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Topic: 3.3 (Hard level Question)

a. Pascal Triangle

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & 1 & & & \\ & & 1 & 1 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & 2 & 1 & & & \\ & 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 & & \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 & & \\ 1 & 5 & 10 & 10 & 5 & 1 & \end{array}$$

Varieties of Asking Questions

1) Given Row & Column, tell the element

2) Print any nth row of pascal triangle

3) for Given N, print the entire pascal triangle ( $N=6$ )

• Variety 1

Row=R, column=C

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} R-1 \\ C \\ C-1 \end{matrix}}$$

Let R=5  
C=3

$${}_{3-1}^{5-1} C_2 = {}^4 C_2 = 6$$

H!

$$(2!)(4-2)!$$

$${}_{C_2}^7 = \frac{7!}{2! \times 5!} = \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5!}{2 \times 1 \times 5!} = 21$$

Brute:

func NCR(n,r){

$$res = 1$$

for(i=0; i<r; i++){

$$res = res \times (n-i)$$

$$res = res / (i+1);$$

}

return res;

}

• Use long long for these type of problems

T.C  $\rightarrow O(r)$

S.C  $\rightarrow O(1)$

• Variety 2 ( $O(n^2)$ )  
 Nth row has  $n$  elements  
 ! Brute force

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for(c=1; c < n; c++) {
  cout << func(NcR(n-1, c-1)) << cout " ";
}
  
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T.C  $\rightarrow O(n^2)$   
 S.C  $\rightarrow O(1)$

Optimal Row  $\rightarrow$  1 5 10 10 5 1  
 let ans = 1  
 $\underbrace{ans \times (\text{Row} - \text{Column})}_{\text{Column}}$

$$\begin{matrix}
 & 1 & 5 & 10 & 10 & 5 & 1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 1 & & \frac{5}{1} & \frac{5 \times 4}{1 2} & \frac{5 \times 4 \times 3}{1 2 3} & \frac{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2}{1 2 3 4} & \frac{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{1 2 3 4 5}
 \end{matrix}$$

$\text{func ansRow} \{$   
 $\text{ans} = 1$   
 $\text{cout} \ll \text{ans};$   
 $\text{for}(i=1; i < n; i++) \{$   
 $\quad \text{ans} = \text{ans} \times (n-i);$   
 $\quad \text{ans} = \text{ans} / i;$   
 $\}$   
 $\text{return ans;}$   
 $\}$

• Variety 3

Brute force

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for(row = 1; row < n) {
  temp R = [];
  for(col = 1; col < row) {
    temp.add(NcR(row - 1, col - 1));
  }
  ans.add(temp);
}
return ans;
  
```

T.C  $\rightarrow O(n \times n \times n)$   
 $\approx O(n^3)$

Better/  
optimal

use 2<sup>nd</sup> type  
funcn (generateRow){

ans = 1;

ansRow[ ]

ansRow.push-back(1);

for (col=1; col<row; col++) {

ans = ans \* (col - row)

ans = ans / col

ansRow.push(ans);

}

return ansRow;

}

fmain()

ans = [ ];

for (i=1 → m) {

ans.push-back(ansRow);

}

return ans;

}

T.C  $\sim O(n^2)$

Q- Majority element ( $\geq \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor$  times)  
A = [1, 1, 1, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2] N=8

Brute

```
ls = []
for(i=0→n-1){
    if(ls.size() == 0 || ls[0] == nums[i]){
        cnt = 0;
        for(j=0→n-1){
            if(nums[j] == nums[i]){
                cnt++;
            }
            if(cnt > n/3){
                ls.add(nums[i]);
                break;
            }
        }
    }
}
return ls;
```

T.C  $\rightarrow O(n^2)$   
S.C  $\rightarrow O(1)$

Better

using STL  $\rightarrow$  unordered\_map

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(See the soln from Leetcode | Neetcode)

here when we check for  $mp[nums[i]] > target$

→ we don't use  $for(0→n)$

- bcz that will add duplicate  
element

→ we use  $for(auto it : mp)$

Cnt = 0  
c12

Moore Voting algo (for n=13)

Optimal

for (i=0 → n-1) {

if (Cnt1 == 0 && nums[i] == c12) {

Cnt1 = 1, c12 = nums[i];

}

elseif (Cnt2 == 0 && nums[i] != c12) {

Cnt2 = 1, c12 = nums[i];

T-Cn → O(n)

S-Cn → O(1)

}

else if (c12 == nums[i]) Cnt1++;

else if (c12 != nums[i]) Cnt2++;

else {

Cnt1--, Cnt2--;

}

}

Manual check c11 & c12

vector<int> ls;

Cnt1 = 0, Cnt2 = 0

for (i=0 → n) {

if (c11 == nums[i]) Cnt1++;

if (c12 == nums[i]) Cnt2++;

}

mini = ngt + 1

if (Cnt1 ≥ mini) ls.push(c11)

if (Cnt2 ≥ mini) ls.push(c12)

Sort (ls.begin(), ls.end());

return ls;

Q - 3sum

Note: Watch 3sum and 4sum from striver  
Count inversion and reverse pairs later

$$a[i] + a[j] + a[k] = 0 \quad \{ i < j < k \}$$

order of triplet does not matter

Brute:

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set<vector> st;
for(i=0; i<n; i++) {
    for(j=i+1; j<n; j++) {
        for(k=j+1; k<n; k++) {
            if(arr[i] + arr[j] + arr[k] == 0) {
                vector temp = {arr[i], arr[j], arr[k]};
                sort(temp.begin(), temp.end());
                st.insert(temp);
            }
        }
    }
}
```

