

## Problem Set 2 Exercise #21: Legendre's Conjecture

**Reference:** Lecture 4 notes

**Learning objectives:** Modular design; Writing Boolean methods

**Estimated completion time:** 50 minutes

### Problem statement:

[Past year CS1101c sit-in lab question]

Legendre's conjecture (proposed by Adrien-Marie Legendre in 1912) states that there is at least one prime number in the range  $[n^2, (n + 1)^2]$  for every positive integer  $n$ .

Write a program **PS2\_Ex21\_Legendre.java** to test Legendre's conjecture over a range of numbers from 1 up to the input number  $n$ . This means if the input is 4, you should check that there is at least one prime between  $1^2$  and  $2^2$ , and at least one prime between  $2^2$  and  $3^2$ , and at least one prime between  $3^2$  and  $4^2$ , and at least one prime between  $4^2$  and  $5^2$ .

You need to write a modular program. Besides the **main()** method, there should be at least another method that computes some result.

### Useful tips:

Clear and neat logic is expected in this exercise. Spend some time on design. What are the sub-problems you have identified? What's their relationship (e.g. which module use some other module)? What is the sequence of method calls to derive the output?

### Sample run #1:

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Enter n: 4
true
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### Sample run #2:

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Enter n: 15
true
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