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$x - y = \text{even}$ --> either both even or both odd

$\frac{x}{y} = \text{even}$ --> either both even or x is even and y is odd. Also, this statement implies that $x > y$.

As both statements are true --> both x and y must be even.

As $\frac{x}{y}$ is an even integer and y is even too, then x must be multiple of 4 ($x/y = \text{even}$ --> $x/\text{even} = \text{even}$ --> $x = \text{even} * \text{even}$).

So, we have that $x > y$, x is a multiple of 4 and y is even.

Only I and II will give non-prime integers, while III won't be an integer at all.

Answer: D.

2

Notice that we can factor out 3 out of $6! + 21$ --> $6! + 21 = 3(2^4 * 5 * 6 + 7)$, which means that this number is not a prime.

Answer: B.

OR

A prime number has only two factors - 1 and itself.

Without calculating, we cannot say whether $6! - 1$ or $6! + 41$ will be prime.

But, I can say that $6! + 21$ will not be prime. The reason is that $6! + 21 = 3(2^4 * 5 * 6 + 7)$ (taking 3 common). This means that whatever, the value of $6! + 21$, it can be written as the product of two numbers: 3 and something else. Hence, this number, $6! + 21$, definitely has 3 as a factor and hence it cannot be prime. Since a PS question can have only one correct answer, we don't have to worry about the other options. We can say with certainty that they must be prime.

3

Basically the length of an integer is the sum of the powers of its prime factors. For example the length of 24 is 4 because $24 = 2^3 * 3^1$ --> $3 + 1 = 4$.

Given: $x + 3y < 1,000$. Now, to maximize the length of x or y (to maximize the sum of the powers of their primes) we should minimize their prime bases. Minimum prime base is 2: so if $x = 2^9 = 512$ then its length is 9 --> $512 + 3y < 1,000$ --> $y < 162.7$ --> maximum length of y can be 7 as $2^7 = 128$ --> $9 + 7 = 16$.

Answer: D.

4

$3,150 = 2^1 * 3^2 * 5^2 * 7^1$, now $3,150 * y$ to be a perfect square y must complete the odd powers of 2 and 7 to even number (perfect square has even powers of its primes), so the least value of y is $2^1 * 7^1 = 14$. In this case $3,150y = (2^1 * 3^2 * 5^2 * 7^1) * (2^1 * 7^1) = (2^2 * 3^2 * 5^2 * 7^2)^1 = \text{perfect square}$.

Answer: E.