



Basic Maths for DSA

▼ Prime Number

204. Count PrimesHint⋮

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Given an integer `n`, return the number of prime numbers that are strictly less than `n`.

Example 1:

Input: `n = 10`
Output: `4`
Explanation: There are 4 prime numbers less than 10, they are 2, 3, 5, 7.

Example 2:

Input: `n = 0`
Output: `0`

Example 3:

Input: `n = 1`
Output: `0`

▼ Native Approach

▼ Logic

- If any number divides between 1 to N divides N fully i.e `N % i == 0`, So N is not a prime number

▼ Code



Time Complexity $\rightarrow O(n^2)$

```
class Solution {
public:
    bool isPrime(int N){
        if(N <= 1) return false;

        for(int i=2; i<N; i++){
            if(N % i == 0){
                // not prime
                return false;
            }
        }
        return true;
    }
    int countPrimes(int n) {
        int count = 0;
        for(int i=2; i<n; i++){
            if(isPrime(i)){
                count++;
            }
        }
        return count;
    }
};
```

▼ Sqrt Approach

▼ Logic

- Let N is non Prime i.e $N = a \times b$, then there exist **at least one of the factor must be smaller than \sqrt{n}**
- If we can't find any factor then it is not a prime number

▼ Code



Time Complexity $\rightarrow O(n * \sqrt{n})$

```

class Solution {
public:
    bool isPrime(int N){
        int sqrtN = sqrt(N);
        if(N <= 1) return false;

        for(int i=2; i<=sqrtN; i++){
            if(N % i == 0){
                // not prime
                return false;
            }
        }
        return true;
    }

    int countPrimes(int n) {
        int count = 0;
        for(int i=2; i<n; i++){
            if(isPrime(i)){
                count++;
            }
        }
        return count;
    }
};

```

▼ Sieve of Eratostheness

▼ Logic

1. Create an array from $2 \rightarrow n-1$ and mark all of them as prime
2. Starting from 2 till $n-1$, check who is prime and mark all the number comes in the table of these as non prime
3. Rest elements who are marked as prime is the ans

▼ Time Complexity



Time Complexity $\rightarrow O(n * [\log(\log n)])$

T.C. of Sieve of Eratosthenes

$$T.C \rightarrow n \cdot \left[\frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{3} + \frac{n}{5} + \frac{n}{7} + \frac{n}{11} + \dots \right]$$

$$n \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7} + \dots \right)$$

\downarrow \hookrightarrow H.P of Prime nos
Taylor's series

$$\Rightarrow O\left(n [\log(\log n)]\right)$$

▼ Code

```
class Solution {
public:
    int countPrimes(int n) {
        if(n == 0) return false;

        vector<bool> prime(n,true);

        //0 and 1 is already neither prime nor non pri
        prime[0] = prime[1] = false;

        //check from 2 to n-1
        int count = 0;
        for(int i=2; i<n; i++){
            if(prime[i])
                count ++;

            // multiple of prime numbers
            int j = 2*i;
            while(j<n){
                prime[j] = false;
            }
        }
    }
};
```

```

        j+=i;
    }
}
return count;
}
};

```

▼ Optimization 1 : Inner loop

Start marking from `int j=i*i` rather than `int j = 2*i` as others have been already marked by 2 to (i-1)

```

class Solution {
public:
    int countPrimes(int n) {
        if(n == 0) return false;

        vector<bool> prime(n,true);

        //0 and 1 is already neither prime nor non
        prime[0] = prime[1] = false;

        //check from 2 to n-1
        int count = 0;
        for(int i=2; i<n; i++){
            if(prime[i])
                count ++;

            // multiple of prime numbers
            int j=i*i;
            while(j<n){
                prime[j] = false;
                j+=i;
            }
        }
        return count;
    }
};

```

▼ Optimization 2 : Outer loop

We can start outer loop from $i = 2$ to $i = \sqrt{n}$ as usse bada number inner loop me chlega hi nhi. Exmaple `int j = 6*6 → 36 >`

`25(n=25)`

```
class Solution {
public:
    int countPrimes(int n) {
        if(n == 0) return false;

        vector<bool> prime(n,true);

        //0 and 1 is already neither prime nor non
        prime[0] = prime[1] = false;

        //check from 2 to n-1
        int count = 0;
        for(int i=2; i*i<n; i++){
            if(prime[i])
                count ++;

            // multiple of prime numbers
            int j = i*i;
            while(j<n){
                prime[j] = false;
                j+=i;
            }
        }
        return count;
    }
};
```

▼ Segment sieve



1. In any function array of `int, double, char` has max size of 10^6 and `bool` has max size 10^7 .
2. In global array `int, double, char` has max size of 10^7 and `bool` has max size 10^8 .

