

# Chapter 1 Real numbers

**1. Euclid's Division lemma:**- Given Positive integers a and b there exist unique integers q and r satisfying

$a=bq+r$ , where  $0 \leq r < b$ , where a, b, q and r are respectively called as dividend, divisor, quotient and remainder.

**2. Euclid's division Algorithm:**- To obtain the HCF of two positive integers say c and d, with  $c>0$ , follow the steps below:

**Step I:** Apply Euclid's division lemma, to c and d, so we find whole numbers, q and r such that  $c = dq+r$ ,  $0 \leq r < d$

**Step II:** If  $r=0$ , d is the HCF of c and d. If  $r \neq 0$ , apply the division lemma to d and r.

**Step III:** Continue the process till the remainder is zero. The divisor at this stage will be the required HCF

**3. The Fundamental theorem of Arithmetic:**-

Every composite number can be expressed ( factorised ) as a product of primes, and this factorization is unique, apart from the order in which the prime factors occur.

**Ex.:**  $24 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 = 3 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$

**Theorem:** Let  $x$  be a rational number whose decimal expansion terminates. Then  $x$  can be expressed in the form

Of  $\frac{p}{q}$  where p and q are co-prime and the prime factorisation of q is the form of  $2^n \cdot 5^m$ ,  
where n, m are non negative integers.

$$\text{Ex. } \frac{7}{10} = \frac{7}{2 \times 5} = 0.7$$

1. If the HCF of 657 and 963 is expressible in the form of  $657x + 963x - 15$  find x. Definition

(Ans: x=22)

**Ans:** Using Euclid's Division Lemma

$$a = bq+r, 0 \leq r < b$$

$$963 = 657 \times 1 + 306$$

$$657 = 306 \times 2 + 45$$

$$306 = 45 \times 6 + 36$$

$$45 = 36 \times 1 + 9$$

$$36 = 9 \times 4 + 0$$

$$\therefore \text{HCF}(657, 963) = 9$$

$$\text{now } 9 = 657x + 963x - 15$$

$$657x = 9 + 963x - 15$$

$$= 9 + 14445$$

$$657x = 14454$$

$$x = 14454/657$$

$$\boxed{x = 22}$$

2. Express the GCD of 48 and 18 as a linear combination. (Ans: Not unique)

$A = bq+r$ , where  $0 \leq r < b$

$$48 = 18x + 12$$

$$18 = 12x + 6$$

$$12 = 6x + 0$$

$$\therefore \text{HCF}(48, 18) = 6$$

$$\text{now } 6 = 18 - 12x$$

$$6 = 18 - (48 - 18x)$$

$$6 = 18 - 48x + 18x$$

$$6 = 18x - 48x$$

$$6 = 18x + 48x(-1)$$

$$\text{i.e. } 6 = 18x + 48y$$

$$\therefore \boxed{x = 3, y = -1}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
6 &= 18 \times 3 + 48 \times (-1) \\
&= 18 \times 3 + 48 \times (-1) + 18 \times 48 - 18 \times 48 \\
&= 18(3+48) + 48(-1-18) \\
&= 18 \times 51 + 48 \times (-19) \\
6 &= 18x + 48y
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x = 51, y = -19$$

Hence, x and y are not unique.

3. Prove that one of every three consecutive integers is divisible by 3.

Ans:

$n, n+1, n+2$  be three consecutive positive integers

We know that  $n$  is of the form  $3q, 3q+1, 3q+2$

So we have the following cases Properties

Case – I when  $n = 3q$

In the this case,  $n$  is divisible by 3 but  $n+1$  and  $n+2$  are not divisible by 3

Case – II When  $n = 3q+1$

Sub  $n = 2 = 3q+1+2 = 3(q+1)$  is divisible by 3. but  $n$  and  $n+1$  are not divisible by 3

Case – III When  $n = 3q+2$

Sub  $n = 2 = 3q+1+2 = 3(q+1)$  is divisible by 3. but  $n$  and  $n+1$  are not divisible by 3

Hence one of  $n, n+1$  and  $n+2$  is divisible by 3

4. Find the largest possible positive integer that will divide 398, 436, and 542 leaving remainder 7, 11, 15 respectively.

