

Mathematics 2200H – Mathematical Reasoning

TRENT UNIVERSITY, Fall 2021

Assignment #8

Zombie Math?

Due on Friday, 12 November.

May be submitted on paper or via Blackboard.*

Recall from class that we defined the integers by first defining an equivalence relation \sim on $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} = \{(a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{N}\}$ by $(a, b) \sim (c, d) \iff a + d = b + c$, and then let the integers be the equivalence classes of this relation, *i.e.* $\mathbb{Z} = \{[(a, b)]_{\sim} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{N}\}$. We then proceeded to define taking negatives, addition, multiplication, and the linear order on \mathbb{Z} by:

$$\begin{aligned} -[(a, b)]_{\sim} &= [(b, a)]_{\sim} \\ [(a, b)]_{\sim} + [(c, d)]_{\sim} &= [(a + c, b + d)]_{\sim} \\ [(a, b)]_{\sim} \cdot [(c, d)]_{\sim} &= [(ac + bd, ad + bc)]_{\sim} \\ [(a, b)]_{\sim} < [(c, d)]_{\sim} &\iff a + d < b + c \end{aligned}$$

We also defined the unit elements for addition and multiplication by $0 = [(0, 0)]_{\sim}$ and $1 = [(1, 0)]_{\sim}$.

In answering the following questions, you may assume that all the basic properties of the arithmetic operations and the linear order on \mathbb{N} have been established.

1. Suppose $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that:

- a. $(-p) + (-q) = -(p + q)$ [1]
- b. $(-p) \cdot q = p \cdot (-q) = -(p \cdot q)$ [1.5]
- c. $(-p) \cdot (-q) = p \cdot q$ [1.5]
- d. $(-p) < (-q) \iff q < p$ [1]

2. Suppose $p, q, r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that:

- a. $p = q \iff p + r = q + r$ [1.5]
- b. $p < q \iff p + r < q + r$ [2]
- c. $p < q$ and $r < s \implies p + r < q + s$ [1.5]

* All else failing, please email your solutions to the instructor at: sbilaniuk@trentu.ca