

**Worksheet #7; date: 09/19/2018**  
**MATH 55 Discrete Mathematics**

1. (*Rosen 4.3.11*) Show that  $\log_2 3$  is an irrational number. Recall that an irrational number is a real number  $x$  that cannot be written as the ratio of two integers.
2. (*Rosen 4.3.17c*) Determine whether the integers in the following set are pairwise relatively prime:  
 $12, 17, 31, 37$
3. (*Rosen 4.3.25a, f*) What are the greatest common divisors of these pairs of integers?
  - (a)  $3^7 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 7^3, 2^{11} \cdot 3^5 \cdot 5^9$
  - (f)  $1111, 0$
4. (*Rosen 4.3.33e, f; modified*) Use Euclidean algorithm to find
  - (e)  $\gcd(1000, 5040)$
  - (f)  $\gcd(9888, 6060)$

Write the gcd as a linear combination of the two numbers as well.

5. (*Rosen 4.3.50*) Show that if  $a, b$  and  $m$  are integers such that  $m \geq 2$  and  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ , then  $\gcd(a, m) = \gcd(b, m)$ .
6. (*Rosen 4.3.55*) Adapt the proof in the text that there are infinitely many primes to prove that there are infinitely many primes of the form  $4k + 3$ , where  $k$  is a nonnegative integer. *Hint:* Suppose that there are only finitely many such primes  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n$ , and consider the number  $4q_1q_2 \cdots q_n - 1$ .