

## Task 04-01

- Write a Python program called **lcm\_gcd.py** to calculate the lowest common multiple (LCM) of two integers
- You may only use basic arithmetic operators - no looping constructs
- You may also leverage Python's built-in greatest common divisor (GCD) function
- Calculate and display the LCM of **447618** and **2011835**
- Upload your solution to the BNL QIS101 SharePoint site

## Task 04-02

- Write a Python program called **herons\_method.py** to implement **Heron's Method** for numerically estimating square roots
- Using the **built-in random** module, generate a random integer  $n$  such that  $1 \leq n \leq 100$
- Using Heron's method, find  $\sqrt{n}$  such that  $|x_{k+1} - x_k| < 10^{-8}$  with  $x_0 = n$
- Display variables  $n$  and  $\sqrt{n}$  with  $\sqrt{n}$  rounded to eight digits to the right of the decimal
- Upload your solution to the BNL QIS101 SharePoint site

## Task 04-03

- Update **factor\_quadratic.py** to properly factor this quadratic:
- For extra street cred (aka bonus points):
  - Factor out and display the GCD shared amongst J, K, and L
  - Strengthen the code to process *negative* coefficients
  - Stop after displaying the first found factor (if any)
  - Handle quadratics like
- Upload your solution to the BNL QIS101 SharePoint site

## Task 04-04

- Add code to **main()** in **gen\_continued\_fractions.py** to display two GCFs that **I discovered** that approximate
- Upload your solution to the BNL QIS101 SharePoint site

GCF #1

$$\pi = 3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{15 + \frac{25}{23 + \frac{65}{31 + \ddots}}}}$$

$$\pi = [3; 1, \{(8n^2-7) | (8n-1)\}]$$

$a_0$   $b_0$   $b_n$   $a_n$   
 $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$

GCF #2

$$\pi = 2 + \frac{8}{6 + \frac{12}{10 + \frac{32}{14 + \frac{60}{18 + \ddots}}}}$$

$$\pi = [2; 8, \{(4n^2+8n) | (4n+2)\}]$$

$a_0$   $b_0$   $b_n$   $a_n$   
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Did I beat Euler?