

Furthest Building You Can Reach (LEETCODE-1642)

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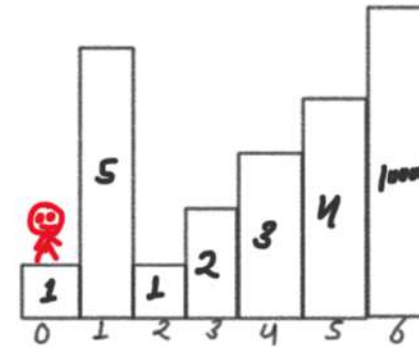
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READ PROBLEM STATEMENT FIRST

Example 1:

Input: heights = [1,5,1,2,3,4,10000], bricks = 5, ladders = 1

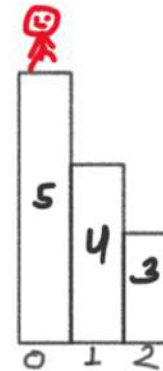
Output: 5



Example 2:

Input: heights = [5,4,3], bricks = 0, ladders = 0

Output: 2



Explanation

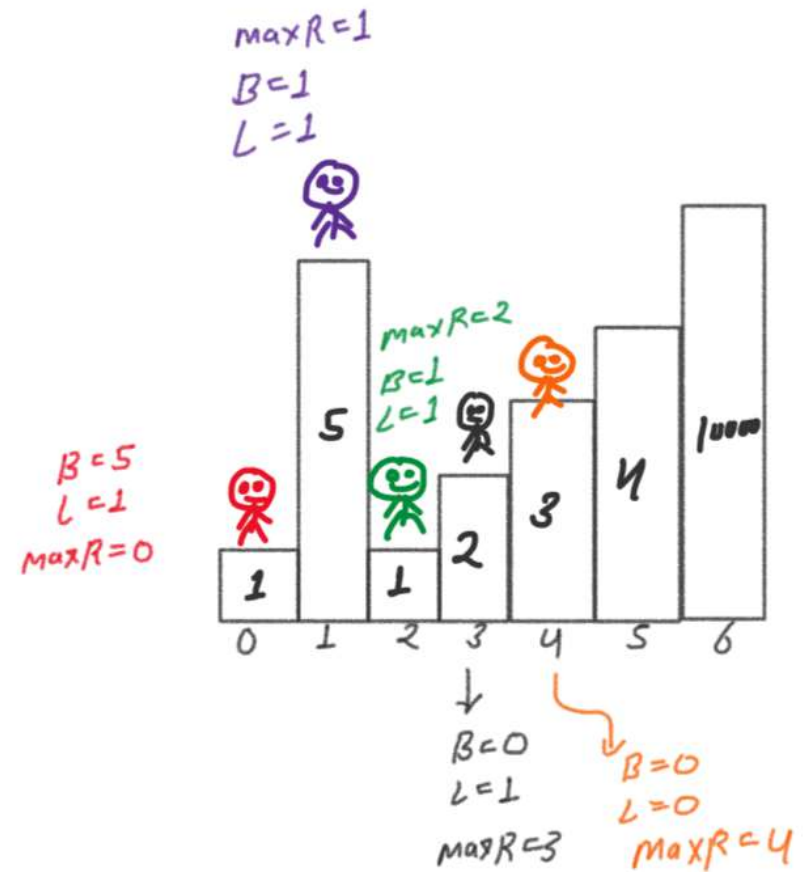
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Input: heights = [1,5,1,2,3,4,10000], bricks = 5, ladders = 1

Output: 5

Start with bricks uses:

