

Hasse Diagram Start with a set of positive integers

Basic Idea: If $m \mid n$, then draw an arrow from m to n .

Some simplification

We will just use a line segment
($m \mid n \Rightarrow m \leq n$)

1. Reflexive $m \mid m$
 $m \curvearrowright$ will be omit

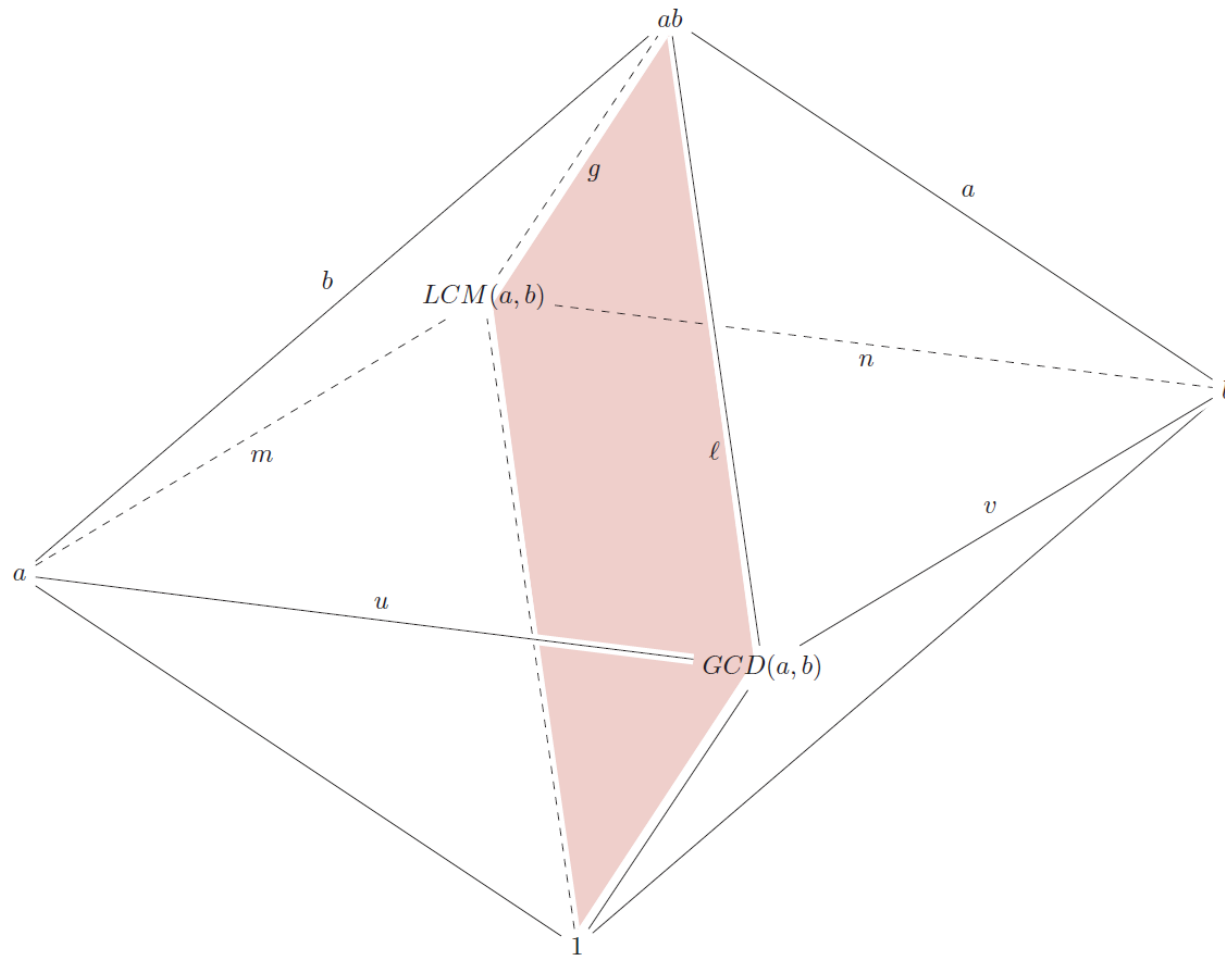
2. Antisymmetric $m \mid n, n \mid m \Rightarrow m = n$
 $m \rightleftarrows n \rightsquigarrow m = n$ omit.

3. transitive $a \mid b, b \mid c \Rightarrow a \mid c$

$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c$ then also an arrow $a \rightarrow c$.