T.C  $\rightarrow O(n^3 \times \log(\text{no. of sum-triplet}))$   
S.C  $\rightarrow O(\text{no. of triplet}) \times 2$

ans =  $\frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{3}$

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ans(st.begin(), st.end());  
return ans;
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Optimal:  
Brute force

Sort array first

$$A = \{-2, -2, -2, -1, -1, -1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2\}$$

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$$-2 + -2 + 2 = 0$$

We have to move ~~if~~

in order to find

↓

Resultant triplet is  
Always in sorted  
order

When  $j > k$  we stop  
move  $i$

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triplet does

Note: From now, Codes will be on Vscode  
just write approach/grab piece of code

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Q- Largest subarray with sum 0

$$A = \{1, -1, 3, 2, -2, -8, 1, 7, 10, 2, 3\}$$

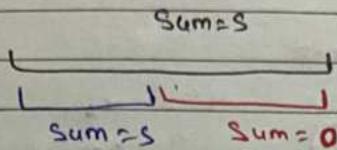
Brute

Generate all subarrays and check which has sum=0

T-CM  $O(n^2)$

optimal

using prefix sum stored in map



(-4, 6)  
(-5, 5)  
(5, 3)  
(3, 2)  
(1, 0)

<key, value>

<prefix, index>  
sum

Sum=0

1, -1, 3, 2, -2, -8, 1, 7, 10, 2, 3

maxi = 2 5

when we move to 3, we can't see it in

hashmap, so insert it

when sum=5 and we add -2 it becomes

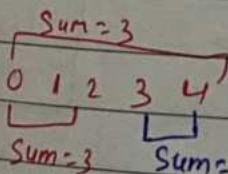
3 and we know 3 is there in hashmap

this means (3, 2) at index we have

Sum=3 and we are at 2<sup>nd</sup> index

Sum=1 or 3 8

8 -8 -4

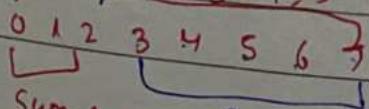


bcz we only add once

we will not update this (3, 4) in hashmap

when sum(4) and we add 7 it becomes 3 and it's there

in hashmap      Sum=3



Sum=0  $\Rightarrow$  len=5 (we update maxi)

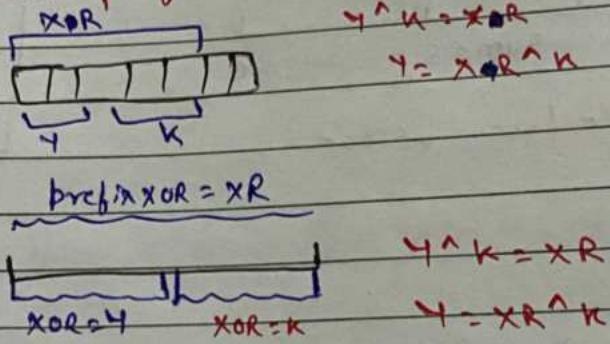
Q- Count no. of Subarray with given XOR as K  
 $A = \{4, 2, 2, 6, 4\}$   $K=6$

Brute : Generate all subarrays and those with  $\text{XOR} = 6$   
 we inc. the counter  
 and return it

$T.C \sim O(N^2)$   
 $S.C \sim O(1)$

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Optimal : We will use prefix XOR



We need to calculate no. of Y

Any run     $\text{XOR} = 0$      $\text{cnt} = 0$     we will use a hashmap  
 to store prefix XOR as key  
 and counter as value

→ first when we are at 4,  $\text{XOR} = 6$ , but not equal to K  
 move it in hashmap

→  $\text{XOR} = 4^2 = 6$ ,  $\text{cnt} = 1$

(2,1)

→  $6^2 = 4$ , was already in hashmap, increase the counter

(6,1)

→  $4^6 = 1$

(4,2)

$T.C \sim O(N \log N)$

Note: if we take  $\{(1, 18)\}$  we have some left places and we took it that's why we took that output

