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Exercise 1.1

1: Use Euclid's division algorithm to find the HCF of:

i. 135 and 225

ii. 196 and 38220

iii. 867 and 225

Solutions:

i. 135 and 225

As you can see, from the question 225 is greater than 135. Therefore, by Euclid's division algorithm, we have,

$$225 = 135 \times 1 + 90$$

Now, remainder $90 \neq 0$, thus again using division lemma for 90, we get,

$$135 = 90 \times 1 + 45$$

Again, $45 \neq 0$, repeating the above step for 45, we get,

$$90 = 45 \times 2 + 0$$

The remainder is now zero, so our method stops here. Since, in the last step, the divisor is 45, therefore, $\text{HCF}(225, 135) = \text{HCF}(135, 90) = \text{HCF}(90, 45) = 45$.

Hence, the HCF of 225 and 135 is 45.

ii. 196 and 38220

In this given question, $38220 > 196$, therefore the by applying Euclid's division algorithm and taking 38220 as divisor, we get,

$$38220 = 196 \times 195 + 0$$

We have already got the remainder as 0 here. Therefore, $\text{HCF}(196, 38220) = 196$.

Hence, the HCF of 196 and 38220 is 196.

iii. 867 and 225

As we know, 867 is greater than 225. Let us apply now Euclid's division algorithm on 867, to get,

$$867 = 225 \times 3 + 102$$

Remainder $102 \neq 0$, therefore taking 225 as divisor and applying the division lemma method, we get,

$$225 = 102 \times 2 + 51$$

Again, $51 \neq 0$. Now 102 is the new divisor, so repeating the same step we get,

$$102 = 51 \times 2 + 0$$

The remainder is now zero, so our procedure stops here. Since, in the last step, the divisor is 51, therefore, $\text{HCF}(867, 225) = \text{HCF}(225, 102) = \text{HCF}(102, 51) = 51$.

Hence, the HCF of 867 and 225 is 51.

2: Show that any positive odd integer is of the form $6q + 1$, or $6q + 3$, or $6q + 5$, where q is some integer.

Solution:

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Let a be any positive integer and $b = 6$. Then, by Euclid's algorithm, $a = 6q + r$, for some integer $q \geq 0$, and $r = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$, because $0 \leq r < 6$.

Now substituting the value of r , we get,

If $r = 0$, then $a = 6q$

Similarly, for $r = 1, 2, 3, 4$ and 5 , the value of a is $6q+1, 6q+2, 6q+3, 6q+4$ and $6q+5$, respectively.

If $a = 6q, 6q+2, 6q+4$, then a is an even number and divisible by 2. A positive integer can be either even or odd. Therefore, any positive odd integer is of the form of $6q+1, 6q+3$ and $6q+5$, where q is some integer.

3. An army contingent of 616 members is to march behind an army band of 32 members in a parade. The two groups are to march in the same number of columns. What is the maximum number of columns in which they can march?

Solution:

Given,

Number of army contingent members = 616

Number of army band members = 32

If the two groups have to march in the same column, we have to find out the highest common factor between the two groups. $HCF(616, 32)$, gives the maximum number of columns in which they can march.

By Using Euclid's algorithm to find their HCF, we get,

Since, $616 > 32$, therefore,

$$616 = 32 \times 19 + 8$$

Since, $8 \neq 0$, therefore, taking 32 as new divisor, we have,

$$32 = 8 \times 4 + 0$$

Now we have got remainder as 0, therefore, $HCF(616, 32) = 8$.

Hence, the maximum number of columns in which they can march is 8.

4. Use Euclid's division lemma to show that the square of any positive integer is either of the

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form $3m$ or $3m + 1$ for some integer m .

Solutions:

Let x be any positive integer and $y = 3$.

By Euclid's division algorithm, then,

$x = 3q + r$ for some integer $q \geq 0$ and $r = 0, 1, 2$, as $r \geq 0$ and $r < 3$.

