

Numerics/Math

Lecture Objectives

- Understanding Fundamental Math Concepts for Algorithmic Problem-solving
- Utilizing Common Numerical Algorithms in DSA Problem Solving

Lecture Outline

- Prerequisites
- Divisibility and Modular Arithmetic
- Prime Numbers
- Greatest Common Divisor
- Inclusion-Exclusion Principle
- Quote of the Day

Prerequisites

- Time and Space Complexity Analysis
- Recursion I
- Loops and Conditionals

Divisibility

Divisibility

- We can describe any number N as the product of the **divisor d** and **the quotient q** , plus a **remainder r** .
 - $N = q * d + r, \quad 0 \leq r < d$
- Python syntax
 - `N % d == r`
 - `N // d == q`
 - `divmod(N, d) == (q, r)`, `divmod` is a function that returns (q, r)

Divisibility - Modular Arithmetic

- $(a + b) \% m = (a \% m + b \% m) \% m$
- $(a - b) \% m = (a \% m - b \% m) \% m$
- $(a * b) \% m = (a \% m * b \% m) \% m$
- If $(a - b) \% m = 0$, then $a \% m = b \% m$
- Division is a little complicated.

Divisibility – Modular Arithmetic

- Sometimes, it could be difficult to work with modular arithmetic, especially under time pressure.
- If we need to express **the modulo of an unknown variable** in modular arithmetic, we can follow these steps
 - Get rid of the modulo operator from each term
 - Rearrange the terms in the usual arithmetic rules so that you can express the unknown variable on one side and the knowns on the other
 - Modulo every term
- **Note: This works only if the involved operations are addition, subtraction and multiplication (of integers)**

Divisibility - Modular Arithmetic

[Problem Link](#)

- Example: solve for $x \% k$
 - $(a + x) \% k = 0$
 - Answer: $x \% k = (-a) \% k$

Prime Numbers

Prime Numbers

- What are prime numbers?
- 2, 3, 5, 7 . . .

Prime Numbers

- How can we check if a number is prime?
- We could check if the number is divisible by all the numbers before it?

```
def isPrime(x: int) -> bool:
    d = 2
    while d < x:
        if x % d == 0:
            return False
        d += 1
    return True
```

Primality Test

- If $x = d_1 * d_2$.
- Either $d_1 \leq d_2$ or $d_2 < d_1$.
- Thus $d_1 * d_1 \leq d_1 * d_2 = x$ or $d_2 * d_2 < d_1 * d_2 = x$.
- What does this mean?

```
def isPrime(x: int) -> bool:
    d = 2
    while d*d <= x:
        if x % d == 0:
            return False
        d += 1
    return True
```

Primality Test - Time and Space Complexity

- The loop runs until we reach the first time $d*d = n$
- Hence, the time complexity is $O(d) = O(\sqrt{n})$

Fundamental Theorem Of Arithmetic

- Every positive integer can be written in a unique way as a product of primes:
- $n = p_1 * p_2 * p_3 * \dots * p_n$
- Example:
 - $84 = 2*2*3*7$
 - $52 = ?$

Prime Factorization

How can we factorize a given number n into prime factors?

- Start from $d = 2$.
- Divide n by d as long as you can. Append d .
- Increment d by 1 and try again.

Prime Factorization

```
def trial_division_simple(n: int) -> list[int]:  
    factorization: list[int] = []  
    d = 2  
    while d * d <= n:  
        while n % d == 0:  
            factorization.append(d)  
            n //= d  
        d += 1  
    if n > 1:  
        factorization.append(n)  
  
    return factorization
```

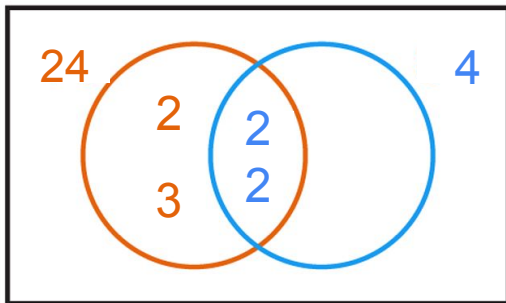
Worst case: n is prime, $O(d) = O(\sqrt{n})$
Best case: $n = 2^k$, $\Omega(k) = \Omega(\log(n))$

Exercise

Almost Prime

Divisibility and Prime Factors

How does prime factorization relate to divisibility?



