

# Homework 5

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**Question 6.8.** Compute gcd of (126,224) and (221,299).

$$\gcd(126, 224) = \gcd(126, 98) \quad (1)$$

$$= \gcd(28, 98) \quad (2)$$

$$= \gcd(28, 14) \quad (3)$$

$$= 14 \quad (4)$$

(5)

$$(126)(4) + (224)(-7) = 14 \quad (6)$$

$$896 - 882 = 14 \quad (7)$$

$$14 = 14 \quad (8)$$

$$\gcd(221, 299) = \gcd(221, 78) \quad (9)$$

$$= \gcd(65, 78) \quad (10)$$

$$= \gcd(65, 13) \quad (11)$$

$$= 13 \quad (12)$$

(13)

$$(221)(-4) + (299)(3) = 13 \quad (14)$$

$$-884 + 897 = 13 \quad (15)$$

$$13 = 13 \quad (16)$$

(17)

**Question 6.9.** Find all solutions for the diophantine equations.

a)  $17x + 13y = 200$

1.  $\gcd(17, 13) = 1, 1|200 \therefore$  a solution exists.
2.  $17x + 13y = 1$ 
  3. let  $x = -3, y = 4$
  4.  $17(-3) + 13(4) = 1$
  5.  $1 = 1$
6. soln:  $(x, y) = 200 * (-3, 4)$ 
  7. soln:  $(x, y) = (-600, 800)$
8. let S be the set of solutions to the diophantine equation.
9.  $S = \{(-600 + 15k, 800 + 17k), k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**b)**  $21x + 15y = 93$

1.  $\gcd(21, 15) = 3, 3|93 \therefore$  a solution exists.
2.  $\frac{21x+15y=93}{3}$
3.  $7x + 5y = 31$ 
  4.  $7x + 5y = 1$
  5. let  $x = 3, y = -4$
  6. soln:  $(x, y) = 31 * (3, -4)$
  7. soln:  $(x, y) = (93, -124)$
8. let S be the set of solutions to the diophantine equation.
9.  $S = \{(93 + 5k, -124 - 7k), k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**c)**  $60x + 42y = 104$

1.  $\gcd(60, 42) = 6, 6 \nmid 104 \therefore$  no integer solution exists.

**d)**  $588x + 231y = 63$

1.  $\gcd(588, 231) = 21$  ,  $21|63 \therefore$  a solution exists
2.  $\frac{588x+231y=63}{21}$
3.  $28x + 11y = 3$
4.  $28x + 11y = 1$
5. let  $x = 2, y = -5$
6. soln  $(x,y)=3 * (2, -5)$
7. soln  $(x,y)=(6, -15)$
8. let  $S$  be set of solutions to the diophantine equation.
9.  $S = \{(6 + 11k, -15 - 28k), k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**Question 6.17.** Prove  $\gcd(a + b, a - b) = \gcd(2a, a - b) = \gcd(a + b, 2b)$

**Lemma A.** Assume  $p, q, r$  are all integers such that  $p, q, r \neq 0$

Let  $p|q$  and  $p|r$  evenly

$$p|q \wedge p|r \implies p|q + r$$

$$\text{Since } p|q \implies (\exists k_1)(q = pk_1)$$

$$p|r \implies (\exists k_2)(r = pk_2)$$

$$\therefore q + r = p(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$q + r = p(k_3) \text{ for some integer } k_3 = k_1 + k_2$$

By definition of divisibility  $p|q + r$

**Lemma B.** Let  $a, b, c$  be integers such that  $a, b, c \neq 0$

$$a|b \implies a|bc$$

$$b = ar \text{ where } r \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$bc = arc = (ar)c$$

