

## Prime Factorization of Sums and Differences of Two Like Powers

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**Summary.** Representation of a non zero integer as a signed product of primes is unique similarly to its representations in various types of positional notations [4], [3]. The study focuses on counting the prime factors of integers in the form of sums or differences of two equal powers (thus being represented by 1 and a series of zeroes in respective digital bases).

Although the introduced theorems are not particularly important, they provide a couple of shortcuts useful for integer factorization, which could serve in further development of Mizar projects [2]. This could be regarded as one of the important benefits of proof formalization [9].

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From now on a, b, c, d, x, j, k, l, m, n, o denote natural numbers, p, q, t, z, u, v denote integers, and  $a_1, b_1, c_1, d_1$  denote complexes.

Now we state the propositions:

(1)  $a_1^{n+k} + b_1^{n+k} = a_1^n \cdot (a_1^k + b_1^k) + b_1^k \cdot (b_1^n - a_1^n).$ 

(2)  $a_1^{n+k} - b_1^{n+k} = a_1^n \cdot (a_1^k - b_1^k) + b_1^k \cdot (a_1^n - b_1^n).$ 

(3)  $a_1^{m+2} + b_1^{m+2} = (a_1 + b_1) \cdot (a_1^{m+1} + b_1^{m+1}) - a_1 \cdot b_1 \cdot (a_1^m + b_1^m).$ 

Let a be a natural number. Let us note that a is trivial if and only if the condition (Def. 1) is satisfied.

(Def. 1)  $a \leq 1$ .

Let *a* be a complex. Let us note that the functor  $a^2$  yields a set and is defined by the term

C 2016 University of Białystok CC-BY-SA License ver. 3.0 or later ISSN 1426-2630(Print), 1898-9934(Online) (Def. 2)  $a^2$ .

Let a, b be integers. The functors: gcd(a, b) and lcm(a, b) yielding natural numbers are defined by terms

(Def. 3) gcd(|a|, |b|),

(Def. 4) lcm(|a|, |b|),

respectively. Let a, b be positive real numbers. Note that  $\max(a, b)$  is positive and  $\min(a, b)$  is positive.

Let a be a non zero integer and b be an integer. One can check that gcd(a, b) is non zero.

Let a be a non zero complex and n be a natural number. Let us observe that  $a^n$  is non zero.

Let a be a non trivial natural number and n be a non zero natural number. Note that  $a^n$  is non trivial.

Let a be an integer. One can check that |a| is natural.

Let a be an even integer. Note that |a| is even.

Let a be a natural number. Let us note that lcm(a, a) reduces to a and gcd(a, a) reduces to a.

Let a be a non zero integer and b be an integer. Note that gcd(a, b) is positive.

Let a, b be integers. One can check that gcd(a, gcd(a, b)) reduces to gcd(a, b)and lcm(a, lcm(a, b)) reduces to lcm(a, b).

Let a be an integer. Observe that gcd(a, 1) reduces to 1 and gcd(a + 1, a) reduces to 1.

Now we state the proposition:

(4) Let us consider integers t, z. Then  $gcd(t^n, z^n) = (gcd(t, z))^n$ .

Let a be an integer and n be a natural number.

One can verify that  $gcd((a+1)^n, a^n)$  reduces to 1.

Let us consider  $a_1$  and  $b_1$ . One can verify that  $a_1^0 - b_1^0$  reduces to 0.

Let a be a non negative real number and n be a natural number. One can verify that  $a^n$  is non negative and there exists an odd natural number which is non trivial and there exists an even natural number which is non trivial.

Let a be a positive real number and n be a natural number. One can verify that  $a^n$  is positive.

Let a be an integer. One can verify that  $a \cdot a$  is square and  $\frac{a}{a}$  is square and there exists an element of  $\mathbb{N}$  which is non square and every element of  $\mathbb{N}$  which is prime is also non square and there exists a prime natural number which is even and there exists a prime natural number which is odd and every integer which is prime is also non square.

Let a be a square element of N. Observe that  $\sqrt{a}$  is natural.

Let a be an integer. Let us note that  $a^2$  is square and  $a \cdot a$  is square and there exists an integer which is non square and every natural number which is zero is also trivial and there exists a natural number which is square and there exists an element of  $\mathbb{N}$  which is non zero and there exists a square element of  $\mathbb{N}$  which is non trivial and every natural number which is trivial is also square and every integer which is non square is also non zero.