Max Reach = 4



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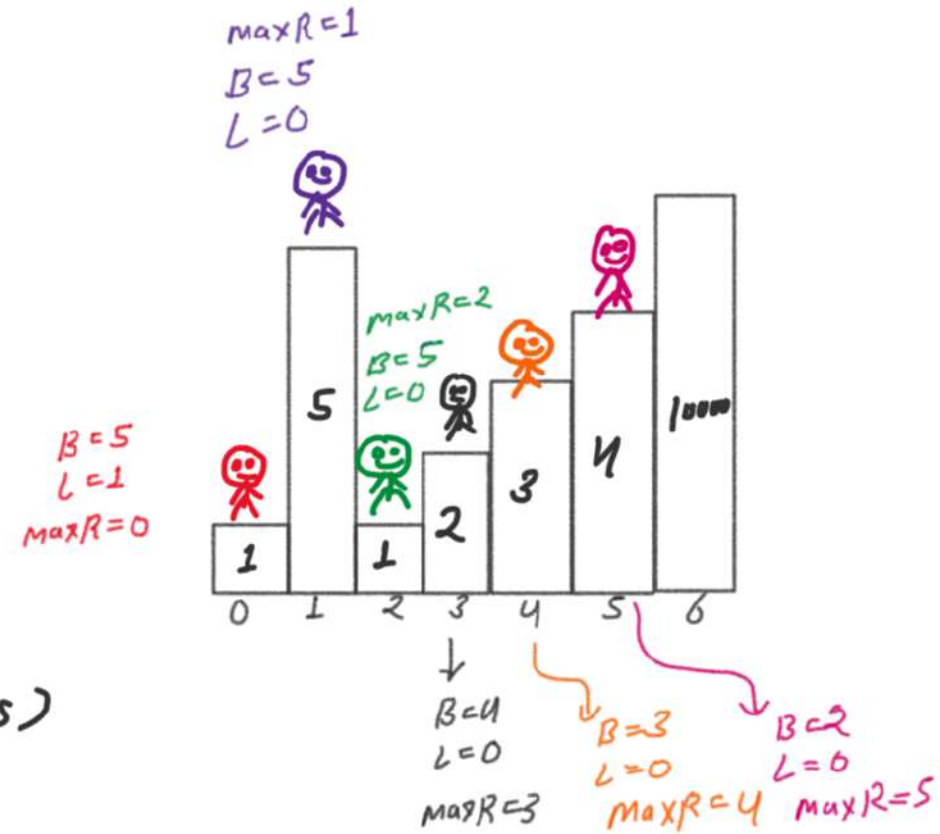
Output: 5

Start with ladders uses:

MaxReach = 5

$\Rightarrow \max(\text{start with Bricks, start with Ladders})$

$\Rightarrow \max(4, 5) \Rightarrow \boxed{5}$ output



Intuition

First, I want to use the all bricks and if bricks are not sufficient then I will use the ladders.

Example 3:

Input: heights = [4,2,7,6,9,14,12], bricks = 5, ladders = 1

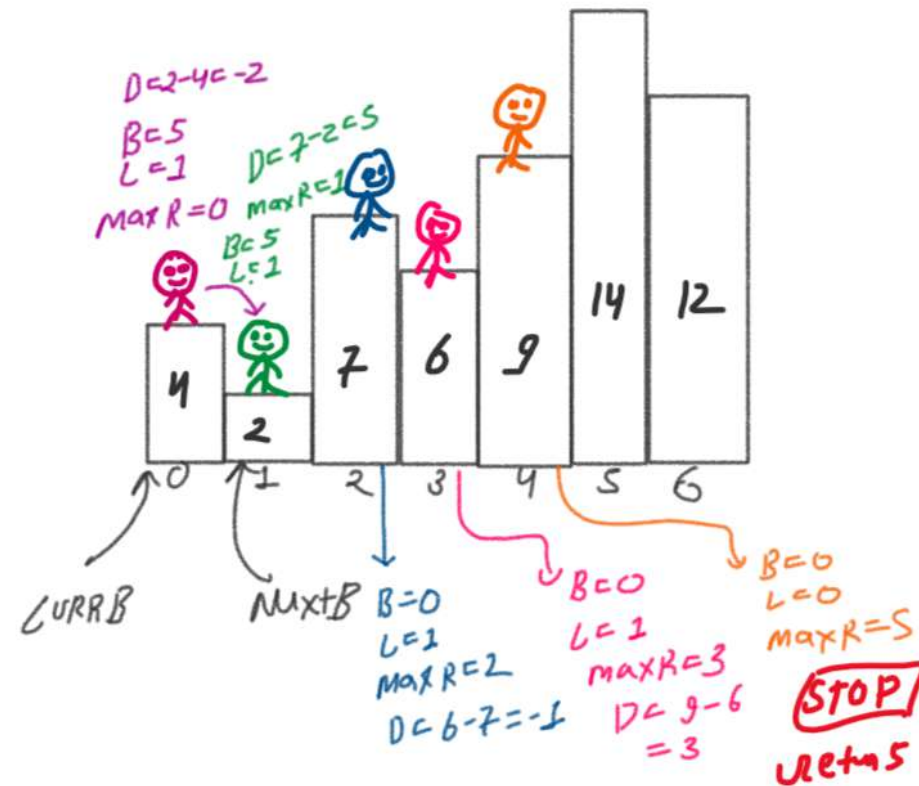
Output: 4

Approach 1

STEP 1 uses the All Brick first

STEP 2 uses the All ladders second

Note $\text{nextBH} - \text{currBH} < 0$
↳ Direct jump to nextB



if (Bricks \leq 0 && Ladders \leq 0)

→ return maxReach

if (Diff > Bricks && Ladder \neq 0)

→ return maxReach

EDGE CASE

traverse loop from 0 to size-2

because of Array Index out of Bound Error.

Example 2:

Input: heights = [5,4,3], bricks = 0, ladders = 0

Output: 2

Ex 3, 2 are solved using Approach 1

but not Ex 1 😊?

↪ ^{4 हेत} Approach 1 की code नहीं है।



Approach 1

/*
Brute Force Approach:
Time complexity: $O(N \log(K))$
Space complexity: $O(1)$
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Where N is the number of buildings and K is the maximum difference between heights
*/

```
class Solution {
public:
    int furthestBuilding(vector<int>& heights, int bricks, int ladders) {
        int maxReachIndex = 0;
        for(int index = 0; index < heights.size()-1; index++){
            int diff = heights[index+1] - heights[index];

            if(diff <= 0){
                // currBH >= nextBH
                maxReachIndex = index + 1;
                continue;
            }
            else if(diff > 0){
                // currBH < nextBH
                if(diff <= bricks){
                    // Step1: first we will use the all bricks
                    maxReachIndex = index + 1;
                    bricks -= diff;
                }
                else if(ladders > 0){
                    // Step2: if bricks are not sufficient then use the ladders
                    maxReachIndex = index + 1;
                    ladders -= 1;
                }
                else if(diff > bricks && ladders <= 0){
                    return maxReachIndex;
                }
                else if(bricks <= 0 && ladders <= 0){
                    return maxReachIndex;
                }
            }
        }
        // Ynha tak me tabhi pahunch skta hu jab mera pura array traverse hu chuka hoga
        return maxReachIndex;
    }
};
```

Approach 2

Max Heap to store
the Bricks

/*
Optimal Approach:
Time complexity: $O(N \log N)$
Space complexity: $O(K)$
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Where K is a maximum size of ladders
*/

```
class Solution {
public:
    int furthestBuilding(vector<int>& heights, int bricks, int ladders) {

        // Priority Queue for storing the bricks used in each step in decreasing order (Max at top)
        priority_queue<int> maxBricks;

        int i=0, diff =0;
        for(i=0; i<heights.size()-1; i++){

            // Number of required bricks
            diff = heights[i+1]-heights[i];

            if(diff <= 0){
                // currBH >= nextBH
                continue;
            }
            else if(diff > 0 ){
                // currBH < nextBH
                // Step1: first we will use the all bricks when diff > 0
                bricks -= diff;
                maxBricks.push(diff);

                // Step2: if bricks are not sufficient then use the ladders
                if(bricks < 0){
                    ladders--;
                    // Replace maxBrick with 1 ladder when jab all bricks use ho chuke ho
                    bricks += maxBricks.top();
                    maxBricks.pop();
                }
                // Me is step par tabhi pahuncha hu jab mene all bricks and ladders ko use kr liya hai
                if(ladders < 0) break;
            }
        }
        // Ynha tak me tabhi pahunch skta hu jab mera pura array traverse hu chuka hoga
        return i;
    }
};
```

Why we
max
Heaps?



Why use maxHeap to store the Bricks?

DRY RUN

Example 1:

Input: heights = [1,5,1,2,3,4,10000], bricks = 5, ladders = 1

Output: 5

Same Intuition

First, I want to use the *all* bricks and if bricks are not sufficient then I will use the ladders.

Start with bricks uses till bricks > 0 then Uses the ladders one by one but replace ladders with maxBricks on each time.

[DRY RUN ITSELF ON DIFFERENT TEST CASES]
→ TO BETTER UNDERSTANDING

