

$\sqrt{b} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ squaring both sides, $N = a^2 + b^2 = p_1^{2m_1} p_2^{2m_2} \dots p_k^{2m_k}$ for some primes p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k . Since each prime has an even power in N , Δ consequently if n is a non- Δ then $\sqrt{n} \notin \mathbb{Q}$. This shows \sqrt{n} is irrational.

Fundamental Theorem of Arith: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then \exists a unique set of distinct primes p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k and multipliers $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k$ for which $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$. Proof: If a prime divides the product of two natural #'s a and b then p divides a or p divides b .

\square Identity: A sum of two squares times a sum of two squares is a sum of two squares.

Proof: $(a_1^2 + b_1^2)(a_2^2 + b_2^2) = (a_1 a_2 - b_1 b_2)^2 + (a_1 b_2 + b_1 a_2)^2$
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Prime Divisor Property: If a prime divides the product of several numbers a and b , then p divides a or p divides b . Proof: p does not divide a , so show p divides b . Now if p does not divide a , $\gcd(a, p) = 1$, since only divisors of p are 1 and p . $\therefore \exists m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ by linear representation by assumption and $p|ab$. Thus $p|1 \cdot ab + n \cdot pb$. $\therefore p|ab$ and $p|b$.

Euclid's Lemma: If a and b are relatively prime and a divides bc , then a divides c . Proof: assume a and b are relatively prime. Then $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ax + by = 1$. Since $a|bc$, $a|bcx + aby = c$. Thus $a|c$.

Wilson's Theorem: If p is prime then $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$. Proof: $1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1$ have inverses mod p . Consider $(p-1)! = (p-1)(p-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$ which are order 2. Inverted by p . But 1 and $p-1$ are self-inverses. Hence $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.

Chinese Remainder Theorem: If n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k are pairwise relatively prime, then \exists a unique solution x to the system of congruences $x \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i}$. Proof: \exists a unique solution for n_1, n_2 . Then \exists a unique solution for n_1, n_2, n_3 . Inductively, \exists a unique solution for n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k .

Continued Fraction form: $\frac{99}{22} = 3 + \frac{1}{22/99} = 3 + \frac{1}{1 + 5/22} = 3 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{4 + 1/5}}$

Euclidean Algorithm: $\gcd(10, 6) = 2$. Since $\gcd(a, b) = d$, then $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ax + by = d$. Here $10x + 6y = 2$. $\Rightarrow 5x + 3y = 1$. $\Rightarrow x = 2, y = -1$. So $\gcd(10, 6) = 2$.

Bezout's Identity: $\gcd(a, b) = d$. Then $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ax + by = d$. Proof: Use the Euclidean algorithm to find $\gcd(a, b)$ and express it as a linear combination of a and b .

Prime Ideals: A prime ideal \mathfrak{p} in a commutative ring R is an ideal such that if $ab \in \mathfrak{p}$, then $a \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $b \in \mathfrak{p}$. Proof: Assume $a \notin \mathfrak{p}$ and $b \notin \mathfrak{p}$. Then $a^{-1}a + b^{-1}b = 1 \in \mathfrak{p}$, which is a contradiction.

Maximal Ideals: A maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} is a proper ideal that is not contained in any other proper ideal. Proof: If $\mathfrak{m} \subsetneq \mathfrak{I} \subsetneq R$, then \mathfrak{I} is a larger proper ideal.

Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT): If n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k are pairwise relatively prime, then \exists a unique solution x to the system of congruences $x \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i}$. Proof: Use induction and the Chinese Remainder Theorem for two moduli.

Quadratic Residues: An integer a is a quadratic residue mod p if $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $x^2 \equiv a \pmod{p}$. Legendre symbol $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right)$ is defined as 1 if a is a quadratic residue and -1 otherwise.

Group Theory: A group G is a set with an associative binary operation, an identity element, and inverses for every element. Subgroups are defined by closure, identity, and inverses.

Prime Factorization: Every integer $n > 1$ can be uniquely factored into a product of prime numbers. Proof: Use the Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic.

Diophantine Equations: Equations where the variables are integers. Examples include $ax + by = c$ and $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$. Solutions are found using number theory techniques.

Number Theory: The study of properties of integers. Topics include divisibility, congruences, and Diophantine equations.

Algebraic Structures: Structures like groups, rings, and fields. Groups are sets with an associative operation and inverses. Rings have addition and multiplication. Fields have division.

Abstract Algebra: The study of algebraic structures without reference to numbers. Includes group theory, ring theory, and field theory.

Mathematical Proofs: Techniques for proving mathematical statements. Includes direct proof, contradiction, and induction.

Set Theory: The study of sets and their properties. Includes operations like union, intersection, and complement.

Logic: The study of the principles of reasoning. Includes propositional logic and predicate logic.