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→ HW: Last class HWS — solve again
step by step! Verify your answers
with AI answers afterwards.

→ GCD/GCF (Greatest common divison/factor)

Eg: $a = 32$; $b = 72$

Factors of a:

1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32

Factors of b:

1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 18, 36, 72

GCD(a, b) = 8

To find factors of a number (n):

Since factors come in pairs,

(Eg: $2 \times 36 = 72$, so both 2, 36 are factors of 72)

We only need to check from 1 to \sqrt{n} to find all factors of n .

\sqrt{n} = square root of $n = p$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 = n.$$

In the previous examples:

$$\sqrt{32} = 5.656854245$$

so, we need to check from 1 to 5 to find all factors of 32

$$\begin{array}{ll} 5^2 = 25 & 25 < 32 \\ 6^2 = 36 & 36 > 32 \end{array}$$

so, $\sqrt{32}$ is b/w 5 & 6

$$\sqrt{72} = \underline{8. \dots}$$

So, we have to check
from 1 to $\sqrt{72}$ to
find all factors of
 72 .

$$8^2 = 64 < 72$$

$$9^2 = 81 > 72$$

$$\Rightarrow 64 < 72 < 81$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{64} < \sqrt{72} < \sqrt{81}$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 < \sqrt{72} < 9$$

Eg: Find factors of 100.

$$\sqrt{100} = 10, \text{ since } 10^2 = 100$$

$$\begin{array}{l} < 10 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \times 100 \\ 2 \times 50 \\ 4 \times 25 \\ 5 \times 20 \\ 10 \times 10 \end{array} \right. > 10 \end{array}$$

If $a \times b = 100$ and $a, b \neq 10$,
then if $a < 10 \Rightarrow b > 10$

Factors are $\underline{1, 2, 4, 5, 10}$ (labeled < 10) and $\underline{20, 25, 50, 100}$ (labeled > 10)

→ See AI document on how to
find all the factors of a number
(by checking up to its sqrt)

HLU: Find all the factors of
(1) 76 (2) 128 (3) 82 (4) 96
(5) 63 (6) 42 (7) ~~88~~ (8) 120

HLU: Find GCD of
(1) 76 and ~~88~~ (4) ~~88~~ and 96
(2) 120 and 128 (5) 128 and 96
(3) 63 and 42 (6) 42 and 128