Therefore, $x = 3q, 3q+1$ and $3q+2$

Now as per the question given, by squaring both the sides, we get,

$$x^2 = (3q)^2 = 9q^2 = 3 \times 3q^2$$

Let $3q^2 = m$

Therefore, $x^2 = 3m$ (1)

$$x^2 = (3q + 1)^2 = (3q)^2 + 1^2 + 2 \times 3q \times 1 = 9q^2 + 1 + 6q = 3(3q^2 + 2q) + 1$$

Substitute, $3q^2 + 2q = m$, to get,

$$x^2 = 3m + 1$$
 (2)

$$x^2 = (3q + 2)^2 = (3q)^2 + 2^2 + 2 \times 3q \times 2 = 9q^2 + 4 + 12q = 3(3q^2 + 4q + 1) + 1$$

Again, substitute, $3q^2 + 4q + 1 = m$, to get,

$$x^2 = 3m + 1$$
 (3)

Hence, from equation 1, 2 and 3, we can say that, the square of any positive integer is either of the form $3m$ or $3m + 1$ for some integer m .

5. Use Euclid's division lemma to show that the cube of any positive integer is of the form $9m$, $9m + 1$ or $9m + 8$.

Solution:

Let x be any positive integer and $y = 3$.

By Euclid's division algorithm, then,

$x = 3q+r$, where $q \geq 0$ and $r = 0, 1, 2$, as $r \geq 0$ and $r < 3$.

Therefore, putting the value of r , we get,

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$$x = 3q$$

or

$$x = 3q + 1$$

or

$$x = 3q + 2$$

Now, by taking the cube of all the three above expressions, we get,

Case (i): When $r = 0$, then,

$$x^2 = (3q)^3 = 27q^3 = 9(3q^3) = 9m; \text{ where } m = 3q^3$$

Case (ii): When $r = 1$, then,

$$x^3 = (3q+1)^3 = (3q)^3 + 1^3 + 3 \times 3q \times 1(3q+1) = 27q^3 + 1 + 27q^2 + 9q$$

Taking 9 as common factor, we get,

$$x^3 = 9(3q^3 + 3q^2 + q) + 1$$

Putting $(3q^3 + 3q^2 + q) = m$, we get,

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$$x^3 = 9m + 1$$

Case (iii): When $r = 2$, then,

$$x^3 = (3q+2)^3 = (3q)^3 + 2^3 + 3 \times 3q \times 2(3q+2) = 27q^3 + 54q^2 + 36q + 8$$

Taking 9 as common factor, we get,

$$x^3 = 9(3q^3 + 6q^2 + 4q) + 8$$

Putting $(3q^3 + 6q^2 + 4q) = m$, we get ,

$$x^3 = 9m + 8$$

Therefore, from all the three cases explained above, it is proved that the cube of any positive integer is of the form $9m$, $9m + 1$ or $9m + 8$.

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Exercise 1.2

1. Express each number as a product of its prime factors:

- (i) 140
- (ii) 156
- (iii) 3825
- (iv) 5005
- (v) 7429

Solutions:

(i) 140

By Taking the LCM of 140, we will get the product of its prime factor.
Therefore, $140 = 2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 7 \times 1 = 2^2 \times 5 \times 7$

(ii) 156

By Taking the LCM of 156, we will get the product of its prime factor.
Hence, $156 = 2 \times 2 \times 13 \times 3 \times 1 = 2^2 \times 13 \times 3$

(iii) 3825

By Taking the LCM of 3825, we will get the product of its prime factor.
Hence, $3825 = 3 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 17 \times 1 = 3^2 \times 5^2 \times 17$

(iv) 5005

By Taking the LCM of 5005, we will get the product of its prime factor.
Hence, $5005 = 5 \times 7 \times 11 \times 13 \times 1 = 5 \times 7 \times 11 \times 13$

(v) 7429

By Taking the LCM of 7429, we will get the product of its prime factor.
Hence, $7429 = 17 \times 19 \times 23 \times 1 = 17 \times 19 \times 23$

2. Find the LCM and HCF of the following pairs of integers and verify that $LCM \times HCF =$ product of the two numbers.

- (i) 26 and 91
- (ii) 510 and 92
- (iii) 336 and 54

Solutions:

(i) 26 and 91

Expressing 26 and 91 as product of its prime factors, we get,
 $26 = 2 \times 13 \times 1$
 $91 = 7 \times 13 \times 1$

Therefore, $LCM(26, 91) = 2 \times 7 \times 13 \times 1 = 182$

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And HCF (26, 91) = 13

Verification

Now, product of 26 and 91 = $26 \times 91 = 2366$

And Product of LCM and HCF = $182 \times 13 = 2366$

Hence, LCM \times HCF = product of the 26 and 91.

