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### Euclidean Algorithm

$a, b$  divide  $a$  by  $b$  with remainder  $a = bq + r$   
 $0 \leq r < b$

the set of common divisors of  $a, b$  is the same as the set of common divisors of  $b$  and  $r$ .

$$d|a, d|b \Rightarrow d|x, d|y \Rightarrow d|r \text{ also}$$
$$r = a - bq = dx - dy \Rightarrow d(x - y)$$
$$\text{so if } d|a \& d|b \Rightarrow d|r$$

Conversely, if  $d|b$  &  $d|r$

$$b = dx, r = dy$$
$$a = bq + r = dxq + dy = d(xq + y)$$
$$\Rightarrow d|a \& d|b$$
$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r)$$

①  $a = bq + r \quad 0 \leq r < b \quad \text{divide } a \text{ by } b$   
②  $b = r_1, r_1 \quad 0 \leq r_1 < r \quad \text{divide } b \text{ by } r$   
③  $r = r_1 q_1 + r_2 \quad 0 \leq r_2 < r_1, \quad \text{divide } r \text{ by } r_1$ ,  
④  $r_1 = r_2 q_2 + r_3 \quad 0 \leq r_3 < r_2 \quad \dots$

$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r) = \gcd(r, r_1) = \gcd(r_1, r_2) = \dots$   
 $b > r > r_1 > r_2 > \dots \rightarrow \text{remainders are getting smaller} \Rightarrow \text{at some point there will be a zero remainder } r_i = r_{i+1} q_{i+2} + 0$

$$\gcd(a, b) = \dots = \gcd(r_i, r_{i+1}) = \gcd(r_{i+1}, 0) = r_{i+1}$$

$$\gcd(n, 0) = n$$

$$\gcd(33, 9) = \gcd(9, 6) = \gcd(6, 3) = \gcd(3, 0)$$
$$33 = 3 \cdot 9 + 6$$
$$9 = 1 \cdot 6 + 3$$
$$6 = 2 \cdot 3 + 0$$

Theorem: Given  $a, b$  natural numbers there exist integers  $x, y$  such that  $ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$

ex:  $a = 5, b = 3 \quad \gcd(5, 3) = 1$  can write 1 as  $1 = 5x + 3y$   
 $1 = 5 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot (-3)$

$$\gcd(44, 13) = 1$$

want  $x, y$  s.t.  $44x + 13y = 1$

$$44 = 3 \cdot 13 + 5$$

$$13 = 2 \cdot 5 + 3$$

$$5 = 1 \cdot 3 + 2$$

$$3 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$2 = 1 \cdot 2 + 0$$

$$5 = 44 \cdot 1 + 13 \cdot (-3)$$

$$3 = 13 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot (-2)$$

$$= 13 \cdot 1 + (44 \cdot 1 + 13 \cdot (-3))(-2) = 13 \cdot 7 - 44 \cdot 2$$

$$2 = 5 \cdot 1 - 3 \cdot 1 = 44 \cdot 1 + 2 + 13 \cdot (-3 - 7) = 44 \cdot 3 - 13 \cdot 10$$

$$1 = 3 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot 1 = 13 \cdot 7 - 44 \cdot 2 - 44 \cdot 3 + 13 \cdot 10 = 44 \cdot (-5) + 17 \cdot 13$$

$$\gcd(44, 13) = \gcd(13, 5) = \gcd(5, 3) = \gcd(3, 2) = \gcd(2, 1) = 1$$

Cor. if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$   $a|b \cdot c \Rightarrow a|c$

