

GCD: Greatest Common Divisor  
 or  
 HCF: Highest Common factor

$$\gcd(15, 25) = 5$$

Diagram showing the prime factorization of 15 and 25:

- 15: 1, 3, 5, 15
- 25: 1, 5, 25

The common factor is 5.

$$\gcd(12, 15) = 3$$

Diagram showing the prime factorization of 12 and 15:

- 12: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12
- 15: 1, 3, 5, 15

The common factor is 3.

$$\gcd(7, 9) = 1$$

Diagram showing the prime factorization of 7 and 9:

- 7: 1, 7
- 9: 1, 3, 9

There are no common factors other than 1.

$$\gcd(7, 14) = 7$$

Diagram showing the prime factorization of 7 and 14:

- 7: 1, 7
- 14: 1, 2, 7, 14

The common factor is 7.

$\gcd(14, 9) = 1$   
 if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , then  $a, b$  are co-prime

$$\gcd(5, -15) = 5$$

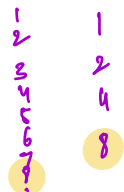


$$\gcd(-16, -24) = 8$$



$$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(|a|, |b|)$$

$$\gcd(0, 8) = 8$$



when is  $x$  a factor of 8?

$$8 \% x = 0$$

$$x = 1, 2, 4, 8$$

$$0 \% n = 0$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3,$$

$$\text{gcd}(5, 0) = 5$$

1  
5  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
:  
a

$$\text{gcd}(0, a) = a$$

Question: Find gcd (Numbers are positive)

Input: a, b

Min value: 1

Max value:  $\min(a, b)$

int ans;

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for (i = 1; i <= min(a, b); i++) {
    if (a % i == 0 && b % i == 0) {
        ans = i;
    }
}
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T.C:  $O(\min(a, b))$

$\text{ans} = \min(a, b)$

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if (a == 0) return b; if (b == 0) return a;
for (i = min(a, b); i >= 1; i--) {
    if (a % i == 0 && b % i == 0) {
        return i;
    }
}
```

$$a = 5$$

$$b = 0$$

$$(5, 1)$$

$$i = 5, 4, 3, 2, 1$$

T.C:  $O(\min(a, b))$

LCM: Least Common Multiple

$$\text{lcm}(100, 75) = 300$$

↓	75
100	150
200	225
300	300
400	375

$$\text{gcd}(100, 75) = 25$$

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

$$100 \times 75 = 25 \times 300$$

$$=$$

$$7500 = 7500$$

$a \mid b$  → divides

$a$  divides  $b$

$$25 \mid 100 \Rightarrow \text{True} \Rightarrow 100/25 = 4 \quad 100 \% 25 = 0$$

$$10 \mid 100 \Rightarrow \text{True} \Rightarrow 100/10 = 10$$

$$6 \mid 3 \Rightarrow \text{False} \Rightarrow 3/6 = 0.5$$

$$25 \mid 75 \Rightarrow \text{True}$$

$$75/25 = 3$$

$$75 \% 25 = 0$$

$a/b$  is an integer, then  $b \mid a$

### Properties

$$1) \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(|a|, |b|)$$

$$2) \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, a)$$

[commutative property]

$$3) \gcd(a, 0) = a$$

$$4) \gcd(a, 1) = 1$$

$$5) \gcd(a, b, c) = \gcd(\gcd(a, b), c) \\ \gcd(\gcd(a, c), b) \\ \gcd(\gcd(b, c), a)$$

[Associative Property]

$$6) \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, b-a) \quad \text{where } b \geq a$$

$$\gcd(4, 5) = \gcd(4, 1) = 1$$

$$\gcd(3, 4) = \gcd(3, 1) = 1$$

$$= \gcd(1, 3) = \gcd(1, 3-1)$$

$$= \gcd(1, 2)$$

$$= \gcd(1, 2-1)$$

$$= \gcd(1, 1)$$

$$= \gcd(1, 0)$$

$$\gcd(5, 10) = \gcd(5, 10-5) \\ = \gcd(5, 5) = \gcd(5, 0) = 5$$

$$\boxed{\gcd(7, 9)} \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\gcd(7, 2)} = \gcd(2, 7) =$$

$$\gcd(2, 5) = \gcd(2, 5) = \gcd(2, 1)$$

$$1 = \gcd(1, 0) \Leftarrow \gcd(1, 1) \Leftarrow \gcd(1, 2)$$

$$\gcd(12, 24) = \gcd(12, 12) \Rightarrow \gcd(12, 0) = \boxed{12}$$

Proof:

Step 1

$$\gcd(a, b) = d \quad \checkmark$$

$$[b \geq a]$$

$$d \mid a \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$d \mid b$$

$$\Rightarrow a = k_1 d \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$b = k_2 d \quad \text{--- (2)} \quad [k_2 \geq k_1]$$

$$b - a = k_2 d - k_1 d = (k_2 - k_1) d$$

$$d \mid b - a \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Step 2:

$$\gcd(a, b - a) = m \quad \checkmark$$

$$m \mid a \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$m \mid b - a$$

$$a = t_1 m \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$b - a = t_2 m \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$a + b - a = t_1 m + t_2 m$$

$$b = (t_1 + t_2) m \quad \checkmark$$

$$m \mid b \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

From Eq (4), (5)  $\Rightarrow \boxed{m}$  is a factor of  $a$  and  $b$   
 greatest common factor of  $a, b = d$

$$m \leq d$$

From Eq (1), (7)  $\Rightarrow d$  is a factor of  $a, b - a$   
 $\gcd(a, b - a) = m \quad d \leq m$

$$m \leq d \quad \rightarrow \quad \textcircled{1} \leftarrow$$

$$d \leq m \quad \rightarrow \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\boxed{d == m}$$

$$\gcd(\text{small}, \text{big}) = \gcd(\text{small}, \text{big} - \text{small})$$

$$1) \quad \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, b-a) = \gcd(a, \underbrace{b-a-a}_{11})$$

$$\gcd(a, \underbrace{b-a-a-\dots-a}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{until this is} \\ \text{less than } a}}) = \gcd(a, \underbrace{b-a-a-a}_{11})$$

$$b \% a$$

$$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, b \% a)$$

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$b \geq a$

$$\gcd(3, 20) = \gcd(3, 17) = \gcd(3, 14) = \gcd(3, 11) = \gcd(3, 8) = \gcd(3, 5) = \gcd(3, 2) = \gcd(1, 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$$

$$\gcd(3, 20) = \gcd(3, 20 \% 3) = \gcd(3, 2) = \gcd(2, 3 \% 2) = \gcd(2, 1) = \gcd(1, 2 \% 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$$

$$\text{gcd}(\text{big}, \text{small}) = \text{gcd}(\text{small}, \text{big} \% \text{small})$$

$\begin{matrix} a & & b \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ x & & y \end{matrix}$ 
  
 $x > y$

$\downarrow \text{for small-1}$

Version 1:

4 lines {

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int gcd(a, b) {
    if (a == 0) return b;
    if (b == 0) return a;

    if (a >= b) return gcd(b, a % b);
    else return gcd(a, b % a);
}
    
```

