# **Problem Title: Find the Greatest Common Divisor (GCD)** of N Numbers

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#### Scenario:

In large-scale systems, finding a common pattern or factor among multiple datasets is often required for optimization. Similarly, in number theory, the **Greatest Common Divisor** (**GCD**) helps determine the largest number that divides a set of numbers without leaving a remainder.

Your task is to compute the GCD of n integers efficiently.

#### **Problem Statement:**

Given n numbers, find the greatest common denominator between them.

For example, given the numbers [42, 56, 14], return 14.

# **Input Format:**

- First line: integer n (number of integers).
- Second line: n integers separated by space.

# **Output Format:**

• A single integer representing the GCD of the given numbers.

#### Example 1:

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Input: 3 42 56 14 Output: 14
```

#### **Explanation:**

- Factors of  $42 \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 14, 21, 42\}$
- Factors of  $56 \rightarrow \{1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 14, 28, 56\}$
- Factors of  $14 \rightarrow \{1, 2, 7, 14\}$
- Greatest common factor = 14

# Example 2:

```
Input: 4 8 16 32 64 Output: 8
```

## **Constraints:**

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• 1 \le n \le 10^5
• 1 \le arr[i] \le 10^9
```

# **Approach Hints:**

• Use the Euclidean Algorithm for efficiency:

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o gcd(a, b) = gcd(b, a % b)
```

- o Extend to n numbers by iteratively applying gcd(result, arr[i]).
- Time Complexity:  $O(n \log M)$  (where M is the largest number).

## **Practice Links:**

- <u>LeetCode Find Greatest Common Divisor of Array</u>
- GeeksforGeeks GCD of N numbers

# **Video Explanations:**

- Euclidean Algorithm GCD Explained
- GFG GCD of Multiple Numbers