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Theorem (G. Martin). *The smallest positive integer n that satisfies $\phi(30n + 1) < \phi(30n)$ is*

$n=232,909,810,175,496,793,814,049,684,205,233,780,004,859,885,966,051,235,363,345,311,$
 $075,888,344,528,723,154,527,984,260,176,895,854,182,634,802,907,109,271,610,432,287,$
 $652,976,907,467,574,362,400,134,090,318,355,962,121,476,785,712,891,544,538,210,966,$
 $704,036,990,885,292,446,155,135,679,717,565,808,063,766,383,846,220,120,606,143,826,$
 $509,433,540,250,085,111,624,970,464,541,380,934,486,375,688,208,918,750,640,674,629,$
 $942,465,499,369,036,578,640,331,759,035,979,369,302,685,371,156,272,245,466,396,227,$
 $865,621,951,101,808,240,692,259,960,203,091,330,589,296,656,888,011,791,011,416,062,$
 $631,565,320,593,772,287,118,913,728,608,997,901,791,216,356,108,665,476,306,080,740,$
 $121,528,236,888,680,120,152,479,138,327,451,088,404,280,929,048,314,912,122,784,879,$
 $758,304,016,832,436,751,532,255,185,640,249,324,065,492,491,511,072,521,585,980,547,$

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> evalf((1-1/2)*(1-1/3)*(1-1/5))
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.2666666667
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> ithprime(4)
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7
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> evalf(product((1-1/ithprime(j)),j=4..384))
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.2667113307
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Algorithm from Knuth, Vol. 2, p. 320

Algorithm A (*Modern Euclidean algorithm*). Given nonnegative integers u and v , this algorithm finds their greatest common divisor.

A1. [Check $v = 0$] If $v = 0$, the algorithm terminates with u as the answer.

A2. [Take $u \bmod v$] Set $r \leftarrow u \bmod v$, $u \leftarrow v$, $v \leftarrow r$, and return to A1. (The operations of this step decrease the value of v , but they leave $\gcd(u, v)$ unchanged.)

Theorem (Lamé). Let $\phi = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$. Let $0 \leq u, v < N$ in Algorithm A. Then the number of times step A2 is repeated is $\leq \lfloor \log_{\phi}(\sqrt{5}N) \rfloor - 2$.