Now we state the propositions:

- (5) Let us consider integers a, b, c, d. If  $a \mid b$  and  $c \mid d$ , then  $a \cdot c \mid b \cdot d$ .
- (6) Let us consider integers a, b. Then  $a \mid b$  if and only if lcm(a, b) = |b|. PROOF: If  $a \mid b$ , then lcm(a, b) = |b| by [8, (16)], [7, (44)].  $\Box$

Let a be an integer. Observe that lcm(a, 0) reduces to 0.

Let a be a natural number. Note that lcm(a, 1) reduces to a.

Let us consider a and b. Let us observe that  $lcm(a \cdot b, a)$  reduces to  $a \cdot b$  and lcm(gcd(a, b), b) reduces to b and gcd(a, lcm(a, b)) reduces to a.

Let us consider integers a, b. Now we state the propositions:

(7)  $|a \cdot b| = (\gcd(a, b)) \cdot \operatorname{lcm}(a, b).$ 

(8)  $\operatorname{lcm}(a^n, b^n) = \operatorname{lcm}(a, b)^n$ . The theorem is a consequence of (4) and (7).

Let a be a square element of  $\mathbb{N}$  and b be a square element of  $\mathbb{N}$ . One can check that gcd(a, b) is square and lcm(a, b) is square.

Let a, b be square integers. One can verify that gcd(a, b) is square and lcm(a, b) is square.

Now we state the proposition:

(9) Let us consider an integer t. Then t is odd if and only if gcd(t, 2) = 1. PROOF: If t is odd, then gcd(t, 2) = 1 by [13, (1)], [14, (5)].  $\Box$ 

Let t be an integer. One can check that t is odd if and only if the condition (Def. 5) is satisfied.

## (Def. 5) gcd(t, 2) = 1.

Let a be an odd integer. Let us observe that |a| is odd and -a is odd.

Let a, b be even integers. Note that gcd(a, b) is even.

Let a be an integer and b be an odd integer. Note that gcd(a, b) is odd.

Let a be a natural number. One can check that |-a| reduces to a.

Let t, z be even integers. One can check that t + z is even and t - z is even and  $t \cdot z$  is even.

Let t, z be odd integers. Note that t + z is even and t - z is even and  $t \cdot z$  is odd.

Let t be an odd integer and z be an even integer. Let us observe that t + z is odd and t - z is odd and  $t \cdot z$  is even.

Now we state the proposition:

(10) Let us consider a non zero, square integer a, and an integer b. If  $a \cdot b$  is square, then b is square.

Let a be a square element of  $\mathbb{N}$  and n be a natural number. Let us observe that  $a^n$  is square.

Let a be a square integer. Note that  $a^n$  is square.

Let a be a non zero, square integer and b be a non square integer. Let us note that  $a \cdot b$  is non square.

Let a be an element of  $\mathbb{N}$  and b be an even natural number. Note that  $a^b$  is square.

Let a be a non square element of  $\mathbb{N}$  and b be an odd natural number. Note that  $a^b$  is non square.

Let a be a non zero, square integer. Note that a + 1 is non square.

Let a be a non zero, square element of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Let us observe that a + 1 is non square.

Let a be a non zero, square object and b be a non square element of N. Let us observe that  $a \cdot b$  is non square.

Let a be a non zero, square integer and n, m be natural numbers. Let us observe that  $a^n + a^m$  is non square.

Let a be a non zero, square element of N. Let us note that  $a^n + a^m$  is non square.

Let a be a non zero, square integer and p be a prime natural number. Note that  $p \cdot a$  is non square.

Let a be a non trivial element of N. One can verify that a - 1 is non zero.

Let q be a square integer. Let us observe that |q| is square.

Let x be a non zero integer. Let us observe that |x| is non zero.

Let a be a non trivial, square element of N. Let us observe that a - 1 is non square.

Let a be a non trivial element of N. Let us note that  $a \cdot (a-1)$  is non square.

Let a, b be integers and n, m be natural numbers. One can verify that  $(a^n + b^n) \cdot (a^m - b^m) + (a^m + b^m) \cdot (a^n - b^n)$  is even and  $(a^n + b^n) \cdot (a^m + b^m) + (a^m - b^m) \cdot (a^n - b^n)$  is even.

