

Number Theory

Let $a \geq b \geq c > 0$ be real numbers such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there exist triangles of side lengths a^n, b^n, c^n . Prove that the triangles are isosceles.

$a, b, c \rightarrow$ real numbers $n \rightarrow$ Natural No. +ve integer.
 $a \geq b \geq c \rightarrow a$ is the largest side.

Sum of the 2 smaller sides of a $\Delta \geq$ largest side.

$$\frac{a^n}{a^n} < \frac{b^n + c^n}{a^n}$$

$$1 < \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^n + \left(\frac{c}{a}\right)^n$$

$b \leq a \quad c \leq a$

$b < a, c < a$ $b = a, c = a$

when $n \rightarrow \infty$

$\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^n \rightarrow 0$

$\left(\frac{c}{a}\right)^n \rightarrow 0$

$1 < 0 \times$

trivial factory $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 < \frac{b}{a} < 1 \\ 0 < \frac{c}{a} < 1 \end{array} \right.$

$1 < 1 + 1$

$1 < 2$

$\underline{\underline{b = c = a}}$

Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that

$a^2 + b^2 = c^2 \text{ and } c - b = 1 \rightarrow \underline{c = b + 1} \quad \underline{c - 1 = b}$

Prove that

$\nearrow k \in \mathbb{N} \quad a^2 = c^2 - b^2 = (c-b)(c+b) = c+b = b+1+b = \underline{2b+1}$

(i) a is odd. ✓

$a = 2k + 1$

$a^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$

$a^2 = 2b + 1$

$2b \rightarrow$ even. $2b + 1 \rightarrow$ odd.
 a^2 is odd $\therefore a \rightarrow$ odd

(ii) b is divisible by 4. ✓

$4k^2 + 4k + 1 = 2b + 1$

$b = c - 1$

$c \rightarrow$ even, odd.

(iii) $a^b + b^a$ is divisible by c .

$b = 2k^2 + 2k$

$b^2 = c^2 - a^2$

$c^2 - 2c + 1 = c^2 - a^2$

$b = 2k(k+1)$

$(c-1)^2 = c^2 - a^2$

$a^2 = 2c - 1$

$a^b + b^a = a^{c-1} + (c-1)a^c = a^{c-1} + c^a - a \cdot c^{a-1} + \frac{a(a-1)}{2} c^{a-2} - \dots - 1$

$= \underline{(a^{c-1} - 1)} + \left[\underline{c^a - a \cdot c^{a-1} + \frac{a(a-1)}{2} c^{a-2} + \dots + \frac{a!}{(a-1)!} c} \right]$

b is divisible

$a = 2k + 1$

divisible by c

\downarrow
 b is divisible by 4 \therefore let $b = 4m$. $a = 2k+1$ (divisible by 2)
 $\therefore c = b+1 = 4m+1$. $\therefore c-1 = 4m$
 $\therefore a^{c-1} - 1 = a^{4m} - 1 = (a^2)^{2m} - 1 = (2c-1)^{2m} - 1$ (divisible by $2c$)
 $= (2c)^{2m} + 2m(2c)^{2m-1} + \dots + \binom{2m}{2m-1}(2c) + 1 - 1$
 $= (2c)^{2m} + 2m(2c)^{2m-1} + \dots + \binom{2m}{2m-1}(2c)$ (divisible by $2c$)

Let $a, b, c, d > 0$, be any real numbers. Then the maximum possible value of $cx + dy$, over all points on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, must be

- (a) $\sqrt{a^2c^2 + b^2d^2}$
- (b) $\sqrt{a^2b^2 + c^2d^2}$
- (c) $\sqrt{\frac{a^2c^2 + b^2d^2}{a^2 + b^2}}$
- (d) $\sqrt{\frac{a^2b^2 + c^2d^2}{c^2 + d^2}}$

$$cx + dy = ca \cdot \left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + db \cdot \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)$$

$$cx + dy \leq \sqrt{(ca)^2 + (db)^2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^2}$$

$$cx + dy \leq \sqrt{a^2c^2 + b^2d^2}$$

$30 + 58 \leq \sqrt{74} \times 10$
 $5 \times 6 + 7 \times 8 \leq \sqrt{5^2 + 7^2} \sqrt{6^2 + 8^2}$
 $86 \leq 8.7 \times 10$

$$pa + qb \leq \sqrt{p^2 + q^2} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

