



# ICS141: Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science I

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# Quiz

- What is the big-theta of a polynomial?
- What is the worst-case algorithmic complexity of:
  - linear search
  - binary search
  - bubble sort
  - insertion sort
- Use pseudocode to define the "division algorithm"



# Lecture 17

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## Chapter 3. The Fundamentals

3.4 The Integers and Division

3.5 Primes and Greatest Common Divisors

# The Division “Algorithm”

- It’s really just a *theorem*, not an algorithm...
  - Only called an “algorithm” for historical reasons.
- **Theorem:** For any integer *dividend*  $a$  and *divisor*  $d \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , there are unique integers *quotient*  $q$  and *remainder*  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $a = dq + r$  and  $0 \leq r < d$ .  
Formally, the theorem is:

$$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, d \in \mathbb{Z}^+: \exists! q, r \in \mathbb{Z}: 0 \leq r < d, a = dq + r$$

- We can find  $q$  and  $r$  by:  $q = \lfloor a/d \rfloor, r = a - dq$

# The mod Operator

- An integer “division remainder” operator.
- Let  $a, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $d > 1$ . Then  $a \bmod d$  denotes the remainder  $r$  from the division “algorithm” with dividend  $a$  and divisor  $d$ ; i.e. the remainder when  $a$  is divided by  $d$ . Also,  $a \operatorname{div} d$  denotes the quotient  $q$ .
- We can compute  $(a \bmod d)$  by:
$$a - d \cdot \lfloor a/d \rfloor = a - dq.$$
- In C/C++/Java languages, “%” = mod.

# The mod Operator: Examples

- $101 = 11 \cdot 9 + 2$  (dividend: 101, divisor: 11)
  - $101 \text{ div } 11 = 9$        $101 \text{ mod } 11 = 2$
- $-11 = 3 \cdot (-4) + 1$       or       ~~$-11 = 3 \cdot (-3) - 2$  ?~~  
(dividend: -11, divisor: 3)
  - $-11 \text{ div } 3 = -4$        $-11 \text{ mod } 3 = 1$   
(quotient: -4, remainder: 1)
- Note that the remainder must not be negative.

# Modular Congruence

- Let  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ , where  $\mathbf{Z}^+ = \{n \in \mathbf{Z} \mid n > 0\} = \mathbf{N} - \{0\}$  (the positive integers).
- Then  $a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$ , written “ $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ ”, iff  $m \mid (a - b)$ .
  - Note: this is a different use of “ $\equiv$ ” than the meaning “equivalent” or “is defined as” used before.
- It’s also equivalent to:  $(a - b) \pmod{m} = 0$ .
- E.g.  $17 \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$ ,  $24 \not\equiv 14 \pmod{6}$



# Useful Congruence Theorems

- **Theorem:** Let  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ . Then:  
$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow a \bmod m = b \bmod m.$$
- **Theorem:** Let  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ . Then:  
$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow \exists k \in \mathbf{Z}: a = b + km.$$
- **Theorem:** Let  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ . Then if  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ , then:
  - $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$ , and
  - $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$





# Congruence Theorem Example

- $7 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$  and  $11 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ .

- $7 + 11 = 18$  and  $2 + 1 = 3$

Therefore,  $7 + 11 \equiv 2 + 1 \pmod{5}$

- $7 \times 11 = 77$  and  $2 \times 1 = 2$

Therefore,  $7 \times 11 \equiv 2 \times 1 \pmod{5}$



# Applications of Congruence

- Hashing Functions (hashes)
- Pseudorandom Numbers
- Cryptology
- Universal Product Codes
- International Standard Book Numbers

# Hashing Functions

- We want to quickly store and retrieve records in memory locations.
- A hashing function takes a data item to be stored or retrieved and computes the first choice for a location for the item.
- $h(k) = k \bmod m$ 
  - A hashing function  $h$  assigns memory location  $h(k)$  to the record that has  $k$  as its key.
  - $h(064212848) = 064212848 \bmod 111 = 14$
  - $h(037149212) = 037149212 \bmod 111 = 65$
  - $h(107405723) = 107405723 \bmod 111 = 14 \Rightarrow$  collision!
  - Find the first unoccupied memory location after the occupied memory.
    - In this case, assign memory location 15.
- If collision occurs infrequently, and if when one does occur it is resolved quickly, then hashing provides a very fast method of storing and retrieving data.

