

GREEDY!

Dont worry its definitely not cancer



What is greedy?

Basically just take best at current position lol

“A greedy algorithm is any algorithm that follows the problem-solving heuristic of making the locally optimal choice at each stage. In many problems, a greedy strategy does not produce an optimal solution, but a greedy heuristic can yield locally optimal solutions that approximate a globally optimal solution in a reasonable amount of time.”

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- Show that the greedy algorithm's measures are at least as good as any optimal solution's measures (This usually involves induction)
- Prove that because the greedy solution's measures are at least as good as any solution's measures, the greedy solution must be optimal (This is usually a proof by contradiction)

Application - lunchbox

Go do lunchbox!

Hahaha get skemmed again

Just prove by ac lmao

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Or this...

Shi tianle is giving C people conduct slips. He can give each person C_i $L[i]$ or 0 conduct slips. Since he is not a teacher and is not supposed to be given conduct slips, he will get caught by the teacher if he gives more than K conduct slips and be given a conduct slip! (OH NOOO) Tianle does not want to be given a conduct slip, so help tianle maximise the number of people he can give conduct slips to!

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Since we know that $K[i_x] \leq K[j_x]$ for every x , $\text{grd} \geq \text{opt}$. Therefore the greedy algorithm is optimal.

Lunchbox - sample code

```
14  sort(A,A + m);
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16  int sum = 0;
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18  for (int k = 0; k < m && sum <= N; k++) {
19      sum = sum + A[k];
20      if (sum > N) {
21          cout << '\n' << k;
22      }
23  }if (sum <= N) {
24      cout << '\n' << m;
25  }
26
```

More greedy problems

Easy problems: potato salad, gss, paint

~~Harder~~ also easy problems: catlunch, bestplace, competition

Harder problems: Luarulers

Imple cancer problem: Lualectures

Luarulers - abridged problem statement

In an array a of n elements, maximise the number of a_i such that $a[1] + a[2] + a[3] \dots + a_i[i] = 0$. We are allowed to change the values of $a[b[j]]$ where b is an array of length m for all j .

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So we maintain the same prefix sum array and just count the most number of repeated sums starting from $a[b[1]]$.

Remember to add those sums that are already 0 in the $a[1] - a[b[1]]$ range.

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Remember to add the number of 0s in the range 1 to $a[b[i]]$.

Sample code

```
125 int32_t main() {
126     cin >> n >> m;
127     for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
128         cin >> a[i];
129         ps[i] = ps[i - 1] + a[i];
130     }
131     for (int i = 1; i <= m; i++) {
132         cin >> b[i];
133     }
134     b[0] = 1;
135     b[m + 1] = n+1;
136     sort(b, b + m + 1);
137     for(int i=0;i<=m;i++)
138     {
139         maxv = INT_MIN;
140         for (int j = b[i]; j < b[i + 1]; j++) {
141             mymap[ps[j]]++;
142         }
143         if (i == 0) {
144             maxv = mymap[0];
145         }else
146         {
147             for (auto it : mymap) {
148                 if (maxv < it.second) {
149                     maxv = it.second;
150                 }
151             }
152         }
153         if(maxv!=INT_MIN)
154         {
155             sum += maxv;
156         }
157         mymap.clear();
158     }
159     cout << sum<<'\n';
```


Sample code

Haha no stop copying my code >:(

Ac or no lunch >:(

Easy?

The previous problems were quite easy right?

Greedy easy?

Cancer problem :O free snack if solve

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We then process lectures by their start time and keep track of ongoing lectures in a priority queue. We check that a lecture has ended when we process each new lecture and try to reuse halls as much as possible, otherwise we allocate a new lecture hall to the current lecture. We need to store this in a map as we need to give our answer in the order the question gives.

Lualectures - solution

In the end, iterate the map.

Sample code

```
sort(a + 1, a + n + 1);
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {

    if (pq.empty()) {
        pq.push({ a[i].first.second, {a[i].second, 1 } });
        mm[a[i].second] = 1;
        maxl = 1;
    }
    else if (pq.top().first < a[i].first.first) {
        pq.push({ a[i].first.second, {a[i].second, pq.top().second.second} });
        if (maxl < pq.top().second.second) {
            maxl = pq.top().second.second;
        }
        mm[a[i].second] = pq.top().second.second;
        pq.pop();
    }
    else {
        mm[a[i].second] = maxl + 1;
        maxl++;
        pq.push({ a[i].first.second, {a[i].second, maxl } });
    }
}
```

Fun!

Getting the maximum number of lectures is easy

Just range add 1 to $[l, r]$ for all lecture halls and...

Range max (1, 1e9)

See workload2 (99 points).

Constructing tho... die.

```
11 solve(11 l, 11 r) {  
    memset(ops, 0);  
    FOR(i, l, r) ops[arr[i].f]++, ops[arr[i].s+1]--;  
    11 cur = 0, ans = 0;  
    FOR(i, 1, 40000) ans = max(ans, cur += ops[i]);  
    return ans;  
}
```