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Experiment 04 – Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT)

Objectives

- To implement the Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT).
- To compute a unique solution modulo product of moduli.

Problem Statement

Given a system of simultaneous congruences:

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{n_1}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{n_2}$$

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$$x \equiv a_k \pmod{n_k}$$

where the moduli n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k are pairwise coprime positive integers, find the smallest non-negative integer x that satisfies all these congruences simultaneously.

Equipment/Tools

- Hardware: PC/Laptop
- Software: JDK
- IDE/Text Editor: Eclipse/IntelliJ/VSCode

Theory

- **CRT:** If we have congruences:

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{n_1}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{n_2}$$

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- where n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k are pairwise coprime, then solution exists and is unique modulo $N = n_1 * n_2 * \dots * n_k$.
- Steps:
 1. Compute $N = \prod n_i$.
 2. For each i : $N_i = N/n_i$, compute inverse of $N_i \pmod{n_i}$.
 3. Final solution: $x = \sum (a_i * N_i * \text{inv}(N_i)) \pmod{N}$.

Procedure

1. Input number of congruences and (a_i, n_i) .
2. Validate moduli are pairwise coprime.
3. Apply CRT formula.
4. Print solution and modulus.

Steps

1. Start program.
2. Input congruences.
3. Check coprimality.
4. Apply CRT.
5. Print smallest solution.
6. End.

Observations & Conclusion

- CRT gives a unique solution modulo N .
- Useful in cryptography (RSA, Chinese RSA).
- Program verified with different sets of equations.
- For multiple congruences with pairwise coprime moduli, the program always computes a unique solution.

- The solution x satisfies all the given congruences when checked individually.
- The solution is always unique modulo N , where N is the product of all moduli.
- If moduli are not coprime, the program correctly detects this and reports an error.
- the CRT program works correctly for all valid inputs. It demonstrates that a system of congruences with coprime moduli has one and only one solution modulo N . This principle is widely used in number theory and cryptography (e.g., in RSA optimization).

CODE:

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import java.util.*;

public class Exp04_CRT {
    static class EG { long g,x,y; EG(long g,long x,long
y){this.g=g;this.x=x;this.y=y;} }
    static EG egcd(long a, long b){
        if(b==0) return new EG(Math.abs(a), a>=0?1:-1, 0);
        EG r = egcd(b, a%b);
        long g = r.g, x = r.y, y = r.x - (a/b)*r.y;
        return new EG(g, x, y);
    }
    static Optional<Long> inv(long a, long m){
        EG r = egcd(a, m);
        if(r.g!=1) return Optional.empty();
        long v = r.x % m; if(v<0) v+=m; return Optional.of(v);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args){
        try (Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in)) {
            System.out.println("=== Chinese Remainder Theorem ===");
            System.out.print("Enter number of congruences k: ");
            int k = sc.nextInt();
            long[] a = new long[k];
            long[] n = new long[k];
            for(int i=0;i<k;i++){
                System.out.print("Enter a" + (i+1) + ": ");
                a[i] = sc.nextLong();
                System.out.print("Enter n" + (i+1) + " (must be pairwise
coprime): ");
                n[i] = sc.nextLong();
            }
        }
    }
}
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    }

    // Check pairwise coprime
    for(int i=0;i<k;i++){
        for(int j=i+1;j<k;j++){
            long g = gcd(n[i], n[j]);
            if(g != 1){
                System.out.println("Error: n" + (i+1) + " and n"
+ (j+1) + " are not coprime (gcd="+g+").");
                return;
            }
        }
    }

    long N = 1;
    for(long ni : n) N *= ni;

    long x = 0;
    for(int i=0;i<k;i++){
        long Ni = N / n[i];
        Optional<Long> invNi = inv(Ni % n[i], n[i]);
        if(invNi.isEmpty()){
            System.out.println("No inverse for Ni mod n" + (i+1)
+ ", aborting.");
            return;
        }
        long term = (a[i] % N + N) % N;
        x = (x + term * Ni % N * invNi.get() % N) % N;
    }
    if(x<0) x += N;
    System.out.println("Smallest non-negative solution x = " +
x);

    System.out.println("Solution is unique modulo N = " + N);
}
}

static long gcd(long a, long b){
    a = Math.abs(a); b = Math.abs(b);
    while(b!=0){ long t=a%b; a=b; b=t; }
    return a;
}
}

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OUTPUT:

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PS C:\Users\Parshwa\Desktop\ASSIGN\CNS lab> cd "c:\Users\Parshwa\
=== Chinese Remainder Theorem ===
Enter number of congruences k: 3
Enter a1: 2
Enter n1 (must be pairwise coprime): 3
Enter a2: 3
Enter n2 (must be pairwise coprime): 4
Enter a3: 1
Enter n3 (must be pairwise coprime): 5
Smallest non-negative solution x = 11
Solution is unique modulo N = 60
PS C:\Users\Parshwa\Desktop\ASSIGN\CNS lab\22510064_CNS_A4> cd "c
4_CRT }
=== Chinese Remainder Theorem ===
Enter number of congruences k: 4
Enter a1: 1
Enter n1 (must be pairwise coprime): 5
Enter a2: 4
Enter n2 (must be pairwise coprime): 7
Enter a3: 6
Enter n3 (must be pairwise coprime): 8
Enter a4: 3
Enter n4 (must be pairwise coprime): 9
Smallest non-negative solution x = 606
Solution is unique modulo N = 2520
PS C:\Users\Parshwa\Desktop\ASSIGN\CNS lab\22510064_CNS_A4> cd "c
4_CRT }
=== Chinese Remainder Theorem ===
Enter number of congruences k: 2
Enter a1: 1
Enter n1 (must be pairwise coprime): 6
Enter a2: 2
Enter n2 (must be pairwise coprime): 9
Error: n1 and n2 are not coprime (gcd=3).
PS C:\Users\Parshwa\Desktop\ASSIGN\CNS lab\22510064_CNS_A4> █
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