

# Number Theoretic Functions

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# 1 Multiplicative Function

**Definition 1.1** (Multiplicative Function). A number-theoretic function  $f$  is **multiplicative** if  $f(1) = 1$  and  $f(mn) = f(m)f(n)$ ,  $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ . Additionally,  $f$  is called **completely multiplicative** if  $f(mn) = f(m)f(n)$ ,  $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Examples.**

- $1(n) = 1$ : The constant function.
- $Id(n) = n$ : The identity function.
- $\varepsilon(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$ : The unit function
- $\tau(n) = \sum_{d|n} 1$ : The number of divisors function.
- $\sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} d$ : The sum of divisors function.
- $\phi(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n [\gcd(i, n) = 1]$ : Euler's Totient Function (here the third brackets serve as a boolean function, which returns 1 if the condition is true, 0 otherwise.)

Note that  $1, Id, \varepsilon$  are completely multiplicative as well, while  $\phi, \tau, \sigma$  aren't.

**Theorem 1.** If  $f$  is a multiplicative function and if  $n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i}$ , then  $f(n) = \prod_{i=1}^r f(p_i^{e_i})$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\gcd(p_i^{e_i}, p_j^{e_j}) = 1, \forall i \neq j$ , induction on  $r$  proves the theorem. □

## 2 Dirichlet Convolution

**Definition 2.1** (Dirichlet Convolution). If  $f$  and  $g$  are two arithmetic functions, then their **dirichlet convolution**, denoted by  $f * g$ , is defined as

$$(f * g)(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)g(n/d)$$

Alternatively, we can write  $(f * g)(n) = \sum_{ab=n} f(a)g(b)$ .

### Properties of Dirichlet Convolution

- Convolution is Commutative:  $f * g = g * f$
- It is Associative:  $(f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$

*Proof.*  $((f * g) * h)(n) = \sum_{dc=n} (f * g)(d)h(c) = \sum_{dc=n} \sum_{ab=d} f(a)g(b)h(c) = \sum_{abc=n} f(a)g(b)h(c)$

Similarly,  $(f * (g * h))(n) = \sum_{ad=n} f(a)(g * h)(d) = \sum_{ad=n} f(a) \sum_{bc=d} g(b)h(c) = \sum_{abc=n} f(a)g(b)h(c)$  □

- $f * \varepsilon = f$

*Proof.*

$$(f * \varepsilon)(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)\varepsilon(n/d)$$

Now if  $d < n$ ,  $n/d > 1$ , so  $\varepsilon(n/d) = 0$ . Therefore

$$(f * \varepsilon)(n) = f(n)\varepsilon(1) = f(n)$$

□

**Theorem 2.** *if  $f$  and  $g$  are both multiplicative, so is  $f * g$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $h = f * g$ . Now, if  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ ,

$$h(mn) = \sum_{d|mn} f(d)g(mn/d)$$

Now since  $d|mn$  and  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ ,  $d = ab$  where  $a|m$ ,  $b|n$  and  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} h(mn) &= \sum_{a|m, b|n} f(ab)g(mn/ab) \\ &= \sum_{a|m, b|n} f(a)f(b)g(m/a)g(n/b) \\ &= \sum_{a|m} f(a)g(m/a) \sum_{b|n} f(b)g(n/b) \\ &= h(m)h(n) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 1.** *if  $f$  is a multiplicative function, and  $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(n)$ ,  $F$  is multiplicative as well.*

*Proof.*  $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(n)1(\frac{n}{d}) = (f * 1)(n)$ .

Since  $f, 1$  both are multiplicative, by **theorem 2**,  $F$  is also multiplicative. □

**Theorem 3.** *if  $h = f * g$  and  $h, g$  are both multiplicative, so is  $f$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  is not multiplicative. So, there exists a pair of positive integers  $(m, n)$  with  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$  such that  $f(mn) \neq f(m)f(n)$ . We take such a pair with smallest  $mn$ .

If  $mn = 1$  then  $f(1) \neq f(1)f(1)$  which implies  $f(1) \neq 1$ . Now since  $g$  is multiplicative,  $g(1) = 1$ . But  $h(1) = (f * g)(1) = f(1)g(1) \neq 1$  since  $f(1) \neq 1$ . This is a contradiction since  $h$  is multiplicative and  $h(1) = 1$ .