(Ans: 17)

Ans: The required number is the HCF of the numbers

Find the HCF of 391, 425 and 527 by Euclid's algorithm

$$\therefore \text{HCF}(425, 391) = 17$$

Now we have to find the HCF of 17 and 527

$$527 = 17 \times 31 + 0$$

$$\therefore \text{HCF}(17, 527) = 17$$

$$\therefore \text{HCF}(391, 425 \text{ and } 527) = 17$$

5. Find the least number that is divisible by all numbers between 1 and 10 (both inclusive).

(Ans: 2520)

Ans: The required number is the LCM of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

$$\therefore \text{LCM} = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7 = 2520$$

6. Show that 571 is a prime number.

Ans: Let  $x = 571 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{571}$

Now 571 lies between the perfect squares of  $(23)^2$  and  $(24)^2$

Prime numbers less than 24 are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23

Since 571 is not divisible by any of the above numbers

571 is a prime number

7. If d is the HCF of 30, 72, find the value of x & y satisfying  $d = 30x + 72y$ .

Ans: Using Euclid's algorithm, the HCF (30, 72)

$$\begin{aligned}
72 &= 30 \times 2 + 12 \\
30 &= 12 \times 2 + 6 \\
12 &= 6 \times 2 + 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{HCF}(30, 72) &= 6 \\
6 &= 30 - 12 \times 2 \\
6 &= 30 - (72 - 30 \times 2) \times 2 \\
6 &= 30 - 2 \times 72 + 30 \times 4 \\
6 &= 30 \times 5 + 72 \times -2 \\
\therefore x &= 5, y = -2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Also } 6 = 30 \times 5 + 72(-2) + 30 \times 72 - 30 \times 72$$

Solve it, to get

$$x = 77, y = -32$$

Hence, x and y are not unique

8. Show that the product of 3 consecutive positive integers is divisible by 6.

Ans: Proceed as in question sum no. 3

9. Show that for odd positive integer to be a perfect square, it should be of the form  $8k+1$ .

Let  $a = 2m+1$

Ans: Squaring both sides we get

$$a^2 = 4m(m+1) + 1$$

∴ product of two consecutive numbers is always even  
 $m(m+1)=2k$   
 $a^2=4(2k)+1$   
 $a^2 = 8 k + 1$   
Hence proved

10. Find the greatest number of 6 digits exactly divisible by 24, 15 and 36  
(Ans: 999720)

Ans: LCM of 24, 15, 36

$$\text{LCM} = 3 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 = 360$$

Now, the greatest six digit number is 999999  
Divide 999999 by 360  
∴ Q = 2777, R = 279

$$\therefore \text{the required number} = 999999 - 279 = 999720$$

11. If a and b are positive integers. Show that  $\sqrt{2}$  always lies between  $\frac{a}{b}$  and  $\frac{a+2b}{a+b}$

Ans: We do not know whether  $\frac{a^2-2b^2}{b(a+b)}$  or  $\frac{a}{b} < \frac{a+2b}{a+b}$   
∴ to compare these two numbers,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let us compare } & \frac{a}{b} - \frac{a+2b}{a+b} \\ \Rightarrow \text{on simplifying, we get } & \frac{a^2-2b^2}{b(a+b)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a}{b} - \frac{a+2b}{a+b} > 0 \text{ or } \frac{a}{b} - \frac{a+2b}{a+b} < 0$$

$$\text{now } \frac{a}{b} - \frac{a+2b}{a+b} > 0$$

$$\frac{a^2-2b^2}{b(a+b)} > 0 \text{ solve it, we get, } a > \sqrt{2}b$$

Thus, when  $a > \sqrt{2}b$  and  
 $\frac{a}{b} < \frac{a+2b}{a+b}$ ,

We have to prove that  $\frac{a+2b}{a+b} < \sqrt{2} < \frac{a}{b}$

Now  $a > \sqrt{2}b \Rightarrow 2a^2 + 2b^2 > 2b^2 + a^2 + 2b^2$   
On simplifying we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2} & > \frac{a+2b}{a+b} \\ \text{Also } a & > \sqrt{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} & > \sqrt{2} \\ \text{Similarly we get } \sqrt{2} & < \frac{a+2b}{a+b} \\ \text{Hence } \frac{a}{b} & < \sqrt{2} < \frac{a+2b}{a+b} \end{aligned}$$

12. Prove that  $(\sqrt{n-1} + \sqrt{n+1})$  is irrational, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  Symbol chart