

# TMA4162 Computational algebra, Project 4

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## Task 1, Random Squares Factoring

- The random squares method requires factoring smaller numbers via trial division. This implementation returns a list of exponents corresponding to the factors in the factor base

```
1 def trial_division_factoring(N: int, factor_base: [int]) -> [int]:
2     exponents = []
3     for prime in factor_base:
4         power = 0
5         while N % prime == 0:
6             N = N//prime
7             power += 1
8         exponents.append(power)
9     if N == 1:
10        return exponents
11    else:
12        return None
```

Listing 1: Trial Division Factoring

- Stage 1 of the algorithm generates relations of the form:

$$x^2 \equiv \prod_{i=1}^s p_i^{e_i} \pmod{N}$$

The code below return a vector of random x values and a corresponding matrix of e values.

```
1 def random_squares_stage_1(N: int, factor_base: [int]) -> tuple[np.
2     ndarray, np.ndarray]:
3     exponent_matrix = []
4     xs = []
5     while len(exponent_matrix) < len(factor_base) + 1:
6         x = randint(1, N - 1)
7         a = x ** 2 % N
8         exponents = trial_division_factoring(a, factor_base)
9         if exponents is not None:
10            exponent_matrix.append(exponents)
11            xs.append(x)
12    return np.array(xs, dtype=object), np.array(exponent_matrix)
```

Listing 2: Stage 1

- The next step is to find a non-trivial linear dependence mod 2 for the exponents. The nullspace of the exponent matrix over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  is computed using the galois library. The first element  $\lambda$  of the nullspace is then returned along another vector fs.

$fs = \lambda \cdot exponents/2$ . These two vectors will be used to compute X and Y whose squares will be congruent mod N.

```

1 def non_trivial_lin_dep(exponent_matrix: np.ndarray) -> tuple[np.
  ndarray, np.ndarray]:
2     GF = galois.GF(2)
3     exp_matrix_mod2 = GF(exponent_matrix % 2)
4     null_space = exp_matrix_mod2.T.null_space()
5     lambdas = np.array(null_space[0], dtype=int)
6     return lambdas, lambdas.dot(exponent_matrix) // 2

```

Listing 3: Non-trivial Linear Dependence

- X and Y are computed as follows:

$$X \equiv \prod_{j=1}^t x_j^{\lambda_j} \pmod{N}, \quad Y \equiv \prod_{i=1}^s p_i^{f_i} \pmod{N}$$

where t = number of relations, s = size of factor base

```

1 def compute_squares(N: int, xs: np.ndarray, lambdas: np.ndarray, fs:
  np.ndarray, factor_base: [int]) -> tuple[int, int]:
2     X = np.prod([pow(int(x), int(l), N) for x, l in zip(xs, lambdas)],
  dtype=object) % N
3     Y = np.prod([pow(p, int(f), N) for p, f in zip(factor_base, fs)],
  dtype=object) % N
4     return X, Y

```

Listing 4: Computing the squares

- The full algorithm uses the above functions and finally computes  $\gcd(X - Y, N)$ , which will hopefully be a non-trivial factor of N.

```

1 def random_squares_factoring(N: int) -> int:
2     B = min(10000, N)
3     factor_base = list(primerange(0, B))
4     xs, exponent_matrix = random_squares_stage_1(N, factor_base)
5     lambdas, fs = non_trivial_lin_dep(exponent_matrix)
6     X, Y = compute_squares(N, xs, lambdas, fs, factor_base)
7     return np.gcd(X-Y, N)

```

Listing 5: Full algorithm

## Task 2a, Quadratic Sieve

The quadratic sieve is a faster way to find relations. This implementation takes in a factor base, N and a sieve size. The sieve is generated from square numbers mod N, close to zero. It then uses the sympy.ntheory.residue\_ntheory library to calculate the solutions

to  $x^2 \equiv N \pmod{p}$  for each  $p$  in the factor base. These solutions are then used as the basis for the sieve process, where the sieve element at each multiple of  $p$  are divided by  $p$ . And the corresponding entries in the exponent matrix are incremented. Unfortunately, this means that prime powers can't be factored, which severely limits the performance of this implementation.

