

## VE203 Assignment 7

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**Q1.** Since  $ac \equiv bc \pmod{m}$ , we have  $m|(ac-bc)$ . Since  $\frac{m}{\gcd(c,m)}|m$ , we also have  $\frac{m}{\gcd(c,m)}|(ac-bc) = (a-b)c$  and also  $\gcd(\frac{m}{\gcd(c,m)}, c) = 1$ . From this, we know that  $\gcd(c, m)|(a-b)$ , which means  $a \equiv b \pmod{\frac{m}{\gcd(c,m)}}$ .

**Q2.** Since  $36x \equiv 75 \pmod{1309}$ , we have  $1309|(36x-75)$ , i.e. there exists  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $75 = 36x + 1209m$ . Since

$$1309 = 36 \times 36 + 13$$

$$36 = 2 \times 13 + 10$$

$$13 = 10 + 3$$

$$10 = 3 \times 3 + 1$$

$$3 = 3 \times 1,$$

we know that  $\gcd(1309, 36) = 1$ . Therefore, there we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= 10 - 3 \times 3 \\ &= 10 - 3 \times (13 - 10) \\ &= 4 \times 10 - 3 \times 13 \\ &= 4 \times (36 - 2 \times 13) - 3 \times 13 \\ &= 4 \times 36 - 11 \times 13 \\ &= 4 \times 36 - 11 \times (1309 - 36 \times 36) \\ &= 400 \times 36 - 11 \times 1309, \end{aligned}$$

which means  $1 = 400 \times 36 - 11 \times 1309$ . Therefore  $75 = 400 \times 75 \times 36 - 11 \times 75 \times 1309 = 30000 \times 36 - 825 \times 1309$ . Hence,  $x = 30000$  is a solution.

**Q3.** To solve this system, we need to solve

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{13}$$

Now,

$$m = m_1 m_2 m_3 = 455$$

$$M_1 = \frac{455}{5} = 91$$

$$M_2 = \frac{455}{7} = 65$$

$$M_3 = \frac{455}{13} = 35$$

To find  $y_1$ ,

$$91 = 18 \times 5 + 1$$

$$1 = 91 - 18 \times 5$$

Hence, let  $y_1 = 1$ . To find  $y_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 65 &= 9 \times 7 + 2 \\ 7 &= 3 \times 2 + 1 \\ 1 &= 7 - 3 \times 2 \\ &= 7 - 3 \times (65 - 9 \times 7) \\ &= 28 \times 7 - 3 \times 65 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_2 = -3$ . To find  $y_3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 35 &= 2 \times 13 + 9 \\ 13 &= 9 + 4 \\ 9 &= 2 \times 4 + 1 \\ 1 &= 9 - 2 \times 4 \\ &= 9 - 2 \times (13 - 9) \\ &= 3 \times 9 - 2 \times 13 \\ &= 3 \times (35 - 2 \times 13) - 2 \times 13 \\ &= 3 \times 35 - 8 \times 13 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_3 = 3$ . Therefore,

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k M_k y_k = 2 \times 91 \times 1 + 4 \times 65 \times (-3) + 4 \times 35 \times 3 = -178 \pmod{455}.$$

Therefore, the solutions are  $-178 + 455y$ , where  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Q4.**

$$\begin{aligned} 6|(x-5) &\Rightarrow 3|(x-2) \\ &\quad 2|(x-1), \\ 10|(x-3) &\Rightarrow 5|(x-3) \\ &\quad 2|(x-1), \\ 15|x-8 &\Rightarrow 5|(x-3) \\ &\quad 3|(x-2) \end{aligned}$$

Since there are no contradiction between the equations in the right hand side, there must exist solutions and we turn the system into

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\ x &\equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ x &\equiv 3 \pmod{5} \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} m &= m_1 m_2 m_3 = 30 \\ M_1 &= \frac{30}{2} = 15 \\ M_2 &= \frac{30}{3} = 10 \\ M_3 &= \frac{30}{5} = 6 \end{aligned}$$

To find  $y_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}15 &= 7 \times 2 + 1 \\1 &= 15 - 7 \times 2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_1 = 1$ . To find  $y_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}10 &= 3 \times 3 + 1 \\1 &= 10 - 3 \times 3\end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_2 = 1$ . To find  $y_3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}6 &= 5 + 1 \\1 &= 6 - 5\end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_3 = 1$ . Therefore,

