CSI 30 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

Topic 10: Primes, GCD, LCM

OUTLINE

(References: 4.3)

- 1. Primes
- 2. GCD and LCM
- 3. Relatively Prime

1. Primes

- (a) DEF: Be careful to exclude 1 ...
- (b) Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic
- (c) Check up to square root.
- (d) Some big open problems ...
 - i. Twin Prime Conjecture (read about Zhang on page 280)
 - ii. Goldbach's Conjecture

2. LCM and GCD

- (a) Definition. Note distinction.
- (b) Questions:
 - i. Always GCD \leq LCM?
 - ii. Possible for GCD = LCM?
- (c) Finding GCD and LCM.
 - i. Find prime factorization (in both cases)
 - ii. For each prime factor take the least exponent (for GCD), and take the greatest exponent (for LCM).
 - iii. Take the product of each prime factor to its exponent

3. Relatively Prime

- (a) DEF.
- 4. Exercises

Section 4.3: 1 - 5, 14, 24 - 27, 30

Section 4.3: 28, 29 (skip verification part)