

# DAY - 26

## Mathematical solution:

**Given:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Each small box (per box)} &= S = 2, & n_s &= 5, \\ \text{Each medium box (per box)} &= M = 3S = 3 \cdot 2 = 6, & n_m &= 4, \\ \text{Each large box (per box)} &= L = 2M = 2 \cdot 6 = 12, & n_l &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

**Initial totals (at t=0):**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Small total} &= n_s \cdot S = 5 \cdot 2 = 10, \\ \text{Medium total} &= n_m \cdot M = 4 \cdot 6 = 24, \\ \text{Large total} &= n_l \cdot L = 2 \cdot 12 = 24, \\ T_0 &= 10 + 24 + 24 = 58. \end{aligned}$$

**(a) Start (per box):**

$S = 2, \quad M = 6, \quad L = 12$

**(b) Medium boxes after 8 minutes (doubling every 4 minutes):**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Number of doublings in 8 minutes} &= \frac{8}{4} = 2. \\ M(8) &= M \cdot 2^2 = 6 \cdot 4 = 24. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total medium after 8 min} = n_m \cdot M(8) = 4 \cdot 24 = 96.$$

$\text{Each medium box at } t = 8 : 24 \text{ coins}$

**(c) Large-box gold production :**

Define for one large box:

$$L_0 = 12, \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots, 8 : \quad a_k = \left\lfloor \frac{L_{k-1}}{6} \right\rfloor, \quad L_k = L_{k-1} + a_k.$$

Computing iteratively:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minute 1 : } L_0 &= 12 \Rightarrow a_1 = \left\lfloor \frac{12}{6} \right\rfloor = 2, \quad L_1 = 12 + 2 = 14, \\ \text{Minute 2 : } L_1 &= 14 \Rightarrow a_2 = \left\lfloor \frac{14}{6} \right\rfloor = 2, \quad L_2 = 14 + 2 = 16, \\ \text{Minute 3 : } L_2 &= 16 \Rightarrow a_3 = \left\lfloor \frac{16}{6} \right\rfloor = 2, \quad L_3 = 16 + 2 = 18, \\ \text{Minute 4 : } L_3 &= 18 \Rightarrow a_4 = \left\lfloor \frac{18}{6} \right\rfloor = 3, \quad L_4 = 18 + 3 = 21, \\ \text{Minute 5 : } L_4 &= 21 \Rightarrow a_5 = \left\lfloor \frac{21}{6} \right\rfloor = 3, \quad L_5 = 21 + 3 = 24, \\ \text{Minute 6 : } L_5 &= 24 \Rightarrow a_6 = \left\lfloor \frac{24}{6} \right\rfloor = 4, \quad L_6 = 24 + 4 = 28, \\ \text{Minute 7 : } L_6 &= 28 \Rightarrow a_7 = \left\lfloor \frac{28}{6} \right\rfloor = 4, \quad L_7 = 28 + 4 = 32, \\ \text{Minute 8 : } L_7 &= 32 \Rightarrow a_8 = \left\lfloor \frac{32}{6} \right\rfloor = 5, \quad L_8 = 32 + 5 = 37. \end{aligned}$$

Total extra gold produced by one large box in 8 minutes:

$$A_{\text{large}} = \sum_{k=1}^8 a_k = 2 + 2 + 2 + 3 + 3 + 4 + 4 + 5 = 25.$$

$\text{Extra gold per large box in 8 min} = 25, \quad L(8) = L_8 = 37.$

**(d) Grand total of coins after 8 minutes:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Small total} &= 10 \quad (\text{unchanged}), \\ \text{Medium total} &= 96 \quad (\text{from (b)}), \\ \text{Large total} &= n_l \cdot L(8) = 2 \cdot 37 = 74, \\ T(8) &= 10 + 96 + 74 = 180. \end{aligned}$$

$T(8) = 180 \text{ coins}$

Gold vs silver breakdown:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gold coins} &= n_l \cdot A_{\text{large}} = 2 \cdot 25 = 50, \\ \text{Silver coins} &= T(8) - \text{Gold} = 180 - 50 = 130. \end{aligned}$$

**(e) Total coin value in silver-coin equivalents (gold = 5 × silver):**

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{silver}} &= 130 \cdot 1 = 130, \quad V_{\text{gold}} = 50 \cdot 5 = 250, \\ V_{\text{total}} &= 130 + 250 = 380. \end{aligned}$$

$V_{\text{total}} = 380 \text{ (silver-coin equivalents)}$

**Final boxed answers:**

- (a)  $S = 10, M = 24, L = 24$  (per box at start),
- (b) Each medium at  $t = 8 : 24$ ,
- (c) Extra gold per large box in 8 min: 25,
- (d) Total coins at  $t = 8 : 180$ ,
- (e) Total value (silver-equivalents): 380.