# Residue Number Systems 

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For example, If $\{5,7,11\}$ is a modulus set and $u=157$, then

$$
\begin{aligned}
157 & \equiv 2 \bmod 5 \\
157 & \equiv 3 \bmod 7 \\
157 & \equiv 3 \bmod 11
\end{aligned}
$$

so $U=\{2,3,3\}$ is our residue set and $M=5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11=385$.

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From RNS:

- Use Chinese Remainder Theorem
- Only efficient with very large numbers


## Chinese Remainder Theorem

Theorem
Let $m_{1}, m_{2}, \ldots, m_{n}$ be odd positive integers which are pairwise relatively prime. Let $M=m_{1} m_{2} \ldots m_{n}$ and let $u_{1}, u_{2}, \ldots u_{n}$ be positive integers. There is only one integer $U$ that satisfies

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Proof of Uniqueness.
Assume $U \equiv V \bmod m_{j}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$, then $U-V$ is a multiple of $m_{j}$ for all $j$. Note $\operatorname{gcd}\left(m_{j}, m_{k}\right)=1$ when $j \neq k$. This implies that $U-V$ is a multiple of $M=m_{1} m_{2} \ldots m_{n}$. This argument shows that there is at most one solution.

## Chinese Remainder Theorem Existence Proof

## Proof.

We can find $\bar{m}_{j}$, with $1 \leq j \leq n$ such that,

$$
\bar{m}_{j} \equiv 1 \quad \bmod m_{j} \quad \text { and } \quad \bar{m}_{j} \equiv 0 \quad \bmod m_{k}
$$

for $k \neq j$. This follows because $m_{j}$ and $\frac{M}{m_{j}}$ are relatively prime, so we may take

$$
\bar{m}_{j}=\left(\frac{M}{m_{j}}\right)^{\varphi\left(m_{j}\right)}
$$

by Euler's theorem. Now the number

$$
U=u_{1} \bar{m}_{1}+u_{2} \bar{m}_{2}+\cdots+u_{r} \bar{m}_{n} \quad \bmod M
$$

satisfies all the conditions.

## Converting Into and Out of an RNS

Let $\{5,7\}$ be our modulus set and $M=5 * 7=35$. Suppose we want to compute $11+17$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 11=\{1,4\} \\
& 17=\{2,3\}
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$$

Thus,

$$
11+17=\{(1+2) \quad \bmod 5,(4+3) \quad \bmod 7\}=\{3,0\}
$$

Using the chinese remainder theorem, we know:

$$
\begin{aligned}
11+17 & =\left(3 *\left(\frac{35}{5}\right)^{\varphi(5)}+0 *\left(\frac{35}{7}\right)^{\varphi(7)}\right) \bmod 35 \\
& =\left(3 * 7^{4}+0 * 5^{6}\right) \bmod 35 \\
& =3 * 7^{4} \bmod 35 \\
& =7,203 \bmod 35 \\
& =28
\end{aligned}
$$

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$32+17=49 \neq 14$

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Use parity checking to detect overflow.

## Parity Checking

Determining parity is telling whether a number is even or odd.

$$
\mathcal{P}(X) \equiv X \quad \bmod 2=|X|_{2}
$$

## Determining Parity

For integer $X \in[0, M)$ with residue representation $\left\{x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{n}\right\}$ for the modulus set $\left\{m_{1}, m_{2}, \ldots, m_{n}\right\}$. Let $\hat{m}_{i}=\frac{M}{m_{i}}$. By the chinese remainder theorem, we know

$$
\begin{gathered}
|X|_{M}=\left.\left.\left|\sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{m}_{i}\right| \frac{x_{i}}{\hat{m}_{i}}\right|_{m_{i}}\right|_{M} \\
|X|_{M}=\sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{m}_{i}\left|\frac{x_{i}}{\hat{m}_{i}}\right|_{m_{i}}-r M \\
\mathcal{P}\left(|X|_{M}\right)=\mathcal{P}\left(\frac{x_{1}}{\hat{m}_{1}}\right) \oplus \mathcal{P}\left(\frac{x_{2}}{\hat{m}_{2}}\right) \oplus \ldots \mathcal{P}\left(\frac{x_{n}}{\hat{m}_{n}}\right) \oplus \mathcal{P}(r)
\end{gathered}
$$

## Calculating r

Define $S_{i}=\left|\frac{z_{i}}{\hat{m}_{i}}\right|_{m_{i}}$ for all $i \in\{1, \ldots, n\}$. Using the equation above, solve for $r$ to get:

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{S_{i}}{m_{i}}-\frac{|X|_{M}}{M}=r
$$

Because $\frac{|X|_{M}}{M}<1$, we can say:

$$
\left\lfloor\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{S_{i}}{m_{i}}\right\rfloor=r
$$

We can use the approximation

$$
\frac{S_{i}}{m_{i}}=\frac{\left\lceil 2^{t} \frac{S_{i}}{m_{i}}\right\rceil}{2^{t}}
$$

It can be shown that to guarantee the accuracy of this function $t>\left\lceil\log _{2}(n M)\right\rceil$.

## Signed Integers

Definition
In an RNS, a number $X$ is considered non-negative if $0 \leq X \leq \frac{M}{2}$, and a number $Y$ is considered negative if $\frac{M}{2}<X<M$.

Notice the additive inverse of $X$, is $M-X$.
For example, the inverse of 1 is $M-1$.

Theorem
We know $M$ is odd. Now for any $X<M, X$ is non-negative if and only if $2 X \bmod M$ is even. Else if $2 X \bmod M$ is odd, then $X$ is negative.

For example, say $M=7$.
If $X=3$, then $2 X \bmod 7 \equiv 6$ which is even. Thus, $X$ is positive. If $Y=5$, then $2 Y \bmod 7 \equiv 3$ which is odd. Thus, $Y$ is negative.

## Overflow with Signed Integers

Check Sign of $X$ and $Y$.
Theorem (Additive Overflow $X+Y$ )
If $X$ and $Y$ have different signs, then no overflow occurs.
If $X$ and $Y$ are positive, check sign of $2(X+Y)$. If even, then no overflow.
If $X$ and $Y$ are negative, check sign of $2[(M-X)+(M-Y)]$. If even, then no overflow.

Theorem (Subtraction Overflow $X-Y$ )
Consider $X+(M-Y)$. Follow addition algorithm.

## Conclusions

- Parity checking has the potential to quickly solves many limitations in a residue number system.
- I would like to see if restricting the modulous set in some way will make converting out of an RNS more efficient.
- I would also like to test to see if keeping track of the relative magnitude of each number is more spatially efficent.

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## Magnitude Comparison

Is $\left\{u_{1}, u_{2}, \ldots, u_{r}\right\}>\left\{v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{r}\right\}$ ?
Theorem
Determine the signs of $U$ an $V$.
If $U$ and $V$ are of different signs, then the positive number is larger.

If $U$ and $V$ are both positive, find the parity of each.

- If $U$ and $V$ have the same parity, then $U-V$ is even if and only if $U \geq V$. Similarly $U-V$ is odd if and only if $U<V$.
- If $U$ and $V$ are of different parity, then $U-V$ is odd if and only if $U \geq V$. Similarly $U-V$ is even if and only if $U<V$.

If $U$ and $V$ are both negative, find the additive inverse of each and compare the magnitude of the inverses. The number with the largest inverse, is the smallest in magnitude.