$// \underline{b} > \underline{a}$

Version 2:

Always assume

$a \geq b$

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int gcd(int a, int b) {
    if (b == 0) return a;
    return gcd(b, a % b);
}
    
```

$$\text{gcd}(6, 30) \Rightarrow \text{gcd}(\overset{a}{\downarrow} 30, \overset{b}{\downarrow} 6) \Rightarrow \text{gcd}(6, 0) \Rightarrow \boxed{6}$$



# Euclidean Algo

Time complexity

$(a \geq b)$

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int gcd(a, b) {
    if (b == 0) return a;
    return gcd(b, a % b);
}
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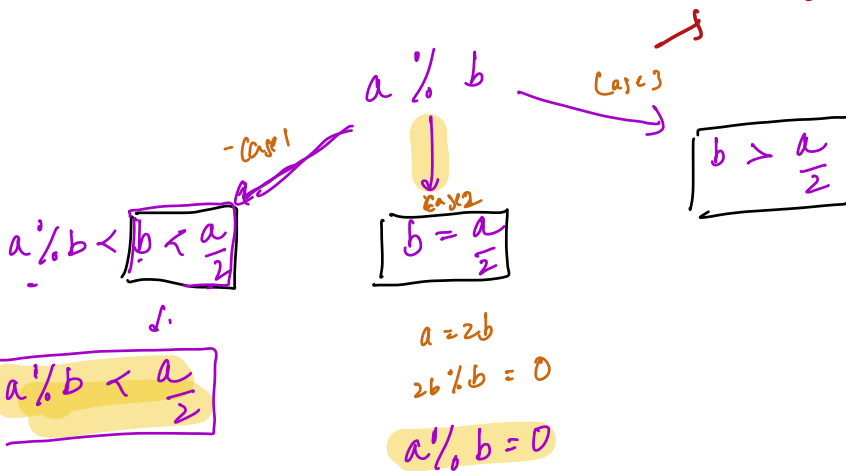
$$a \% b = [0, b-1]$$

when  $a > b$

$[a > b]$

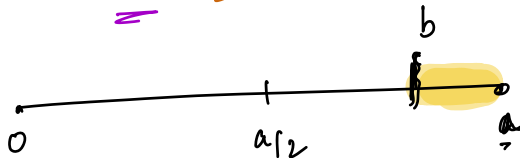
Claim:

$$a \% b < a/2$$



Cases:

$$b > a/2$$



$$gcd(a, b) = gcd(b, a-b)$$

$$b = [a/2, \dots, a]$$

$$a-b < a/2 < b$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$a \% b$$

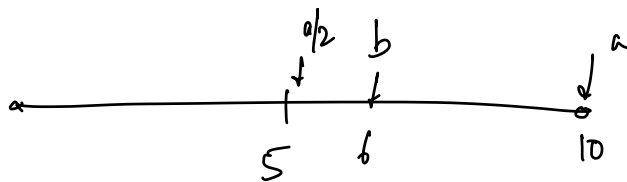
$$a-b = a \% b$$

$$a \% b = (a - b - b - b \dots) < b$$

$$a \% b < \frac{a}{2}$$

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Always  
[  $a > b$  ]



$$\frac{a}{2} < b$$

$$a \% b = a - b = \boxed{4} < \frac{10}{2}$$

$a > b$