(ii) 510 and 92

Expressing 510 and 92 as product of its prime factors, we get,

$$510 = 2 \times 3 \times 17 \times 5 \times 1$$

$$92 = 2 \times 2 \times 23 \times 1$$

Therefore, LCM(510, 92) = $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 17 \times 23 = 23460$

And HCF (510, 92) = 2

Verification

Now, product of 510 and 92 = $510 \times 92 = 46920$

And Product of LCM and HCF = $23460 \times 2 = 46920$

Hence, LCM \times HCF = product of the 510 and 92.

(iii) 336 and 54

Expressing 336 and 54 as product of its prime factors, we get,

$$336 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 7 \times 3 \times 1$$

$$54 = 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 1$$

Therefore, LCM(336, 54) = $2^4 \times 3^3 \times 7 = 3024$

And HCF(336, 54) = $2 \times 3 = 6$

Verification

Now, product of 336 and 54 = $336 \times 54 = 18,144$

And Product of LCM and HCF = $3024 \times 6 = 18,144$

Hence, LCM \times HCF = product of the 336 and 54.

3. Find the LCM and HCF of the following integers by applying the prime factorisation method.

(i) 12, 15 and 21

(ii) 17, 23 and 29

(iii) 8, 9 and 25

Solutions:

(i) 12, 15 and 21

Writing the product of prime factors for all the three numbers, we get,

$$12 = 2 \times 2 \times 3$$

$$15 = 5 \times 3$$

$$21 = 7 \times 3$$

Therefore,

$$\text{HCF}(12, 15, 21) = 3$$

$$\text{LCM}(12, 15, 21) = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7 = 420$$

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(ii) 17, 23 and 29

Writing the product of prime factors for all the three numbers, we get,

$$17=17\times 1$$

$$23=23\times 1$$

$$29=29\times 1$$

Therefore,

$$\text{HCF}(17,23,29) = 1$$

$$\text{LCM}(17,23,29) = 17 \times 23 \times 29 = 11339$$

(iii) 8, 9 and 25

Writing the product of prime factors for all the three numbers, we get,

$$8=2\times 2\times 2\times 1$$

$$9=3\times 3\times 1$$

$$25=5\times 5\times 1$$

Therefore,

$$\text{HCF}(8,9,25)=1$$

$$\text{LCM}(8,9,25) = 2\times 2\times 2\times 3\times 3\times 5\times 5 = 1800$$

4. Given that $\text{HCF}(306, 657) = 9$, find $\text{LCM}(306, 657)$.

Solutions: As we know that,

$\text{HCF}\times\text{LCM}=\text{Product of the two given numbers}$

Therefore,

$$9 \times \text{LCM} = 306 \times 657$$

$$\text{LCM} = (306\times 657)/9 = 22338$$

Hence, $\text{LCM}(306,657) = 22338$

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5. Check whether 6^n can end with the digit 0 for any natural number n .

Solutions: If the number 6^n ends with the digit zero (0), then it should be divisible by 5, as we know any number with unit place as 0 or 5 is divisible by 5.

Prime factorization of $6^n = (2 \times 3)^n$

Therefore, the prime factorization of 6^n doesn't contain prime number 5.

Hence, it is clear that for any natural number n , 6^n is not divisible by 5 and thus it proves that 6^n cannot end with the digit 0 for any natural number n .

6. Explain why $7 \times 11 \times 13 + 13$ and $7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 + 5$ are composite numbers.

Solutions: By the definition of composite number, we know, if a number is composite, then it means it has factors other than 1 and itself. Therefore, for the given expression;

$7 \times 11 \times 13 + 13$

Taking 13 as common factor, we get,
 $= 13(7 \times 11 \times 1 + 1) = 13(77 + 1) = 13 \times 78 = 13 \times 3 \times 2 \times 13$

Hence, $7 \times 11 \times 13 + 13$ is a composite number.

Now let's take the other number,

$7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 + 5$

Taking 5 as a common factor, we get,
 $= 5(7 \times 6 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 + 1) = 5(1008 + 1) = 5 \times 1009$

Hence, $7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 + 5$ is a composite number.

7. There is a circular path around a sports field. Sonia takes 18 minutes to drive one round of the field, while Ravi takes 12 minutes for the same. Suppose they both start at the same point and at the same time, and go in the same direction. After how many minutes will they meet again at the starting point?

Solutions: Since, Both Sonia and Ravi move in the same direction and at the same time, the method to find the time when they will be meeting again at the starting point is LCM of 18 and 12.

Therefore, $\text{LCM}(18, 12) = 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 36$

Hence, Sonia and Ravi will meet again at the starting point after 36 minutes.