Let a be an even integer. Let us note that  $\frac{a}{2}$  is integer.

Let a, b be non zero natural numbers. Note that a + b is non trivial.

Let b be a non zero natural number and a, c be non trivial natural numbers. Let us observe that c-count $(c^{a-\text{count}(b)})$  reduces to a-count(b).

Let a, b be non zero integers. Let us note that  $\frac{a}{\gcd(a,b)}$  is integer and  $\frac{\operatorname{lcm}(a,b)}{b}$  is integer.

Let a be an even integer. One can verify that gcd(a, 2) reduces to 2.

Let us observe that there exists an even natural number which is non zero.

Let a be an even integer and n be a non zero natural number. Let us observe that  $a \cdot n$  is even and  $a^n$  is even.

Let a be an integer and n be a zero natural number. One can check that  $a \cdot n$  is even and  $a^n$  is odd.

Let a be an element of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Note that |a| reduces to a.

One can check that every integer which is non negative is also natural.

Let *a* be a non negative real number and *n* be a non zero natural number. Let us note that  $\sqrt[n]{a^n}$  reduces to *a* and  $(\sqrt[n]{a})^n$  reduces to *a*.

Now we state the propositions:

(11) If  $a \nmid b$ , then  $a \cdot c \nmid b$ .

(12) Let us consider non negative real numbers a, b, and a positive natural number n. Then  $a^n = b^n$  if and only if a = b.

Let a be a real number and n be an even natural number. One can verify that  $a^n$  is non negative.

Let a be a negative real number and n be an odd natural number. One can verify that  $a^n$  is negative.

Now we state the propositions:

- (13) Let us consider real numbers a, b, and an odd natural number <math>n. Then  $a^n = b^n$  if and only if a = b. The theorem is a consequence of (12).
- (14) If a and b are relatively prime, then for every non zero natural number  $n, a \cdot b = c^n$  iff  $\sqrt[n]{a}, \sqrt[n]{b} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $c = \sqrt[n]{a} \cdot \sqrt[n]{b}$ . PROOF: If  $a \cdot b = c^n$ , then  $\sqrt[n]{a}, \sqrt[n]{b} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $c = \sqrt[n]{a} \cdot \sqrt[n]{b}$  by [14, (30)], [11, (11)], [1, (14)].  $\Box$
- (15) Let us consider a non zero natural number n, an integer a, and an integer b. Then  $b^n \mid a^n$  if and only if  $b \mid a$ . PROOF: If  $b^n \mid a^n$ , then  $b \mid a$  by [10, (1)], [14, (3)], (4), [5, (3)].  $\Box$
- (16) Let us consider an integer a, and natural numbers m, n. If  $m \ge n$ , then  $a^n \mid a^m$ .
- (17) Let us consider integers a, b. If  $a \mid b$  and  $b^m \mid c$ , then  $a^m \mid c$ . The theorem is a consequence of (4).
- (18) Let us consider integers a, p. If  $p^{2 \cdot n+k} \mid a^2$ , then  $p^n \mid a$ . The theorem is a consequence of (16), (4), and (12).
- (19) Let us consider odd, square elements a, b of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then  $8 \mid a b$ .

Let us consider odd natural numbers a, b. Now we state the propositions:

- (20) If  $4 \mid a b$ , then  $4 \nmid a^n + b^n$ .
- (21) If  $4 \mid a^n + b^n$ , then  $4 \nmid a^{2 \cdot n} + b^{2 \cdot n}$ .
- (22) If  $4 \mid a^n b^n$ , then  $4 \nmid a^{2 \cdot n} + b^{2 \cdot n}$ .

