

# Algorithmique de base

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**Exercise 1.** Consider the following two polynomials

$$f = 5x^5 + 4x^4 + 3x^3 + 22 + x, \quad g = x^2 + 2x + 3 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$$

Apply the Euclidean division of  $f$  by  $g$ .

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**Exercise 2.** We consider the following recursive algorithm for computing the gcd of two integers.

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**Algorithm 1** Binary Euclidean Algorithm

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**Require:**  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$

**Ensure:**  $\gcd(a, b) \in \mathbb{N}$

- 1: **if**  $a = 1$  or  $b = 1$  **then: return** 1
  - 2: **if**  $a = b$  **then: return**  $a$
  - 3: **if**  $a$  and  $b$  are both even **then: return**  $2 \cdot \gcd(a/2, b/2)$
  - 4: **if** exactly one of  $a$  or  $b$ , say  $a$ , is even **then: return**  $\gcd(a/2, b)$
  - 5: **if**  $a$  and  $b$  are both odd and  $a > b$  **then: return**  $\gcd(\frac{a-b}{2}, b)$
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1. Run the algorithm on the pairs  $(34, 21)$  and  $(136, 51)$ .
  2. Prove that the algorithm works correctly.
  3. Find a “good” upper bound on the cost of the algorithm, and show that it takes  $O(n^2)$  arithmetic operations on inputs  $a, b < 2^n$ .
  4. Modify the algorithm so that it additionally computes  $s, t \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $sa + tb = \gcd(a, b)$ .
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**Exercise 3.** Let

$$a = 30x^7 + 31x^6 + 32x^5 + 33x^4 + 34x^3 + 35x^2 + 36x + 37$$

and

$$b = 17x^3 + 18x^2 + 19x + 20$$

in  $\mathbb{F}_{101}[x]$ , and let  $f \in \mathbb{F}_{101}[x]$  be the reversal of  $b$ .

- (i) Compute  $f^{-1} \pmod{x^4}$ .
  - (ii) Use (i) to find  $q, r \in \mathbb{F}_{101}[x]$  with  $a = qb + r$  and  $\deg(r) < 3$ .
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**Exercise 4.** We consider the following property of a Euclidean function on an integral domain  $R$ :

$$\delta(ab) \geq \delta(b) \quad \text{for all } a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}. \quad (*)$$

Our two familiar examples, the degree on  $\mathbb{F}[x]$  for a field  $\mathbb{F}$  and the absolute value on  $\mathbb{Z}$ , both fulfill this property. This exercise shows that every Euclidean domain has such a Euclidean function.

- (i) Suppose that  $R$  is a Euclidean domain and  $D = \{\delta : \delta \text{ is a Euclidean function on } R\}$ . Then  $D$  is nonempty, and we may define a function  $d : R \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{-\infty\}$  by

$$d(a) = \min\{\delta(a) : \delta \in D\}.$$

Show that  $d$  is a Euclidean function on  $R$  (called the minimal Euclidean function).

- (ii) Let  $\delta$  be a Euclidean function on  $R$  such that  $\delta(ab) < \delta(b)$  for some  $a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}$ . Find another Euclidean function  $\delta^*$  that is smaller than  $\delta$ . Conclude that the minimal Euclidean function  $\delta$  satisfies (\*).
- (iii) Show that for all  $a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}$  and a Euclidean function  $\delta$  satisfying (\*), we have  $\delta(0) < \delta(a)$ , and  $\delta(ab) = \delta(b)$  if and only if  $a$  is a unit.
- (iv) Let  $d$  be the minimal Euclidean function as in (i). Conclude that  $d(0) = -\infty$  and the group of units of  $R$  is

$$R^\times = \{a \in R \setminus \{0\} : d(a) = 0\}.$$

- (v) Prove that  $d(a) = \deg(a)$  is the minimal Euclidean function on  $\mathbb{F}[x]$  for a field  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $d(0) = -\infty$  cases.
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