

Greatest common divisor

(exercises)

Application of discrete models

1. For given $a, b \in \mathbb{N}^+$, calculate
 - a) $\gcd(a, b)$,
 - b) $\text{lcm}(a, b)$from the prime factorization of a and b .
2. Implement the Euclidean algorithm: write a function that calculates $\gcd(a, b)$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{N}^+$,
 - a) using subtraction;
 - b) using remainders.
3. Calculate the following by hand, using the Euclidean algorithm:
 - a) $\gcd(39, 15)$;
 - b) $\gcd(32, 20)$;
 - c) $\gcd(39, 30)$;
 - d) $\gcd(157, 15)$;
 - e) $\gcd(200, 120)$;
 - f) $\gcd(125, 90)$;
 - g) $\gcd(36, 10)$;
 - h) $\gcd(102, 72)$;
 - i) $\gcd(55, 34)$;
 - j) $\gcd(700, 300)$.
4. Write a function that calculates $\text{lcm}(a, b)$ from $\gcd(a, b)$.
5. Implement the extended Euclidean algorithm: write a function that, for given $a, b \in \mathbb{N}^+$, calculates $\gcd(a, b)$ and the Bézout coefficients for a and b .
6. On an island, there are 7-headed and 11-headed dragons. The total number of dragon heads is 160. How many dragons of each type are on the island? Solve the problem generally: write a function that receives $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}^+$, where the dragons have a or b heads, and the total number of heads on the island is c ; the function returns all possibilities in a list, where each element is a pair (the number of a -headed and b -headed dragons, respectively). For example, it returns $[(4, 12), (15, 5)]$ for the above question. (Don't use brute force search.)