

## THE FASTER EXTENDED EUCLIDEAN ALGORITHM

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**Abstract:** In our previous works [12]–[22] we give optimized solutions of Euclidean algorithm. Computational effectiveness of these algorithms [12]–[22] make them more useful from practical point of view in comparison to [3]–[11], [23]–[31]. Using the known general analysis of extended Euclid’s algorithm we give theorem which approve correctness for new [12]–[22] suggested by us extended Euclidean algorithm which is one of the most used.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$  be a natural numbers and by  $m(m \geq 1)$  we denote the number of divisions in the extended Euclid’s algorithm. Without losing of generality we will explore the case when  $a > b$ .

### 2. Main results

**Theorem.** Let  $a$  and  $b$  be a natural numbers and let their greatest common divisor is denoted by  $g = \gcd(a, b)$ . Then there are integers  $x$  and  $y$  for that  $xa + yb = g$ .

*Proof.* We use the Euclid’s algorithm [22] for  $a_0 = a$  and  $a_1 = b$  (analysis of the other case  $a \leq b$  is analogical because the only that we need is to swap  $a$  and  $b$ ). If  $m$  is even number the iteration procedure [12]–[22] can be expressed by the following:

*First step :*

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix};$$

*Second step :*

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_3 \\ a_4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a_3 \\ a_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_4 \\ a_5 \end{pmatrix}; \quad (1)$$

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$\lfloor (m+1)/2 \rfloor$  step :

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{m-2} \\ a_{m-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{m-2} & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{m-1} \\ a_m \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a_{m-1} \\ a_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{m-1} & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_m \\ a_{m+1} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $c_j = \lfloor a_j / a_{j+1} \rfloor$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m-1$ .

As we already mention in [22] – it is obvious that if  $m$  is odd number then every “step” will take one-half of “some step” of (1) and eventually one-half from “next step” of (1) which is only technical aspect in computations’ organizing. This division in “steps” is only for easier explanation of general idea.

We will explore the case when  $m$  is an even number (the case when  $m$  is an odd number is analogical as we noted in [22]).

So, from (1) we receive that  $g = a_m = \gcd(a_0, a_1)$ ,  $a_{m+1} = 0$  and

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} c_{m-1} & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We set  $N_s = \begin{pmatrix} d_s & e_s \\ f_s & g_s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} c_s & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and consequently

$$N_{m-1}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Because  $\det N_{m-1} = (-1)^m$  we obtain  $N_{m-1}^{-1} = (-1)^m \begin{pmatrix} g_{m-1} & -e_{m-1} \\ -f_{m-1} & d_{m-1} \end{pmatrix}$ .

From here  $g_{m-1}a - e_{m-1}b = (-1)^m g$  and  $x = (-1)^m g_{m-1}$ ,  $y = (-1)^{m+1} e_{m-1}$ .

This process can be written in this algorithmic form:

Euclid(a, b, ref x, ref y)

a2 = a mod b

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c0 = a / b
if (a2 < 1)
    x = 1
    y = 0
    return b
a3 = b mod a2
c1 = b / a2
if (a3 < 1)
    x = - c0
    y = 1
    return a2
g = Euclid(a2, a3, ref x, ref y)
y - = c1*x; x - = c0*y
return g
and the calling is:
if (a > b)
    Euclid(a, b, ref y, ref x)
else
    Euclid(b, a, ref x, ref y)
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## ПО-БЪРЗИЯТ РАЗШИРЕН АЛГОРИТЪМ НА ЕВКЛИД

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**Резюме:** В наши предишни работи [12]–[22] даваме оптимизирани решения за алгоритъма на Евклид. Изчислителната ефективност на тези алгоритми [12]–[22] ги прави по-полезни от практическа гледна точка в сравнение с [3]–[11], [23]–[31]. Използвайки известния общ анализ на разширения алгоритъм на Евклид, даваме теорема, която утвърждава коректността на новия [12]–[22] предложен от нас разширен алгоритъм на Евклид, който е един от най-използваните.