

Midterm 1 Friday July 8th Cerelescope (2 hrs within 24hrs)

5-6 problems

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2+3 Induction  
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## Introduction to Number Theory

Number theory is a study of integers  $\mathbb{Z} = \{ \dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \}$

Many problems are about prime numbers.

Def: We say that  $a|b$  "a divides b" for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  if  $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}$   
s.t.  $b = a \cdot c$  (or b is divisible by a)

Ex:  $6|18$   $18 = 6 \cdot 3$   
 $10|10$   $10 = 10 \cdot 1$   
 $7|0$   $0 = 7 \cdot 0$  ← every integer divides zero

$3 \nmid 5$   $a \nmid b$  if  $\nexists c \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $b = a \cdot c$

### Properties of divisibility:

• if  $a|b$  and  $b|c \Rightarrow a|c$   
Proof:  $\Downarrow$   $\Downarrow$   $\Uparrow$   
 $\exists d: b = a \cdot d$   $\exists e: c = b \cdot e = a \cdot (d \cdot e)$   
 $\Uparrow$   
 $\mathbb{Z}$

•  $a|b \Rightarrow a^{1000}|b^{1000}$  ( $a^n|b^n$ )  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Proof:  $\Downarrow$   
 $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $b = a \cdot c$   $c \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $b^n = (a \cdot c)^n = (a^n)(c^n)$

• if  $a|x$ ,  $a|y \Rightarrow a|mx + ny$   
 $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Proof:  $\exists c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  
 $x = a \cdot c$ ,  $y = a \cdot d$

$mx + ny = m \cdot a \cdot c + n \cdot a \cdot d = a(m \cdot c + n \cdot d)$   
 $\Uparrow$   
 $\mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow a|mx + ny$

Ex:  $6|36$   $\Rightarrow 6|96$   
 $6|12$   $96 = \underbrace{1}_{4} \cdot 36 + \underbrace{5}_{4} \cdot 12$

Def: An even number  $x$  is s.t.  $2|x$

An odd number  $x$  is s.t.  $2 \nmid x$

### Theorem (Euclid's division algorithm)

If  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $b > 0$ . Then  $\exists$  unique  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$$a = b \cdot q + r$$

$\leftarrow$  quotient       $\leftarrow$  remainder

Ex:  $a=100, b=3$        $100 = 3 \cdot 33 + 1$

$\leftarrow q$        $\leftarrow r$

Idea: try different values of  $q$  until  $100 - 33 \cdot q$  becomes negative  $\Rightarrow$  too far

Proof: First find  $q, r$ , then prove uniqueness

Let  $S = \{a + b \cdot y \mid y \in \mathbb{Z}\}$        $a=100, b=3$

$S^+ \subset S$  - all non-negative elements of  $S$

$r$  - smallest element in  $S^+$

$S = \{S, -2, 1, 4, 7, 10, \dots, 94, 97, 100, 103, 106, \dots\}$

$S^+ = \{1, 4, 7, 10, \dots\}$

Claim:  $0 \leq r < b$  since  $r \in S \Rightarrow r = a + b \cdot y$  for some  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$

$r > 0$  since  $r \in S^+$

Suppose  $r > b \Rightarrow r' = r - b = a + b \cdot y - b = a + b(y-1) \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow r' \in S^+$

Contradiction because  $r$  is the smallest element in  $S^+$

$\Rightarrow r < b$

$$r = a + b \cdot y \Rightarrow a = r + b(-y)$$

$\rightarrow q$

Now prove uniqueness: Assume not unique  $\exists r', q' \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$$a = b \cdot q + r \quad 0 \leq r < b$$

$$- \quad a = b \cdot q' + r' \quad 0 \leq r' < b$$

$$0 = a - a = b(q - q') + (r - r')$$



$$b(q - q') = r' - r \Rightarrow b | r' - r$$

$$|r' - r| < b$$

$$\Rightarrow r' = r$$

$\rightarrow q = q'$



\*  $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $b = a \cdot c$   
 assume  $a \nmid b+1 \Rightarrow \exists d \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $b+1 = a \cdot d$

$$a \cdot c + 1 = a \cdot d$$

$$1 = a(d - c) \Rightarrow a \mid 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1$$

$\begin{matrix} \swarrow b & \downarrow c & \downarrow a \\ 100 = 5 \cdot 20 \\ 101 = 6 \cdot 20 \\ 120 = 6 \cdot 20 \end{matrix}$

	20	40	60	80	100	120
c	1	2	3	4	5	6

Proof: Assume there are finitely many primes

$\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\}$  - complete list of all primes.