- (23) Let us consider odd natural numbers a, b. If  $2^m | a^n b^n$ , then  $2^{m+1} | a^{2 \cdot n} b^{2 \cdot n}$ .
- (24)  $a_1{}^3 b_1{}^3 = (a_1 b_1) \cdot (a_1{}^2 + b_1{}^2 + a_1 \cdot b_1)$ . The theorem is a consequence of (2).
- (25) Let us consider an odd natural number n. Then  $3 \mid a^n + b^n$  if and only if  $3 \mid a + b$ . PROOF: Consider k such that  $n = 2 \cdot k + 1$ . If  $3 \mid a^n + b^n$ , then  $3 \mid a + b$  by [14, (173)], [5, (4)], [8, (1), (10)].  $\Box$
- (26) Let us consider an integer c. If  $c \mid a b$ , then  $c \mid a^n b^n$ .
- (27) Let us consider an odd natural number n. Then  $3 \mid a^n b^n$  if and only if  $3 \mid a b$ . PROOF: Consider k such that  $n = 2 \cdot k + 1$ . If  $3 \mid a^n - b^n$ , then  $3 \mid a - b$  by  $[14, (173)], [8, (10)], [5, (4)], [8, (1)]. \square$
- (28) Let us consider a natural number *n*. Then  $a^n \equiv (a-b)^n \pmod{b}$ .
- (29) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a. Then there exists a prime natural number n such that  $n \mid a$ .
- (30) Let us consider a prime natural number p. If  $p \mid (p+(k+1)) \cdot (p-(k+1))$ , then  $k+1 \ge p$ .
- (31) Let us consider a prime natural number p, and a non zero natural number k. If k < p, then  $p \nmid p^2 k^2$ . The theorem is a consequence of (30).
- (32) Let us consider integers a, b, and an odd, prime natural number p. If  $p \nmid b$ , then if  $p \mid a b$ , then  $p \nmid a + b$ .
- (33) Let us consider a non zero, square element a of  $\mathbb{N}$ , and a prime natural number p. If  $p \mid a$ , then a + p is not square.
- (34) Let us consider a non zero, square element a of  $\mathbb{N}$ , and a prime natural number p. If a + p is square, then  $p = 2 \cdot \sqrt{a} + 1$ .
- (35) Let us consider integers a, b, c. Suppose a and b are relatively prime. Then  $gcd(c, a \cdot b) = (gcd(c, a)) \cdot (gcd(c, b))$ .
- (36) Let us consider a prime natural number p. If  $a \mid p^n$ , then there exists k such that  $a = p^k$ .

Let us consider non zero natural numbers a, b and a prime natural number p. Now we state the propositions:

- (37) If a + b = p, then a and b are relatively prime.
- (38) If  $a^n + b^n = p^n$ , then a and b are relatively prime.
- (39) Let us consider non zero natural numbers a, b. If  $c \ge a + b$ , then  $c^{k+1} \cdot (a+b) > a^{k+2} + b^{k+2}$ .

- (40) Let us consider natural numbers a, c, and a non zero natural number b. If  $a \cdot b < c < a \cdot (b+1)$ , then  $a \nmid c$  and  $c \nmid a$ .
- (41) Let us consider real numbers a, b. Then  $a + b = \min(a, b) + \max(a, b)$ .
- (42) Let us consider non negative real numbers a, b. Then
  - (i)  $\max(a^n, b^n) = (\max(a, b))^n$ , and
  - (ii)  $\min(a^n, b^n) = (\min(a, b))^n$ .
- (43) Let us consider a prime natural number p. Suppose  $a \cdot b = p^n$ . Then there exist natural numbers k, l such that
  - (i)  $a = p^k$ , and
  - (ii)  $b = p^l$ , and
  - (iii) k+l=n.
- (44) Let us consider non trivial natural numbers a, b. If a and b are relatively prime, then  $a \nmid b$  and  $b \nmid a$ .
- (45) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and a prime natural number p. If p > a, then  $p \nmid a$  and  $a \nmid p$ . The theorem is a consequence of (44).
- (46) Let us consider a prime natural number p. Then
  - (i) gcd(a, p) = 1, or
  - (ii) gcd(a, p) = p.
- (47) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and a prime natural number p. If  $a \mid p^n$ , then  $p \mid a$ . The theorem is a consequence of (46).
- (48) Let us consider odd natural numbers a, b, and an even natural number <math>m. Then 2-count $(a^m + b^m) = 1$ .
- (49) Let us consider a non zero natural number a. Then there exists an odd natural number k such that  $a = 2^{2-\text{count}(a)} \cdot k$ .
- (50) Let us consider a non zero natural number b. Suppose a > b. Then there exists a prime natural number p such that p-count(a) > p-count(b). PROOF: If for every prime natural number p, p-count $(a) \leq p$ -count(b), then  $a \leq b$  by [12, (20)], [1, (14)].  $\Box$
- (51) Let us consider natural numbers a, b, c. Suppose  $a \neq 1$  and  $b \neq 0$  and  $c \neq 0$  and b > a-count(c). Then  $a^b \nmid c$ . The theorem is a consequence of (11).

