

Exercise 5 a) Base case:  $k = 2$ . Suppose  $a_1 | b, a_2 | b$  and  $\gcd(a_1, a_2) = 1$ .

Then  $\text{lcm}(a_1, a_2) = a_1 a_2$  so  $a_1 a_2 | b$  because the least common multiple must divide every other common multiple.

Induction hypothesis: If  $\gcd(a_i, a_j) = 1$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq k$

and  $a_i | b$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$  then  $\prod_{i=1}^k a_i | b$ .

Induction step: Suppose  $\gcd(a_i, a_j) = 1$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq k+1$

and  $a_i | b$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k, k+1$ . Then  $\prod_{i=1}^k a_i | b$  by the hypothesis

But  $\gcd(\prod_{i=1}^k a_i, a_{k+1}) = 1$  by Exercise 4 so  $\prod_{i=1}^{k+1} a_i | b$  by the result for  $k = 2$ .

Exercise 6 b) Here we apply the extended Euclidean algorithm:

STEPS	$q_3$	$r$	$x_3$	$y_3$	$a$	$b$	$x_2$	$x_1$	$y_2$	$y_1$
2					3587	1819	0	1	1	0
1st 3	1	1768	1	-1	1819	1768	1	0	-1	1
2nd 3	1	51	-1	2	1768	51	-1	1	2	-1
3rd 3	34	34	35	-69	51	34	35	-1	-69	2
4th 3	1	17	-36	71	34	17	-36	35	71	-69
5th 3	2	0			17	0	-36			71

so  $d = 17, x = -36, y = 71$

Check:  $\frac{3587}{17} = 211, \frac{1819}{17} = 1$

$$(3587)(-36) + (1819)(71) = -129132 + 129149 = 17$$

Exercise 7 Write  $a = q_1^{e_1} \cdots q_k^{e_k}$  where  $q_1, \dots, q_k$  are primes and each  $e_i \geq 1$

(This is so because  $p^t | a$  forces  $a \geq 2$ )

Now  $p^t | q_1^{e_1} \cdots q_k^{e_k}$

implies  $\exists i$  such  $p^t | q_i^{e_i}$  which, in turn forces  $p = q_i$ . But then  $p^t | p^{e_i}$

implies  $t \leq e_i$  or else  $p^t > p^{e_i}$ .

Exercise 8.  $x = \hat{q}n + \hat{r}$

and  $0 \leq \hat{r} < n$

If  $\hat{r} = 0$  then  $x = (\hat{q} - 1)n + n$  so  $q = \hat{q} - 1$  and  $r = n$  will suffice. If  $\hat{r} > 0$  so that  $1 \leq r = \hat{r} \leq n$  we can use  $q = \hat{q}$  and  $r = \hat{r}$ .

As for uniqueness, suppose  $x = q_1n + r_1 = q_2n + r_2$  where  $1 \leq r_1, r_2 \leq n$ .

Assuming  $r_2 \geq r_1$  we get  $r_2 - r_1 < n$ . But  $(q_1 - q_2)n = r_2 - r_1$  so  $r_2 - r_1 = 0$  and  $r_1 = r_2$ , which also forces  $q_1 = q_2$ .

Exercise 9 b) By 4)  $\varphi(p^e) = p^e \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$

$\gcd(m, n) = 1$  we may write

$m = q_1^{e_1} \cdots q_k^{e_k}$  and  $n = p_1^{f_1} \cdots p_{l'}^{f_{l'}}$  where  $q_i \neq p_j \forall i, j$ .

Thus  $mn = q_1^{e_1} \cdots q_k^{e_k} p_1^{f_1} \cdots p_{l'}^{f_{l'}}$  and

$$\varphi(mn) = mn \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_1}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_k}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_{l'}}\right) = \varphi(m)\varphi(n)$$

Exercise 9 a) Consider

$$1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_t \leq k$$

and

$$m \in \bigcap_{j=1}^t A_{i_j}$$

Observe

$$\begin{aligned} m \in \bigcap_{j=1}^t A_{i_j} &\Leftrightarrow p_{i_1} p_{i_2} \dots p_{i_t} \mid m \\ &\Leftrightarrow p_{i_1} p_{i_2} \dots p_{i_t} \mid \alpha = m \end{aligned}$$

for

$$\alpha \leq \frac{n}{p_{i_1} p_{i_2} \dots p_{i_t}} = \prod_{j=1}^t p_{i_j}^{e_{i_j}-1} \prod_{j \neq i_t} p_j^{e_j}$$

Therefore

$$\left| \bigcap_{j=1}^t A_{i_j} \right| = \frac{n}{p_{i_1} p_{i_2} \dots p_{i_t}}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \bigcap_{j=1}^k A_j^c \right| &= \left| [n] \right| - \left| \bigcup_{j=1}^k A_j \right| \\ &= n - \sum_{t=1}^k (-1)^{t+1} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_t} \left| \bigcap_{j=1}^t A_{i_j} \right| \\ &= n \left( 1 + \sum_{t=1}^k (-1)^t \frac{1}{p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_t}} \right) \\ &= n \left( \prod_{i=1}^k \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 9 c)

$$\varphi(1) = 1$$

$$\varphi(2) = 1$$

$$\varphi(3) = 2$$

$$\varphi(4) = \varphi(2^2) = 2^2 - 2 = 2$$

$$\varphi(5) = 4$$

$$\varphi(6) = \varphi(3)\varphi(2) = 2$$

$$\varphi(7) = 6$$

$$\varphi(8) = \varphi(2^3) = 8 - 4 = 4$$

$$\varphi(9) = \varphi(3^2) = 9 - 3 = 6$$

$$\varphi(10) = \varphi(5)\varphi(2) = 4$$

$$\varphi(11) = 10$$

$$\varphi(12) = \varphi(2^2)\varphi(3) = (2)(2) = 4$$