

MO's Algorithm

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Problem Statement

Given a sequence of n numbers A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n and a number of d – queries. A d – query is a pair (l, r) ($1 \leq l \leq r \leq n$). For each d – query (l, r) , you have to return the number of distinct elements in the subsequence A_l, A_{l+1}, \dots, A_r .

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- ▶ In this algorithm we will process the queries of 1st block. Then we process the queries of 2nd block and so on.. finally \sqrt{N}' th block. We already have an ordering, queries are ordered in the ascending order of its block. There can be many queries that belong to the same block.

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- ▶ Let us talk about the right pointer first. For each block, the queries are sorted in increasing order, so clearly the right pointer `currentR` moves in increasing order. During the start of next block the pointer possibly at extreme end will move to least `R` in next block. That means for a given block, the amount moved by right pointer is $O(N)$. We have $O(\sqrt{N})$ blocks, so the total is $O(N\sqrt{N})$.

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- ▶ Total complexity is $O((N + M)\sqrt{N}) = O(N\sqrt{N})$

MO's Algorithms on Trees

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- ▶ **Solution:** Flatten the tree into an array by doing a Preorder traversal and then implement Mo's Algorithm.

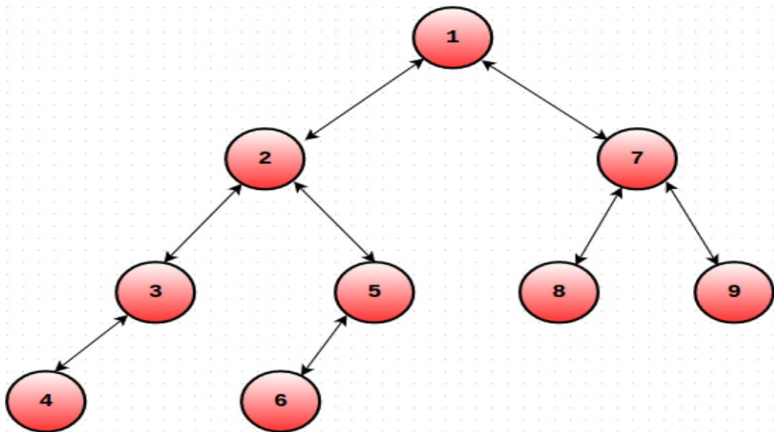
Path Queries

Problem: Instead of computing the number of distinct values in a subtree, compute the number of distinct values in the unique path from u to v .

Issues

Modified DFS-Order

Let us modify the dfs order as follows. For each node u , maintain the Start and End time of $S(u)$. Let's call them $ST(u)$ and $EN(u)$. The only change you need to make is that you must increment the global timekeeping variable even when you finish traversing some subtree ($EN(u) = ++cur$). In short, we will maintain 2 values for each node u . One will denote the time when you entered $S(u)$ and the other would denote the time when you exited $S(u)$.



$$ST(1) = 1 \quad EN(1) = 18$$

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