

# Diophantine equations

EG Find all solutions to the diophantine equation  $16x + 25y = 3$ .

①

$$\gcd(16, 25) = 1$$

Bezout's identity:  $1 = 16r + 25s$   
can find  $r, s$  using Euclid

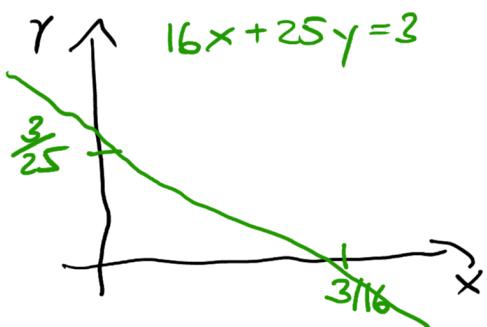
$$3 = 16x + 25y$$

has solution

$$x = 3 \cdot 11 = 33$$
$$y = 3 \cdot (-7) = -21$$

②

$$0 = 16 \cdot 25 + 25 \cdot (-16)$$



has further solutions:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 33 + 25t \\ y &= -21 - 16t \end{aligned}$$

for integers  $t$

general solution

EG

$$6x + 15y = 10$$

$$\gcd(6, 15) = 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2x + 5y = \frac{10}{3}$$

must be integers

not an integer

~ no integer solutions

EG

$$32x + 50y = 6$$

$$\gcd(32, 50) = 2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 16x + 25y = 3$$
$$\gcd(16, 25) = 1$$

solved above