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5) We extend mod notation to vectors of integers. Example:

$$(8,1,0,9) \pmod{2} = (0,1,0,1).$$

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# Back from our Aside on Sieves

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- The key to the speed of The Sieve of E is that when it marks it DOES NOT look at (say) 3 and say Oh, thats not even . It literally does not look at all!

# The *B*-Factoring Sieve of E: Example

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The Sieve of E marked all numbers  $\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ Better Divide by 3 knowing it will work. Then divide by 3 again (it might not work) until factor out all powers of 3.

Do this for the first B primes and you will have B-factored many numbers.

# B-factoring all $N \leq 48$ , the Smart Way

Write down numbers  $\leq$  48. We 2-factor them, so divide by 2,3.

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# Divide by 2, Repeatedly

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
2 * 1		2 * 2		2 * 3		2 <sup>3</sup>		2 * 5		$2^2 * 3$		2 * 7	

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We only show the last row (for reasons of space).

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48 was 2-factored

Nothing else was.

# The B-Factoring Sieve of E: Algorithm

- 1. Input(N, B)
- 2. Write down 2, 3, ..., N. All are blank in box.
- 3. (BOX STEP) Goto the first blank box, *p*. (When have visited this step *B* times then stop).
- 4. Factor out p from p, 2p, ...,  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{p} \right\rfloor p$ . Factor out p from  $p^2$ ,  $2p^2$ , ...,  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{p^2} \right\rfloor p^2$ Factor out ....
- 5. GOTO BOX STEP.

Time:

$$\sum_{p \le B} \frac{N}{p} + \sum_{p \le B} \frac{N}{p^2} + \sum_{p \le B} \frac{N}{p^3} + \sum_{p \le B} \frac{N}{p^4} \cdots$$
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**Note:** The mult constants really are  $\leq 1$  and it does matter for real world performance.

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This is much better since often  $B \sim N^a$  for some 0 < a < 1. Can easily modify to get a fast algorithm for *B*-factoring  $N_1, \ldots, N_1 + N$ .

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This is not the problem we originally needed to solve, though it's close. We now go back to our original problem.

Back to Quadratic Sieve Factoring Algorithm

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#### **Recall Quad Sieve Alg: First Attempt**

Given N let  $x = \left\lceil \sqrt{N} \right\rceil$ . All  $\equiv$  are mod N. B, M are params.

$$(x+0)^2 \equiv y_0$$
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1. We just spend a long aside on *B*-factoring, in bulk,

 $N_1, N_1 + 1, \ldots, N_1 + N.$ 

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But before we do that, lets go back to the algorithm and remind ourselves what it does.

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**Plan** It was more efficient to *B*-factor 2,..., *N* all at once then one at at time. Same will be true for  $y_0, \ldots, y_M$ .

## The Quadratic Sieve: The Problem

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New Problem Given N, B, M, x, want to B-factor

(x + 0)^2 \pmod{N}

(x + 1)^2 \pmod{N}

\vdots \vdots

(x + M)^2 \pmod{N}

We do an example on the next slide.
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For which  $0 \le i \le 10$  does 3 divide  $(34 + i)^2 \pmod{1147}$ ?

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$$(1+i)^2 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$(i+1)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

 $i \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3}$ .

Great!- just need to divide the  $y_i$  where  $i \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3}$ .

# The Quad Sieve: Example of Dividing by 5,7,11,13

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$$(34 + i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$$
  
 $(4 + i)^2 - 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$   
NO SOLUTIONS

$$(34 + i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$
  
 $(6 + i)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$   
 $i \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{7}$ 

$$(34+i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{11}$$
  
 $(1+i)^2 \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$   
 $i \equiv 4,5 \pmod{11}$ 

$$(34+i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{13}$$
  
 $(8+i)^2 + 10 \equiv 0 \pmod{13}$   
 $i \equiv 1,9 \pmod{13}$ 

# The Quad Sieve: Example of Dividing by 17,19,23

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$$(34+i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{17}$$
  
 $i^2 + 9 \equiv 0 \pmod{17}$   
 $i \equiv 5, 12 \pmod{17}$ 

$$(34+i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$$
  
 $(15+i)^2 + 12 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$   
 $i \equiv 8, 15 \pmod{19}$ 

$$(34 + i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{23}$$
  
 $(11 + i)^2 + 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{23}$   
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## The B-Factor Step Using Quad Sieve: Program

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# How Much Time?

#### Algorithm

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The inequality  $\sum_{p \leq B} \lg p \leq B \ln(B)$  requires some hard math. The sum is called **Chebyshev's Function**.

# Names of Sieves

- 1. The **Sieve of E** is the Sieve that, given N, finds all of the primes  $\leq N$ . We may also use the name for finding all primes between  $N_1$  and  $N_2$ .
- 2. The *B*-Factoring Sieve of E is the Sieve that, given *N*, tries to *B*-factors all of the numbers from 2 to *N*. We may also use the name for *B*-factoring all numbers between  $N_1$  and  $N_2$ .
- The Quadratic Sieve is from the last slide. Given N, B, M, x it tries to B-factor (x + 0)<sup>2</sup> (mod N), ..., (x + M)<sup>2</sup> (mod N). Note that it is quite fast.

