

$$1.2. \quad \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1+3 = 4 = 2^2 & 1+3+5 = 9 = 3^2 \\ \cdot & \therefore & \vdots \end{array}$$


$$1+3+5+7 = 4^2$$

$$\vdots$$

so we have

$$1+3+\dots+2n+1. \text{ Thus we have}$$

$$\text{Thus } 1+3+\dots+2n+1 = k^2$$

1.3. Consider the prime number p where we have $3 \nmid p$.
 Then we have $p = 3k+1$ or $p = 3k+2$
 for some k . If $p = 3k+1$ then $p+2 = 3k+3$,
 so $3 \mid (p+2)$. If $p = 3k+2$ then $p+4 = 3k+6 =$
 $3(k+2)$, so $3 \mid (p+4)$. Therefore for any p
 not divisible by 3 we still have $p+2$, $p+4$ to
 be divisible by 3. Hence such triple is finite. 

1, 2, 6, 7, 9

1. (a) Lemma. For any $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have $[c^2]_3 \neq [2]_3$.
 Proof. Note that $[0^2]_3 = [0]_3$, $[1^2]_3 = [1]_3$,
 and $[2^2]_3 = [4]_3 = [1]_3$.

We show that either a or b is a multiple of 3.

First we consider $[a]_3 = [b]_3 = [0]_3$.

Then we have

$$[c^2]_3 = [a^2]_3 + [b^2]_3 = [0]_3,$$

so c^2 is also a multiple of 3, which isn't PPT.

Next we consider $[a]_3 = [b]_3 = [1]_3$. Then we have

$$[c^2]_3 = [a^2]_3 + [b^2]_3 = [1]_3 + [1]_3 = [2]_3,$$

so $[c^2]_3 = [2]_3$, which is false due to our aforementioned lemma we can't generate a PPT.

Next consider $[a]_3 = [b]_3 = [2]_3$. Then we have

$$[c^2]_3 = [a^2]_3 + [b^2]_3 = [4]_3 + [4]_3 = [8]_3 = [2]_3,$$

like earlier it's not a PPT.

Finally, consider $[a]_3 = [1]_3$, $[b]_3 = [2]_3$, provided without loss of generality. Then we have

$$[c^2]_3 = [a^2]_3 + [b^2]_3 = [1]_3 + [4]_3 = [5]_3 = [2]_3.$$

Hence like earlier it's not a PPT.

- (b) We can guess that exactly one of the a, b, c is a multiple of 5.

First we prove the following lemma.

Lemma. For any $c \in \mathbb{Z}_5$ we have $[c^2]_5 \neq [2]_5$ and $[c^2]_5 \neq [3]_5$.

Proof. We have the following $[1^2]_5 = [1]_5$, $[2^2]_5 = [4]_5$,
 $[3^2]_5 = [9]_5 = [4]_5$, $[4^2]_5 = [16]_5 = [1]_5$. ■

We consider neither a and b aren't divisible by 5.

However

$$\begin{aligned} [1^2]_5 + [1^2]_5 &= [2]_5, \\ [2^2]_5 + [2^2]_5 &= [8]_5 = [3]_5, \\ [3^2]_5 + [3^2]_5 &= [18]_5 = [3]_5, \\ [4^2]_5 + [4^2]_5 &= [32]_5 = [2]_5, \\ [1^2]_5 + [2^2]_5 &= [5]_5 = [0]_5, \\ [1^2]_5 + [3^2]_5 &= [10]_5 = [0]_5, \\ [1^2]_5 + [4^2]_5 &= [17]_5 = [2]_5, \\ [2^2]_5 + [3^2]_5 &= [13]_5 = [3]_5, \\ [2^2]_5 + [4^2]_5 &= [20]_5 = [0]_5, \\ [3^2]_5 + [4^2]_5 &= [25]_5 = [0]_5. \end{aligned}$$

Thus exactly one is divisible by 5.

