

# Quiz 3 Better Solutions

(1) If we assume these 4 <sup>rows</sup> ~~columns~~ to be the only cases,

We notice the only difference is the last column is different.

Why? Patrick says  $F \Rightarrow T$  is F and sponyclob says  $F \Rightarrow T$  is T.

Thus, Sponyclob is right since once the 1<sup>st</sup> part of the implication is False, it does not matter what the 2<sup>nd</sup> part is; it will always be possible. Implication requires the 1<sup>st</sup> part to be T to say anything about the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

(3)

p	q	$p \Rightarrow q$	$\sim(p \Rightarrow q)$	$\sim p$	$\sim q$	$p \wedge \sim q$	$q \wedge \sim p$
T	T	T	F	F	F	F	F
T	F	F	T	F	T	T	F
F	T	T	F	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	F	T	T	F	F

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(4) Follows exactly from  $\sqrt{2}$  irrational!

pf: Suppose  $\sqrt{3}$  is rational for a contradiction. Then  $\sqrt{3} = \frac{a}{b}$   $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0, \gcd(a, b) = 1$ .

Then  $3 = \frac{a^2}{b^2} \Rightarrow 3b^2 = a^2$ . Thus  $3|a^2$  and  $3|a$ . Therefore  $a = 3k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus,

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{3k}{b} \Rightarrow 3 = \frac{(3k)^2}{b^2} \Rightarrow 3b^2 = 9k^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = 3k^2. \text{ Thus, } 3|b^2 \text{ and } 3|b.$$

Therefore  $\gcd(a, b) \geq 3$ . ( $\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$  of  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ ). Therefore,  $\sqrt{3}$  must be irrational.  $\square$

(3) (b)  $n$  is not divisible by 3 means it has remainder 1 or 2 when divided by 3. Thus,  $n=3k+1$  or  $3k+2$   $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Note:  $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  means  $n^2=3\ell+1$   $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$  or remainder 1.

PF: Case 1: Suppose  $n=3k+1$   $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $n^2=(3k+1)^2=9k^2+6k+1=3(3k^2+2k)+1$

Thus,  $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .

Case 2: Suppose  $n=3k+2$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $n^2=(3k+2)^2=9k^2+12k+4=9k^2+12k+3+1=3(3k^2+4k+1)+1$

Thus,  $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . Therefore we are done  $\square$

(c) The contrapositive of this statement is if  $n$  is not divisible by 3 then

$n^2$  is not divisible by 3. (or in other words, not remainder 0 but remainder 1 or 2 when divided by 3)

PF: This is what part b is saying. Thus, by contrapositive we are done  $\square$

(4)

PF: (By induction).

nothing crazy here!

Base case:  $n=1$ . Then  $a_1=0$   $\checkmark$ .

Ind. step: Suppose true for  $n=k$ . That is  $a_1 \dots a_k = 0$  then for some  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $a_i = 0$   
we show true for  $n=k+1$ . That is  $a_1 \dots a_k \cdot a_{k+1} = 0$  then  
for some  $1 \leq i \leq k+1$ ,  $a_i = 0$ .

There are 2 cases to consider, either  $1 \leq i \leq k$  or  $i = k+1$ . If  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , then we know true from inductive hypothesis. If not, then it must be the case that  $a_{k+1} = 0$ . Therefore, we are done  $\square$