$N = p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_k$  by construction  $p_i \mid N, i=1, \dots, k$

but  $p_i \nmid N+1, i=1, \dots, k$

Does  $N+1$  have any divisors?

Yes:  $\cdot 1, N+1$

and no other divisors  $\Rightarrow N+1$  is prime

$\bullet N+1 = a \cdot b, a, b < N+1$

$$a \mid N+1$$

How about  $a$ ?

If  $a$  has  $a$  and  $1$  as its only divisors  $\Rightarrow a$  prime

o/w  $a = c \cdot d, c, d < a$

How about  $c$ ?

$\vdots$

the process terminates

when we find a prime

$p$  s.t.  $p \mid N+1$

$p \neq p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$

$\Rightarrow$  contradiction so set of primes is infinite.

### Finding primes

### Sieve of Eratosthenes

1	2	3	<del>4</del>	5	<del>6</del>	7	<del>8</del>	<del>9</del>	<del>10</del>
<del>11</del>	<del>12</del>	13	<del>14</del>	<del>15</del>	<del>16</del>	17	<del>18</del>	19	<del>20</del>
<del>21</del>	<del>22</del>	23	<del>24</del>	<del>25</del>	<del>26</del>	<del>27</del>	<del>28</del>	29	<del>30</del>

do over (2  $\rightarrow$  smallest non-crossed num)  
 $\rightarrow$  cross out all multiples of 2 except 2  
 $\rightarrow$  circle the first non crossed number

Ex: can be loop 3 times

$$\prod(30) = 10$$

Q: Given  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  how many times do you need to run the algorithm?

A:  $\sqrt{N}$  If  $a > \sqrt{N}$ , pick  $k < N$   $a) k \Rightarrow k = a \cdot c$   
 $k \sim N$   $c < \sqrt{N}$   $(c|k)$

Find the largest  $a$  s.t.  $a^2 \leq N$

Pick  $k < N$  :  $k = a \cdot c$   $c < \sqrt{N}$   
 $c$  has already been crossed out

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31

$4k+1$  : 5, 13, 17, 29 ...  $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$   
 $13 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$   
 $4k+3$  : 3, 7, 19, 23 ...  $\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Proposition : Given any  $N$  there are two consecutive primes which are  $\geq N$  apart from each other.

...  $P_k, \dots, P_{k+1}, \dots$   $\Leftrightarrow P_{k+1} - P_k \geq N$   
 (no primes between  $P_k$  and  $P_{k+1}$ )

Stirling approximation  
 $\Gamma(z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt$   
 $n! = \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$   
 $\sim e^{24}$   
 $\sim 10^9$

Proof:  $n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot (n-1) \cdot n$

$$\begin{cases} a_1 = (n+1)! + 2 \\ a_2 = (n+1)! + 3 \\ \vdots \\ a_i = (n+1)! + i + 1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n = (n+1)! + n + 1 \end{cases}$$

$n \geq 10$   
 $a_1 = 11! + 2 = 481,466,702$   
 $a_2 = 11! + 3 = 481,466,703$   
 $\vdots$

$(i+1) | a_i$  since  $(n+1)! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot (i+1) \cdot \dots \cdot n \cdot (n+1)$

$$a_i = (i+1) \left( \frac{(i+1)!}{i!} + 1 \right), \text{ so all } a_i \text{ are composite}$$

$$\uparrow$$

$$n = N-1$$

## The Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic (FTA)

For any integer  $N > 1$  there is a prime factorization of  $N$ :

There are distinct primes  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$ , and  $r_1, \dots, r_k$ ,  $r_i \geq 1$ ,  $r_i \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 s.t.  $N = p_1^{r_1} \cdot p_2^{r_2} \cdot p_3^{r_3} \cdot \dots \cdot p_k^{r_k}$   
 multiplicity

This factorization is unique up to reordering.

$$16 = 2^4 \quad p_1 = 2, r_1 = 4$$

$$40 = 2^3 \cdot 5 \quad p_1 = 2, r_1 = 3$$

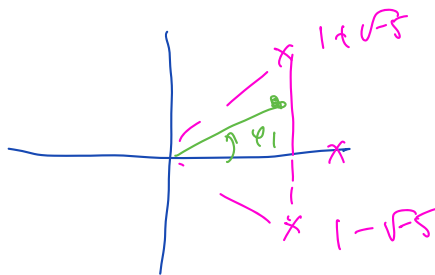
$$p_2 = 5, r_2 = 1$$

Ex:  $\mathbb{Z}$ -ring  $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}[\sqrt{-1}]$   $i^2 = -1$   
 $x^2 + 5 = 0$

