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Question **1**

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[SUBJECTIVE] A slab is a three dimensional box with dimensions $1 \times 2 \times 2$, $2 \times 1 \times 2$, or $2 \times 2 \times 1$. We want to compute the number of different ways to fill a $2 \times 2 \times n$ box with n slabs.



a $2 \times 2 \times 10$ box filled with ten slabs.

Derive a recurrence relation for the solution and write a $O(n)$ time program to compute this solution.

Volume of the box = $4n$ units

volume of the slab is 4 units.

So n slabs will fill the box.

left half can be filled with $n/2$ slabs and right half with $n/2$ slabs.

So it seems to be that the recurrence relation would look like

$$T(n) = 2 * T(n/2) + O(1)$$

$$a = 2, b^2 = 2^0 = 1$$

$$\text{so } T_{\text{thumb}} = O(n^{\log_b(a)}) = O(n^1)$$

The combine step takes $O(1)$ because we just have to multiply the number of ways of filling left half by number of ways of filling right half.

number_of_ways_{thumb}

volume_of_box = $4*n$

num_ways = 0

if volume_of_box == 4:

return 3

else num_ways += $2 * \text{number_of_ways}(\text{volume_of_box}/2)$

Question **2**

Complete

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[Subjective] Let us call a sequence of integers $B[1..k]$ *bumpy* if $B[i] < B[i+1]$ for all even i and $B[i] > B[i+1]$ for all odd i . We want to find the length of the longest bumpy subsequence of a sequence $A[1..n]$ of n integers. Give a simple *recursive* definition for the function $lbs(A[1..n])$, which computes this value.

Write only the final recursive definition.

$lbs(A[1..n])$:

Question **3**

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[Subjective] For this problem we will consider a variant of the [Stable Matching](#) problem where men and women can be *indifferent* between certain choices of partners. Just as before, there are n men and n women, but there can be *ties* in the preference lists. For e.g. with $n=4$, a woman could say that m_1 is ranked in the first place; second place is a tie between m_2 and m_3 (she has no preference between them); and m_4 is in the last place. We will say that w prefers m to m' if m is ranked higher than m' on her preference list (they are not tied).

In such a scenario, a *weak instability* in a perfect matching S consists of a man m and a woman w such that their partners in S are w' and m' , respectively, and one of the following holds:

- m prefers w to w' , and w either prefers m to m' or is indifferent between these two choices; or
- w prefers m to m' , and m either prefers w to w' or is indifferent between these two choices.

In other words, the pairing between m and w is either preferred by both, or preferred by one while the other is indifferent.

Does there always exist a perfect matching with no weak instability? Either give an example of a set of men and women with preference lists for which every perfect matching has a weak instability; or give an algorithm that is guaranteed to find a perfect matching with no weak instability.

when m proposes if w is already engaged to m' and she is indifferent to m and m' , she should accept m 's proposal.

This I think would give a [stable matching](#) with no weak instability

gale_shapeley(men, women):

freemen = {men}

man = a freeman in freemen

while man is yet to propose to a woman and is free

man chooses the woman highest in his pref list and proposes to

her

if w is free:

(m, w) get engaged

if w is already engaged to m' :

if w prefers m over m' **or** if w is indifferent to m and m' :

w breaks engagement with m' and gets engaged

to m

m' becomes free

else:

w rejects m

m proposes to next woman in his list.

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