

Project 1

Title: "Build Your Own Number Theory Calculator"

Create a simple Python tool that allows users to find the **GCD**, **LCM**, and **Prime Factors** of numbers without using built-in math functions. The project will help you understand how numbers work behind the scenes by coding the logic yourself through an interactive menu.

Algorithm: Number Theory Calculator

Step 1: Start the Program

- Show a welcome message and menu:
 1. Find GCD
 2. Find LCM
 3. Find Prime Factorization
 4. Exit

Step 2: Ask for User Choice

- Let the user choose an option (1, 2, 3, or 4)

Step 3: Process the User's Choice

If the user selects GCD (Option 1):

- Ask for two numbers
- Start a loop from the smaller number down to 1
- If a number divides both numbers, that is the GCD
- Show the result

If the user selects LCM (Option 2):

- Ask for two numbers
- Start from the larger number and keep checking
- If a number is divisible by both inputs, it's the LCM
- Show the result

If the user selects Prime Factorization (Option 3):

- Ask for one number
- Start dividing by 2, then 3, 4, 5... up to that number
- If it divides, add it to the list of factors and divide again
- Repeat until number becomes 1
- Show the prime factors

If the user selects Exit (Option 4):

- Show a goodbye message
- End the program

Step 4: Repeat

- After finishing a calculation, show the menu again
- Keep repeating until the user chooses to exit

Pseudocode: Number Theory Calculator

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PROGRAM NumberTheoryCalculator
    DISPLAY welcome message and menu options:
        1. Compute GCD
        2. Compute LCM
        3. Perform Prime Factorization
        4. Exit

    REPEAT
        GET user choice from menu input
        IF choice is 1 (GCD):
            GET two integers (a, b) from user
            COMPUTE GCD using Euclidean Algorithm:
                WHILE b is not zero:
                    UPDATE a, b = b, a MOD b
                    OUTPUT GCD result (stored in a)
        ELSE IF choice is 2 (LCM):
            GET two integers (a, b) from user
            COMPUTE LCM using GCD:
                SET product = a * b
                COMPUTE GCD (as above)
                SET LCM = product / GCD
                OUTPUT LCM result
        ELSE IF choice is 3 (Prime Factorization):
            GET integer (n) from user
            INITIALIZE empty list of factors
            SET divisor = 2
            WHILE divisor squared <= n:
                WHILE n is divisible by divisor:
                    ADD divisor to factors
                    UPDATE n = n / divisor
                INCREMENT divisor
            IF remaining n > 1:
                ADD n to factors
            OUTPUT list of factors
        ELSE IF choice is 4 (Exit):
            DISPLAY exit message
            TERMINATE program
        ELSE:
            DISPLAY invalid input error
    UNTIL user chooses Exit
END PROGRAM
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