Gaussian numbers ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}] = \{a + \sqrt{-5}b \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\} \supset \mathbb{Z}$   
 $\mathbb{Z}$  adjoin element  $\sqrt{-5}$

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + \sqrt{-5})(1 - \sqrt{-5}) &= 6 \\ 2 \cdot 3 &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Gaussian prime decomposition is not unique!



$$z_1 \cdot z_2 = |z_1| |z_2| \cdot e^{i\phi_1 + i\phi_2}$$

Def: Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  not both equal to zero. The greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$   $\gcd(a, b) = (a, b) = d$  is the largest integer that divides  $a$  and  $b$ .

Ex:  $\gcd(6, 15) = 3$   
 $\begin{matrix} / & / \\ 2 \cdot 3 & 3 \cdot 5 \end{matrix}$

$$\gcd(100, 76) = 2^2 = 4$$

$$\begin{matrix} / & / \\ 2^2 \cdot 5^2 & 2^2 \cdot 19 \end{matrix}$$

$$\gcd(105, 0) = 105$$

$$\gcd(2022, 2022, 2022, 2022, 2022) = ?$$

# Division algorithm

Idea:  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $\gcd(a, b)$

$$a = b \cdot q + r, \quad 0 \leq r < b$$
$$\gcd(b, r)$$

Ex:

$$\gcd(126, 27) = 3^2 = 9$$

$2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7 \quad 3^3$   
 $126 = 27 \cdot 4 + 18$

$$\gcd(27, 18) = 9$$

$3^3 \quad 2 \cdot 3^2$

Ex:

$$a = 502, \quad b = 98$$
$$502 = 6 \cdot 98 + 12$$
$$\gcd(502, 98) = 2$$

$2 \cdot 251 \quad 2 \cdot 7^2$

$$\gcd(98, 12) = 2$$

$2 \cdot 7^2 \quad 2^2 \cdot 3$

A                      B

Lemma: Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a, b \neq 0$ . Then  $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r)$   
where  $r = a - b \cdot q$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $0 \leq r < b$ .

Proof:  $\{A = B\} \Leftrightarrow \{A \geq B\} \wedge \{B \geq A\}$

Let  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c|a, c|b \Rightarrow c | (a \cdot 1 + b \cdot (-q))$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$   
( $\Rightarrow$ )  $\Rightarrow c | r$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) | r$$

$$\text{So } \gcd(b, r) \geq \gcd(a, b)$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $d|b, d|r \Rightarrow d | (b \cdot q + r) = da$   
 $d \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \Rightarrow \gcd(b, r) | a$

$$\text{So } \gcd(a, b) \geq \gcd(b, r)$$

Therefore  $\gcd(b, r) = \gcd(a, b)$ .

## Algorithm of computing of $\gcd(a, b)$ (Euclid)

- $a = b \cdot q_1 + r_1 \quad 0 \leq r_1 < b$
- $b = r_1 \cdot q_2 + r_2 \quad 0 \leq r_2 < r_1$
- $r_1 = r_2 \cdot q_3 + r_3 \quad 0 \leq r_3 < r_2$

Lemma

$$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r_1)$$
$$\gcd(b, r_1) = \gcd(r_1, r_2)$$
$$\gcd(r_1, r_2) = \gcd(r_2, r_3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet r_{k-3} &= r_{k-2} \cdot q_{k-1} + \boxed{r_{k-1}} & 0 \leq r_{k-1} < r_{k-2} & \quad \gcd(r_{k-3}, r_{k-2}) = \gcd(r_{k-2}, r_{k-1}) \\ \bullet r_{k-2} &= r_{k-1} \cdot q_k + \boxed{r_k} = 0 & & \quad \gcd(r_{k-2}, r_{k-1}) = \gcd(r_{k-1}, 0) \\ & & & \quad \parallel \\ & & & \quad r_{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$r_{k-1} = \gcd(a, b)$$

Ex:  $\gcd(12, 10) = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} 12 &= 10 \cdot 1 + \boxed{2} \\ 10 &= 2 \cdot 5 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$q_1 \quad r_1 \quad q_2 \quad r_2$

