

1. if  $\log_5 7$  rational.  $\log_5 7 = \frac{m}{n}$ ,  $m, n$  are relatively prime and both integer.  
 $\frac{\ln 7}{\ln 5} = \frac{m}{n}$   
 $5^{\frac{m}{n}} = 7$   
 $5^m = 7^n$   
 $5^m, 7^n$  are relative prime since  $\gcd(5, 7) = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow 5^m = 7^n$ ,  $\log_5 7$  rational impossible  $\Rightarrow \log_5 7$  irrational

proof:  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ ,  $\gcd(a^m, b^n) = 1$  ( $m, n, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ).  
 $a = p_1^{i_1} \dots p_m^{i_m}$ ,  $b = q_1^{j_1} \dots q_n^{j_n}$  (FTA).  
 $\gcd(a, b) = 1 \Rightarrow$  for any  $p_i, q_j$  ( $p_i$  in  $p_1 \dots p_m$ ,  $q_j$  in  $q_1 \dots q_n$ )  
 $\Rightarrow a^m = p_1^{i_1 m} \dots p_m^{i_m m}$ ,  $b^n = q_1^{j_1 n} \dots q_n^{j_n n}$  have no common prime factor, too.  
 $\gcd(a^m, b^n) = 1$

## Discrete Mathematics: Homework 1

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2.  $\binom{p}{k} = \frac{p!}{k!(p-k)!}$  ( $\frac{p!}{(k-1)!(p-k)!}$ )

$\binom{p}{k} = \frac{p}{k} \binom{p-1}{k-1}$

$k \binom{p}{k} = p \binom{p-1}{k-1}$

$p \mid k \binom{p}{k}$

$p$  prime,  $0 < k < p$ ,  $\gcd(p, k) = 1$ ,  $p \nmid k$   
 $\Rightarrow p \mid \binom{p}{k}$

1. (15 points) Show that  $\log_5 7$  is an irrational number.

2. (20 points) Let  $p$  be a prime and let  $k$  be an integer such that  $0 < k < p$ . We know that the binomial coefficient

$$\binom{p}{k} = \frac{p!}{k!(p-k)!}$$

is an integer. Show that  $\binom{p}{k}$  is a multiple of  $p$ .

3. (20 points) Let  $a, b > 1$  be relatively prime integers. Show that if  $a \mid n$  and  $b \mid n$ , then  $ab \mid n$ .

4. (25 points) Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Show that  $\gcd(a, bc) = 1$  if and only if  $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, c) = 1$ .

5. (20 points) Let  $\mathbb{R}$  be the set of real numbers. Let  $S = (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ . Let

$$R = \{((a, b), (c, d)) : (a, b), (c, d) \in S \text{ and } \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \text{ such that } (a, b) = (\lambda c, \lambda d)\}$$

Show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation.

3.  $a \mid n, b \mid n$

$\Rightarrow$  def.  $as = bt = n$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{Z}, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ;  $a, b > 1$

$\gcd(a, b) = 1$   $ai + bj = 1$  for some  $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$

$nai + nbj = n$

$\Rightarrow abit + abjs = n$

$i, t, j, s \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow ab \mid n$ .

4. if:  $\gcd(a, b) = 1, \gcd(a, c) = 1$  only if:  $\gcd(a, bc) = 1$   
 $a \nmid bc$

$\Rightarrow ax + by = 1$   $az + cw = 1$

$x, y, z, w \in \mathbb{Z}$

$(ax + by)(az + cw) = 1$

$a(axz + xcw + byz) + bcwy = 1$

$(axz + xcw + byz), wy$  are  $\in \mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow ak + bc \ell = 1$ ,  $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, bc) = 1$ .

5.  $S = (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$

$(a, b), (c, d) \in S \Rightarrow (a, b) \neq (0, 0), (c, d) \neq (0, 0)$

Reflexive.  $(a, b) \in S$ .

$(a, b) R (a, b)$ :  $(a, b) = (\lambda a, \lambda b)$ ,  $\lambda = 1$ . satisfies.

Symmetric

suppose  $\lambda$ :  $\{(a, b), (c, d)\} : (a, b), (c, d) \in S$  and  $(a, b) = (\lambda c, \lambda d)$

$\Rightarrow a = \lambda c$   $\lambda \neq 0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{\lambda} a$   $\lambda \neq 0$

$b = \lambda d$   $d = \frac{1}{\lambda} b$

$\Rightarrow R = \{(c, d), (a, b)\} : (c, d), (a, b) \in S \text{ and } (c, d) = (\frac{a}{\lambda}, \frac{b}{\lambda})\}$   
 $(c, d) R (a, b)$  satisfies  $\lambda \neq 0$

suppose  $\gamma$ . Transitive.

$(a, b) R (c, d) \Rightarrow (a, b) = (\lambda_1 c, \lambda_1 d)$   $\lambda_1 \neq 0$

$(c, d) R (s, t) \Rightarrow (c, d) = (\lambda_2 s, \lambda_2 t)$   $\lambda_2 \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow a = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 s$

$b = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 t$

$\lambda_1 \neq 0, \lambda_2 \neq 0$   $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow (a, b) = (\lambda_1 \lambda_2 s, \lambda_1 \lambda_2 t)$

$\Rightarrow (a, b) R (s, t)$