▼ Logic

1. Generate all the base primes responsible to mark segment sieve using normal sieve till \sqrt{R}
2. Find the first index to start marking using the formula :

$$FM = (low / prime) * prime \text{ and } \text{if}(FM < low) \Rightarrow FM += prime$$

▼ Code

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include <math.h>
using namespace std;

vector<bool> Sieve(int n)
{
    vector<bool> sieve(n + 1, true);
    sieve[0] = sieve[1] = false;

    // check from 2 to n-1
    for (int i = 2; i * i < n; i++)
    {
        if (sieve[i] == true)
        {
            int j = i * i;
            while (j <= n)
            {
                sieve[j] = false;
                j += i;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```

        return sieve;
    }

    vector<bool> segSieve(int L,int R){
        vector<bool> sieve = Sieve(sqrt(R));
        vector<int> basePrimes;
        for(int i=0; i<sieve.size(); i++){
            if(sieve[i]){
                basePrimes.push_back(i);
            }
        }

        vector<bool> segmentSieve(R-L+1,true);
        if(L == 0 || L == 1){
            segmentSieve[L] = false;
        }

        for(auto prime : basePrimes){
            int firstMul = (L/prime) * prime;
            if(firstMul < L){
                firstMul += prime;
            }
            int j = max(firstMul,prime*prime);
            while(j <= R){
                // index 0 -> 110
                // index 1 -> 111
                segmentSieve[j-L] = false;
                j += prime;
            }
        }
        return segmentSieve;
    }

    int main()
    {
        int L =110;
        int R =130;
        vector<bool> ss = segSieve(L,R);
        for(int i =0; i<ss.size(); i++){

```



```

        if(ss[i]){
            cout << i+ 1 << " ";
        }
    }

    return 0;
}

```

▼ GCD(Greatest common factor) / HCF(Highest Common factor)

▼ Euclid's Algorithm

▼ Logic

- It is defined as :

$$gcd(a, b) = gcd(a - b, b); a > b$$

$$gcd(a, b) = gcd(b - a, a); a < b$$



Apply the above formula till one of parameter becomes zero

▼ Example

$gcd(72, 24) \Rightarrow gcd(48, 24) \Rightarrow gcd(24, 24) \Rightarrow gcd(0, 24)$, so **non-zero parameter is the answer**

- Also defined as :

$$gcd(a, b) = gcd(a \% b, b); a > b$$

$$gcd(a, b) = gcd(b \% a, a); a < b$$

▼ Code

```

class Solution
{
public:
    int gcd(int A, int B)
    {
        if(A == 0) return B;
    }
}

```

```

    if(B == 0) return A;

    while(A>0 && B>0){
        if(A > B){
            A = A-B;
        }
        else{
            B = B-A;
        }
    }
    return A == 0 ? B : A;
}
};

```

▼ LCM

▼ Logic

- It is defined as : $LCM(a, b) = (a * b) / gcd(a, b)$

▼ Modulo Arithmetic

Modulo Arithmetic

- $(a \% n) \rightarrow [0, \dots, n - 1]$
- Generally, to avoid overflow while storing Integer we do modulo with a Large number.
 - $(a + b) \% M = a \% M + b \% M$
 - $a \% M - b \% M = (a - b) \% M$
 - $((a \% M) \% M) \% M = a \% M$
 - $a \% M * b \% M = (a * b) \% M$

Handwritten notes and diagrams:

- A box labeled "INT" contains a diagram showing a number line from -2^31 to 2^31-1 . A value -2 is shown wrapping around to 2^31-1 due to modulo 2^32 .
- A diagram shows a range from 0 to $M-1$ on a number line, with a circular arrow indicating the modulo operation.
- Handwritten text: $a \% M \rightarrow 0 \dots M-1$

▼ Fast Exponentiation

▼ Slow Exponentiation

▼ Logic

- $a^b \Rightarrow a * a * a * a \dots b \text{ times}$
- loop $\rightarrow [0 \rightarrow b-1] \rightarrow ans = ans * a$

▼ Code



Time complexity : $O(b)$

```
int slowExponentiation(int a,int b){
    int ans =1;
    for(int i=0; i<b; i++){
        ans += a;
    }
}
```

▼ Fast Exponentiation

▼ Logic

⇒ Fast Exponentiation

⇒ a^b ;

if b even,
⇒ $a^b = (a^{b/2})^2$

if b odd,
⇒ $a^b = (a^{b/2})^2 \cdot a$

eg $2^{10} = (2^5)^2 = 2^{10}$

$2^{11} = (2^5)^2 \cdot 2 = 2^{11}$

▼ Code



Time complexity : $O(\log b)$

```
int fastExponentiation(int a,int b){
    int ans =1;
    while(b>0){
        // checking if b is odd
        if(b & 1){
            ans = ans * a;
        }
        a = a * a;
        // b ko haar baar half krnna h
        b >>= 1;
    }
    return ans;
}
```