Data Structure Algorithm Assignment-3

Question: https://leetcode.com/problems/climbing-stairs/description/

Answer: https://leetcode.com/problems/climbing-stairs/submissions/1628585122

Description:

Time Complexity = O(n)

- You have a for loop that starts at i = 3 and runs until i < n, so the loop runs approximately n - 3 times.
- Each iteration does a constant amount of work (addition and assignment).
- Therefore, time complexity = O(n).

Space Complexity = O (1)

- You are only using a fixed number of variables (prev1, prev2, cur), no additional space grows with n.
- Thus, space complexity = O (1) (constant space).

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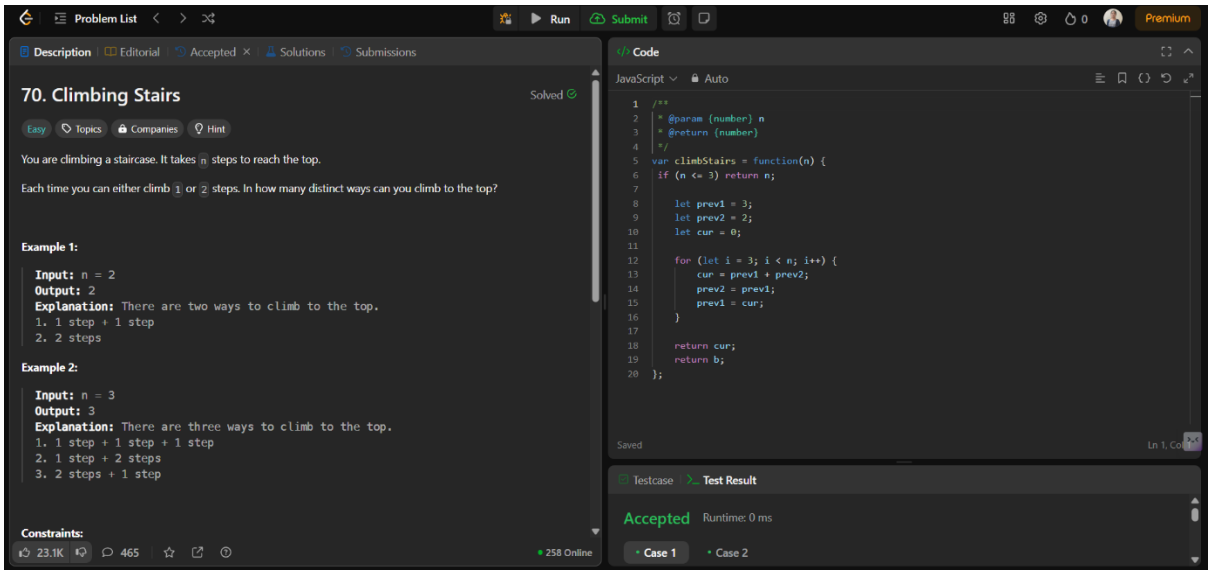

Question: https://leetcode.com/problems/merge-two-sorted-lists/description/

Answer:https://leetcode.com/problems/merge-two-sorted-lists/submissions/1628594172

Description:

Time Complexity: O (n + m)

- Each node from list1 and list2 is visited exactly once.
- At each step, you either move list1 or list2 forward by one node.
- If n is the length of list1 and m is the length of list2, you do a total of n + m operations.

Space Complexity: O (1)

- You are using a few pointers (Dummy Head, tail, list1, list2), but you are not creating any new nodes — you are just rearranging existing nodes.
- extra space used is constant, regardless of the input size.

