

Euclid's Extended Algorithm

Ex 1: Find $\gcd(a, b)$, where $a = 47831429$ and $b = 19847553$.

Also find integers x and y with $xa + yb = \gcd(a, b)$.

i	$q[i]$	$r[i]$	$x[i]$	$y[i]$
-1	-	47831429	1	0
0	-	19847553	0	1
1	2	8136323	1	-2
2	2	3574907	-2	5
3	2	986509	5	-12
4	3	615380	-17	41
5	1	371129	22	-53
6	1	244251	-39	94
7	1	126878	61	-147
8	1	117373	-100	241
9	1	9505	161	-388
10	12	3313	-2032	4897
11	2	2879	4225	-10182
12	1	434	-6257	15079
13	6	275	41767	-100656
14	1	159	-48024	115735
15	1	116	89791	-216391
16	1	43	-137815	332126
17	2	30	365421	-880643
18	1	13	-503236	1212769
19	2	4	1371893	-3306181
20	3	1	-4618915	11131312
21	4	0		

The rows with $i = -1$ and $i = 0$ are filled in, as illustrated. The top two entries in the $r[i]$ column are a and b .

The remaining rows are calculated using:

$(q[i], r[i]) =$ quotient and remainder
obtained by dividing
 $r[i-2]$ by $r[i-1]$.

$(x[i], y[i]) = (x[i-2], y[i-2]) -$
 $q[i] * (x[i-1], y[i-1]).$

The calculation stops with the row in which $r[i] = 0$. The $x[i]$ and $y[i]$ entries of this row are omitted. The last three entries in the previous row are $\gcd(a, b)$, x , and y .

Thus $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, and
 $-4618915 a + 11131312 b = 1$.

In the integers modulo a , $b^{-1} = 11131312$.

Ex 2: Find $\gcd(a, b)$, where $a = 109395$ and $b = 34104$.

Also find integers x and y with $xa + yb = \gcd(a, b)$.

i	$q[i]$	$r[i]$	$x[i]$	$y[i]$
-1	-	109395	1	0
0	-	34104	0	1
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1	3	7083	1	-3
2	4	5772	-4	13
3	1	1311	5	-16
4	4	528	-24	77
5	2	255	53	-170
6	2	18	-130	417
7	14	3	-1873	6008
8	6	0		

Thus $\gcd(a, b) = 3$, and $-1873a + 6008b = 3$.