Continuous Internal Evaluation 2

Q-1. There are some spherical balloons taped onto a flat wall that represents the XY-plane. The balloons are represented as a 2D integer array points where points[i] = [x_{start} , x_{end}] denotes a balloon whose horizontal diameter stretches between x_{start} and x_{end} . You do not know the exact y-coordinates of the balloons.

Arrows can be shot up **directly vertically** (in the positive y-direction) from different points along the x-axis. A balloon with x_{start} and x_{end} is **burst** by an arrow shot at x if $x_{start} <= x <= x_{end}$. There is **no limit** to the number of arrows that can be shot. A shot arrow keeps traveling up infinitely, bursting any balloons in its path.

Given the array points, return the *minimum* number of arrows that must be shot to burst all balloons.

Example 1:

Input: points = [[10,16],[2,8],[1,6],[7,12]]

Output: 2

Explanation: The balloons can be burst by 2 arrows:

- Shoot an arrow at x = 6, bursting the balloons [2,8] and [1,6].
- Shoot an arrow at x = 11, bursting the balloons [10,16] and [7,12].

Example 2:

Input: points = [[1,2],[3,4],[5,6],[7,8]]

Output: 4

Explanation: One arrow needs to be shot for each balloon for a total of 4 arrows.

Example 3:

Input: points = [[1,2],[2,3],[3,4],[4,5]]

Output: 2

Explanation: The balloons can be burst by 2 arrows:

- Shoot an arrow at x = 2, bursting the balloons [1,2] and [2,3].
- Shoot an arrow at x = 4, bursting the balloons [3,4] and [4,5].

Constraints:

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• 1 <= points.length <= 10<sup>5</sup>
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- Points[i].length == 2
- $-231 \le x_{\text{start}} \le x_{\text{end}} \le 2^{31} 1$

code:

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#include <iostream>
#include <algorithm>
using namespace std;
struct Balloon {
  int start, end;
};
bool compare(Balloon a, Balloon b) {
  return a.end < b.end;
}
int findMinArrows(Balloon points[], int n) {
  if (n == 0) return 0;
  // Sort by ending point
  sort(points, points + n, compare);
  int arrows = 1;
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int arrowPos = points[0].end;
  for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
    if (points[i].start > arrowPos) {
       arrows++;
       arrowPos = points[i].end;
    }
  }
  return arrows;
}
int main() {
  int n;
  cout << "Enter number of balloons: ";</pre>
  cin >> n;
  Balloon points[100000];
  cout << "Enter the balloon intervals (xstart xend):\n";</pre>
  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    cin >> points[i].start >> points[i].end;
  }
  cout << "Minimum arrows needed: " << findMinArrows(points, n) << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
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}

OUTPUT:

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cd "c:\Users\DHRUVI\Desktop\CP\" ; if ($?) { g++ cie2.cpp -0 cie2 } ; if ($?) { .\cie2 }

• Enter number of balloons: 4
Enter the balloon intervals (xstart xend):
1 2
2 3
3 4
4 5
Minimum arrows needed: 2
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PS C:\Ucd "c:\Users\DHRUVI\Desktop\CP\"; if ($?) { g++ cie2.cpp -o cie2 }; if ($?) { .\cie2 }

Enter number of balloons: 4

Enter the balloon intervals (xstart xend):

1 2

3 4

5 6

7 8

Minimum arrows needed: 4
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PS C:\Ucd "c:\Users\DHRUVI\Desktop\CP\" ; if ($?) { g++ cie2.cpp -0 cie2 } ; if ($?) { .\cie2 }

Enter number of balloons: 4

Enter the balloon intervals (xstart xend):

10 16

2 8

1 6

7 12

Minimum arrows needed: 2
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