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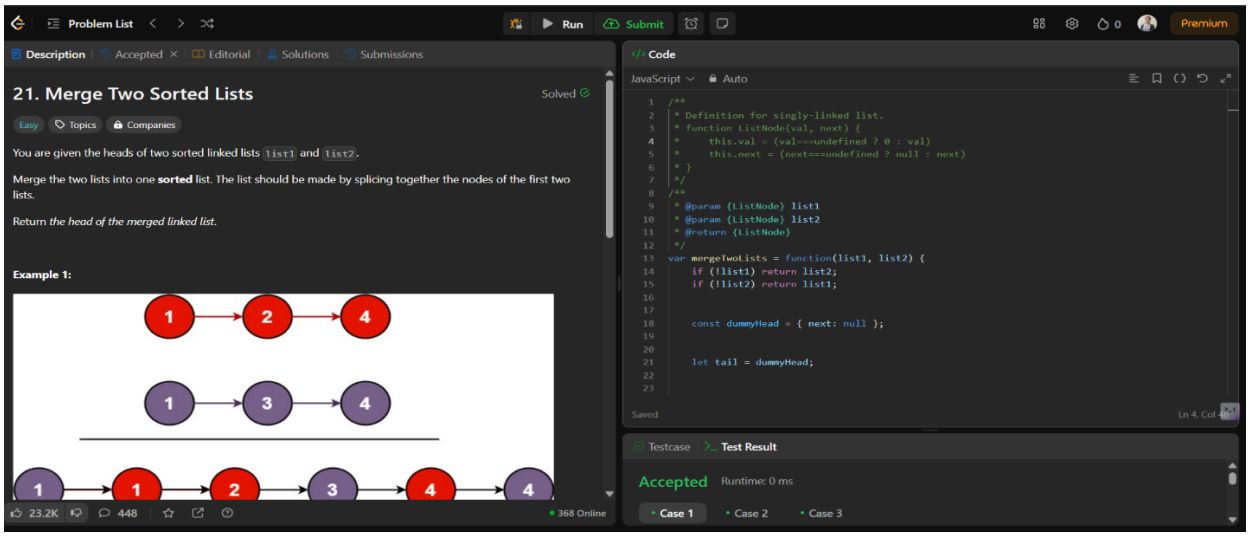

Question: https://leetcode.com/problems/palindrome-linked-list/description/

Answer: https://leetcode.com/problems/palindrome-linked-list/submissions/1628597648

Description:

Time Complexity: O(n)

- The while loop (finding middle + reversing first half) goes through about half of the list — O(n/2) operations.
- The second while loop (comparing two halves) also goes through about half — another O(n/2) operations.

Total time = O(n/2) + O(n/2) = O(n).

Space Complexity: O (1)

- You're only using a few pointers (slow, fast, preview, next) — all are constant-sized variables.
- No extra space proportional to input size (no array, no recursion stack).
- So, the space complexity is: O (1)

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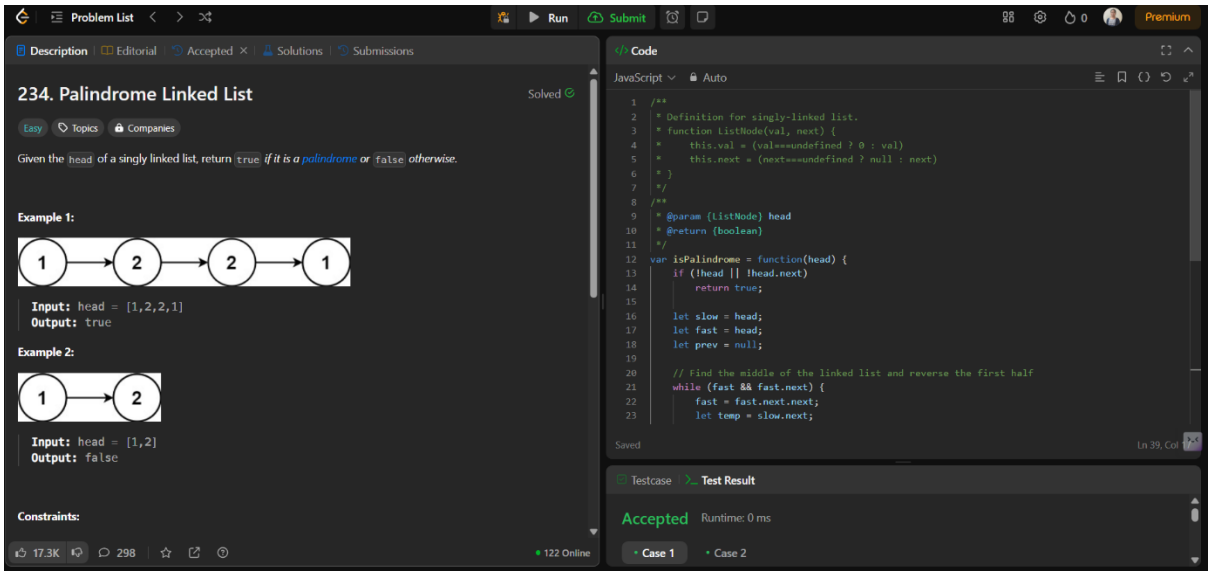