# Cryptology (I)

- The study of secret messages
- **Encryption** is the process of making a message secret. **Decryption** is the process of determining the original message from the encrypted message.
- Some simple early codes include *Caesar's cipher*:
  - Assign an integer from 0 to 25 to each letter based on its position in the alphabet.
  - Caesar's encryption method:  $f(p) = (p + 3) \bmod 26$
  - Caesar's decryption method:  $f^{-1}(p) = (p - 3) \bmod 26$
  - MEET YOU IN THE PARK  $\Rightarrow$   
PHHW BRX LQ WKH SDUN



# Cryptology (II)

- Caesar's encryption method does not provide a high level of security
- A slightly better approach:  $f(p) = (ap + b) \bmod 26$

- **Example 10:**

What letter replaces the letter  $K$  when the function  $f(p) = (7p + 3) \bmod 26$  is used for encryption?

- 10 represents  $K$
- $f(10) = (7 \times 10 + 3) \bmod 26 = 73 \bmod 26 = 21$
- 21 represents  $V$
- Therefore,  $K$  is replaced by  $V$  in the encrypted message



# Prime Numbers

- An integer  $p > 1$  is **prime** iff the only positive factors of  $p$  are 1 and  $p$  itself.
- Some primes: 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13,...
- Non-prime integers greater than 1 are called **composite**, because they can be *composed* by multiplying two integers greater than 1.

# The Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic



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## Its "Prime Factorization"

- Every positive integer greater than 1 has a *unique* representation as a prime or as the product of a non-decreasing series of two or more primes.
  - Some examples:
    - $2 = 2$  (a prime 2)
    - $4 = 2 \cdot 2 = 2^2$  (product of series 2, 2)
    - $2000 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 = 2^4 \cdot 5^3$
    - $2001 = 3 \cdot 23 \cdot 29$
    - $2002 = 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13$
    - $2003 = 2003$  (no clear pattern!)

# Prime Numbers: Theorems

- **Theorem 2**: If  $n$  is a composite integer, then  $n$  has a prime divisor less than or equal to  $\sqrt{n}$

- **Proof**: If  $n$  is composite then we have  $n = ab$  for  $1 < a < n$  and a positive integer  $b$  greater than 1. Show that  $a \leq \sqrt{n}$  or  $b \leq \sqrt{n}$ . (Use proof by contradiction)

If  $a > \sqrt{n}$  and  $b > \sqrt{n}$ , then  $ab > n$  (Contradiction!)

Therefore,  $a \leq \sqrt{n}$  or  $b \leq \sqrt{n}$ , i.e.  $n$  has a positive divisor not exceeding  $\sqrt{n}$  ( $a$  or  $b$ ).

By the *Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic*, this divisor is either a prime, or has a prime divisor less than itself. In either case,  $n$  has a prime divisor less than or equal to  $\sqrt{n}$





# Prime Numbers: Theorems

- Contrapositive of Theorem 2:

An integer is prime if it is not divisible by any prime less than or equal to its square root  $\sqrt{n}$

- Example: Show that 101 is prime

- Primes not exceeding  $\sqrt{101}$ : 2, 3, 5, 7
- 101 is not divisible by any of 2, 3, 5, or 7
- Therefore, 101 is a prime