If  $mn > 1$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
h(mn) &= \sum_{d|mn} f(d)g(mn/d) \\
&= \sum_{a|m, b|n} f(ab)g(mn/ab) \\
&= \sum_{a|m, b|n, ab < mn} f(a)f(b)g(m/a)g(n/b) + f(mn)g(1) \\
&= \sum_{a|m, b|n} f(a)f(b)g(m/a)g(n/b) - f(m)f(n) + f(mn) \\
&= \sum_{a|m} f(a)g(m/a) \sum_{b|n} f(b)g(n/b) - f(m)f(n) + f(mn) \\
&= h(m)h(n) - f(m)f(n) + f(mn)
\end{aligned}$$

Now if  $h$  is multiplicative,  $f(m)f(n) = f(mn)$ , which implies  $f$  is multiplicative as well.  $\square$

**Definition 2.2** (Dirichlet Inverse). *If  $f$  is an arithmetic function, we call  $g$  **dirichlet inverse** of  $f$ , denoted by  $f^{-1}$ , if  $f * g = \varepsilon$ .*

Recall that  $\varepsilon$  is the unit function:  $\varepsilon(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$

**Theorem 4.** *If  $f$  is an arithmetic function where  $f(1) \neq 0$ , then  $f^{-1}$  exists.*

*Proof.* Let  $g = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{f(1)} & \text{if } n = 1 \\ -\frac{\sum_{d|n, d < n} f(n/d)g(d)}{f(1)} & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$

Clearly,  $(f * g)(1) = 1$ . Now for  $n > 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
(f * g)(n) &= (g * f)(n) \\
&= \sum_{d|n} g(d)f(n/d) \\
&= g(n)f(1) + \sum_{d|n, d < n} g(d)f(n/d)
\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$g(n) = -\frac{\sum_{d|n, d < n} g(d)f(n/d)}{f(1)} \implies -g(n)f(1) = \sum_{d|n, d < n} g(d)f(n/d)$$

So,  $(f * g)(n) = g(n)f(1) - g(n)f(1) = 0$ . Hence,  $(f * g) = \varepsilon$ , thus  $g = f^{-1}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *If  $f$  is multiplicative, so is  $f^{-1}$*

*Proof.* Since  $\varepsilon = f * f^{-1}$ , and both  $\varepsilon$  and  $f$  are multiplicative, by **theorem 3**,  $f^{-1}$  is also multiplicative.  $\square$

### 3 More on common multiplicative functions

#### 3.1 Number-of-Divisors Function

Let  $\tau(n)$  denote the number of divisors of  $n$ . So,  $\tau(n) = \sum_{d|n} 1$ . It is easy to see that  $\tau$  is multiplicative, since  $\tau(n) = \sum_{d|n} 1 = \sum_{d|n} 1(d)1(n/d) = (1 * 1)(n)$ . Recall  $1(n)$  is the constant function, which is completely multiplicative. Hence, by **theorem 2**,  $\tau$  is also multiplicative.

Now it is easy to derive the formula of this function. What is  $\tau(p^x)$  where  $p$  is prime? Of course the divisors of  $p^x$  are  $1, p, p^2, \dots, p^x$ , so total  $(x + 1)$  divisors. Now for any  $n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i}$ , we can simply apply **theorem 1** and get  $\tau(n) = \prod_{i=1}^r (e_i + 1)$ .  $\tau(n)$  can be calculated with a simple loop in  $O(\sqrt{n})$ .

#### 3.2 Sum-of-Divisors Function

The sum of divisors function is denoted by  $\sigma$ . We can write  $\sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} d$ . Similar to the previous function, we can write  $\sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} d = \sum_{d|n} Id(d)1(n/d) = (Id * 1)(n)$ . Since  $Id$  and  $1$  are both multiplicative, by **theorem 2**,  $\sigma$  is also multiplicative.

Now, note that for a prime  $p$ ,  $\sigma(p^x) = 1 + p + p^2 + \dots + p^x = \frac{p^{x+1}-1}{p-1}$ . So, for  $n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i}$ ,  $\sigma(n) = \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{p_i^{e_i+1}-1}{p_i-1}$ .

#### 3.3 Möbius Function

**Definition 3.1.** For a positive integer  $n$ , the **möbius function**, denoted by  $\mu$ , is defined as,

$$\mu(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } p^2 | n \text{ for some prime } p \\ (-1)^r & \text{if } n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_r, \text{ where } p_i \text{ are distinct primes} \end{cases}$$

The next theorem shows a very important property of möbius function.

