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# The Simplest Sum



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You are just learning to code and are finished with loops and functions. Now, you are given the following pseudocode:

```
/*
  * The function has two integer parameters: k and n
  * The function returns the value of sum
  */
function f(k, n) {
    sum = 0;

    for (i = 1; i ≤ n; i += 1) {
        sum += i;
        i *= k;
    }
    return sum;
}
```

For three given integers k, a, and b, find the value of  $S \mod (10^9 + 7)$ , where S is defined as:

$$S = \sum_{n=a}^b f(k, n)$$

#### **Input Format**

The first line of the input is an integer Q, the total number of queries. Each of the next Q lines contains three space separated integers k, a, and b.

## Constraints

- $1 \le Q \le 10^5$
- $2 \le k \le 10^5$
- $1 \le a \le b \le 10^{18}$

#### **Output Format**

For each query, print the value of  $S \mod (10^9 + 7)$  on a new line.

### Sample Input

- 4 2 1 5
- 4 1 5
- 5 1 5

#### Sample Output

- 14
- 13 10
- 5

## Explanation

• Query 2 1 5

$$f(2,1) = 1$$
  
 $f(2,2) = 1$   
 $f(2,3) = 4$   
 $f(2,4) = 4$   
 $f(2,5) = 4$ 

So, 
$$S = f(2,1) + f(2,2) + f(2,3) + f(2,4) + f(2,5) = 1 + 1 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 14$$

Query 3 1 5

$$f(3,1) = 1$$
  
 $f(3,2) = 1$   
 $f(3,3) = 1$   
 $f(3,4) = 5$   
 $f(3,5) = 5$ 

So, 
$$S = f(3,1) + f(3,2) + f(3,3) + f(3,4) + f(3,5) = 1 + 1 + 1 + 5 + 5 = 13$$

• Query 4 1 5

$$f(4,1) = 1$$
  
 $f(4,2) = 1$   
 $f(4,3) = 1$   
 $f(4,4) = 1$   
 $f(4,5) = 6$ 

So, 
$$S = f(4,1) + f(4,2) + f(4,3) + f(4,4) + f(4,5) = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 6 = 10$$

Query 5 1 5

$$f(5,1) = 1$$
  
 $f(5,2) = 1$   
 $f(5,3) = 1$   
 $f(5,4) = 1$   
 $f(5,5) = 1$ 

So, 
$$S = f(5,1) + f(5,2) + f(5,3) + f(5,4) + f(5,5) = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 5$$

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Python 3
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 1
    #!/bin/python3
 2
 3
     import sys
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 5
    def simplestSum(k, a, b):
 6
         # Complete this function
 7
 8 v if __name__ == "__main__":
         q = int(input().strip())
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         for a0 in range(q):
             k, a, b = input().strip().split(' ')
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12
             k, a, b = [int(k), int(a), int(b)]
             result = simplestSum(k, a, b)
13
14
             print(result)
15
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                       Test against custom input
                                                                                                          Run Code
                                                                                                                        Submit Code
1 Upload Code as File
```

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