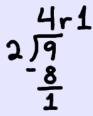
# 1. More definitions

### Modulus

"In computing, the modulo operation finds the remainder after division of one number by another (sometimes called modulus).

Given two positive numbers, a (the dividend) and n (the divisor), a modulo n (abbreviated as a mod n) is the remainder of the Euclidean division of a by n."  $^a$ 



 $9 \mod 2 = 1$ 

If we're dividing a by b, the result is a quotient q. If we're calculating  $a \mod b$ , the result is the remainder r.

We can also write this out as:

 $a = b \cdot q + r$ , where  $0 \le r < b$ , and q and r are the only two integers that will satisfy the equation.

<sup>a</sup>From https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Modulo\_operation

#### Rational numbers

In mathematics, a rational number is any number that can be expressed as the quotient or fraction p/q of two integers, a numerator p and a non-zero denominator q.[1] Since q may be equal to 1, every integer is a rational number. a

The set of rational numbers is written as  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

<sup>a</sup>From https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rational\_number

## Question 1

Prove the following

**Example:** Solve 13 mod 5

$$13 / 5 = 2$$
,  $13 \mod 5 = 3$ ,  $13 = 5 \cdot 2 + 3$ 

15 mod 
$$5 = 5$$
,  $15 = 5 \cdot 2$ 

a. 
$$9 \mod 7$$
  $(13 = 15 \cdot q + r...)$ 

- $b.\ 5\bmod 2$
- c. 15 mod 3
- d. -7 mod 2

## Question 2

Prove the following propositions:

a. If a divides b and a divides c, then a divides b + c. <sup>1</sup>

Start with: b = ak and c = aj and calculate b + c.

b. If a divides b and c divides d, then ac divides bd. <sup>2</sup>

Start with: b = ak, d = cj and calculate bd.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>From Discrete Mathematics by Ensley and Crawley

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>From Discrete Mathematics by Ensley and Crawley