Since  $rc$  is an integer  $a|bc$

*Proof.*

1. Let  $d_1|(a + b)$  and  $d_1|(a - b)$
2.  $(d_1|(a + b) + (a - b))$

3.  $(d_1|2a)$  (By lemma A)
4.  $(d_1|a - b)$  (By our original assumption)
5.  $(d_1|b)$  (By lemma A)
6.  $(d_1|2b)$  (By lemma A and B)
7. Let  $\gcd(2a, a - b) = d_2$
8.  $d_2|2a$
9.  $d_2|a - b$
10. Thus  $d_1 = d_2$  since  $d_1, d_2$  both divide  $2a \wedge a - b$
11. Let  $d_3|a + b, 2b$
12. Hence  $d_1 = d_3$  since both  $d_1 \wedge d_3$  divide  $a + b \wedge 2b$
13. Lastly,  $d_1 = d_2 \wedge d_1 = d_3 \implies d_2 = d_3$
14. Thus,  $\gcd(a + b, a - b) = \gcd(2a, a - b) = \gcd(a + b, 2b)$

□

**Question 6.18.** Suppose  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ .

*Proof.*  $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = 1$

1.  $\gcd(a, b) = 1 \implies (\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}) (ax + by = 1)$  (Integer Combination)
2.  $(ax + by)^3 = 1^3$  (Cube both sides)
3.  $a^3x^3 + 3a^2x^2by + 3axb^2y^2 + b^3y^3 = 1$  (Expand)
4.  $a^2(x^3 + 3x^2by) + b^2(3axy + by^3)$  (Factor)
5. Let  $m = (x^3 + 3x^2by)$ ,  $n = (3axy + by^3)$  (Declare Vars)
6.  $a^2m + b^2n = 1$  (Substitute back in)
7.  $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = 1$  (Definition of GCD)

□

*Proof.*  $\gcd(a, 2b) \neq 1$

I will prove that  $\gcd(a, b) = 1 \not\Rightarrow \gcd(a, 2b) = 1$  using contradiction.

First, assume  $(\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \neq 0)(\gcd(a, b) = 1 \wedge \gcd(a, 2b) = 1)$ . In other words that both  $(a, b) \wedge (a, 2b)$  respectively are relatively prime.

So  $\gcd(a, b) = 1 \Rightarrow \gcd(a, 2b) = 1$

1.  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$  (Given)
2. Assume  $\gcd(a, 2b) = 1$  (Assumption)
3. Let  $a = 2, b = 5$  (Specify Individual Case)
4.  $\gcd(2, 5) = 1 \therefore a, b$  are relatively prime. (Compute gcd)
5. Now let's consider  $\gcd(a, 2b) = 1$  (Assumption)
6.  $\gcd(2, 2 * 5) = 1$  (Multiplication)
7.  $\gcd(2, 10) = 2 \neq 1$  (Compute gcd)

This contradicts our original assumption  $(\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \neq 0)(\gcd(a, b) = 1 \wedge \gcd(a, 2b) = 1)$

Hence it must be true that  $\gcd(a, b) \not\Rightarrow \gcd(a, 2b) = 1$

□

**Question 6.28.** Suppose that  $\gcd(a, b) = 1, a|n, b|n$ .

*Proof.*  $ab|n$

1.  $a|n, b|n$  (Given)
2.  $(\exists m, n)(c = am, c = bn)$  (Definition of divides)
3.  $\gcd(a, b) = 1 \therefore a, b$  are *relatively prime* (Given)
4.  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that,  $as + bt = 1$  (Integer Combination of  $a, b$ )
5.  $c(as + bt) = c$  (Multiply both sides by  $c$ )
6.  $cas + cbt = c$  (Distributive Property of Multiplication)
7.  $(bn)as + (am)bt = c$  (Substitutions from 2)

$$8. \quad ab(ns + mt) = c \quad (\text{Factor out } ab)$$

$$9. \quad \text{Let } u = ns, v = mt, z = (u + v) \quad (\text{Reassign Variables})$$

$$10. \quad ab(u + v) = c \quad (\text{Rewrite } u = ns, v = mt)$$

$$11. \quad abz = c \quad (\text{Rewrite } z = (u + v))$$

$$12. \quad ab|c \quad (\text{Definition of Divides})$$

As shown through a direct proof, if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1 \wedge a|n \wedge b|n \implies ab|n \quad \square$