**Theorem 5.**  $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases} = \varepsilon(n)$

*Proof.* For  $n = 1$ ,  $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \mu(1) = 1$

When  $n > 1$ , let  $n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i}$ . If  $d|n$ , then  $d = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{f_i}$ , where  $f_i \leq e_i$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . Now if  $\exists i$  such that  $f_i > 1$ ,  $\mu(d)$  will be 0. So, the only divisors we care about are the ones with  $f_i \leq 1, \forall i$ . This means we have  $r$  distinct primes, and we will go through each possible combinations and add their contribution to the sum accordingly. For example, if  $d$  contains  $k$  primes, then we have  $\binom{r}{k}$

possible values for  $d$ , and each of them will contribute  $(-1)^k$  to the sum. So,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) &= \sum_{\substack{(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_r) \\ f_i \in \{0,1\}}} \mu\left(\prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{f_i}\right) \\
&= (-1)^0 \binom{r}{0} + (-1)^1 \binom{r}{1} + \dots + (-1)^r \binom{r}{r} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^r \binom{r}{i} (-1)^i \\
&= (1 - 1)^r \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

□

We also conclude that  $\mu$  is **multiplicative** from this theorem, since,

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) 1(n/d) = (\mu * 1)(n) = \varepsilon(n)$$

This implies  $\mu$  is the dirichlet inverse of the constant function. So, by **Corollary 2**,  $\mu$  is multiplicative. Since  $\mu$  is the dirichlet inverse of the constant function, using the definition of  $g$  in **theorem 4**, we can write that,

$$\mu(n) = \sum_{d|n, d < n} -\mu(d)$$

Now we can use this in sieve to calculate the value of möbius function for integers from 1 to  $n$ . Here's an implementation in C++:

```

mu[1] = 1;
for(int i = 1; i < N; i++) {
    for(int j = 2 * i; j < N; j+=i) {
        mu[j] -= mu[i];
    }
}

```

This is basically the standard sieve: instead of iterating over  $d$  for each  $n$ , for each  $d$ , we loop over its multiples and add its contribution to the answer of the multiples. So, it runs in  $O(n \log n)$  time.

### 3.4 Euler's Totient Function

**Definition 3.2.** For a positive integer  $n$ , **Euler's Totient Function**, denotes as  $\phi(n)$ , is defined as the number of positive integers  $i$  up to  $n$  such that  $\gcd(i, n) = 1$ .

For example,  $\phi(4) = 2$ , since from 1 to 4, only 1 and 3 are coprimes with 4.

**Theorem 6.**  $\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$

*Proof.* Let  $S_d$  be the set of all positive integers up to  $n$  whose gcd with  $n$  is  $d$ . Now,  $\gcd(n, m) = d$  implies  $\gcd(n/d, m/d) = 1$ . By definition, the number of such  $m$  is  $\phi(n/d)$ . So,

$$\sum_{d|n} |S_d| = \sum_{d|n} \phi(n/d)$$

Clearly, the sets  $S_d$  for all  $d$  are pairwise disjoint. Moreover, for every integer  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , there exists a  $d$  such that  $d|n$  and  $k \in S_d$ . Hence,  $\sum_{d|n} |S_d| = \sum_{d|n} \phi(n/d) = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$ .  $\square$

Since,  $\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d)1(n/d) = (\phi * 1)(n) = Id(n)$ , we also see that  $\phi$  is a multiplicative function.

Note that if  $p$  is prime,  $\phi(p) = p - 1$ , and  $\phi(p^k) = p^k - p^{k-1} = p^{k-1}(p - 1)$ . So, if  $n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i}$ , by **theorem 1**, we get

$$\phi(n) = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i-1}(p_i - 1) = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i} \frac{(p_i - 1)}{p_i} = n \prod_{i=1}^r \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)$$

which is the well-known formula for calculating  $\phi(n)$ .

