

1 Number Theory

1.1 Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT)

Definition: Provides a solution to a system of congruences with pairwise coprime moduli.

Usage: Use when solving simultaneous congruences or when combining results modulo different moduli.

Theorem: If n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k are pairwise coprime positive integers, then the system:

$$\begin{cases} x \equiv a_1 \pmod{n_1} \\ x \equiv a_2 \pmod{n_2} \\ \vdots \\ x \equiv a_k \pmod{n_k} \end{cases}$$

has a unique solution modulo $N = n_1 n_2 \dots n_k$.

```
1 def chinese_remainder_theorem(a_list, n_list):
2     from functools import reduce
3     def mul_inv(a, b):
4         b0 = b
5         x0, x1 = 0, 1
6         if b == 1: return 1
7         while a > 1:
8             q = a // b
9             a, b = b, a % b
10            x0, x1 = x1 - q * x0, x0
11        return x1 + b0 if x1 < 0 else x1
12    N = reduce(lambda x, y: x * y, n_list)
13    result = 0
14    for a_i, n_i in zip(a_list, n_list):
15        p = N // n_i
16        result += a_i * mul_inv(p, n_i) * p
17    return result % N
```

1.2 Euler's Totient Function

Definition: Denoted $\phi(n)$, it counts the positive integers up to n that are relatively prime to n .

Usage: Use in problems involving modular inverses, Fermat's little theorem generalization, and RSA encryption.

Formula: For prime p and integer k :

$$\phi(p^k) = p^k - p^{k-1}$$

For general n with prime factors p_i :

$$\phi(n) = n \prod_{p_i | n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)$$

```

1 def euler_totient(n):
2     result = n
3     p = 2
4     while p * p <= n:
5         if n % p == 0:
6             while n % p == 0:
7                 n //= p
8                 result -= result // p
9             p += 1
10    if n > 1:
11        result -= result // n
12    return result

```

1.3 Miller-Rabin Primality Test

Definition: A probabilistic primality test to check if a number is a probable prime.

Usage: Use for large numbers where deterministic primality tests are too slow.

Algorithm: Based on the properties of strong probable primes.

```

1 import random
2
3 def is_prime(n, k=5):
4     if n <= 1:
5         return False
6     elif n <= 3:
7         return True
8     elif n % 2 == 0:
9         return False
10    # Write n-1 as 2^s * d
11    s, d = 0, n - 1
12    while d % 2 == 0:
13        d //= 2
14        s += 1
15    # Witness loop
16    for _ in range(k):
17        a = random.randrange(2, n - 1)
18        x = pow(a, d, n)
19        if x == 1 or x == n - 1:
20            continue
21        for _ in range(s - 1):
22            x = x * x % n
23            if x == n - 1:
24                break
25        else:
26            return False
27    return True

```

1.4 Pollard's Rho Algorithm

Definition: An efficient probabilistic integer factorization algorithm.

Usage: Use to factor large integers when prime factorization is needed.

```
1 import math
2 import random
3
4 def pollards_rho(n):
5     if n % 2 == 0:
6         return 2
7     x = random.randrange(2, n)
8     y = x
9     c = random.randrange(1, n)
10    d = 1
11    while d == 1:
12        x = (x * x + c) % n
13        y = (y * y + c) % n
14        y = (y * y + c) % n
15        d = math.gcd(abs(x - y), n)
16        if d == n:
17            return pollards_rho(n)
18    if is_prime(d):
19        return d
20    else:
21        return pollards_rho(d)
```

2 Graph Algorithms

2.1 Breadth-First Search (BFS)

Usage: Finding the shortest path in unweighted graphs.

```
1 from collections import deque
2
3 def bfs(graph, start):
4     visited = set()
5     distance = {start: 0}
6     queue = deque([start])
7     visited.add(start)
8     while queue:
9         vertex = queue.popleft()
10        for neighbor in graph[vertex]:
11            if neighbor not in visited:
12                visited.add(neighbor)
13                distance[neighbor] = distance[vertex] + 1
14                queue.append(neighbor)
15    return distance
```