Example: 24 is divisible by 4

$$4 = 2 * 2$$

$$24 = 2 * 2 * 2 * 3$$

Generating Primes

Sieve of Eratosthenes

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Prime numbers
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	
101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	
111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	

Sieve of Eratosthenes

- To determine all the primes in the range $[2, n]$
 - Start with two and mark all its multiples until n not including it
 - Then mark the multiples of the next unmarked number not including it
 - At the end the unmarked elements are the primes

Sieve of Eratosthenes

```
def prime_sieve(n: int) -> list[bool]:  
    is_prime: list[bool] = [True for _ in range(n + 1)]  
    is_prime[0] = is_prime[1] = False  
  
    i = 2  
    while i <= n:  
        if is_prime[i]:  
            j = 2 * i  
            while j <= n:  
                is_prime[j] = False  
                j += i  
            i += 1  
  
    return is_prime
```

Sieve of Eratosthenes - Optimization

- How can we optimize it?
 - Sieve till root
 - Consider only proper multiples greater than square of the number
 - Sieving by the odd numbers only

Sieve of Eratosthenes

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    is_prime[0] = is_prime[1] = False

    i = 2
    while i * i <= n:
        if is_prime[i]:
            j = i * i
            while j <= n:
                is_prime[j] = False
                j += i
            i += 1

    return is_prime
```

Time Complexity: $O(n \log \log n)$

Exercise

Count Primes

GCD

Greatest Common Divisor

- GCD (Greatest Common Divisor) of two numbers a and b is the greatest number that divides both a and b .
 - Naive algorithm
 - Fast algorithm ($\log(n)$)

Greatest Common Divisor

- How would you calculate gcd by hand?

Greatest Common Divisor

- In the prime factorisation method, each given number is written as the product of prime numbers and then find the product of the smallest power of each common prime factor. Why?

Example: Find the Greatest common factor of 24, 30 and 36.

Solution: Prime factors of 24 is $2^3 \times 3$

Prime factors of 30 = $2 \times 3 \times 5$

Prime factors of 36 = $2^2 \times 3^2$

From the factorisation, we can see, only 2×3 are common prime factors.

Therefore, $\text{GCD}(24, 30, 36) = 2 \times 3 = 6$

Greatest Common Divisor

- Find the GCD of 32 and 28

Greatest Common Divisor

Let $a = b*q + r$, and m be a common divisor

- $$\begin{aligned} r \% m &= (a - b*q) \% m \\ &= (a \% m - (b*q) \% m) \% m \\ &= (a \% m - (b \% m) * (q \% m)) \% m \\ &= (0 - 0) \% m = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus m also divides r .

If $r = 0$, then a is a multiple of b and thus b is the GCD.

Euclid's Algorithm

```
fun gcd(a, b):  
    if b == 0:  
        return a  
    return gcd(b, a % b)
```


Greatest Common Divisor

- Find the GCD of 32 and 28

Least Common Multiples

- $\text{LCM}(a, b)$: the smallest positive integer that is a multiple of a and b
- How would you calculate LCM by hand?
- $\text{LCM}(a, b) \times \text{GCD}(a, b) = a \times b$
 - Why?
- How can we implement the LCM function?

Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

- used to count the number of elements in the union of multiple sets.
 - $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B)$
 - $n(A \cup B \cup C) = n(A) + n(B) + n(C)$
- $n(A \cap B) - n(B \cap C) - n(A \cap C)$
+ $n(A \cap B \cap C)$

Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

- Find the total number of integers between 1 and 100 that are either divisible by 2 or by 3.
 - How many multiples of 2 are there between 1 and 100?
 - How many multiples of 3 are there between 1 and 100?
 - How many multiples of 6 are there between 1 and 100?

What about the number of integers that are divisible by either of 2, 3 and 5?

Exercise

[Complicated GCD](#)

[Find Greatest Common Divisor of Array](#)

[Number of Subarrays With GCD Equal to K](#)

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[Divisibility by \$2^n\$](#)

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Quote of the Day

"The enchanting charms of this sublime science
reveal only to those who have the courage to go
deeply into it."

~ Carl Friedrich Gauss