2. Suppose $d|m$ and $d|n$. Then we have

$$m = dk \text{ and } n = dj \text{ for some } k, j.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } m+n &= dk + dj \\ &= d(k+j), \text{ and} \\ m-n &= dk - dj \\ &= d(k-j). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $d|(m+n)$ and $d|(m-n)$. ■

6. (a) Then we have:

$$(99, 20, 101) \\ \text{and } (143, 24, 145)$$

- (b) Given $c > 1000$ and $c = a+2$ we have

$$a > 998. \text{ Thus we get}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2 = (a+2)^2 = a^2 + 4a + 4,$$

$$\text{so } b^2 = 4a + 4,$$

$$(b/2)^2 = a + 1, \text{ hence}$$

$$a = (b/2)^2 - 1.$$

Thus if $b = 200$ then

$$a = (200/2)^2 - 1 = 100^2 - 1 = 9999.$$

$$\text{Therefore } 9999^2 + 200^2 = 100020001 = 10001^2.$$

- (c) Thus we have our PPT of

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b, c) &= ((b/2)^2 - 1, b, a+2) \\ &= ((b/2)^2 - 1, b, (b/2)^2 + 1). \end{aligned}$$

7. Note that

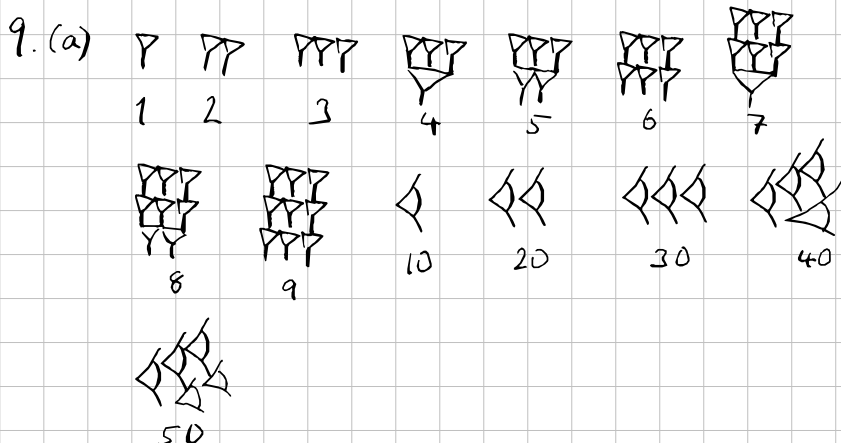
$$\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 12 & 13 \\ 7 & 24 & 25 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 2c - 2a \\ 4 = 2^2 \\ 16 = 4^2 \\ 36 = 6^2 \end{array},$$

so is a squared even number.

Thus for all a, c , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2c - 2a &= s^2 + t^2 - 2st \\ &= (s-t)^2, \end{aligned}$$

hence since s, t are odd $s-t$ is even.

9. (a) 

- (b) The Plimpton 322 is a clay tablet showing the Pythagorean Triple since 1800 BC.

- (c)

3.1 (a) If u and v has a common factor then we have $s = \gcd(u, v)$, so $k|u$ and $k|v$. Thus $u = km$ and $v = kn$ for some m, n . Thus

$$(a, b, c) = (u^2 - v^2, 2uv, u^2 + v^2) \\ = (k^2(m^2 - n^2), k^2(2mn), k^2(m^2 + n^2)).$$

Thus it cannot be a PPT.

(b) Given $5 > 3 > 0$. Then we have
 $(a, b, c) = (u^2 - v^2, 2uv, u^2 + v^2)$
 $= (5^2 - 3^2, 2(5)(3), 5^2 + 3^2)$
 $= (16, 30, 34),$
 which is not a PPT since all are factors of 2.

(c) Given $10 > u > v > 1$. Then we have
 See table

(d) To generate a PPT we require
 i) $v < u$ or $u < v$,
 ii) either u is odd and v is even, or vice versa,
 iii) u and v has no common factors.

(e) i) By contradiction, we consider $v = u$.
 Then we have
 $(a, b, c) = (u^2 - v^2, 2uv, u^2 + v^2)$
 $= (0, 2u^2, 2u^2),$
 which has a common factor of 2, so $v \neq u$.
 Hence $v < u$ or $u < v$.

ii) By contradiction, we consider both u, v either be even or odd. Then we consider two cases.