Question: https://leetcode.com/problems/palindrome-linked-list/description/

Answer: https://leetcode.com/problems/linked-list-cycle/submissions/1628599176

Description:

Time Complexity: O(n)

- In the worst case, the fast pointer moves through all the nodes of the linked list.
- If there is no cycle, fast will reach the end (null), visiting each node once → O(n).
- If there is a cycle, the fast and slow pointers will meet somewhere inside the cycle
- The distance before entering the cycle is at most n, and once inside, the meeting happens in at most n steps → O(n)

Space Complexity: O (1)

- Only two pointers (fast and slow) are used.
- No extra data structures are needed (no arrays, hash maps, etc.).
- Final space complexity: O (1) (constant space).

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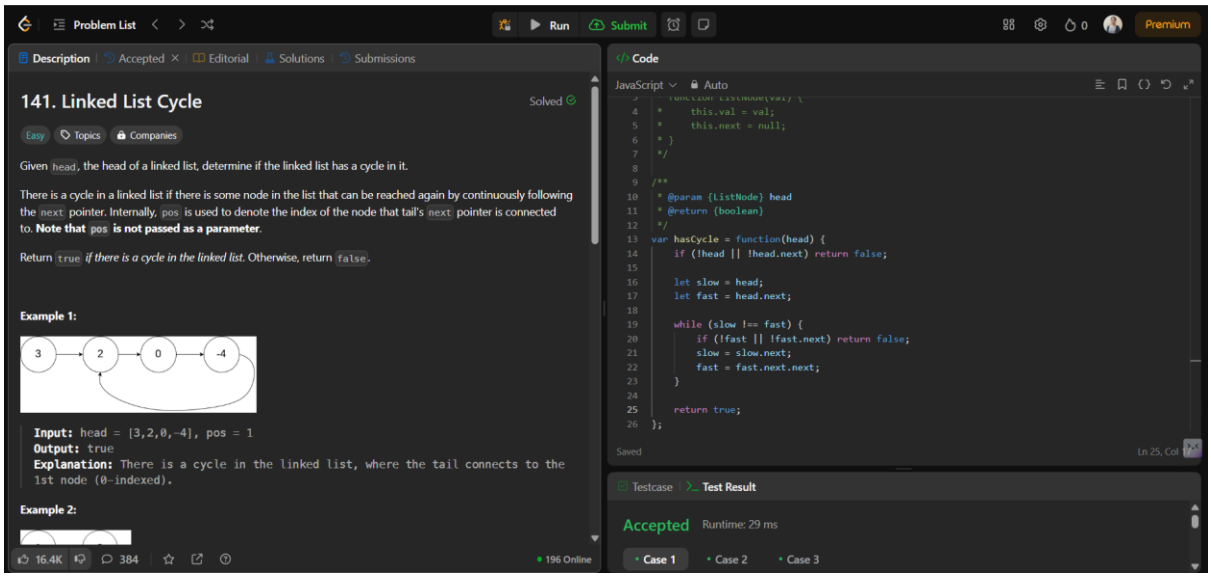

Question: https://leetcode.com/problems/linked-list-cycle/description/

Answer:https://leetcode.com/problems/remove-nth-node-from-end-of-list/submissions/1628603281

Description:

Time Complexity: O(L)

O(L) — where L is the length of the linked list.

- The function first advances the head pointer by n steps — O(n).
- Then it continues to traverse the rest of the list along with dummy — up to O (L - n) steps.
- Therefore, the total number of operations is proportional to the length of the list: O(L).

Space Complexity: O (1)

O (1) — constant space.

- No extra data structures are used that grow with input size.
- Only a few pointers (res, dummy, and head) are used.