# Prime Factorization

- **Example 4:** Find the prime factorization of 7007 ( $\sqrt{7007} \approx 83.7$ )
  - Perform division of 7007 by successive primes
$$7007 / 7 = 1001 \quad (7007 = 7 \cdot 1001)$$
  - Perform division of 1001 by successive primes beginning with 7
$$1001 / 7 = 143 \quad (7007 = 7 \cdot 7 \cdot 143)$$
  - Perform division of 143 by successive primes beginning with 7
$$143 / 11 = 13 \quad (7007 = 7 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13)$$
$$= 7^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 13)$$



# Greatest Common Divisor

- The ***greatest common divisor***  $\gcd(a,b)$  of integers  $a, b$  (not both 0) is the largest integer  $d$  that is a divisor both of  $a$  and of  $b$ .

$$d = \gcd(a,b) = \max(d: d|a \wedge d|b)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow d|a \wedge d|b \wedge \forall e \in \mathbb{Z}, (e|a \wedge e|b) \rightarrow (d \geq e)$$

- **Example:**  $\gcd(24,36) = ?$ 
  - Positive divisors of 24: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24
  - Positive divisors of 36: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36
  - Positive common divisors: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12.  
The largest one of these is 12.



# Relative Primality

- Integers  $a$  and  $b$  are called ***relatively prime*** or ***coprime*** iff their  $\gcd = 1$ .
- **Example:** Neither 21 nor 10 is prime, but they are *relatively prime*. (divisors of 21: 1, 3, 7, 21; divisors of 10: 1, 2, 5, 10; so they have no common factors  $> 1$ , so their  $\gcd = 1$ ).
- A set of integers  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$  is ***pairwise relatively prime*** if all pairs  $(a_i, a_j)$ , for  $i \neq j$ , are relatively prime.

# GCD Shortcut

- If the prime factorizations are written as

$$a = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \cdots p_n^{a_n} \quad \text{and} \quad b = p_1^{b_1} p_2^{b_2} \cdots p_n^{b_n},$$

then the GCD is given by:

$$\gcd(a, b) = p_1^{\min(a_1, b_1)} p_2^{\min(a_2, b_2)} \cdots p_n^{\min(a_n, b_n)}.$$

- Example of using the shortcut:

$$\blacksquare a = 84 = \underline{2 \cdot 2} \cdot \underline{3} \cdot 7 = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^1$$

$$\blacksquare b = 96 = \underline{2 \cdot 2} \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot \underline{3} = 2^5 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^0$$

$$\blacksquare \gcd(84, 96) = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^0 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 12.$$

# Least Common Multiple

- $\text{lcm}(a,b)$  of positive integers  $a, b$ , is the smallest positive integer that is a multiple both of  $a$  and of  $b$ . *E.g.*  $\text{lcm}(6,10) = 30$

$$m = \text{lcm}(a,b) = \min(m: a|m \wedge b|m)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a|m \wedge b|m \wedge \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}: (a|n \wedge b|n) \rightarrow (m \leq n)$$

- **Example:**  $\text{lcm}(24,36) = ?$ 
  - Positive multiples of 24: 24, 48, 72, 96, 120, 144,...
  - Positive multiples of 36: 36, 72, 108, 144,...
  - Positive common multiples: 72, 144,...

The smallest one of these is 72.

# LCM Shortcut

- If the prime factorizations are written as

$$a = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \cdots p_n^{a_n} \quad \text{and} \quad b = p_1^{b_1} p_2^{b_2} \cdots p_n^{b_n},$$

then the LCM is given by

$$\text{lcm}(a, b) = p_1^{\max(a_1, b_1)} p_2^{\max(a_2, b_2)} \cdots p_n^{\max(a_n, b_n)}.$$

- Example of using the shortcut:

- $a = 84 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^1$

- $b = 96 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 2^5 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^0$

- $\text{lcm}(84, 96) = 2^5 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^1 = 32 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = 672$



# LCM: Another Example

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- Example 15:

What is the least common multiple of  $2^3 \cdot 3^5 \cdot 7^2$  and  $2^4 \cdot 3^3$ ?

- Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{lcm}(2^3 \cdot 3^5 \cdot 7^2, 2^4 \cdot 3^3) \\ &= 2^{\max(3,4)} \cdot 3^{\max(5,3)} \cdot 7^{\max(2,0)} \\ &= 2^4 \cdot 3^5 \cdot 7^2 \end{aligned}$$



# GCD and LCM

- **Theorem:** Let  $a$  and  $b$  be positive integers. Then

$$ab = \gcd(a,b) \times \text{lcm}(a,b)$$

- **Example**

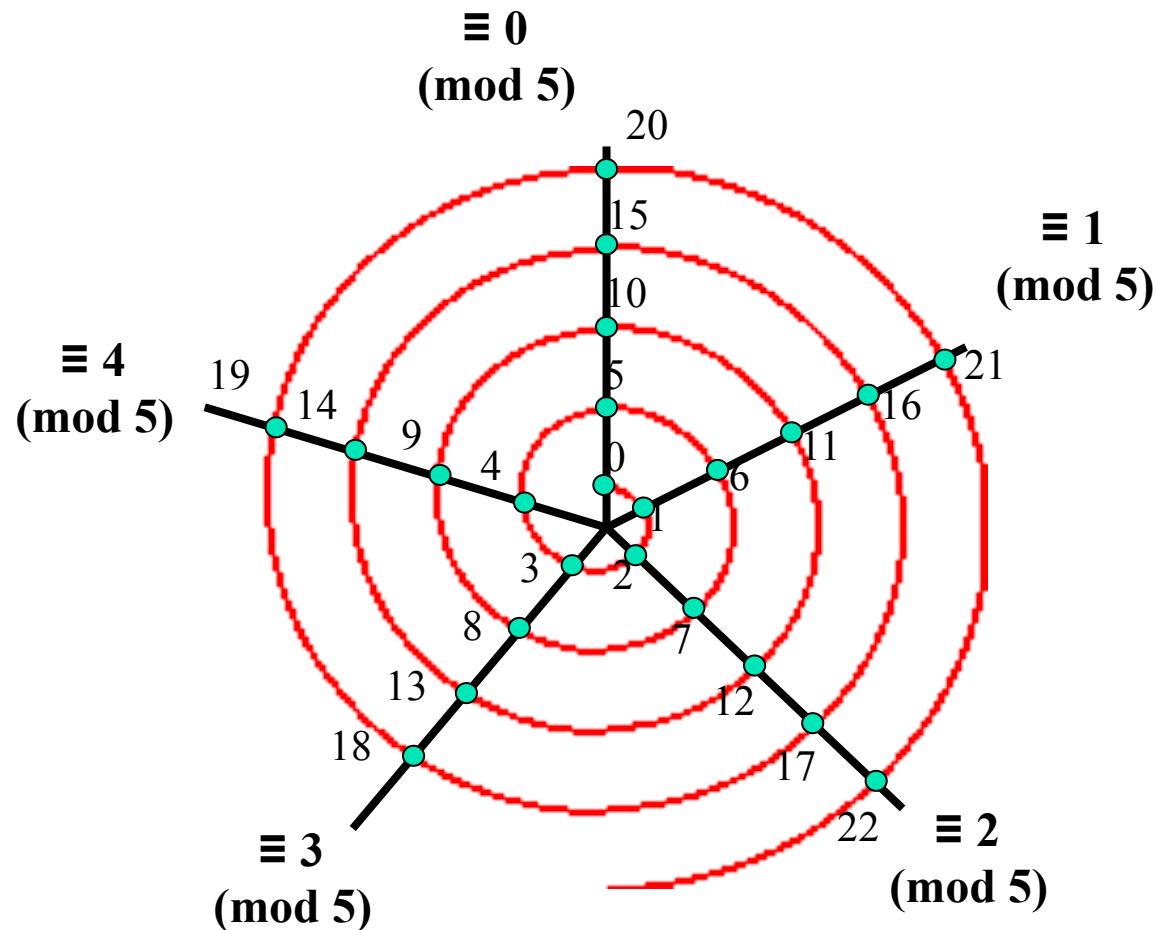
- $a = 84 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^1$

