

# Algorithmic Problem Solving AAPS20 Number Theory

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# Outline



- Modular arithmetic (Lab 3.5)
- Chinese remainder theorem (Lab 3.6-3.7)
- Primes and Prime testing (Lab 3.8)

# Modular Arithmetic ( $\mathbb{Z}_n$ )



## Definition

$a \equiv b \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow n \mid (b - a)$ , alternatively  $a = qn + b$

$\mathbb{Z}_n$  for an integer  $n$  is an equivalence relation

## Definition (An equivalence class mod $n$ )

$[a] = \{x \mid x \equiv a \pmod{n}\} = \{a + qn \mid q \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Arithmetic can be done with these equivalence classes (Lab 3.5)

# Modular Inverse



- What does it mean to calculate  $x / y \bmod n$ ?
- Reformulate as  $x \cdot y^{-1} \bmod n$
- That is, we are looking for  $y^{-1}$ , such that  $y \cdot y^{-1} \bmod n = 1$  holds
- This can be reformulated as  $y \cdot y^{-1} + n \cdot x = 1$ , which can be solved using the extended Euclidean algorithm if  $\gcd(y, n) = 1$ .

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void execlid(ll a, ll b, ll *x, ll *y) {  
    if (!b) *x = 1, *y = 0;  
    else execlid(b, a%b, y, x), *y -= *x * (a/b);  
}
```

- There is only a modular inverse if  $y$  and  $n$  are relative prime
- For example  $y=2 \bmod n=4$  does not have a solution

# Chinese Remainder Theorem (Lab 3.6-3.7)



- Suppose that  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r$  are pairwise relatively prime positive integers, and let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r$  be integers.

Then the system of congruences,

$$x \equiv a_i \pmod{m_i} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq r,$$

has a unique solution modulo  $M = m_1 \times m_2 \times \dots \times m_r$ ,

which is given by:

$$x \equiv a_1 M_1 y_1 + a_2 M_2 y_2 + \dots + a_r M_r y_r \pmod{M},$$

where  $M_i = M/m_i$  and  $y_i \equiv (M_i)^{-1} \pmod{m_i}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r$ .

# CRT Example



- Find the smallest multiple of 10 which has remainder 2 when divided by 3, and remainder 3 when divided by 7.
- We are looking for a number which satisfies the congruences,  
 $x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ ,  
 $x \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$ ,  
 $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  
 $x \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ .
- Since, 2, 3, 5 and 7 are all relatively prime in pairs, the Chinese Remainder Theorem tells us that there is a unique solution modulo 210 ( $= 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7$ ).
- We calculate the  $M_i$ 's and  $y_i$ 's as follows:  
 $M_2 = 210/2 = 105$ ;  $y_2 \equiv (105)^{-1} \pmod{2} = 1$   
 $M_3 = 210/3 = 70$ ;  $y_3 \equiv (70)^{-1} \pmod{3} = 1$   
 $M_5 = 210/5 = 42$ ;  $y_5 \equiv (42)^{-1} \pmod{5} = 3$  and  
 $M_7 = 210/7 = 30$ ;  $y_7 \equiv (30)^{-1} \pmod{7} = 4$ .
- So,  $x \equiv 0(M_2y_2) + 2(M_3y_3) + 0(M_5y_5) + 3(M_7y_7)$   
 $\equiv 0 + 2(70)(1) + 0 + 3(30)(4)$   
 $\equiv 140 + 360$   
 $\equiv 500 \pmod{210}$   
 $\equiv 80$ .

# Primes



- First prime and the only even prime: 2
  - First 10 primes: {2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29}
- Primes in range:
  - 1 to 100: 25 primes
  - 1 to 1,000: 168 primes
  - 1 to 7,919: 1,000 primes
  - 1 to 10,000: 1,229 primes
- Largest prime in signed 32-bit int = 2,147,483,647

# Prime Testing (Lab 3.8)



- Algorithms for testing if  $N$  is prime:  $\text{isPrime}(N)$ 
  - First try: check if  $N$  is divisible by  $i \in [2, \dots, N-1]$ ?
  - $O(N)$
- Improved 1: Is  $N$  divisible by  $i \in [2, \dots, \sqrt{N}]$ ?
  - $O(\sqrt{N})$
- Improved 2: Is  $N$  divisible by  $i \in [3, 5, \dots, \sqrt{N}]$ ?
  - One test for  $i=2$ , no need to test other even numbers
  - $O(\sqrt{N}/2) = O(\sqrt{N})$
- Improved 3: Is  $N$  divisible by  $i$  primes  $\leq \sqrt{N}$ ?
  - $O(\pi(\sqrt{N})) = O(\sqrt{N}/\log(\sqrt{N}))$
  - $\pi(M)$  = number of primes up to  $M$
  - For this, we need smaller primes beforehand



# Prime Generation



- Generate primes between  $[0, \dots, N]$ :
  - Use bitset of size  $N$ , set all true except index 0 and 1
  - Start from  $i=2$  until  $k \cdot i > N$ 
    - If bitset at index  $i$  is on, cross all multiples of  $i$  (i.e. turn off bit at index  $i$ )
  - Finally, whatever not crossed are primes
- Example:
  - 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, ..., 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, ..., 75, 76, 77, ...
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# Prime Testing and Generation

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#include <bitset>           // compact STL for Sieve, better than vector<bool>!
ll _sieve_size;           // ll is defined as: typedef long long ll;
bitset<10000010> bs;      // 10^7 should be enough for most cases
vi primes;                // compact list of primes in form of vector<int>

void sieve(ll upperbound) { // create list of primes in [0..upperbound]
    _sieve_size = upperbound + 1; // add 1 to include upperbound
    bs.set(); // set all bits to 1
    bs[0] = bs[1] = 0; // except index 0 and 1
    for (ll i = 2; i <= _sieve_size; i++) if (bs[i]) {
        // cross out multiples of i starting from i * i!
        for (ll j = i * i; j <= _sieve_size; j += i) bs[j] = 0;
        primes.push_back((int)i); // add this prime to the list of primes
    } // call this method in main method

bool isPrime(ll N) { // a good enough deterministic prime tester
    if (N <= _sieve_size) return bs[N]; // O(1) for small primes
    for (int i = 0; i < (int)primes.size(); i++)
        if (N % primes[i] == 0) return false;
    return true; // it takes longer time if N is a large prime!
} // note: only work for N <= (last prime in vi "primes")^2
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