# CoCoALib - Feature #1306

# exgcd over integers (ZZ)

02 Sep 2019 16:08 - John Abbott

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Priority: Normal Due date:

Assignee: % Done: 20%

Category:New FunctionEstimated time:0.00 hourTarget version:CoCoALib-0.99880Spent time:1.95 hour

## **Description**

Implement a general extended gcd over the integers.

The idea is that the cofactors should be reasonably small.

Probable design:

```
L := [15,21,0,35];
exgcd(L);
record[gcd:=1, cofactors:=[1,1,0,-1]]
```

Name of record fields are "just a first guess".

#### Related issues:

Related to CoCoALib - Feature #1227: exgcd; solve Bezout equation New 19 Sep 2018

#### History

#### #1 - 02 Sep 2019 16:08 - John Abbott

- Related to Feature #1227: exgcd; solve Bezout equation added

## #2 - 02 Sep 2019 16:12 - John Abbott

The cofactors are defined only modulo the lattice of "syzygies" (kernel of the row matrix); the hope is that the vector produced is a small one (not nec. the smallest possible).

The function should not be too slow.

#### #3 - 02 Sep 2019 16:47 - Anna Maria Bigatti

Name **extgcd**?
I prefer with the 't'

## #4 - 27 Feb 2020 21:05 - John Abbott

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- Target version changed from CoCoALib-1.0 to CoCoALib-0.99800
- % Done changed from 0 to 20

I have a first (untested) prototype. Maybe I'll test it tomorrow... too late now.

## #5 - 28 Feb 2020 10:06 - John Abbott

Currently it returns just the cofacs. I had hoped to avoid an include directive in the header file... not so easy. The impl is correct, but tends to produce cofacs which are far too large (because I impl'ed a poor strategy).

Need to impl some better strategies!

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# #6 - 15 Apr 2021 11:34 - John Abbott

The source code is in **NumTheory-gcd.C**.

# #7 - 28 Jan 2022 13:05 - John Abbott

- Target version changed from CoCoALib-0.99800 to CoCoALib-0.99850

# #8 - 08 Mar 2024 17:57 - John Abbott

- Target version changed from CoCoALib-0.99850 to CoCoALib-0.99880

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