2.2 Depth-First Search (DFS)

Usage: Topological sorting, cycle detection, and traversal.

```
1 def dfs(graph, vertex, visited=None):
2     if visited is None:
3         visited = set()
4     visited.add(vertex)
5     for neighbor in graph[vertex]:
6         if neighbor not in visited:
7             dfs(graph, neighbor, visited)
```

2.3 Dijkstra's Algorithm for Weighted Graphs

Usage: Finding the shortest path in weighted graphs without negative edges.

```
1 import heapq
2
3 def dijkstra(graph, start):
4     heap = [(0, start)]
5     distance = {vertex: float('inf') for vertex in graph}
6     distance[start] = 0
7     while heap:
8         dist_u, u = heapq.heappop(heap)
9         if dist_u > distance[u]:
10             continue
11         for v, weight in graph[u]:
12             if distance[u] + weight < distance[v]:
13                 distance[v] = distance[u] + weight
14                 heapq.heappush(heap, (distance[v], v))
15     return distance
```

2.4 Lowest Common Ancestor (LCA)

Problem: Find the lowest common ancestor of two nodes in a tree.

Algorithm: Binary Lifting or Euler Tour with RMQ.

```
1 class Tree:
2     def __init__(self, n):
3         self.n = n
4         self.LOGN = n.bit_length()
5         self.parent = [[-1]*self.LOGN for _ in range(n)]
6         self.depth = [0]*n
7         self.graph = [[] for _ in range(n)]
8
```

```

9      def add_edge(self, u, v):
10         self.graph[u].append(v)
11         self.graph[v].append(u)
12
13     def dfs(self, u, p):
14         self.parent[u][0] = p
15         for i in range(1, self.LOGN):
16             if self.parent[u][i-1] != -1:
17                 self.parent[u][i] = self.parent[self.parent[u][i-1]][i-1]
18         for v in self.graph[u]:
19             if v != p:
20                 self.depth[v] = self.depth[u] + 1
21                 self.dfs(v, u)
22
23     def lca(self, u, v):
24         if self.depth[u] < self.depth[v]:
25             u, v = v, u
26         for i in range(self.LOGN - 1, -1, -1):
27             if self.parent[u][i] != -1 and self.depth[self.parent[u][i]] >= self.depth[v]:
28                 u = self.parent[u][i]
29         if u == v:
30             return u
31         for i in range(self.LOGN - 1, -1, -1):
32             if self.parent[u][i] != self.parent[v][i]:
33                 u = self.parent[u][i]
34                 v = self.parent[v][i]
35         return self.parent[u][0]

```

2.5 Bellman-Ford Algorithm

Definition: Computes shortest paths from a single source vertex to all other vertices in a weighted digraph, which may have negative weight edges.

Usage: Use when graph contains negative weight edges and you need to detect negative cycles.

```

1  def bellman_ford(graph, V, E, source):
2      dist = [float('inf')] * V
3      dist[source] = 0
4      for _ in range(V - 1):
5          for u, v, w in E:
6              if dist[u] != float('inf') and dist[u] + w < dist[v]:
7                  dist[v] = dist[u] + w
8      # Check for negative-weight cycles
9      for u, v, w in E:
10         if dist[u] != float('inf') and dist[u] + w < dist[v]:

```

```

11         return None # Negative cycle detected
12     return dist

```

2.6 Floyd-Warshall Algorithm

Definition: A dynamic programming algorithm to find shortest paths between all pairs of vertices in a weighted graph.