Finally, the algorithm filters out number that still have remaining factors.

```

1 def quadratic_sieve(factor_base: [int], N: int, sieve_size: int) -> [tuple[
  int, dict[int, int]]]:
2     root = math.isqrt(N) + 1
3     sieve = [(root + n)**2 - N for n in range(sieve_size)]
4     exponents = [[0 for _ in factor_base] for _ in range(sieve_size)]
5
6     for i, p in enumerate(factor_base):
7         for solution in sympy.ntheory.residue_ntheory.sqrt_mod_iter(N, p):
8             index = solution - root
9             if index >= sieve_size:
10                 break
11             if index < 0:
12                 index += (-index//p + 1)*p
13             while index < sieve_size:
14                 sieve[index] //= p
15                 exponents[index][i] += 1
16                 index += p
17     return [(root + n, exponents[n]) for n, residue in enumerate(sieve) if
    residue == 1]

```

Listing 6: Quadratic Sieve

This factoring algorithm uses the quadratic sieve and the functions from task 1 to factor an integer  $N$ .

```

1 def quadratic_sieve_factoring(N: int) -> int:
2     B = int(math.log(N))
3     factor_base = [prime for prime in sympy.primerange(0, B) if pow(N, (
4     prime-1)//2, prime) == 1]
5     xs, exponent_matrix = zip(*quadratic_sieve(factor_base, N, 100*len(
6     factor_base)))
7     exponent_matrix = np.array(exponent_matrix)
8     lambdas, fs = non_trivial_lin_dep(exponent_matrix)
9     X, Y = compute_squares(N, xs, lambdas, fs, factor_base)
10    return np.gcd(X - Y, N)

```

Listing 7: Quadratic Sieve Factoring

## Task 4

I tried to redo the factorisations from Brillhart and Selfridge[?], but even the first example was too large for my implementation.

# Appendix

Code is available at <https://github.com/andrmoe/ComputationalAlgebra>

```
1 from random import randint
2 import numpy as np
3 import galois
4 from sympy import primerange
5
6
7 def trial_division_factoring(N: int, factor_base: [int]) -> [int]:
8     exponents = []
9     for prime in factor_base:
10         power = 0
11         while N % prime == 0:
12             N = N//prime
13             power += 1
14         exponents.append(power)
15     if N == 1:
16         return exponents
17     else:
18         return None
19
20
21 def random_squares_stage_1(N: int, factor_base: [int]) -> tuple[np.ndarray,
22     np.ndarray]:
23     exponent_matrix = []
24     xs = []
25     while len(exponent_matrix) < len(factor_base) + 1:
26         x = randint(1, N - 1)
27         a = x ** 2 % N
28         exponents = trial_division_factoring(a, factor_base)
29         if exponents is not None:
30             exponent_matrix.append(exponents)
31             xs.append(x)
32     return np.array(xs, dtype=object), np.array(exponent_matrix)
33
34 def non_trivial_lin_dep(exponent_matrix: np.ndarray) -> tuple[np.ndarray,
35     np.ndarray]:
36     GF = galois.GF(2)
37     exp_matrix_mod2 = GF(exponent_matrix % 2)
38     null_space = exp_matrix_mod2.T.null_space()
39     lambdas = np.array(null_space[0], dtype=int)
40     return lambdas, lambdas.dot(exponent_matrix) // 2
41
42 def compute_squares(N: int, xs: np.ndarray, lambdas: np.ndarray, fs: np.
43     ndarray, factor_base: [int]) -> tuple[int, int]:
44     X = np.prod([pow(int(x), int(l), N) for x, l in zip(xs, lambdas)],
45         dtype=object) % N
46     Y = np.prod([pow(p, int(f), N) for p, f in zip(factor_base, fs)], dtype
47         =object) % N
48     return X, Y
49
50 def random_squares_factoring(N: int) -> int:
51     B = min(10000, N)
```

```

50 factor_base = list(primerange(0, B))
51 xs, exponent_matrix = random_squares_stage_1(N, factor_base)
52 lambdas, fs = non_trivial_lin_dep(exponent_matrix)
53 X, Y = compute_squares(N, xs, lambdas, fs, factor_base)
54 return np.gcd(X-Y, N)