About implementation, we can simply initialize  $\phi(n) = n$ , and for each prime divisor  $p$ , we update its value by multiplying it with  $(1 - \frac{1}{p}) = \frac{p-1}{p}$ . Here's the code:

```
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) phi[i] = i;
for(int p = 2; p <= n; p++) {
    if (phi[p] == p) {
        phi[p] = p - 1;
        for (int i = 2 * p; i <= n; i += p) {
            phi[i] = (phi[i] / p) * (p - 1);
        }
    }
}
```

## 4 The Möbius Inversion

**Theorem 7.** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two arithmetic functions. Then,  $g(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$  if and only if  $f(n) = \sum_{d|n} g(d)\mu(n/d)$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $g(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)1(n/d) = (f * 1)(n)$ , which implies  $g = f * 1$ . Similarly,  $f(n) = \sum_{d|n} g(d)\mu(n/d) = (g * \mu)(n)$ , which implies  $f = g * \mu$ . Hence it suffices to show that  $g = f * 1$  if and only if  $f = g * \mu$ .

$$g * \mu = (f * 1) * \mu = f * (1 * \mu) = f * \varepsilon = f$$

. Now for converse,

$$f * 1 = (g * \mu) * 1 = g * (1 * \mu) = g * \varepsilon = g$$

.

$\square$

I kept this single theorem in a separate section only because it is probably the most useful part of the entire note!

## 5 Problems

**Problem 1.** Given  $n$ , calculate the number of pairs  $(i, j)$  such that  $i, j \in [1, n]$  and  $\gcd(i, j) = 1$ .

**Solution.** We basically need to find the value of  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n [\gcd(i, j) = 1]$ . Now note that  $[\gcd(i, j) = 1] = \varepsilon(\gcd(i, j))$ . Hence,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n [gcd(i, j) = 1] = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon(gcd(i, j)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{d|gcd(i, j)} \mu(d)$$

Now,  $d|gcd(i, j)$  means  $d|i$  and  $d|j$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{d|gcd(i, j)} \mu(d) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{d=1}^n [d|i][d|j] \mu(d) \\ &= \sum_{d=1}^n \mu(d) \sum_{i=1}^n [d|i] \sum_{j=1}^n [d|j] \\ &= \sum_{d=1}^n \mu(d) \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{d} \right\rfloor\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Note that the number of multiples of  $d$  from 1 to  $n$  is  $\lfloor \frac{n}{d} \rfloor$ . We can calculate the value of  $\mu(i)$  for integers up to  $n$  with sieve, and calculate the final answer with a simple loop.

The sequence  $\lfloor \frac{n}{1} \rfloor, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, \dots, \lfloor \frac{n}{n} \rfloor$  contains at most  $2\sqrt{n}$  unique values, so if we precalculate the  $\mu(i)$ , we can calculate the answer for each  $n$  in  $O(\sqrt{n})$  time.

```
for (int l = 1, r; l <= n; l = r + 1) {
    r = n / (n / l);
    //now for all l <= i <= r, n / i is equal.
}
```

**Problem 2.** Given  $n$ , calculate the number of pairs  $(i, j)$  such that  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  and  $gcd(i, j) = 1$ .

**Solution.** We need to calculate  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n [gcd(i, j) = 1]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n [gcd(i, j) = 1] &= \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} [gcd(i, j) = 1] \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^n \phi(j) \end{aligned}$$

Now it's a simple loop!

**Problem 3.** Given  $a, b, k$ , calculate the number of pairs  $(x, y)$  such that  $x \in [1, a], y \in [1, b]$  and  $gcd(x, y) = k$ . Also,  $(x, y)$  and  $(y, x)$  are considered the same.

**Solution.** First of all, note that  $gcd(x, y) = k$  implies that  $gcd(x/k, y/k) = 1$ . So, we can rephrase the statement: calculate the number of pairs  $(x, y)$  such that  $x \in [1, \lfloor \frac{a}{k} \rfloor], y \in [1, \lfloor \frac{b}{k} \rfloor]$  and  $gcd(x, y) = 1$ .

Let  $n = \lfloor \frac{a}{k} \rfloor$  and  $m = \lfloor \frac{b}{k} \rfloor$ . For simplicity, let's assume  $n \geq m$  (otherwise we can simply swap  $n, m$ ). We need to calculate  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{\min(m, i)} [gcd(i, j) = 1]$ .



