

## Homework 1 Zachary Hightower

2. Let  $d, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $d|a$  and  $d|b$ , prove that  $d|(ax + by)$  for every  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

If  $d$  divides both  $a$  and  $b$ , it must be a common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ .

Therefore, anything that is a multiple of  $a$  and  $b$  is divisible by  $d$ .

Anything written in the form  $(ax + by)$ , will produce multiples of  $a$  and  $b$ , no matter the chosen  $x$  and  $y$ .

Thus, the statement is true for every  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

3. For each pair of integers given below, find the integers  $q$  and  $r$ , such that  $a = bq + r$  and  $0 \leq r < b$  and also compute  $a \text{ div } b$  and  $a \text{ mod } b$ .

a.  $a = 100, b = 3$   $100 \text{ div } 3 = 33$

$$100 = 3(33) + r$$

$$100 \text{ mod } 3 = 1$$

$$100 = 3(33) + 1$$

$$q = 33 \quad r = 1$$

b.  $a = -100, b = 3$

~~$-100$~~   $-100 \text{ div } 3 = -34$

$$-100 \text{ mod } 3 = 2$$

~~$-100 = 3(-34) + 2$~~

$$-100 = 3(-34) + 2$$

c.  $a = 99, b = 3$

$$99 \text{ div } 3 = 33$$

$$99 = 3(33) + 0$$

$$99 \text{ mod } 3 = 0$$

d.  $a = 0, b = 3$

$$0 \text{ div } 3 = 0$$

$$0 \text{ mod } 3 = 0$$

$$0 = 3(0) + 0$$

4. Find all positive integers  $N$  such that the following equation is true:  
 $20 \bmod N = 4$

$$20 = N(b) + 4$$

$$20 = 8(2) + 4$$

List of satisfactory integers  $N = \cancel{8} 8$

5. Prove that the sum of 3 consecutive integers is divisible by 3

Let us call our three consecutive integers  $n-1$ ,  $n$ , and  $n+1$

$$\text{So } (n-1) + n + (n+1) = n + n + n = 3n$$

$3n$  must be a multiple of 3, and this process can be repeated with any integers.



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6. a.) Use the Euclidean algorithm to find  $\gcd(1015, 231)$

$$1015 \bmod 231 = 91$$

$$231 \bmod 91 = 49$$

$$91 \bmod 49 = 42$$

$$49 \bmod 42 = 7$$

$$42 \bmod 7 = 0$$

$$\gcd = 7$$

b.) Find two integers  $x, y$  such that  $1015x + 231y = \gcd(1015, 231)$

$$7 = 1(49 - 1)(42)$$

$$7 = 1(49 - 1)(91 - 1(49))$$

$$7 = -1(91 + 2(49))$$

$$7 = -1(91 + 2)(231 - 2(91))$$

$$7 = 2(231 - 5(91))$$

$$7 = 2(231 - 5)(1015 - 4(231))$$

$$7 = -5(1015) + 22(231)$$

$$\text{So } x = -5 \text{ and } y = 22$$

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7. Let  $a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and suppose that  $a$  and  $n$  are relatively prime. Prove that there is an integer  $b$  such that  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

If  $a$  and  $n$  are relatively prime, their gcd is  $= 1$

If  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$  then there are integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $ax + ny = 1$

Rewrite this as  $ax \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

And we can rewrite  $x$  in the equation as  $b$  to get  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$