

(Continued from last class...)

### GCDWR

If  $a, b, q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a = bq + r$  then  $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r)$ .

**Proof:** If  $a = b = 0$ , then since  $r = a - bq$ ,  $r = 0$ . Hence  $\gcd(a, b) = 0 = \gcd(b, r)$ . Thus, assume that  $a \neq 0$  or  $b \neq 0$ .

Let  $d = \gcd(a, b)$  and  $e = \gcd(b, r)$

Since  $a = bq + r$  and  $d|a$  and  $d|b$

By DIC  $d|a - bq = r$ . Thus,

$d \leq e$  <sup>(1)</sup> since  $e$  is the largest divisor of

$b$  &  $r$ . Now,  $e|b$  and  $e|r$  so by DIC

$e|bq + r = a$ . Thus  $e \leq d$  <sup>(2)</sup> since  $d$  is the largest common divisor of  $a$  &  $b$ . By (1)

and (2)  $d = e$ . □

Prove that  $\gcd(3a + b, a) = \gcd(a, b)$  using GCDWR.

$$\overset{"a"}{3a+b} = \overset{"q"}{(3)}\overset{"b"}{a} + \overset{"r"}{b}$$

$$\text{GCDWR} \Rightarrow \gcd(\overset{"a"}{3a+b}, \overset{"b"}{a}) = \gcd(\overset{"b"}{b}, \overset{"r"}{a})$$

$$\gcd(3a+b, a) = \gcd(a, b)$$

# Euclidean Algorithm

Idea: Compute GCDs quickly by using GCDWR & Division Algorithm.

Ex: Compute  $\gcd(1239, 735)$

$$\begin{aligned} (01) \quad 1239 &= 735(1) + 504 & (1) \\ 735 &= 504(1) + 231 & (2) \\ 504 &= 231(2) + 42 & (3) \\ 231 &= 42(5) + 21 & (4) \\ 42 &= 21(2) + 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by GCDWR,

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(1239, 735) &= \gcd(735, 504) \\ &= \gcd(504, 231) = \gcd(231, 42) \\ &= \gcd(42, 21) = \gcd(21, 0) = 21 \end{aligned}$$

NB: This process stops  $\because$  remainders form a sequence of non-negative decreasing integers.

Q: What is the runtime of Euclidean Algim?

# Back Substitution

Q: ~~Do~~ Do there exist integers  $x, y$  s.t.  $ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$ ? A: YES!

$$21 = 231 + 42(-5) \quad (\text{by (4)})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by (3)} &= 231 + (504 + 231(-2))(-5) \\ &= 231(11) + 504(-5) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by (2)} &= (735 + 504(-1))(11) + 504(-5) \\ &= 735(11) + 504(-16) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by (1)} &= 735(11) + (1239 + 735(-1))(-16) \\ &= 735(27) + 1239(-16). \end{aligned}$$

Use the Euclidean Algorithm to compute  $\gcd(120, 84)$  and then use back substitution to find integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $\gcd(120, 84) = 120x + 84y$ .

$$120 = 84(1) + 36$$

$$84 = 36(2) + 12$$

$$36 = 12(3) + 0$$

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$$\gcd(120, 84) = 12.$$

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$$12 = 84 + 36(-2)$$

$$= 84 + (120 + 84(-1))(-2)$$

$$= 84(3) + 120(-2)$$

$$84(3 + 120) + 120(-2 \cdot 84)$$

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| $84 \cdot 3 = 252$<br>$120 \cdot (-2) = -240$<br><hr/> $(12)$ |
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Bézout's Lemma (GCDCT in the notes)

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  then

(i) If  $d = \gcd(a, b)$  then  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$   
s.t.  $ax + by = d$ .

(ii) If  $d > 0$ ,  $d|a$ ,  $d|b$  and  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$   
s.t.  $ax + by = d$  then  $d = \gcd(a, b)$

Pf: ~~(i)~~ (i) Painful. Use Back Substitution

(ii) Let  $e = \gcd(a, b)$ . Since  $d|a \sim d|b$   
by maximality,  $d \leq e$ . Now,  $e|a \sim e|b$   
so by D1c,  $e|ax + by = d$ . So by  
BBD,  $|e| \leq |d|$  and  $\because e, d > 0$   $e \leq d$ .

Thus,  $d = e$ .

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