# **Quad Sieve Alg: Second Attempt, Algorithm** Given N let $x = \lfloor \sqrt{N} \rfloor$ . All $\equiv$ are mod N. B, M are params.

B-factor  $(x + 0)^2 \pmod{N}$ , ...,  $(x + M)^2 \pmod{N}$  by Quad S.

Let  $I \subseteq \{0, \ldots, M\}$  so that  $(\forall i \in I)$ ,  $y_i$  is *B*-factored. Find  $J \subseteq I$  such that  $\sum_{i \in J} \vec{v_i} = \vec{0}$ . Hence  $\prod_{i \in J} y_i$  has all even exponents, so there exists Y

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# Analysis of Quadratic Sieve Factoring Algorithm

Time to *B*-factor:

 $2B + 2M\ln(\ln(B)).$ 

Time to find  $J: B^3$ .

Total Time:

 $2B + 2M\ln(\ln(B)) + B^3$ 

Intuitive but not rigorous arguments yield run time

$$e^{\sqrt{\ln N \ln \ln N}} \sim e^{\sqrt{8 \ln N}} \sim e^{2.8 \sqrt{\ln N}}$$

# Speed Up One

Recall:  $(34 + i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{23}$   $(11 + i)^2 + 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{23}$ NO SOLUTIONS

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There is a fast test to determine just if  $z^2 \equiv 1147 \pmod{p}$  has a solution (and more generally  $z^2 \equiv N \pmod{p}$ ). So can eliminate some primes  $p \leq B$  before you start.

# Speed Up Two

Recall: We started with  $x = \left\lceil \sqrt{N} \right\rceil$  and did  $(x + i)^2$  for  $0 \le i \le M$ .

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We can also (with some care) use  $(x + i)^2$  when  $i \le 0$ . Advantage Smaller numbers more likely to be *B*-fact.

# **Speed Up Three**

Recall:  $(34 + i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$   $(15 + i)^2 + 12 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$  $i \equiv 8, 15 \pmod{19}$ 

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We can have one more variable:  $(34j + i)^2 - 1147 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$   $(15j + i)^2 + 12 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$   $15j + i \equiv 8, 15 \pmod{19}$ Many values of (i, j) work, hence we find the set of y's that product to a square faster.

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# Speed Up Four—Use some primes > B

- 1. Look at all of the non *B*-factored numbers. For each one test if what is left is prime. Let  $P_1$  be the set of all of those primes..
- 2. Look at all of the non *B*-factored numbers. For each of them try a factoring algorithm (e.g, Pollards rho) for a limited amount of time. Let  $P_2$  be the set of primes you come across.
- 3. Do Q. Sieve on all of the non *B*-factored numbers using the primes in  $P_1 \cup P_2$ .

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This will increase the number of *B*-factored numbers.

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Using [lg] may introduce approximations so you don't get 0.
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3. We need to define small carefully. Will still err.

# Speed Up Five—Avoid Division, Why Fast

#### Why is this fast?

- 1. Subtraction is much faster than division.
- 2. Most numbers are **not** *B*-fact, so don't do divisions that won't help.

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The Gaussian Elimination is over mod 2 and is for a sparse matrix (most of the entries are 0).

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There are special purpose algorithms for this.

- 1. Can be done in  $O(B^{2+\epsilon})$  steps rather than  $O(B^3)$ .
- 2. Can't store the entire matrix-too big.

(This is a paragraph from a blog post about Quad Sieve https://blogs.msdn.microsoft.com/devdev/2006/06/19/ factoring-large-numbers-with-quadratic-sieve/)

Is z B-fact? There is a light for each  $p \le B$  whose intensity is proportional to the lg p. Each light turns on just two times every p cycles, corresponding to the two square roots of N mod p. A sensor senses the combined intensity of all the lights together, and if this is close enough to the lg z then z is a B-fact number candidate. Can do in parallel.

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# **Compare Run Times**

Alg	Run Time as $N^{a/L^{\delta}}$	Run Time in terms of <i>L</i>
Naive	$N^{1/2}$	2 <sup>L/2</sup>
Pollard Rho	$N^{1/4}$	2 <sup>L/4</sup>
Linear Sieve	$N^{3.9/L^{1/2}}$	$2^{1.95L^{1/2}}$
Quad Sieve	$N^{2.8/L^{1/2}}$	$2^{1.4L^{1/2}}$
N.F. Sieve	$N^{14/L^{2/3}}$	$2^{20L^{1/3}}$

1. Times are more conjectured than proven.

2. Quad S. is better than Linear Sieve by **only** a constant in the exponent. Made a big difference IRL.

3. Quad Sieve is better than Pollard-Rho at about  $10^{50}$ .

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4. Quad Sieve could factor 100-digit numbers, so the RSA project had to be scrapped.

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