Usage: Use when needing all-pairs shortest paths and the graph has negative weights but no negative cycles.

```

1 def floyd_warshall(graph):
2     V = len(graph)
3     dist = [row[:] for row in graph]
4     for k in range(V):
5         for i in range(V):
6             for j in range(V):
7                 if dist[i][k] + dist[k][j] < dist[i][j]:
8                     dist[i][j] = dist[i][k] + dist[k][j]
9     return dist

```

2.7 Kruskal's Algorithm

Definition: An algorithm to find the Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) of a connected, undirected graph.

Usage: Use to minimize the total weight connecting all vertices.

```

1 def kruskal(V, edges):
2     uf = UnionFind(V)
3     mst_weight = 0
4     mst_edges = []
5     edges.sort(key=lambda x: x[2]) # Sort by weight
6     for u, v, w in edges:
7         if uf.find(u) != uf.find(v):
8             uf.union(u, v)
9             mst_weight += w
10            mst_edges.append((u, v, w))
11     return mst_weight, mst_edges

```

2.8 Tarjan's Algorithm for Strongly Connected Components

Definition: Finds all strongly connected components (SCCs) in a directed graph.

Usage: Use to identify cycles, condensation graphs, and analyze connectivity.

```

1 def tarjans_scc(graph):
2     index = 0
3     indices = {}

```

```

4     lowlink = {}
5     stack = []
6     on_stack = set()
7     sccs = []
8
9     def strongconnect(v):
10         nonlocal index
11         indices[v] = lowlink[v] = index
12         index += 1
13         stack.append(v)
14         on_stack.add(v)
15         for w in graph[v]:
16             if w not in indices:
17                 strongconnect(w)
18                 lowlink[v] = min(lowlink[v], lowlink[w])
19             elif w in on_stack:
20                 lowlink[v] = min(lowlink[v], indices[w])
21         if lowlink[v] == indices[v]:
22             scc = []
23             while True:
24                 w = stack.pop()
25                 on_stack.remove(w)
26                 scc.append(w)
27                 if w == v:
28                     break
29             sccs.append(scc)
30     for v in graph:
31         if v not in indices:
32             strongconnect(v)
33     return sccs

```

2.9 Dinic's Algorithm for Maximum Flow

Definition: An efficient algorithm for computing the maximum flow in a flow network.

Usage: Use in network flow problems, bipartite matching, and circulation problems.

```

1 from collections import deque
2
3 class Edge:
4     def __init__(self, to, rev, capacity):
5         self.to = to
6         self.rev = rev
7         self.capacity = capacity
8
9 class MaxFlow:
10     def __init__(self, N):
11         self.size = N

```

```

12     self.graph = [[] for _ in range(N)]
13 def add(self, fr, to, capacity):
14     forward = Edge(to, len(self.graph[to]), capacity)
15     backward = Edge(fr, len(self.graph[fr]), 0)
16     self.graph[fr].append(forward)
17     self.graph[to].append(backward)
18 def bfs_level(self, s, t, level):
19     queue = deque([s])
20     level[s] = 0
21     while queue:
22         v = queue.popleft()
23         for e in self.graph[v]:
24             if e.capacity > 0 and level[e.to] < 0:
25                 level[e.to] = level[v] + 1
26                 queue.append(e.to)
27     return level[t] != -1
28 def dfs_flow(self, level, iter, v, t, upTo):
29     if v == t:
30         return upTo
31     for i in range(iter[v], len(self.graph[v])):
32         e = self.graph[v][i]
33         if e.capacity > 0 and level[v] < level[e.to]:
34             d = self.dfs_flow(level, iter, e.to, t, min(upTo, e.
35                 capacity))
36             if d > 0:
37                 e.capacity -= d
38                 self.graph[e.to][e.rev].capacity += d
39                 return d
40             iter[v] += 1
41     return 0
42 def max_flow(self, s, t):
43     flow = 0
44     level = [-1] * self.size
45     INF = float('inf')
46     while True:
47         level = [-1] * self.size
48         if not self.bfs_level(s, t, level):
49             break
50         iter = [0] * self.size
51         while True:
52             f = self.dfs_flow(level, iter, s, t, INF)
53             if f == 0:
54                 break
55             flow += f
56     return flow

