# ABSTRACT ALGEBRA IN GAP

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### Basic System Interaction

#### Exercise 1

a) Write a function that takes a positive integer n as input and returns true if n is perfect and false if n is not perfect.

We could define a function to compute the aliquot sum of a positive integer n:

5a  $\langle \textit{Compute the aliquot sum of a positive integer } 5a \rangle \equiv \\ \text{AliquotSum} := n \rightarrow \text{Sum(DivisorsInt(n))} - n;$ 

 $s(n) \equiv \sigma(n) - n$ 

Defines:

AliquotSum, used in chunk 5b.

Then, using that definition, we could write a function to determine whether a positive integer n is perfect:

5b  $\langle Determine \ whether \ a \ positive \ integer \ is \ perfect \ 5b \rangle \equiv IsPerfect := n \rightarrow n = AliquotSum(n);$ Uses AliquotSum 5a and IsPerfect 7a.

Conveniently, GAP ships with Sigma, which we can use instead.

$$\sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} d$$

5c  $\langle Determine \ whether \ a \ positive \ integer \ is \ perfect, \ using \ Sigma \ 5c \rangle \equiv (7a)$  $n \rightarrow Sigma(n) = 2*n$   ${\tt IsPerfect}(n) := \sigma(n) = 2n$ 

b) Use your function to find all perfect numbers less than 1000.

5d  $\langle Find\ all\ perfect\ numbers\ less\ than\ 1000\ 5d \rangle \equiv$  (7) Filtered([1..999], IsPerfect);  $\{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \mid 1 \le n \le 999,\ IsPerfect(n)\}$ Uses IsPerfect 7a.

... which results in:

5e  $\langle All\ perfect\ numbers\ less\ than\ 1000\ 5e \rangle \equiv$  (7) [ 6, 28, 496 ]

c) Notice that all of the numbers you found have a certain form, namely  $2^n(2^{n+1}-1)$  for some integer n. Are all numbers of this form perfect?

No, using GAP we can show not all such numbers are perfect.

d) By experimenting in GAP, conjecture a necessary and sufficient condition for  $2^n(2^{n+1}-1)$  to be a perfect number.

In Euclid's formation rule (IX.36), he proved  $\frac{q(q+1)}{2}$  is an even perfect number where q is a prime of the form  $2^p - 1$  for prime p, a.k.a. a Mersenne prime.

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6b \langle Euclid's\ IX.36\ 6b \rangle \equiv gap> MersennePrimes := Filtered( List( Primes{[1..50]}, p \rightarrow 2^p - 1 ), IsPrime ); [ 3, 7, 31, 127, 8191, 131071, 524287, 2147483647, 2305843009213693951, 618970019642690137449562111, 162259276829213363391578010288127, 170141183460469231731687303715884105727 ] gap> ForAll( MersennePrimes, q \rightarrow IsPerfect(q * (q + 1) / 2) ); true Uses IsPerfect 7a.
```

e) Prove your conjecture is correct.

Prove it

Code

For **IsPerfect**, use the following filter, since we only care about integers, or more specifically, positive integers.

```
\langle gap/PerfectNumbers.gi\ 7a \rangle \equiv
7a
           #! @Chapter PerfectNumbers
           #! @Section The IsPerfect() Operation
           InstallMethod( IsPerfect,
                "for a positive integer",
                [ \langle Filter\ for\ positive\ integers\ 6c \rangle ],
                \langle Determine \ whether \ a \ positive \ integer \ is \ perfect, \ using \ Sigma \ 5c \rangle);
           #! @BeginExample
           ⟨Find all perfect numbers less than 1000 5d⟩
           #! (All perfect numbers less than 1000 5e)
           #! @EndExample
        Defines:
           IsPerfect, used in chunks 5 and 6.
         Tests
         Describe this
        \langle tst/PerfectNumbers.tst 7b \rangle \equiv
7b
           gap> START_TEST("AAIG package: PerfectNumbers.tst");
           gap> \langle Find all perfect numbers less than 1000 5d\rangle
           \langle All \ perfect \ numbers \ less \ than \ 1000 \ 5e \rangle
           gap> STOP_TEST( "AAIG package: PerfectNumbers.tst", 10000 );
            To test the package, create a file tst/testall.g.
        \langle tst/testall.q \ 7c \rangle \equiv
7c
           ⟨Load the package 7d⟩
           ⟨Call TestDirectory 8a⟩
           ⟨Force quit GAP 8b⟩
            First load the package:
        \langle Load \ the \ package \ 7d \rangle \equiv
7d
                                                                                             (7c)
           LoadPackage( "AAIG" );
            Then get the list of directory objects for the tst directory of the
        AAIG package:
7e
        \langle The \ list \ of \ directory \ objects \ 7e \rangle \equiv
                                                                                             (8a)
           DirectoriesPackageLibrary("AAIG", "tst"),
            ... and call TestDirectory on it, with the following options:
        \langle \mathit{TestDirectory options record 7f} \rangle \equiv
7f
                                                                                             (8a)
           rec( exitGAP := true,
                  testOptions := rec(compareFunction := "uptowhitespace") )
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8a \langle Call\ TestDirectory\ 8a \rangle \equiv (7c)