Let us consider a non zero integer b and an integer a. Now we state the propositions:

- (52) If  $|a| \neq 1$ , then  $a^{|a|-\operatorname{count}(|b|)} \mid b$  and  $a^{(|a|-\operatorname{count}(|b|))+1} \nmid b$ .
- (53) If  $|a| \neq 1$ , then if  $a^n \mid b$  and  $a^{n+1} \nmid b$ , then n = |a|-count(|b|).

- (54) Let us consider a non zero natural number b, and a non trivial natural number a. Then  $a \mid b$  if and only if a-count(gcd(a, b)) = 1. PROOF: If  $a \mid b$ , then a-count(gcd(a, b)) = 1 by [14, (3)], [6, (22)].  $\Box$
- (55) Let us consider non zero natural numbers b, n, and a non trivial natural number a. Then a-count(gcd(a, b)) = 1 if and only if  $a^n$ -count((gcd(a, b))<sup>n</sup>) = 1. The theorem is a consequence of (15), (54), and (4).
- (56) Let us consider a non zero natural number b, and a non trivial natural number a. Then a-count $(\gcd(a, b)) = 0$  if and only if a-count $(\gcd(a, b)) \neq 1$ . The theorem is a consequence of (54).

Let a, b be integers. The functor a-count(b) yielding a natural number is defined by the term

(Def. 6) |a|-count(|b|).

Let a be an integer. Assume  $|a| \neq 1$ . Let b be a non zero integer. One can check that the functor a-count(b) is defined by

(Def. 7)  $a^{it} \mid b$  and  $a^{it+1} \nmid b$ .

Now we state the propositions:

- (57) Let us consider a prime natural number p, and non zero integers a, b. Then p-count $(a \cdot b) = (p$ -count(a)) + (p-count(b)).
- (58) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and a non zero natural number b. Then  $a^{a-\operatorname{count}(b)} \leq b$ .
- (59) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and a non zero integer b. Then  $a^n \mid b$  if and only if  $n \leq a$ -count(b). PROOF: If  $a^n \mid b$ , then  $n \leq a$ -count(b) by [8, (9)], [7, (89)], [1, (13)]. If  $a^n \nmid b$ , then a-count(b) < n by [8, (9)], [7, (89)].  $\Box$
- (60) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, a non zero integer b, and a non zero natural number n. Then  $n \cdot (a - \operatorname{count}(b)) \leq a - \operatorname{count}(b^n) < n \cdot ((a - \operatorname{count}(b)) + 1)$ . The theorem is a consequence of (4) and (59).
- (61) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and non zero natural numbers b, n. If b < a, then a-count $(b^n) < n$ . The theorem is a consequence of (60).
- (62) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and a non zero natural number b. If  $b < a^n$ , then a-count(b) < n. The theorem is a consequence of (59).
- (63) Let us consider non zero natural numbers a, b, and a non trivial natural number n. Then a + b-count $(a^n + b^n) < n$ . The theorem is a consequence of (62).
- (64) Let us consider non zero natural numbers a, b. Then gcd(a, b) = 1 if and only if for every non trivial natural number  $c, (c-count(a)) \cdot (c-count(b)) = 0$ .

PROOF: If gcd(a, b) = 1, then for every non trivial natural number c,  $(c\text{-count}(a)) \cdot (c\text{-count}(b)) = 0$  by [6, (27)]. If for every prime natural number c,  $(c\text{-count}(a)) \cdot (c\text{-count}(b)) = 0$ , then gcd(a, b) = 1 by [6, (27)].  $\Box$ 

Let us consider a non zero, even natural number m and odd natural numbers a, b. Now we state the propositions:

- (65) If  $a \neq b$ , then 2-count $(a^{2 \cdot m} b^{2 \cdot m}) \ge (2$ -count $(a^m b^m)) + 1$ . The theorem is a consequence of (12), (23), and (59).
- (66) If  $a \neq b$ , then 2-count $(a^{2 \cdot m} b^{2 \cdot m}) = (2$ -count $(a^m b^m)) + 1$ . The theorem is a consequence of (12), (57), and (48).

