

## Quiz 1

1. Use the Euclidean Algorithm to obtain integers  $x$  and  $y$  satisfying the following equation

$$\gcd(56, 72) = 56x + 72y.$$

Sol<sup>n</sup> By Euclidean Algorithm -

$$72 = 1 \cdot 56 + 16 \quad \text{---(1)}$$

$$56 = 3 \cdot 16 + 8 \quad \text{---(2)}$$

$$16 = 2 \cdot 8 + 0 \quad \text{---(3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(56, 72) = 8$$

$$\text{from (1)} \quad 16 = 72 - 56 \quad \text{---(4)}$$

$$\text{from (2)} \quad 8 = 56 - 3 \cdot 16$$

$$8 = 56 - 3(72 - 56) \quad (\text{from 4})$$

$$8 = 4 \cdot 56 + (-3) \cdot 72$$

Thus -  $x = 4, \quad y = -3$

General sol<sup>n</sup> -  $x = 4 + 9n, \quad y = -3 - 7n$

2. If  $a \equiv b \pmod{n_1}$  and  $a \equiv c \pmod{n_2}$ , prove that  $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$ , where  $n = \gcd(n_1, n_2)$ .

Sol<sup>n</sup>-

$$a \equiv b \pmod{n_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_1 \mid a - b \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$a \equiv c \pmod{n_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_2 \mid (a - c) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$n = \gcd(n_1, n_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow n \mid n_1, \quad n \mid n_2 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

from (1), (2), and (3)

$$n \mid a - b, \quad n \mid a - c$$

$$\Rightarrow n \mid a - b - (a - c)$$

$$\Rightarrow n \mid -(b - c)$$

$$\Rightarrow n \mid b - c$$

$$\Rightarrow b \equiv c \pmod{n}. \quad \square$$