TestDirectory(\langle The\ list\ of\ directory\ objects\ 7e \rangle

\langle TestDirectory\ options\ record\ 7f \rangle);

Finally, force quit GAP, in case it hasn't exited already:

8b \langle Force\ quit\ GAP\ 8b \rangle \equiv (7c)

FORCE_QUIT_GAP(1);
```

#### Miscellaneous

```
\langle PackageInfo.g 9 \rangle \equiv
  SetPackageInfo( rec(
      PackageName := "AAIG",
      Subtitle := "Abstract Algebra in GAP",
      Version := "0.0.1",
      Date := "06/10/2017", # NOTE: dd/mm/yyyy
      PackageWWWHome :=
          Concatenation( "https://yurrriq.github.io/",
                          LowercaseString( ~.PackageName ) ),
      SourceRepository := rec(
          Type := "git",
          URL := "https://github.com/yurrriq/abstract-algebra-in-gap"
      ),
      IssueTrackerURL := Concatenation( ~.SourceRepository.URL, "/issues" ),
      SupportEmail := "eric@ericb.me",
      Persons := [
          rec(
            LastName := "Bailey",
            FirstNames := "Eric",
            IsAuthor := true,
            IsMaintainer := true,
            Email := ~.SupportEmail,
            # WWWHome := ...,
            # PostalAddress := ...,
            # Place := ...,
            # Institution := ...
          )
      ],
      Status := "other",
      README_URL := Concatenation( ~.PackageWWWHome, "/README.md" ),
      PackageInfoURL := Concatenation( ~.PackageWWWHome, "/PackageInfo.g" ),
      # TODO: AbstractHTML := ...,
      PackageDoc := rec(
        BookName := "AAIG",
        ArchiveURLSubset := ["docs"],
        HTMLStart := "docs/chap0.html",
        PDFFile := "docs/manual.pdf",
        SixFile := "docs/manual.six",
        LongTitle := "Abstract Algebra in GAP"
```

```
Dependencies := rec(
                  GAP := "4.8.8",
                  NeededOtherPackages := [],
                  SuggestedOtherPackages := [],
                  ExternalConditions := []
                ),
                AvailabilityTest := ReturnTrue,
                TestFile := "tst/testall.g",
                Autoload := false,
                # Keywords := [ ... ],
                # BannerString := ...
           ));
        \langle init.g \ 10a \rangle \equiv
10a
           ReadPackage( "AAIG", "gap/PerfectNumbers.gd" );
         \langle makedoc.g \ 10b \rangle \equiv
10b
           LoadPackage( "AutoDoc" );
           AutoDoc( rec( autodoc := true,
                           dir := "docs",
                           scaffold := true ) );
           QUIT;
         \langle read.g \ 10c \rangle \equiv
10c
           ReadPackage( "AAIG", "gap/PerfectNumbers.gi" );
```

```
\langle \mathit{default.nix} \ 11 \rangle \equiv
  with import <nixpkgs> {};
  let
    gap = callPackage ./nix/gap.nix {};
  in
  stdenv.mkDerivation rec {
    name = "howtogap-${version}";
    version = builtins.readFile ./VERSION;
    src = ./.;
    buildInputs = [
      gap
      # coreutils
      less
      # which
    ];
    checkFlags = [ "GAPROOT=${gap}/share/gap/build-dir" ];
    installPhase = ''
      ${gap}/bin/gap.sh -b makedoc.g
      local pkgdir=$out/share/gap/build-dir/pkg/aiig
      mkdir -p $pkgdir
      cp -R {PackageInfo,init,makedoc,read}.g docs/ gap/ tst/ $pkgdir
  }
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#### Chunks

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\langle All\ perfect\ numbers\ less\ than\ 1000\ 5e \rangle
⟨Call TestDirectory 8a⟩
\langle Compute the aliquot sum of a positive integer 5a \rangle
\langle default.nix 11 \rangle
⟨Determine whether a positive integer is perfect 5b⟩
(Determine whether a positive integer is perfect, using Sigma 5c)
\langle Euclid's IX.36 \text{ 6b} \rangle
\langle Filter for positive integers 6c \rangle
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\langle tst/testall.g \ 7c \rangle
```

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 $\mbox{AliquotSum:} \ \ \underline{\bf 5a}, \ {\bf 5b}$ 

 ${\tt IsPerfect:} \quad 5b,\, 5d,\, 6a,\, 6b,\, 6d,\, \underline{7a}$ 

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