```
int gcd(a, b) {
    if (b == 0) return a;
    return gcd(b, a % b);
}
```

a

b

Step 0:

$a_0$

$b_0$

Step 1:

$a_1(b_0)$

$$b_1(a_0 \% b_0) < \frac{a_0}{2}$$

Step 2:

$$a_2(b_1) < \frac{a_0}{2}$$

$$b_2(a_1 \% b_1)$$

Step 3:

$a_3(b_2)$

$$b_3(a_2 \% b_2) < \frac{a_2}{2}$$

Step 4:

$$\boxed{a_4(b_3)} < \frac{a_2}{2} < \boxed{\frac{a_0}{4}}$$

$$b_4(a_3 \% b_3)$$

Step 5:

$a_5(b_4)$

$$b_5(a_4 \% b_4) < \frac{a_4}{2}$$

Step 6:  $a_0(b_r) < \frac{a_n}{2} < \frac{a_0}{8} \quad b_0(a_r \% b_r)$

$$a \rightarrow \frac{a}{2} \rightarrow \frac{a}{4} \rightarrow \frac{a}{8} + \dots \dots \dots 1$$

$\log a$

T.C of  $\text{gcd}(a, b) = O(\log(\max(a, b)))$

S.C:  $O(\log(\max(a, b)))$

↓  
Recursion stack

7 mins

Question: Find GCD of factorials of the given elements

ans%  $(10^9+7)$   $\rightarrow$  Prime

$$\begin{matrix} n \% 7 \\ 4 \% 7 \end{matrix} \rightarrow$$

A: [ 4 3 8 6 ]

$$\text{gcd}(4!, 3!, 8!, 6!) \% 10^9+7$$

$\downarrow$  24     $\downarrow$  6     $\downarrow$  40,320     $\downarrow$  720

$$\begin{matrix} 1000000007 \\ N = 1000 \\ (10^9) \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{ans} \% 10^9+7$$

Min element  $\rightarrow$

$$(3!)$$

4! :	1	2	3	4				
3! :	1	2	3					
8! :	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
6! :	1	2	3	4	5	6		

$$1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = \boxed{6}$$

Ans:  $[\text{Factorial}(\text{min Element})] \% 10^9+7$

Question: Given an array, check if there exists a subsequence such that  $\gcd(\text{subsequence}) = 1$

$$A = [6, 10, 15, 25, 24, 18]$$

$$\# \text{subseq} = 2^N$$

$$\gcd(25, 18) = 1$$

$$\gcd(25, 24) = 1$$

$$A = [3, 6, 9, 4]$$

$$[3, 4] \quad [3, 9, 4] \quad (9, 4)$$

$$\gcd(a, b, c) = \gcd(\gcd(a, b), c)$$

$$\begin{matrix} a, b, c, d \\ \underbrace{\quad \quad} \end{matrix}$$

$$\gcd(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_n) = 1$$

$$\gcd(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_n, x) = 1$$

$$\gcd(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_n, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{10}) = 1$$

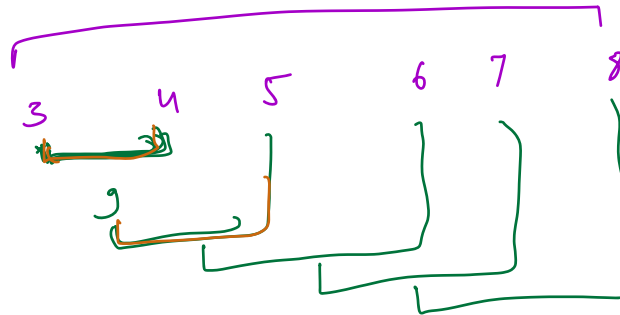
→ Take GCD of entire array

if there is atleast one subsequence with  
 gcd as 1,  
 then gcd of entire array = 1

