

*Discrete Math HW 11: Learning goals N1, N3, N5
(solutions)*

due Monday, April 20

N1: I can determine whether one integer is divisible by another, or whether a natural number up to 100 is prime.

Exercise 1 Determine which of the following numbers are prime, and give the prime factorization for each composite. Remember that to test n for primality, you only need to test for divisibility by primes $\leq \sqrt{n}$.

- 2 is prime.
- 3 is prime.
- 0 is not prime.
- 1 is not prime by definition.
- $10 = 2 \cdot 5$, so it is not prime.
- $51 = 3 \cdot 17$
- 53 is prime
- $86 = 2 \cdot 43$
- $87 = 3 \cdot 29$
- 89 is prime
- $91 = 7 \cdot 13$
- 101 is prime
- 103 is prime
- $1001 = 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13$
- $1003 = 17 \cdot 59$
- $1005 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 67$
- $1007 = 19 \cdot 53$
- 1009 is prime

N3: I can compute the greatest common divisor of two natural numbers using the Euclidean Algorithm.

Exercise 2 Use the Euclidean Algorithm to compute each of the following. Be sure to show the steps of the process, not just the final result.

(a) $\gcd(1, 5) = \gcd(5, 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$

(b) $\gcd(123, 277) = \gcd(277, 123) = \gcd(123, 31) = \gcd(31, 30) = \gcd(30, 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$

(c) $\gcd(78, 104) = \gcd(104, 78) = \gcd(78, 26) = \gcd(26, 0) = 26$

(d) $\gcd(88, 72) = \gcd(72, 16) = \gcd(16, 8) = \gcd(8, 0) = 8$

Exercise 3 Write a Disco function to find the GCD of two natural numbers using the Euclidean algorithm.

$\gcd : (N * N) \rightarrow N$

$\gcd(a, 0) = a$

$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$

$$\gcd(518303142726377580, 169429189188136020) = 8580$$

N5: I can solve modular equivalences in one variable involving addition, subtraction, and multiplication by a constant.

Exercise 4 Solve each of the following equivalences for x . Express your answers in the form $x \equiv_m r$ where $0 \leq r < m$.

1. $x + 12 \equiv_7 99$

\leftrightarrow { subtract 12 from both sides }

$x \equiv_7 87$

\leftrightarrow { reduce 87 modulo 7 }

$x \equiv_7 3$

2. $27x + 27 \equiv_{13} 2727$

\leftrightarrow { reduce 27 and 2727 mod 13 }

$x + 1 \equiv_{13} 10$

\leftrightarrow { subtract 1 from both sides }

$x \equiv_{13} 9$



3. $2x - 12 \equiv_8 x + 7$

\leftrightarrow { add 12 to both sides }

$2x \equiv_8 x + 19$

\leftrightarrow { subtract x from both sides }

$x \equiv_8 19$

\leftrightarrow { reduce 19 modulo 8 }

$x \equiv_8 3$

4. $77x + 15 \equiv_7 5 - 22x$

\leftrightarrow { reduce 77 and 22 modulo 7 }

$0x + 15 \equiv_7 5 - x$

\leftrightarrow { subtract 5 from both sides }

$10 \equiv_7 -x$

\leftrightarrow { multiply both sides by -1 }

$-10 \equiv_7 x$

\leftrightarrow { symmetry, and reduce -10 modulo 7 }

$x \equiv_7 4$

