2892. Minimizing Array After Replacing Pairs With Their Product

Description

Given an integer array nums and an integer k, you can perform the following operation on the array any number of times:

• Select two adjacent elements of the array like x and y, such that x * y <= k, and replace both of them with a single element with value x * y (e.g. in one operation the array [1, 2, 2, 3] with k = 5 can become [1, 4, 3] or [2, 2, 3], but can't become [1, 2, 6]).

Return the minimum possible length of nums after any number of operations.

Example 1:

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Input: nums = [2,3,3,7,3,5], k = 20
Output: 3
Explanation: We perform these operations:
1. [2,3,3,7,3,5] -> [6,3,7,3,5]
2. [6,3,7,3,5] -> [18,7,3,5]
3. [18,7,3,5] -> [18,7,15]
It can be shown that 3 is the minimum length possible to achieve with the given operation.
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Example 2:

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Input: nums = [3,3,3,3], k = 6
Output: 4
Explanation: We can't perform any operations since the product of every two adjacent elements is greater than 6.
Hence, the answer is 4.
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Constraints:

- 1 <= nums.length <= 10^{5}
- $0 \ll \text{nums[i]} \ll 10^9$
- 1 <= k <= 10 ⁹