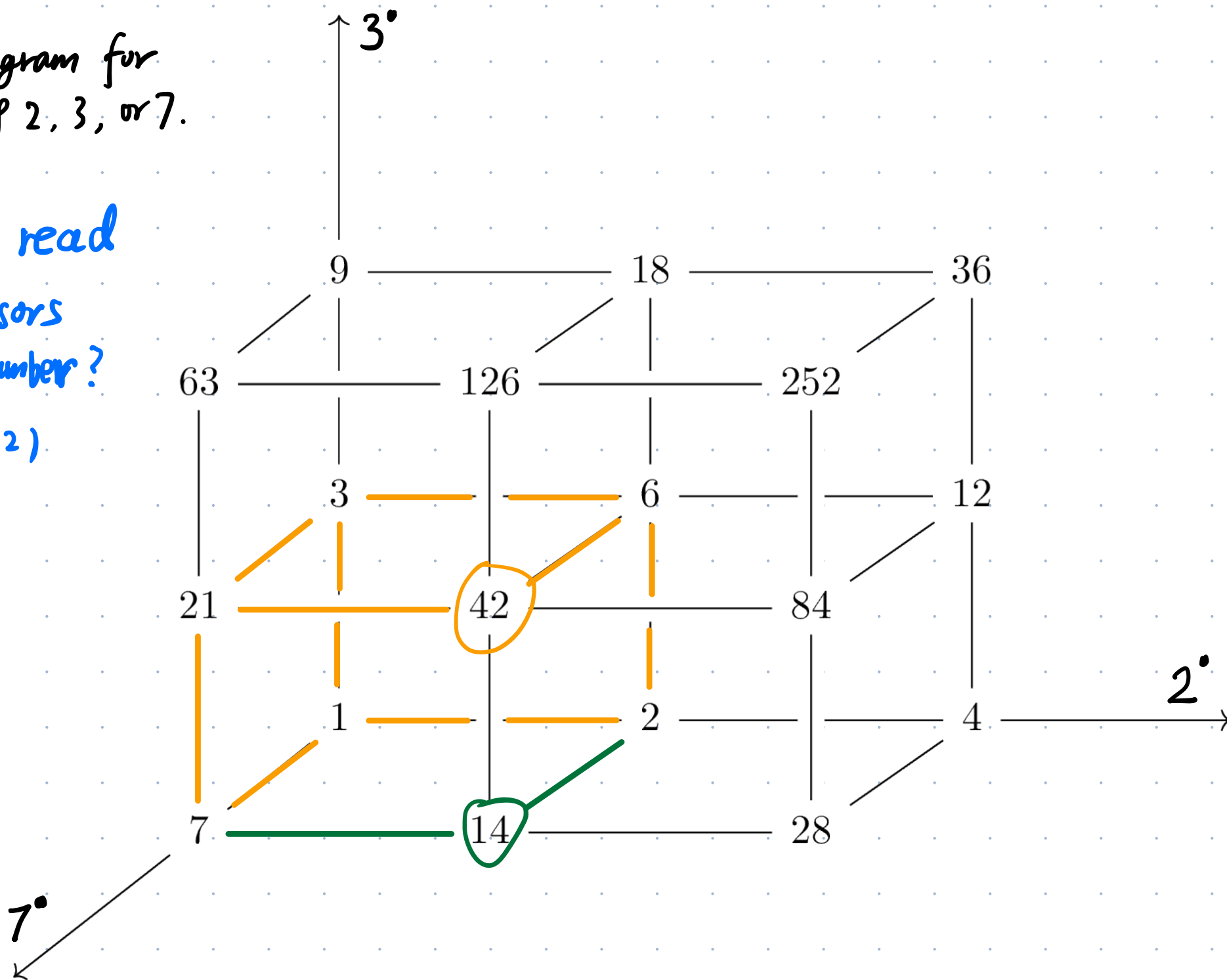
omit $a \rightarrow c$, viewly it as the path from a to c via b .

Example $\{1, a, b, \text{GCD}(a,b), \text{LCM}(a,b), ab\}$



Hasse Diagram for
multiples of 2, 3, or 7.

