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COMP90043 Cryptography and Security:  
Assignment 1

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**1 Question 1**  
Euclid's algorithm and Divisibility properties

**1A**

Let  $a, b, c, d$  be integers and  $\text{GCD}(a, b) = 1$ . If  $c|a$  and  $d|b$ , prove that  $\text{GCD}(c, d) = 1$ .

This proof is based on two observations:

1. Let  $a, b, c, x, y \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $c$  be a common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ .  $c$  will also be a common divisor of  $ax$  and  $by$  for  $x, y > 0$ .
2. for  $a, b, x \in \mathbb{N}$  if  $b|a$  there exist  $x$  such that  $bx = a$ .

based on these observations, it is possible to state a proof by contradiction, if there exists a case of  $\text{GCD}(c, d) = e$  where  $e \in \mathbb{N}, e > 1$ , it would be possible to find numbers  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x, y > 0$  where  $cx = a$  and  $dy = b$ . Based on observation 1,  $e$  would then be a common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ . As  $e > 1$  this would make  $\text{gcd}(a, b) > 1$ . This is a contradiction. No such number  $e$  can exist if  $\text{gcd}(a, b) = 1, c|a$  and  $d|b$ .

**1B**

You should perform the following implementation tasks in a language of your choice. You are at free to employ any underlying integer arithmetic library.

- i Implement the extended Euclid's algorithm and only submit the code here.
- ii Implement a function in that takes two positive numbers  $a, n, a < j \leq n$  and output the inverse of  $a \bmod n$  based on your extended Euclid's algorithm. Only submit the code for the function.

The following code snippets contain the implementation of the extended euclidean algorithm and the inverse module in Python.