1

$(a, b) :$   
 $(\log(\max(a, b)))$

$A =$



T.C:  $O(N \times \log(\max(A)))$

S.C:  $O(1)$

Excluding space occupied by gcd

Question: Given an array of  $N$  elements, delete exactly one element from the array such that  $\text{gcd}(\text{array})$  is maximized

A: 9 18 49 12 30

$\text{gcd}(a, b, c, d) = x$  ✓  
can we find  $\text{gcd}(a, b, c)$  using  $x$  &  $d$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{sum}(a, b, c, d) &= x \\ \text{sum}(a, b, c) &= x - d\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{gcd}(10, 50, 200, 75) &= 5 \\ \text{gcd}(10, 50, 200) &= \end{aligned}$$

$$N = 10^5$$

Brute Force:

Consider deleting every element



T.C:  $N \times O(N \cdot \log(\text{Max}))$   $\text{gcd}(x, y)$

$\therefore O(N^2 \cdot \log(\text{Max}))$

## Efficient Approach :

✓ prefix	gcd	array }				
✓ suffix	gcd	array				
		↓				↓
A =		0	1	2	3	4
	[	9	18	49	12	30]
Prefix GCD =	[	9	9	1	1	1]
Suffix GCD =	[	1	1	1	6	30]

ans = 13

$$\text{gcd} [ \text{prefixGCD}[i-1], \text{suffixGCD}[i+1] ]$$

Steps

- 1) Construct
- 2) Construct
- 3)

Prefix GCD  
Suffix GCD

$O(N \cdot \log(\text{MAX}))$   
 $O(N \cdot \log(\text{MAX}))$

$O(N \cdot \log(\text{MAX}))$

T.C:  $O(N \cdot \log(\text{MAX}))$



$$A = [64, 32, 16, 8, 4, 2]$$

$$\text{gcd} = [64, 32, 16, 8, 4, \boxed{2}]$$

$$A = [64, \boxed{2}, 8, 4, 16, 32]$$

$$[64, \boxed{2}, 2, 2, 2, 2] \Rightarrow N \log(\text{MAX})$$

$$A = [4, 2, 4, 8]$$

$$, [4, \boxed{1}, 1, 1]$$

$\% \text{ Prime}$

$\boxed{x \% 7}$

$\text{ans} \% 10$

10  
20  
30  
40

$1000! \Rightarrow$

$\text{ans} \% 2 = 1, 0, 1, 1$

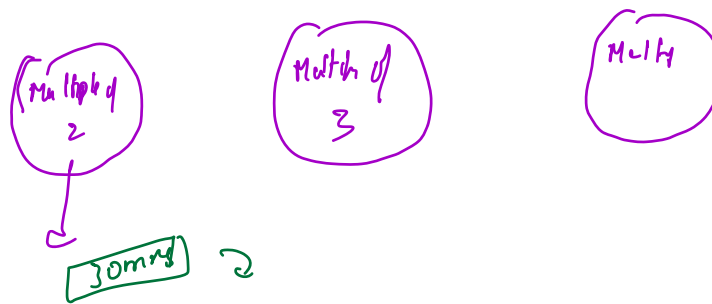
$\text{ans} \% \text{ Big Num}$

1000

$1000! = \binom{10^{50}}{1}$

$10^{50} \% 10^9 + 1$

$[0, \dots, 10^9 + 6]$



A = [ 6, 9 ]

$\log(2 \times \text{sum})$

$$\log(a+b) \neq \log(a) + \log(b)$$

5 6 11 7 3 10

$$\gcd(\max(5, 6)) + \gcd(\max(6, 11)) + \dots$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\log(\max(5, 6))$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\log(\max(6, 11)) + \dots$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\log(6)$$

$$\log(11) + \log(7) \neq \log(6+11+\dots)$$

$$o(\max(a, b)) = o(a+b)$$

$$\log(\text{sum of array})$$

$$Ca \cdot b \% b =$$