Exercise 1.3

1. Prove that $\sqrt{5}$ is irrational.

Solutions: Let us assume, that $\sqrt{5}$ is rational number.

i.e. $\sqrt{5} = x/y$ (where, x and y are co-primes)

$$y\sqrt{5} = x$$

Squaring both the sides, we get,

$$(y\sqrt{5})^2 = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 5y^2 = x^2 \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Thus, x^2 is divisible by 5, so x is also divisible by 5.

Let us say, $x = 5k$, for some value of k and substituting the value of x in equation (1), we get,

$$5y^2 = (5k)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 5k^2$$

y^2 is divisible by 5 it means y is divisible by 5.

Therefore, x and y are co-primes. Since, our assumption about $\sqrt{5}$ is rational is incorrect.

Hence, $\sqrt{5}$ is irrational number.

2. Prove that $3 + 2\sqrt{5}$ is irrational.

Solutions: Let us assume $3 + 2\sqrt{5}$ is rational.

Then we can find co-prime x and y ($y \neq 0$) such that $3 + 2\sqrt{5} = x/y$

Rearranging, we get,

$$2\sqrt{5} = \frac{x}{y} - 3$$

$$\sqrt{5} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{y} - 3 \right)$$

Since, x and y are integers, thus,

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{y} - 3 \right) \text{ is a rational number.}$$

Therefore, $\sqrt{5}$ is also a rational number. But this contradicts the fact that $\sqrt{5}$ is irrational.

So, we conclude that $3 + 2\sqrt{5}$ is irrational.

3. Prove that the following are irrationals:

(i) $1/\sqrt{2}$

(ii) $7\sqrt{5}$

(iii) $6 + \sqrt{2}$

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Solutions:

(i) $1/\sqrt{2}$

Let us assume $1/\sqrt{2}$ is rational.

Then we can find co-prime x and y ($y \neq 0$) such that $1/\sqrt{2} = x/y$

Rearranging, we get,

$$\sqrt{2} = y/x$$

Since, x and y are integers, thus, $\sqrt{2}$ is a rational number, which contradicts the fact that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

Hence, we can conclude that $1/\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

(ii) $7\sqrt{5}$

Let us assume $7\sqrt{5}$ is a rational number.

Then we can find co-prime a and b ($b \neq 0$) such that $7\sqrt{5} = x/y$

Rearranging, we get,

$$\sqrt{5} = x/7y$$

Since, x and y are integers, thus, $\sqrt{5}$ is a rational number, which contradicts the fact that $\sqrt{5}$ is irrational.

Hence, we can conclude that $7\sqrt{5}$ is irrational.

(iii) $6 + \sqrt{2}$

Let us assume $6 + \sqrt{2}$ is a rational number.

Then we can find co-primes x and y ($y \neq 0$) such that $6 + \sqrt{2} = x/y$.

Rearranging, we get,

$$\sqrt{2} = (x/y) - 6$$

Since, x and y are integers, thus $(x/y) - 6$ is a rational number and therefore, $\sqrt{2}$ is rational. This contradicts the fact that $\sqrt{2}$ is an irrational number.

Hence, we can conclude that $6 + \sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

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Exercise 1.4

1. Without actually performing the long division, state whether the following rational numbers will have a terminating decimal expansion or a non-terminating repeating decimal expansion:

(i) $13/3125$ (ii) $17/8$ (iii) $64/455$ (iv) $15/1600$ (v) $29/343$ (vi) $23/(2^3 \cdot 5^2)$ (vii) $129/(2^2 \cdot 5^7 \cdot 7^5)$ (viii) $6/15$ (ix) $35/50$
(x) $77/210$

Solutions:

Note: If the denominator has only factors of 2 and 5 or in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$ then it has terminating decimal expansion.

If the denominator has factors other than 2 and 5 then it has a non-terminating decimal expansion.

(i) $13/3125$

Factorizing the denominator, we get,

$$3125 = 5 \times 5 \times 5 = 5^5$$

Since, the denominator has only 5 as its factor, $13/3125$ has a terminating decimal expansion.

(ii) $17/8$

Factorizing the denominator, we get,

$$8 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2^3$$

Since, the denominator has only 2 as its factor, $17/8$ has a terminating decimal expansion.

(iii) $64/455$

Factorizing the denominator, we get,

$$455 = 5 \times 7 \times 13$$

Since, the denominator is not in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$, thus $64/455$ has a non-terminating decimal expansion.