Let us consider a prime natural number p and integers a, b. Now we state the propositions:

- (67) If  $|a| \neq |b|$ , then *p*-count $(a^2 b^2) = (p$ -count(a b)) + (p-count(a + b)).
- (68) If  $|a| \neq |b|$ , then p-count $(a^3 b^3) = (p$ -count(a b)) + (p-count $(a^2 + a \cdot b + b^2))$ . The theorem is a consequence of (24).
- (69) Let us consider non zero natural numbers a, b. Then  $\frac{a}{\gcd(a,b)} = \frac{\operatorname{lcm}(a,b)}{b}$ . Let us consider a non zero natural number b. Now we state the propositions:
- (70)  $\operatorname{lcm}(a, a \cdot n + b) = ((\frac{a \cdot n}{b}) + 1) \cdot \operatorname{lcm}(a, b)$ . The theorem is a consequence of (69).
- (71)  $\operatorname{lcm}(a, (n \cdot a + 1) \cdot b) = (n \cdot a + 1) \cdot \operatorname{lcm}(a, b)$ . The theorem is a consequence of (70).
- (72) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and non zero natural numbers n, b. Then a-count $(b) \ge n \cdot (a^n$ -count(b)). The theorem is a consequence of (51).

Let us consider odd integers a, b. Now we state the propositions:

- (73)  $4 \mid a b$  if and only if  $4 \nmid a + b$ .
- (74) 2-count $(a^2 + b^2) = 1$ . The theorem is a consequence of (5) and (73).
- (75) Let us consider a prime natural number p, and natural numbers a, b. Suppose  $a \neq b$ . Then p-count $(a + b) \ge p$ -count $(\gcd(a, b))$ .
- (76) Let us consider a non zero integer a, a non trivial natural number b, and an integer c. If  $a = b^{b-\text{count}(a)} \cdot c$ , then  $b \nmid c$ .

Let *a* be a non zero integer and *b* be a non trivial natural number. Let us note that  $\frac{a}{b^{b-\operatorname{count}(a)}}$  is integer and  $\frac{a}{2^{2-\operatorname{count}(a)}}$  is integer and  $\frac{a}{2^{2-\operatorname{count}(a)}}$  is odd.

Now we state the proposition:

(77) Let us consider a non zero integer a, and a non trivial natural number b. Then b-count(a) = 0 if and only if  $b \nmid a$ .

Let a be an odd integer. Observe that 2-count(a) is zero.

Observe that  $\frac{a}{2^{2-\text{count}(a)}}$  reduces to a. Now we state the propositions:

- (78) Let us consider a prime natural number a, a non zero integer b, and a natural number c. Then a-count $(b^c) = c \cdot (a$ -count(b)).
- (79) Let us consider non zero natural numbers a, b, and an odd natural number n. Then  $\frac{a^{n+2}+b^{n+2}}{a+b} = a^{n+1} + b^{n+1} a \cdot b \cdot (\frac{a^n+b^n}{a+b})$ . The theorem is a consequence of (3).
- (80) Let us consider odd integers a, b, and a natural number n. Then 2-count $(a^{2 \cdot n+1} - b^{2 \cdot n+1}) = 2$ -count(a - b). The theorem is a consequence of (13), (2), and (57).
- (81) Let us consider odd integers a, b, and an odd natural number <math>m. Then  $2\operatorname{-count}(a^m + b^m) = 2\operatorname{-count}(a + b)$ . The theorem is a consequence of (80).
- (82) Let us consider odd natural numbers a, b. Suppose  $a \neq b$ . Then  $1 = \min(2\operatorname{-count}(a-b), 2\operatorname{-count}(a+b))$ .

Let us consider a non trivial natural number a and non zero integers b, c. Now we state the propositions:

- (83) If a-count(b) > a-count(c), then  $a^{a$ -count $(c)} | b$  and  $a^{a$ -count $(b)} \nmid c$ .
- (84) If  $a^{a-\operatorname{count}(b)} \mid c$  and  $a^{a-\operatorname{count}(c)} \mid b$ , then  $a\operatorname{-count}(b) = a\operatorname{-count}(c)$ . The theorem is a consequence of (83).
- (85) Let us consider integers a, b, and natural numbers m, n. If  $a^n \mid b$  and  $a^m \nmid b$ , then m > n. The theorem is a consequence of (16).

