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Pure Mathematics 3370
Assignment 4

DUE: FRIDAY
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Marks

- [3] 1. Find the lcm of 907543 and 324597.
- [7] 2. Prove that $m = [a, b]$ if and only if m is a positive common multiple which divides every common multiple.
- [4] 3. If m and n are positive integers, $(m, n) = 1$, and $mn = s^2$, prove that m and n are squares.
- [11] 4. Let a, b , and c be positive integers. Prove the following using the canonical decomposition of the numbers. (Hint: Take advantage of the symmetry in the problems.)
- (a) If $(a, c) = 1$, prove that $(ab, c) = (b, c)$.
- (b) Prove that $[a, b, c] = \frac{abc(a, b, c)}{(a, b)(b, c)(a, c)}$.
- (c) Prove that $(a, b, c)[a, b, c] = abc$ implies $(a, b) = (b, c) = (a, c) = 1$.

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