

- (b) Find an integer x and an integer y which satisfy the following linear diophantine equation.

$$533x + 117y = 65.$$

First find $\gcd(533, 117)$.

$$533 = 4 \cdot 117 + 65$$

$$117 = 1 \cdot 65 + 52$$

$$65 = 1 \cdot 52 + 13$$

$$52 = 4 \cdot 13 + 0$$

$$\therefore \gcd(533, 117) = 13.$$

Since $13 \mid 65$, a solution exists.

$$13 = 65 - 52$$

$$= 65 - (117 - 65)$$

$$= 65(2) - 117$$

$$= (533 - 4 \cdot 117) \times 2 - 117$$

$$= 533(2) + 117(-9).$$

$$\text{So } 533(10) + 117(-45) = 65$$

$\therefore x = 10, y = -45$ is one solution.

6. (6 marks)

- (a) Does there exist a simple graph with vertices having the following degrees?
4, 4, 4, 3, 3, 3, 1, 1.

Explain your answer carefully.

If such a graph existed, it would have total degree $4+4+4+3+3+3+1+1 = 23$.

But the total degree of a graph must be even, so no such graph exists.

- (b) (i) A tree with 10 vertices has

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edges. (Fill in the box.)

- (ii) A tree has 10 vertices with degrees 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, a , b . If a, b are 4 or greater, find a and b .

Total degree of a ~~graph~~ tree with 10 vertices (9 edges) is $9 \times 2 = 18$.

$$\therefore 1+1+1+1+1+1+2+2+a+b = 18$$

$$\text{So } a+b = 8$$

Since each of a, b is 4 or greater, we must have $a = 4, b = 4$.