```


3 Dynamic Programming

3.1 Subset Sum Algorithm

Given a set of integers $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$ and a target integer T , determine whether there exists a subset $S' \subseteq S$ such that:

$$\sum_{x \in S'} x = T$$

```
1 def subset_sum(S, T):
2     n = len(S)
3     dp = [[False] * (T + 1) for _ in range(n + 1)]
4     dp[0][0] = True # Base case: sum of 0 is always achievable with
                       # an empty subset
5
6     for i in range(1, n + 1):
7         for j in range(T + 1):
8             dp[i][j] = dp[i - 1][j]
9             if j >= S[i - 1] and dp[i - 1][j - S[i - 1]]:
10                 dp[i][j] = True
11
12     return dp[n][T]
```

3.2 Longest Increasing Subsequence

Given a sequence of integers $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$, find the length of the longest subsequence $A' \subseteq A$ where the elements of A' are in strictly increasing order.

```
1 def longest_increasing_subsequence(A):
2     n = len(A)
3     dp = [1] * n # Initialize all LIS lengths to 1
4
5     for i in range(1, n):
6         for j in range(i):
7             if A[j] < A[i]:
8                 dp[i] = max(dp[i], dp[j] + 1)
9
10    return max(dp) # The length of the longest increasing
                    # subsequence
```

4 String Algorithms

4.1 Z-Algorithm

Definition: Computes an array Z where $Z[i]$ is the length of the longest substring starting from i that is also a prefix of the string.

Usage: Use for pattern matching, string compression, and finding repetitions.

```

1 def z_algorithm(s):
2     n = len(s)
3     Z = [0] * n
4     l, r = 0, 0
5     for i in range(1, n):
6         if i <= r:
7             Z[i] = min(r - i + 1, Z[i - 1])
8             while i + Z[i] < n and s[Z[i]] == s[i + Z[i]]:
9                 Z[i] += 1
10            if i + Z[i] - 1 > r:
11                l, r = i, i + Z[i] - 1
12    return Z

```

5 Geometry

5.1 Rotating Calipers

Definition: A computational geometry technique used to compute various properties of convex polygons.

Usage: Use to find the diameter of a convex polygon, the width, and solve problems involving pairs of points.

```

1 def rotating_calipers(points):
2     # Assume points are the convex hull in counterclockwise order
3     n = len(points)
4     max_distance = 0
5     j = 1
6     for i in range(n):
7         next_i = (i + 1) % n
8         while True:
9             next_j = (j + 1) % n
10            cross = (points[next_i][0] - points[i][0]) * \
11                    (points[next_j][1] - points[j][1]) - \
12                    (points[next_i][1] - points[i][1]) * \
13                    (points[next_j][0] - points[j][0])
14            if cross < 0:
15                j = next_j
16            else:
17                break
18            dist = (points[i][0] - points[j][0]) ** 2 + \
19                  (points[i][1] - points[j][1]) ** 2
20            max_distance = max(max_distance, dist)
21    return max_distance ** 0.5

```

5.2 Closest Pair of Points

Definition: Find the pair of points with the minimum distance between them.