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k M_k y_k = 1 \times 15 \times 1 + 2 \times 10 \times 1 + 3 \times 6 \times 1 = 53 \pmod{30}.$$

Therefore, the solutions are  $53+30y$ , where  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Q5.** Now,

$$m = m_1 m_2 m_3 m_4 = 6545$$

$$M_1 = \frac{6545}{5} = 1309$$

$$M_2 = \frac{6545}{7} = 935$$

$$M_3 = \frac{6545}{11} = 595$$

$$M_4 = \frac{6545}{17} = 385$$

To find  $y_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}1309 &= 261 \times 5 + 4 \\5 &= 4 + 1 \\1 &= 5 - 4 \\&= 5 - (1309 - 261 \times 5) \\&= 262 \times 5 - 1309\end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_1 = -1$ . To find  $y_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}935 &= 133 \times 7 + 4 \\7 &= 4 + 3 \\4 &= 3 + 1 \\1 &= 4 - 3 \\&= 4 - (7 - 4) \\&= 2 \times 4 - 7 \\&= 2 \times (935 - 133 \times 7) - 7 \\&= 2 \times 935 - 267 \times 7\end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_2 = 2$ . To find  $y_3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 595 &= 11 \times 54 + 1 \\ 1 &= 595 - 11 \times 54 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_3 = 1$ . To find  $y_4$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 385 &= 22 \times 17 + 11 \\ 17 &= 11 + 6 \\ 11 &= 6 + 5 \\ 6 &= 5 + 1 \\ 1 &= 6 - 5 \\ &= 6 - (11 - 6) \\ &= 2 \times 6 - 11 \\ &= 2 \times (17 - 11) - 11 \\ &= 2 \times 17 - 3 \times (385 - 22 \times 17) \\ &= 68 \times 17 - 3 \times 385 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, let  $y_4 = -3$ . Therefore,

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k M_k y_k = 5 \times 1309 \times (-1) + 3 \times 935 \times 2 + 8 \times 595 \times 1 + 2 \times 385 \times -3 = 1515 \pmod{6545}.$$

Therefore, the solutions are  $1515 + 6545y$ , where  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Q6.** Suppose, for a contradiction, that there exists  $M, C \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n > M$ ,  $n \log_2(n) \leq C \log_2(n)$ . But it cannot be true since when  $n > C$ ,  $n \log_2(n) > C \log_2(n)$  always hold.

**Q7.** We just need to prove that  $\log_a(n) = O \log_b(n)$  where  $a, b$  are positive integers greater than 1. Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log_a(n)}{\log_b(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n(\ln a)}}{\frac{1}{n(\ln b)}} = \frac{\ln b}{\ln a},$$

which means  $\log_a(n) = O \log_b(n)$ . When  $a = 2, b = 10, a = 2, b = e, a = 10, b = 2, a = 10, b = e, a = e, b = 2, a = e, b = 10$ , we can see that they have the same order from the equation we proved.

**Q8.** For all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lfloor x^3 - 4 \rfloor \leq x^3 - 4$ . For  $x \leq 2$ ,  $|\lfloor x^3 - 4 \rfloor| \leq |x^3 - 4| < |x^3 + 4| = |x^3(1 + \frac{4}{x^3})| \leq |x^3(1 + 4)| = |(x^3)| \times 5$ . Therefore, by choosing  $C \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $C \geq 5$ , we can see that  $\lfloor x^3 - 4 \rfloor$  is  $O(x^3)$ . Conversely,  $\lfloor x^3 - 4 \rfloor \geq x^3 - 5$ . It is clear that for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $D \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $D > 0$  such that for all  $x > D$ ,

$$|1 - \frac{5}{x^3}| \geq 1 - \epsilon$$

So, choosing  $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$ , we get  $D \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $D > 0$  such that for all  $x > D$ ,

$$|1 - \frac{5}{x^3}| \geq \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } |\lfloor x^3 - 4 \rfloor| > |x^3 - 5| = x^3 |1 - \frac{5}{x^3}| \geq \frac{1}{2} x^3$$

So, if  $C \in \mathbb{N}$  is such that  $C \geq 2$ , then  $|x^3| \leq 2 \times |\lfloor x^3 - 4 \rfloor|$ , which shows that  $x^3$  is  $O(\lfloor x^3 - 4 \rfloor)$ .

Therefore, they have the same order.