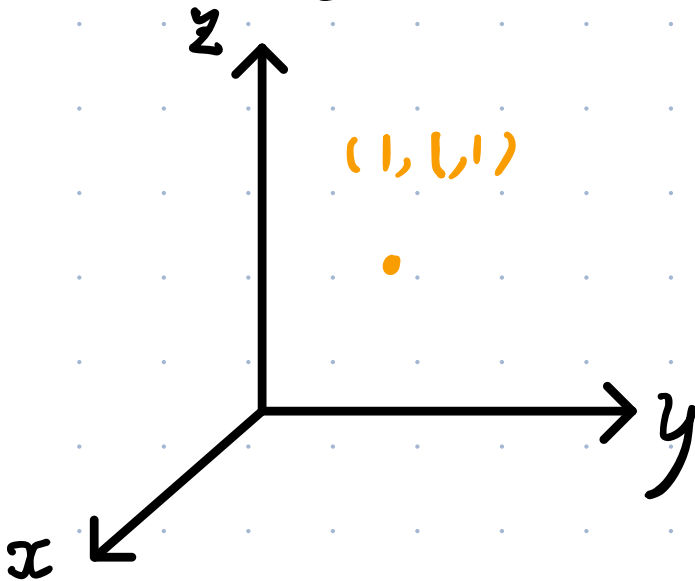
Can you read
out divisors
of a number?
(e.g. 252)



division network
of
all positive integers

decompose → Individual dimensions

Just as how the Euclidean space being
decomposed into 3 dimensions!



Ex: How to compare two points in the Euclidean space? How does it related to each dimension?

Analogous of the networks

Def. Let $n > 0$ be an integer.

•) If $n > 1$ and has no divisor other than 1 and n itself

\leadsto n is a prime number.

$$1 \text{ --- } n$$

•) If $n > 1$ and not a prime, namely $d \mid n$ for some $1 < d < n$

\leadsto n is a composite number

$$1 \text{ --- } \dots d \dots \text{ --- } n$$

•) $n = 1$ is called a unit.

Prop (primeness / Fundamental property of primes) ^(Euclidean's lemma)

Let p be a prime number and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $p \mid ab$, then $p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$.

(by contradiction)

Proof: Suppose $p \nmid a$ and $p \nmid b$.

Then $\text{GCD}(p, b) = 1$ because the only divisors of p are 1 and p but $p \nmid b$ and $1 \mid b$.

By "Bézout Identity", there are integers x_0, y_0 such that

$$p x_0 + b y_0 = 1.$$

$$p a x_0 + a b y_0 = a.$$

But $p \mid ab$. Then 2-out-of-3 $\Rightarrow p \mid a$. \Rightarrow

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Proof of Existence :

Need to do two things

1) For each prime p , find the integer e_p

2) Show that $n = 2^{e_2} \cdot 3^{e_3} \cdot \dots \cdot p^{e_p} \cdot \dots$

For 1) : Consider the sequence:

$1, p, p^2, p^3, \dots$

There is a largest one dividing n , saying p^{e_p}

We thus find the integer e_p .

2). We need a lemma:

Lemma: Let a , b , and n be three integers.

If $a \mid n$, $b \mid n$, and $\text{GCD}(a, b) = 1$,

then $ab \mid n$

proof: By Bézout Identity, there are integers x_0, y_0 such that

$$ax_0 + by_0 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow nax_0 + nby_0 = n$$

$$b \mid n \Rightarrow ab \mid nax_0, a \mid n \Rightarrow ab \mid nby_0$$

By 2-out-of-3, we have

$$ab \mid n$$

Back to the proof.

and the fact that $\text{GCD}(p_1^x, p_2^y) = 1$ if $p_1 \neq p_2$ are distinct primes.

For 2): By the lemma, we have

$$2^{e_2} \cdot 3^{e_3} \cdots p^{e_p} \cdots \mid n.$$

If they are not equal, saying $n = d \cdot 2^{e_2} \cdot 3^{e_3} \cdots p^{e_p} \cdots$

Then there is a prime $p_0 \leq d$ such that $p_0 \mid d$

Why?

$$n = d \cdot 2^{e_2} \cdot 3^{e_3} \cdots p^{e_p} \cdots$$

$$\text{So } p_0 \cdot 2^{e_2} \cdot 3^{e_3} \cdots p^{e_p} \cdots \mid n$$

$$\Rightarrow p_0^{e_{p_0} + 1} \mid n \text{ But } p_0^{e_{p_0}} \text{ is the largest one}$$

among powers of p_0 which divides n ! \Rightarrow



Reading suggestions

- The **Hasse diagram** is a way to visualize order relation between a given ordered set. Note that how the three properties (reflexivity, anti-symmetry, and transitivity) allow us to draw a simplified, loop-free diagram.
- Two integers a and b are **coprime** if $\text{GCD}(a, b) = 1$. This notion plays an important role. Try to prove all the involved coprime statement in today's lecture and find more results using the results on GCD in Chapter 1 of the textbook.
- We will continue on prime factorization in next class. Read pp. 56 – 63.