Usage: Use in computational geometry and clustering problems.

```
1 def closest_pair(points):
2     def closest_pair_rec(px, py):
3         if len(px) <= 3:
4             min_dist = float('inf')
5             for i in range(len(px)):
6                 for j in range(i + 1, len(px)):
7                     dist = ((px[i][0] - px[j][0]) ** 2 + \
8                             (px[i][1] - px[j][1]) ** 2) ** 0.5
9                     min_dist = min(min_dist, dist)
10            return min_dist
11        mid = len(px) // 2
12        Qx = px[:mid]
13        Rx = px[mid:]
14        midpoint = px[mid][0]
15        Qy = list(filter(lambda x: x[0] <= midpoint, py))
16        Ry = list(filter(lambda x: x[0] > midpoint, py))
17        delta = min(closest_pair_rec(Qx, Qy), closest_pair_rec(Rx,
18            Ry))
19        strip = [p for p in py if abs(p[0] - midpoint) < delta]
20        min_dist_strip = delta
21        for i in range(len(strip)):
22            for j in range(i + 1, min(i + 7, len(strip))):
23                dist = ((strip[i][0] - strip[j][0]) ** 2 + \
24                        (strip[i][1] - strip[j][1]) ** 2) ** 0.5
25                min_dist_strip = min(min_dist_strip, dist)
26        return min_dist_strip
27    px = sorted(points, key=lambda x: x[0])
28    py = sorted(points, key=lambda x: x[1])
29    return closest_pair_rec(px, py)
```

6 Mathematical Concepts

6.1 Matrix Exponentiation

Definition: Raising a matrix to a power efficiently using exponentiation by squaring.

Usage: Use in solving linear recurrences and dynamic programming optimizations.

```
1 def matrix_mult(A, B):
2     result = [[0]*len(B[0]) for _ in range(len(A))]
3     for i in range(len(A)):
4         for j in range(len(B[0])):
5             for k in range(len(B)):
```

```

6         result[i][j] += A[i][k] * B[k][j]
7     return result
8
9 def matrix_pow(mat, power):
10     result = [[int(i == j) for j in range(len(mat))] for i in range(
        len(mat))]
11     while power > 0:
12         if power % 2 == 1:
13             result = matrix_mult(result, mat)
14             mat = matrix_mult(mat, mat)
15             power //= 1
16     return result

```

7 Probability and Expected Value

7.1 Expected Number of Trials

Definition: The expected value is the average number of trials needed for a random process.

Usage: Use in problems involving probabilistic expected outcomes.

$$\text{Expected Value (E)} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i p_i$$

```

1 def expected_trials(probabilities, values):
2     expected_value = sum(p * v for p, v in zip(probabilities, values
        ))
3     return expected_value

```

8 Recursive Memoization

Definition: Store the results of expensive function calls and return the cached result when the same inputs occur again.

Usage: Use in problems where recursive calls have overlapping subproblems, such as Fibonacci numbers, or when optimizing recursive solutions to prevent redundant calculations.

Example: Compute the n -th Fibonacci number.

```

1 from functools import lru_cache
2
3 @lru_cache(maxsize=None)
4 def fibonacci(n):
5     if n <= 1:
6         return n
7     return fibonacci(n - 1) + fibonacci(n - 2)

```

9 Greedy Algorithms

9.1 Greedy Interval Selection

Problem: Given a set of intervals, select the minimum number of intervals to cover the entire range or maximize the number of non-overlapping intervals.

Usage: Use when local optimal choices lead to a global optimum.

```
1 def interval_scheduling(intervals):
2     intervals.sort(key=lambda x: x[1]) # Sort by end time
3     count = 0
4     end = float('-inf')
5     for s, e in intervals:
6         if s >= end:
7             end = e
8             count += 1
9     return count
```

10 Hierarchical Parsing

Problem: Parse and validate hierarchical structures like XML or nested parentheses.

Usage: Use when dealing with nested data structures.

```
1 def is_valid_hierarchy(s):
2     stack = []
3     mapping = {')': '(', ']: '[', '}': '{'}
4     for char in s:
5         if char in mapping.values():
6             stack.append(char)
7         elif char in mapping.keys():
8             if stack == [] or mapping[char] != stack.pop():
9                 return False
10    return stack == []
```

11 Sliding Window Algorithms

11.1 Maintaining Unique Elements

Problem: Find the length of the longest substring without repeating characters.

