

TERMS YOU SHOULD KNOW: *the number of divisors of a number, gcd's, lcm's.*

1. Find the *number* of divisors of each of the following numbers. *Note:* You don't have to find the divisors themselves. Some of these numbers look remarkably similar to some in the last section.
 - (a) 21
 - (b) 21,000
 - (c) 26,460
 - (d) 1,000,000
 - (e) 3,000,000
 - (f) p^{111} , where p is prime.
 - (g) $p^3q^4r^5$, where p , q , and r are all prime.
 - (h) n^3m^4 , where n and m are any positive integers.
2. A number has exactly 18 divisors.
 - (a) What are the possible forms of its prime factorization?
 - (b) What is the smallest number with exactly 18 divisors?
 - (c) What is the largest number with exactly 18 divisors?
3. Find the least common multiple (lcm) and the greatest common divisor (gcd) of each pair of numbers.
 - (a) 21 and 14
 - (b) 2^35^9 and $2^43^75^2$
 - (c) 1,000,000 and 3,000,000
 - (d) 1 and n , where n is any positive integer.
 - (e) p^{111} and p^{112} , where p is prime.
 - (f) $p^3q^4r^5$ and pq^9r^2s , where p , q , r , and s are all prime.
 - (g) 21,000 and 26,460

- 1a. Since $21 = 3 \cdot 7$, this has $(1 + 1)(1 + 1) = 4$ divisors.
 1b. Since $21,000 = 2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 7$, this has $(4)(2)(4)(2) = 64$ divisors.
 1c. Since $26,460 = 2^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7^2$, this has $(3)(4)(2)(3) = 72$ divisors.
 1d. Since $1,000,000 = 2^6 \cdot 5^6$, this has $(7)(7) = 49$ divisors.
 1e. Since $3,000,000 = 2^6 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^6$, this has $(7)(2)(7) = 98$ divisors.
 1f. $111 + 1 = 112$.
 1g. $(4)(5)(6) = 120$.
 1h. Since we don't know if n and m are prime, there is no way to know how many divisors n^3m^4 has.

2a. Well, $18 = 2 \cdot 3^2$, so we can figure out the different ways to partition one 2 and two 3's:

$$\begin{aligned} (2 \cdot 3^2) &= (17 + 1) \\ (2)(3^2) &= (1 + 1)(8 + 1) \\ (2 \cdot 3)(3) &= (5 + 1)(2 + 1) \\ (2)(3)(3) &= (1 + 1)(2 + 1)(2 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

So, using the formula for $d(n)$ and the partitions above, the four possible prime factorizations of a number with exactly 18 divisors are, respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} p^{17} \\ p \cdot q^8 \\ p^5 \cdot q^2 \\ p \cdot q^2 \cdot r^2 \end{aligned}$$

- 2b. Using the previous answer, just plug in the smallest possible primes into each form and see which gives the smallest number. So, we compare 2^{17} , $3 \cdot 2^8$, $2^5 \cdot 3^2$, and $5 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 3^2$. The smallest is the last one, which equals 180.
 2c. There is no such largest number, since there is no largest prime.

3a. Since $21 = 3 \cdot 7$ and $14 = 2 \cdot 7$, their lcm is $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = 42$ and their gcd is 7.

3b. Their lcm is $2^4 3^7 5^9$ and their gcd is $2^3 5^2$.

3c. Since 1,000,000 divides 3,000,000, their lcm is 3,000,000 and their gcd is 1,000,000.

3d. Their lcm is n and their gcd is 1.

3e. Since p^{111} divides p^{112} , their lcm is p^{112} and their gcd is p^{111} .

3f. Their lcm is $p^3q^9r^5s$ and their gcd is pq^4r^2 .

3g. Since $21,000 = 2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 7$ and $26,460 = 2^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7^2$, their lcm is $2^3 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 7^2$ and their gcd is $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$.