Contest Information

Date :- 20th March (Tentative)

7:00 AM IST

1.5 hrs

Discussion — 8:30 AM IST

Passing Marks — 60 %

Total 3 Questions

(Weightage may vary)

Absolutely necessary to appear for the contest.

What if I fail?

Appear for the reattempts.

Total 3 reattempts

Our endeavour should be to clear the live contest itself.

Reattempts is only for exceptional cases.

How to prepare?

Solve assignment questions religiously and keep PSP above 90 %

Q-1. Given a string s of lowercase characters return the count of pairs (i, j) such that s[i] == 'a' & s[j] == 'g' and i < j

Ex:- String s = "abegag"
0 1 2 3 4 5

0, 3
0, 5
4, 5

ans = 3.

Quiz 1

String s = "acgdgag"
0 1 2 3 4 5 6

a	0	0	0	5	ans = 4.
g	2	4	6	6	

Quiz 2

String s = "bcaggaag"
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

a	2	2	2	5	6	ans = 5.
g	3	4	7	7	7	

Brute Force Solution

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
S = "	a	c	b	a	g	k	a	g	g "

i

j

ans = 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

```
int countAg(String S) {
    int ans = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < S.size(); i++) {
        if (S[i] == 'a') {
            for (j = i+1; j < S.size(); j++) {
                if (S[j] == 'g') {
                    ans++;
                }
            }
        }
    }
    return ans;
```

T.C → O(N²)

S.C → O(1)

Optimised Solution

		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
S = "	a	c	b	a	g	k	a	g	g	"
										i
Cont-a	=	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3
ans	=	0	0	0	0	0	+2	2	2	5	8

```
int countAg(string S) {
    int ans = 0;
    int countA = 0;
    for(i=0; i<N; i++) {
        if(S[i] == 'a') {
            countA++;
        }
        else if(S[i] == 'g') {
            ans += countA;
        }
    }
    return ans;
}
```

T.C → O(N)

S.C → O(1).

Introduction to Subarrays

A subarray is a contiguous part of an array. It is formed by selecting a range of elements from the array. It can have one or more elements.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4	1	2	3	-1	6	9	8	12

array - {4, 1, 2, 3, -1, 6, 9, 8, 12}

1. 2, 3, -1, 6 ✓
2. 9 ✓
3. 4, 1, 2, 3, -1, 6, 9, 8, 12 ✓
4. 4, 12 ✗
5. 1, 2, 6 ✗
6. 3, 2, 1, 4 ✗ (Order of elements is important).

Quiz 3

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	4	1	6	-3	7	8	4

a) {1, 6, 8} ✗
b) {1, 4} ✗
c) {6, 1, 4, 2} ✗
d) {7, 8, 4} ✓

Representing a subarray

Two ways :-

1. Start index & End index.
2. Start index & length of a subarray.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4	1	2	3	-1	6	9	8	12

Subarray :- {2, 3, -1, 6}.

Subarray → S.I → 2
E.I → 5

→ S.I → 2
length → 4.

S.I.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
4	2	10	3	12	-2	15

Qn 4

0, 0
0, 1
0, 2
0, 3
0, 4
0, 5
0, 6.

7.

N.

Quiz 5

0 1 2 3 4 5 6

{ 4, 2, 10, 3, 12, -2, 15 }.

S.I.

1, 1
1, 2
1, 3
1, 4
1, 5
1, 6

6.

N-1

Total No. of Subarrays.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6

{ 4, 2, 10, 3, 12, -2, 15 }.

Total Subarrays whose starting index

0 → N
1 → N-1
2 → N-2
3 → N-3
:
:
N-1 → N-(N-1) = 1

= Sum of first N natural numbers.

$$= \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$$

Q:- Given an array and start & end index of its subarray. Print it.

```
        0   1   2   3   4   5   6
arr ⟶ { 4 , 2 , 10 , 3 , 12 , -2 , 15 }.
s → 2
e → 5
```

```
void printSubarray ( int arr[], int s, int e) {
    for ( i = s; i <= e; i++ ) {
        print ( arr[i]);
    }
}
```

T.C → O(N)

S.C → O(1)

Q:- Print all possible subarrays of the array.

Ex:- $a = \{1, 2, 3\}$ (0, 1, 2)

Ans → {1} {2} {3}
{1,2} {2,3}
{1,2,3}

```
void printAllSubarrays(int arr[]) {
    // Generate all subarrays.
    for (s = 0; s < n; s++) {
        for (e = s; e < n; e++) {
            for (i = s; i <= e; i++) {
                print(arr[i]);
            }
            Break line.
        }
    }
}
```

s = 0, e = 1

1
1 2
1 2 3
2.

T.C → O(N^3)
S.C → O(1)

Q:- Given an array of N integers, return the length of smallest subarray which contains both maximum & minimum element of the array.

Quiz 6

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

arr → {2, 2, 6, 4, 5, 1, 5, 2, 6, 4, 1}

ans = 3.

Another Example

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

A[] - {1, 2, 3, 1, 3, 4, 6, 4, 6, 3}

ans = 4.

Brute Force

→ Check all subarrays

→ $O(N^3)$. $+O(N)$

Optimisation

1, 1, 6

① The answer subarray must have exactly one instance of minimum & one instance of maximum since we want the length to be minimum.

② The minimum & maximum value must be present at the corners of the subarray.

③ So, we are looking for a subarray that either

a) Starts with MAX & ends with MIN

b) Starts with MIN & ends with MAX

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
arr = { 2	2	6	4	5	1	5	2	6	4	1 } i

smallest = 1
largest = 6.

ans = 4. 3.

last_max_found = 8.
last_min_found = 5

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
arr = { 2	2	6	4	5	1	5	2	6	4	1 }

Code:

```
int minSubarray(int A[]) {

    int minValue = minOfArray(an);
    int maxValue = maxOfArray(an);

    int last_min_found = -1;
    int last_max_found = -1;

    int ans = INT_MAX; // N

    for(i=0; i<N; i++) {

        if(A[i] == minValue) {
            last_min_found = i;

            if(last_max_found != -1) {
                ans = min(ans, i - last_max_found + 1);
            }
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        }
    }
    else if (A[i] == maxValue) {
        last_max_found = i;
        if (last_min_found != -1) {
            ans = min(ans, i - last_min_found + 1);
        }
    }
}
return ans;
```

TC → O(N)

SC → O(1)

Next Class:

1. Sliding window.
2. Contribution Technique.

arr = {1, 6, 6, 4, 5, 1, 5, 2, 6, 4, 1}

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9