$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{\min(m,i)} [\gcd(i,j) = 1] &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^i [\gcd(i,j) = 1] + \sum_{i=m+1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m [\gcd(i,j) = 1] \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(i) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{d|\gcd(i,j)} \mu(d) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(i) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{d|i, d|j} \mu(d) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(i) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{d=1}^m [d|i][d|j] \mu(d) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(i) + \sum_{d=1}^m \mu(d) \sum_{i=m+1}^n [d|i] \sum_{j=1}^m [d|j] \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(i) + \sum_{d=1}^m \mu(d) (\lfloor \frac{n}{d} \rfloor - \lfloor \frac{m}{d} \rfloor) (\lfloor \frac{m}{d} \rfloor)
\end{aligned}$$

Now you can calculate it with a simple loop in  $O(m)$ .

**Problem 4.** Given  $n$ , calculate  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \gcd(i,j)$ .

**Solution.** From **theorem 6**, we know that  $\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \gcd(i,j) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{d|\gcd(i,j)} \phi(d) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{d=1}^n [d|i][d|j] \phi(d) \\
&= \sum_{d=1}^n \phi(d) (\sum_{i=1}^n [d|i]) (\sum_{j=1}^n [d|j]) \\
&= \sum_{d=1}^n \phi(d) \lfloor \frac{n}{d} \rfloor^2
\end{aligned}$$

which can be calculated in  $O(\sqrt{n})$  for each  $n$  after the sieve (which would take  $O(n \log n)$  or  $O(n)$  if you use linear sieve).

**Problem 5. (Hyperrectangle GCD)** Let there be a  $k$ -dimensional hyperrectangle with dimensions  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$ . Each unit cell of the hyperrectangle is addressed by  $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k)$  where  $1 \leq p_i \leq n_i$  for all  $i \leq k$ . The value of a cell is the **gcd** of its coordinates. Calculate the sum of value over all cells of the hyperrectangle.

**Solution.** We are basically asked to calculate the value of:

$$\sum_{x_1=1}^{n_1} \sum_{x_2=1}^{n_2} \cdots \sum_{x_k=1}^{n_k} \gcd(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$$

Let  $\text{cnt}[x]$  be the number of such tuples whose gcd is  $x$ . Also, let  $n = \min_{i=1}^k n_i$ . Then our answer will be  $\sum_{g=1}^n g \times \text{cnt}[g]$ . We can write  $g = \sum_{d|g} \phi(d)$ . So,

$$\sum_{g=1}^n g \times \text{cnt}[g] = \sum_{g=1}^n \sum_{d|g} \phi(d) \times \text{cnt}[g]$$

Instead of iterating over divisors  $d$  of each  $g$ , we can iterate over multiples  $g$  of each  $d$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{g=1}^n g \times \text{cnt}[g] &= \sum_{g=1}^n \sum_{d|g} \phi(d) \times \text{cnt}[g] \\ &= \sum_{d=1}^n \phi(d) \sum_{d|g} \text{cnt}[g] \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\sum_{d|g} \text{cnt}[g]$  is basically the number of tuples whose gcd is divisible by  $d$ . It is easy to see that the number of such tuples are  $\lfloor \frac{n_1}{d} \rfloor \times \lfloor \frac{n_2}{d} \rfloor \times \dots \times \lfloor \frac{n_k}{d} \rfloor$ . Hence the answer is,

$$\sum_{d=1}^n \phi(d) \left( \lfloor \frac{n_1}{d} \rfloor \times \lfloor \frac{n_2}{d} \rfloor \times \dots \times \lfloor \frac{n_k}{d} \rfloor \right)$$

which is calculatable in  $O(nk)$ .

**Problem 6.** (Devu and Birthday Celebration) Answer  $Q$  ( $Q \leq 10^5$ ) queries: Given  $n$  and  $f$  ( $n, f \leq 10^5$ ), calculate the number of ways to distribute  $n$  sweets among  $f$  friends so that if  $i$ -th friend got  $a_i$  sweets,  $a_i \geq 1$  for all  $i$  and  $\text{gcd}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_f) = 1$ . Note that the ordering matters:  $a = [1, 2]$  and  $a = [2, 1]$  are considered different.

**Solution.** First of all, how many ways are there to distribute  $n$  sweets among  $f$  people so that everyone gets at least one sweet (ignoring the gcd condition)? For that, we can represent a distribution with a string of 'o' and '|', where 'o' means we give a sweet to the current person and '|' means we move to the next person. For example, if  $n = 6$  and  $f = 3$ , then 'oo|ooo|o' denotes  $a = \{2, 3, 1\}$ . Since the string has  $n$  o's, we have  $(n - 1)$  places to insert  $(f - 1)$  |'s, which can be done in  $\binom{n-1}{f-1}$  ways.