```

Listing 8: random\_squares.py

```

1 import math
2
3 import numpy as np
4 import sympy
5 from random_squares import non_trivial_lin_dep, compute_squares
6
7
8 def eulers_criterion(a: int, p: int) -> bool:
9     return pow(a, (p-1)//2, p) == 1
10
11
12 def generate_factor_base(smoothness_bound: int, N: int) -> [int]:
13     return [prime for prime in sympy.primerange(0, smoothness_bound) if pow
14             (N, (prime-1)//2, prime) == 1]
15
16 def quadratic_sieve(factor_base: [int], N: int, sieve_size: int) -> [tuple[
17     int, dict[int, int]]]:
18     root = math.isqrt(N) + 1
19     sieve = [(root + n)**2 - N for n in range(sieve_size)]
20     exponents = [[0 for _ in factor_base] for _ in range(sieve_size)]
21
22     for i, p in enumerate(factor_base):
23         for solution in sympy.ntheory.residue_ntheory.sqrt_mod_iter(N, p):
24             index = solution - root
25             if index >= sieve_size:
26                 break
27             if index < 0:
28                 index += (-index//p + 1)*p
29             while index < sieve_size:
30                 sieve[index] /= p
31                 exponents[index][i] += 1
32                 index += p
33     return [(root + n, exponents[n]) for n, residue in enumerate(sieve) if
34             residue == 1]
35
36 def quadratic_sieve_factoring(N: int) -> int:
37     B = int(math.log(N))
38     factor_base = [prime for prime in sympy.primerange(0, B) if pow(N, (
39         prime-1)//2, prime) == 1]
40     xs, exponent_matrix = zip(*quadratic_sieve(factor_base, N, 100*len(
41         factor_base)))
42     exponent_matrix = np.array(exponent_matrix)
43     lambdas, fs = non_trivial_lin_dep(exponent_matrix)
44     X, Y = compute_squares(N, xs, lambdas, fs, factor_base)
45     return np.gcd(X - Y, N)

