

Divides

$a|b$ = a divides b for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$
if and only if $b = an$ for int n

"special cases" : $7|0$ because $0 = 7 \cdot 0$
 $b = a \cdot n$

$$0 \nmid 7$$

$$7 \neq 0 \cdot n$$

$$-3|12$$

$$12 = -3 \cdot -4$$

ex) For $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $a|b$ then $a|bc$. Prove this by direct proof.
hyp. conclusion.

Suppose $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $a|b$. Then, by defn of divides,
 $b = a \cdot n$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Multiply both sides by c , to get
 $bc = a \cdot cn$. Since $n, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, $cn \in \mathbb{Z}$. We can define
 $m = cn \in \mathbb{Z}$. So $bc = a \cdot m$. Thus $a|bc$.

Goal: $bc = a \cdot m$ matches defn of divides.

Primes

an integer $q \geq 2$ is prime if and only if the only positive
factors of q are q and 1 .

$a|b$ means a is a factor of b .

non-primes are composite

* all integers ≥ 2 can be written as the product of one or more
prime factors (uniquely).

$$20 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 = 2^2 \cdot 5$$

GCD and LCM \rightarrow least common multiple
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greatest common divisor (factor)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{gcd}(6, 10) = 2 & & \text{lcm}(6, 10) = 30 \\ \downarrow \downarrow & & \\ 2 \cdot 3 & & 2 \cdot 5 \end{array}$$

* if $\text{gcd}(a, b) = 1$, they are relatively prime.

for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $b \neq 0$, there are unique integers q, r

$$a = b \cdot \underbrace{q}_{\text{quotient}} + \underbrace{r}_{\text{remainder}} \quad 0 \leq r < b$$

$10 = 3 \cdot 3 + 1$
 $-10 = 3 \cdot -4 + \textcircled{2} \geq 0$

* $\text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(b, r)$

Euclidean algorithm \rightarrow computes GCD

$\text{gcd}(a, b : \text{pos int})$

$$x = a$$

$$y = b$$

while ($y \neq 0$)

begin

$$r = \text{remainder}(x, y)$$

$$x = y$$

} finding new remainder when dividing y by r

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y = r  
end  
return x
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$$\star \gcd(x, y) = \gcd(y, r)$$