Let us consider a non trivial natural number a and non zero integers b, c. Now we state the propositions:

- (86) If a-count(b) = a-count(c) and  $a^n \mid b$ , then  $a^n \mid c$ . The theorem is a consequence of (85).
- (87) a-count(b) = a-count(c) if and only if for every natural number  $n, a^n \mid b$  iff  $a^n \mid c$ .

PROOF: If a-count $(b) \neq a$ -count(c), then there exists a natural number n such that  $a^n \mid b$  and  $a^n \nmid c$  or  $a^n \mid c$  and  $a^n \nmid b$  by (83), [1, (13)], [7, (89)], [8, (9)].  $\Box$ 

- (88) Let us consider odd integers a, b. Suppose  $|a| \neq |b|$ . Then
  - (i)  $2\text{-count}((a-b)^2) \neq 2\text{-count}((a+b)^2)$ , and
  - (ii) 2-count $((a-b)^2) \neq (2$ -count $(a^2)) b^2$ .

The theorem is a consequence of (78), (73), and (87).

(89) Let us consider a non trivial natural number b, and a non zero integer a. Then b-count $(a) \neq 0$  if and only if  $b \mid a$ . PROOF: b-count $(|a|) \neq 0$  iff  $b \mid |a|$  by [6, (27)].  $\Box$ 

- (90) Let us consider a non trivial natural number b, and a non zero natural number a. Then b-count(a) = 0 if and only if  $a \mod b \neq 0$ . The theorem is a consequence of (89).
- (91) Let us consider a prime natural number p, and a non trivial natural number a. Then a-count $(p) \leq 1$ .
- (92) Let us consider non trivial natural numbers a, b, and a non zero natural number c. Then  $a^{(a-\operatorname{count}(b))\cdot(b-\operatorname{count}(c))} \leq c$ . The theorem is a consequence of (58).
- (93) Let us consider a prime natural number p, a non trivial natural number a, and a non zero natural number b. Then a-count $(p^b) \leq b$ . The theorem is a consequence of (89) and (59).
- (94) Let us consider a prime natural number p, and a non trivial natural number a. Then  $(p-\operatorname{count}(a)) \cdot (a-\operatorname{count}(p^n)) \leq n$ . The theorem is a consequence of (92).
- (95) Let us consider non trivial natural numbers a, b, and a non zero natural number c. Then  $(a-\operatorname{count}(b)) \cdot (b-\operatorname{count}(c)) \leq a-\operatorname{count}(c)$ . The theorem is a consequence of (17).
- (96) Let us consider a non zero natural number a, and an odd natural number b. Then 2-count $(a \cdot b) = 2$ -count(a).

Let us consider a non trivial natural number a. Now we state the propositions:

- $(97) \quad a^{n+1} + a^n < a^{n+2}.$
- (98)  $(a+1)^n + (a+1)^n < (a+1)^{n+1}.$
- (99) Let us consider a non trivial, odd natural number a. Then  $a^n + a^n < a^{n+1}$ . The theorem is a consequence of (98).
- (100) Let us consider a non trivial natural number p. If  $a \nmid b$ , then  $(p^a)^c \neq p^b$ .
- (101) Let us consider non zero integers a, b, and a non zero natural number n. Suppose there exists a prime natural number p such that  $n \nmid p$ -count(a). Then  $a \neq b^n$ .
- (102) Let us consider non zero integers a, b, and a non zero natural number n. Suppose  $a = b^n$ . Let us consider a prime natural number p. Then  $n \mid p$ -count(a).
- (103) Let us consider positive real numbers a, b, and a non trivial natural number n. Then  $(a + b)^n > a^n + b^n$ . The theorem is a consequence of (42) and (41).
- (104) Let us consider non zero integers a, b, and an odd, prime natural number <math>p. Suppose  $|a| \neq |b|$  and  $p \nmid b$ . Then p-count $(a^2 b^2) = \max(p$ -count(a b), p-count(a + b)). The theorem is a consequence of (32), (77), and (57).

(105) Let us consider a non trivial natural number a, and a non zero integer b. Then a-count $(a^n \cdot b) = n + (a$ -count(b)).

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