

1. Long Division

**Definition 0.1.** Given two integers  $a$  and  $b$  with  $b \neq 0$ , there exist unique integers  $q$  and  $r$  such that  $a = bq + r$  and  $0 \leq r < |b|$ .

2. Greatest Common Divisor

**Definition 0.2.** Let  $a$  and  $b$  be integers, not both zero. The largest integer  $d$  such that  $d|a$  and  $d|b$  is called the greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ .

3. Euclidean Algorithm

**Theorem 0.1.** Let  $a$  and  $b$  be integers, not both zero. Then the greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$  is the same as the greatest common divisor of  $b$  and  $a \bmod b$ .

4. Bézout Identity

**Theorem 0.2.** Given integers  $a$  and  $b$ , not both zero,

$$a\mathbb{Z} + b\mathbb{Z} = \{ax + by : x, y \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \gcd(a, b)\mathbb{Z} \quad (1)$$

5. Coprime Integers

**Definition 0.3.** Two integers  $a$  and  $b$  are said to be coprime if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ .

6. Prime and Composite Numbers

**Definition 0.4.** An integer  $p > 1$  is said to be prime if its only positive divisors are 1 and  $p$ . Otherwise, it is said to be composite.

7. The fundamental theorem of arithmetic

**Theorem 0.3.** Every integer greater than 1 can be written as a product of prime numbers, and this factorization is unique up to the order of the factors.

8. Diophantine Equations

**Definition 0.5.** A Diophantine equation is an equation where the unknowns are required to be integers or rational numbers.

9. Rational Root Test

**Theorem 0.4.** Let  $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0$  be a polynomial with integer coefficients. If  $r = p/q$  is a rational root of  $f(x)$ , then  $p$  divides  $a_0$  and  $q$  divides  $a_n$ .

10. Eisenstein's Criterion

**Theorem 0.5.** Let  $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0$  be a polynomial with integer coefficients. If there exists a prime  $p$  such that  $p$  divides  $a_i$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ ,  $p$  does not divide  $a_n$ , and  $p^2$  does not divide  $a_0$ , then  $f(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

11. Linear Diophantine Equations

**Theorem 0.6.** Consider the linear Diophantine equation  $ax+by = c$ , where  $\gcd(a, b, c) = 1$ .

If  $\gcd(a, b) \neq 1$  then, the equation has no solution.

If  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , then the equation has the following general solution:

$$x = x_0 + bt, \quad y = y_0 - at \quad (2)$$

where  $x_0$  and  $y_0$  are particular solutions and  $t$  is an integer.

## 12. Chinese Remainder Theorem

**Theorem 0.7.** Let  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k$  be pairwise coprime integers, and let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$  be any integers. Then the system of congruences

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}, \quad x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2}, \quad \dots, \quad x \equiv a_k \pmod{m_k} \quad (3)$$

has a unique solution modulo  $m_1 m_2 \cdots m_k$ .

The solution is given by

$$x = a_1 M_1 y_1 + a_2 M_2 y_2 + \cdots + a_k M_k y_k \quad (4)$$

where  $M_i = m_1 m_2 \cdots m_k / m_i$  and  $y_i$  is the modular inverse of  $M_i$  modulo  $m_i$ .