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Maximise Function

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as well.

You are given a sequence A_1, A_2, \dots, A_N . Find the maximum value of the expression $|A_x - A_y| + |A_y - A_z| + |A_z - A_x|$ over all triples of pairwise distinct valid indices (x, y, z) .

Input

- The first line of the input contains a single integer T denoting the number of test cases. The description of T test cases follows.
- The first line of each test case contains a single integer N .
- The second line contains N space-separated integers A_1, A_2, \dots, A_N .

Output

For each test case, print a single line containing one integer — the maximum value of $|A_x - A_y| + |A_y - A_z| + |A_z - A_x|$.

Constraints

- $1 \leq T \leq 5$
- $3 \leq N \leq 10^5$
- $|A_i| \leq 10^9$ for each valid i

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Subtask #1 (30 points): $N \leq 500$

Subtask #2 (70 points): original constraints

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Example Input

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3
3
2 7 5
3
3 3 3
5
2 2 2 2 5
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Example Output

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10
0
6
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Explanation

Example case 1: The value of the expression is always 10. For example, let $x = 1$, $y = 2$ and $z = 3$, then it is $|2 - 7| + |7 - 5| + |5 - 2| = 5 + 2 + 3 = 10$.

Example case 2: Since all values in the sequence are the same, the value of the expression is always 0.

Example case 3: One optimal solution is $x = 1$, $y = 2$ and $z = 5$, which gives $|2 - 2| + |2 - 5| + |5 - 2| = 0 + 3 + 3 = 6$.

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