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## Basic Number Theory

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  - ⇒ **Euclid's algorithm** can be used to compute multiplicative inverse



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- There are infinite primes, but they thin out as numbers get bigger
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  - ⇒ 1 in 23 for ten-digit numbers
  - ⇒ 1 in 230 for hundred-digit numbers

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$$\gcd(x, y) = u_{n-2}x + v_{n-2}y$$

- We can extend it to keep track of  $u_n, v_n$ , so  $r_n = u_n x + v_n y$ 
  - ⇒ Exercise: show why  $r_n = u_n x + v_n y$
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  - ▮  $\gcd(x, y) = r_3 = u_3 x + v_3 y = -16 \times 408 + 11 \times 595$

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4	2	0	35	-24



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  - using Euclid's algorithm,  $v_1 = 2$ ,  $v_2 = 3$ ,  $v_3 = 3$ ,
  - $x = 251 \pmod{3 \times 4 \times 5} = 11$

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