

Transition to Advanced Mathematics

Problem-a-day Study Guide

Friday

Prove the following statement form is a tautology using a truth table.

$$((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (R \Rightarrow S) \wedge (P \vee R)) \Rightarrow (Q \vee S)$$

Saturday

Prove the following statement

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists y \in \mathbb{R} (xy + y = 7)$$

Sunday

Prove that $\sqrt{17}$ is irrational.

Monday

Prove that $(A \times B) \cap (B \times A) \subseteq (A \cap B) \times (A \cap B)$

Tuesday

Let I be an arbitrary index set and A_i sets indexed by I . Prove or disprove:

$$\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) - B = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i - B)$$

Wednesday

Use induction to prove that:

$$\sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{(2m-1)(2m+1)} = \frac{n}{2n+1}$$

Thursday

Define a relation R on \mathbb{Z}^2 via $(a, b)R(x, y)$ if and only if $a \equiv_4 x$ and $b \equiv_5 y$. Prove or disprove that R is an equivalence relation.

Friday

Solve $17x^2 + 4 \equiv 32 \pmod{50}$

Saturday

Show that the function f , below, is one-to-one.

$$\begin{aligned} f: \mathbb{R} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \\ x &\rightarrow (x^2, x^3) \end{aligned}$$

Sunday

The function f , below, is not invertible. Define the largest possible restriction, $g := f|_S$ such that g is invertible. Then find the rule that defines g .