

Proofs and writing

Strayer Exercise Set 1.3, Exercises 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 51. Exercises 38, 39, and 40 will be graded as one problem. The generalized version of Lemmas from class on Friday are exercises immediately before Exercise 51. Strayer Exercise Set 1.5, Exercise 83, also on Paper 1. Strayer Exercise Set 6.1, Exercise 8.

Homework Problem 1 (Strayer Chapter 1, Exercise 36). (a) Do there exist integers x and y such that $x + y = 100$ and $(x, y) = 8$?

(b) Prove that there exist infinitely many pairs of integers x and y such that $x + y = 87$ and $(x, y) = 3$.

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Homework Problem 2 (Strayer Chapter 1, Exercise 37). (Transcribe problem statement)

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Homework Problem 3 (Strayer Chapter 1, Exercises 38-40). **Exercise 38** Let a and b be relatively prime integers. Prove that $(a + b, a - b)$ is either 1 or 2.

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Exercise 39 Let a and b be relatively prime integers. Find all values of $(a + 2b, 2a + b)$

Solution:

Exercise 40 Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $(a, 4) = 2$ and $(b, 4) = 2$. Find $(a + b, 4)$ and prove that your answer is correct.

Solution:

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Homework Problem 4. Let $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a_1 \neq 0$ and let $d = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$. Show that $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ is a common divisor of a_1, \dots, a_n if and only if $c \mid d$.

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Homework Problem 5 (Strayer Chapter 1, Exercise 51). Let $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a_0 \neq 0$. Prove that

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) = ((a_1, a_2), a_3, \dots, a_n).$$

Use this method to compute the greatest common divisor of each set of integers in Exercise 34.

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Solution: (Exercise 34)

(a) (18, 36, 63)

(b) (30, 42, 70)

(c) (0, 51, 0)

(d) (35, 55, 77)

(e) (36, 42, 54, 78)

(f) (35, 63, 70, 98)

Homework Problem 6 (Strayer Chapter 1, Exercise 83). Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a, b > 0$ and $(a, b) = 1$. Prove that the arithmetic progression

$$a, a + b, a + 2b, \dots, a + nb, \dots$$

contains infinitely many composite numbers.

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