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### Q- Merge overlapping subintervals

$$\{(1, 3), (2, 6), (8, 9), (9, 11), (8, 10), (2, 4), (15, 18), (16, 17)\}$$

$$\text{Output as } \{(1, 6), (8, 11), (15, 18)\}$$

Brute

first sort it from pairs

$$(1, 3)(2, 4)(2, 6)(8, 9)(8, 10), (9, 11)(15, 18), (16, 17)$$

$$(1, 3) (2, 4)$$

We check last pair 2nd element and check current pair 1st element

1 3 2 We can see they are overlapping

$$(1, 3)(2, 4)(2, 6) \rightarrow (1, 6)$$

$$(2, 6) (8, 9)$$

6 8 not overlapping

T.C  $\approx O(N \log N) + O(2N)$   
S.C  $\approx O(N)$

$$(8, 9)(8, 10)(9, 11) \rightarrow (8, 11)$$

$$(15, 18)(16, 17) \rightarrow (15, 18)$$

$$(1, 6) (8, 11) (15, 18)$$

Better: we will go with a single iteration and check if next pair is overlapping, we call it visited then and part of it and move to next then again do same

But when we reach where pair is not a part of it we stopped and move our pointer to 2<sup>nd</sup> position & we will get to know that it is already visited. We do the same until we reach where it is not a part of it and then start a new interval from now on

T.C  $\approx O(N \log N + N)$   
S.C  $\approx O(N)$

Note: In interview, this "without space" is not given  
 So for simplest soln we take a 3rd array &  
 and place i, j pointer on both arrays and  
 which one is smaller we insert and move that pointer

~~A3 = [0 1 2 3 5 6 7 8 9]~~  
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- Q - Merge two sorted arrays without extra space  
 $\text{arr1}[] = [1 3 5 7]$   $\text{arr2} = [0 2 6 8 9]$   
 output:  $[0 1 2 3 5 6 7 8 9]$

Optimal:  
 We compare last element of arr1 and first element of arr2[] and then swap them then we move arr1 pointer left and arr2 pointer right and again compare them and swap but at the next moment it looks like 3 6

and we know  $3 < 6$  so we don't do anything just kept them where they are and Stop iterating bcz from now onwards all will be at correct place

optimal:

now we just sort both array  
 and it will be the answer

$$T.C \sim O(\min(n, m)) + O(n \log n) + O(m \log m)$$

$$S.C \sim O(1)$$

- Q - Find the repeating and missing number from 1 to N

$\text{arr} = [4, 3, 6, 2, 1, 1]$  here  $n=6$   
 output: {1, 5}

Brute: Pick all numbers from 1 to 6 and check in the array with how many time it appears. if  $> 1$  then no. is repeating and if  $= 0$  means its missing

Repeating = -1, Missing = -1

for( $i = 1 \rightarrow n$ ) {

    cnt = 0

    for( $j = 0 \rightarrow n - 1$ ) {

        if( $\text{arr}[j] == i$ ) {

            cnt++;

        if(cnt == 2) repeating = i;

        else if(cnt == 0) missing = i;

    if(repeating == -1 & missing == -1)

        break;

}

$T.C \sim O(n^2)$

$S.C \sim O(1)$

Note: Learn about hash array, how to declare & use it.

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Better We will take a hash array of size  $(n+1)$  & initialize everyone with 0 and when we iterate we keep updating the count of every number

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |   |

$n=7$

now check (1 to 6)

We see 5 has 0 counts  
and 1 is repeating

T.C  $\sim O(2N)$

S.C  $\sim O(N)$

Optimal:

X  $\rightarrow$  repeating

Y  $\rightarrow$  missing

$SN \rightarrow$  Sum of first  $n$  natural numbers  $(\frac{n(n+1)}{2})$

$S \rightarrow$  Sum of given number

$$S - SN = (1) - (5)$$

$$= -4$$

$S2 \rightarrow$  Sum of square of given no.

$$x - 4 = -4 - \textcircled{1}$$

$$\overbrace{x+4}^{\begin{matrix} x=1 \\ y=5 \end{matrix}} = 8 - \textcircled{1}$$

$S2N \rightarrow$  Sum of square of first  $n$

natural no.  $(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6})$

$$S2 - S2N = 1^2 - (5^2)$$

$$= -24$$

$$x^2 - 4^2 = -24$$

$$(x+4)(x-4) = -24$$

$$(x+4)(+4) = (-24)$$

Q- Find the Maximum product subarray

$$A[ ] = \{ 2, 3, -2, 4 \} \quad \text{output} = 6$$

Brute: Generate all subarray and see which has max. product

T.C  $\sim O(n^2)$

S.C  $\sim O(n)$

Note: Whenever you see Subarray, the brain always be by generating all the subarray

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Optimal:

{2, 3, -2, 4}

maxi = INT  $\frac{2}{-1}$  MIN

prefix = 2 6 -12 -48

Suffix = 31 -8 -24 -48

T-C  $\rightarrow$  O(N)

S-C  $\rightarrow$  O(1)

### Observation

- 1) if all the nos product all
- 2) if even -ve nos product all
- 3) if odd -ve nos we will no;  
take the highest negative  
element (like -1 etc)

we take -6, -4 instead of -1,  
we take even negative  
and rest all the and  
multiply them (except 0)

4) When you find zero make  
Separate-Separate subarray

either my answer is  
prefix or suffix

If; ignore this

{2, 7, -1, 3, 5, -2, 4, -6}

prefix

suffix

we see that our answer is

Note: Ques like

- ↳ sum
- ↳ count inversion
- ↳ reverse pair
- ↳ are left

Will do it direct in VSCode