

Homework 7

Exercise 1: .

e)-2002 is divided by 89?

$$\therefore -2002 \bmod 89 = 45$$

\therefore -2002 is not divided by 89

f) 0 is divided by 19?

$$\therefore 0 \bmod 19 = 0$$

\therefore 0 is divided by 19

g) 1,234,567 is divided by 101?

$$\therefore 1234567 \bmod 19 = 14$$

\therefore 1,234,567 is not divided by 19

h)-100 is divided by 103?

$$\therefore -100 \bmod 103 = 3$$

\therefore -100 is not divided by 103

Exercise 2: .

a) Let a be a positive integer. Show that $\gcd(a, a-1) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \gcd(a, a-1) \\ &= \gcd(a-1, 1) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

b) Use the result of part a) to solve the Diophantine equation

$$a + 2b = 2ab$$

where (a, b) are positive integers

$$\begin{aligned} a + 2b &= 2ab \\ a &= 2(a-1)b \\ b &= \frac{a}{2(a-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Because both a and b are positive integer, we can only get one set of solution, $a = 2$, $b = 1$.

Exercise 3: Extra Credit

Let a and b be two strictly positive integers. Solve $\gcd(a, b) + \text{lcm}(a, b) = b + 9$

Let $a = pd$, $b = qd$, which p, q, d are positive integers

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(a, b) + \text{lcm}(a, b) &= b + 9 \\ pd + \frac{pqd^2}{d} &= qd + 9 \\ pd + pqd - qd &= 9 \\ d(p - q + pq) &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

Because p, q, d are positive integers, we can get these solutions:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d = 9 \\ p = 1 \\ q = 1 \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d = 3 \\ p = 2 \\ q = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

So we can know that $a = 9, b = 9$ and $a = 6, b = 3$