

**Number Of factors Of An Integer:** The number of possible integer factors of an integer can be found as follows. Write the integer in terms of its prime decomposition. Add 1 to each of the exponents appearing in the prime decomposition. Multiply these numbers together.

Ex: How many factors does 72 have?

Soln:  $72 = 2^3 \cdot 3^2$ , so the number of factors of 72 is  $(3+1)(2+1) = 12$ .

Any factor of 72 must divide  $2^3 \cdot 3^2$ , and so must be composed of products of powers of 2 and powers of 3. The only powers of 2 possible are 0, 1, 2, and 3. The only powers of 3 possible are 0, 1, and 2. Each possible power of 2 can be combined with any of the possible powers of 3 giving  $4 \times 3 = 12$  possible factors of 72.

Ex: How many odd factors does 72 have?

Soln: No odd factor can be divisible by 2. Therefore there are  $(1)(2+1) = 3$  odd factors.

Ex: How many even factors does 72 have?

Soln: We know the answer must be  $12 - 3 = 9$  (why?). Now let us work it out.

Every even factor must be divisible by 2. Therefore the power of 2 in the prime decomposition of any even factor must be greater than 0, giving  $(3)(2+1) = 9$ .

Ex: What kinds of integers have an odd number of factors?

Soln: The product  $(e_1 + 1)(e_2 + 1)(e_3 + 1) \dots$  must be odd, where  $e_1$ , etc. are the exponents in the prime decomposition of the integer. Therefore none of the  $(e + 1)$  can be even. Therefore all of the  $e_1$ , etc. must be even. Therefore the integer must be a perfect square. **Only perfect squares have an odd number of factors.**

**Sum of Consecutive Integers:** A common question is to say “The sum of N consecutive integers is M”, and then to ask a question about the integers. To quickly find the required integers estimate  $M / N$ . The result is very close to the middle of the required string of integers.

Ex: What is the smaller of the two consecutive integers whose sum is 64,261?

$64,261 / 2 = 32,130.5$  so try 32,130 and 32,131 (these work!) so the answer is 32,130.

Another Way: Let x be the unknown integer. Then  $x + (x + 1) = 2x + 1 = 64,261$  so

$$2x = 64,260 \text{ so } x = 32,130$$

**Product of Consecutive Integers:** A common question is to say “The product of N consecutive integers is M”, and then to ask a question about the integers. To quickly find the required integers estimate  $M^{1/N}$ . The result is very close to the middle of the required string of integers.

Ex: What is the smaller of the two consecutive even integers whose product is 960?

$30^2 = 900$  so the integers are a bit more than 30. Try  $30 \times 32$  and get 960.

BE CAREFUL! We also have  $(-30) \times (-32) = 960$  so the answer is  $-32$ .

**Statistics:** Let  $C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n\}$  be a collection of n numbers.

The **mode** of C is that value in C which occurs most frequently.

The **mean** or **arithmetic mean** of C equals  $(c_1 + c_2 + \dots + c_n) / n$ .

The **geometric mean** of C equals  $(c_1 \cdot c_2 \cdot \dots \cdot c_n)^{1/n}$ .

The **median** of  $C$  is that value of  $C$  which has as many numbers of  $C$  below it as there are above it.

For an odd number of entries in  $C$  the median is unique.

For an even number of entries in  $C$  the median is the average of the two middle numbers.

Ex: Let  $C = \{3, 5, 7, 7\}$ . The mode of  $C$  is 7.

The mean of  $C$  is  $(3 + 5 + 7 + 7) / 4 = 22 / 4 = 5\frac{1}{2}$ .

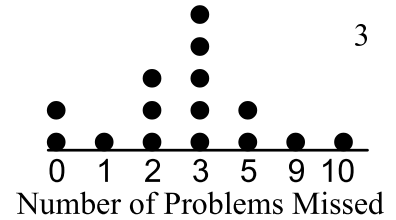
The geometric mean of  $C$  is  $(3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 7)^{1/4} = 735^{1/4} \cong 5.2$ .

The median of  $C$  is  $(5 + 7) / 2 = 6$ .

### Numbers 9 Homework Problems (NO CALCULATORS)

- a) How many factors does 1998 have?
- b) How many odd factors does 1998 have?
- c)  $(81)^{1/2} = 3^m$ . Find  $m$ .
- d) How many prime numbers less than 30 are divisible by 3 or 5?
- e) How many integers between 1 and 100 have an odd number of factors?
- f) The four digit number  $\underline{374n}$  is divisible by 18. Find the unit digit  $n$ .
- g) Express as a common fraction the reciprocal of  $0.\overline{7}$ .
- h) Express as a common fraction:  $0.\overline{56} + 0.\overline{10} - 0.\overline{3}$ .
- i) The sum of three consecutive odd integers is 345. What is the value of the largest integer?
- j) A book is opened and the product of the two page numbers that appear is 3906. What is the sum of the two page numbers?
- k) Simplify:  $\frac{7!}{3!4!}$
- l) If  $15! = n(12!)$ , find  $n$ .
- m) A data set of three positive integers has a mean of 10 and a median of 6. Find the largest possible member of this set.

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n) Use the histogram to determine the mean number of problems missed on the last mathematics test. Express your answer as a decimal. Each • represents two (2) students. What is the mode of this distribution?

o) The mean of a list of 10 numbers is 8. If 17 and  $-1$  are added to the list, what is the new mean?

p) The mean of a list of 27 consecutive multiples of 5 is 425. What is the median?

q) What is  $\frac{(13!)(20!)}{(26!)} + \frac{10}{23}$  ?

r) What is the number of centimeters in the median of the following set of measurements? Express your answer as a decimal to the nearest tenth.

$$\{126 \text{ mm}, 11.8 \text{ cm}, 1.25 \text{ dm}, 0.13 \text{ m}, 10^{-4} \text{ km}\}$$

s) Simplify and express your answer as a common fraction:  $\frac{\frac{2}{3!} + 1}{\frac{1}{2!} + 4}$  .

t) What is the remainder when  $13^{51}$  is divided by 5 ?

u) How many different seven-digit telephone numbers are available if the only restriction is that the first digit cannot be 0 ?

v) For how many two-digit prime numbers is the sum of its digits 8 ?

w) A magazine advertises its \$12 annual subscription price as 70% off the newsstand price. What is the number of dollars per year a reader would spend if the magazine were purchased at the newsstand price?

x) A five-digit positive integer is a “mountain number” if the first three digits are in ascending order and the last three digits are in descending order. For example, 35,761 is a mountain number, but 32,323 and 35,655 are not. How many five-digit numbers greater than 70,000 are mountain numbers?

y) A three-digit number has the same hundreds, tens, and units digit. The sum of the prime factors of the number is 47 . What is the three-digit number?

z) A pair of **emirps** consists of two prime numbers such that reversing the digits of one number gives the other. How many pairs of two-digit emirps exist such that each number in the pair is greater than 11 ?