Case 1. u, v are both even. Then
 $u = 2m, v = 2n$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
 Thus

$$(a, b, c) = (u^2 - v^2, 2uv, u^2 + v^2) \\ = ((2m)^2 - (2n)^2, 2(2m)(2n), (2m)^2 + (2n)^2) \\ = (4(m^2 - n^2), 8mn, 4(m^2 + n^2)),$$

which all have a factor of 4;
 similarly for odd we have

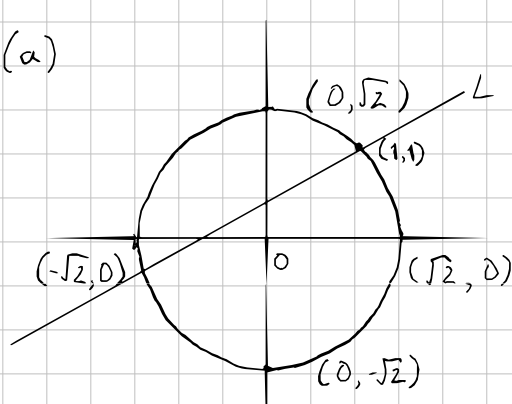
$$(a, b, c) = ((2m+1)^2 - (2n+1)^2, 2(2m+1)(2n+1), (2m+1)^2 + (2n+1)^2) \\ = (4m^2 + 4m + 1 - 4n^2 - 4n - 1, 2(4mn + 2m + 2n + 1), 4m^2 + 4m + 1 + 4n^2 + 4n + 1) \\ = (4(m^2 + m - n^2 - n), 2(4mn + 2m + 2n + 1), 2(2m^2 + 2m + 2n^2 + 2n + 1))$$

which all have a factor of 2.
 Therefore both cases aren't PPT, so either one of u, v can be even or odd.

iii) By definition of PPT. ■

3.2

(a)



Given $x^2 + y^2 = 2$ and goes through $(1, 1)$, we have rational points $(\pm 1, \pm 1)$ and $(\pm 1, \mp 1)$. Note that for any rational of L going through $(1, 1)$ we have
 $L: y = m(x-1) + 1$.

$$\text{Thus } 2 = x^2 + y^2 = x^2 + (m(x-1) + 1)^2 \\ = x^2 + m^2(x-1)^2 + 2m(x-1) + 1 \\ = x^2 + m^2(x^2 - 2x + 1) + 2xm - 2m + 1 \\ = x^2 + x^2m^2 - 2xm^2 + m^2 + 2xm - 2m + 1,$$

we have

$$0 = x^2 + x^2m^2 - 2xm^2 + m^2 + 2xm - 2m - 1 \\ = (m^2 + 1)x^2 + (2m - 2m^2)x + (m^2 - 2m - 1).$$

Note

$$x = \frac{-(2m - 2m^2) \pm \sqrt{(2m - 2m^2)^2 - 4(m^2 + 1)(m^2 - 2m - 1)}}{2(m^2 + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{2m^2 - 2m \pm 2(m+1)}{2(m^2 + 1)},$$

$$\text{so } x = \frac{2m^2 - 2m + 2m + 2}{2(m^2 + 1)} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{2m^2 - 2m - 2m - 2}{2(m^2 + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{2(m^2 + 1)}{2(m^2 + 1)} \quad \text{or} \quad = \frac{2m^2 - 4m - 2}{(m^2 + 1)}$$

$$= 1 \quad (\text{rejected}) \quad \text{or} \quad = \frac{m^2 - 2m - 1}{m^2 + 1}.$$

$$\text{Thus } y = m(x-1) + 1$$

$$= m \left(\frac{m^2 - 2m - 1}{m^2 + 1} - 1 \right) + 1$$

$$= m \left(\frac{m^2 - 2m - 1 - m^2 - 1}{m^2 + 1} \right) + 1$$

$$= m \left(\frac{-2m - 2}{m^2 + 1} \right) + 1$$

$$= \frac{-2m^2 - 2m + m^2 + 1}{m^2 + 1} = \frac{-m^2 - 2m + 1}{m^2 + 1}$$

so every rational points

$$(x, y) = \left(\frac{m^2 - 2m - 1}{m^2 + 1}, \frac{-m^2 - 2m + 1}{m^2 + 1} \right)$$

for $x^2 + y^2 = 2$.

(b) To satisfy $x^2 + y^2 = 3$, we require either x or y , or both to be irrational, and both can't be rational.

