since $0 < \angle C < \pi$, we see that $\angle C = \pi/2$.

Now we prove the converse. Suppose that $\angle C = \pi/2$. Then $\triangle ABC$ is a right angled triangle! Hence, $\cos A = \frac{b}{c}$ and thus $c \cos A = b$ as required. ■

Instructor's Comments: This should be the 35 minute mark. Emphasize proving the converse in iff proofs.

Prove the following. Suppose that $x, y \geq 0$. Show that $x = y$ if and only if $\frac{x+y}{2} = \sqrt{xy}$.

Instructor's Comments: Give 5 minutes to try it and 5 minutes to take it up.

Proof: Suppose first that $\frac{x+y}{2} = \sqrt{xy}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x+y}{2} &= \sqrt{xy} \\ x+y &= 2\sqrt{xy} \\ (x+y)^2 &= (2\sqrt{xy})^2 \\ x^2 + 2xy + y^2 &= 4xy \\ x^2 - 2xy + y^2 &= 0 \\ (x-y)^2 &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x - y = 0$ and thus $x = y$. Now, suppose first that $x = y$. Then

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{x+y}{2} = \frac{y+y}{2} = \frac{2y}{2} = y$$

and

$$\text{RHS} = \sqrt{xy} = \sqrt{y^2} = y$$

with the last equality holding since $y \geq 0$. Therefore, $\frac{x+y}{2} = \sqrt{xy}$.

Instructor's Comments: This is the 45 minute mark.

Definition: A *set* is a collection of elements.

Example:

- (i) $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots - 2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
- (ii) $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$
- (iii) \mathbb{R}
- (iv) $\mathbb{Q} = \{a/b \in \mathbb{R} : a \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge b \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge b \neq 0\}$ (We call \mathbb{R} the *universe of discourse*.)
- (v) $\{5, A\}$
- (vi) $S = \{\blacksquare, 2, \{1, 2\}\}$

Note: For Math 135, the natural numbers begin with the element 1. (Some textbooks or courses start with 0).

Note: $x \in S$ means x in S (or x belongs to S) and $x \notin S$ means x not in S .

Instructor's Comments: If you have time here do these, otherwise start the next lecture with these two points.

Note: $\{\}$ and \emptyset are the empty set, a set with no elements.

Note: $\{\emptyset\}$ is NOT the empty set. It is a set with one element, the element that is the empty set.