

PROGRAMMING CLUB

Project Euler problems 1—5

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PROBLEM 1: MULTIPLES OF 3 AND 5

- Problem statement
- If we list all the natural numbers below 10 that are multiples of 3 or 5, we get 3, 5, 6 and 9. The sum of these multiples is 23. Find the sum of all the multiples of 3 or 5 below 1000.



PROBLEM 1 SOLUTION

- First, we noticed that we can use brute force to solve this problem because $n < 1000$.



PROBLEM 1 SOLUTION

- We could list all the integers from 1 to 999 and see if it's divisible by 3 or 5.
- Method: for loop.
- Time complexity: $O(n)$
- Core code:
 - For(int i = 1 to 999)
 - if(i mod 3 is 0 or i mod 5 is 0)
 - count increase by 1.



PROBLEM 2: EVEN FIBONACCI NUMBERS

- Problem statement

Each new term in the Fibonacci sequence is generated by adding the previous two terms. By starting with 1 and 2, the first 10 terms will be:

1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, ...

By considering the terms in the Fibonacci sequence whose values do not exceed four million, find the sum of the even-valued terms.



PROBLEM 2 SOLUTION

- What? Fibonacci! We just learned it!
- Step 1. Value do not exceed two million means we can use brute force to list all the Fibonacci number that are smaller or equal to four million.
- Step 2. Find the number of even numbers in the sequence.



PROBLEM 2 SOLUTION

Core codes:

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For (i=2 to infinite){  
    a_i = a_i-1 + a_i-2. (Fibonacci sequence characteristic)  
    if(a_i exceed 4 million) break;  
    if(a_i is even) count increase by 1.  
}
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Time Complexity: $O(m)$ m is small because of the characteristic of Fibonacci sequence.



PROBLEM 3: LARGEST PRIME FACTOR

- Problem Statement:

The prime factors of 13195 are 5, 7, 13 and 29.

What is the largest prime factor of the number 600851475143 ?



PROBLEM 3 SOLUTION

- The number is large. Cannot use brute force directly.
- For prime problems we can use a $O(n \log \log n)$ way to find all primes, as mentioned in Brute Force chapter.
- We notice that $\text{sqrt}(600851475143)$ is actually not large.
- We notice that if x is a factor of 600851475143, $600851475143/x$ is also a factor of 600851475143.



PROBLEM 3 SOLUTION

- Brute force from 1 to $\sqrt{600851475143}$. For loop.
- If $600851475143 \bmod x$ is 0, $600851475143 \bmod (600851475143/x)$ is also 0, which means that $600851475143/x$ is also a factor of 600851475143.

- Core code

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For(int i from 1 to sqrt(600851475143)){  
    if(600851475143 mod i == 0) {  
        check if i and (600851475143/i) are primes.  
    }  
}
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- More advanced way. List all primes first.
- $O(N^{(1/2)})$.



PROBLEM 4: LARGEST PALINDROME PRODUCT

- Problem statement:
- A palindromic number reads the same both ways. The largest palindrome made from the product of two 2-digit numbers is $9009 = 91 \times 99$.
- Find the largest palindrome made from the product of two 3-digit numbers.



PROBLEM 4 SOLUTION

- A three digit number is in the range of 100 to 999.
- If we brute force all the possible two three digit numbers $1000 * 1000 = 1000000$.
- Then check if it's a palindrome number. 6.
- Total calculations 6000000 which is acceptable.



PROBLEM 4 SOLUTION

- Method: Brute force, loop.
- Step 1, loop all possible numbers x .
- For(i from 100 to 999)
 For(j from 100 to 999)
 $x = i*j$.



PROBLEM 4 SOLUTION

- Step2: check if x is palindrome number
- a. Find all the digits of x.

core code. While($x \neq 0$) $\text{digit} = x \% 10, x /= 10;$

b. See if x is a palindrome number. If x has k digits.

for(i from 1 digit to $k/2$ th digit)

if all $\text{digit}[i] == \text{digit}[k-i+1]$ then x is a palindrome number.



PROBLEM 5: SMALLEST MULTIPLE

- Problem Statement
- 2520 is the smallest number that can be divided by each of the numbers from 1 to 10 without any remainder.
- What is the smallest positive number that is evenly divisible by all of the numbers from 1 to 20?



PROBLEM 5 SOLUTION

- Step 1: Factor all the numbers from 1– 20, record all the exponents of prime numbers from 1—20: 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19
- The maximum exponents of primes is the exponent of that prime in lowest common multiplier of numbers 1—20.
- Multiply all the primes with exponents together.
- For more details please see the codes below pdf file.



THANKS FOR COMING!

- Resources:
- <https://projecteuler.net/archives>

