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2. (10 points) Let the universe of discourse be the real numbers. Prove or give a counter example to the following statement.  
 $\forall x \exists y (x^2 > y^2)$ .
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4. (15 points) Let  $S$  and  $T$  be sets. Use the contrapositive method to prove the following statement.  
 $((S \cap T = \emptyset) \text{ AND } (S \cup T = T)) \Rightarrow (S = \emptyset)$ .  
Suggestion: State the equivalent contrapositive statement and start your argument with: "Assume that  $S \neq \emptyset$ . Then there exists an element  $x \in S$ . ..."
5. (10 points) How many positive divisors does  $360^3$  has? Justify your answer!
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7. (15 points) a) Use the Extended Euclidean Algorithm to find a particular solution of the equation  $33x + 18y = \gcd(33, 18)$ .  
b) Find all the integer solutions of the equation  $33x + 18y = 150$ . Show all your work.  
c) Find all positive integer solutions of the equation  $33x + 18y = 150$ .
8. (15 points) a) Let  $x$  be a positive integer and  $x = p_1^{d_1} p_2^{d_2} \cdots p_n^{d_n}$  its prime decomposition. What can you say about the parity (even or odd) of the exponents in the prime decomposition of  $x^2$ ?  
b) Let  $p$  be a prime. Prove, by contradiction, that the equation  $px^2 = y^2$  does not have any positive integer solutions  $x, y$ . Hint: Use part ??a.  
c) (Bonus 5 points) Prove, by contradiction, that if  $p$  is prime then  $\sqrt{p}$  is not a rational number.

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T	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	F	T	F
F	T	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T

The statements (i) and (ii) are equivalent.

$P$	$Q$	$R$	---
T	T	T	
T	T	F	
T	F	T	
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$$\forall x \exists y (x^2 > y^2).$$

$$\text{Not} (\forall x \exists y (x^2 > y^2))$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$\textcircled{*} \exists x \forall y x^2 \leq y^2.$$

Indeed  $x=0$  is an example.

So  $\textcircled{*}$  is true,

So the original statement is  
False,

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$\underbrace{x < -2}_P$       $\underbrace{x^2 > 4}_Q$   
If  $x^2 \leq 4$ , then  $x \geq -2$ .  
 $\underbrace{x^2 \leq 4}_{\text{Not } Q}$       $\underbrace{x \geq -2}_{\text{Not } P}$

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We will prove the equivalent contrapositive statement:

$$" \text{ If } S \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow ((S \cap T \neq \emptyset) \text{ OR } (S \cup T \neq T)) "$$

$\sim$   
Not A

Not P OR Not Q

Assume that  $S \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x$  be an element in  $S$ . If  $x \in T$ , then  $x$  belongs to both  $S$  and  $T$ , so  $x \in S \cap T$ , so

$$S \cap T \neq \emptyset.$$

If  $x \notin T$ , then  $(x \in S \cup T \text{ and } x \notin T)$

$$\text{so } S \cup T \neq T.$$

Q.E.D

5. (10 points) How many positive divisors does  $360^3$  has? Justify your answer!

Step 1: Find the prime factorization of  $360^3$ .

$$360 = 10 \cdot 36 = 2^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^1$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_w$     $\underbrace{\quad}_w$   
 $2 \cdot 5$     $6^2$   
 $\underbrace{\quad}_w$   
 $2^2 \cdot 3^2$

$$360^3 = (2^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^1)^3 = 2^9 \cdot 3^6 \cdot 5^3$$

Step 2: Every divisor  $d$  of  $360^3$  is of the

form  $d = 2^{d_1} \cdot 3^{d_2} \cdot 5^{d_3}$ , where

$$0 \leq d_1 \leq 9, \quad 10 \text{ possibilities}$$

$$0 \leq d_2 \leq 6, \quad 7 \quad "$$

$$0 \leq d_3 \leq 3, \quad 4 \quad "$$

$360^3$  has  $10 \cdot 7 \cdot 4$  divisors  
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6. (10 points) Let  $x, y, z,$  and  $w$  be positive integers. Assume that  $\gcd(x, z) = 1$  and that  $y|z$ . Prove that if  $x|yw$ , then  $x|w$ .