Ex:  $4|36 = 3 \cdot 12$

$\gcd(4, 3) = 1 \Rightarrow 4|12$

Recall: if  $a=p$ -prime

Recall if  $p|bc$   $p \nmid b \Rightarrow p|c$

$p$ -prime

this is a special case of the cor. with  $a=p$ -prime

$p$ -prime,  $p \nmid b \Rightarrow (p, b) = 1$

Proof:  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$  - given  $\Rightarrow$

can write 1 as  $ax+by=1$  for some integers  $x, y$

$ac \cdot x + b \cdot cy = c = acx + ady = accx + dy \Rightarrow a|c$

given  $a|bc \Rightarrow b|c = a|c$

HW:  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$

$a|c, b|c \Rightarrow ab|c$

Ex: if  $2|c$        $3|c \Rightarrow 2 \cdot 3 = 6|c$

Diphantine Equations:

given  $a, b, c$  -integers

want to find all integer solutions of  $ax+by=c$

$5x+3y=2, 10x+15y=7$

$10+15y=7$

$\gcd(10, 15)=5$

$5 \nmid 7 \Rightarrow$  no integer solutions

Now SPS  $\gcd(a, b)|c$  then there is always a solution of  $ax+by=c$

$ax+by=c$   
 if  $\gcd(a, b) \nmid c \Rightarrow$   
 this equation has no solutions, or  
 equivalently if  $ax+by=c$   
 has integer solutions  $\Rightarrow \gcd(a, b)|c$

Let  $d = \gcd(a, b)$   
 $a = d\tilde{a}, b = d\tilde{b}$   
 $ax+by = d\tilde{a}x + d\tilde{b}y = d(\tilde{a}x + \tilde{b}y) = c$   
 $\Rightarrow d|c$

Let  $d|c \Rightarrow c = dm$

$d = \gcd(a, b)$

can find  $x_0, y_0$  -integers s.t.

$ax_0+by_0=d=\gcd(a, b)$

$ax_0m+by_0m=dm=c$

solution

Ex:  $5x+3y=4, \gcd(5, 3)=1$   
 first find  $x_0, y_0$  st.  $5x_0+3y_0=1$   
 say  $x_0=-1, y_0=2$  works

$4 \times 5 \cdot (-1) + 3 \cdot (2) = 1$   
 $5 \cdot (-1) \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot (2) \cdot 4 = 4$   
 $5 \cdot (-4) + 3 \cdot 8 = 4$

Theorem:  $ax+by=c$  has integer solution if and only if  $\gcd(a, b)|c$

$5x+3y=4$

$x=-4$

$x=-1$

...

$y=8$

$y=3$

...

Q: How to find all possible solutions of  $ax+by=c$ ?

Claim: the general solution is

$$x = x_0 + bk$$

$$y = y_0 - ak$$

$k$  any integer

Theorem:  $ax+by=c$

if  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a solution of  $ax+by=c$

$\Rightarrow x_0+kb, y_0-ka$  is also a solution for any integer  $k$

Claim: there are no other solutions

$$\gcd(a, b) = 1 \quad ax_0+by_0=c$$

S.P.S  $ax_1+bx_1=c$  - another solution

Claim:  $x_1 = x_0 + kb, y_1 = y_0 - ka$  for some  $k$

WHY?

$$ax_0+bx_0=c$$

$$ax_1+bx_1=c$$

$$a(x_1-x_0)=b(y_0-y_1) \rightarrow x_1-x_0=kb$$

$$\Rightarrow b/a(x_1-x_0)$$

$$akb=b(y_0-y_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow b/(x_1-x_0)$$

$$ak=y_0-y_1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1-x_0=kb \text{ for some } k$$

$$y_1=y_0-ak \text{ for some } k$$

$$x_1=x_0+kb$$

Theorem: If  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$   
and  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a solution of  $ax+by=c$   
then the general solution is

$$x = x_0 + kb$$

$$y = y_0 - ka \quad k \text{ is any int.}$$

What to do if  $\gcd(a, b) \neq 1$ ?

$$ax+by=c$$

then if  $\gcd(a, b) \nmid c \Rightarrow$  no solutions

and if  $\gcd(a, b) \mid c \Rightarrow$  divide the equation by  $\gcd(a, b)$  and reduce to the case when  $a$  &  $b$  are relatively prime

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 4x+6y=10 \\ \hline 2x+3y=5 \end{array}$$

$$\gcd(4, 6) = 2 \mid 10$$