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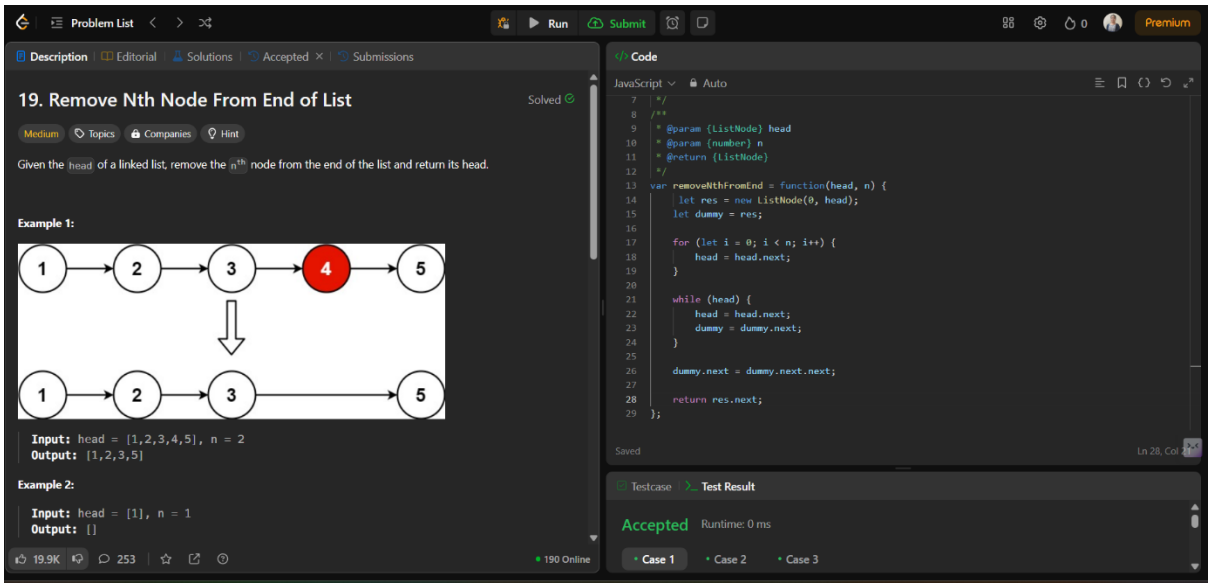

Question: https://leetcode.com/problems/remove-nth-node-from-end-of list/description/

Answer: https://leetcode.com/problems/powx-n/submissions/1628605732

Description:

Time Complexity: O (log n)

- The algorithm reduces the exponent n by half in each recursive call (or iteration).
- This is typical of fast exponentiation, where:
- If n is even, it computes pow (x * x, n / 2)
- If n is odd, it computes x * pow (x * x, (n - 1) / 2)
- Hence, the number of steps is proportional to log n.

Space Complexity:

- If implemented recursively: O (log n) — due to the call stack depth.
- If implemented iteratively: O (1) — only a few variables are used (no recursive stack).

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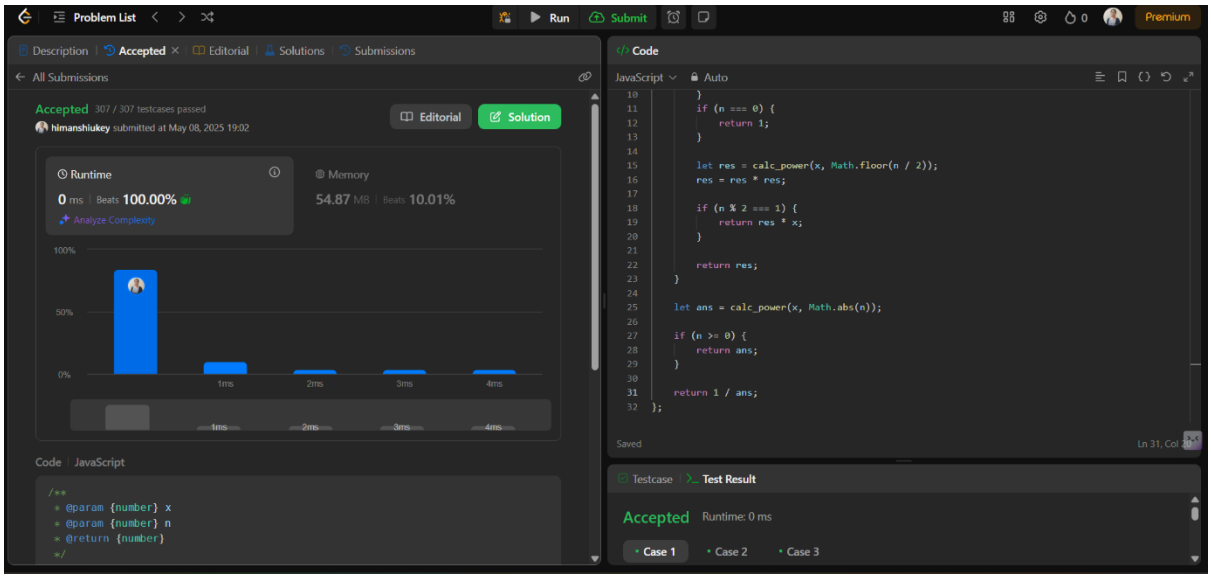