Recall the following Proposition from class (and textbook),

Proposition: Let  $x, y, w$  be integers. If  $\gcd(x, y) = 1$  and  $x|yw$ , then  $x|w$ .

Assume that  $\gcd(x, z) = 1$  and  $y|z$ . We will prove that  $\gcd(x, y) = 1$ .

Then we conclude that  $x|w$ , using the above proposition,

Let  $c$  be a common divisor of  $x$  and  $y$ . Then  $c|x$  and  $c|y$  and we are given that  $y|z$ . So  $c|z$ .

So  $c$  is a common divisor of  $x, z$ .

So  $c \leq 1$  (because  $\gcd(x, z) = 1$  by assumption), so  $\gcd(x, y) = 1$ .

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a)

$$33x_i + 18y_i = r_i$$

$x_i$	$y_i$	$r_i$	$q_i$
1	0	33	—
0	1	18	—
1	-1	15	1
-1	2	3	1
		0	

$$50 \cdot \gcd(33, 18)$$

$$33 = 18 \cdot \boxed{1} + \boxed{15}$$

$$\gcd(33, 18) = 3$$

$$18 = 15 \cdot \boxed{1} + \boxed{3}$$

$$33(-1) + 18(2) = 3 = \gcd(33, 18)$$

b) One solution of

$$33x + 18y = 150 = 50 \cdot 3$$

$$\text{is } (x_0, y_0) = 50(-1, 2) = (-50, 100).$$

The general solution of the homogeneous equation

$$33x + 18y = 0 \text{ is}$$

$$(x_n, y_n) = \left\{ \left( \frac{18}{3}k, -\frac{33}{3}k \right) ; k \text{ integer} \right\}$$



$(x_n, y_n) \in \{(6k, -11k) : k \text{ integers}\}$   
 The general solution of (†) is  
 $(x, y) = (x_0 + x_n, y_0 + y_n) = (-50 + 6k, 100 - 11k),$

where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

c) Find all positive solutions of (†).

The integer  $k$  should satisfy

$$-50 + 6k > 0 \quad \text{AND} \quad 100 - 11k > 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$6k > 50$$

$$k > \frac{50}{6} = 8\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\boxed{k \geq 9}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$100 > 11k$$

$$9\frac{1}{11} = \frac{100}{11} > k$$

$$\boxed{9 \geq k}$$

The only solution is

$$(x, y) = (-50 + \underbrace{6 \cdot 9}_{54}, \underbrace{100 - 11 \cdot 9}_{99})$$

$$\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_4 \quad \underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_1$$

$$(x, y) = (4, 1).$$

check:  $33 \cdot 4 + 18 \cdot 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 150$



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c) (Bonus 5 points) Prove, by contradiction, that if  $p$  is prime then  $\sqrt{p}$  is not a rational number.

$$a) \quad x^2 = (p_1^{d_1} \cdots p_n^{d_n})^2 = p_1^{2d_1} \cdots p_n^{2d_n}$$

The exponents of  $p_i$  are even, for all  $i$ .

b) The equation  $px^2 = y^2$  does NOT have any positive integer solutions  $x, y$  (given that  $p$  is a prime).

Assume that  $x, y$  are integers and  $px^2 = y^2$ .

The prime  $p$  appears with even exponent (possibly zero) in the prime factorization of  $x^2$ , by part a)

\* So  $p$  appears with odd exponent in the prime factorization of  $px^2$ .

The prime  $p$  appears with even exponent in the prime factorization of  $y^2$ , by part a. Now  $y^2 = px^2$ ,

**\*\*** so  $p$  appears with even exponent in the prime factorization of  $px^2$

The prime factorization is unique, so **\*** and **\*\*** are contradicting statements.

Hence any solution  $x, y$  does not exist.  
integers

c) Suppose that  $\sqrt{p}$  is a rational number. I.e., there exist integers  $x, y$  such that  
$$\sqrt{p} = \frac{y}{x} \quad (x \neq 0)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{p} \cdot x = y$$

So squaring both sides, we get

$$(*) \quad P \cdot x^2 = y^2.$$

So  $(x, y)$  is an integer solution to the equation. This contradicts part (b).

Q.E.D