Ex:  $\gcd(202220222022, 20222022) = 2022$

$$\begin{aligned} 202220222022 &= 20222022 \cdot 10000 \\ &\quad + \boxed{2022} \\ 20222022 &= 2022 \cdot 10000 + 2022 \\ &= 2022 \cdot 10001 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

Ex:  $\gcd(60, 37) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 60 &= 37 \cdot 1 + 23 \\ 37 &= 23 \cdot 1 + 14 \\ 23 &= 14 \cdot 1 + 9 \\ 14 &= 9 \cdot 1 + 5 \\ 9 &= 5 \cdot 1 + 4 \\ 5 &= 4 \cdot 1 + \boxed{1} \\ 4 &= 4 \cdot 1 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

Ex:  $a = b \cdot q + r \quad a \geq b$

$\gcd(27, 15) = 3$

1)  $27 = 15 \cdot 1 + 12$

$$\begin{aligned} 15 &= 12 \cdot 1 + \boxed{3} \\ 12 &= 3 \cdot 4 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

2)  $15 = 27 \cdot 0 + 15$

$$\begin{aligned} 27 &= 15 \cdot 1 + 12 \\ 15 &= 12 \cdot 1 + \boxed{3} \\ 12 &= 3 \cdot 4 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , not both equal to zero.

Then  $\gcd(a, b) = \min \{ Xa + Yb \mid X, Y \in \mathbb{Z}, Xa + Yb > 0 \}$

↑  
Smallest  
number in set

Ex:  $\gcd(701, 33) = 701 \cdot X + 33 \cdot Y = 1$

Euclid:  $701 = 33 \cdot 21 + 8$

$$33 = 8 \cdot 4 + \boxed{1}$$

$$8 = 1 \cdot 8 + 0$$

$$1 = 33 - 8 \cdot 4 = 33 - (701 - 33 \cdot 21) \cdot 4$$



$$= 33 - 701 \cdot 4 + 33 \cdot 84$$

$$= 701 \cdot (-4) + 33 \cdot 85$$

Ex:

$$\gcd(60, 37)$$

$$6 \quad 60 = 37 \cdot 1 + 23$$

$$5 \quad 37 = 23 \cdot 1 + 14$$

$$4 \quad 23 = 14 \cdot 1 + 9$$

$$3 \quad 14 = 9 \cdot 1 + 5$$

$$2 \quad 9 = 5 \cdot 1 + 4$$

$$1 \quad 5 = 4 \cdot 1 + 1$$

$$1 = 5 - 4 = 5 - (9 - 5)$$

$$= 5 \cdot 2 - 9$$

$$= (4 - 9) \cdot 2 - 9 = 14 \cdot 2 - 9 \cdot 3$$

$$= 14 \cdot 2 - (23 - 14) \cdot 3 = 14 \cdot 5 - 23 \cdot 3$$

$$= (37 - 23) \cdot 5 - 23 \cdot 3 = 37 \cdot 5 - 23 \cdot 8$$

$$= 37 \cdot 5 - (60 - 37) \cdot 8$$

$$= 37 \cdot 13 + 60 \cdot (-8)$$

Theorem: Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , not both equal to zero.

$$\text{Then } \gcd(a, b) = \min \{ Xa + Yb \mid X, Y \in \mathbb{Z}, Xa + Yb > 0 \}$$

↑  
Smallest  
non-zero set

Proof:  $S = \{ Xa + Yb \mid X, Y \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

$$S^+ = \{ \text{positive elements of } S \}$$

1) Show that the minimum divides  $a$  and  $b$

Let  $ma + nb$  be the smallest element of  $S^+$

Division algorithm

$$a = (ma + nb) \cdot q + r, \quad 0 \leq r < ma + nb$$

$$r = a - (ma + nb)q = a(1 - mq) + b(-nq)$$

if  $r \neq 0$  then  $r = aX + bY \in S^+$

but  $r < ma + nb$ , contradiction

since  $ma + nb$  is the smallest element in  $S^+$

which means  $r = 0$ .

so  $ma + nb \mid a$

Analogously,  $ma + nb \mid b$  (Exercise)

2) Show that  $ma + nb = \gcd(a, b)$

Since  $\gcd(a, b) \mid a$ ,  $\gcd(a, b) \mid b$

According to step 1)  $ma + nb \mid a$   
 $ma + nb \mid b$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) \mid ma + nb & \Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) \leq ma + nb \\ \Rightarrow ma + nb \leq \gcd(a, b) & \Rightarrow \gcd(a, b) = ma + nb. \end{aligned}$$