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GCD Char: If $d|a, d|b$ and $ax+by=d$ has an int solⁿ, then $d = \gcd(a,b)$.

EEA: If $d = \gcd(a,b)$, then $ax+by=d$ has an int solⁿ.

They're converses.

"Magic Box" Method: Finds \gcd and (x,y) at the same time.

Example: $\gcd(4141, 3649)$

x_i	y_i	r_i
1	0	4141
0	1	3649
1	-1	492
-7	8	205
15	-17	82
-37	42	41
		0 stop

Maintain: $4141x_i + 3649y_i = r_i$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{row 1} \quad \text{row 2} \\ 4141 = 1 \cdot 3649 + 492 \end{array}$$

row₁ - row₂

$$3649 = 7 \cdot 492 + 205$$

row₂ - 7 · R₃

$$492 = 2 \cdot 205 + 82$$

row₃ - 2 · R₄

$$205 = 2 \cdot 82 + 41$$

row₄ - 2 · R₅

$$82 = 2 \cdot 41 + 0$$

$$\text{So } \gcd(4141, 3649) = 41$$

$$4141 \cdot (-37) + 3649 \cdot (42) = 41$$

Coprimes

Definition: For " $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, a, b are coprime if $\gcd(a,b)=1$.
15, 22 are coprime.

Proposition: (Coprime-ness and divisibility, CAD): Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$.
If $c|ab$ and a, c are coprime, then $c|b$.

$$[6/3 \cdot 2 \quad \gcd(6, 3) \neq 1 \quad 6/7 \cdot 6 \quad \gcd(6, 7) = 1, \text{ so } 6/b]$$

Proof: Since $\gcd(a, c) = 1$, there exist $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ax + cy = 1$ by EEA. Multiply both sides by b to get $bx + bcy = b$. By assumption, $c|ab$, also $c|c$.

By div. of int comb, $c|(bx + bcy)$. So $c|b$.

Corollary (Primes and Divisibility, PAD, Euclid's Lemma)

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If p is prime and $p|ab$, then $p|a$ or $p|b$.

Proof: If $p|a$, then we are done. Assume $p \nmid a$.

Since the only positive divisors of p are 1 and p , and $p \nmid a$, $\gcd(p, a) = 1$.

By CAD, since $p|ab$ and $\gcd(p, a) = 1$, $p|b$.

Proposition (Division by GCD, DB GCD): Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

If $d = \gcd(a, b)$ and $d > 0$, then $\gcd\left(\frac{a}{d}, \frac{b}{d}\right) = 1$.

$$[a = 12 \quad b = 15, \quad d = 3. \quad \gcd\left(\frac{12}{3}, \frac{15}{3}\right) = \gcd(4, 5) = 1]$$

Proof: Since $d = \gcd(a, b)$, by EEA, there exist $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ax + by = d$. Since $d > 0$, we can divide both sides by d to get $\frac{a}{d}x + \frac{b}{d}y = 1$.

Since $d|a$ and $d|b$, $\frac{a}{d}, \frac{b}{d}$ are integers.

Since $1|\frac{a}{d}, 1|\frac{b}{d}$ and $\frac{a}{d}x + \frac{b}{d}y = 1$ has an int solⁿ, by GCD char, $\gcd\left(\frac{a}{d}, \frac{b}{d}\right) = 1$.