Algorithm: Use a sliding window with a hash set.

```
1 def longest_unique_substring(s):
2     char_set = set()
3     left = result = 0
4     for right in range(len(s)):
5         while s[right] in char_set:
```

```

6         char_set.remove(s[left])
7         left += 1
8         char_set.add(s[right])
9         result = max(result, right - left + 1)
10    return result

```

11.2 Counting Connected Components (Number of Islands)

Definition: Determine the number of connected components (islands) in a grid where cells can be land or water.

Implementation Using DFS:

```

1 def num_islands(grid):
2     if not grid:
3         return 0
4     m, n = len(grid), len(grid[0])
5     visited = [[False]*n for _ in range(m)]
6     def dfs(x, y):
7         if 0 <= x < m and 0 <= y < n and not visited[x][y] and grid[
            x][y] == '1':
8             visited[x][y] = True
9             dfs(x + 1, y)
10            dfs(x - 1, y)
11            dfs(x, y + 1)
12            dfs(x, y - 1)
13    count = 0
14    for i in range(m):
15        for j in range(n):
16            if not visited[i][j] and grid[i][j] == '1':
17                dfs(i, j)
18                count += 1
19    return count

```

11.3 2D Prefix Sums (Cumulative Sum in Grids)

Definition: Precompute a prefix sum matrix to allow efficient calculation of the sum of elements in any submatrix.

Usage: Use when needing to compute sums over submatrices multiple times efficiently.

Implementation:

```

1 def compute_prefix_sums(grid):
2     m, n = len(grid), len(grid[0])
3     prefix_sums = [[0]*(n+1) for _ in range(m+1)]
4     for i in range(m):
5         for j in range(n):
6             prefix_sums[i+1][j+1] = grid[i][j] + prefix_sums[i][j+1]
              + \

```

```

7         prefix_sums[i+1][j] -
          prefix_sums[i][j]
8     return prefix_sums
9
10 def sum_region(prefix_sums, x1, y1, x2, y2):
11     # Sum of rectangle from (x1, y1) to (x2, y2)
12     return prefix_sums[x2+1][y2+1] - prefix_sums[x1][y2+1] - \
13         prefix_sums[x2+1][y1] + prefix_sums[x1][y1]

```

11.4 Dynamic Programming on Grids (Unique Paths)

Problem: Count the number of unique paths from the top-left corner to the bottom-right corner of a grid, moving only down or right.

Implementation:

```

1 def unique_paths(m, n):
2     dp = [[0]*n for _ in range(m)]
3     for i in range(m):
4         dp[i][0] = 1
5     for j in range(n):
6         dp[0][j] = 1
7     for i in range(1, m):
8         for j in range(1, n):
9             dp[i][j] = dp[i-1][j] + dp[i][j-1]
10    return dp[m-1][n-1]

```

11.5 Rotating and Flipping Grids

Rotating a Grid 90 Degrees Clockwise:

```

1 def rotate_grid(grid):
2     return [list(row) for row in zip(*grid[::-1])]

```

Flipping a Grid Horizontally:

```

1 def flip_horizontal(grid):
2     return [row[::-1] for row in grid]

```

Flipping a Grid Vertically:

```

1 def flip_vertical(grid):
2     return grid[::-1]

```

11.6 Spiral Traversal of a Grid

Problem: Traverse a grid in a spiral order.

Implementation:

```

1 def spiral_order(matrix):
2     result = []
3     if not matrix:
4         return result
5     m, n = len(matrix), len(matrix[0])
6     top, bottom, left, right = 0, m - 1, 0, n - 1
7     while top <= bottom and left <= right:
8         for j in range(left, right + 1):
9             result.append(matrix[top][j])
10        top += 1
11        for i in range(top, bottom + 1):
12            result.append(matrix[i][right])
13        right -= 1
14        if top <= bottom:
15            for j in range(right, left - 1, -1):
16                result.append(matrix[bottom][j])
17            bottom -= 1
18        if left <= right:
19            for i in range(bottom, top - 1, -1):
20                result.append(matrix[i][left])
21            left += 1
22    return result

```