

MATHEMATICS ENRICHMENT CLUB.
Solution Sheet 12, July 24, 2017

1. The two conditions can be written as

$$(a) \quad \frac{X}{d} = \frac{X}{t} = A; \quad (b) \quad \frac{X}{d} = \frac{X}{t} = B;$$

for two positive values A and B (every positive number n has at least two divisors: 1 and n).

Note that if $d|n$ then $\frac{n}{d}$ is also a divisor of n , so in particular

$$nB = n \quad \frac{X}{d} = \frac{X}{\frac{n}{d}} = \frac{X}{d} = A$$

and similarly for m

$$mB = m \quad \frac{X}{t} = \frac{X}{\frac{m}{t}} = \frac{X}{t} = A:$$

Putting everything together we see that

$$n = m = \frac{A}{B}:$$

2. We have to prove that no odd number has a square on it's back and squares have an even number on it's back, so we have to ip cards A and D.
3. There were 10 people in the dinner. Nine of them (all but the mathematician) shook hands with different number of people: but, since none of them shook hands with their partners or with themselves, they shook at most 8 hands.

That means that among those 9 guests there has to be one person who shook 8 hands, another shook 7, ..., another shook 1 and someone did not shake hands with any of the guests.

The following diagram express the only possible outcome (black edges represent a handshake, red edges represent the couples and the numbers represent the number of people that each person shook hands with).

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is either an integer (if m was a lower power of two) or it is a rational number with odd denominator. Then clearly

$$2^{k-1}H_n = 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + \frac{2^{k-1}}{3} + 2^{k-3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{2^{k-1}}{n} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{a}{b}$$

where b is an odd number. Therefore, we can write

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{b2^{k-1}H_n - a}{b}$$