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- (5 points) Let a and b be integers, $b > 0$. We used two formulas to define the quotient q and the remainder r of a divided by b . One of these is $a = bq + r$. What is the other?

Solution: $0 \leq r < b$

- (6 points) Use the Euclidean algorithm to compute $\gcd(1183, 351)$. Show your work.

Solution:

$$1183 - 3 \times 351 = 1183 - 1053 = 130$$

$$351 - 2 \times 130 = 351 - 260 = 91$$

$$130 - 91 = 39$$

$$91 - 3 \times 39 = 91 - 78 = 13$$

$$39 - 3 \times 13 = 0$$

So the GCD is 13.

- (4 points) Check the (single) box that best characterizes each item.

$$7 \equiv 5 \pmod{1}$$

true

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false

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$$\gcd(k, 0)$$

0

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k

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undefined

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- (5 points) Is the following claim true? Informally explain why it is false, or give a concrete example showing that it is true.

There is an integer n such that $n \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$ and $n \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$?

Solution: This is true. Consider $n = 41$. $41 \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$ and $41 \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$.

- (6 points) Write pseudocode (iterative or recursive) for a function $\text{gcd}(a,b)$ that implements the Euclidean algorithm. Assume both inputs are positive.

Solution:

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gcd(a,b)
  x=a
  y=b
  while (b > 0)
    r = remainder(a,b)
    a = b
    b = r
  return r
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- (4 points) Check the (single) box that best characterizes each item.

Two positive integers p and q are relatively prime if and only if $\text{gcd}(p, q) > 1$.

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$29 \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$

true

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false

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- (5 points) Is the following claim true? Informally explain why it is, or give a concrete counter-example showing that it is not.

For any positive integers s, t, p, q , if $s \equiv t \pmod{p}$ and $p \mid q$, then $s \equiv t \pmod{q}$.

Solution: This is false.

Informally, since q is larger than p , congruence mod q makes finer distinctions among numbers than p does.

More formally, consider $s = 1, t = 4, p = 3$ and $q = 6$. Then $3 \mid 6$ and s and t are congruent mod 3, but s and t aren't congruent mod 6.

- (6 points) Use the Euclidean algorithm to compute $\gcd(1609, 563)$. Show your work.

Solution:

$$1609 - 2 \times 563 = 1609 - 1126 = 483$$

$$563 - 483 = 80$$

$$483 - 6 \times 80 = 3$$

$$80 - 26 \times 3 = 80 - 78 = 2$$

$$3 - 2 = 1$$

$$2 - 2 \times 1 = 0$$

So the GCD is 1.

- (4 points) Check the (single) box that best characterizes each item.

$$k \equiv -k \pmod{k}$$

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sometimes

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never

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$$7 \mid 0$$

true

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false

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- (5 points) Is the following claim true? Informally explain why it is, or give a concrete counter-example showing that it is not.

Claim: For all natural numbers a , b , and c if $ac \mid bc$, then $a \mid b$.

Solution: This is false. Consider $a = 2$, $b = 3$, and $c = 0$. Then $ac \mid bc$, because $0 \mid 0$. However it's not the case that $a \mid b$, because $2 \nmid 3$.

- (6 points) Use the Euclidean algorithm to compute $\gcd(1012, 299)$. Show your work.

Solution: $1012 - 3 \times 299 = 1012 - 897 = 115$

$299 - 2 \times 115 = 299 - 230 = 69$

$115 - 69 = 46$

$69 - 46 = 23$

$46 - 2 \times 23 = 0$

So $\gcd(1012, 299) = 23$

- (4 points) Check the (single) box that best characterizes each item.

For any integers p and q , if $p \mid q$ then $p \leq q$.

true

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false

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$\gcd(0, 0)$

0

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undefined

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1. (5 points) Is the following claim true? Informally explain why it is, or give a concrete counter-example showing that it is not.

Claim: For all positive integers a , b , and c , if $\gcd(a, bc) = 1$, then $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ and $\gcd(a, c) = 1$.

Solution: This is true. If $\gcd(a, bc) = 1$, then a doesn't share any prime factors with bc . Since the prime factors of b are a subset of these, they also can't overlap with the prime factors of a . Similarly for c .

2. (6 points) Use the Euclidean algorithm to compute $\gcd(1568, 546)$. Show your work.

Solution:

$$1568 - 546 \times 2 = 1568 - 1092 = 476$$

$$546 - 476 = 70$$

$$476 - 70 \times 6 = 476 - 420 = 56$$

$$70 - 56 = 14$$

$$56 - 14 \times 3 = 0$$

So the GCD is 14.

3. (4 points) Check the (single) box that best characterizes each item.

$$k \equiv -k \pmod{7}$$

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sometimes

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never

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For all prime numbers p , there are exactly two natural numbers q such that $q \mid p$.

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false

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