**Q9.** No. For  $n$  large enough,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^n}{n^{n-k}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^k \rightarrow \infty,$$

So there doesn't exist  $C \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $C \geq 0$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^n}{n^{n-k}} = C$ , which means  $n^n \neq O(n^{n-k})$ .

**Q10.**

- (i) Note that the summation only makes sense when  $n \geq 2$ , therefore, we only discuss conditions when  $n \geq 2$ .
- When  $n = 2$ ,  $\sum_{j=2}^2 \frac{1}{j} = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x|_1^2 = \ln 2 - \ln 1 = \ln 2 > \frac{1}{2}$ .
  - If  $n > 2$  and  $\sum_{j=2}^n \frac{1}{j} < \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx$  holds, suppose for  $n+1$ ,  $\sum_{j=2}^{n+1} \frac{1}{j} = \sum_{j=2}^n \frac{1}{j} + \frac{1}{n+1} < \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx + \frac{1}{n+1}$ . Besides,  $\int_1^{n+1} \frac{1}{x} dx = \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx + \int_n^{n+1} \frac{1}{x} dx = \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx + \ln x|_n^{n+1} = \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx + \ln(n+1) - \ln(n) > \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx + \frac{1}{n+1}$ . Therefore, we have  $\sum_{j=2}^{n+1} \frac{1}{j} < \int_1^{n+1} \frac{1}{x} dx$ .
- (ii)  $H(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{n-k} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j} = 1 + \sum_{j=2}^n \frac{1}{j} < 1 + \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx < 1 + \ln n$ . So, when  $n > e$ ,  $\ln e > 1$ ,  $1 + \ln e < 2 \ln n$ . Therefore, we have when  $n > e$ ,  $H(n) < 2 \ln n$ , which means  $O(\ln(n))$ .

**Q11.**

- (i) The pseudocode is as follow,

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**Input:**  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ ,  $n$  unsorted elements  
**Output:** all the  $a_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  in increasing order

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1 for  $k \leftarrow 2$  to  $n$  do
2    $i \leftarrow 1$ 
3    $j \leftarrow k - 1$ 
4   while  $i < j$  do
5      $m \leftarrow \lfloor (i+j)/2 \rfloor$ ;
6     if  $a_k > a_m$  then
7        $i \leftarrow m + 1$ ;
8     else
9        $j \leftarrow m$ 
10   $p \leftarrow a_k$ ;
11  for  $l \leftarrow 0$  to  $k - i - 1$  do
12     $a_{k-l} \leftarrow a_{k-l-1}$ ;
13   $a_i \leftarrow p$ 
14 return  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  in increasing order.

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- (ii) • Insertion Sort Algorithm:  $8 + (1+2) + (1+3) + (4+1) + (1+5) + (4+3) + (3+5) + (2+7) = 50$   
 • Binary Insertion Sort Algorithm:  $8 + (1+3) + (3+4) + (3+2) + (5+6) + (5+4) + (5+6) + (7+8) = 70$
- (iii) We define a function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  that on input  $n$  counts the worst-case number of comparisons needed sort a list of length  $n$ . For a specific  $j^{th}$  element to sort, if there is  $k$  comparisons during the **while** loop, which means  $i = k - 1$ , there will be  $j - i - 1 + 1 + 1 = j - i + 1 = j - k + 1$  comparisons during the inner **for** loop. So there are  $k + j - k + 1 = j + 1$  comparisons in total during the  $j^{th}$  passes. Adding all  $j$  we get

$$\sum_{j=2}^n (j+1) = \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{3n}{2} - 2$$

Besides, we also have  $n$  comparisons for the outer for loops, so the total number of comparisons is  $f(n) = n + \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{3n}{2} - 2 = \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{5n}{2} - 2$ . Since it is a polynomial of degree 2,  $f(n) = O(n^2)$ .

- (iv) We define a function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  that on input  $n$  counts the worst-case number of comparisons (excluded comparisons in while loop and for loop) needed sort a list of length  $n$ . For a specific  $k^{th}$  element to sort, the worst case for the while-loop is  $2^q = k - 1$ ,  $q = \log_2(k - 1)$ . Because there are  $N$  elements in the list, the complexity is  $O(n \log_2 n)$ .

Since we know for insertion sort, the corresponding complexity is  $O(n^2)$ . Since  $O(n \log_2 n)$  is way smaller than  $O(n^2)$ , the Binary Insertion Sort Algorithm is significantly faster than Insertion Sort.