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**LARSON—MATH 353—HOMEWORK WORKSHEET 02**

1. Compute the greatest common divisor  $\gcd(455, 1235)$  using Algorithm 1.1.13 from our text. Explain.
2. (a) Let  $y = 10000$ . Compute  $\pi(y) = \#\{\text{primes } p \leq y\}$ .  
(b) The prime number theorem implies  $\pi(x)$  is asymptotic to  $\frac{x}{\log(x)}$ . How close is  $\pi(y)$  to  $\frac{y}{\log(y)}$ , where  $y$  is as in (a)?
3. Let  $a, b, c, n$  be integers. Prove that (a) if  $a|n$  and  $b|n$  with  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , then  $ab|n$ .  
(b) if  $a|bc$  and  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , then  $a|c$ .

The point here is to wrestle with the kind of arguments we've been making in class. You will need to use our formal definition of *divides*.