

32 Theorem:

If a is any odd integer and b is any even integer then $2a + 3b$ is even

Proof: Let a be any odd integer and b be any even integer

$$a = 2c + 1 \quad \text{def of odd}$$

$$b = 2d \quad \text{def of even}$$

$$2a = 4c + 2 \quad \text{substitution}$$

$$3b = 6d \quad \text{substitution}$$

$$2a + 3b = 4c + 2 + 6d \quad \text{by substitution}$$

$$= 2(2c + 3d + 1) \quad \text{factorization}$$

$$\text{let } (2c + 3d + 1) = \text{some integer } k \quad \text{closure of } \mathbb{Z}$$

$$2a + 3b = 2k \quad \text{def of even}$$

$\therefore 2a + 3b$ is even