(iv) $15/1600$

Factorizing the denominator, we get,

$$1600 = 2^6 \cdot 5^2$$

Since, the denominator is in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$, thus $15/1600$ has a terminating decimal expansion.

(v) $29/343$

Factorizing the denominator, we get,

$343 = 7 \times 7 \times 7 = 7^3$ Since, the denominator is not in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$ thus $29/343$ has a non-terminating decimal expansion.

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(vi) $23/(2^35^2)$

Clearly, the denominator is in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$.
Hence, $23/(2^35^2)$ has a terminating decimal expansion.

(vii) $129/(2^25^77^5)$

As you can see, the denominator is not in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$.
Hence, $129/(2^25^77^5)$ has a non-terminating decimal expansion.

(viii) $6/15$

$6/15 = 2/5$
Since, the denominator has only 5 as its factor, thus, $6/15$ has a terminating decimal expansion.

(ix) $35/50$

$35/50 = 7/10$
Factorising the denominator, we get,
 $10 = 2 \times 5$
Since, the denominator is in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$ thus, $35/50$ has a terminating decimal expansion.

(x) $77/210$

$77/210 = (7 \times 11)/(30 \times 7) = 11/30$
Factorising the denominator, we get,
 $30 = 2 \times 3 \times 5$
As you can see, the denominator is not in the form of $2^m \times 5^n$. Hence, $77/210$ has a non-terminating decimal expansion.

2. Write down the decimal expansions of those rational numbers in Question 1 above which have terminating decimal expansions.

Solutions:

(i) $13/3125$

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$$\begin{array}{r} 3125 \overline{)13.00000} (0.00416 \\ \underline{0} \\ 130 \\ \underline{0} \\ 13000 \\ \underline{-12500} \\ 5000 \\ \underline{-3125} \\ 18750 \\ \underline{18750} \\ 00000 \end{array}$$

$$13/3125 = 0.00416$$

(ii) $17/8$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \overline{)17} (2.125 \\ \underline{-16} \\ 10 \\ \underline{-8} \\ 20 \\ \underline{-16} \\ 40 \\ \underline{-40} \\ 00 \end{array}$$

$$17/8 = 2.125$$

(iii) $64/455$ has a Non terminating decimal expansion

(iv) $15/1600$

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$$1600 \overline{) 15.000000} \quad (0.009375)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 | \\ \hline 150 \\ 0 \\ \hline 1500 \\ 0 \\ \hline 15000 \\ -14400 \\ \hline 6000 \\ -4800 \\ \hline 12000 \\ -11200 \\ \hline 8000 \\ -8000 \\ \hline 0000 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$15/1600 = 0.009375$$

(v) $29/343$ has a Non terminating decimal expansion

(vi) $23/(2^3 5^2) = 23/(8 \times 25) = 23/200$

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$$\begin{array}{r} 200 \overline{) 23.000} \text{ (0.115)} \\ \underline{0} \\ 23 \\ \underline{-0} \\ 230 \\ \underline{-200} \\ 300 \\ \underline{-200} \\ 1000 \\ \underline{-1000} \\ 0000 \end{array}$$

$$23 / (2^3 5^2) = 0.115$$

(vii) $129 / (2^2 5^7 7^5)$ has a Non terminating decimal expansion

(viii) $6/15 = 2/5$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \overline{) 2.0} \text{ (0.4)} \\ \underline{0} \\ 20 \\ \underline{-20} \\ 00 \end{array}$$

(ix) $35/50 = 7/10$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10 \overline{) 7} \text{ (0.7)} \\ \underline{0} \\ 70 \\ \underline{-70} \\ 00 \end{array}$$

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$$35/50 = 0.7$$

(x) $77/210$ has a non-terminating decimal expansion.

3. The following real numbers have decimal expansions as given below. In each case, decide whether they are rational or not. If they are rational, and of the form, p/q what can you say about the prime factors of q ?

(i) 43.123456789

(ii) 0.120120012000120000. . .

(iii) $\overline{43.123456789}$

Solutions:

(i) 43.123456789

Since it has a terminating decimal expansion, it is a rational number in the form of p/q and q has factors of 2 and 5 only.

(ii) 0.120120012000120000. . .

Since, it has non-terminating and non- repeating decimal expansion, it is an irrational number.

(iii) $\overline{43.123456789}$

Since it has non-terminating but repeating decimal expansion, it is a rational number in the form of p/q and q has factors other than 2 and 5.