

## Number Theory

**Rule 1.** If the prime factorization of a number **N** can be defined by the following equation,

$N = (p_1)^{x_1} * (p_2)^{x_2} * (p_3)^{x_3} * \dots * (p_n)^{x_n}$ ; where  $p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_n$  are primes.

Then the **number of all the divisors** of **N**, which can be expressed as **n**, can be defined by the following equation,

$$n = (x_1+1) * (x_2+1) * (x_3+1) * \dots * (x_n+1) \quad \text{(i)}$$

**Example :** Prime factorization of 18 is,

$$18 = 2^1 * 3^2$$

and  $18 = 1 * 18 = 2 * 9 = 3 * 6$ ; which means,

18 has  $n = 6$  Divisors.

From **Equation (i)**, we get,  $n = (1+1) * (2+1) = 2 * 3 = 6$ .

So, the results are matched.

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Then the **sum of all the divisors** of **N**, which can be expressed as **S**, can be defined by the following equation,

$$S = ((p_1^{(x_1+1)}-1)/(p_1-1)) * ((p_2^{(x_2+1)}-1)/(p_2-1)) * ((p_3^{(x_3+1)}-1)/(p_3-1)) * \dots * ((p_n^{(x_n+1)}-1)/(p_n-1)) \quad \text{(ii)}$$

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and **Sum** of them =  $1 + 2 + 3 + 6 + 9 + 18 = 39$ .

From **Equation (ii)**, we get,  $S = ((2^{(1+1)}-1)/(2-1)) * ((3^{(2+1)}-1)/(3-1)) = ((2^2-1)/1) * ((3^3-1)/2) = ((4-1)/1) * ((27-1)/2) = (3/1) * (26/2) = 3 * 13 = 39$ .

So, the results are matched.

**Rule 3.** If a number can be expressed as in the form,  $n = 10^x$ ,  $x \geq 0$ ;

Then the *Number of all the Divisors* of  $n$  is  $(x+1)^2$  or  $d^2$  where  $d$  is the number of total digits of  $n$ .

**Example :**  $10^0 = 1$  has  $(0+1)^2 = 1$  divisor (1);  $10^1 = 10$  has  $(1+1)^2 = 4$  divisors (1,2,5,10);  $10^3 = 100$  has  $(2+1)^2 = 9$  divisors (1,2,4,5,10,20,25,50,100) and so on.

**Rule 4.** The number of digits of the factorial of an integer  $n$ , can be expressed as,

$$S = \text{floor}(\log(n!)) + 1$$

We know,  $\log(a*b) = \log(a) + \log(b)$ .

So, for  $\log(n!) = S = \log(1) + \log(2) + \log(3) + \dots + \log(n)$

Since, the value can be fractional, we take the ceiling value of the result then increment it by 1.

**Example :** Suppose, we have to find the digits of  $5!$ , which is 120.

So,  $\log(5!) = \log(1) + \log(2) + \log(3) + \log(4) + \log(5) = 2.079181$

Finally,  $S = \text{floor}(2.079181) + 1 = 3$ .

**Rule 5.** The number of digits of the factorial of an integer  $n$  in base  $b$ .

The number of digits is  $\lfloor \log_b N! \rfloor + 1$ . This can be rewritten as

$$\left\lfloor \sum_{r=1}^N \log_b r \right\rfloor + 1.$$

That sum should be possible to calculate on computer even for relatively large  $N$ . However, you can also approximate it using Stirling's formula:

$$\ln N! \approx (N + 1/2) \ln N - N + \ln \sqrt{2\pi}.$$

To convert this to what you want, use the fact that  $\log_b x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln b}$ .

This approximation is pretty good. For  $\log_2 5!$  it gives 6.883, whereas the actual value is 6.907.

**Rule 6.** Let's see the following equation,

$N = (p_1)^{x_1} * (p_2)^{x_2} * (p_3)^{x_3} * \dots * (p_n)^{x_n}$ ; where  $p_1, p_2, p_3 \dots p_n$  are primes.

**The number of bases of N from 2 to infinite that has at least one trailing zero(es),**

$$\mathbf{R = ((x_1+1) * (x_2+1) * (x_3+1) * ..... * (x_n+1)) - 1.}$$

**Example :** Suppose,  $N = 30$ .

$$\text{So, } 30 = 2^1 * 3^1 * 5^1, \text{ then } R = ((1+1) * (1+1) * (1+1)) - 1 = 7$$

**Rule 7. If x be a prime number, then**

$$\mathbf{(a^n + b^n + c^n + ... ) \bmod x = (a^{n \bmod \Phi(n)} + b^{n \bmod \Phi(n)} + c^{n \bmod \Phi(n)} + ... ) \bmod x = (a^{n \bmod \Phi(x)} + b^{n \bmod \Phi(x)} + c^{n \bmod \Phi(x)} + ... ) \bmod x}$$

**Example :** Suppose,  $n = 4$  and  $x = 5$ .

$$\text{So, L.H.S} = (1^4 + 2^4 + 3^4) \bmod 5 = (1 + 16 + 81) \bmod 5 = 98 \bmod 5 = 3.$$

and we know that,  $\Phi(5) = 4$ , so  $n \bmod \Phi(x) = 4 \bmod 4 = 0$ .

$$\text{R.H.S} = (1^0 + 2^0 + 3^0) \bmod 5 = (1 + 1 + 1) \bmod 5 = 3 \bmod 5 = 3.$$

Therefore,  $\text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$ .