```

Listing 9: quadratic\_sieve.py

```

2 # This was extracted from John Brillhart and J. L. Selfridge. Some
   factorizations of  $2^n - 1$  and related results. Mathematics of Computation
   , 21(97):87-96, 1967.
3 # using Claude 3.7 Sonnet (Reasoning). There might be errors
4 factorizations = {
5     "2^103 + 1": "3 : 41514163019381427670817717261711",
6     "2^109 - 1": "5 : 74323515777853174651885214034553",
7     "2^119 + 1": "3 4343691 : 82367968314316255316556095929",
8     "2^121 + 1": "3 683 : 117371110541845827978004557360611077",
9     "2^124 + 1": "17 : 290657377020264111416291804019768958773",
10    "2^125 - 1": "31 6011801 : 269089806001471088316887950601",
11    "2^125 + 1": "3 112514051 : 229668251551948541833628830325",
12    "2^127 + 1": "3 : 567137278201564105772291012386280352433",
13    "2^131 + 1": "3 : 10494744297182331128681207781784391813611",
14    "2^136 + 1": "257 383521 : 2368179743873373200722470799764577",
15    "2^137 + 1": "3 : 1097156193212796362435681105498212027592977",
16    "2^139 - 1": " : 5625767248687123876132205208335762278423601",
17    "2^139 + 1": "3 : 45069375154263952466179530007417425036569",
18    "2^140 + 1": "17 6168115790321 : 84179842077657862011867889681",
19    "2^143 - 1": "23 898191 : 724153158822951431578217211340099073",
20    "2^143 + 1": "3 6832731 : 2003615618203310425285443155004877753323",
21    "2^145 - 1": "31 23311032089 : 2679895157783862814690027494144991",
22    "2^145 + 1": "3 11593033169 : 7553921999802854724715300883845411",
23    "2^149 + 1": "3 : 1193650833383695877984559573504259856359124657",
24    "2^155 + 1": "3 1171582883 : 11161594760322139789129126056043168521",
25    "2^157 - 1": " : 85213320160726444167165405801728921343873686104177",
26    "2^160 + 1": "641 6700417 : 3602561944556849534845630559918385580811",
27    "2^161 - 1": "47 127178481 :
1289318876745076044553148086077153157824811",
28    "2^161 + 1": "3 432796203 :
81034674927597923271498003615644102652199",
29    "2^167 - 1": " : 2349023 prime ",
30    "2^167 + 1": "3 : prime",
31    "2^175 + 1": "3 1143251281405186171 :
1051110251347833278451340100323315252511",
32    "2^183 - 1": "13 3456749667055378149 :
508008142095085899419125556519918081",
33    "2^185 + 1": "3 11177725781083 :
1481281366517784293653978876085406183308732811",
34    "2^191 + 1": "3 : prime",
35    "2^197 - 1": " : 7487 prime ",
36    "2^199 + 1": "3 : prime",
37    "2^205 + 1": "3 11838831418697 : prime",
38    "2^217 - 1": "113 5581384773 : prime",
39    "2^220 + 1": "17 353616812931542417 :
109121148721340467600111035465708081254671731768168",
40    "2^233 - 1": " : 1399135607622577 prime ",
41    "2^239 - 1": " : 479 19135737176383134000609prime ",
42    "2^241 - 1": " : 22000409 prime ",
43    "2^255 + 1": "3 113073312857652943691 :
1224141856298635756151366149455494753931",
44    "2^272 - 1": "97 673 : prime",
45    "2^313 + 1": "3 : prime",
46    "2^356 + 1": "17 : prime"

```

47 }

Listing 10: examples\_brillhart\_and\_selfridge.py

```
1 from random_squares import random_squares_factoring
2 from quadratic_sieve import quadratic_sieve_factoring
3 from examples_brillhart_and_selfridge import factorizations
4
5
6 def experiment():
7     for expression in factorizations.keys():
8         expression = expression.replace('^', '**')
9         N = eval(expression)
10        print(expression, '=', N)
11        factor = quadratic_sieve_factoring(N)
12        print(factor, N % factor)
13
14
15
16 if __name__ == '__main__':
17     experiment()
```

Listing 11: experiment.py

```
1 from random_squares import trial_division_factoring
2 from quadratic_sieve import quadratic_sieve, eulers_criterion,
   generate_factor_base
3
4 import numpy as np
5
6 def test_trial_division_factoring():
7     factor_base = [2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13]
8     assert trial_division_factoring(5, factor_base) == [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0]
9     assert trial_division_factoring(2*3**3*7, factor_base) == [1, 3, 0, 1,
10    0, 0]
11     assert trial_division_factoring(7**100, factor_base) == [0, 0, 0, 100,
12    0, 0]
13     assert trial_division_factoring(17, factor_base) is None
14
15 def test_quadratic_sieve_factor_base():
16     N = 5657*7757
17     factor_base = generate_factor_base(100, N)
18     for p in factor_base:
19         assert eulers_criterion(N, p)
20
21 def test_quadratic_sieve():
22     N = 5657 * 7757
23     factor_base = generate_factor_base(1000, N)
24     result = quadratic_sieve(factor_base, N, 10*len(factor_base))
25     for x, factorisation in result:
26         assert x**2 - N == np.prod([p**r for p, r in zip(factor_base,
27    factorisation)]), dtype=object)
```

Listing 12: test.py

## References

- [1] John Brillhart, J. L. Selfridge, “Some factorizations of  $2n \pm 1$  and related results,” *Mathematics of Computation*, vol. 21, no. 97, pp. 87–96, 1967.