

Math 470

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Homework 1

1) Decode the Caesar Cipher

When $k=22=-4$

\therefore "ANAGG" probably "Aggie" (Z)

\Rightarrow "An Aggie does not lie cheat or
Steal or tolerate those who do"

z A B C D E F G H
Y
X
W
V
U
T
S
R Q P O N M L K J I

2) 1.3a \rightarrow Encrypt the plaintext message

"The gold is hidden in the garden"

\rightarrow IBX FEPA QL BQ AAXN QW IBX FSVAXN

3) 1.6b \rightarrow Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$. Use the def. of divisibility to prove the following prop of divisibility

IF $a|b$ and $b|a$, then $a=\pm b$

$$\begin{aligned} &\downarrow \\ &\hookrightarrow b=ax \text{ \& } a=by \Rightarrow \cancel{a} = \frac{a}{b} \\ &\quad \hookrightarrow x = \frac{b}{a} \end{aligned}$$

- Since x is an integer $|b| \leq |a|$
- Since y is an integer $|a| \leq |b|$

$$\therefore |a|=|b| \Rightarrow a=\pm b$$

4) 1.9a \rightarrow Use Euclidean algorithm to compute gcd

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(291, 252) &= 3 & \begin{cases} 291 = 1 \cdot 252 + 39 \\ 252 = 6 \cdot 39 + 18 \\ 39 = 2 \cdot 18 + 3 \\ 18 = 6 \cdot 3 + 0 \end{cases} \\ (3) & \end{aligned}$$

5) 1.11 Let $a \neq b$ be positive integers

a) Given $u, v \in \mathbb{Z} : au + bv = 1$. Prove that $\gcd(a, b) = 1$

b) Suppose that there are ints $u \neq v$ $au + bv = 6$.
Is $\gcd(a, b) = 6$? If not, give a counterexample.

a) According to the Extended Euclidean Algorithm
when computing the $\gcd(a, b)$, we compute coefficients
 $u, v \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that $au + bv = \gcd(a, b)$.

$$\therefore \text{because } au + bv = 1 \Leftrightarrow \gcd(a, b) = 1$$

By definition a, b are coprime. (aka Relatively Prime)

b) No it is not necessarily true, Counterexample:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Take } a=2, b=4 \text{ and } u, v=1 &\Rightarrow (2 \cdot 1) + (4 \cdot 1) = 6 \\ \text{However } \gcd(2, 4) &\neq 6. \end{aligned}$$

General:

All the possible values of $\gcd(a, b)$ are $\{1, 2, 3, 6\}$.

This can be found by taking the following process

$$\gcd(a, b) \mid a \text{ AND } \gcd(a, b) \mid b \Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) \mid (au + bv) = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) \mid 6 \quad \therefore \{d \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : d \mid 6\}$$

gcd.py > main

```
1 def gcd(a:int, b:int) -> int:
2     if (b == 0): return a           # Base Case: When one arg is 0, the other is the gcd
3     if (b > a): return gcd(b, a)    # Swap Case: When `b` is larger than `a`, swap the args
4     return gcd(b, a % b)           # Recursive: Else, return gcd of `b` and the remainder of `a/b`
5
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7 def main() -> None:
8     a = 123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789
9     b = 23456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789
10    print("Given:\n\n\t a = %d\n\t b = %d\n\nGCD(a,b) = %d" % (a, b, gcd(a,b)) )
11    print("\nWhere:")
12    print("\ngcd(a:int, b:int) -> int:")
13    print("\tif b == 0 return a")
14    print("\tif b > a return gcd(b,a)")
15    print("\treturn gcd(b, a rem b)")
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18 if __name__ == "__main__": main()
```

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\$ python3.11 gcd.py

Given:

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a = 123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789
b = 23456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789
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GCD(a,b) = 1

Where:

```
gcd(a:int, b:int) -> int:
    if b == 0 return a
    if b > a return gcd(b,a)
    return gcd(b, a rem b)
```