CDA 3100: In-class Assignment 1

Section 2 Recitation Session

Problem Statement

Does an array of integers belong to a geometric series?

Description

In mathematics, a geometric series is the sum of an infinite number of terms with a constant ratio between successive terms.

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^{k} = a + ar + ar^{2} + ar^{3} + ar^{4} + \cdots$$

The geometric series can be defined by just two parameters: coefficient a and common ratio r. Common ratio r is the ratio of any term with the previous term in the series. Or equivalently, common ratio r is the term multiplier used to calculate the next term in the series.

We are given an array of 5 integers. Write an assembly program that checks if the array is part of a geometric series. If so, the program prints the value of r after a success message in console. If the array is not part of a geometric series, print an error message in the console. Let us assume, a, r are integers and a > 0 and r > 0 for simplicity.

Example Input 1

2, 4, 12, 12, 24

Output

ERROR: the given array does not belong to a geometric series.

Example Input 2

1, 3, 9, 27, 81

Output

SUCCESS: the given array belongs to a geometric series.

Common ratio: 3

Example Input 3

2, 4, 8, 16, 32

Output

SUCCESS: the given array belongs to a geometric series.

Common ratio: 2

Example Input 1

3, 9, 27, 54, 108

Output

ERROR: the given array does not belong to a geometric series.

Hint: You can build your code on top of the following template

```
.data
test_array: .word 1, 3, 9, 27, 81 # constructs an array of 5 32-bit integers in memory
.text
main:
la $t0, test_array # load the address of the starting number of test_array into $t0
# Your code goes here...
li $v0, 10
syscall
```