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Q1. I enjoy trying to discover and write MATH 135 proofs.

- A) Strongly disagree
- B) Disagree
- C) Neither agree nor disagree
- D) Agree
- E) Strongly agree

Q2. When I have difficulties with MATH 135 proofs, I know I can handle them.

- A) Strongly disagree
- B) Disagree
- C) Neither agree nor disagree
- D) Agree
- E) Strongly agree

Q3. Which of the following statements is false?

- A)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall b \in \mathbb{Z}, (\gcd(a, b) \leq b \wedge \gcd(a, b) \leq a)$
- B)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall b \in \mathbb{Z}, (\gcd(a, b) \neq 0 \implies (a \neq 0) \vee (b \neq 0))$
- C)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall b \in \mathbb{Z}, (\gcd(a, b) \mid a \wedge \gcd(a, b) \mid b)$
- D)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall b \in \mathbb{Z}, (((c \mid a) \wedge (c \mid b)) \implies c \leq \gcd(a, b))$
- E)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall b \in \mathbb{Z}, \gcd(a, b) \geq 0$

A is False  $a = -12$   $b = 0$   $\gcd(-12, 0) = 12 > 0$ .

B True  $\gcd(a, b) \neq 0 \iff a \neq 0 \vee b \neq 0$ .

C True

D is false  $a = b = 0$  and  $c = 10$

E is true.

Recall:

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

1. (Bezout's Lemma/Identity) If  $d = \gcd(a, b)$  then  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $ax + by = d$ .
2. (GCDCT - GCD Characterization Theorem) If  $d > 0$ ,  $d \mid a$ ,  $d \mid b$  and  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $ax + by = d$ , then  $d = \gcd(a, b)$ .

Ex:  $6 > 0$ ,  $6 \mid 30$ ,  $6 \mid 42$  and

$$30(3) + 42(-2) = 6$$

$$\text{GCDCT} \Rightarrow \gcd(30, 42) = 6$$

Q: Prove if  $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  are s.t.  $\gcd(a, b) \neq 0$  and  $ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$  then  $\gcd(x, y) = 1$

Pf: Since  $\gcd(a, b) \mid a$  and  $\gcd(a, b) \mid b$  we divide by  $\gcd(a, b) \neq 0$  to see that

$$\left(\frac{a}{\gcd(a, b)}\right)x + \left(\frac{b}{\gcd(a, b)}\right)y = 1$$

Since  $1 \mid x$ ,  $1 \mid y$ ,  $1 > 0$ , GCDCT  $\Rightarrow \gcd(x, y) = 1$ .

## Euclid's Lemma (PAD Primes and Divisibility)

If  $p$  is a prime and  $p|ab$  then  
 $p|a$  or  $p|b$ .

Pf: Suppose  $p$  is prime,  $p|ab$  and  $p \nmid a$ .  
 Since  $p \nmid a$ ,  $\gcd(p, a) = 1$ . By Bézout's  
 Lemma,  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$$px + ay = 1$$

$$pbx + aby = b$$

$$pbx + pk y = b$$

$$p(bx + ky) = b \Rightarrow p|b \quad \star$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{\in \mathbb{Z}}$$

$$p|ab \text{ is}$$

$$\exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$ab = pk$$

Prove or disprove the following:

1. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $\gcd(n, n+1) = 1$ .
2. Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $ax^2 + by^2 = c$  then  $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$ .
3. Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$  then  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $ax^2 + by^2 = c$ .

1.  $n+1 = n(1) + 1$  TRUE

$\text{GCDWR} \Rightarrow \gcd(n+1, n) = \gcd(n, 1) = 1$

2.  $\gcd(a, b) \mid a$  TRUE

$\gcd(a, b) \mid b$

$\text{DK} \Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) \mid ax^2 + by^2 = c. \checkmark$

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