

# EASY MISC

## PART2

# PROBLEM SET

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NO. 459

REPEATED  
SUBSTRING  
PATTERN

# PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

- Given a non-empty string check if it can be constructed by taking a substring of it and appending multiple copies of the substring together. You may assume the given string consists of lowercase English letters only and its length will not exceed 10000.
- Example 1:
  - Input: "abab", Output: True
  - Explanation: It's the substring "ab" twice.



# IDEA

- Regex

```
for i in range(1, len(s)//2 + 1):  
    pattern = "^(%s){2,}$" % (s[0:i])  
    if re.search(pattern, s): return True  
return False
```



TLE

- Trick

- Double the input string. E.g. "abab" to "abababab"
- Remove the first and the last char. E.g. "bababa"
- If "abab" exists in the new string, return True

# SOLUTION

- [https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/459\\_Repeated\\_Substring\\_Pattern](https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/459_Repeated_Substring_Pattern)



NO. 496

NEXT GREATER  
ELEMENT I

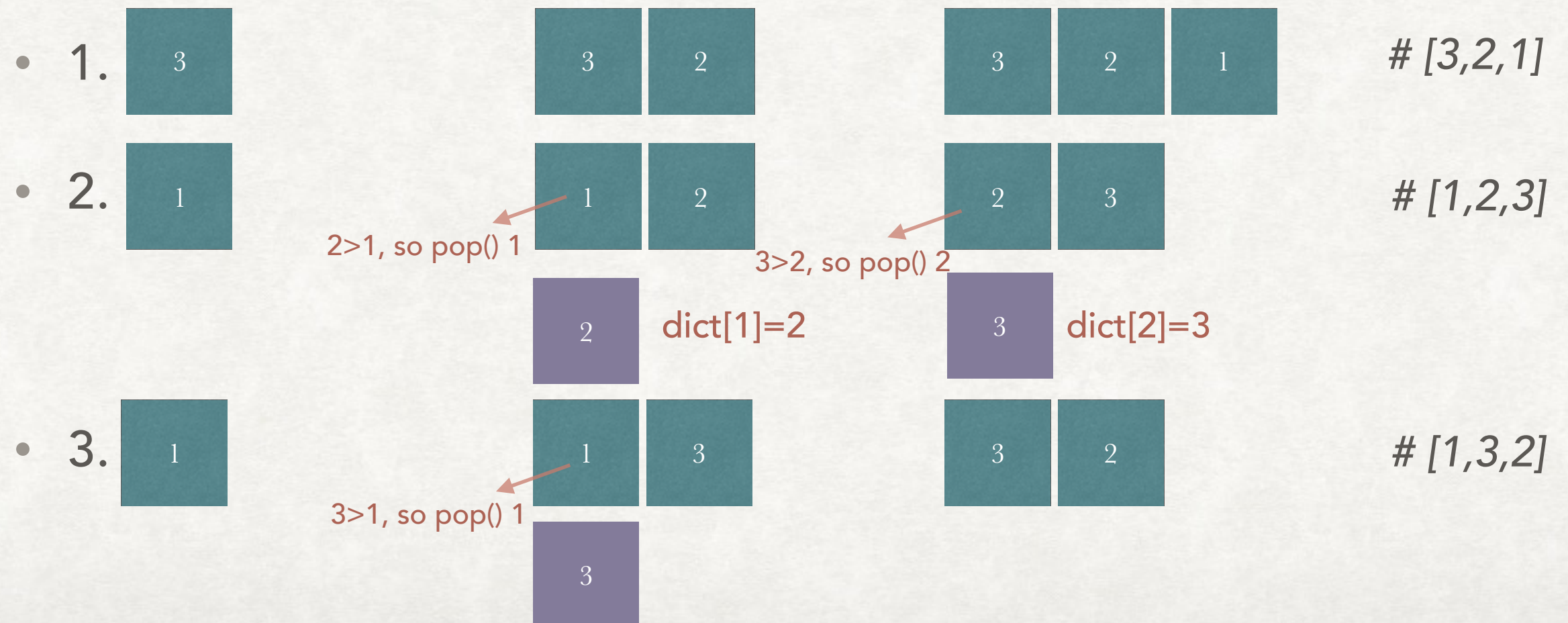
# PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

- You are given two arrays (without duplicates) `nums1` and `nums2` where `nums1`'s elements are subset of `nums2`. Find all the next greater numbers for `nums1`'s elements in the corresponding places of `nums2`.
- The Next Greater Number of a number `x` in `nums1` is the first greater number to its right in `nums2`. If it does not exist, output `-1` for this number.



# IDEA

- Brute Force
  - AC but distribution is not good
- Stack, given [1,2,3] without orders



# SOLUTION

- [https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/496\\_Next\\_Greater\\_Element\\_I](https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/496_Next_Greater_Element_I)



NO. 532

K-DIFF PAIRS IN  
AN ARRAY

# PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

- Given an array of integers and an integer  $k$ , you need to find the number of unique  $k$ -diff pairs in the array. Here a  $k$ -diff pair is defined as an integer pair  $(i, j)$ , where  $i$  and  $j$  are both numbers in the array and their absolute difference is  $k$ .
- Example 1:
  - Input:  $[3, 1, 4, 1, 5]$ ,  $k = 2$ , Output: 2
  - Explanation: There are two 2-diff pairs in the array,  $(1, 3)$  and  $(3, 5)$ . Although we have two 1s in the input, we should only return the number of unique pairs.



# IDEA

- If  $k > 0$ , then calculate whether  $n + k$  exists in the array
  - To boost up, use `set()` instead of `list()`
- if  $k == 0$ , then calculate how many pairs with the same value in the array?
  - Apply `collections.Counter( iter ).values()`
- if  $k < 0$ , return 0

# SOLUTION

- [https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/532\\_K-diff\\_Pairs\\_in\\_an\\_Array](https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/532_K-diff_Pairs_in_an_Array)



NO. 268

MISSING  
NUMBER

# PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

- Given an array containing  $n$  distinct numbers taken from  $0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ , find the one that is missing from the array.
- For example, given `nums = [0, 1, 3]` return `2`.



# IDEA

- Linear scan

- AC but distribution sucks

```
for i in range(len(nums)):
    if nums[i] - i != 0: return i
```

- Sum up

- ideal case =  $\text{len}(\text{nums}) * (\text{len}(\text{nums}) + 1) / 2$
  - actual case =  $\text{sum}(\text{nums})$
  - missing number = ideal case - actual case

# SOLUTION

- [https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/268\\_Missing\\_Number](https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/268_Missing_Number)



NO. 504  
BASE 7

# PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

- Given an integer, return its base 7 string representation.
- Example 1: Input: 100, Output: "202"
- Example 2: Input: -7, Output: "-10"



# IDEA

- Base conversion template
  - Convert to 10 base if necessary
  - Convert to new base

```
while num > 0:
    digit = num % new_base
    num //= new_base
    ans += digit
return ans[::-1]
```
  - Notice if it is negative number

```
if negative: ans = '-' + ans
```

# SOLUTION

- [https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/504\\_Base\\_7](https://github.com/Brady31027/leetcode/tree/master/504_Base_7)