

# UW Math Circle

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1. Use the Euclidean Algorithm to find  $\gcd(13, 41)$ . If you had one egg timer that measures 13 minutes, and one egg timer that measures 41 minutes, how could you use them together to measure 1 minute? How about 3 minutes?
2. Show that if  $a$  and  $b$  are digits ( $0 - 9$ ) and  $a + b$  is divisible by 7, then so is the three-digit number  $aba$ .
3. There is a bank whose only currency comes in units of 3 math fun bucks and 5 math fun bucks. For which numbers  $n$  is it possible to get  $n$  math fun bucks from the bank?
4. If  $a$  and  $b$  are odd integers and  $n \geq 1$ , show that  $a^3 - b^3$  is divisible by  $2^n$  if and only if  $a - b$  is divisible by  $2^n$ .
5. Is it possible to form two numbers using the digits 3, 4, 6, 7 (for example, 33434767 and 7636) so that one of the numbers is 57 times the other?