Now for a fixed  $f$ , let  $h(n)$  be the number of ways to distribute  $n$  sweets among  $f$  people so that everyone gets at least one sweet. From the explanation above, we get  $h(n) = \binom{n-1}{f-1}$ . Now let  $f(n)$  be the number of ways to distribute  $n$  sweets among  $f$  people so that each gets at least 1 and gcd of all  $a_i$ 's is 1 (which is basically the answer of the problem).

For a particular distribution, if  $\text{gcd}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_f) = d$ , then  $d|n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_f &= n \\ \implies d(a'_1 + a'_2 + \dots + a'_f) &= n \\ \implies a'_1 + a'_2 + \dots + a'_f &= \frac{n}{d} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{gcd}(a'_1, a'_2, \dots, a'_f) = 1$ . Since  $a'_1 + a'_2 + \dots + a'_f = \frac{n}{d}$  and  $\text{gcd}(a'_1, a'_2, \dots, a'_f) = 1$ , by definition, the number of such  $a'$  is  $f(n/d)$ . Hence, we get

$$h(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(n/d) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$$

Finally, we can apply möbius inversion!

$$f(n) = \sum_{d|n} h(d) \mu(n/d) = \sum_{d|n} \binom{d-1}{f-1} \mu(n/d)$$

We can simply precalculate the  $\mu(i)$  and the divisors for integer up to  $10^5$  to answer the queries efficiently.

**Problem 7. (COPRIME3)** Given an array  $a$  of length  $n$  ( $1 \leq a[i] \leq 10^6, 1 \leq n \leq 10^5$ ), calculate the number of triplets  $i < j < k$  such that  $\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k]) = 1$ .

**Solution.** We basically need to calculate  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=j+1}^n [\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k]) = 1]$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=j+1}^n [\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k]) = 1] &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=j+1}^n \varepsilon(\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k])) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=j+1}^n \sum_{d|\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k])} \mu(d) \\ &= \sum_{d=1}^{MAXV} \mu(d) \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=j+1}^n [d|\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k])] \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $d|\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k])$  implies  $d$  separately divides each of them.

So,  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=j+1}^n [d|\gcd(a[i], a[j], a[k])]$  is basically the number of triplets whose elements are divisible by  $d$ . If  $cnt[d]$  is the number of elements in the array  $a$  divisible by  $d$ , then number of such triplets will be  $\binom{cnt[d]}{3}$ . Calculating  $cnt[]$  array is pretty easy: if  $freq[x]$  is the number of occurrences of  $x$ , then  $cnt[d] = \sum_{d|x} freq[x]$ . Since we will be iterating over multiples for each  $d$ , it will take  $O(n \log n)$  time. Hence we get the final answer:

$$\sum_{d=1}^{MAXV} \mu(d) \binom{cnt[d]}{3}$$

**Problem 8. (CF Mike and Foam)** You are given an array  $a$  and  $q$  queries. ( $|a|, q \leq 2 \times 10^5, a[i] \leq 5 \times 10^5$ ). You also have a list  $L$ , which is initially empty. In each query, you will be given an integer  $x$ . If  $x \in L$ , then you will remove  $x$  from  $L$ , otherwise add  $x$  to  $L$ . Then you need to output the number of pairs  $(i, j)$  where  $i < j$  and  $i, j \in L$  such that  $\gcd(a_i, a_j) = 1$ .

**Solution.** Exercise. Check my code if needed [here](#).

**Problem 9. (CF The Holmes Children)** Let  $f(n)$  be the number of distinct positive integer pairs  $(x, y)$  such that  $x + y = n$  and  $\gcd(x, y) = 1$  (additionally,  $f(1) = 1$ ). Let  $g(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$ . Given  $n$  and  $k$ , calculate  $F_k(n)$ , which is defined as:

$$F_k(n) = \begin{cases} f(g(n)) & \text{if } k = 1 \\ g(F_{k-1}(n)) & \text{if } k > 1 \text{ and } k \bmod 2 = 0 \\ f(F_{k-1}(n)) & \text{if } k > 1 \text{ and } k \bmod 2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

**Solution.** Exercise.

## References

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