3.3 Given $x^2 - y^2 = 1$, it has two points that satisfies, which are $(\pm 1, 0)$.
Thus assuming a line L goes through point $(-1, 0)$.
Then $L: y = m(x+1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thus } 1 &= x^2 - y^2 \\ &= x^2 - (m(x+1))^2 \\ &= x^2 - m^2(x^2 + 2x + 1) \\ &= x^2 - x^2 m^2 - 2xm^2 - m^2 \\ &= (1-m^2)x^2 - 2xm^2 - m^2,\end{aligned}$$

so we have

$$0 = (1-m^2)x^2 - 2xm^2 - m^2 - 1,$$

$$\text{so } x = \frac{2m^2 \pm \sqrt{(-2m^2)^2 - 4(1-m^2)(-m^2-1)}}{2(1-m^2)}$$

$$= \frac{2m^2 \pm 2}{2(1-m^2)},$$

$$\text{so } x = \frac{1+m^2}{1-m^2} \text{ or } x = \frac{m^2-1}{-(m^2-1)} = -1 \text{ (rejected)}$$

$$\text{Thus } y = m(x+1)$$

$$= m \left(\frac{1+m^2}{1-m^2} + 1 \right)$$

$$= m \left(\frac{1+m^2+1-m^2}{1-m^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2m}{1-m^2},$$

so all rational points for $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ is

$$(x, y) = \left(\frac{1+m^2}{1-m^2}, \frac{2m}{1-m^2} \right).$$

3.4 Given $y^2 = x^3 + 8$ with points $(1, -3)$ and $(-7/4, 13/8)$. Then we consider the line passing through those points with $L: y = mx + c$.
Hence

$$m = \frac{-3 - 13/8}{1 - (-7/4)} = \frac{-37/8}{11/4} = \frac{-37}{22}.$$

$$\text{Thus we have } -3 = \frac{-37}{22} + c, \text{ so}$$

$$y = \frac{-37}{22}x - \frac{29}{22}. \text{ Hence we have}$$

$$\left(\frac{-37x - 29}{22} \right)^2 = x^3 + 8, \text{ so}$$

$$(-37x - 29)^2 = 484x^3 + 3872,$$

$$1369x^2 + 2146x + 841 = 484x^3 + 3872,$$

$$484x^3 - 1369x^2 - 2146x + 3031 = 0 \quad (1)$$

Note that $x = 1$ and $x = -7/4$ satisfies (1),
so $(x-1)(x+7/4) = x^2 + 3x/4 - 7/4$,
hence

$$\begin{array}{r} 484x - 1732 \\ x^2 + 3x/4 - 7/4 \overline{) 484x^3 - 1369x^2 - 2146x + 3031} \\ \underline{- 484x^3 + 363x^2 - 847x} \\ - 1732x^2 - 1299x + 3031 \\ \underline{- - 1732x^2 - 1299x - 3031} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Hence we have

$$(484x - 1732)(x-1)(x+7/4) = 0,$$

$$\text{so } x = 433/121, \text{ hence}$$

$$y = \left(\frac{-37}{22} \right) \left(\frac{433}{121} \right) - \frac{29}{22}$$

= , so our third point

$$\text{is } (433/121, -9765/1331) =$$

$$(433/11^2, -9765/11^3).$$

It's rational due to having a polynomial of degree 1 as its solution for (1) without remainders.

Exercise 4.2

(a) Given $(a, b, c) = (xz, yz, z^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + b^3 &= c^2 \\ (xz)^3 + (yz)^3 &= (z^2)^2 \\ x^3 z^3 + y^3 z^3 &= z^4 \\ (x^3 + y^3) z^3 &= z^4 \\ x^3 + y^3 &= z \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have $x=2, y=1$, we have $2^3 + 1^3 = 9$, so $z=9$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + b^3 &= c^2 \\ 2^3 \cdot 9^3 + 1^3 \cdot 9^3 &= 5832 + 729 = 6561 = 81^2, \end{aligned}$$

so $(a, b, c) = (2, 1, 81)$.

Next we have $x=2, y=2$, we have $2^3 + 2^3 = 16$, so $z=16$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + b^3 &= c^2 \\ 2^3 \cdot 16^3 + 2^3 \cdot 16^3 &= 2 \cdot 32768 = 65536 = 256^2, \end{aligned}$$

so $(a, b, c) = (32, 32, 256)$

Finally, we have $x=3, y=1$, we have $3^3 + 1^3 = 28$, so $z=28$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + b^3 &= c^2 \\ 3^3 \cdot 28^3 + 1^3 \cdot 28^3 &= 592704 + 21952 \\ &= 614656 = 784^2, \end{aligned}$$

so $(a, b, c) = (84, 28, 784)$.