Question: https://leetcode.com/problems/powx-n/description/

Answer:https://leetcode.com/problems/delete-node-in-a-linked-list/submissions/1628607345

Description:

Time Complexity: 0(1)

- constant time.
- It only accesses and modifies two nodes.

Space Complexity: O (1)

- No extra space use

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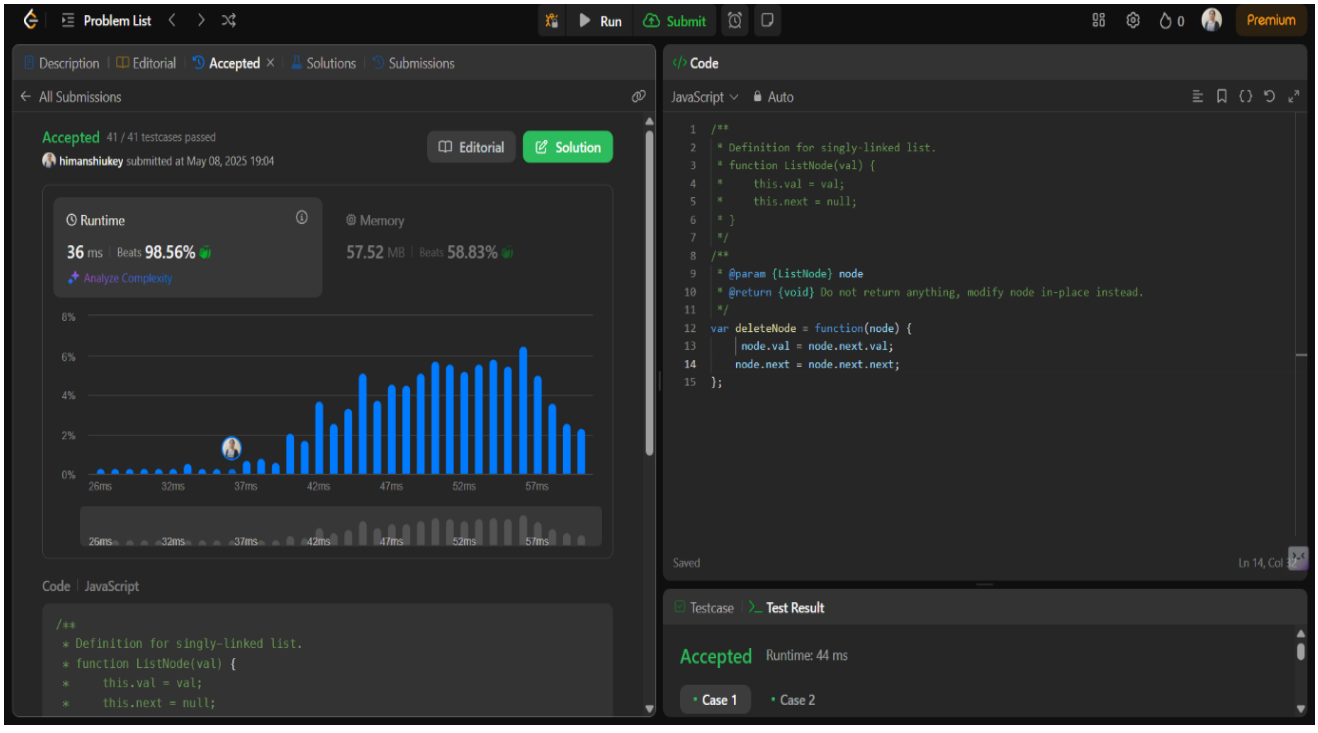

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