MATH 340 Assignment 2, Fall 2007

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This assignment is to be handed in on Wednesday September 26th by 10:30am. Late penalty: -20% for up to 24 hours late. Zero for more than 24 hours late.

Section 1.3 The Euclidean Algorithm

Program the extended Euclidean algorithm (Theorem 1.3.6 on page 16) in Maple. For each step $i \ge 2$, after you compute the values q_i, r_i, x_i , and y_i , print them on one line so that you get a table of values like the table in Example 1.3.7 on page 16.

Execute your program on the input a = 710, b = 68 (Example 1.3.7) to verify that it is correct. Now execute your program on the input a = 1023 and b = 601 and identify the inverse of 601 in \mathbb{Z}_{1023} . Hand in a printout of a Maple worksheet showing your program and the output for both inputs.

Section 1.4: Prime Numbers

Exercises 3, 4, 9.

For exercise 9 use the Maple command isprime command. For the prime p that you find, factor the integer $n = 2^p - 1$. using the ifactor command.

Section 1.5: Relations and Partitions

Exercises 1, 5, 9.

Section 1.6: Modular Arithmetic

Exercises 11, 12. Also prove Theorem 1.6.6 parts (3, 4, 5, 6).

Section 1.7: Equations in \mathbb{Z}_n

Exercises 3, 5, 6, 10, 11.

For problem 5, apply the extended Euclidean algorithm by hand to calculate the inverse for practice.