

Sum of divisors $\sigma(n)$ Number of divisors $\tau(n)$

(tau n)

Number of divisors
for, $n = 8$
 $d = \{1, 2, 4, 8\}$
 $\tau(8) = 4$

$\sigma(n) =$ sum of +ve divisors of n

$$\sigma(8) = 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 = 15$$

Remark:

• $\tau(1) = 1$ $\tau(2) = 2$ $\tau(3) = 2$ $\tau(4) = 3$ $\tau(5) = 2$ $\tau(6) = 4$
• $\sigma(1) = 1$ $\sigma(2) = 3$ $\sigma(3) = 4$ $\sigma(4) = 7$ $\sigma(5) = 6$ $\sigma(6) = 12$

• $\tau(n) = 2$ n is prime

• $\sigma(n) = n + 1$ n is prime

• $\sum_{d|n} f(d)$; $\tau(n) = \sum_{d|n} 1$; $\sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} d$

$n = 10$
 $\Rightarrow d: \{1, 2, 5, 10\}$

$$\tau(10) = \sum_{d|10} 1 = (1+1)(1+1) = 4$$

$$\sigma(10) = \sum_{d|10} d = 1 + 2 + 5 + 10 = 18$$

$$(1+2^2) \dots (1+5^2) (1+10^2) = (10) \cdot 5 \cdot 13$$

$$\frac{1-9}{1-3} \dots \frac{1-25}{1-5} \frac{1-100}{1-10} = (n) \cdot 5 \cdot 13$$

Example $n=180$

divisors of 180 = $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \dots\}$

$$n = 180 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^1$$

$$d = 2^{a_1} \cdot 3^{a_2} \cdot 5^{a_3} \quad 0 \leq a_1 \leq 2$$

$$0 \leq a_2 \leq 2$$

$$0 \leq a_3 \leq 1$$

$$d_1 = 2^0 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^0 = 1$$

$$d_2 = 2^1 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^0 = 2$$

$$d_3 = 2^0 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^0 = 3$$

$$d_4 = 2^1 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^0 = 6$$

$$d_5 = 2^0 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^1 = 5$$

$$d_6 = 2^1 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^1 = 10$$

$$d_7 = 2^0 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^1 = 15$$

$$d_8 = 2^2 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^0 = 4$$

$$d_9 = 2^0 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^0 = 9$$

$$d_{10} = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^0 = 12$$

$$d_{11} = 2^1 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^0 = 18$$

$$d_{12} = 2^0 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^1 = 45$$

$$d_{13} = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^0 = 36$$

$$d_{14} = 2^1 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^1 = 90$$

$$d_{15} = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^1 = 180$$

set of divisors of 180 are:

$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 15, 18, 20, 30, 36, 45, 60, 90, 180\}$

$$\tau(180) = 18$$

$$\sigma(180) = ?$$

Theorem: If $n = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \dots p_n^{k_n}$ is the prime factorization

$$(a) \tau(n) = (k_1+1)(k_2+1) \dots (k_n+1)$$

$$(b) \sigma(n) = \frac{p_1^{k_1+1}-1}{p_1-1} \cdot \frac{p_2^{k_2+1}-1}{p_2-1} \dots \frac{p_n^{k_n+1}-1}{p_n-1}$$

Let's prove:

The division of n takes the form $d = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \dots p_k^{a_k}$

$$0 \leq a_i \leq k_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq k$$

(a) a_1 : take $k+1$

$$\tau(n) = (k+1) \cdot (k_2+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (k_k+1)$$

a_2 : take k_2+1

a_k : takes k_k+1

The number of division: $\tau(n) = (k+1) (k_2+1) \dots (k_k+1)$

(b)

$$\underbrace{(1 + p_1 + p_1^2 + \dots + p_1^{k_1})}_{\text{G.P.}} \cdot (1 + p_2 + p_2^2 + \dots + p_2^{k_2}) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + p_k + p_k^2 + \dots + p_k^{k_k})$$

Sum of
division

$$\left(\frac{p_1^{k_1+1} - 1}{p_1 - 1} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{p_2^{k_2+1} - 1}{p_2 - 1} \right) \cdot \dots \cdot \left(\frac{p_k^{k_k+1} - 1}{p_k - 1} \right)$$

