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- 1 Given  $m$  and  $n$  as relatively prime positive integers greater than one, show that

$$\frac{\log_{10} m}{\log_{10} n}$$

is not a rational number.

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- 2 Determine the largest number in the infinite sequence

$$1, \sqrt[2]{2}, \sqrt[3]{3}, \sqrt[4]{4}, \dots, \sqrt[n]{n}, \dots$$

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- 3 Let  $T$  be the set of all triplets  $(a, b, c)$  of integers such that  $1 \leq a < b < c \leq 6$ . For each triplet  $(a, b, c)$  in  $T$ , take number  $a \cdot b \cdot c$ . Add all these numbers corresponding to all the triplets in  $T$ . Prove that the answer is divisible by 7.
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- 4 If  $x, y, z$ , and  $n$  are natural numbers, and  $n \geq z$  then prove that the relation  $x^n + y^n = z^n$  does not hold.
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- 5 Find a finite sequence of 16 numbers such that:  
(a) it reads same from left to right as from right to left.  
(b) the sum of any 7 consecutive terms is  $-1$ ,  
(c) the sum of any 11 consecutive terms is  $+1$ .
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- 6 Prove that if coefficients of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  are odd integers, then the roots of the equation cannot be rational numbers.
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- 7 Construct the  $\triangle ABC$ , given  $h_a, h_b$  (the altitudes from  $A$  and  $B$ ) and  $m_a$ , the median from the vertex  $A$ .
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- 8 Three congruent circles have a common point  $O$  and lie inside a given triangle. Each circle touches a pair of sides of the triangle. Prove that the incentre and the circumcentre of the triangle and the common point  $O$  are collinear.
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- 9 Prove that any triangle having two equal internal angle bisectors (each measured from a vertex to the opposite side) is isosceles.
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