

1.1    4 Use the Euclidean algorithm to find the following greatest common divisors.

a (6643, 2873)

**Ans**  $GCD(6643, 2873)$

$$6643 = 2873 \cdot 2 + 197$$

$$2873 = 897 \cdot 3 + 182$$

$$897 = 182 \cdot 4 + 169$$

$$182 = 169 \cdot 1 + 13$$

$$169 = 13 \cdot 13 + 0$$

$$\therefore GCD(6643, 2873) = 13$$

□

c (26460, 12600)

**Ans**  $GCD(26460, 12600)$

$$26460 = 12600 \cdot 2 + 1260$$

$$12600 = 1260 \cdot 10 + 0$$

$$\therefore GCD(26460, 12600) = 1260$$

□

e (12091, 8439)

**Ans**  $GCD(12091, 8439)$

$$12091 = 8439 \cdot 1 + 3652$$

$$8439 = 3652 \cdot 2 + 1135$$

$$3652 = 1135 \cdot 3 + 247$$

$$1135 = 247 \cdot 4 + 147$$

$$247 = 147 \cdot 1 + 100$$

$$147 = 100 \cdot 1 + 47$$

$$100 = 47 \cdot 2 + 6$$

$$47 = 6 \cdot 6 + 5$$

$$6 = 5 \cdot 1 + 1$$

$$5 = 1 \cdot 5 + 0$$

$$\therefore GCD(12091, 8439) = 1$$

□

6 For each part of Exercise 4, find integers  $m$  and  $n$  such that  $(a, b)$  is expressed in the form  $ma + nb$ .

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**7** Let  $a, b, c$  be integers. Give a proof for these facts about divisors:

**a** If  $b \mid a$ , then  $b \mid ac$ .

**Ans** Let  $a = mb, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Multiplying both sides by  $c$ :

$$a \cdot c = mb \cdot c$$

$$a \cdot c = mc \cdot b \text{ (commutative law of multiplication)}$$

$$\text{Let } n = mc, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$a \cdot c = n \cdot b$$

$$\therefore b \mid ac \text{ if } b \mid a$$

□

**b** If  $b \mid a$  and  $c \mid b$ , then  $c \mid a$ .

**Ans**

□

**c** If  $c \mid a$  and  $c \mid b$ , then  $c \mid (ma + nb)$  for any integers  $m, n$ .

**Ans**

□

**11** Show that if  $a > 0$ , then  $(ab, ac) = a(b, c)$

**Ans**

□

**14** For what positive integers  $n$  is it true that  $(n, n + 2) = 2$ ? Prove your claim.

**Ans**

□

**17** Let  $a, b, n$  be integers with  $n > 1$ . Suppose that  $a = nq_1 + r_1$  with  $0 \leq r_1 < n$  and  $b = nq_2 + r_2$  with  $0 \leq r_2 < n$ . Prove that  $n \mid (a - b)$  if and only if  $r_1 = r_2$ .

**Ans**

□

**19** Let  $a, b, q, n$  be integers such that  $b \neq 0$  and  $a = bq + r$ . Prove that  $(a, b) = (b, r)$  by showing that  $(b, r)$  satisfies the definition of the greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Ans**

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