Let's take an example:

$$n = 180 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$$

$$\tau(180) = (2+1)(2+1)(1+1) = 3 \times 3 \times 2 = 18$$

$$\sigma(180) = \frac{2^{2+1}-1}{2-1} \cdot \frac{3^{2+1}-1}{3-1} \cdot \frac{5^{1+1}-1}{5-1}$$

$$= \frac{7}{1} \cdot \frac{26}{2} \cdot \frac{24}{4} = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 6 = 546$$

$$= 546$$

$$1 = (0) \cdot 1$$

$$1 = (1) \cdot 1$$

$$1 = (2) \cdot 1$$

$$1 = (3) \cdot 1$$

$$1 = (4) \cdot 1$$

$$1 = (5) \cdot 1$$

Multiplicative Function

- multiplicative function
- $\tau(n)$, $\sigma(n)$ multiplicative fn
- $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$; f is multiplicative then F is also multiplicative.

→ A number theoretic function is multiplicative if

$$f(mn) = f(m)f(n) \quad ; \quad \gcd(m, n) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau(mn) = \tau(m)\tau(n)$$

$$\sigma(mn) = \sigma(m)\sigma(n)$$

Möbius Function:

Definition:

$$\mu(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & : n=1 \\ 0 & : n = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \dots p_k^{a_k} \text{ where } a_i > 1 \text{ for some } i \\ (-1)^k & : n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k \text{ where } p_i \text{ are distinct primes} \end{cases}$$

$$\mu(1) = 1$$

$$\mu(2) = -1$$

$$\mu(3) = -1$$

$$\mu(4) = 0$$

$$\mu(5) = -1$$

$$\mu(6) = \mu(2 \times 3) = (-1)^2 = 1$$

$$\mu(7) = -1$$

$$\mu(8) = \mu(2^3) = 0$$

$$\mu(9) = \mu(3^2) = 0$$

$$\mu(10) = 1$$

Theorem: For each positive integer $n \geq 1$

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 1 & ; n=1 \\ 0 & ; n>1 \end{cases}$$

where d runs through the positive divisors of n

Proof: Let $n = p_1^{k_1} \cdot p_2^{k_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_n^{k_n}$ and $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d)$

$$F(n) = F(p_1^{k_1} \cdot \dots \cdot p_n^{k_n})$$

$$= F(p_1^{k_1}) \cdot F(p_2^{k_2}) \cdot \dots \cdot F(p_n^{k_n})$$

$$= 0 \cdot 0 \cdot 0 \cdot \dots = 0$$

$$\therefore F(p_i^{k_i}) = \sum_{d|p_i^{k_i}} \mu(d)$$

$$= \mu(1) + \mu(p_i) + \mu(p_i^2) + \mu(p_i^3) + \dots + \mu(p_i^{k_i})$$

$$= 1 + (-1) + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0$$

$$= 0$$

~~Suppose~~ $F(n) = 0$ if $n > 1$

Suppose

$$n=1 \quad F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d)$$

$$= \mu(1) = 1$$

Mobius Inverse:

Theorem: let F and f be two number-theoretic functions related by the formula $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$ — (1) Then

$$f(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) F\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) F(d)$$

Proof

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) F\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \sum_{c|\frac{n}{d}} f(c)$$

$$= \sum_{d|n} \sum_{c|\frac{n}{d}} \mu(d) f(c)$$

$$= \sum_{c|n} f(c) \sum_{\substack{d|\frac{n}{c}}} \mu(d)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(d) &= 1 \text{ if } \frac{n}{c} = 1 \\ \mu(d) &= 0 \text{ if } \frac{n}{c} > 1 \end{aligned}$$

take $\frac{n}{c} = 1$

$$= \sum_{c|n} f(c) \times 1$$

$$= \sum_{c|n} f(c)$$

Remark: If $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$ then $f(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) F\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$

$$\textcircled{1} \tau(n) = \sum_{d|n} 1 \quad ; \quad F(n) = \tau(n) \quad ; \quad 1 = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \tau\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \\ f(n) = 1 \\ = \sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \mu(d)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} d \quad ; \quad F(n) = \sigma(n) \quad ; \quad n = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \sigma\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \\ f(n) = n \\ = \sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \sigma(d)$$