

Assignment: Number Theory theorems - Part 1

1. Bezout Theorem Proof and Example

$$\text{gcd}(a, b) = ax + by$$

Proof: Let, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, not both zero, so

$$S = \{ax + by \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, ax + by > 0\}$$

Hence not both zero, and it consists of positive integers. & smallest positive integer in S call it d ,

$$\text{So } d = ax_0 + by_0. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now we want to show that $d = \text{gcd}(a, b)$.

$$\text{let } r = a \bmod d$$

$$\therefore a = qd + r$$

$$\Rightarrow r = a - qd$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} r &= a - d(ax_0 + by_0) \quad \text{--- from (i)} \\ &= a(1 - qx_0) + b(-qy_0) \end{aligned}$$

So r is also in the set S , but if $r > 0$, then $r < d$, contradicting the minimality of d , So $r = 0$, i.e. $d \mid a$. Similarly, $d \mid b$, so d is a common divisor.

Now suppose c is another common divisor of a and b , then $c \mid ax_0 + by_0 = d$. So d is the greatest common divisor. Hence, $\gcd(a, b) = d = ax_0 + by_0$.
(proved).

Example:

Inverse of $101 \bmod 9620$

Here $101x \equiv 1 \bmod 9620$

we have to find out x which is inverse of this mod.

Here if $x = 1601$ then

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 9620 & 161201 \\ & 161200 \\ \hline & 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 35 \\ \leftarrow x \end{array}$$

So Inverse is 1601
Ans: