

MAST 332 - COMP 367
Final Examination Sample
(Based on the Final of April 2016)
SOLUTIONS

(N.B. the final exam can include *ANY* question within the topics learned in this course!)

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INSTRUCTIONS:

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3. There are 10 regular sections, worth 10 marks each, and one Bonus section for extra 5 marks.

5. *Short (but clear) explanations of your solutions must be provided for full marks.*

Total: _____

▼ **Question 1: Diophantine Equations**

(10 marks)

Consider the following two equations with integer variables x and y :

(1) $99x + 225y = 18$:

(2) $27x + 45y = 33$:

(a) Determine which of these two equations is *inconsistent*, and explain why (you can use the Maple commands *ifactor* and/or *gcd*).

(b) Find a solution of the equation which is consistent.

(c) Find all solutions $\{x, y\}$ of that equation.

(d) Identify now the solution $\{x, y\}$ with smallest possible positive value of $y \geq 0$.

Solution:

(a)

The GCD of the pair of coefficients of each of these equations is 9.

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> gcd(99, 225);
gcd(27, 45);
9
9 (1.1)
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9 divides 18, but it does not divide 33. Therefore the equation (1) is consistent but the equation (2) is not.

(b)

Define the function acting on two consecutive lists to help Extended Euclid's Algorithm calculations:

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> FEEA := (r1, r2) -> r1 - iquo(r1[3], r2[3]) * r2;
FEEA := (r1, r2) -> r1 - iquo(r1[3], r2[3]) r2 (1.2)
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Now define the initial two lists for the EEA algorithm for Diophantine equation $99X + 225Y = R$: starting with the list $r0 = [X=0, Y=1, R=225]$, and apply it to reduce the row lists until either the right side element of the resulting list is 0, or until the right-side element divides 18.

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> r0 := [0, 1, 225]:
r1 := [1, 0, 99]:
r2 := FEEA(r0, r1);
r2 := [-2, 1, 27] (1.3)
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Continue:

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> r3 := FEEA(r1, r2);
r4 := FEEA(r2, r3);
r5 := FEEA(r3, r4);
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$$\begin{aligned} r_3 &:= [7, -3, 18] \\ r_4 &:= [-9, 4, 9] \\ r_5 &:= [25, -11, 0] \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

So the GCD $(225, 99) = 9$, and r_4 corresponds to equation

$$-9 \cdot 99 + 4 \cdot 225 = 9; \tag{1.5}$$

$$9 = 9$$

This can be multiplied by 2 to get a solution to the equation (1). Another solution, however, can be found directly from the r_3 , which implies $\{x=7, y=-3\}$

Check:

$$\begin{aligned} > 7 \cdot 99 - 3 \cdot 225 = 18; \\ 18 = 18 \end{aligned} \tag{1.6}$$

(c) To find all solutions, solve the homogeneous equation $99 \cdot x_0 + 225 \cdot y_0 = 0$:
for (x_0, y_0) and add it to the found solution of the equation (1).

The homogenous equation, after cancelling by $\text{GCD}(99, 225) = 9$ both coefficients, gives

$$11 x_0 = -25 y_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$x_0 = 25 \cdot k, y_0 = -11 k, k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Thus, the set of all solutions of the Eq.(1) is

$$x = 7 + 25 k :$$

$$y = -3 - 11 k :$$

(d)

The solution with smallest positive y will be produced by $k = -1$. So $\{x = -18, y = 8\}$

Check

$$\begin{aligned} > -18 \cdot 99 + 8 \cdot 225 = 18; \\ 18 = 18 \end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

► Question 2: Congruence Classes $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$

► Question 3: Rings & Fields

► Question 4: Hamming Code

- ▶ **Question 5: Chinese Remainder (*numbers*)**
- ▶ **Question 6: RSA code**
- ▶ **Question 7: Hill Cryptosystem**
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- ▶ **Question 9: Polynomial GCD & Chinese Remainder**
- ▶ **Question 10: Congruence classes $F[x]/m(x)$**
- ▶ **Bonus Question: Rings**