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Activity 2-2 (16 Aug 2018)

Inference rules

4. Use inference rules and standard logical equivalences to show that hypotheses

$$P \Rightarrow Q$$

$$P \Rightarrow \neg Q$$

leads to the conclusion $\neg P$.

<u>Steps</u>	<u>Reason</u>

5. Using inference rules to argue that if we assume

$$\neg P \Rightarrow Q$$

$$(P \vee R) \Rightarrow \neg S$$

$$W \Rightarrow S, \text{ and}$$

$$\neg Q$$

then we can conclude that W is false.

<u>Steps</u>	<u>Reason</u>

Proofs (hints: try using direct proofs and proofs by contrapositions)

6. Prove the following statement:

If integer c divides both integers a and b , then c divides $a - b$.

7. Prove the following statement: If x is irrational, then \sqrt{x} is irrational.

8. Assume that x is a non-zero rational number. Prove that if y is irrational, then xy is irrational.

9. Prove that for any positive integer n , n is an odd number if and only if $5n + 6$ is odd.

(Hint: To prove statement $P \Leftrightarrow Q$, you can prove that $P \Rightarrow Q$ and $Q \Rightarrow P$.)

Write your proofs below