The value of

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \frac{1}{1+2+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+2021}$$

is

- (a) $\frac{2021}{1010}$
- (b) $\frac{2021}{1011}$
- (c) $\frac{2021}{1012}$
- (d) $\frac{2021}{1013}$

$1+2=3, 1+2+3=6$

$$t_n = \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+n}$$

$$t_n - t_{n+1} = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{2}{n(n+1)}$$

telescopic series

write each term as the difference of 2 terms

$$1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{2}{n(n+1)} = 2 \left[\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right]$$

$$S_n = \sum t_n = 2 \sum \left[\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right]$$

$$t_1 = 2 \left[\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$t_2 = 2 \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

$$t_3 = 2 \left[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right]$$

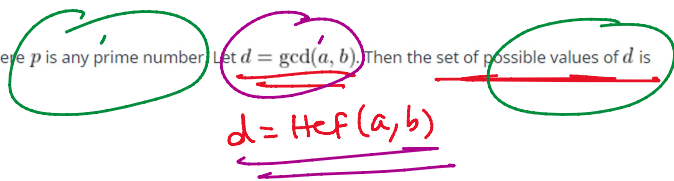
$$\vdots$$

$$t_{2021} = 2 \left[\frac{1}{2021} - \frac{1}{2022} \right]$$

$$S_{2021} = 2 \left[1 - \frac{1}{2022} \right] = \frac{2 \times 2021}{2022} = \frac{2021}{1011}$$

Define $a = p^3 + p^2 + p + 11$ and $b = p^2 + 1$, where p is any prime number. Let $d = \gcd(a, b)$. Then the set of possible values of d is

- (a) $\{1, 2, 5\}$.
- (b) $\{2, 5, 10\}$.
- (c) $\{1, 5, 10\}$.
- (d) $\{1, 2, 10\}$.



$$d = \text{HCF}(a, b)$$

$$a = p^3 + p^2 + p + 11$$

$$a = (p^3 + p) + (p^2 + 1) + 10$$

$$a = p(p^2 + 1) + (p^2 + 1) + 10$$

$$a = (p^2 + 1)(p + 1) + 10$$

$$a = b(p + 1) + 10$$

$$a = d n_2 (p + 1) + 10$$

$$a = d n_1$$

$$b = d n_2$$

d has to divide both a and b

d has to be a divisor of 10.
 $d = 1, 2, 5, 10$

If $d = 1$

$$a = n_1, b = n_2$$

$$n_1 = 2p + 1$$

$$n_2 = 2p + 1$$

$$n_1 = n_2 \times 3 + 10$$

$p = 3$
 $p + 1 = 4$
 $a = n_1 = 25$
 $b = n_2 = 5$
 $n_1 = 4n_2 + 10$
 $n_2 = 3, 5$

$$n_1 = n_2(p + 1) + 10$$

$p \rightarrow$ even $p + 1 \rightarrow$ odd.
 $p \rightarrow$ odd $p + 1 \rightarrow$ even.
 $n_2 \rightarrow$ odd $n_1 \rightarrow$ odd

$b = 2$
 $n \rightarrow 10, 25$

$$n_1 = 4n_2 + 10$$

$n_2 = 1$
 $n_1 = 14$

$n_2 \rightarrow 2, 5, 10$
 $n_2 = 3, 5$

$$n_1 = n_2 \times 3 + 10$$

$n_1 = (2s+1)3 + 10 = 6s + 13$

$b = 2$

$n_1 \rightarrow 19, 25$