(b) Consider $(a, b, c) = (n^2 A, n^2 B, n^3 C)$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (n^2 A)^3 + (n^2 B)^3 &= (n^3 C)^2 \\ n^6 (A^3 + B^3) &= n^6 C^2, \\ \text{assuming } n \geq 2 \text{ we have} \\ A^3 + B^3 &= C^2. \end{aligned}$$

(c) (i) We have $(2, 1, 81)$ to be our primitive.

(ii) We have $(32, 32, 256) = (2^5, 2^5, 2^8)$, so

$$\begin{aligned} (2^5)^3 + (2^5)^3 &= (2^8)^2 \\ 2^{15} + 2^{15} &= 2^{16} \\ 2^{12} (2^3 + 2^3) &= 2^{12} \cdot 2^4 \\ 2^3 + 2^3 &= 4^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus its primitive solution is $(2, 2, 4)$

(iii) We have $(84, 28, 784) = (2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 3, 2^2 \cdot 7, 2^4 \cdot 7^2)$,

$$\begin{aligned} (2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 3)^3 + (2^2 \cdot 7)^3 &= (2^4 \cdot 7^2)^2 \\ 2^6 \cdot 7^3 \cdot 3^3 + 2^6 \cdot 7^3 &= 2^8 \cdot 7^4 \\ (7 \cdot 3)^3 + 7^3 &= 2^2 \cdot 7^4 \\ (7 \cdot 3)^3 + 7^3 &= (2 \cdot 7^2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(21, 7, 98)$ is our primitive solution.

(d) Since $a=b$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + b^3 &= c^2 \\ 2a^3 &= c^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus c is even, so $c = 2k$ and

$$\begin{aligned} 2a^3 &= (2k)^2 \text{ for some } k, \\ &= 4k^2, \\ a^3 &= 2k^2, \end{aligned}$$

so a is also even. Hence $a = 2j$, so

$$\begin{aligned} (2j)^3 &= 2k^2 \text{ for some } j, \\ 8j^3 &= 2k^2, \\ 4j^3 &= k^2, \end{aligned}$$

so k is also even. Thus $k = 2h$

$$\begin{aligned} 4j^3 &= (2h)^2, \text{ for some } h \\ 4j^3 &= 2^2 h^2 \\ j^3 &= h^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus it follows that via our prime factoring theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} j &= p_1^{t_1} p_2^{t_2} \dots p_m^{t_m}, \\ h &= p_1^{s_1} p_2^{s_2} \dots p_n^{s_n}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} j^3 &= h^2 = p_1^{3t_1} p_2^{3t_2} \dots p_m^{3t_m} = p_1^{2s_1} p_2^{2s_2} \dots p_n^{2s_n}, \\ \text{so } p_1^{3t_1} &= p_1^{2s_1}, \text{ hence } 3t_1 = 2s_1, \text{ which means} \\ j^3 &= h^2 = p_1^{6u_1} p_2^{6u_2} \dots p_n^{6u_n} = z^6. \text{ Thus } z^2 = j \text{ and } z^3 = h. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore since $a=b=2j=2z^2$ and $c^2=2a^3=2(2z^2)^3=16z^6$
so $c=4z^4$

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b, c) &= (a, a, c) \\ &= (2z^2, 2z^2, 4z^4) = (z^2 \cdot 2, z^2 \cdot 2, z^3 \cdot 4z) \end{aligned}$$

if $z \neq 1$ then its not primitive, otherwise we have $(2, 2, 4)$. \blacksquare