- $b = 96 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 2^5 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^0$

- $$\begin{aligned} ab &= (2^2 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^1) \cdot (2^5 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^0) = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^0 \cdot 2^5 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^1 \\ &= \underline{2^{\min(2,5)} \cdot 3^{\min(1,1)} \cdot 7^{\min(1,0)}} \cdot \underline{2^{\max(2,5)} \cdot 3^{\max(1,1)} \cdot 7^{\max(1,0)}} \\ &= \gcd(a,b) \times \text{lcm}(a,b) \end{aligned}$$

# Spiral Visualization of mod

- Example shown: modulo-5 arithmetic





# Pseudorandom Numbers

- Numbers that are generated deterministically, but that appear random for all practical purposes.
  - We need to repeat the same sequence when testing!
- Used in many applications, such as:
  - Hash functions
  - Simulations, games, graphics
  - Cryptographic algorithms
- One simple common pseudo-random number generating procedure:
  - The *linear congruential method*
    - Uses the **mod** operator

# Linear Congruential Method

- Requires four natural numbers:
  - The *modulus*  $m$ , the *multiplier*  $a$ , the *increment*  $c$ , and the *seed*  $x_0$ .
    - where  $2 \leq a < m$ ,  $0 \leq c < m$ ,  $0 \leq x_0 < m$ .
- Generates the pseudo-random sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $0 \leq x_n < m$ , via the following:
$$x_{n+1} = (ax_n + c) \bmod m$$
- Tends to work best when  $a$ ,  $c$ ,  $m$  are prime, or at least relatively prime.
- If  $c = 0$ , the method is called a *pure multiplicative generator*.



# Example

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- Let modulus  $m = 1,000 = 2^3 \cdot 5^3$ .
  - To generate outputs in the range 0-999.
- Pick increment  $c = 467$  (prime), multiplier  $a = 293$  (also prime), seed  $x_0 = 426$ .
- Then we get the pseudo-random sequence:  
$$x_1 = (ax_0 + c) \bmod m = 285$$
$$x_2 = (ax_1 + c) \bmod m = 972$$
$$x_3 = (ax_2 + c) \bmod m = 263 \text{ and so on...}$$



# Prime Numbers: Theorems

- **Theorem 3**: There are infinitely many primes. (Euclide)
- Assume: there are only finite many primes  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$
- Let  $Q = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_n + 1$
- Then,  $Q$  is prime or it can be written as the product of two or more primes (by Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic)
- None of the primes  $p_i$  divides  $Q$   
(if  $p_i | Q$  then  $p_i | (Q - p_1 p_2 \cdots p_n)$ , i.e.  $p_i | 1$ )
- Hence there is a prime not in the list  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$ , which is either  $Q$  itself or a prime factor of  $Q$   
(CONTRADICTION!!)

# Mersenne Primes

- **Definition:** A *Mersenne prime* is a prime number of the form  $2^p - 1$ , where  $p$  is prime.

prime $p$	$2^p - 1$	Mersenne?
2	$2^2 - 1 = 3$	yes
3	$2^3 - 1 = 7$	yes
5	$2^5 - 1 = 31$	yes
7	$2^7 - 1 = 127$	yes
11	$2^{11} - 1 = 2047 = 23 \cdot 89$	no
11,213	$2^{11,213} - 1$	yes
19,937	$2^{19,937} - 1$	yes
3,021,377	$2^{3,021,377} - 1$	Yes (late 1998)
43,112,609	$2^{43,112,609} - 1$	Yes (MID 2008)

largest Mersenne prime known  
(with almost 13 million digits)