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Note: Prop'n is one version of "AM-GM" Inequality

- ↳ arithmetic mean of x, y is $\frac{x+y}{2}$ ^(AM)
- ↳ geometric mean of x, y is \sqrt{xy} ^(GM)

Prop'n gives for $x, y \geq 0$

$$\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$$

i.e. $GM \leq AM$.

Indirect Proof:

- Assume $\exists (x \in S) P(x)$
 i.e. $\exists (x \in S) \neg P(x)$
 and get a contradiction

Ex ② Prop'n $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational,
 that is,
~~means~~ $(\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}) (\frac{a}{b} \neq \sqrt{2})$

PF: - Suppose not, that is, suppose
 $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t.

$$\frac{a}{b} = \sqrt{2}$$

- We may assume a/b is in reduced form, i.e. a and b have no common factors since if they do we can cancel and get a fraction in reduced form.

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Now $\sin a$
 $\frac{a}{b} = \sqrt{2}$

we have

$$a = \sqrt{2}b$$

hence

$$a^2 = 2b^2$$

Hence a^2 is even. It follows
 a is even (why?)

Hence $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $a = 2k$.

So then $a^2 = 4k^2$

But then $2b^2 = 4k^2$
 so that $b^2 = 2k^2$

The same reasoning shows b is even too.

But then both a, b are even
 and therefore share a factor of 2.

A contradiction, as we assumed
 a, b shared no common factors

The propn follows!

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Conditioned Claims

General Form: $P \Rightarrow Q$

Three Strategies: ① Direct: Assume P holds, prove Q .

② Contrapositive: Show $\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$

i.e. assume $\neg Q$ and prove $\neg P$.

③ Indirect: Assume $\neg(P \Rightarrow Q)$,

i.e. assume $P \wedge \neg Q$; derive a contradiction

they
have
some

Ex: ① (Direct) Let $\mathbb{O} = \{-3, -1, 1, 3, 5, \dots\}$
Denote the set of odd integers

(including negatives)

Prop'n $(\forall n \in \mathbb{Z})(n \neq 0 \Rightarrow n^2 - 1 \text{ is divisible by } 4)$

or, even more symbolically

$$(\forall n \in \mathbb{Z})(n \neq 0 \Rightarrow (\exists k \in \mathbb{Z})(n^2 - 1 = 4k))$$

PF: overall, a universal claim,
so begin as usual:

- Fix $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. arbitrary

- now we deal w/ conditioned:
assume $n \neq 0$.

- hence $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $n = 2k + 1$

- hence

$$n^2 = (2k+1)^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$\text{hence } n^2 - 1 = 4k^2 + 4k - 1 = 4(k^2 + 1)$$

here $n^2 - 1$ is divisible by 4 ✓

Since n was arbitrary, done ✓

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② (Contrapositive) Let E be set of even integers (not necessarily positive)

Prop'n ($\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$) (if mn is even, then either m or n is even)

symbolically: $(\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z}) (mn \in E \Rightarrow [(m \in E) \vee (n \in E)])$

PF: - Fix $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ arbitrary
- suppose $\neg(m \in E \vee n \in E)$
i.e. $m \notin E \wedge n \notin E$

- then m and n are odd.
- hence $\exists k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t.

$$m = 2k+1$$

$$n = 2l+1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{- hence } mn &= (2k+1)(2l+1) \\ &= \cancel{2k \cdot 2l} + \cancel{2k} + \cancel{2l} + 1 \\ &= 4kl + 2k + 2l + 1 \\ &= 2(2kl + k + l) + 1 \\ &= 2M + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } M = 2kl + k + l$$

- hence mn is odd, i.e.
 $mn \notin E$

- we've proved $m \notin E \wedge n \notin E \Rightarrow mn \notin E$
i.e. $\neg(m \in E \vee n \in E) \Rightarrow \neg(mn \in E)$

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- by contrapositive we have:

$$mn \in E \rightarrow m \in E \vee n \in E$$

- since m, n were arbitrary, done ✓

(Indirect) ③ Prop'n ($\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$) ($x > 0 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} \geq 2$)

Pf: - Fix $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

- Suppose $\underset{P}{x > 0}$ but $\underset{Q}{x + \frac{1}{x} < 2}$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 < 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)^2 < 0$$

a contradiction as $(x-1)^2 \geq 0$
as it is a square.

Hence we must have ~~$x > 0$~~

$$x > 0 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} \geq 2$$

④ Since x was arbitrary,
we are done ✓

Biconditional Claims

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General Form: $P \Leftrightarrow Q$

Strategy: Prove $P \Rightarrow Q$ and $Q \Rightarrow P$

Ex Propn: An integer n even if and only if its square is even.

$$\text{I.e. } (\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}) (n \in E \Leftrightarrow n^2 \in E)$$

Pf: Fix $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ arbitrary

\Rightarrow - Suppose $n \in E$.

- Then $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $n = 2k$

$$-\text{ hence } n^2 = (2k)^2$$

$$= 4k^2$$

$$= 2(2k^2)$$

$$= 2M \quad \text{where } M = 2k^2$$

- hence n^2 is even ✓

\Leftarrow - To prove $n^2 \in E \Rightarrow n \in E$
I.e. prove the contrapositive

$$n \notin E \Rightarrow n^2 \notin E$$

- Suppose $n \notin E$

- Then $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $n = 2k+1$

$$-\text{ hence } n^2 = (2k+1)^2$$

$$= 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$= 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1$$

$$\text{hence } n^2 \notin E$$

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by Contrapositive we have
shown

$$n^2 \in E \Rightarrow n \in E.$$

Since n was arbitrary
we are done ✓