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Given pairwise coprime positive integers  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  and arbitrary integers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$ , the system of simultaneous congruences

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{n_1}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{n_2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$x \equiv a_k \pmod{n_k}$$

has a solution, and the solution is unique modulo  $N = n_1 n_2 \cdots n_k$ .

A consequence of the CRT is that the equation

$$x \equiv a \pmod{p}$$

is equivalent to the system of equations

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{p_1}$$

...

$$x \equiv a_k \pmod{p_k}$$

(As above, assume that  $p = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_k$  and  $p_i$  are pairwise relatively prime).



# Divide and Conquer Trick

Sum of  $x^i$

$$f(n) = f\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + x^{\frac{n}{2}} \times f\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \quad \text{for even } n$$

$$f(n) = f(n-1) + x^n \quad \text{for odd } n$$

Sum of  $x^i$  :

$$f(x, n) = 1 + x^1 + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^{n-1}$$

$$f(x, n) = (1 + x) \times f(x^2, \frac{n}{2}) \quad \text{for even } n$$

$$f(x, n) = 1 + x \times f(x, n - 1) \quad \text{for odd } n$$

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