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Quiz 1 solutions

Problem 1:

Haskell program

`mod a b = if a < b then a else mod (a-b) b`

Proof of correctness

Induction on a .

Base case: $a < b$, consider $a = 0$. Then $\text{mod } a \ b = a = 0 = bq + r \implies q = 0, r = 0$.

I.H.: Assume for all $0 \leq k < a$ we have that $k = bq' + r'$ (or $\text{mod } k \ b = r'$).

I.S.: Assume $0 < a = m = bq + r$.

Case 1: $a < b$; then $a = 0q + r = a = \text{mod } a \ b$ (by defn.)

Case 2: $a \geq b$, then by defn. $\text{mod } a \ b = \text{mod } (a - b) \ b$. Since $b > 0$, we have $a - b < a$. Apply I.H. on $\text{mod } (a - b) \ b$, we have that for some q, r : $a - b = bq + r \implies a = (q + 1)b + r$ thus $\text{mod } (a - b) \ b = r$

Problem 2:

Haskell program

`mul a 0 = 0`
`mul 0 b = 0`
`mul a b = add a (mul a (b-1))`