

Miller-Rabin Primality Test

Miller-Rabin primality test is an optimization of Fermat primality test (based on Fermat's little theorem).

Full Implementation Codes:

```
import random

"""
This function is called for all k trials. It returns False if n is composite
and returns True if n is probably prime.
d is an odd number such that  $d * 2^r = n - 1$  for some  $r \geq 1$ 
"""
def millerTest(d, n):
    # Pick a random number in [2, n-2]
    # Corner cases in isPrime function make sure that  $n > 4$ 
    a = 2 + random.randint(1, n - 4)

    # Compute  $a^d \% n$ 
    x = pow(a, d, n)

    if (x == 1 or x == n - 1):
        return True

    """
    Keep squaring x while one of the following does not happen
    (1) d does not reach n - 1
    (2)  $(x^2) \% n$  is not 1
    (3)  $(x^2) \% n$  is not n - 1
    """
    while (d != n - 1):
        x = (x * x) % n
        d *= 2

        if (x == 1):
            return False
        if (x == n - 1):
            return True

    # If no x satisfies, n is a composite
    return False

"""
It returns False if n is composite and returns True if n is probably prime
(pseudoprime).
k is an input parameter that determines accuracy level. Higher level of k
indicates more accuracy.
"""
def isPrime(n, k):
    # Corner cases
    if (n <= 1 or n == 4):
        return False
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    if (n <= 3):
        return True

    # Find r such that n = 2 ^ s * d + 1 for some d >= 1
    # d is an odd number
    d = n - 1
    while (d % 2 == 0):
        d //= 2

    # Iterate given number of "k" times
    for i in range(k):
        if (millerTest(d, n) == False):
            return False
    return True

"""
Main programme
"""
def main():
    # Number of iterations
    k = 4

    upperBound = int(input("Find all primes below: "))
    print(f"All primes smaller than {upperBound}: ")
    print()
    counter = 0
    for n in range(1, upperBound):
        if (isPrime(n, k)):
            print(n, end=" ")
            counter += 1
    print("\n")
    print(f"{counter} primes in total")
    print("\n" * 3)

main()

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Mathematical Theories:

Fermat's Little Theorem:

$$a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

(n is a prime, a is an integer that $1 < a < n-1$)

$\therefore n$ is a prime

$\therefore n-1$ is an even number

$$\text{let } n-1 = 2^r \times d \text{ [1]}$$

(d is an odd number, which should not be further divided by 2)

$$\therefore a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{n-1} - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{2^s \times d} - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{2^{s-1} \times d} - 1)(a^{2^{s-1} \times d} + 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{2^{s-1} \times d} + 1)(a^{2^{s-2} \times d} + 1) \cdots (a^d + 1)(a^d - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{2^{s-1} \times d} + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}) \vee (a^{2^{s-2} \times d} + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}) \vee \cdots \vee (a^d + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}) \vee (a^d - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n})$$

(if any of these is true, n is a pseudoprime, if none of these is true, n is a composite)

Back to the Python Codes:

1. Firstly, let $d = n-1$. Keep taking out 2 from d , until d is an odd number (to fulfill the format of [1]).

```
# Find r such that n = 2 ^ s * d + 1 for some d >= 1
# d is an odd number
d = n - 1
while (d % 2 == 0):
    d //= 2
```

2. Specify the number of iterations. The Miller-Rabin primality test can find pseudoprimes, which means there is a possibility that the number found is a composite. Repeating the algorithm with different random value of a will increase the accuracy, but take longer time.

```
# Number of iterations
k = 4
```

3. Generate random number a according to the requirement in Fermat's little theorem

```
# Pick a random number in [2, n-2]
# Corner cases in isPrime function make sure that n > 4
a = 2 + random.randint(1, n - 4)
```

4. Verify if $a^d + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod n$ or $a^d - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod n$.

If $a^d \pmod n = 1, (a^d - 1) \pmod n = 0$

If $a^d \pmod n = n - 1, (a^d + 1) \pmod n = 0$

```
# Compute a ^ d % n
x = pow(a, d, n)
if (x == 1 or x == n - 1):
    return True
```

5. If first 2 cases not satisfied, keep trying the rest, until $d = n - 1$ (the case $a^{2^k \times d} + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod n$).

$x = a^d \pmod n$

$x' = x^2 \pmod n = (a^d \pmod n)^2 \pmod n = a^{2d} \pmod n$

(see Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange file for proof)

If $a^{2^k \times d} \pmod n = n - 1, (a^{2^k \times d} + 1) \pmod n = 0$

```
while (d != n - 1):
    x = (x * x) % n
    d *= 2

    if (x == 1):
        return False
    if (x == n - 1):
        return True

# If no x satisfies, n is a composite
return False
```

Running Outcome:

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PS D:\Programming\Python\Cryptography in Python> & 'C:\Users\sunny\AppData\Local\Microsoft\WindowsApps\python3.10.exe' 'c:\Users\sunny\.vscode\extensions\ms-python.python-2022.14.0\pythonFiles\lib\python\debugpy\adapter\..\..\debugpy\launcher' '59563' '-.' 'd:\Programming\Python\Cryptography in Python\MillerRabin.py'
Find all primes below: 10000
All primes smaller than 10000:

2 3 5 7 11 13 17 19 23 29 31 37 41 43 47 53 59 61 67 71 73 79 83 89 97 101 103 107 109 113 127 131 137 139 149 151 157 163 167 173 179 181 191
1 193 197 199 211 223 227 229 233 239 241 251 257 263 269 271 277 281 283 293 307 311 313 317 331 337 347 349 353 359 367 373 379 383 389 397
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1229 primes in total
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Although “pseudoprime” sounds not very accurate, the result is actually very reliable. In the case above, k is set to 4.