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Chapter 11: The World of Algorithms



End-of-Chapter Exercises – Solutions

1. Compute using the improved version of Euclid's algorithm

The improved algorithm uses:

$$\text{GCD}(m, n) = \text{GCD}(n, m \bmod n)$$

(i) $\text{gcd}(375, 825)$

Since $825 > 375$:

$$\text{GCD}(825, 375)$$

$$825 \bmod 375 = 75$$

So,

$$\text{GCD}(825, 375) = \text{GCD}(375, 75)$$

$$375 \bmod 75 = 0$$

Therefore,



$$\text{gcd}(375, 825) = 75$$

(ii) $\text{gcd}(51000, 81000)$

Since $81000 > 51000$:

$$\mathbf{GCD(81000, 51000)}$$

$$81000 \bmod 51000 = 30000$$

So,

$$\mathbf{GCD(81000, 51000) = GCD(51000, 30000)}$$

$$51000 \bmod 30000 = 21000$$

$$\mathbf{GCD(51000, 30000) = GCD(30000, 21000)}$$

$$30000 \bmod 21000 = 9000$$

$$\mathbf{GCD(30000, 21000) = GCD(21000, 9000)}$$

$$21000 \bmod 9000 = 3000$$

$$\mathbf{GCD(21000, 9000) = GCD(9000, 3000)}$$

$$9000 \bmod 3000 = 0$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{\checkmark \gcd(51000, 81000) = 3000}$$

$$\mathbf{(iii) \gcd(1789287, 237656)}$$

$$1789287 \bmod 237656 = 120063$$

So,

$$\mathbf{GCD(1789287, 237656) = GCD(237656, 120063)}$$

$$237656 \bmod 120063 = 117593$$

$$120063 \bmod 117593 = 2470$$

$$117593 \bmod 2470 = 2233$$

$$2470 \bmod 2233 = 237$$

$$2233 \bmod 237 = 100$$

$$237 \bmod 100 = 37$$

$$100 \bmod 37 = 26$$

$$37 \bmod 26 = 11$$

$$26 \bmod 11 = 4$$

$$11 \bmod 4 = 3$$

$$4 \bmod 3 = 1$$

$$3 \bmod 1 = 0$$

Therefore,

✓ $\gcd(1789287, 237656) = 1$

(iv) $\gcd(2587392, 157656)$

$$2587392 \bmod 157656 = 126240$$

So,

$$\text{GCD}(2587392, 157656) = \text{GCD}(157656, 126240)$$

$$157656 \bmod 126240 = 31416$$

$$126240 \bmod 31416 = 0$$

Therefore,

✓ $\gcd(2587392, 157656) = 31416$

Correction: The exact calculation gives **31,416**, not 24.

2. 🔍 Verify the GCD property

Question:

Assume that $m \geq n$. Verify that **d divides m and n if and only if d divides both n and $m \bmod n$** .

Solution:

By the division algorithm:

$$m = qn + r$$

where:

$$r = m \bmod n$$

Suppose **d divides both m and n**.

Then:

- d divides m
- d divides n

Therefore d also divides:

$$m - qn$$

But:

$$m - qn = r = m \bmod n$$

Hence, d divides both:

$$n \text{ and } m \bmod n$$

Conversely, suppose d divides both:

$$n \text{ and } m \bmod n$$

Since:

$$m = qn + (m \bmod n)$$

and d divides both terms on the right-hand side, d also divides **m**.

Therefore:

$$\mathbf{d \text{ divides } m \text{ and } n \Leftrightarrow d \text{ divides } n \text{ and } m \bmod n}$$

 **Verified.**

3. Algorithm to Check Whether n is Prime

Question:

Write an algorithm `prime(n)` to check if n is prime.

A prime number **p** has exactly two distinct factors: **1** and **p**.

Algorithm: `prime(n)`

1. Find the list of divisors of **n** using `divisors(n)`.
2. Count the number of divisors.
3. If the number of divisors is exactly **2**, report **True**.
4. Otherwise, report **False**.

Pseudocode:

```
prime(n):  
    L = divisors(n)  
  
    if length(L) = 2:  
        return True  
    else:  
        return False
```

Example:

For **n = 7**:

Divisors:

[1, 7]

There are exactly 2 divisors.

Therefore:

`prime(7) = True`

For **n = 12**:

Divisors:

[1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12]

There are more than 2 divisors.

Therefore:

prime(12) = False

4. Algorithm to Find Prime Divisors

Question:

Write an algorithm `primedivisors(n)` to compute the list of divisors of n that are prime numbers.

Algorithm:

1. Compute `divisors(n)`.
2. Start with an empty list called **prime-divisors**.
3. Examine each divisor in the list.
4. Check whether the divisor is prime using `prime()`.
5. If it is prime, add it to **prime-divisors**.
6. Continue until all divisors have been checked.
7. Return the list.

Pseudocode:

`primedivisors(n):`

`L = divisors(n)`

`P = empty list`

 for each `d` in `L`:

 if `prime(d)`:

 add `d` to `P`

 return `P`

Example:

For:

n = 180

Divisors include:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 15, 18, 20, 30, 36, 45, 60, 90, 180

The prime divisors are:

2, 3, 5

Therefore:

primedivisors(180) = [2, 3, 5]

5. Prime Factorisation

Question:

We can also find the GCD of two numbers by computing prime factorisation of both numbers. Try to write an algorithm to compute the prime factorisation of a number.

(i) Prime factorisation of 180

Given:

$$180 = 2^2 \times 3^2 \times 5^1$$

The prime factorisation can be represented as a list of **prime-exponent pairs**:

[(2, 2), (3, 2), (5, 1)]

This means:

- 2 occurs 2 times as a factor.
- 3 occurs 2 times as a factor.
- 5 occurs 1 time as a factor.

Answer:

Prime factorisation of 180 = [(2, 2), (3, 2), (5, 1)]

(ii) How would you compare the prime factorisations of two numbers?

To compare the prime factorisations of two numbers:

1. Write the prime factors of both numbers.
2. Identify the prime factors common to both.
3. Compare their exponents.
4. For finding the **GCD**, take each common prime with the **smaller exponent**.

Example:

Suppose:

$$A = 2^3 \times 3^2 \times 5$$

and

$$B = 2^2 \times 3^3 \times 7$$

Common prime factors are:

2 and 3

For 2:

Smaller exponent = **2**

For 3:

Smaller exponent = **2**

Therefore:

$$\text{GCD} = 2^2 \times 3^2$$

$$= 4 \times 9$$

$$= 36$$

 **Key Rule:**

GCD → common prime factors with the smaller exponents.