

1. (a)  $\lfloor \frac{n+1}{d} \rfloor = \lceil \frac{n}{d} \rceil$

if  $d=1$ ,  $\lfloor \frac{n+1}{1} \rfloor = n+1$ ,  $\lceil \frac{n}{1} \rceil = n$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we cannot find any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfies,  $\lfloor \frac{n+1}{1} \rfloor = \lceil \frac{n}{1} \rceil$ .

Therefore, (a) is disproved by counterexample.

(b) rewrite the statement,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $(3n+2)^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{6}$ , then  $n$  is even.  
It means,  $(3n+2)^2 - 4$  can be divided by 6.

$$(3n+2)^2 - 4 = 9n^2 + 12n + 4 - 4 = 9n^2 + 12n = 3(3n^2 + 4n)$$

now we have  $3(3n^2 + 4n)$  can be divided by 6, also  $6 = 2 \times 3$ , we

cancel the factor 3 we have  $(3n^2 + 4n)$  can be divide by 2 (or even). ①

Now let  $n$  is odd,  $n^2$  must be odd,  $3n^2$  must be odd, and  $4n$  must be even, thus  $(3n^2 + 4n)$  must be odd, which cause a contradiction to sentence ①, thus  $n$  must be even to secure  $(3n^2 + 4n)$  is even.

Therefore, (b) is proved by contraposition and contradiction.

(c)  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $(2n+1) \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , then  $n$  is odd.

we can have,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $2n$  can be divided by 3, then  $n$  is odd.

let  $n=6$ ,  $2n = 2 \times 6 = 12$ , which can be divided by 3. however, 6 is even.

Therefore, (c) is disproved by counterexample.

(d) For all  $m, n, d \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , if  $m|n$  and  $d|n$ , then  $d|m$ . statement ②

let (d) is false, then "For all  $m, n, d \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , if  $m|n$  and  $d|n$ , then  $d|m$ "

Now we have  $n = am$ , for  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n = bd$ , for  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $d|m$  is True.

thus  $n = a(bd) = (ab)d$ , means  $d|n$ , which cause a contradiction of statement ②. Thus, statement (d) is True.

Therefore, (d) is proved by contradiction.

(e) let  $\frac{rs}{3} = \pi$ , which is a irrational number.

then  $rs = 3\pi$ . Because  $\pi$  cannot be divided by any other number, one of the  $r$  or  $s$  must equal to  $\pi$  to make sure  $\pi$  is exist in " $rs = 3\pi$ " sentence.

Therefore, (e) is prove by direct proof.



2.

Find  $\gcd(-8765, 1234)$ 

$$-8765 = 1234 \times -7 + (-127), \quad \gcd(-8765, 1234) = \gcd(1234, -127)$$

$$1234 = -127 \times -9 + 91, \quad \gcd(1234, -127) = \gcd(-127, 91)$$

$$-127 = 91 \times -1 + (-36), \quad \gcd(-127, 91) = \gcd(91, -36)$$

$$91 = -36 \times -2 + 19, \quad \gcd(91, -36) = \gcd(-36, 19)$$

$$-36 = 19 \times -1 + (-17), \quad \gcd(-36, 19) = \gcd(19, -17)$$

$$19 = -17 \times -1 + 2, \quad \gcd(19, -17) = \gcd(-17, 2)$$

$$-17 = 2 \times -8 + (-1), \quad \gcd(-17, 2) = \gcd(2, -1)$$

$$2 = -1 \times -2 + 0, \quad \gcd(2, -1) = 1$$

$$3. N = 2 \cdot 3^a \cdot 7^2 \cdot 13^b$$

$$M = 3^k \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13^l$$

$$\gcd(N, M) = 3^a \cdot 7 \cdot 13^l$$

$$NM = 2 \cdot 3^{(a+k)} \cdot 7^3 \cdot 11 \cdot 13^{(b+l)}$$

$$\text{lcm}(N, M) = NM \div \gcd(N, M) = 2 \cdot 3^k \cdot 7^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 13^b$$



4 Let  $P(n)$  be the predicate " $b_n \leq 3^{n-1}$ "

Basis step:  $b_1 = 1 \leq 3^0$   $P(1)$  is true

$b_2 = 3 \leq 3^1$   $P(2)$  is true

$b_3 = 7 \leq 3^2$   $P(3)$  is true.

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose  $P(k)$  is true for all integer  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$

$$b_{n+1} = 2b_n + b_{n-2} \leq 2(3^{n-1}) + (3^{n-3}) \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{because } 2b_n < 2(3^{n-1}) \\ \text{and } b_{n-2} \leq (3^{n-3}) \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \leq 2(3^n)(3^{-1}) + (3^n)(3^{-3})$$

$$\Rightarrow \leq (3^n)(2(3^{-1}) + (3^{-3}))$$

$$\Rightarrow \leq (3^n) \left( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{27} \right) \leq 3^n$$

As  $b_{n+1} \leq 3^n$ ,  $P(n+1)$  is true

Therefore by principle of strong mathematical induction,

$b_n \leq 3^{n-1}$  is true for each integer  $n \geq 1$ .



5.1(a)

(i)

Line	n	s	r	d	A	Line	n	s	r	d	Line	n	s	r	d	A	Output
1	41	6	0	2	1	3				20	3			0			
3			1			6				22	5					0	
6				3		3				19	9						0
3			2			6				23							
6				4		3				18							
3			1			6				24							
6				5		3				17							
3			1			6				25							
6				6		3				16							
3			5			6				26							
6				7		3				15							
3			6			6				27							
6				8		3				14							
3			1			6				28							
6				9		3				13							
3			5			6				29							
6				10		3				12							
3			1			6				30							
6				11		3				11							
3			8			6				31							
6				12		3				10							
3			5			6				32							
6				13		3				9							
3			2			6				33							
6				14		3				8							
3			13			6				34							
6				15		3				7							
3			11			6				35							
6				16		3				6							
3			9			6				36							
6				17		3				5							
3			7			6				37							
6				18		3				4							
3			5			6				38							
6				19		3				3							
3			3			6				39							
6				20		3				2							
3			1			6				40							
6				21		3				1							
3						6				41							

(ii)

Line	n	s	r	d	A	Output
1	445	21	0	2	1	
3			1	3		
6				1		
3					4	
6				1		
3					5	
6				0		
3					0	
6						0

(b)

Line 1: define all the variables

Line 2: d suppose to be a variable to find the smallest factor of S, thus while condition should constraint d is smaller or equal to S.

Line 3: redefine variable "r" as the remainder of  $n/d$

Line 4: if  $(r=0)$  means if  $d/n$

Line 5: if  $d/n$ , redefine  $A = 0$

Line 6: if  $d \neq n$ , plus 1 to d to continue find a smallest factor d of n.

Line 7: Must after Line 5, end the while loop.

Line 9: Give the output  $A=0$ , if the smallest factor d had been found.

(c)

The smallest factor of 2431 is 11.

So the while loop will run for 9 times.

(2, 2+1, 2+1+1, 2+1+1+1, 2+1+1+1+1, ...  
2+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1.)