(e) Using (a) consider $x=6, y=2$. Then

$$z = 6^3 + 2^3 = 216 + 8 = 224.$$

Thus $a = 6 \cdot 224 = 1344, b = 2 \cdot 224 = 448,$

so $c = 224^2$. Thus since $a > 1000,$

$$a^3 + b^3 = 224^4.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad (a) \quad & \gcd(12345, 67890) = \\
 & \gcd(67890, 12345), \text{ so} \\
 & 67890 = 5 \cdot 12345 + 6165, \\
 & 12345 = 2 \cdot 6165 + 15, \\
 & 6165 = 441 \cdot 15 + 0, \\
 & \text{so } \gcd(12345, 67890) = 15.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad & \gcd(54321, 9876), \text{ so} \\
 & 54321 = 5 \cdot 9876 + 4941, \\
 & 9876 = 1 \cdot 4941 + 4935, \\
 & 4941 = 1 \cdot 4935 + 6, \\
 & 4935 = 822 \cdot 6 + 3, \\
 & 6 = 3 \cdot 2 + 0, \\
 & \text{so } \gcd(54321, 9876) = 3.
 \end{aligned}$$

2. We write in Lisp
 (define (gcd a b)
 (if (= b 0)
 a
 (gcd b (remainder a b))))

3. Let $b = r_0, r_1, r_2, \dots$. Then using the Euclidean algorithm
 $r_i = q_{i+2} r_{i+1} + r_{i+2}$ for every $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$.
 Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & r_i > r_{i+1} > r_{i+2}. \\
 \text{Hence since } q_{i+2} & \geq 1, \text{ we have} \\
 & q_{i+2} r_{i+1} \geq r_{i+1} > r_{i+2}, \\
 & q_{i+2} r_{i+1} + r_{i+2} \geq r_{i+1} + r_{i+2} > 2r_{i+2}, \\
 & r_i > 2r_{i+2},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{so } r_{i+2} & < r_i/2. \\
 \text{Thus } r_i/2 & > r_{i+2}, \\
 & r_{i+2} > r_{i+3} > r_{i+4},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{so since } q_{i+4} & \geq 1, \text{ we have} \\
 & q_{i+4} r_{i+2} \geq r_{i+2} > r_{i+4}, \\
 & q_{i+4} r_{i+2} + r_{i+4} \geq r_{i+2} + r_{i+4} > 2r_{i+4}, \\
 & r_{i+2} > 2r_{i+4}, \\
 & r_{i+2}/2 > r_{i+4},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{so we have} \\
 & r_i/4 > r_{i+2}/2 > r_{i+4},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{so we have} \\
 & r_i/2^k > r_{i+2^k} \text{ for } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Thus it follows if} \\
 & 1 > r_0/2^k > r_{2^k},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{we have } r_{2^k} = 0.$$

$$\text{Thus } 2^k > r_0 > 0,$$

$$\text{so } 2^k > r_0,$$

$$\text{hence } \log_2(2^k) > \log_2(r_0),$$

$$k > \log_2(r_0),$$

$$k > \log_2(b),$$

$$k > \log_2(b)/\log_2(2),$$

hence we have $\log_2(b) = \text{number of digits of } b$,

so $k \log_2(2) \text{ steps} > \text{no. of digits of } b$.

We find x, y such that

$$22x + 60y = \gcd(60, 22).$$

Note that

$$60 = 22 \cdot 2 + 16$$

$$22 = 16 \cdot 1 + 6$$

$$16 = 6 \cdot 2 + 4$$

$$6 = 4 \cdot 1 + 2$$

$$4 = 2 \cdot 2 + 0$$

$$\text{so } \gcd(60, 22) = 2.$$

Thus we let $a = 60, b = 22$. Then for

$$\gcd(60, 22) = 22x + 60y$$

we have

$$a = b \cdot 2 + 16$$

$$b = 16 \cdot 1 + 6$$

$$16 = 6 \cdot 2 + 4$$

$$6 = 4 \cdot 1 + 2$$

$$4 = 2 \cdot 2 + 0$$

$$16 = a - b \cdot 2 = a - 2b$$

$$6 = b - 16 \cdot 1$$

$$= b - (a - 2b)$$

$$= -a + 3b$$

$$4 = 16 - 6 \cdot 2$$

$$= (a - 2b) - (-a + 3b) \cdot 2$$

$$= a - 2b + 2a - 6b$$

$$= 3a - 8b$$

$$2 = 6 - 4 \cdot 1$$

$$= (-a + 3b) - (3a - 8b) \cdot 1$$

$$= -a + 3b - 3a + 8b$$

$$= -4a + 11b$$

Thus since $a = 60, b = 22$, we have

$$\gcd(60, 22) = 60(-4) + 22(11).$$