

HINT Assignment 1 #2

Try to factor the numbers:

$$1 \equiv 31 \equiv 61 \equiv 91 \equiv 121 \equiv \dots \pmod{30}$$

OR

In the following list search for a number congruent to 1 in mod 30:

$$\begin{aligned} &1 \cdot 13 \\ &2 \cdot 13 \\ &3 \cdot 13 \\ &4 \cdot 13 \\ &5 \cdot 13 \\ &6 \cdot 13 \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

HINT Assignment 1 #8

Hint: Pick any number from the list and call it:

$$111 \dots 11$$

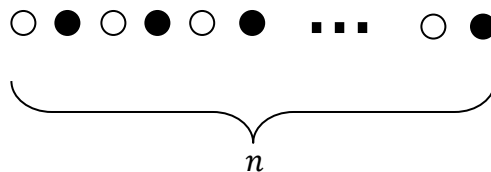
Now note that:

$$111 \dots 11 \equiv 111 \dots 100 + 11 \equiv 0 + 3 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

But for any integer x what are the possible values of x^2 in mod 4?

HINT Assignment 1 #10

Checker the coins white and black so that white coins are adjacent to only black coins (and vice versa):



HINT Assignment 1 #5 and the Bonus Question

When solving question 5 and the bonus question:

- Let R represent the scale tipping to the right.
- Let L represent the scale tipping to the left.
- Let B represent when the scale is balanced.

For the bonus question:

- Let G be the coin that is always perfect.
- Let H be the coin that cannot be too light.

Now, for solving question 5 and the bonus question use the following assignments for the different ways the scale can react:

- LLL or RRR \Rightarrow coin 1 is counterfeit
- LLR or RRL \Rightarrow coin 2 is counterfeit
- RLL or LRR \Rightarrow coin 3 is counterfeit
- LRL or RLR \Rightarrow coin 4 is counterfeit
- BRR or BLL \Rightarrow coin 5 is counterfeit
- RBR or LBL \Rightarrow coin 6 is counterfeit
- RRB or LLB \Rightarrow coin 7 is counterfeit
- BRL or BLR \Rightarrow coin 8 is counterfeit
- LBR or RBL \Rightarrow coin 9 is counterfeit
- RLB or LRB \Rightarrow coin 10 is counterfeit
- BBL or BBR \Rightarrow coin 11 is counterfeit
- BLB or BRB \Rightarrow coin 12 is counterfeit
- LBB or RBB \Rightarrow coin 13 is counterfeit
- BBB \Rightarrow coin H is counterfeit

(Note: in problem 5 you do not have to call the coins :1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10)